

## SELAH STUDENT

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### EDUCATION

Michigan State University	East Lansing, MI
Current PhD student in History	August 2018 – present
Major Field: African History (South Africa)	
Minor Fields: World History, Digital History	
Advisors: Dr. Abc Smith and Dr. Def Nkosi (co-chairs)	
Committee: Dr. Ghi Patterson, Dr. Jkl Rodriguez	
Fictional State University	Anytown, XX
MA, African and African Diaspora Studies	June 2016
Small College	Collegetown, ZZ
BA, magna cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa with distinction in Anthropology	May 2013

### LANGUAGE TRAINING

isiZulu	
African Flagship Languages Initiative (AFLI), University of Wherever	Summer 2020
Intensive 3 <sup>rd</sup> Year isiZulu (remote instruction), FLAS fellowship	
Michigan State University	2018-2019, 2019-2020
1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> Year isiZulu, FLAS fellowships	

### AREA STUDIES COURSES, MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

HST 830 Farm and Forest in Africa: African Environmental History, Jamie Monson	Fall 2020
HST 830 African Sports and Society, Peter Alegi	Spring 2020
HST 830 Women, Gender, and Sexuality in African History, Nwando Achebe	Fall 2019
HST 830 Historiography of East Africa, Laura Fair	Spring 2019
LWG 849C From Jailbird to Justice, Albie Sachs	Spring 2019
HST 830 Ownership in African History, Nwando Achebe	Fall 2018
Library Seminar Series: Doing Fieldwork in Archives, Jessica Martin	Fall 2018

## AREA STUDIES COURSES, FICTIONAL STATE UNIVERSITY

CPO 6206 Seminar in African Politics	Spring 2015
ANG 5397 Advanced African Diaspora Cultures and Performativity	Fall 2015
ANT 6319 The African Diaspora: Anthropological Perspectives	Fall 2016
AADS 5212 Africa in the Twentieth Century: Culture, Representation, and New Diasporas	Spring 2016
AADS 6317 Introduction to African Popular Culture	Spring 2016

## FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS, AND HONORS

Sandrine LaCoste Graduate Award, 1st Place	2021
Michigan State University African Studies Center graduate student paper prize	
Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship	Summer 2020
African Studies Center, Michigan State University – Advanced isiZulu	
Samuel Phelps Graduate Award	2019
Michigan State University History Department award for “research that improves our knowledge and historical understanding of the nature and dynamics of international and intercultural relationships.”	
Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship	2019-2020
African Studies Center, Michigan State University – Intermediate isiZulu	
Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship	2018-2019
African Studies Center, Michigan State University – Beginning isiZulu	

## PUBLICATIONS

“The Ethnicisation of Endemic Syphilis in the Bakwena Reserve, Bechuanaland,” *Journal of Southern African Studies* (forthcoming)

Nkosi, D. and S. Student (2021). “Gender and Self-Perception Among Teens in Zululand,” *Studies in African Adolescence*, (3)2, 23-41.

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

“Factors Contributing to Widows Resilience in Africa: A Scoping Review,” International Conference on Anthropology: Structure, Evolution and Cultural Identity of Human Societies, April 13, 2021.

“Anticolonial Womanhood: Veli Mitova’s Political Thought,” Gender, Women’s Suffrage, and Political Power, Michigan State University, November 10, 2019.

“Roundtable: Publishing in the Journal of Southern African Studies,” African Studies Association, October 17-20, 2018.

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant for Dr. Def Nkosi June 2020 – Present

Journal of Southern African History August 2019 – May 2020  
Editorial Assistant and Office Manager

Oversaw articles from submission to publication: screened all submitted article manuscripts and made initial recommendation to the Editorial Board, located external reviewers, communicated with authors throughout the revision process, facilitated communication and workflow within the Editorial Board and between JSAH and publisher, wrote monthly newsletter for editors, attended monthly Editorial Board meetings. Managed JSAH’s social media and web presence, represented JSAH at the African Studies Association Annual Meeting.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant  
Michigan State University East Lansing, Michigan  
History 208: Introduction to African History, Culture and Society Spring 2022

Teaching Assistant  
Michigan State University East Lansing, Michigan  
History 150: World History Since 1500 Summer 2021

Instructor of Record  
University of the Witwatersrand Johannesburg, South Africa  
Beginning Academic Writing August 2016 – June 2018  
Intermediate Academic Writing  
Beginning Oral English  
Intermediate Oral English  
Advanced Topics in English: Film Studies

## **LANGUAGES**

isiZulu: Intermediate Reading, Speaking, Listening, and Writing Proficiency

kiSwahili: High Beginner Reading, Speaking, and Listening Proficiency

Spanish: Fluent Reading, Advanced Speaking, Listening, and Writing Proficiency (Advanced High, ACTFL Oral Proficiency Interview, 2015)

Portuguese: Advanced Reading, Speaking, Listening, and Writing Proficiency (AFS exchange student in Coimbra, 2010-2011)

## **AFFILIATIONS**

African Studies Association

African Studies Association Women's Caucus

Society for South African Anthropological Studies

North American Association of Scholars on Southern Africa