

Austin Drake Bryan
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Employment:

Northwestern University

Teaching Assistant, 2019, 2020

- Courses: Language Through Culture, Myth and Symbolism

Fulbright Africa-Orientation Consult, 2020

Education:

Northwestern University, Ph.D. Student, Anthropology, 2024 expected

National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellow

Dissertation Topic: Federalism, the East African Federation and the development of a new territory of freedom

Fieldwork: Uganda, 2019

North Carolina State University, B.A. Africana studies, 2018, magna cum laude

Managing Editor, *The Technician* (daily student newspaper)

Critical Language Scholarship, 2018

Park Scholar

Caldwell Fellow

Fieldwork: Uganda, 2013, 2014, 2015-2016, 2017

Junius H. Rose High School, 2013

Publications:

Peer-reviewed Articles

1. Austin Bryan (2019) "Kuchu activism, queer sex-work and 'lavender marriages,' in Uganda's virtual LGBT safe(r) spaces", *Journal of Eastern African Studies*, 13:1, 90-105, DOI: 10.1080/17531055.2018.1547258.

Book Chapters

2. Bryan, Austin and Lusimbo, Richard (2018), "Kuchu resilience and resistance in Uganda: A history," in *Envisioning Global LGBT Human Rights: (Neo)colonialism, Neoliberalism, Resistance and Hope*, Nicol, Nancy et. al. (eds.), Human Rights Consortium, School of Advanced Study University of London: London, United Kingdom.

Reports

3. Bryan, Austin (2018), *'Even If They Spit At You, Don't Be Surprised': Health Care Discrimination for Uganda's Sexual and Gender Minorities*, Sexual Minorities Uganda: Kampala, Uganda.
4. Bryan, Austin (2016), *'And That's How I Survived Bring Killed': Testimonies of Human Rights Abuses From Uganda's Sexual and Gender Minorities*, Sexual Minorities Uganda: Kampala, Uganda.

Presentations

1. "Biopolitics and the Anti-Homosexuality Movement" on AfricaNow! Panel, African Studies Association Conference, Boston, MA, 2019.
2. "Is it illegal to be gay in Uganda?", International Human Rights Law Clinic, Northwestern Pritzker School of Law, Chicago, IL, 2019.
3. "Compulsory Passing" Transgender Women Getting By in Kampala Uganda, Chicago Ethnography Conference, Northwestern University, Evanston IL, 2018.
4. "The Politicization of Homosexuality in Uganda: Scapegoating Sexual and Gender Minorities" (with Richard Lusimbo), at the *World Out Games, Global Conference on Human Rights*, Miami, Florida, May 2017.
5. "Kuchu Activism, Queer Sex-Work, and 'Lavender Marriages,' in Uganda's Virtual LGBT Safe Spaces," at *Digital Publics and Counterpublics/African Studies Association-UK Conference*, University of Cambridge, Cambridge, United Kingdom, September, 2016.
6. "Compulsory Passing: Transgender Identities, Masculinity, and Performativity in Kampala, Uganda," at *Feminisms Here & Now*, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, December 2016.

Selected Opinion-Editorials

1. "Uganda's 'Pornography Control Committee' to Get Away With Tracking LGBT People," *Sexual Minorities Uganda*, August 28 2017.
2. "Simon Lokodo: Reread the Ugandan Constitution, Pride is not illegal," *Sexual Minorities Uganda*, August 17, 2017.
3. "Persistent Resilience: The Ugandan LGBTI Community's Fight for Non-Discriminatory Healthcare," *Citizen Rights Watch*, Citizen's Voices no. 4, January, 2016.

Selected Fellowships & Grants

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| 2020 | National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship (\$130,000) |
| 2019 | Various Northwestern Graduate Research Grants (totaling \$8,000), from the Lobbans, Social Science Research Council - Northwestern University Dissertation Development Program, TGS Language Grant |
| 2018 | Critical Language Scholarship, U.S. State Department, (valued at approximately \$10,000) to study Swahili in Arusha, Tanzania from June-August 2018. |
| 2014-2018 | Various N.C. State Undergraduate Research Grants (totaling \$14,600) from the Office of Undergraduate Research, Atlantic Coastal Conference, Fellowship Advising Office, Department of Interdisciplinary Studies, Park Scholarship Endowment, and Caldwell Fellowship Endowment. |
| 2014 | Caldwell Fellowship, NC State University fellowship program with full tuition and 4 enrichment grants (\$31,243). |
| 2013 | Park Scholarship, NC State University, nationally competitive merit-based scholarship program with full tuition, summer enrichment, leadership training and retreats in Washington D.C. and Rocky Mountain National Park, CO, book and computer stipend, and living allowance (\$120,000). |

Skills

Graphic Design - Adobe InDesign, Photoshop, Illustrator, Premiere Pro

Hobbies

Meditation, Painting, and Political Campaigning