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**EDUCATION**

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Joint PhD in Public Policy and Political Science <b>Duke University</b> , Durham NC, US	Expected 2024
Master's in International Economic Policy <b>Sciences Po</b> , Paris, France <i>Thesis: The Contribution of Human Capital to Economic Growth in Cuba</i>	2014
Bachelor of Commerce <b>Makerere University Business School</b> <i>Thesis: Microfinance Institutions' Credit Policies and Loan Accessibility</i>	2011

**ACADEMIC AND RESEARCH POSITIONS**

**Teaching Positions**

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<b>Teaching Assistant</b> Duke University Sanford School of Public Policy, Durham, USA Courses: <i>Economics of the Public Sector</i> and <i>Public Management</i>	2020 – 2021
<b>Lecturer</b> Finance Department, Makerere University Business School, Kampala, Uganda Courses: <i>International Business Economics</i> and <i>Ugandan Economy and Regional Integration</i>	2015 – 2017

**Research Positions**

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**Academic**

<b>Consultant</b> , DevLab@Penn, University of Pennsylvania Project: <i>Garbage Collection in Cambodia</i>	2022
<b>Research Assistant</b> , The Cloudburst Group Project: <i>Land Reform Evaluation in Burkina Faso</i>	2022
<b>Research Assistant</b> , DevLab@Duke, Duke University Projects: <i>Land Reform Evaluation in Mozambique</i> <i>Civil Society Repression in Uganda</i> <i>Human Development in Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan, and Uzbekistan</i>	2019 – 2022
<b>Consultant</b> , World Bank Project: <i>Human Development in Central Asia</i>	2022
<b>Visiting Scholar</b> , School of Public Affairs, University of Colorado, Denver	2017 – 2018

**Policy**

<b>Research Associate</b> , Economic Policy Research Centre, Makerere University	2015 – 2017
<b>Visiting Researcher</b> , South-South Cooperation Department, BRICS Policy Center	2016 – 2017
<b>Consultant</b> , International Development Research Center / Trade Facilitation Office	2016

**Fellowships and Awards**

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Program for Advanced Research in the Social Sciences Fellowship	2023 – 2024
James B. Duke International Research Travel Fellowship, Duke University	2023
Duke Political Science Department's Evans Endowment	2023
Duke Graduate Student Training Enhancement Grant	2022

Public Scholar, American Political Science Association	2021 – 2022
Equity & Inclusion Fellow, Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management	2021 – 2022
Fellow, Ronald Coase Institute	2021
Summer Research Fellowship, Duke University	2019, 2020, 2021
Research and Study Scholarship, Pontificia Universidade Católica, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil	2016
First Class Honors, Makerere University Business School, Kampala, Uganda	2010
Undergraduate Full Tuition Scholarship, Government of Uganda	2007 – 2010

## BIBLIOGRAPHY

### Work in Progress

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Chiefs and Public Service Provision in Rural Ghana. *In Progress*

The Effect of Government Intervention on the Operational Decisions of NGOs: Evidence from a Survey Experiment in Three Countries **with** Simon Hollerbauer, Graeme Robertson, Jeremy Springman, and Erik Wibbels. *In Progress*

### Policy Reports

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Burkina Faso Rural Land Governance Project **with** Heather Huntington, Kate Marple-Cantrell, Alexandra Hartman, and Stephanie Dodd. *Under Review*

Lakuma C P, Katunze M, **Nagawa M**, Maweje J, Lwanga M, Mbowa S, Shinyenkwa I. (March 2017). [Country Reviews of Capacity Development: The Case of Uganda](#). *Economic Policy Research Centre*. Occasional Paper 41.

Munyambonera E, **Nagawa M**. (January 2017). [Perspectives and Emerging Issues of Uganda's External Development Landscape](#). *Economic Policy Research Centre Policy Brief Series*. Issue No. 73.

Munyambonera E, **Nagawa M**, Lwanga M. (September 2017). [Mobilizing and Managing External Development Assistance for Inclusive Growth: Six Countries' Experiences and Lessons](#). *African Centre for Economic Transformation Annual Report*

**Nagawa, M**. (September 2016). Promoting Exports of Ugandan Specialty Textiles to Canada: Challenges and Opportunities. *Trade Facilitation Office Canada and International Development Research Centre*

### Blogs

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Nagawa M. (July 2022). [A Fear of Oversight](#). *Political Science Now*

Nagawa M. (April 2022). [The Two Faces of State Capacity](#). *Political Science Now*

Nagawa M. (January 2022). [Are Anti-Corruption Campaigns Fighting a Losing Battle?](#) *Political Science Now*

Nagawa M. (November 2021). [Indigenous Recognition as State Consolidation](#). *Political Science Now*

Nagawa M. (September 2021). [How Socioeconomic Revolutions Shape Ethnic Identities](#). *Political Science Now*

Nagawa M. (July 2021). [Poverty and the Vote](#). *Political Science Now*

Nagawa M. (July 2021). [The Perils of Social Media Politics](#). *Political Science Now*

Nagawa M. (September 2015). [Africa Can Educate to Emigrate](#). *Economic Policy Research Centre Blog*

Nagawa M. (August 2015). [Liberalisation and the Growth Paradox in Uganda](#). *Economic Policy Research Centre Blog*

Nagawa M, Shinyenkwa I. (July 2015). [Trading with the BRICS: Is Uganda Prepared?](#) *Economic Policy Research Centre Blog*

Nagawa M. (July 2015). [Intensifying Agriculture for Smallholder Farmers](#). *Economic Policy Research Centre Blog*

Nagawa M. (May 2015). [Uganda versus Malaysia](#). *The New Vision* (Ugandan national newspaper)

Nagawa M. (April 2015). [The Long Wait to Stable Employment for Young Women and Men in Uganda](#). *Economic Policy Research Centre Blog*

Nagawa M. (2013). The Political Awakening of Tunisia. *InFocus Magazine of Sciences Po*. 4(2) 31

## SKILLS

### Languages

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Native (**English, Luganda, and Runyankore**); Professional fluency (**French**); Conversational fluency (**Spanish and Portuguese**)

### Methods & Software

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Qualitative methods, Econometric methods, Experimental and Quasi-experimental methods  
R Statistical Computing, Arc GIS, NVivo, Dedoose, Qualtrics, SurveyCTO, WordPress

## CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

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Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management	2022
American Political Science Association	2021
Ronald Coase Institute on Institutional Analysis	2021

## INVITED PRESENTATIONS

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Political Economy of Ugandan Traditional Textiles <i>Colorado College, Colorado Springs, Colorado</i>	2017
Bridging the Gap Between the BRICS and Africa: A Look at Trade Between the BRICS and the East African Community <i>Rural Federal University of Rio de Janeiro, Seropédica, Brazil</i>	2017
Shifting Trade Patterns in the New Development Landscape: BRICS and Other Emerging Economies in the East African Community <i>BRICS Policy Center, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil</i>	2016
Promoting Exports of Ugandan Specialty Textiles to Canada: Challenges and Opportunities <i>International Development Research Center, Ottawa, Canada</i>	2016
Market Entry Strategy for Export to Canada <i>Uganda Bureau of Statistics, Kampala, Uganda</i>	2016
Statutory Minimum Wage in Uganda: Is it Feasible and/or Necessary? <i>Ministry of Gender, Labour and Social Development, Kampala, Uganda</i>	2016
Review of Uganda's Policies Relevant for Crop Intensification of Small Holder Farmers <i>Fourth Annual Forum on Agriculture and Food Security, Kampala, Uganda</i>	2015

## SERVICE

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Diversity and Inclusion Committee, Department of Political Science, Duke University	2022
Reviewer, Journal of Modern African Studies	2021 – 2022
Reviewer, RTI International	2021

## POPULAR MEDIA

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“Profile of a Public Scholar: Maria Nagawa”, <i>Political Science Today</i> 2.3, 2022
“Sourcing Specialty Textiles of the World: Searching for Prosperity in Old Traditions”, <i>Artisan Hub</i> , June 6, 2017
“Maria Nagawa: Sem interação, não temos como nos proteger. Estudiosa de economias emergentes, ugandesa veio ao Brasil para realizar palestras, a convite do BRICS Policy Center”, <i>O Globo</i> , March 8, 2017

## PRIVATE SECTOR EXPERIENCE

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<b>Consultant</b> , Business France Kenya / Embassy of France in Uganda	2016 – 2017
<b>Manager</b> , The Common Room Bar, Mpigi, Uganda	2014 - 2015
<b>Data Entry Specialist</b> , TV Only International, Paris, France	2014
<b>Sales Assistant</b> , La Durée, Paris, France	2012 - 2013
<b>Office and Accounts Manager</b> , DMark Company Ltd, Kampala, Uganda	2007 - 2010