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Curriculum Vitae

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## EDUCATION

**Ph.D. University of Oregon.** School of Journalism and Communication. Eugene, OR 97403  
(2009-2014)

Major Area: **International and Development Communication**

Minor area: Development Studies

Academic Supervisor and Dissertation Chair: H. Leslie Steeves

Dissertation Title: “The Politics of Telecommunications and Development in Ethiopia”

Committee Members: Gabriela Martínez, Bish Sen, Janet Wasko, Stephen Wooten  
(Department of International Studies)

G.P.A.: 3.97 on a 4.0 scale

**M.A. Addis Ababa University.** School of Journalism and Communication. Addis Ababa,  
Ethiopia (2005-2007).

Major Area: **Broadcast Journalism**

Advisor: Larry Strelitz (Media Studies, Rhodes University, Grahamstown, South Africa)

Thesis Title: “Disney Kids: A Study on the Reception of a Global Media Giant by  
Ethiopian Children in Addis Ababa”

G.P.A.: 4.0 on a 4.0 scale

**B.Ed. Debu University.** Dilla College of Teacher Education & Health Sciences. Department  
of English. Dilla, Ethiopia (2000-2004)

Major Area: **English Language & Literature**

Minor Area: Amharic

G.P.A.: 3.69 on a 4.0 scale

## **ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

- 2016-present Assistant Professor, School of Communication Studies, Kent State University.
- 2014-2016 Postdoctoral Fellow, School of Journalism and Communication, University of Oregon.
- 2014 Graduate Lecturer, African Studies Program, University of Oregon.
- 2013-2014 Graduate Lecturer, Department of International Studies, University of Oregon.
- 2011-2013 Graduate Lecturer, School of Journalism and Communication, University of Oregon.
- 2008-2009 Visiting Lecturer, Ethiopian Mass Media Training Institute (EMMTI), Addis Ababa University.
- 2007-2009 Lecturer, Department of English Language & Literature, Arba Minch University.
- 2004-2005 Junior Lecturer and Interim Department Head, Department of English Language & Literature, Arba Minch University.

## **RESEARCH**

### ***AWARDS & HONORS***

- 2020 Top Debut Paper Award, Broadcast Education Association (BEA), Las Vegas, Nevada.
- 2017 Research and Creative Activity Fund, College of Communication & Information, Kent State University.
- 2013 Glenn Starlin Fellowship in Telecommunications, University of Oregon.
- 2012 Gary E. Smith Summer Professional Development Award, University of Oregon.
- 2012 Kappa Tau Alpha, School of Journalism & Communication, University of Oregon.
- 2010 Columbia Scholarship, School of Journalism and Communication.
- 2009 Promising Scholar Award, Graduate School, University of Oregon.
- 2009 Columbia Scholarship, School of Journalism and Communication.

- 2007 Outstanding Master's Thesis, School of Journalism and Communication, Addis Ababa University.
- 2006 Save the Children Dissertation Award, School of Journalism and Communication, Addis Ababa University/Save the Children Denmark.

### ***PUBLISHED OR ACCEPTED PUBLICATIONS***

#### **A. Peer Reviewed Journal Articles (16)**

- 16 **Workneh, T. W.** (2022). Pandemic politics and Africa: Examining discourses of Afrophobia in the news media. *Journal of African Media Studies*, 14(1), 159-176. [https://doi.org/10.1386/jams\\_00071\\_1](https://doi.org/10.1386/jams_00071_1)
- 15 **Workneh, T. W.** (2021d). Overseas media, homeland audiences: Examining determinants of newsmaking in Deutsche Welle's Amharic service. *Media, Culture and Society*, 1-18. <https://doi.org/10.1177/01634437211022724>
- 14 **Workneh, T. W., & Lin, M-C.** (2021). Teaching global communication during COVID-19: Challenges, mitigation, and lessons learned. *Journalism & Mass Communication Educator*, 1-14. <https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/10.1177/10776958211026176>
- 13 **Workneh, T. W.** (2021b). From state repression to fear of non-state actors: Examining emerging threats of journalism practice in Ethiopia. *Journalism Practice*, 1–18. <https://doi.org/10.1080/17512786.2021.1919176>
- 12 **Workneh, T. W.** (2021a). Social media, protest, & outrage communication in Ethiopia: Toward fractured publics or pluralistic polity? *Information, Communication & Society*, 24(3), 309–328. <https://doi.org/10.1080/1369118X.2020.1811367>
- 11 **Workneh, T. W.** (2020c). Beyond state vanguardism and market fundamentalism: A case for telecommunications commons in Ethiopia. *Popular Communication*, 18(3), 185–200. <https://doi.org/10.1080/15405702.2020.1781861>
- 10 **Workneh, T. W.** (2020b). Exotica Africana: Interrogating African otherness in Bizarre Foods with Andrew Zimmern. *Popular Communication*, 18(2), 121–137. <https://doi.org/10.1080/15405702.2019.1637524>
- 9 **Workneh, T. W.** (2020a). Journalistic autonomy in Voice of America's Amharic service: Actors, deterrents, and safeguards. *Journalism Studies*, 21(2), 217–235. <https://doi.org/10.1080/1461670X.2019.1634484>
- 8 **Workneh, T.W., & Steeves, H.** (2019). Anthony Bourdain: Parts Unknown in Africa: Cultural brokerage, "going native," and colonial nostalgia. *International Journal of*

*Communication*, 13, 5525–5547.  
<https://ijoc.org/index.php/ijoc/article/view/11895>

- 7 **Workneh, T. W.** (2019b). Ethiopia’s hate speech predicament: Seeking antidotes beyond a legislative response. *African Journalism Studies*, 40(3), 123–139.  
<https://doi.org/10.1080/23743670.2020.1729832>
- 6 **Workneh, T. W.** (2019a). Counter-terrorism in Ethiopia: Manufacturing insecurity, monopolizing speech. *Internet Policy Review*, 8(1).  
<https://doi.org/10.14763/2019.1.1394>
- 5 **Workneh, T. W.** (2018b). State monopoly of telecommunications in Ethiopia: Origins, debates, and the way forward. *Review of African Political Economy*, 45(158), 592–608. <https://doi.org/10.1080/03056244.2018.1531390>
- 4 **Workneh, T. W.** (2018a). Journalism education interventions in Sub-Saharan Africa: An examination of the Norwegian model in Ethiopia. *African Journalism Studies*, 39(2), 9–29. <https://doi.org/10.1080/23743670.2018.1473269>
- 3 **Workneh, T.W.** (2016a). Chinese multinationals in the Ethiopian telecommunications sector. *Communication, Culture & Critique*, 9(1), 126–147.  
<https://doi.org/10.1111/cccr.12129>
- 2 **Workneh, T. W.** (2015). Digital cleansing? A look into state-sponsored policing of Ethiopian networked communities. *African Journalism Studies*, 36(4), 102–124.  
<https://doi.org/10.1080/23743670.2015.1119493>
- 1 **Workneh, T. W.** (2013). War journalism or peace journalism? A case study of U.S. and British newspapers’ coverage of the Somali conflict. *Global Media Journal*, 6(1), 40-52.

#### **B. Invited Journal Article (1)**

**Workneh, T. W.** (2008). Disney kids: A study on the reception of a global media mogul by Ethiopian children. *The International Clearinghouse on Youth, Children and Media Yearbook*, 83-97.

#### **C. Book (1)**

**Workneh, T.W., & Haridakis, P.** (Eds.). (2021a). Counter-terrorism laws and freedom of expression: Global perspectives. Lexington Books.

## D. Book Chapters (10)

- 10 **Workneh, T. W.** (in press [b]). Telecommunications and broadcasting deregulation in Ethiopia: A dialectical discussion of policy and politics. In W. Mano and L. El Mkaouar (Eds.), *Media ownership in Africa: Control, challenges & change*. Routledge.
- 9 **Workneh, T.** (2021c). Counter-terrorism and freedom of speech in Ethiopia: The EPRDF years. In T. Workneh & P. Haridakis (Eds.), *Counter-terrorism laws and freedom of expression: Global perspectives* (pp. 333–350). Lexington Books.
- 8 **Workneh, T., & Haridakis, P.** (2021b). Counter-terrorism laws in the international frame: Uncertain times for freedom of expression. In T. Workneh & P. Haridakis (Eds.), *Counter-terrorism laws and freedom of expression: Global perspectives* (pp. 3–24). Lexington Books.
- 7 Haridakis, P., & **Workneh, T.** (2021). Epilogue: Insights and lessons learned or confirmed. In T. Workneh & P. Haridakis (Eds.), *Counter-terrorism laws and freedom of expression: Global perspectives* (pp. 371–376). Lexington Books.
- 6 **Workneh, T., & Steeves, L.** (2020). State monopoly of telecommunications in Ethiopia: Revisiting natural monopoly in the era of deregulation. In R. Nichols & G. Martínez (Eds.), *Political economy of media industries* (pp. 127–147). Routledge.
- 5 Sharma, R., & **Workneh, T.** (2020). The spice of life: Discussing diversity and disparity in Mississippi Masala. In J. Hamlet (Ed.), *Films as rhetorical texts: Cultivating discussion about race, racism, and race relations* (pp. 29–46). Lexington Books.
- 4 **Workneh, T. W.** (2019d). Ethiopia. In D. L. Merskin (Ed.), *The SAGE international encyclopedia of mass media and society* (Vol. 1, pp. 570-572). SAGE Publications. <http://dx.doi.org/10.4135/9781483375519.n229>
- 3 **Workneh, T. W.** (2019c). Naspers. In D. L. Merskin (Ed.), *The SAGE international encyclopedia of mass media and society* (Vol. 1, pp. 1162-1163). SAGE Publications. <http://dx.doi.org/10.4135/9781483375519.n441>
- 2 **Workneh, T. W.** (2018c). Development, democracy and digital freedoms: A critical analysis of state-sponsored Internet censorship in Ethiopia. In D. Oppermann (Ed.), *Internet governance in the global south*. NUPRI Research Group.
- 1 **Workneh, T. W.** (2016b). Sub-Saharan Africa. In B. Birkinbine, R. Gomez, & J. Wasko (Eds.), *Global media giants* (pp. 287–311). Routledge.

## E. Commissioned Study & Report (1)

Chala, E., Esenler, A., Masouras A., Popplewell, G., Sigal, I., & **Workneh, T.** (2021). A clash of narratives: National identity and violent conflict in Ethiopia (pp. 1–52). Global Voices. <https://globalvoices.org/special/ethiopia-media-ecosystem-observatory/>

## F. Book Review (1)

**Workneh, T. W.** (2009). [Review of the book *The education of a British-protected child* by C. Achebe]. Etude.

## RESEARCH AND MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

### A. Journal Manuscripts

**Workneh, T. W.** Examining the popularity of VOA and Deutsche Welle in EPRDF's Ethiopia [to be submitted to *Journal of Broadcasting & Electronic Media*].

**Workneh, T. W.**, & Repnikova, M. COVID-19, immigrant fear, and public diplomacy: Examining media coverage of anti-African sentiments in China and African reactions [to be submitted to *African Affairs*].

Silva, D. & **Workneh, T. W.** A network analysis of protest hashtags amongst Ethiopian social media users: Actors, networks, and motifs [to be submitted to *Social Media & Society*].

Lauria, V. & **Workneh, T. W.** The China-Africa Belt Road initiative: Continuity and change in Africa's communication infrastructure engagement with the world [to be submitted to *The China Quarterly*].

**Workneh, T. W.** & Bendefaa, N. *Covering the ET500 crash: Western erasure of an African tragedy* [To be submitted to *Global Media & Communication*].

Gardner, T. & **Workneh, T. W.**, Donald Trump: Populism through Twitter. [To be submitted to *Journal of Multicultural Discourses*].

**Workneh, T. W.** & Silva, D. Ferment on the net: Mapping competing political discourses of the 2021 national Ethiopian elections [to be submitted to *Mass Communication & Society*].

## B. Book

**Workneh, T. W.** The political economy of public international broadcasters: Soft power, geopolitics, and influence (book proposal under development).

## C. Invited Chapter Manuscripts under Review

**Workneh, T. W.** Political transition and media realignment in Ethiopia: From state neopatrimony to ethnic patronage. In H. Mabweazara & B. Pearson, *Media capture in Sub-Saharan Africa and Latin America: Power & resistance*. Palgrave.

**Workneh, T. W.** Mapping the emerging Ethiopian media ecosystem. In P. F. M. Lumala, J. M. Cruz, & S. L. Connaughton, *Handbook of communication in Africa: Theory, research and praxis*. Taylor and Francis.

## CONFERENCE ACTIVITY

### A. Conference Paper Presentation (28)

28 **Workneh, T.W.** (2021, July). *Examining the contours of public diplomacy and journalistic autonomy in Deutsche Welle: A case for a three-tier analytical model of public international media* [Accepted paper presentation]. International Association for Media and Communication Research, Nairobi, Kenya, virtual conference.

27 **Workneh, T.W.** (2021, May). *Ethnic ferments and partisan pluralism in Ethiopia: Examining the emerging role of non-state actors in journalism practice* [Accepted paper presentation]. International Communication Association, virtual conference.

26 Sharma, R., & **Workneh, T.W.** (2021, February). *Untold stories: Giving voice and visibility to South Asian and African diaspora communities through film* [Paper presentation]. 7th Annual South Asian Media and Cultural Studies Conference, Tallahassee, FL, United States, virtual conference.

25 **Workneh, T.W.** (2020, August). *Overseas media, homeland audiences: Examining determinants of news-making in Deutsche Welle's Amharic service* [Paper presentation]. Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA, United States, virtual conference. <http://aejmc.org/events/sanfrancisco20/>

- 24 **Workneh, T.W.** (2020, August). *The Voice of America and Ethiopia: Examining the contours of public diplomacy and journalistic autonomy* [Paper presentation]. Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA, United States, virtual conference. <http://aejmc.org/events/sanfrancisco20/>
- 23 **Workneh, T.W.** (2020, August). *Food, exoticism, and spectacle: Commodifying African otherness in Bizarre Foods with Andrew Zimmern* [Paper presentation]. Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA, United States, virtual conference. <http://aejmc.org/events/sanfrancisco20/>
- 22 **Workneh, T.W.** (2020, August). *Social media, protest, & outrage communication in Ethiopia: Toward fractured publics or pluralistic polity?* [Paper presentation]. Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA, United States, virtual conference. <http://aejmc.org/events/sanfrancisco20/>
- 21 **Workneh, T.W.** (2020, April). *Charting the limits and opportunities of combating hate speech through legislation in Ethiopia* [Paper presentation, top debut paper]. Broadcast Education Association Annual Conference, Las Vegas, NV, United States, virtual conference.
- 20 **Workneh, T. W.** & Steeves, H. L. (2019, May). *Anthony Bourdain's Parts Unknown: Continuity and change in imagining Africa* [Paper presentation]. International Communication Association, Washington, D.C., United States.
- 19 **Workneh, T. W.** & Steeves, H. L. (2019, May). *Natural monopoly in the era of deregulation: Historicizing the role of the World Bank and China in the Ethiopian telecommunication sector* [Paper presentation]. International Communication Association, Washington, D.C., United States.
- 18 **Workneh, T. W.** (2019, January). *Counter-terrorism laws and their discontents: Examining Ethiopia's state-sponsored war on critical political expression* [Paper presentation]. 1<sup>st</sup> Lisbon Winter School for the Study of Communication, Universidade Católica Portuguesa, Lisbon, Portugal.
- 17 **Workneh, T. W.** (2018, June). *Counter-terrorism laws, "developmentalism," and digital freedom in Ethiopia: A critical reflection* [Paper presentation]. International Association for Media and Communication Research, Eugene, OR, United States.
- 16 **Workneh, T. W.** (2018, June). *Telecommunications deregulation and development: Policy lessons from Ethiopia* [Paper presentation]. International Association for Media and Communication Research, Eugene, OR, United States.
- 15 Chala, E.H., & **Workneh, T. W.** (2018, June). *Ferments in aid-based communication empowerment: Reflections on Ethiopia's girl band Yegna* [Paper presentation].



International Association for Media and Communication Research, Eugene, OR, United States.

- 14 **Workneh, T. W.** (2018, May). *Examining Chinese soft power in the Ethiopian telecom industry: Toward an alternative model of financing* [Paper presentation]. International Communication Association, Prague, Czech Republic.
- 13 **Workneh, T. W.** (2018, May). *Telecommunications as an archetype of state-led development: Examining the merits and limitations of the Ethiopian model* [Paper presentation]. International Communication Association, Prague, Czech Republic.
- 12 **Workneh, T. W.** (2018, May). *Journalism education for democratization: Lessons from Norway's experiment in Ethiopia* [Paper presentation]. International Communication Association, Prague, Czech Republic.
- 11 **Workneh, T. W.** (2018, May). *Criminalizing speech as terrorism: A discursive discussion of policy and practice on Ethiopia's counter-terrorism law* [Paper presentation]. International Communication Association, Prague, Czech Republic.
- 10 **Workneh, T. W.** (2018, April). *Mapping the African telecommunications universe: Actors, networks, and policies* [Paper presentation]. What is? Conference, Portland, OR, United States.
- 9 **Workneh, T. W.** (2018, April). *Disney's footprints in Africa: Reflections of the unaccounted fan* [Paper presentation]. What is? Conference, Portland, OR, United States.
- 8 **Workneh, T. W.** (2017, May). *Appraising journalism education interventions in Sub-Saharan Africa: A critical look at the Norwegian model* [Paper presentation]. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the International Communication Association, San Diego, CA, United States.
- 7 **Workneh, T. W.** (2016, October). *State monopoly of telecommunications in the era of deregulation: The Ethiopian case* [Paper presentation]. Regional meeting of the International Communication Association, Nairobi, Kenya.
- 6 **Workneh, T. W.** (2016, April). *Chinese multinationals in the Ethiopian telecommunications sector* [Paper presentation]. What is? Conference, Portland, OR, United States.
- 5 **Workneh, T. W.** (2015, May). *Internet governance policy framework, networked communities and online surveillance in Ethiopia* [Paper presentation]. Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication, San Francisco, CA, United States.
- 4 **Workneh, T. W.** (2015, July). *State vanguardism and telecommunications as commons* [Paper presentation]. International Association for Media and Communication Research, Montreal, Canada.

- 3 **Workneh, T. W.** (2015, April). *The terror of anti-terrorism Laws: A comparative analysis of post 9/11 global anti-terrorism legal frameworks and journalists' persecution* [Paper presentation]. What is? Conference, Portland, OR, United States.
- 2 **Workneh, T. W.** (2015, July). *Teasing the IMF: State monopoly of telecommunications in Ethiopia and the liberalization creed* [Paper presentation]. International Association for Media and Communication Research, Montreal, Canada.
- 1 **Workneh, T. W.** (2011, May). The Somali conflict: Framing preferences of selected international newspapers [Poster presentation]. International Communication Association, Boston, MA, United States.

## **B. Panel Organization**

- 2021 Terrorism, securitization and freedom of speech: Reckoning with the global salience of counter-terrorism laws, The virtual 71st Annual International Communication Association Convention, May 21-31.
- 2018 Africa and communication for development: Navigating emerging scholarship and practice, Annual meeting of the International Association for Media and Communication Research, Eugene, OR, June 20-24.

## **C. Panel Discussant**

- 2021 Terrorism, securitization and freedom of speech: Reckoning with the global salience of counter-terrorism laws, The virtual 71st Annual International Communication Association Convention, May 21-31.
- 2012 Issues in Globalization and Television Panel, What is Television? A Conference Exploring the Past, Present, and Future of Television, School of Journalism and Communication, University of Oregon, Portland, OR, March 1-3.

## **D. Panel Chair**

- 2021 Terrorism, securitization and freedom of speech: Reckoning with the global salience of counter-terrorism laws, The virtual 71st Annual International Communication Association Convention, May 21-31.
- 2019 Imagining space, place, and location, Popular Communication Division, International Communication Association, Washington, D.C., May 24-28.

2018 Analysis of the image and representation of Africa and Turkey, Annual meeting of the International Association for Media and Communication Research, Eugene, OR, June 20-24.

### ***CAMPUS TALKS***

**Workneh, T. W.** (2022, February). *Africa's imagination in American culinary adventure reality television*. Research talk held at African Studies Program, University of Oregon, Eugene, OR.

**Workneh, T. W.** and Haridakis, P. (2021, October). *Counter-terrorism laws and freedom of expression: Insights from a transnational research inquiry*. Research colloquium held at the College of Communication and Information, Kent State University, Kent, OH.

**Workneh, T. W.** (2020, February). *Public diplomacy and journalistic autonomy in the Voice of America*. Research colloquium held at the College of Communication and Information, Kent State University, Kent, OH.

**Workneh, T. W.** (2018, December). *Counter-terrorism laws and their discontents: Examining Ethiopia's state-sponsored war on critical political expression*. In A. Reynolds (Chair), *Media and populism*. Research colloquium held at the College of Communication and Information, Kent State University, Kent, OH.

**Workneh, T. W.** (2018, February). *Cultivating alternative political narratives through popular culture in authoritarian Ethiopia*. In J. Z. Schiller (Chair), *Media, music, & movements: A global perspective*. Panel discussion held on International Clash Day at the Department of Sociology, Kent State University, Kent, OH.

**Workneh, T. W.** (2017, November). *Continuity and change in imagining Africa: An examination of 'Anthony Bourdain's Parts Unknown'*. Research colloquium held at the College of Communication and Information, Kent State University, Kent, OH.

**Workneh, T. W.** (2015, March). *Corrupting laws, randomizing impeachment: Ethiopia's anti-terrorism law and its impact on networked communities*. In G. Martinez (Chair), *Media, democracy and technology: Possibilities and challenges*. Symposium conducted jointly by School of Journalism and Communication, Wayne Morse Center for Law and Politics, Department of Philosophy, & Office of International Affairs, University of Oregon, Eugene, OR.

**Workneh, T. W.** (2015, October). *Imagining the migrant: Dislocated, dehumanized, and misrepresented*. In C. Chavez (Chair), *Migrants and media*. Panel discussion held at School of Journalism and Communication, University of Oregon, Eugene, OR.

**Workneh, T. W.** (2015, January). *Charlie Hebdo: Between free speech, bigotry, and blasphemy*. In C. Chavez (Chair), *The Charlie Hebdo Shootings: Examining the contours of*

freedom of expression. Panel discussion held at School of Journalism and Communication, University of Oregon, Eugene, OR.

## **GRANTS**

- 2021 **Research and Creative Activity Fund.** College of Communication and Information, Kent State University. Application for Téwodros Workneh and Paul Haridakis's project, "Counter-Terrorism Laws and Freedom of Expression: Global Perspectives." \$ 1,575. Funded.
- 2020 **Research and Creative Activity Fund.** College of Communication and Information, Kent State University. Application for Téwodros Workneh's project, "The Politics of Public International Media in the Horn of Africa." \$ 23,155. Not Funded.
- 2017 **Research and Creative Activity Fund.** College of Communication and Information, Kent State University. Application for Téwodros Workneh's project, "Global Media, Overseas Audiences." \$9,200. Funded.
- 2017 **University Research Council Summer Research Grant,** Kent State University. Application for Téwodros Workneh's project, "Diasporic Media, Homeland Audiences: Examining the Popularity of Deutsche Welle Radio Broadcasts in Ethiopia." \$ 8,000. Not Funded.
- 2017 **Farris Family Fellowship.** Kent State University. Application for Téwodros Workneh's project, "The Metabolism of Global E-Waste: Exploring the Afterlife of Everyday Media Technology." \$ 21,000. Not Funded.

## **TEACHING AND STUDENT ADVISING**

### ***COURSES TAUGHT***

#### **A. Kent State University, School of Communication Studies**

##### ***Graduate Seminars***

COMM 65680-75680. *International/Intercultural Communication* (Spring 2021; Fall 2018).

COMM 65766/85766. *Communication in a Global Society* (Fall 2020).

COMM 65652/75652. *Theories of Communication* (Spring 2019; 2018).

## ***Undergraduate Courses***

COMM 37091. *Travel & Transmedia Storytelling* (Spring 2022).

\*Newly developed course

COMM 37091. *Media, Food, & Foodways* (Fall 2021).

\*Newly developed course

COMM 45091. *International Communication* (Spring 2022; Spring 2021; Spring 2020; Fall 2017).

\*Newly developed course

COMM 37091. *Intercultural Communication* [online version] (Spring 2022; Spring, Summer, Fall 2021; Spring, Summer, Fall 2020; Spring, Summer, Fall 2019; Spring, Summer, Fall, 2018; Summer, 2017).

\*Newly developed course

COMM 37091. *Intercultural Communication* (Fall 2019).

COMM 30000. *Communication Research Methods* (Fall 2016, Spring 2017).

COMM 25902. *Communication Theory* (Fall 2016, Spring 2017).

COMM 15000. *Introduction to Human Communication* (Spring 2022).

## ***Individual Investigation (Honors)***

COMM 30096. *Comparative Populisms* (Spring 2021).

## **B. University of Oregon, School of Journalism & Communication**

J 467/567. *The Arab World, Media & the West* (Winter 2015; Spring 2013; Spring 2012)

\*Newly developed course

J467/567. *Media, Globalization, and Social Justice* (Summer 2016)

\*Newly developed course

J 467/567. *Development Communication and Social Change* (Winter 2012)

J 201. *Media and Society* (Spring 2016; Fall 2015; Fall 2014)

J 396. *International Communication* (Winter 2015; Spring 2014; Summer 2013; Summer 2011; Fall 2010)

J467/567. *World Documentary* (Summer 2015)

**C. University of Oregon, Department of International Studies**

INTL 410/510. *Global Media & Social Networking* (Fall 2013)

\*Newly developed course

INTL 445/545. *Development & Social Change in Sub-Saharan Africa* (Winter 2014)

**D. University of Oregon, African Studies Program**

AFR 407. *Lenses of Africa* (Summer 2014)

**E. Addis Ababa University, School of Journalism & Communication**

JOUR 331. *Media Law and Ethics* (Semester II, 2008/2009)

**F. Arba Minch University, Department of English Language & Literature**

EnLa 222. *Fundamentals of Literature* (Semester I, 2004/2005)

EnLa 324. *Survey of World Literature* (Semester I, 2007/2008)

EnLa 321. *The Short Story* (Semester II, 2008/2009)

EnLa 425. *African Literature (Anglophone)* (Semester II, 2008/2009)

EnLa 202. *Sophomore English* (Semester I, II 2004/2005; Semester II, 2007/2008)

EnLa 201. *Communicative English Skills* (Semester I, 2007/2008)

***TEACHING ASSISTANTSHIP***

**University of Oregon, School of Journalism & Communication**

J 330. *Introduction to the Electronic Media* (Fall 2009)

J 331. *Digital Video Production* (Winter 2011)

J 397. *Media Ethics* (Fall 2011)

J 201. *Media and Society* (Fall 2012; Winter 2010)

## ***TEACHING AWARDS AND HONORS***

- 2019 Dr. Larry Hugenberg Faculty Mentoring Award, School of Communication Studies, Kent State University.
- 2012 Graduate Teaching Fellowship, School of Journalism and Communication, University of Oregon.
- 2011 Graduate Teaching Fellowship, School of Journalism and Communication, University of Oregon.
- 2010 Graduate Teaching Fellowship, School of Journalism and Communication, University of Oregon.
- 2009 Graduate Teaching Fellowship, School of Journalism and Communication, University of Oregon.

## ***GRADUATE STUDENT ADVISING***

### **Dissertation Committee, Kent State University**

Xing, B. (2019). *Threats from immigrants: A uses and gratifications approach in understanding media's impact on attitudes toward immigration*. Unpublished dissertation, Kent State University, Kent, OH.

### **Thesis Committee, Kent State University**

Carvalho, R. (2020). *Agency, participation, and illness narratives on Instagram: The case of the networked oncological causers*. Unpublished master's thesis, Kent State University, Kent, OH.

### **Student Advising**

- 2020-present Harrison Lejeune, Ph.D. student, in progress.
- 2018-2020 Matthew Mullins, M.A., graduated.
- 2017-2019 Nahla Bendefaa, M.A., graduated.
- 2016-2018 Lynda Mwakisha, M.A., graduated.

### **Doctoral Comprehensive Exam Committee**

- 2021 Connor Wilcox, Kent State University, Kent, OH, in progress.

## MEDIA ENGAGEMENT

- 2021 Voice of America. የመገናኛ ብዙሃን አጠቃቀም እውቀት ምን ማለት ነው? ለምንስ ያስፈልጋል? (What is media literacy? Why do we need it?). <https://rb.gy/oywo4i>
- 2020 Vice News. Hate Speech on Facebook Is Pushing Ethiopia Dangerously Close to a Genocide. <https://www.vice.com/en/article/xg897a/hate-speech-on-facebook-is-pushing-ethiopia-dangerously-close-to-a-genocide>
- 2020 Voice of America. For Ethiopia’s Diaspora, Seeking News Amid Communication Blackout is a Challenge. <https://www.voanews.com/africa/ethiopias-diaspora-seeking-news-amid-communication-blackout-challenge>
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