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Education

2008-2011 **University of St. Andrews**

- **PhD in International Relations**
- Thesis Title: *Liberal Peace and Post-Conflict Peacebuilding in Africa: Sierra Leone.*

2005-2007 **University of Notre Dame, USA**

- **M.A. in International Peace Studies**
- MA Research Paper: *In Search of Peace and Justice in Northern Uganda*

2004-2005 **University of Leeds**

- **M.A. in Conflict, Development and Security**
- Dissertation Title: *Humanitarian Intervention and the Crisis in Darfur, Sudan*

University of Zimbabwe, Zimbabwe

1996-1997

- M.A. in Philosophy
- Dissertation Title: *Environmental Ethics and Wildlife Policy in Zimbabwe*

1995

- BA 4th Year Special Honours in Philosophy

1992 – 1994

- BA General (Shona and Philosophy)
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Academic positions

2017 - **Assistant Professor**, Department of International Relations,
University of Sharjah, UAE

2016 **Sessional Lecturer**, University of St Andrews, UK

2012 **Academic Tutor** for Professor Ian Taylor, School of International
Relations, University of St Andrews

- 2005-2006 **Research Assistant**, Joan B. Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, University of Notre Dame (US)
- 2002-2004 **Lecturer in Philosophy** (Part-time): Arrupe College, Zimbabwe
- 2001-2004 **Lecturer in Philosophy**, Department of Religious Studies, Classics and Philosophy, University of Zimbabwe
- 1997-2001 **Teaching Assistant (Philosophy)** – taught full courses
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Experience

- 2013-2017 **Proofreader**, writer and editor, Mindleag Limited
- 2015-2016 **Editorial Assistant**, *Journal Governance in Africa*, Reiga Research Group
- 2012-2014 **Consultant**, Mouseion Professors Limited, United Kingdom
- 2009-2014 **Invigilator**, University of St Andrews
- 2010 **Freelance Editor** - edited a book manuscript for Dr Shahrbanou Tadjbakhsh of Sciences Po, France. Title of book: *Rethinking the Liberal Peace: External Models and Local Alternatives*, London, Routledge (2011)
- 2006 **Intern**, Foundation for Human Rights Initiative, Uganda
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Affiliation

- 2017- **Researcher**, Affiliated to the Third Generation Project (think tank), University of St Andrews
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Teaching

- 2017** – Department of International Relations, University of Sharjah
- International Human Rights
 - International Terrorism
 - European Union's International Relations
 - Globalisation
 - Environment and Sustainable Development

- Contemporary Conflict
- Africa in International Relations

2016 Sessional Lecturer, School of International Relations, University of St Andrews

- The International Relations of Sub-Saharan Africa (level 4 Module)

2012 Academic Tutor for Professor Ian Taylor, School of International Relations, University of St Andrews

- The International Relations of sub-Saharan Africa

2002-2004 Lecturer, Arrupe College

- Ethics
- African Philosophy
- Contemporary Philosophy
- Introduction to Philosophy and Logic

2001-2004 Lecturer, Department of Religious Studies, Classics and Philosophy, University of Zimbabwe

- Philosophy of Religion
- Medical Ethics
- Applied Ethics
- Introduction to Logic

1997-2001 Teaching Assistant, Department of Religious Studies, Classics and Philosophy, University of Zimbabwe

- Medical Ethics
 - Introduction to Logic
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Academic Supervision

I supervised MA and BA Honours students' dissertations at the University of Zimbabwe

Academic Administration

University of Sharjah

- Academic advisor

- Member of the Committee for Preparing of the Annual Conference in College of Arts, for the Academic Year, 2017-2018
- Member of the Books Exhibition Committee, 2017-2018
- Member of the Class Schedules and Exams Committee, 2017-2018
- The Activation of Faculty Agreements and Memos of Understanding Committee

Department of International Relations Committees, University of Sharjah

- Examinations
- Conference
- Curricular Development (Chair)
- Academic Advisement
- Accreditation

University of Zimbabwe

- Set on the University of Zimbabwe Senate, 2002-2004.
- Set on the Faculty of Arts Planning and Higher Degrees Committees, University of Zimbabwe, 2002-2004.
- Set on the Senate Sub-committee on General Academic Regulations, University of Zimbabwe, 2002-2004.
- Provided pastoral and academic advice to students, University of Zimbabwe, 2003 – 2004.
- Set on the Faculty of Arts Examination Board.
- Co-ordinated two Diploma in Religious Studies Courses (Philosophy of Religion, and Religion and Ethics).

Peer Review

Journal Peacebuilding, 2013

Publications

Book

- *Liberal Peace and Post-Conflict Peacebuilding in Africa* (Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan, February 2017).

Articles

- Patrick Tom, (2015), “A ‘Post-liberal Peace’ via Ubuntu?” *Peacebuilding*, <http://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/21647259.2015.1040605>.
- Patrick Tom, (2014), “Youth-Traditional Authorities’ Relations in Post-war Sierra Leone”, *Children’s Geographies*, 12 (3), 327-338.
- Patrick Tom, (2014), “Book Review: Advancing Conflict Transformation: The Berghof Handbook II”, *Peacebuilding*, DOI: 10.1080/21647259.2014.973663
- Patrick Tom, (2013), “In Search for Emancipatory Hybridity: The Case of Sierra Leone”, *Peacebuilding*, 1(2), 239-255.
- Patrick Tom (2002), "The Debate Over Elephant Culling: Is it Morally Justified to Cull Elephants?", *Journal Zambesia*, XXIX (i): 76-81.
- P. Mashiri, K. Mawomo and P. Tom (2002), "Naming the Pandemic: the Pragmatic Functions and the Ethical Foundations of the Shona HIV/AIDS Vocabulary", *Journal Zambesia*, XXIX (ii): 221-234.

Book Chapters

- Morten Bøås and **Patrick Tom**, “International Interventions and Local Agency in Peacebuilding in Sierra Leone” in: Oliver P. Richmond and Sandra Pogodda (eds.), *Post-Liberal Peace Transitions* (Edinburgh: Edinburgh University Press, 2016).
- Patrick Tom, “West Africa” in: Oliver P. Richmond, Sandra Pogodda and Jasmin Ramovic (eds.), *Dimensions of Peace: Disciplinary and Regional Approaches* (Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan, 2016).
- Amal Shlash and **Patrick Tom**, (2011) “Is Liberal Democracy Possible in Iraq?” in Shahrbanou Tadjbakhsh (ed.), *Rethinking the Liberal Peace: External Models and Local Alternatives*, London, Routledge.
- Patrick Tom (2008), “Rethinking Wildlife Conservation in Zimbabwe”, in David Kaulem (ed.), *The Struggles After the Struggle: Zimbabwean Philosophical Study, 1*, Washington D.C., The Council for the Research in Values and Philosophy, pp.85-98.

Work in Progress

- “Ubuntu: An African Pedagogy for Peace and Humanitarian Development” (Co-writing with William W. Thomson).
 - Website on upholding human rights (with Professor Robert Johansen, University of Notre Dame)
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Awards & Grants

- Canon Collins Educational and Legal Trust Alumni Change Maker of the Year Award (2016) – for a school building project in a remote and marginalised rural community in Zimbabwe. Amount: ZAR30 000.
- Allan and Nesta Ferguson Charitable Trust Scholarship for Sub-Saharan Africa Peace Studies, 2008-2010 – full scholarship
- Gilchrist Educational Trust Research Grant, 2010 - £500.00.

- University of St. Andrews, School of International Relations Research Grant, 2010 - £300.
- University of St. Andrews, School of International Relations, travel and conference grant, 2009. (University of Bradford Graduate Conference) - £150.00.
- Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies Scholarship, 2005-2007 – full scholarship.
- Canon Collins Educational Trust for Southern Africa Scholarship, 2004 – 2005 – full scholarship.
- The John Joyce Graduate Essay Award (University of Notre Dame), April 2006 - US\$ 200.00.
- Faculty of Arts, University of Zimbabwe Research Grant, 2004 – Zim\$3.0m.

Fieldwork

University of St. Andrews, School of IR, Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies

- Participated in fieldwork in Liberia (Monrovia) for the Centre for Peace and conflict Studies' "Tensions and Contradictions of the Liberal Peace in Africa" project, November (with Professors Oliver Richmond and Ian Taylor, and two PhD students).
- Conducted fieldwork in Sierra Leone, 2009 and 2010, and in Uganda, 2006 for my PhD thesis and MA paper (University of Notre Dame) respectively.

Impact and Engagement

- Former Board member and the UK Chapter representative of the Zimbabwe Policy Dialogue Institute.
- I recently brought together over 20 Zimbabweans from different parts of the world to help support the construction of proper school buildings at a school in a poor and marginalised community in rural Zimbabwe.
- Co-founding Trustee and Organising Secretary of Kariba Development Trust, Zimbabwe.
- I developed a Human Rights Education Pack for the Foundation for Human Rights Initiative's (Uganda) Schools Outreach Program. I also participated in the organisation's community outreach program including lecturing on human rights to Ugandan police and contributed a chapter on Human Rights and Peace for the organisation's Community Based Human Rights Guide for the Gulu/Amuru districts' Legal Rights and Civic Education program.
- In 2006, I participated in the Gulu Walk in Kampala, Uganda, which raised awareness of the plight of war-affected children in northern Uganda.
- Participated in fieldwork in Liberia (Monrovia) for the Centre for Peace and conflict Studies' (School of IR, University of St Andrews) "Tensions and Contradictions of the Liberal Peace in Africa" project, November 2009.
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Selected Conferences, Workshops and Panel Discussions

- “Where are the African Scholars? African Scholars and the Liberal/Post-Liberal Peace Debate” (Presented at the Dundee Africa Research Network, University of Dundee on 24 February 2017).
- “Africa and the International Criminal Court: Afrexit?” (Presented at the Dundee Africa Research Network, University of Dundee on 16 June 2016).
- “Chiefs, Politicians, Power and Liberal Peace-building in Sierra Leone” (paper presented at the Peace and Power Conference, University of Manchester on 12 September 2013).
- “Sierra Leone’s Unending Youth Crisis: Implications for Peace and Security”, (presented at the Department of Geography, University of Dundee, mini conference on *Young People, War and Security*, 21 November, 2012).
- “Liberal Peace, Local NGOs and Grassroots Peace-building in Sierra Leone”, the New Frontiers of Peace-building Conference: Hybridity, Governance and Local Agency, Humanitarian and Conflict Response Institute, University of Manchester, 13-14 September, 2012.
- “In Search for Emancipatory Hybridity: The Case of Sierra Leone”, the New Frontiers of Peace-building Conference: Hybridity, Governance and Local Agency, Humanitarian and Conflict Response Institute, University of Manchester, 13-14 September, 2012.
- Workshop Presentation: “Restoring the Dignity of Women in Post-war Sierra Leone”, Medsin Scotland Regional Conference: Human Rights and Health, University of St. Andrews, February 2011.
- Public Debate: “Aid to Africa: Is it Necessary?”, co-hosted by Model UN, Stand Against Genocide and Foreign Policy Society, Student Associations, University of St. Andrews, May 2010
- Panel Discussion: “Zimbabwe: what can be done? Who should act?” (with Professor Ian Taylor and Albert Weidemann), United Nations Youth and Student Association of St. Andrews, University of St. Andrews, February 2010.
- Panel Presentation: “Liberal Peace and Post-Conflict Peace-building in Africa”, the 3rd Graduate Conference on Social Sciences and Management, University of Bradford, October 2009.
- Panel Discussion: “Post-election Crisis in Zimbabwe” (with Prof. Ian Taylor), University of St. Andrews, April 2008.

Languages

- Shona and English
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