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EDUCATION**Michigan State University**

Ph.D. in Social Work (*In progress*) Expected 2024

Dissertation Chair: Dr. Amanda Woodward

– Certificate in Global Studies in the Arts and Humanities 2022

Master of Social Work (Organization and Community Leadership) 2019

– Certificate in Gerontology 2019

Mzuzu University, Malawi

B.A. in Education, Major: English, Minor: French 2011

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENT

Graduate Faculty, Department of Social Work, University of North Alabama 2022-27

WORK EXPERIENCE

2022 Academic Program Assistant, Mandela-Washington Leadership Institute in Civic Engagement, Global Studies in the Arts and Humanities (Supervisor: Dr. Salah Hassan)

2021-22 Customer Service Associate, Hannah Community Center, City of East Lansing Parks, Recreation and Arts (Supervisor: Lois Fogarasi)

2019-pres. Graduate Assistant, Social Work (Supervisor: Dr. Amanda Woodward)

2019 Support Line Operator, Kinship Care Resource Center (Supervisor: Michele Brock)

2018-19 Research Assistant, Social Work (Supervisor: Dr. Fei Sun)

PUBLICATIONS**Refereed Journal Articles**

Chima, E. & Horner, P. (2022). Refugee youth identity formation at Dzaleka Refugee Camp in Dowa district, Malawi. *Diaspora, Indigenous, and Minority Education*.

<https://doi.org/10.1080/15595692.2022.2088492>

Sun, F., **Chima, E.**, Wharton, T., & Iyengar, V. (2020). National policy actions on dementia in the Americas and Asia-Pacific: Consensus and challenges. *Rev Panam Salud Publica; 44, jan. 2020*.

<https://doi.org/10.26633/RPSP.2020.2>

Lee, J., Sun, F., & **Chima, E.** (2018). Risks for abuse and neglect of elders with cognitive impairment or dementia: Insights from three groups. *Innovation in Aging*, 2(Suppl 1), 960.

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC6239791/>

Manuscripts in Submission

Chima, E. Tumaini Festival: Cultural production and transnational exchange at Dzaleka Refugee Camp in Malawi. *Re-centering cultural performance and orange economy in post-colonial Africa: Diplomacy, Soft Power, and Sustainability*.

Chima, E. Looking back and facing forward: Lessons from the Tumaini Festival. *Journal of Festival Culture Inquiry and Analysis*.

Chima, E., Lockett, M., Blanck, K. & Woodward, A.T. Inviting and amplifying student voice in degree program (re)design processes. *Journal of Teaching in Social Work*.

Chima, E. & Kandasamy, N. Survival histories: Long-term displacement of Rwandan youth at the Dzaleka Refugee Camp in Malawi. *Africa Today*.

Manuscripts in Preparation

Chima, E., Woodward, A.T., Hughes, A.K., Fritz, M.C., Freddolino, P.P., Swierenga, S., Coursaris, C. & Reeves, M. Complexity in Psychosocial Interventions: Case Studies From a Stroke Transitions Trial.

Chima, E. Making the invisible visible: The connecting force of art for refugees in Malawi.

Web-Based Articles

Chima, E. (2020, November). Life in Malawi's prison-turned-refugee camp. African diaspora: Before and after COVID-19. *Africa in Fact*. (pp. 36-41). Good Governance Africa.
<https://gga.org/africa-in-fact/>

Chima, E. (2020, August). The spaces in between: Social memory at Dzaleka refugee camp. Immigrant legacies: The little things in the suitcase 1. *Routed*, 11.
<https://www.routedmagazine.com/spaces-in-between-dzaleka-camp>

CONFERENCE ACTIVITY

Peer-Reviewed Paper Presentations

- 2022 "Restorying the experiences of Rwandan and Burundian refugees in Malawi."
In Dialogue: Symposium on the Displacement of Peoples Between Africa and Europe (Virtual). Indiana University Europe Gateway, Berlin. March 18-19.
- 2021 "Tumaini festival: Cultural production and transnational exchange at Dzaleka refugee camp in Malawi." 2nd Annual International Symposium on Festival Culture: Power, Empowerment and Disempowerment (Virtual). June 5-6.
- 2020 "Liminal experiences of youth at Dzaleka refugee camp in Malawi." Old and New African Diaspora Networks: Before and After COVID-19 (Virtual). African Centre for the Study of the United States, University of the Witwatersrand. June 25.

- 2019 “Developing a dementia friendly community global toolkit: Insights from stakeholders in World Health Organization member countries.”* Gerontological Society of America 70th Annual Scientific Meeting. Austin, Texas. November 13-17.
<https://doi.org/10.1093/geroni/igz038.1669>*
- 2018 “Presentation of World Health Organization’s Dementia Friendly Initiatives consultation process and findings.”* Alzheimer’s Disease International 33rd Conference. Chicago, Illinois. July 26-29.
<https://adi.confex.com/adi/2018/meetingapp.cgi/Paper/2361>*

Peer-Reviewed Poster Presentations

- 2020 “The use of technology in dementia family caregiving in rural Michigan.” 24th Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research. Washington, D.C. Jan. 15-19.
- 2019 “Refugee youth identity formation in Malawi.” Council on Social Work Education 65th Annual Program Meeting. Denver, Colorado. October 24-27.

Invited Talks

- 2021 “Research in Dzaleka.” The Why Education? Advocacy Campaign (Online), Refugee Outreach Collective. March 14.
- 2020 “Narrative: A method of inquiry” (Virtual). Fact Checker Malawi ROOM Project, mHub and Hivos people unlimited. September 15.
- 2020 “Narrative research and the creative arts.” Dzaleka Artists and Creators Open House (Virtual), Dzaleka Connect. August 23.

AWARDS AND HONORS

Grants

- 2019 Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (\$427,658)
Role: Project Personnel, Principal Investigator: Michelle Brock
 Project Title: Kinship Care Support Program - Development and Evaluation of a Statewide Kinship Caregiver Navigation Assistance Model, January-September

Fellowships

- 2022 Mandela-Washington, Global Studies in the Arts and Humanities (\$2,250)
 2021-22 Pre-Dissertation, Association for Gerontology Education in Social Work
 2021-22 Foreign Language and Area Studies, U.S. Department of Education (\$33,000)
 2021 Foreign Language and Area Studies, U.S. Department of Education (\$7,500)
 2021 Ubuntu Dialogues Seminar Speaker Exchange, Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, Michigan State University and Stellenbosch University
 2017 Young African Leaders Initiative - Civic Leadership, U.S. State Department

Research Funding

2021 Association for Gerontology Education in Social Work (\$1200)
 2021 School of Social Work (\$2,000)
 2021 School of Social Work (\$600)
 2020 School of Social Work (\$2,000)
 2020 Society for Social Work and Research (\$650)
 2019 Council of Graduate Students (\$300)
 2019 School of Social Work (\$1000)
 2019 African Studies Center (\$500)
 2019 College of Social Science (\$3,000)
 2019 Geriatric Social Workers of Southeast Michigan (\$1,250)
 2019 Master of Social Work Research Scholars Program (\$600)
 2018-19 Master of Social Work Research Scholars Program (\$5,000)
 2018 Master of Social Work Research Scholars Program (\$2,500)
 2018 School of Social Work (\$1,000)
 2018 The Graduate School (\$850)
 2018 The MasterCard Foundation Scholars Program (\$3,000)

Conference Funding

2021 Gerontological Society of America 72nd Annual Scientific Meeting
 2020 Society for Social Work and Research 24th Annual Conference
 2019 Gerontological Society of America 70th Annual Scientific Meeting
 2019 Council on Social Work Education 65th Annual Program Meeting
 2019 International Congress of Qualitative Inquiry, 15th
 2018 Alzheimer's Disease International 33rd Conference
 2018 Michigan Alzheimer's Disease Core Center 2nd Annual Symposium

RESEARCH MENTORSHIPS

2022 Mentoring Workshop for Advanced Doctoral Students, Michigan Center for African American Aging Research and Program for Research on Black Americans
 2022 Mission IV: Project Implementation, African Leadership University, Rwanda (Project: Tertiary Education Readiness Programme, Mpaka Refugee Camp, Eswatini; Mentee: Woopi Takarasima)
 2021 Displaced Scholars Peer Mentoring Program, Kaldor Centre for International Refugee Law, The University of New South Wales (Mentor: Dr. Niro Kandasamy)
 2018-19 Master of Social Work Research Scholars Program (Mentor: Dr. Pilar Horner)

SERVICE

Profession

2020 Reviewer for *Journal of Gerontological Social Work*

Department

2019-pres. Ph.D. student member, Graduate Students Hearing Board

2019-20 Focus group facilitator, M.S.W. Curriculum Inquiry

2018-19 M.S.W. student representative, Graduate Students Advisory Committee

University/Extracurricular

2021-pres. President, Kongamano Student Group, African Studies Center

2019-20 President, Phi Beta Delta Honor Society for International Scholars

2018-19 Historian, Phi Beta Delta Honor Society for International Scholars

2017 Global Voices, Global Youth Advancement Network, International Studies and Programs

MEMBERSHIPS

Professional

2021-pres. Association for Gerontology Education in Social Work (AGESW)

2019-pres. Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR)

2019-pres. Gerontological Society of America (GSA)

2019-pres. Council on Social Work Education (CSWE)

2019-pres. Geriatric Social Workers of Southeast Michigan (GSWSM)

Academic Community

2021-pres. Collaborative Research Network (CRN) 11, Displaced Peoples, Law and Society Association

2021-pres. Black Doctoral Network

2020-pres. Inter-agency Network for Education in Emergencies

2020-pres. Africa-US Forum, Centre for the Study of the United States, University of the Witwatersrand

2019-pres. Immigration and Refugees Special Interest Group, SSWR

2019-pres. Africa Research Group, Emerging Scholars Network, Kaldor Centre for International Refugee Law, The University of New South Wales

Honor Societies

2019-pres. Phi Alpha Social Work Honor Society, Beta Chapter

2018-pres. Phi Beta Delta Honor Society for International Scholars, Alpha Alpha Chapter

LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

Chichewa, Tumbuka (Fluent), Swahili, French (Conversational)