

RICHARD MTISI

CURRICULUM VITAE

DEGREES RECEIVED

- Ph.D. (2008), History, University of Iowa.
- M.A. (1998), African Economic History, University of Zimbabwe.
- B.A Honors (1995), Economic History, University of Zimbabwe.

HISTORY OF ACADEMIC AND RELATED EMPLOYMENT

- Faculty Director for ACM Botswana, Spring 2015
- Associate Professor of Africana Studies and History, effective August 2013
- Assistant Professor of Africana Studies and History, 2008-Present.
- Instructor of Africana Studies and History, 2005-2008.
- Graduate Instructor, Department of History, University of Iowa (2002-2004).
- Research Consultant, Zimbabwe Environmental Lawyers Association, Harare, Zimbabwe (2004).
- Graduate Advisor, Department of History-History Writing Center (Fall 2002).
- Grader, Department of History, University of Iowa (Spring 2002).
- Research Assistant, Department of History, University of Iowa (2000-2001).
- Instructor, Department of Economic History, University of Zimbabwe (1998-2000).
- Research Consultant, Frederich Ebert Foundation, Harare, Zimbabwe (2000).
- High School teacher, Ministry of Education, Zimbabwe (1996-1997).

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Faculty Research Grant, Luther College (December 2009).
- University of Iowa T. Anne Cleary International Dissertation Research Fellowship (2004-2005).
- University of Iowa, Department of History, Aydellote Fellowship (2004-2005).
- University of Iowa, Department of History, Burke Research Fellowship (2004-2005).
- Stanley J. Tarver Memorial Fund, The Community Foundation of Dutchess County, New York (2004-2005).
- University of Iowa Center for Global and Regional Environmental Research Student Dissertation Travel Grant (2004-2005).

- University of Iowa Crossing Borders Program/Ford Foundation Group Research Fellowship (2004).
- University of Iowa Student Government Research/Travel Grant (2004-2005).
- University of Iowa Department of History Summer Research Assistantship (2003-2004).
- University of Iowa Center for Global and Regional Environmental Research Student Dissertation Travel Grant (2003).
- University of Iowa Crossing Borders Program/Ford Foundation Group Research Fellowship (Mozambique and Zimbabwe) (Summer 2003).
- University of Iowa Crossing Borders Program/Ford Foundation Group Research Fellowship (2001-2003).

PUBLICATIONS

- “They promised that the game fences would be torn down”: Nationalist Politics and Contested Control of Natural Resources in Southeastern Zimbabwe, 1960s-1970s” *International Journal of African Historical Studies*, Vol. 45, No. 3 (2012).

WORK-IN-PROGRESS

- Wildlife, War, and Rural People in the Borderzone of Southern Mozambique and Southeastern Zimbabwe, 1920-2002 (book manuscript).
- “The Portuguese had no Elephant Policy,” Contested Histories of Conservation Policies in Mozambique, 1900-1975 (Submitted to *American Society for Environmental History*).
- “They Must Use the Old Line,” Contested Memories of Independence in Chilotlela, Southeastern Zimbabwe (to be submitted to *Journal of Southern African Studies*).

RECENT CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLIC LECTURES

- Paideia Lecture: “Competing Notions of Justice in Achebe’s Things Fall Apart,” Luther College, Decorah, Spring 2012.
- “They Must Use the Old Line,” Contested Memories of Independence in Chilotlela, Southeastern Zimbabwe. Paper presented at the African Studies Association Annual Meeting, Washington DC, November 17-20, 2011.
- Triumph of Game over People: Challenges and Opportunities in the Great Limpopo Transfrontier Area of Southern Africa,” Valparaiso University, Indiana, March 22, 2011.

- Paideia Lecture: “Competition and Connections in Achebe’s Things Fall Apart,” Luther College, Decorah, Fall 2010.
- “They promised that the game fences would be torn down”: Writing alternative local histories of the nationalist anti-colonial struggle in southeastern Zimbabwe. African Studies Association, New Orleans, Louisiana, November 19-22, 2009.
- “They came as families” A theoretical and cultural context for understanding the migration of Mozambican refugees into southeastern Zimbabwe, 1980s-1990s. Black History Month Conference, Luther College, Decorah, Iowa, February 27. 2009.
- Paideia Lecture: “Personal Responsibility and the Freedom of the Individual in Tsotsi,” Luther College, Decorah, Spring 2009.
- “‘Let the Lines be Drawn’: Game Reserves and the Anglo-Portuguese Border in Mozambique and Zimbabwe,” Paper prepared for the American Society for Environmental History, Boise, Idaho, March 12-15, 2008.
- Paideia Lecture: “Journeys of Self and Community in *Nervous Conditions*” (Professor Martin Klammer and Professor Richard Mtisi, Fall 2007).
- “Resuscitating Lost Eden? Colonial Wildlife Policies in a Borderzone in Pafuri, Gaza Province, Mozambique.” Baraza Seminar, The University of Iowa, Iowa City, October 22 2007.
- “Rhodesia and the Triumph of Game over Africans,” Nobel Peace Prize Forum, Luther College, Decorah, March 10-12 2006.

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS AND ORGANIZATIONS

- African Studies Association
- American Historical Association
- American Society for Environmental History
- Phi Alpha Theta