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## **EDUCATION**

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PhD Information Science [08/2022 – Date]  
University of Michigan, School of Information  
Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Master of Arts in Mass Communication [04/2018 – 03/2021]  
University of Jos, Department of Mass Communication  
Plateau State, Jos, Nigeria.

Bachelor of Arts in Mass Communication [09/2011 – 05/2016]  
University of Jos, Department of Mass Communication  
Plateau State, Jos, Nigeria.

## **HONORS AND AWARDS**

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Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Recognition [2025]  
The 28th ACM SIGCHI Conference on Computer-Supported Cooperative Work & Social Computing

Reagan-Fascell Democracy Fellowship [2021]  
National Endowment for Democracy,  
Washington D.C.

Media Campaign for Advocacy OKP Scholarship [2021]  
Radio Nederland Training Center, Hilversum

Second Place Winner, African Women in Media Pitch Zone Award [2021]  
African Women in Media

Excellence in Confronting Social Issues and Journalism Award [2019]  
University of Lagos Thomas More Chaplaincy

Climate Tracker Data Journalism Fellowship [2019]  
Climate Tracker

Grantee [2019]  
The Network of Journalists for Responsible and Sustainable Fisheries in Africa

Lagos State Undergraduate Scholarship for Indigenous Students [2012]

## PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

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**Sena A. Kojah**, Kentaro Toyama, and Oliver L. Haimson. 2025. Silencing the Voiceless: Social Media Content Moderation for At Risk Marginalized Populations in High-Stakes Violence and Human Rights Contexts in Nigeria. Proc. ACM Hum.-Comput. Interact. 9, 7, Article CSCW323 (November 2025), 25 pages. <https://dl.acm.org/doi/pdf/10.1145/3757504>

**Sena A. Kojah**, Ben Zefeng Zhang, Carolina Are, Daniel Delmonaco, and Oliver L. Haimson. 2025. "Dialing it Back:" Shadowbanning, Invisible Digital Labor, and how Marginalized Content Creators Attempt to Mitigate the Impacts of Opaque Platform Governance. Proc. ACM Hum.-Comput. Interact. 9, 1, Article GROUP12 (January 2025), 22 pages. <https://dl.acm.org/doi/pdf/10.1145/3701191>

(Under review) **Sena A. Kojah**, Suanmuanlian Tonsing, Kentaro Toyama, Ricky Punzalan, Oliver L. Haimson, Kat Brewster. Community Archives under Oppression: Social Media as Alternative Archival Infrastructure in High-Stakes Contexts for Marginalized Communities.

(Under review) **Sena A. Kojah**, Hibby Thach, Oliver L. Haimson, Michaelanne Thomas. The Burden of Bearing Witness: Digital Practices of Marginalized Social Media Users in High-Stakes Contexts.

## OTHER RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS

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**Sena A. Kojah**, & Oliver L. Haimson. 2024. From Frying Pan to Fire: A Case For Documenting African Climate Migrant Experiences with Violence and Human Rights Violations on Social Media. The ACM Conference on Computer-Supported Cooperative Work and Social Computing, Workshop Paper: San José, Costa Rica.

**Sena A. Kojah**, & Oliver L. Haimson. 2023. A Case for Digital Sovereignty of Indigeneity in HCI Research Projects. The ACM Conference on Computer-Supported Cooperative Work and Social Computing, Workshop Paper: Minnesota, USA.

## SELECTED NON-RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS

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[Nigeria's Elections: A Repressed Press at the Polls. 2023.](#)

[The Weaponisation of National Security Against Nigeria's Free Press. 2022.](#)

[Tips for Reporting Human Rights Violations and Abuses During COVID-19. 2021.](#)

[Ethical Considerations for Reporting on COVID-19. 2020.](#)

[Nigerian Newsrooms are Using these Strategies to Combat Media Repression. 2020.](#)

## RESEARCH POSITIONS

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Graduate Student Research Assistant [5/2025 – 8/2025]

Community Research on Identity and Technology (CRIT) Lab  
University of Michigan, School of Information  
Ann Arbor, United States

Graduate Student Research Assistant [05/2023 – 08/2023]  
Community Research on Identity and Technology (CRIT) Lab  
University of Michigan, School of Information  
Ann Arbor, United States

Graduate Student Research Assistant [01/2023 – 04/2023]  
Community Research on Identity and Technology (CRIT) Lab  
University of Michigan, School of Information  
Ann Arbor, United States

#### **OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

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Independent Researcher [2019 – 2022]  
BBC World Service  
London, United Kingdom

Deputy Head of News and Current Affairs/On-air Personality [05/2016 – 08/2018]  
Tin City 104.3 FM  
Jos, Nigeria

Africa Programmes Manager [09/2021 – 11/2021]  
Climate Tracker (Climatetracker.org)

News Editor and Investigative Journalist [09/2018 – 01/2021]  
Sahara Reporters Media Group Inc. (Saharareporters.com)  
Lagos, Nigeria

#### **TEACHING POSITIONS**

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Graduate Student Instructor, Principles of User Experience Design [ 08/2025 – Date]  
University of Michigan, School of Information  
Ann Arbor, United States

Graduate Student Instructor, Online Communities [01/2025 – 04/2025]  
University of Michigan, School of Information  
Ann Arbor, United States

Graduate Student Instructor, Principles of User Experience Design [08/2024 – 12/2024]  
University of Michigan, School of Information  
Ann Arbor, United States

Graduate Student Instructor, Fundamentals of Human Behavior [08/2023 – 12/2023]  
University of Michigan, School of Information

Ann Arbor, United States

## **PRESENTATION AND INVITED LECTURES**

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Guest Lecture Speaker [03/2025]

Topic presented: Politics and Polarization in the Global South

University of Michigan, School of Information, SI 315 Interpersonal & Psychological Implications of Social Media

#RightsCon2022 Community Lab Speaker [06/2022]

Topic presented: Shooting the Messenger: The crackdown on encrypted messaging apps and threats to news ecosystems

National Endowment for Democracy, Speaker [01/2022]

Topic presented: Authoritarian-proofing newsrooms: Lessons from Nigeria

United States Institute of Peace, Guest Speaker. [12/2021]

Topic presented: Safeguarding Democracy in West Africa

Climate Tracker Community Hangout, Speaker [11/2021]

COP26 From an African Perspective

## **SERVICE**

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Panelist [11/2025]

First Semester Experience (SI 705): Work/Life Balance, Wellness, and Self-Care.

University of Michigan, School of Information,

Ann Arbor, Michigan

Panelist [08/2025]

Graduate Student Instructor Orientation 2025

University of Michigan, School of Information, Ann Arbor, Michigan

Peer Reviewer. [01/2025 – 02/2025]

The Association of Computing Machinery Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (ACM CHI) Late Breaking Work

Fellowships Reviewer. [01/2025]

National Endowment for Democracy, Washington D.C.

Fellowships Reviewer. [01/2024]

National Endowment for Democracy, Washington D.C.

Peer Reviewer [03/2024]

The Association of Computing Machinery Conference on Computer-Supported Cooperative Work & Social Computing (CSCW)

Panelist [12/2024]

First Semester Experience (SI 705): Work/Life Balance, Wellness, and Self-Care  
University of Michigan, School of Information,  
Ann Arbor, Michigan

Panelist [3/2023]

UMSI PhD Program Visiting Day  
University of Michigan, School of Information,  
Ann Arbor, Michigan