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EDUCATION

Universiti Pendidikan Sultan Idris, Malaysia

09/2023–07/2025

MRes. Economics

- Thesis: “The influence of corruption and the underground economy and corruption in the oil rent-growth nexus in Nigeria” (supervised by Dr. Awadh Ahmed Mohammed Gamal)

Ibrahim Badamasi Babangida (IBB) University, Nigeria

02/2014–08/2017

BSc. (Hons.) Economics

- CGPA and rank: 4.34/5.00 (US 3.64/4.00 based on WES; 4th/156 students in the 2016/2017 cohort)
- courses: Mathematical economics (covered linear algebra, calculus, differential equations, probability, linear programming etc.), intermediate and advanced micro and macro, applied statistics, econometrics.
- Thesis: “The determinants of the exchange rate in Nigeria” (1st/20 undergraduate economics essays supervised by Dr Musa Abdullahi Sakanko during the 2016–17 cohort).

Additional Courses and summer schools

- IZA/FCDO G²LM|LIC Impact Evaluation Methods in Economics Course, *University of Warwick*, 2025
- IZA/FCDO G²LM|LIC Online Development Economics Course, *London School of Economics*, 2025
- Summer Institute in Computational Social Sciences (SICSS), *Covenant University*, 2022
- R courses, *DataCamp* (completed 16+ R courses in data wrangling, machine learning, data viz, text mining, dashboarding, etc.), 2022–2025
- Big data analytics: opportunities, challenges, and the future, *Griffith University*, 2020

RESEARCH POSITIONS

Department of Economics, University of Warwick | *Part-time Research Assistant*

Since 11/2023

- Research assistant to Jiaqi Li, a final year PhD student at Warwick Economics.
- Assisted with the collection and processing of datasets, including high-frequency satellite flooding and precipitation data, and cross-sectional and panel economic datasets.
- Conducted literature review and empirical analysis—using Stata and R—for research projects focusing on regional and global climate change, child development, capital allocation, intra-household trade, etc.

Lagos Business School, Pan-Atlantic University | *Research and Teaching Assistant*

07/2022–08/2023

- Research assistant at LBS’ Management Scholar Academy, under the mentorship of Prof Akintola Owolabi
- Conducted literature reviews, and drafted academic research papers and conference papers.
- Prepared case studies and teaching materials for MBA courses (incl. cost and management accounting, corporate financial accounting, and environmental accounting and sustainability).
- Proctored MBA exams and assessed student participation during MBA sessions.

Umaru Musa Yar’adua University | *Research Assistant*

10/2020–06/2022

- Conducted literature reviews and assisted Prof. Nurudeen Abu in drafting academic papers.
- Collected, cleaned, and analyzed data using EViews and Stata for empirical research.

IBB University/University of Jos | *Research Assistant*

09/2017–05/2020

- Assisted Dr. Musa Abdullahi Sakanko on several research projects, contributing to over 16 peer-reviewed journal articles.
- Conducted literature reviews, performed empirical analyses, and drafted academic research papers.
- Performed administrative duties such as the grading of undergraduate quizzes and assignments.

SELECTED PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS [SEE ALL]

1. David, J. et al. (2025). The role of the underground economy in the oil wealth–growth nexus: New insight from Nigeria. *Organizations and Markets in Emerging Economies*, 13(1), 193–216.
2. David, J. et al. (2025). The moderating role of corruption in the oil price-economic growth relationship in an oil-dependent economy: Evidence from Bootstrap ARDL with a Fourier Function. *Economic Alternatives*, 31(1), 5–30.
3. David, J. (2024). The role of corruption in the oil price-growth relationship: Insights from oil-rich economies *Economic Change and Restructuring*, 57(246)
4. Abu, N., **David, J.** & Sakanko, M.A. (2024). External debt and manufacturing sector's performance in MINT countries: Evidence from dynamic heterogeneous panel estimation techniques *Journal of Knowledge Economy*
5. Gamal, A.A.M., **David, J.**, Mohd Noor, M.A., Mohd Hussin, M.Y. & Viswanathan, K.K. (2024). The asymmetric effect of shadow economy on environmental pollution in Egypt: Evidence from Bootstrap NARDL technique. *International Journal of Energy Economics and Policy*, 14(3), 206–215.
6. David, J. et al. (2024). Oil rent, corruption and economic growth relationship in Nigeria: Evidence from various estimation techniques. *Journal of Money Laundering Control*, 27(5), 962–979.
7. Sakanko, M.A., **David, J.**, Abu, N. & Gamal, A.A.M. (2024). Financial inclusion and underground economy nexus in West Africa: Evidence from dynamic heterogeneous panel techniques. *Economic Change and Restructuring*, 57(8).
8. Aljassmi, M., Gamal, A.A.M., Abdul Jalil, N., **David, J.** & Viswanathan, K.K. (2024). Estimating the magnitude of money laundering in the United Arab Emirates (UAE): Evidence from the Currency Demand Approach (CDA). *Journal of Money Laundering Control*, 27(2), 332–347.
9. Abu, N., Sakanko, M.A., **David, J.**, Gamal, A.A.M., & Obi, B. (2022). Impact of financial inclusion on poverty reduction in Niger state, Nigeria. *Organizations and Markets in Emerging Economies*, 13(2), 443–466.
10. Abu, N., **David, J.**, Gamal, A.A.M., & Obi, B. (2022). Non-linear effect of government debt on public expenditure in Nigeria: Insight from bootstrap ARDL procedure. *Organizations and Markets in Emerging Economies*, 13(1), 163–182.
11. Abu, N., **David, J.**, Sakanko, M.A., & Amaechi, B.-O. O. (2022). Oil price and public expenditure relationship in Nigeria: Does the level of corruption matter? *Economics Studies*, 31(3), 59–80.
12. **David, J.** (2018). Infant mortality and public health expenditure in Nigeria: Empirical explanation of the nexus. *Timisoara Journal of Economics and Business*, 11(2), 149–164.
13. Sakanko, M.A. & **David, J.** (2018). The effect of democratic zoning system on Nigeria economy: evidence of Niger State. *Etikonomi*, 17(1), 25–36.

BOOK CHAPTERS AND CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

1. Sakanko, M.A., **David, J.**, & Yahaya, S.U. (2022). Infrastructure and Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in Nigeria. In W. O. Ugwuoke, & A. E. Adegioriola (Eds.), *Fiscal federalism and infrastructural development in Nigeria* (pp. 147–159). Kabod Publishing.
2. Abu, N., Sakanko, M.A., & **David, J.** (2020). The role of governance on women participation. In A.A. Shaikh, & A. Mateen (Ed.), *Women's empowerment for gender equality* (pp. 25–37). Kanpur: International Publications.
3. Sakanko, M.A., Abu, N., & **David, J.** (2019). Financial inclusion: A panacea for national development in Nigeria. *Proceedings of 2nd National Conference of the Faculty of Social Sciences* (pp. 501–514). Lafia, Nigeria: Federal University Lafia.

ONGOING RESEARCH PROJECTS

1. “Pension reform and labour market outcomes in Nigeria.” (with Jiaqi Li)
2. “The economic impacts of climate finance policy.” (with Jiaqi Li and Pouya Arab).
3. “Estimation of the scale and global flows of corruption-tainted funds in resource-rich developing nations”
4. “Shadow economy and the immigration-growth linkage in over a century”

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

JD Lab <i>Article Writer (Internship)</i>	05/2020–09/2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Prepared draft newsletters based on extensive research and analysis– Conducted simulations and projections of industry trends– Collaborated on revenue forecasts and conducted market research.	
Gov’t Girls Day Sec. School, Birnin-Magaji <i>Economics Teacher (NYSC)</i>	4/2018–03/2019
<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Designed and delivered engaging economics lessons to senior high-school students.– Implemented innovative teaching methods to enhance understanding.– Provided academic guidance and mentorship to students.	

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

SICSS 2024, University of Calabar Location <i>Facilitator and research coordinator</i>	September 23, 2024
<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Led a session on “Dashboarding Polarized Views on Artificial Intelligence (with a focus on web scraping),” where I introduced participants to web scraping, text mining and dashboarding in R.	
SICSS 2023, University of Calabar, Nigeria Location <i>Teaching Assistant</i>	18/09–29/08/2023
<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Co-organised the Summer Institute of Computational Social Science (SICSS) 2023, Calabar location– Facilitated learning, prepared resources, and hosted virtual office hours.	
NYSC Charity Community Development Service <i>Team lead</i>	09/2018–03/2019
<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Led a team in outreach, donations, and advocacy for disadvantaged communities– Implemented activities targeted at educating and economically empowering rural dwellers.	
Antiplagiarism Unit, IBB University, Nigeria <i>Volunteer, Student Instructor</i>	01/2017–10/2017
<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Supported students in improving research skills and avoiding plagiarism.	
Department of Economics, IBB University, Nigeria <i>Tutor</i>	02/2014–08/2017
<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Handled tutorial sessions for colleagues and undergraduate economics and business students in basic and applied economics courses (including micro, macro, mathematics, statistics, & econometrics)	

MEMBERSHIP

Royal Statistical Society (RSS) <i>Member (No: 226612)</i>	07/07/2023
The Econometric Society <i>Member</i>	20/06/2023
Centre for Economic Policy and Development Research (CEPDeR) <i>Research Associate</i>	21/03/2023

AWARDS

2024-2025	GAIN/DataCamp Donates Scholarship	US\$399
2024-2025	GAIN mentorship program	US\$1,287
2024	Constructor University/WeDSSS Travel grant	€1,575
2022	Covenant University/SICSS in-country Travel grant	US\$250
2015-2016	Niger State Bursary Award	US\$400

MISCELLANEOUS

Tools and coding skills: Stata, EViews, R, L^AT_EX, GIS
General interests: Music, learning new things, and travelling

REFERENCES

Professor Akintola Owolabi	Dr. Musa Abdullahi Sakanko	Dr. Awadh Ahmed Gamal
Professor of Cost & Mgt. Acct.	Assistant Lecturer	Senior Lecturer
Lagos Business School,	Federal University of Technology,	Universiti Pendidikan Sultan Idris,
Pan-Atlantic University, Nigeria.	Minna, Nigeria.	Malaysia.
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