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## Research Interests

Economic anthropology; the anthropology of policy; the anthropology of development; complex organizations; the anthropology of ethnicity and gender; transnational feminisms; anthropological political economy; microcredit and microfinancialization; the informal sector; West Africa.

## Education

2016 - 2020: University of South Florida, PhD Applied Anthropology: (In View)  
Dissertation Title: “Placing our breast on a hot kerosene lantern”: A Critical Study of Microfinancialization in the Lives of Women in the Informal Sector in Ibadan, Nigeria.

2012-2014: University of Ibadan, M.A in Anthropology: 2014.  
Thesis Title: ‘Ethnic Identity and Organization of Informal Sector in Ibadan, Southwest, Nigeria.’

2006-2010: University of Ibadan, B.A (Hons.) in Anthropology: 2010.  
B.A. Honors Project Title: ‘People’s Participation in Community Development: A Case Study of Ilora, Oyo State, Nigeria.’

2002-2005: University of Ilorin, Diploma in Social Administration: 2005.

## Publications

Olayiwola, Olubukola (2015), ‘Culture and Informal Marketing’. In A.J. Ademowo and T.D. Oladipo, eds., *Engaging the Future in the Present: Issues in Culture and Philosophy*. Pp. 86-92. Ibadan: Hope Publications.

Olubukola Olayiwola (2018), When Practices of Inclusivity-Exclusivity Become a Strategy: Igbo Ethnic Identity and the Building Materials` Trade in Ibadan, Southwest Nigeria. *ABD: An Interdisciplinary Student Journal*, University at Buffalo, SUNY- Buffalo, New York. ISSN 2168-1643 (Print), ISSN 2168-1651 (Online).

## Work Accepted for Publication/Under Review

Olubukola Olayiwola (2017), “Microcredit Schemes of Tension”: Women and the Economic Violence of Credit Mobilization in Southwest Nigeria

## **Conference Presentations & Radio-Talk & Guest Lecture**

Olubukola Olayiwola (2017), ‘When Practices Become a Strategy: The Igbo Ethnic Identity and Building Materials’ Trade in Ibadan, Southwest Nigeria” a conference paper presented at 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Symposium of The USF Institute on Black Life and the Center for Africa and the Diaspora, February 9, 2017.

Olubukola Olayiwola (2017), Women and the Economic Violence of Microcredit Mobilization in Southwest Nigeria. A conference paper presented at 116<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the American Anthropological Association in Marriot Wardman Park Hotel, Washington DC, November 28-December 3, 2017

Olubukola Olayiwola (February, 2018), Engaging Applied Anthropology in Problem-Solving: Informal Sector, Ethnic Identity, Microlending and Women in the Context of National Development in Nigeria. A Discussion Series on Bull Radio, University of South Florida, USA.

Olubukola Olayiwola (April, 2018), Women in the Informal Economy/Sector in Southwest Nigeria: Ethnic Identity, Microfinance, and Microcredit. Guest Lecture on Economic Anthropology and Informal Economy (Applied Anthropology, Finalist Class).

## **Academic Awards and Fellowships**

2016 – 2020: Wadsworth International Fellow, Wenner-Gren Foundation, USA

2016: Next Generation Social Sciences in Africa Fellowship Program (Social Science Research Council), USA

2016: Funmi-Adewole Foundation, Chicago, USA

2013: Oyo State Scholarship Award, Nigeria

2009-10: Award of Recognition by Archaeology and Anthropology Students’ Association, University of Ibadan, for Best 400-level Student, Nigeria

2008-09: Oyo State Scholarship Award, Nigeria

2007: AOOOF Sponsor Scholarship for Superior Academic Achievement and Outstanding Service to the Community, Nigeria

## **Fieldwork Experience**

2013-present Ibadan, Nigeria, research with women market vendors.

2016 Lagos, Nigeria, research with urban market vendors.

2016 Oyo State, Nigeria, evaluation of agricultural development scheme.

2011-2013 Oyo State, Nigeria, evaluation of development programs (MDGs).

2009 Ibadan, Nigeria, research with urban communities.

## **Research Employment**

2016 *Researcher, HarvestPlus, an entity of the Consultative Group for International Agricultural Research and directed by the International Center for Tropical Agriculture and the International Food Policy Research Institute. Responsibilities include: Qualitative research in northern Oyo State, Nigeria, on impacts of Vitamin A Cassava project.*

2016 *Unaffiliated Investigator, Harvard and Yale Okrika Trader Survey (Lagos Trader Project). Responsibilities include: Using Android device to administer questionnaire and conduct interviews among okrika (used goods) traders in Lagos State, Nigeria.*

2015 *Consultant/State Enumerator, Post-Election Audit Research, Action-Aid Nigeria. Responsibilities included: Conducting focus group discussions and conducting key-informant interviews in several Local Government Areas in Oyo State, Nigeria.*

2014-15 *Program Facilitator, Action Aid Nigeria in conjunction with Information Aid Network of Ibadan, for the 'Strengthening Citizens' Engagement in Electoral Processes' project.*

*Responsibilities included: Organizing Town-Square Meetings among stakeholders which included Community Based Association members, and other interest groups, the press, and political parties in Oyo State, Nigeria. Duties also included conducting voter education and civic education among the selected population, with special emphasis on the rights of women, youth, and people living with disabilities.*

2010-11 *Program Assistant, Development Policy Centre, Ibadan, Oyo State, Nigeria.*

*Responsibilities included: Monitoring and evaluating projects, conducting interviews with program stakeholders, conducting social impact assessments, and data monitoring.*

2011 *Presiding Officer, Independent National Electoral Commission, Rijiwan-Giwa Polling Unit, Shendam Plateau State, Nigeria. Responsibilities included: The collection of electoral materials from the INEC office and presentation of same materials at the polling unit, conducting head-count and accreditation of the*

*electorates, overall management of the polling unit, preserving voting materials, counting ballots.*

2009-10 *Research Trainee, Development Policy Centre, Ibadan, Oyo State, Nigeria.*

*Responsibilities included: Training on social impact assessments, qualitative analysis, proposal and report writing, and in basic computing.*

## **Teaching Experience**

2016 *Teaching Associate, ANT 2410 “Introduction to Cultural anthropology”, Fall 2016; ANT 4034 “Theories of Culture” Spring 2016, Department of Anthropology, University of South Florida, USA.*

2017 *Teaching Associate, ANT 4930 “Anthropology of Africa”, Spring 2017; ANT 4034 “Theories of Culture” Spring 2017; ANT 2410 “Introduction to Anthropology”, Fall 2017, Department of Anthropology, University of South Florida, USA.*

2018 *Instructor, ANT 2410 “Introduction to Cultural Anthropology”, Spring 2018. Department of Anthropology, University of South Florida, USA.*

## **Language**

English (fluent, spoken and written)

Yoruba (native)

## **Professional Memberships**

Member, Society for Monitoring and Evaluation, Nigeria (SMEAN)

## **Service**

2012 *Disaster Management Vanguard, National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA)*

*Responsibilities included: Work in a small group with fellow youth corps in combating and managing disasters at the grassroots in Plateau State, Nigeria.*