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### **EDUCATION**

#### **Doctor of Philosophy 1995**

Department of Folklore and Folklife  
University of Pennsylvania  
Philadelphia, PA

#### **Masters in Folklore 1986**

Institute of African and Asian Studies  
Khartoum, Sudan

#### **Bachelor of Arts, Archaeology (Honors) 1981**

University of Khartoum  
Khartoum, Sudan

### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

#### **Outreach Director 1994 - Present**

The African Studies Program  
University of Pennsylvania  
Philadelphia, PA

#### **Web Editor & Internet Consultant 1994 - Present**

The African Studies Program  
University of Pennsylvania  
Philadelphia, PA

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

#### **Lecturer**

African Studies Center  
University of Pennsylvania  
Philadelphia, PA

Taught course: "Swahili Language and Culture"

#### **Instructor**

Department of Folklore and Folklife  
University of Pennsylvania  
Philadelphia, PA

Taught course: "Dress and Material Culture."

## **MEDIA INTERVIEWS ON DARFUR**

<u>Voice of America</u> , (August 23)	2005
<u>BBC Radio: (The World Today)</u> , (March 30)	2005
<u>MMP Radio</u> , Utah, (February 18)	2005
<u>Penn Arts &amp; Sciences Magazine</u> , p.20, (Winter)	2005
<u>WYBE -35 TV: “Shades of Opinions”</u> , (December 16)	2004
<u>KPFA 94.1 FM-Berkeley</u> , (December 15)	2004
<u>WRTN-93.5 FM</u> , Bronx, NY, (October 30)	2004
<u>Pittsburgh TV</u> , (September)	2004
<u>PBS TV – (NEWSHOUR)</u> , (October)	2004
<u>Embassy: Canada’s Foreign Policy Newsweekly</u> , (on-line publication), (Sept. 15)	2004
<u>Polit-Info.com</u> , (on-line publication) (Sept. 16)	2004
<u>Chicago Public Radio</u> , (September)	2004
<u>Voice of America</u> , (September)	2004
<u>WILL AM 580-Urbana-Champaign</u> , (September)	2004
<u>KPFA 94.1 FM-Berkeley</u> , (September)	2004
<u>WNUR 89.3 FM-Chicago</u> , (July)	2004
<u>KQED-Berkeley</u> , (July)	2004
<u>WHYY Radio: (Radio Times Program)</u> , Philadelphia (April)	2004
<u>Voice of America: News, Washington</u> (April)	2004
<u>BBC Radio: (The World Today)</u> , London (April)	2004

## **PRESENTATIONS ON DARFUR CRISIS**

<u>Michigan State University</u> (Women and International Development, African Studies Center, etc) Keynote Address: “ <i>The Genocide in Darfur: Local and International Responses</i> ”, (September 30)	2005
<u>College Misericordia</u> , (The Honors Program), Dallas PA Paper: “ <i>The Genocide in Darfur: Local and International Responses</i> ”, (September 23)	2005

US Dept. of Education (International Education Programs Service), Washington  
 Paper: “*The Conflict in Darfur: National, Regional and International Responses*”, (May 26) 2005

Girl Scout Troop, Springfield VA  
 Talk: “*Towards Understanding and Stopping the Genocide in Darfur-Sudan*” (May 25). 2005

Brown University (Darfur Action Network, et.al)  
 Conference: Darfur Genocide: Bringing the Crisis into Public Consciousness  
 Talk: “*National, Regional and International Responses to the Conflict in Darfur*”(May) 2005

Bucknell University, (Darfur Teach-in), Lewisburg PA  
 Paper: “*The Darfur Conflict: History and Responsibilities*”, (April 15) 2005

Princeton University, (Princeton Darfur Action Committee)  
 Talk: “*The Genocide in Darfur*”, (April 4) 2005

Cheltenham Morning Great Decisions Group, Philadelphia PA  
 Talk: “*Sudan’s Crisis*”, (April 4) 2005

Pittsburgh Darfur Emergency Coalition  
 Talk: “*Towards Understanding and Stopping the Genocide in Darfur*”, (April 3) 2005

University of Pennsylvania, (African Studies Center), 12<sup>th</sup> ASC Workshop, (April 1) 2005  
 Paper: “*The Interplay of Domestic and International Interests in the Current Crisis in Darfur*”,

World Affairs Council, (Great Decisions Program), Philadelphia  
 Talk: “*Sudan’s Crisis in Darfur*” (March 28) 2005

Delaware Valley College, (Dept. of Education)  
 Paper: “*The War in Darfur: Responsibilities & Plans for Action*”. (March 23) 2005

Villanova University, (African Studies Program)  
 Paper: “*The Sudan Crisis: Understanding the War in Darfur*” (February 10) 2005

Holocaust Museum, (Committee on Conscience), Washington DC  
 Talk: “*The History of Darfur*”, (February 5) 2005

Women’s International League for Peace & Freedom, Norristown – PA  
 Talk: “*Tragedy in Darfur, Is there anything We Could Do?*”, (January 30) 2005

American Friends Service Committee, Philadelphia  
 Talk: “*The Plight of Civilians in Darfur*”, (December 10) 2004

University of Michigan-Dearborn (Center for Arab American Studies)  
 Paper: Paper: “*The Genocide in Darfur, and the Competition over National and International Resources*”, (November) 2004

New Sudan Organizations Network, The Hague, Netherlands  
 Talk: “*The Darfur Crisis and the Responsibilities of the International Community*”, (November) 2004

University of Michigan – Ann Arbor (Center for Afro-American and African Studies)  
 Paper: “*The Genocide in Darfur, and the Competition over National and International Interests*”, (November) 2004

Ohio State University (African Studies Center)  
 Paper: “*Historical Analysis of the Darfur Conflict*”, (November 16) 2004

African Studies Association, 2004 Conference, New Orleans  
 Roundtable: “*War and Peace in the Sudan: Long View on Unity or Self Determination*”, November 2004

Bryn Mawr College, (African and Caribbean Student Organization)  
 Talk: “*Understanding the Genocide in Darfur - Sudan*” (November) 2004

La Salle University, (Diplomat in-Residence)  
 Panel: The Rwanda Genocide: Lessons for the Sudan Crisis and Beyond (November) 2004  
 Paper: “*The Genocide in Darfur: Lessons from Rwanda*”

Georgetown University (Center for Contemporary Arab Studies, et.al.)  
 Conference on: Sudan in Crisis- Conflict and Possibilities for Resolution” (October) 2004  
 Paper: “*Understanding the Darfur Conflict*”

Cornell University (Africana Studies, et.al.), Panel Discussion: “Genocide in Darfur and the Crisis of Governance in Sudan”  
 Paper: “*The Genocide in Darfur*”, (October) 2004

Swarthmore College, (African Students Association, et.al.) (October) 2004  
 Talk: “*The Call for Peace in Darfur*”

Franklin and Marshall College (Economics Dept. et.al.), Panel Discussion  
 “Darfur and the Larger Conflict in the Sudan” (October) 2004  
 Paper: “*Targeting Civilians: Understanding the Current Genocide in Darfur-Sudan*”

University of Pennsylvania (Solomon Asch Center for Ethnopolitical Conflict), (October) 2004  
 Paper: “*Towards Understanding the Genocide in Darfur-Sudan*”

Holocaust Museum, Darfur Policy Forum, (September) 2004  
 Paper: “*Caught in Cross-fire: The Plight of Civilians in the State-Sponsored Genocide in Darfur, Sudan*”

University of Ohio - USIP conference: Beyond Violence: Transforming Intractable Conflicts”  
 Paper: “*State-Sponsored Genocide in Darfur-Sudan*”, (September) 2004

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (Center for African Studies, Fall Noon Seminar Series), (September) 2004  
 Paper “*Understanding the State-Sponsored Genocide in Darfur, Sudan*”

NYC Bar Association (African Affairs Committee), (May) 2004  
 Paper: “*The History of the Conflict in Darfur-Sudan*”

Queens College (CUNY) Africana Studies Lectures (April) 2004  
 Paper: “*War & Peace and the Challenges of a Sudanese "National" Identity*”

- Stiching Instituut voor Nieuwe Soedan (SINS), Amsterdam, Netherlands (March) 2004  
Paper: "*Between Naivasha and Abeche: The Systematic Destruction of Darfur*"
- Tufts University & Harvard University conference on: Sudan at the Crossroads: Transforming Generations of Civil War into Peace and Development, Medford (March) 2004  
Paper: "*The War in Darfur & The Ramification of Naivasha Peace Talks*"
- Center for Displacement Studies, SAIS, John Hopkins University (February) 2004  
Paper: "*Darfur in National and Regional Contexts: Reasons for Discontent and the Search of Solution/s*"
- Sudan Studies Association Conference, Washington DC (July) 2003  
Paper: "*Aspirations and Discontent: Examining the Current Ethnopolitical conflict in Darfur*"

### PAPERS & ARTICLES

- Parliamentary Brief, (August) 2004  
Article: "*A Dozen Reasons Why Khartoum Wants a War in Darfur*" P.12
- Sudan Studies Association Newsletter, (May) 2004  
Article: "*Reasons Behind the Genocide in Darfur*", PP.17-21
- African Folklore an Encyclopedia, Philip Peek & K. Yankah (eds), Routledge, NY 2004  
Article: "*Blacksmiths of Dar Zaghawa, Sudan*" pp. 29-30.
- University of Pennsylvania, African Studies Center Newsletter, (Spring) 2004  
Article: "*Country Focus: Sudan*", pp.9-10
- Africana Studies Lectures: Queens College (CUNY) (April) 2004  
Paper: "*War & Peace and the Challenges of a Sudanese "National" Identity*"
- Stiching Instituut voor Nieuwe Soedan (SINS), Amsterdam, Netherlands (March) 2004  
Paper: "*Between Naivasha and Abeche: The Systematic Destruction of Darfur*"
- Tufts University & Harvard University conference on: Sudan at the Crossroads: Transforming Generations of Civil War into Peace and Development, Medford (March) 2004  
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- Sudan Studies Association Conference, Washington DC (July) 2003  
Paper: "*Aspirations and Discontent: Examining the Current Ethnopolitical conflict in Darfur*"
- African Studies Association Conference, Washington DC (December) 2002  
Paper: "*By their own Choice: War & Peace and the Construction of Sudanese National Identity*"
- Sudan Studies Association Conference, Reading PA (May) 2002  
Paper: "*Examining Dependency: Correspondences between Ali Dinar and Slatin Pasha,*

1900-1914"

- Sudan Studies Association Newsletter (May) 2001  
Article: *"Dress Code in Sudanese History"*, Vol. 20, No.2, PP.3-8.
- The Schomberg Center for Research in Black Culture Conference, NY (March) 2001  
Paper: *"On-line Resources in the Information Age: Lessons from UPenn Africa Website."*
- African Studies Association Conference, Nashville, TN (November) 2000  
Paper: *"Negotiating Identity among the Sudanese in Philadelphia."*
- US Department of Education: NRC & FLAS Directors' Meeting, Washington, (October) 2000  
Talk: *"Integrating Information Technology in Outreach Work."*
- African Studies Association Conference, Philadelphia, PA (November) 1999  
Paper: *"Providing On-line Resources: New Challenges for the Educator."*
- The East Coast Regional Summit on Africa, Baltimore, MD (September) 1999  
Paper: *"On-line Resources about Africa: Production and Use."*
- The Sudan Studies Association Conference, Tufts University, Medford, MA (June) 1999  
Paper: *"Being 'Sudanese': The Politics of Diasporic Identity."*
- Seminar in Technology and Development, Ohio University, Athens, OH (April) 1999  
Paper: *"Information Technology in African Research Institutions: A Scheme of Development."*
- The American Historical Association Conference, Washington, D.C. (January) 1999  
Paper: *"Compiling 'Useful' On-line Resources on African Studies: New Challenges for Africanists."*
- Council for the Development of Social Science Research in Africa, CODESRIA 9th General Assembly, Dakar, Senegal (December) 1998  
Paper: *"Towards the Development of Information Technology for African Scholarship."*
- African Studies Association Conference, Columbus, OH (November) 1997  
Paper: *"What Are They Looking For?: The Quest for On-line Information about Africa."*
- African Studies Association Conference, San Francisco, CA (November) 1996  
Paper: *"Prospects and Challenges for On-line Research about Africa."*
- Sudan Studies Association Conference, Alexandria, VA (May) 1996  
Paper: *"The Political Dimension of Sudanese Dress Code."*
- Middle States Council for the Social Studies Regional Conference, Wilmington, (March) 1996  
Paper: *"Islam in Africa."*
- Community College of Philadelphia, Seminar on African Marriage and Divorce Systems in Comparison to the Western World, Philadelphia, PA (February) 1996  
Paper: *"African Marriage Ceremonies."*

- African Studies Association Conference, Orlando, FL (November) 1995  
Paper: *"Internet Training on K-12 African Resources."*
- Sudan Studies Association Conference, Villanova, PA (April) 1995  
Paper: *"Claiming a Nubian Identity: The Ansarullah Sect in the USA."*
- American Folklore Association Annual Conference, Milwaukee, WI (October) 1994  
Paper: *"Ethnic and Analytical Views on Identity: The Dichotomy of Dress in the Sudan."*
- African Studies Association Conference, Boston, MA (December) 1993  
Paper: *"Creating a Royal Image: Trade, Clothing and Material Goods in Darfur 1789-1916."*

### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

- President-Elect : Sudan Studies Association, 2005-2007
- Chair : Outreach Council, African Studies Association, 2003-2006
- Editor : Sudan Studies Newsletter, 1998 – 2002.
- Chair, Electronic Technology Group of the African Studies Association, 1996- 2000.
- Member: African Studies Association, 1990 to Present.
- Member: Pennsylvania Council for the Social Studies, October 1996 to Present.
- Member: Middle States Council for the Social Studies, March 1996 to Present.

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