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Education:

PhD, Economics, UC Berkeley ("UCB")
MA, Economics, Middle Tennessee State University
BA, Economics, Addis Ababa University

Employment:

2014 – Assistant Professor, University of Waterloo (St. Paul's U. College & Economics)
2013 Research Fellow, Center for the Economics and Demography of Aging,
University of California, Berkeley
2004-2005 Research Assistant, Federal Reserve Bank of Boston

Research Grants and Awards

2015 St. Paul's University College Research Grant, \$5,000
2012 - 2013 Gates Foundation Research Grant (via CEDA), \$25,000
2011 - 2012 Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award, UCB
2010 National Science Foundation Research Grant (via UCB), \$5,000
2010 - 2011 UCB Demography Chair's Research Grant, \$ 7,000
2010 Institute of Business and Economic Research Grant (UCB), \$1,500

Research:

Published:

1. Is low fertility really a problem? Population aging, dependency, and consumption, *Science*, 346 (6206), 229 – 234, (2014) – With R. Lee, et al.
2. The effects of international migration on migrant-source households: Evidence from Ethiopian Diversity-Visa lottery migrants, *World Development*, 84(3), 69-81, (2016).
3. The impact of Addis Ababa's expansion on the welfare of the displaced farming communities. In Gabissa, E. (Ed.), *Violent Democracy: The Oromo Protest and the Crisis of the Developmental State in Ethiopia (Forthcoming)*.
4. US foreign policy and the making of a failing Ethiopian state, *Journal of Oromo Studies (Forthcoming)*.

Under Review:

1. Migration of adult children and the health of sending parents: Evidence from Ethiopian Diversity-Visa (DV) lottery migrants to the US

In Progress:

1. Political representation and public goods provision: Evidence from the reorganization of the Ethiopian state along ethno-linguistic lines (With Horatiu Rus and Alain D. Nimubona)
2. Banking, saving and growth across Ethiopia: Evidence from “unusual” branch expansion patterns (With Horatiu Rus)
3. Socialism and stature: Evidence from the Ethiopian revolution of 1974 (With Alain D. Nimubona).

Other Publications:

1. An open letter to the policy makers of the National Bank of Ethiopia, October 2015, *All Africa & Addis Standard*
2. The making of Addis Ababa and the alienation of the Oromo, December 2015, *Gadaa.com*
3. The economic performance of New England states in 2004: An overview, *New England Economic Indicators*, 2005, issue Apr, pages i-xiv (With E. Aghdasi, et al)
4. Some Questions for the US Embassy – Addis Ababa and USAID – Ethiopia re: the change in the ordering of Qubee Alphabet, June 2017, *Zehabesha.com*; *Ethioexplorer.com*

Graduate Student Supervision:

Anil Dhakal, PhD Student, School of Environment and Economic Development, University of Waterloo

Other Scholarly Activities:

President-Elect, Oromo Studies Association (<http://www.romostudies.org>)

Fellow, Global Labor Organization (<https://glabor.org/wp/>)

