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EDUCATION

Sciences Po, Paris School of International Affairs (PSIA) **Paris, France**
Master in International Economic Policy Sep 2026-June 2028

- Concentrations: Environment & Sustainability, Project Management
- Coursework: International Trade, Trade Policy, Applied Econometrics, Economics of Poverty, Entrepreneurship and Social Innovation, Role of International Organizations in Clean Energy Transitions and Environmental Protection

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY- AFRICA (USIU-AFRICA) **Nairobi, Kenya**
Bachelor of Science in Finance with a concentration in Economics May 2021-Dec 2024

- CGPA: 3.924/4.00, Summa Cum Laude
- Relevant Coursework: Intermediate Macroeconomics, Intermediate Microeconomics, Public Finance, Economic Development, International Managerial Finance, Introduction to Research Methods,
- Awards: Dean's List all semesters, Top Graduating Student Award (Sep 2025)
- Sciences Po Summer School, Economics For a Better World: Issues and Policies for Low-Developing Countries (June-July 2022, France)

WORK EXPERIENCE

JASPER PRIMARY SCHOOL-NYAIRONGO **Kikuube, Uganda**
Founder Jan 2025-Present

- Mobilised $14,000+ funding from fellowships and competitions, constructed eight classrooms and launched Jasper Primary School, which enrolled 500 children from Early Childhood Development to Primary Five, transforming rural education in Western Uganda
- Secured a partnership with African Leadership Academy (ALA) through ALforEducation apprenticeship program, facilitating a teacher empowerment workshop for 10 teachers, enhancing their leadership, communication and building confidence for children support.

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY-AFRICA (USIU-AFRICA) **Nairobi, Kenya**
Program Associate- Community Give Back Program Apr 2025-Present

- Led proposal review processes from over 1000 Mastercard Foundation Scholars, organizing proposal writing trainings, preparing evaluation timelines, and coordinating a team of 15 evaluators to provide timely feedback.
- Planned site visits to all the areas where projects are implemented by the Mastercard Foundation Scholars in and outside Kenya by preparing a site visit calendar every cycle, planning logistics and processing all funds in line with the project budget.

AFRICAN LEADERSHIP ACADEMY **Johannesburg, South Africa (Remote)**
AL for Education Coach Jun 2025-Aug 2025

- Mentored 4 African Leadership Academy apprentices through weekly one on one discussions, guiding them to successfully implement their innovation research projects

Financial Sector Deepening Africa (FSD Africa) **Nairobi, Kenya (Hybrid)**
Early Stage Finance Intern Sep 2024-Apr 2025

- Conducted portfolio analysis of 100+ early-stage companies funded through the Venture Finance platform, generating market insights to inform strategic decision-making.
- Played a key role in event planning and execution, including organizing stakeholder workshops, identifying venues, and managing logistics.

AFRICAN LEADERSHIP ACADEMY **Johannesburg, Uganda (Remote)**
Cohort 4 Apprentice, AL for Education Apprenticeship May 2024-Aug 2024

- Researched Project-Based Learning methodology and trained 15+ teachers from Kyangwali Refugee Settlement, which improved teachers' classroom delivery
- Attended AL for Education gathering in Johannesburg, South Africa and participated in the 2024 Little Bets challenge on gender equity in education, winning $2500

Chuchu Softies **Accra, Ghana (Remote)**
Finance and Accounting Intern Jan 2024-May 2024

- Introduced Zoho Books accounting software to strengthen the organization's financial management, improve bookkeeping practices, and streamline transaction recording.
- Developed financial procedures and guidelines to standardize transactions, strengthen internal controls, and promote consistent financial management practices.
- Prepared financial reports, statements, and project budgets to support financial planning, monitoring, and decision-making.

BRAC International, Uganda **Kampala, Uganda**
Finance Intern Sep 2023-Dec 2023

- Utilized YO platform to initiate over 30 million Uganda shillings mobile money payments daily for 20 beneficiaries and 20 staff, streamlining the disbursement process and enhancing efficiency.
- Analyzed quarterly Budget Variation Analysis (BVA) within specified reporting timelines, providing the variations in the budgeted amounts and the actual expenses.
- Conducted cost apportionment for 10 projects, ensuring timely allocation of project shared expenses such as staff internet and airtime expenses for over 500 staff.
- Computed and deducted excise duty, withholding tax, and VAT from over 30 service providers, ensuring accurate and timely remittance to the Uganda Revenue Authority.

CIYOTA PRIMARY SCHOOL **Kikuube, Uganda**
Teaching Assistant May 2020-Dec 2020

- Prepared and distributed learning content for 400 refugee primary school students through the home-based learning program during the COVID-19 lockdown in Uganda
- Trained 400 children on the use of the MyHome Stars academic board game, inspiring fun and entertainment in learning for refugee children
- Prepared weekly reports to the Head Teacher and the MyHome Stars Team on the field progress and the success of the board game among children, providing recommendations on areas of improvement for the home learning program

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

MASTERCARD FOUNDATION SCHOLARS PROGRAM AT USIU-AFRICA **Nairobi, Kenya**
President, Scholar Council Mar 2022-Apr 2023

- Revised the Scholar Council constitution by creating two positions and increasing the representation of scholars from 4 to 6 members, contributing to scholar council restructuring
- Introduced a family system, creating 12 families with two leaders each family and allocated Scholars, which decentralised scholar activities such as community service

BAOBAB PLATFORM AT ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY **Nairobi, Kenya**
Baobab Ambassador Sep 2021-Dec 2024

- Trained and supported 400+ USIU-Africa students in effectively navigating and utilizing the Mastercard Foundation's Baobab Platform to enhance networking, knowledge sharing, and learning opportunities.
- Collaborated with over 100 Ambassadors across 30 Mastercard Foundation Scholars Program partner universities to plan and host quarterly online networking events for over 10,000 Mastercard Foundation Scholars and Alumni, located in different countries

CORNERSTONE LEADERSHIP ACADEMY-UGANDA **Kampala, Uganda**
Chairperson, School Council Mar 2018-Mar 2019

- Organised an annual community outreach program in Kiboga district to 200 young marginalised girls affected by period poverty, supporting them with sanitary pads
- Managed the school food store, monitored food inventory and consumption, and prepared regular reports on food usage to support accountability and efficient resource management.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Professional Certifications: Google Data Analytics (2022), Financial Modelling and Valuation Analyst (2022)
Hobbies and Interests: Debates, Teaching, Public Speaking, Storytelling, Travelling, Nature walks
Skills: Data Analysis, Research, Project Management, Budgeting, community engagement, Econometrics, Fundraising, Communication
Languages: English (Fluent), Kinyarwanda (Fluent), Luganda (Fluent), Kiswahili (Beginner), French (Beginner)
Other Awards: Little Bets Education Challenge (2024), Edupreneur Growth Lab (2022), Scholar-Led Workshop (2021)
Conferences Attended: ALforEducation Gathering, South Africa (2024 & 2025), Mastercard Foundation Baobab Summit, Kigali (2022)