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EMPLOYMENT

Assistant Professor Department of Political Science, University of Toronto Mississauga	July 2021 – Present
Provost Postdoctoral Fellow Department of Political Science, University of Toronto	July 2019 – June 2021
Postdoctoral Fellow Balsillie School of International Affairs & University of Waterloo	January – June 2019
Research Analyst Canadian Institute for Advanced Research	Oct. 2017 – Dec. 2018
SSHRC Postdoctoral Fellow Department of Social Science, York University	Jan. 2016 – Jan. 2018

EDUCATION

Queen's University, Kingston ON Ph.D., Political Studies	June 2016
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Title of Dissertation: <i>Re-politicizing State Sovereignty in Global Governance: A Political Economy of Transparency in the Oil Sectors of Gabon and Ghana</i>Comprehensive Exams: International Relations & Comparative Politics2017 Canadian Political Science Association (CPSA) Vincent Lemieux Prize Short List (1 of 3 Finalists)2016 Canadian Graduate Studies Distinguished Dissertation Award Nominee – Queen's University's final nominee in the Fine Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences category	
Queen's University, Kingston ON MA, Political Studies	October 2010
Trent University, Peterborough ON BAH, International Political Economy & Political Studies	May 2007

RESEARCH & TEACHING INTERESTS

IR Theory, Global Governance, Resource-Development-Environment, Gender & Race in Global Politics.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Edited Book

Grant, J. Andrew, **W. R. Nadège Compaoré**, and Matthew I. Mitchell, eds. 2015. *New Approaches to the Governance of Natural Resources: Insights from Africa*. London: Palgrave.

Articles (Peer-reviewed)

Compaoré, W. R. Nadège, Stéphanie Martel and J. Andrew Grant. 2022. "Reflexive Pluralism in IR: Canadian Contributions to Worlding the Global South" *International Studies Perspectives*, 23(1): 71-93.

Ayodele Olagunju, Gladman Thondhlana, Jania Said Chilima, Aby Sène-Harper, **W. R. Nadège Compaoré** and Ehimai Ohiozebau. 2019. "Water Governance research in Africa: progress, challenges and an agenda for research action", *Water International*, 44(4): 382-407.

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Compaoré, W. R. Nadège. 2018. "Rise of the (Other) Rest? Exploring Small State Agency and Collective Power in IR," *International Studies Review*, 20(2): 264-271.

Compaoré, W. R. Nadège. 2017. "« Voici la jeune femme qui veut poser des questions »: Composer avec le genre et une positionnalité changeante durant l'enquête de terrain," *Etudes Internationales*, 48(1): 105-116.

Alorse, Raynold Wonder, **W. R. Nadège Compaoré**, and J. Andrew Grant. 2015. "Assessing the European Union's Engagement with Transnational Policy Networks on Conflict-Prone Natural Resources," *Contemporary Politics*, 21(3): 245-257.

Book Chapters

Compaoré, W. R. Nadège and Nathan Andrews. 2022. "Temporality, Limited Statehood, and Africa's Abandoned Mines". *Oxford Handbook on Environmental Politics*. Edited by Jeannie Sowers, Stacy Vandevener, and Erika Weinthal. Online only. [DOI: 10.1093/oxfordhb/9780197515037.013.46]

Compaoré, W. R. Nadège and Tongnoma Zongo. 2022. "Mining in Burkina Faso: Artisanal and Small-scale Mining Delegitimation as Structural Displacement", In Dave Thomas and Veldon Coburn, eds. *Capitalism & Dispossession: Corporate Canada at Home and Abroad*. Halifax: Fernwood Publishing, 217-236.

Compaoré, W. R. Nadège. 2021. " 'This is the Young Woman Who Wants to Ask Questions': Gender-Race-Age in Field Research", In Caroline Leprince and Cassandra Steer, eds. *Women, Peace and Security: Feminist Perspectives to International Security Studies*. Montreal: McGill-Queen's Press University, 21-40.

Idemudia, Uwafiokun, **W. R. Nadège Compaoré** and Cynthia Kwakyewah. 2020. "The Canadian Government and Corporate Social Responsibility: Implications for Sustainable Development in Africa", In Nathan Andrews and J. Andrew Grant, eds. *Corporate Social Responsibility and Canada's Role in Africa's Extractive Sectors*. Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 37-57.

Compaoré, W. R. Nadège. 2018. "Escaping the 'Resource Curse' by Localizing Transparency Norms" In Katharina P. Coleman and Thomas K. Tiekou, eds. *African Actors in International Security: Shaping Contemporary Norms*. Boulder, CO: Lynne Rienner, 137-152.

Grant, J. Andrew, **W. R. Nadège Compaoré** Matthew I. Mitchell and Mats Ingulstad. 2015. "New Approaches to the Governance of Africa's Natural Resources." In J. Andrew Grant, W.R. Nadège Compaoré and Matthew I. Mitchell, eds. *New Approaches to the Governance of Natural Resources: Insights from Africa*. London: Palgrave, 3-24.

Grant, J. Andrew, **W. R. Nadège Compaoré**, Matthew I. Mitchell and Timothy M. Shaw. 2015. "Prospects and Trends in the Governance of Africa's Natural Resources: Reflections on the Role of External and Internal Actors." In J. Andrew Grant, W.R. Nadège Compaoré and Matthew I. Mitchell, eds. *New Approaches to the Governance of Natural Resources: Insights from Africa*. London: Palgrave, 267-284.

Book Reviews

Compaoré, W. R. Nadège. 2019. *Gold Mining and the discourses of corporate social responsibility in Ghana* by Nathan Andrews, *Canadian Journal of International Development Studies*, 41(1): 164-166.

Compaoré, W. R. Nadège. 2012. *The International Relations of Sub-Saharan Africa* by Ian Taylor, *Millennium: Journal of International Studies*, 40: 685-686.

Policy Analyses, Papers & Briefs

Compaoré, W. R. Nadège. 2019. "Unequal Terms in Africa's Mining Contracts: What to do, and Whose Responsibility?" *Afronomics Law* Symposium on Investor-State Responsibility in the Extractive Sector, July 31.

Compaoré, W. R. Nadège. 2017. "The Africa Mining Vision: Prospects and Challenges for Implementing Countries," Policy Brief, Vol. 8, Issue 10. Addis Ababa: Institute for Peace and Security Studies.

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Compaoré, W. R. Nadège. 2015. “‘Till Death Do us Part’? Sanctuary of Ideas, Committed Actors, and Lifetime Rulership in Côte D'Ivoire, Gabon and Togo,” Martello Papers No. 39. Kingston: Center for International and Defence Policy.

Compaoré, W. R. Nadège. 2013. “Towards Understanding South Africa’s Differing Attitudes to the EITI and the Open Governance Partnership,” Occasional Paper No. 146. Johannesburg: South African Institute of International Affairs.

Forthcoming

Compaoré, W. R. Nadège. “Postcolonial IR: Then and Now”. *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of International Studies*. R&R. [Revised & Resubmitted]

MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

Compaoré, W. R. Nadège. *Myths of Permanent Sovereignty*. Book Manuscript.

Compaoré, W. R. Nadège. “Canadian ‘Home State Responsibility’ in Africa’s Mining Sector”. Article.

Compaoré, W. R. Nadège. “Black Female Internationalism, Informal IR and American Foreign Policy”. Article.

Compaoré, W. R. Nadège. “The Norms of Extractive Research”. Book Chapter.

AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

2019-2021 University of Toronto Provost Postdoctoral Fellowship	\$150,000
2016-2018 SSHRC Postdoctoral Fellowship	\$81,000
2011-2014 Joseph Armand Bombardier Canada Graduate Scholarship, SSHRC	\$105,000
2011-2012 Ontario Graduate Scholarship, Government of Ontario (declined)	\$15,000
2003-2007 Jack Matthews Full Scholarship, Trent University	\$104,000
2001-2003 United World College Scholarship, Pearson College, Victoria BC	\$66,000

RESEARCH GRANTS

2019-2022 SSHRC Partnership Development Grant	\$199,980
Project: Canada’s Human Rights Role in Sub-Saharan Africa	
PIs: Dr. Sylvia Bawa, York University & Dr. Obiora Okafor, Osgoode Hall Law School	
Role: Co-Applicant & Thematic Co-Lead on Canada’s Role in the Extractive Industries	
2020-2022 SSHRC Insight Development Grant	\$ 48,949
Project: Canada’s Temporary Residence Visa Issuance to African Scholars: An Obstacle to Internationalisation and Francophonie?	
PI: Dr. Meredith Terretta, University of Ottawa, Department of History	
Role: Co-Applicant	
2020-2021 SSHRC Connections Grant	\$24,756
Project: Centres, peripheries, interstices: towards an eclectic political economy of global development	
PI: Dr. David Black, Dalhousie University	
Role: Co-Applicant	
2012-2013 Michael Smith Foreign Study Supplement Grant, SSHRC	\$6,000
Project: Funding for fieldwork in Gabon	
Role: Sole Investigator	
2012 CIDA Student for Development Grant, CIDA	\$6,500
Project: Funding for fieldwork in South Africa	
Role: Sole Investigator	

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2012 Africa Initiative Graduate Research Grant, CIGI

\$10,000

Project: Funding for fieldwork in Ghana

Role: Sole Investigator

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

Conference Papers

- “Temporality, Limited Statehood, and Africa’s Abandoned Mines” 2022
(presented by co-author, Nathan Andrews), *International Studies Association Convention*, Nashville, March 28-April 2.
- “Black Female Internationalism, Informalized IR and American Foreign Policy” 2021
International Studies Association Convention (Virtual Platform), April 6-9.
- “Pan-Africanism and Internationalism: Where are the Black Women?” 2019
African Studies Association of Africa 3rd Biennial Conference, Nairobi, Kenya, October 24-26
- “Black Internationalism as Erased IR: Locating Gender and Race in American Foreign Policy” 2019
LSE – Millennium Conference 2019, London, England, October 19-20
- “Embracing the Diversity of Canadian IR: A Genealogy of Canadian Contributions on the Social Constructedness of World Politics” (Co-authored with J. Andrew Grant and Stéphanie Martel), *115th American Political Science Association (APSA) Convention* Washington, DC, Aug. 29-Sept. 1 2019
- “Canadian ‘Home State Responsibility’ in Africa’s Mining Sector: Prospects of/for a Tripartite Governance Complex and Why it Matters” 2019
Canadian Association of African Studies, May 16-19
- “Auto-ethnography, reflexivity, and knowledge production in IR” 2019
60th International Studies Association (ISA) Convention, Toronto ON, March 27-30.
- “Mining Reforms and State Regulation in Guinea and Burkina Faso: A Sign of Renewed Resource Nationalism?” *88th Canadian Political Science Association Conference*, Calgary AB, May 28-June 3. 2016
- “Redressing Raw Deals through the Africa Mining Vision?: Mining Laws and Contracts as Potential Conflict Management Sites”, *57th International Studies Association (ISA) Convention*, Atlanta, GA, March 16-19. 2016
- “Breaking the Resource Conflict Cycle? Reflections on Conflict-Prone Minerals, Natural Resource Management, and Peacebuilding” (Co-authored with J.A. Grant and R.W. Alorse), *57th International Studies Association (ISA) Convention*, Atlanta, GA, March 16-19. 2016
- “Global Actors and Community-Level Security: Developing Best Practices” 2014
43rd Annual Canadian Council on International Law Conference in Ottawa, ON, Nov. 13-15.
- “Tripartite Global Governance Arrangements and Corporate Social Responsibility in West Africa’s Extractive Sectors” (Co-authored with J. Andrew Grant), *86th Canadian Political Science Association Meeting*, St. Catharines, ON, May 24-30. 2014
- “The Political Economy of Transparency in Gabon’s Oil Sector” 2014
55th International Studies Association (ISA) Convention, Toronto, ON, March 26-29.
- “Assessing the Impact of Legal Frameworks for Transparency in Ghana’s Oil Sector”, *2013 Law & Society Annual Meeting*, Boston, MA, May 30-June 2. 2013

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- "Prospects and Trends in the Governance of Africa's Natural Resources: From Regionalisms to the Role of the BRICS" (Co-authored with J. Andrew Grant and Matthew I. Mitchell), *54th International Studies Association (ISA) Convention*, San Francisco, April 3-7. 2013
- "From 'Global' Transparency to 'Local' Governance in the Oil Sector of Gabon: A Voyage 'Through the Looking-Glass'?" *42nd Canadian Association of African Studies Conference*, Québec City, QC, May 2-4. 2012
- "Extracting Resources of (In) security: Locating the Role of Canadian MNCs in the Political Economy of Security in Africa", *14th Conference of Defence Associations Institute*, Kingston, ON, October 27-28. 2011
- "From Subalternism to Interventionism: International Hegemonic Discourses and the Legitimacy of French Intervention in the Ivorian 'Crisis'", *3rd Annual Workshop for Women in International Security*, Waterloo, ON, May 6-8. 2010
- Forums, Roundtables & Workshops**
- "*Vibing with the Sisters: Black Women Scholarship and IR*" *ISA 2021 Northeast Conference (Virtual Platform)*, Roundtable, November 5. 2021
- "Global Governance, Norm Localization and the Resource-Environment Nexus." *SSHRC Connections Workshop*, Dalhousie University, Halifax, October 28-30. 2021
- "The Norms of Extractive Research" *Beyond Extractions 2021 (Virtual Platform)*, March 16. 2021
- "Réflexions sur les Perspectives Économiques en Afrique" *17th Annual Colloquium of L'Afrique en Chantier(s)*, Centre d'études et de Recherches Internationales de l'Université de Montréal (CERIUM), Montreal QC (Virtual Platform), February 25, 2021. 2021
- "What does a Just Transition look like in a time of pandemic?" Panel with the Environmental Governance Lab, Toronto ON (Virtual Platform), November 24. 2020
- "Canada's Human Rights Role in Sub-Saharan Africa (CARRISSA)" Project Commencement (Virtual), Nathanson Centre, Osgoode Hall Law School, York University, October 19. 2020
- "Is there a Canadian School of IR?" *Special Roundtable at the 60th ISA Convention*, Toronto ON, March 27-30. 2019
- "The Governance of Natural Resources in Africa", Invited expert to the pre-forum responsible for elaborating policy themes and questions for the *6th Annual Tana High-Level Forum on Security in Africa*, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, March 1-2. 2017
- "Home State Responsibility and Mining Governance in Africa: A Look at Canada's Extractive Cooperation for Enhanced Economic Development (EXCEED) Program", Paper presented at a SSHRC Workshop on *Corporate Social Responsibility, Governance Frameworks, and Human Security: Examining Canada's Role in Africa's Natural Resource Sectors*, Kingston, ON, May 3-4. 2016
- "Norm-Making through Norm-Contestation: Ghana's EITI Implementation and its Implications for Conflict Prevention Norms in the Extractive Sector", Paper presented at a Workshop on *African Contributions to Global Norms*, Accra, Ghana, April 11-13. 2016
- "To Reform or To Remake Introductory IR Courses?: The Relevance of Varying Positionalities in Teaching and Studying IR", Paper presented at a Workshop on "Re-thinking Pedagogy in International Relations in an Era of Globalization and Disruption", *Center for International Defence Policy (CIDP)*, Kingston ON, January 15. 2016
- "This is the Young Woman Who Wants to Ask Questions: Navigating Gender Dynamics and Shifting Positionality in Field Research" 2014

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7th Annual Workshop for Women in International Security-Canada, Ottawa, ON, May 31.

INVITED PUBLIC TALKS

- “From a Grassroots Movement to a State-centred Initiative: How the EITI Lost and Found an Environmental Agenda”, University of Toronto School of Environment Seminar Series, February 3. 2021
- “La Transdisciplinarité dans les Questions de Recherche: Activisme et Opportunités pour les Sciences Sociales”. Keynote. *Université de l’Ontario Français*, August 14. 2020
- “Can the Renewables Sector Co-exist with the Fossil Fuel Industry?” 2020
Adam Smith Fellowship’s Wintersession Program, Wellesley College, Wellesley MA, USA, January 23.
- “Re-politicizing State Sovereignty in Global Governance: A Political Economy of Transparency in the Oil Sectors of Gabon and Ghana” *International Law in the Global South Research Seminar Series*, *Osgoode Hall Law School*, Toronto, ON, Canada, February 10. 2016
- “Access to Information in the South African Extractive Sector: International Initiatives and National Legislations” *South African Institute of International Affairs Western Cape Meeting*, Cape Town, South Africa, March 18. 2013

ACADEMIC COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- “Belonging on Campus”, *Enwayaang: A Series of Extraordinary Talks* Public Talk. Trent University, February 10. 2022
- “Inspiring the Next Generation: African Women in Academia” Roundtable. *Tshepo Institute for the Study of Contemporary Africa*, University of Waterloo. March 8. 2021
- “A Conversation on Being Black in Academia” *Black History Month Invited Speaker*, Arts and Science Students Union, University of Toronto. Feb. 25. 2021

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- University of Toronto – Department of Political Science, Toronto ON
Course Instructor
- Postcolonial Debates in International Relations (4th Year/Graduate course) 2022
 - The Politics of Global Governance (3rd Year) 2021-2022
- Queen’s University –Department of Political Studies, Kingston ON
Course Instructor
- *Resource Politics in Postcolonial Africa* (4th Year) 2015
- Teaching Assistant
- *International Politics* (IR - 2nd Year) 2014
 - *International Political Economy* (IR - 2nd Year) 2012; 2013
 - *International Security* (IR - 2nd Year) 2011
 - *International Relations* (IR - 2nd Year) 2010
 - *Introduction to Political Studies* (1st Year) 2009
- Queen’s University –Smith School of Business, Kingston ON
Teaching Assistant
- *Critical Perspectives on Business* (Business - 4th Year) 2014

VISITING RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS

- Visiting Researcher* June-August 2013
- Faculty of Law and Economics, Université Omar Bongo – Libreville, Gabon
- Visiting Research Fellow*, South African Institute of International Affairs (SAIIA) January-March 2013
- Governance of Africa’s Resources Programme, SAIIA – Cape Town, South Africa

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Visiting Researcher

July-September 2012

- Graduate Programme in Oil and Gas Management, Ghana Technology University College – Accra, Ghana

OTHER ACADEMIC TRAINING

International Law Summer Institute, Waterloo, ON

June 2015

- Certificate of completion received: Center for International Governance Innovation (CIGI)

Maxwell Institute of Qualitative & Multi-Method Research (IQMR), Syracuse, NY

June 2014

- Certificate of completion received: Qualitative and Multi-Method Research Design, Archival and Field Research Methods, Interpretive Methods, Within Case & Comparative Approaches

INSTITUTIONAL & PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Board Member, Elected Director

Nov. 2019 – Dec. 2021

- Women in International Security Canada

Board Member, Elected Member at Large

May 2019 – May 2022

- Canadian Association of African Studies

Grant Reviewer: SSHRC Partnership Grant, SSHRC New Frontiers of Research – Exploration

Journal Peer Reviewer: Global Environmental Politics, Extractive Industries & Society, Canadian Journal of African Studies, Etudes Internationales, Perspectives on Politics, Globalizations.

LANGUAGES

English (fluent); French (fluent/native); Mooré (fluent/native); Spanish (intermediate)

INSTITUTIONAL AFFILIATIONS & PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Canadian African Studies Association, Member

Canadian Political Science Association, Member

Centre for International Defence and Policy, Fellow

Environmental Governance Lab - Munk School of Global Affairs, Fellow

International Studies Association, Member

Le Rubicon Publications, Advisory Board Member

Research Network on Women, Peace & Security, Member

Women in International Security Canada, Member

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