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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Harvard University **Cambridge, MA, USA**
Associate Professor of Urban Planning | 07/2014 –
Assistant Professor of Urban Planning | 07/2010 – 07/2014
Director, Social Agency Lab | 07/2012 –
Faculty Associate, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs | 07/2010 –

ADDITIONAL RESEARCH AFFILIATIONS

Massachusetts Institute of Technology **Cambridge, MA, USA**
Faculty Associate, Displacement Research and Action Network | 10/2013 –

Nordic Africa Institute **Uppsala, Sweden**
Visiting Research Fellow, Urban Dynamics Research Group | 06/2011 – 09/2011

EDUCATION

Stanford University **Stanford, CA, USA**
Ph.D., Politics and Public Policy | 2010
Completed in the Emmett Interdisciplinary Program in Environment and Resources
Fields – Comparative Politics, Organizational Sociology, Urban and Environmental Governance
M.A., Political Science | 2007

University of Oxford **Oxford, England**
Doctoral Research Fellow, International Development | 2008 – 09

Leeds Metropolitan University **Leeds, England**
Certificate, United Kingdom Planning Law and Practice | 2009

Massachusetts Institute of Technology **Cambridge, MA, USA**
M.C.P., City Planning | 2003

McGill University **Montréal, Canada**
M.Sc., Ecology and Evolutionary Biology | 1999
B.Sc., Biology, with Great Distinction | 1997

National Taiwan Normal University **Taipei, Taiwan**
Chinese Studies - Pacific Rim Scholarship | 1992 – 93

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

Chartered Town Planner | Qualified, 2010
Royal Town Planning Institute, United Kingdom

Professional Planner | Qualified, 2007
Canadian Institute of Planners – Institut Canadien des Urbanistes

Certified Planner | Qualified, 2005
American Institute of Certified Planners

PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

Centre for Community Initiatives **Dar es Salaam, Tanzania**
Research Associate | 07/2007 – 11/2007

McKinsey and Co. **London, England**
Analyst | 06/2006 – 09/2006

United Nations Development Programme [UNDP] **New York, NY, USA**
Program Officer, Equator Initiative | 06/2003 – 10/2005
Program Associate, Equator Initiative | 06/2002 – 06/2003

Massachusetts Institute of Technology **Cambridge, MA, USA**
Research Assistant, Environmental Policy Group | 09/2001 – 06/2002

UNDP and Government of Kenya **Nairobi, Kenya**
Monitoring and Evaluation Officer, Kenya Ministry of Planning | 09/1999 – 10/2000

CONSULTANCIES & ADVISORIAL POSITIONS

United Nations Equator Prize **New York, NY, USA**
Member, Technical Advisory Committee | 2006 –

Robert Schalkenbach Foundation **New York, NY, USA**
Land Tenure Consultant | 05/2006 – 01/2007

UNDP **New York, NY, USA**
Consultant, Montreal Protocol Unit | 01/2006 – 04/2006

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Courses Taught

Harvard University

Urbanization and International Development | GSD 5319
Advanced Workshop in Participatory Urban Planning and Design | GSD 5468
Thesis Preparation Seminar: Theory and Methods for Graduate Research | GSD 9204
Analytic Methods: Quantitative | GSD 5215
Public Participation in Planning and Development: Theory and Practice | GSD 5335
First Semester Core Urban Planning Studio | GSD 1121
Social Agency Lab Research Seminar

Teaching Assistantships

Stanford University

Water and Sanitation Infrastructure Planning in Developing Countries | CEE 265D

McGill University

Organismal Biology | Bio 101

Methods in Cellular and Molecular Biology | Bio 102

RESEARCH SUPERVISION

Harvard University

Master's Degree Thesis Advisor [19 students]: MUP [12]; MDes [5]; MArch [1]; MAUD [1]

Doctoral Committees [1 student]

Undergraduate Advising: Thesis Advisor [1 student]; Thesis Reader [1 student]; General Examination [1 student]

Other Universities

Doctoral Committees: MIT [1 student]; University of Hannover [1 student]

ACADEMIC SERVICE

Academic and Administrative Responsibilities

Harvard University

Director, Social Agency Lab, Graduate School of Design | 2012–

Head, Graduate Thesis Program, Department of Urban Planning and Design | 2010–

Member, Board of Tutors, Environmental Science and Public Policy Concentration, Harvard College | 2013–

Member, Harvard Committee on African Studies | 2014–

Faculty Advisor, International Planning Concentration, Master in Urban Planning Program | 2011–

Member, Admissions Committee, Department of Urban Planning and Design | 2010–2012; 2014–

Member, Student Sanctions Committee | 2015–

Member, Ph.D. Studies Committee, Department of Urban Planning and Design | 2011–

Member, Thesis Research Committee, Graduate School of Design | 2012–

Member, Thesis Prize Committee, Department of Urban Planning and Design | 2012–

Member, Curriculum Review Committee, Master in Urban Planning Program | 2010–

Member, Web Review Committee, Graduate School of Design | 2014–

Affiliated Faculty, Risk and Resilience Advanced Studies Program, Graduate School of Design | 2010–

Member, Curriculum Review Committee, Master of Architecture in Urban Design Program | 2010–13

Member, Selection Committee, Druker Travelling Fellowship | 2010–12

Reviews and Juries [summary, full list available on request]

Harvard University

58 design reviews/juries in urban planning, urban design, architecture and landscape architecture

RESEARCH GRANTS

Harvard Joint Center for Housing Studies Research Assistance Grant [2014]

William F. Milton Fund Grant, Harvard University [2014]

Harvard Academy for International and Area Studies Faculty Development Grant [2011]

Dean's Research Grant, Harvard Graduate School of Design [2011]

American Planning Association International Division Research Award [2009]

Small Grant, Stanford University Center on Philanthropy and Civil Society [2009]

McGee Research Grant, Stanford University [2007, 2008]

Rudolf Research Grant, Stanford University [2006, 2007, 2008]

MIT Arts Council Grant [2002]

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Outstanding Teaching Award, Harvard Graduate School of Design [2011, 2013, 2014]
Graham Family Fellowship, Stanford University [2009-10]
SSHRC Doctoral Fellowship, Canadian Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council [2008-9]
Richard S. Goldsmith Fellowship in International Conflict and Negotiation, Stanford Law School [2007]
Graduate Fellowship, Center on International Conflict and Negotiation, Stanford University [2006-7]
Stanford Environment and Resources Doctoral Fellowship [2005-10]
Robert G. Kirby Doctoral Fellowship, Stanford University [2005-6]
MIT Tuition Fellowship [2001-3]
Teaching Assistant Award of Excellence, McGill University [1999]
Bronze, Fifth Annual Chinese Speech Contest of Quebec, Chinese Embassy to Canada [1999]
McGill University Graduate Fellowship [1997-99]
John McInnis Memorial Scholarship for a Student from Northern British Columbia [1993-95]
Pacific Rim Scholarship, Government of British Columbia [1992-93]
Royal Canadian Legion Scholarship [1992]

PROFESSIONAL AND ACADEMIC MEMBERSHIPS

Member, Royal Town Planning Institute
Member, Canadian Institute of Planners
Member, American Planning Association [and American Institute of Certified Planners]
Fellow, Royal Geographical Society
Member, Canadian Association of Geographers
Member, Association of American Geographers

REVIEWING AND EDITING

Reviewer: International Journal of the Commons; Journal of Planning Education and Research
Editor: "Between the Lines" – UNDP environment and development newsletter series [2002-5]

EXHIBITIONS

"Grounded Visionaries: City Tactics" – Gund Hall, Harvard, Sep.-Nov. 2013 [Contributor]
"Participation: Engagement in Practice" – Harvard Loeb Library, Apr.-Aug. 2012 [Co-Curator with Andres Lepik]
"GSD 075" – GSD 75th Anniversary Exhibition, Gund Hall, Harvard, Sep.-Nov. 2011 [Contributor]

PRINCIPAL PUBLICATIONS & WRITING

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

Hooper, M. 2015. "Will the city rise again? The contested geography of housing reconstruction in post-disaster Haiti." *Housing Studies* [In Press]

Hooper, M. 2014. "Priority setting amid the rubble: Organizational approaches to post-disaster reconstruction in Haiti." *International Journal of Disaster Risk Reduction*, 10: 270-280.

Hooper, M. and J. Cadstedt. 2014. "Moving beyond 'community' participation: Perceptions of renting and the dynamics of participation around urban development in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania." *International Planning Studies*, 19[1]: 25-44.

Hooper, M. and L. Ortolano. 2012. "Confronting urban displacement: Social movement participation and post-eviction resettlement success in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania." *Journal of Planning Education and Research*, 32[3]: 278-288.

Hooper, M. and L. Ortolano. 2012. "Motivations for slum dweller social movement participation in urban Africa: A study of mobilization in Kurasini, Dar es Salaam." *Environment and Urbanization*, 24[1]: 99-114.

Hooper, M., K. Arie and M. J. Lechowicz. 2001. "Impact of a major ice storm on an old-growth, hardwood forest." *Canadian Journal of Botany*, 79[1]: 70-75.

Duguay, S., K. Arie, M. Hooper and M. J. Lechowicz. 2001. "Ice storm damage and early recovery in an old-growth forest." *Environmental Monitoring and Assessment*, 67[1-2]: 97-108.

Working Papers [selected]

Hooper, M. "The organizational politics of rubble clearance in post-disaster Port-au-Prince, Haiti."

Eduful, A. and M. Hooper. "Urbanization, resources and development: Oil exploration and urban change in Sekondi-Takoradi, Ghana."

Anderson, R. and M. Hooper. "Too many plans: A study of rapid urbanization and its management in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia."

Anderson, R., M. Hooper and A. Tuvshinbat. "Towers on the steppe: Local perspectives on housing and density in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia."

Hooper, M. "Perceptions and the built environment: A study of perceptual bias around density and its influence on decision making and behavior."

Hooper, M. "The history and legacy of physical interventionism in Canadian aboriginal housing."

Book Chapters and Contributions to Edited Volumes

Hooper, M. 2014. "Provocations on limits and the urban." In *Writing Cities 3: Limits and the Urban*, eds. N. Katsikis, L. Baum Pollans and C. Brazier. Cambridge, MA: Harvard Graduate School of Design, 12-14.

Hooper, M. 2014. "The social agency lab." In *Platform 7*, ed. L. Asensio Villoria. New York, NY: Actar Publishers, 346-347.

Hooper, M. 2012. "Post-disaster resettlement: More than a question of shelter." In *Instigations: Engaging Architecture, Landscape and the City*, eds. M. Mostafavi and P. Christensen. Zurich: Lars Müller Publishers, 342-343.

Hooper, M. 2011. "The dynamics of participation project, Tanzania." In *View on the GSD: Platform 3*, ed. E. Waugh. New York, NY: Actar Publishers, 252-253.

Hooper, M., G. Bermudez, M. Galang, N. Hewitt, and M. Mujtaba. 2005. "Making the community to policy connection: Responding to grassroots perspectives on decentralization and participation." In *New Strategies for Development: A Dialogue on Meeting the Millennium Development Goals*, eds. N. Gillis and S. Southey. New York, NY: Fordham University Press, 37-51.

Hooper, M., R. Jafry, M. Marolla, J. Phan. 2004. "Scaling-up community efforts to reach the Millennium Development Goals." In *The Millennium Development Goals and Conservation*, ed. D. Roe. London: International Institute for Environment and Development, 129-142.

Policy-Oriented and Other Publications

Hooper, M. 2014. "Tackling developing world tenant issues." *Global Tenant Magazine*, 1[2]: 15.

Hooper, M. and C. Milos. 2014. "Metropolis non-formal - Anticipation." *Topos – The International Review of Landscape Architecture and Urban Design*, 85:108-109.

Hooper, M. and C. Milos. 2014. "Metropolis non-formal - Anticipation: Ein symposium in München greift das thema der am schnellsten wachsenden städte der welt auf." *Garten + Landschaft*, 124[1]: 44. [German language reprint]

Hooper, M. 2012. "Lessons from mobilization around slum evictions in Tanzania." *Forced Migration Review* 41: 47.

Hooper, M. 2012. "The complexity of participation: Learning from slum dweller mobilization in Dar es Salaam." *The Global Urbanist*, Dec. 11, 2012. [<http://globalurbanist.com/2012/12/11/complexity-of-participation>]

Hooper, M. 2011. "Participation: More than an orgy of public process." *Next American City*, Oct. 25, 2011. [<http://americancity.org/daily/entry/best-of-2011-october-the-benefits-of-public-participation>] Included in the magazine's 'Best Articles of 2011' collection

Hooper, M. 2007. "Land Tenure in Sub-Saharan Africa: An Annotated Bibliography." New York: The Robert Schalkenbach Foundation.

Hooper, M. and M. Parekh. 2005. "Microcredit, poverty and the environment." *LEISA Journal* 21[2]:21.

Theses

Hooper, M. 2010. "The Dynamics of Displacement: A Study of Slum-Dweller Mobilization Around Urban Evictions in Kurasini, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania." Ph.D. Dissertation, Stanford University, Stanford, CA.

Hooper, M. 2003. "Local Management of a Global Tension: Cost Recovery and Social Equity in Urban Water and Sanitation Provision in Durban, South Africa." M.C.P. Thesis, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA.

Hooper, M. 1999. "Impacts of a Catastrophic Ice Storm on an Old-Growth Hardwood Forest." M.Sc. Thesis, McGill University, Montreal.

SELECTED CONFERENCE PAPERS [by research theme, titles available on request]

The Contested Geography of Post-Disaster Housing Reconstruction in Haiti

Association of Collegiate School of Planning Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA, USA, Oct. 30-Nov. 2, 2014

Organizational Priority Setting in Haitian Post-Disaster Reconstruction

Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting, Tampa, FL, USA, Apr. 8-12, 2014

AESOP/ACSP 2013 Joint Conference, Dublin, Ireland, Jul. 15-19, 2013

The Politics of Renting in African Urban Development

Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting, New York, NY, USA, Feb. 24-28, 2012

Social Movement Participation and Post-Eviction Resettlement Success

Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning Annual Conference, Salt Lake City, UT, USA, Oct. 13-16, 2011

European Urban Research Association Conference, Copenhagen, Denmark, Jun. 23-25, 2011

4th European Conference on African Studies, Uppsala, Sweden, Jun. 15-18, 2011

Association of European Schools of Planning 2009 Conference, Liverpool, UK, Jun. 15-18, 2009

Motivations for Slum Dweller Social Movement Participation

British Sociological Association 2009 Annual Conference, Cardiff, UK, Apr. 16-18, 2009

Manchester Social Movements Conference, Manchester, UK, Apr. 15-17, 2009

Royal Geographical Society Postgraduate Forum, Plymouth, UK, Mar. 5, 2009

Overseas Development Institute / LSE Cities in an Insecure World Workshop, London, UK, Nov. 15-16, 2008

Development Studies Association Annual Conference, London, UK, Nov. 8, 2008

Impacts and Disturbance Ecology of Catastrophic Storms

Ecological Society of America 86th Annual Meeting, Madison, WI, USA, Aug. 5-10, 2001

XVI International Botanical Congress, St. Louis, MO, USA, Aug. 1-7, 1999

INVITED TALKS AND PUBLIC ENGAGEMENTS

Harvard Environmental Science and Public Policy Symposium, panel on “The ecology of natural and human dominated ecosystems” [Panellist], Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, USA, Mar. 28, 2015

Public event on “Ethics, design and the principles of human rights” [Panellist], Harvard University Asia Center, Cambridge, MA, USA, Mar. 5, 2015

Panel discussion on humanitarian assistance in Haiti and screening of “Assistance Mortelle” with filmmaker Raoul Peck [Respondent and Panellist], Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, USA, Nov. 13, 2014

“The dynamics of public participation in urban planning: History and current practice” [Invited Lecture], Harvard seminar on Housing and Urbanization in the United States, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, USA, Oct. 8, 2014

“International development in the age of urbanization” [Invited Lecture], Grounded Visionaries Conference, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, USA, Sep. 13, 2014

Harvard Africa Studies Workshop on “Geographies of dispossession” [Discussant], Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, USA, Apr. 21, 2014

Harvard Kennedy School Africa Caucus Lecture, “Africa future cities” [Respondent], Harvard Kennedy School, Cambridge, MA, USA, Dec. 3, 2013

International doctoral colloquium on informal urbanism [Respondent], UN-Habitat/Technical University of Munich Conference on Informal Urbanism, Munich, Germany, Nov. 23, 2013

“Public participation: Simple conceits versus complex realities” [Invited Lecture], UN-Habitat/Technical University of Munich Conference on Informal Urbanism, Munich, Germany, Nov. 22, 2013

“The challenges of public participation in urban planning and design” [Invited Lecture], Harvard seminar on Housing and Urbanization in the United States, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, USA, Oct. 7, 2013

Harvard seminar on “Case studies in critical conservation: Architecture and cities” [Discussant], Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, USA, Mar. 27, 2013

5th Harvard African Development Conference, panel on “Critical links in urban development” [Moderator], Cambridge, MA, USA, Mar. 9, 2013

5th Curry Stone Design Prize Festival, session on “Design and the creation of social infrastructure” [Speaker and Discussant], Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, USA, Nov. 16, 2012

Panel on “International perspectives on eviction and displacement”, Community Responses to the Foreclosure Crisis Conference [Panellist], Harvard Law School, Cambridge, MA, USA, Nov. 9-11, 2012

Panel on “Land dispossession and displacement”, Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning, 2012 Annual Conference [Panellist], Cincinnati, OH, USA, Nov. 1-4, 2012

UN Expert Group Meeting on Gender and Urbanization [Host and Co-Convenor], Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, USA, Jun. 11-12, 2012

LSE/MIT/Harvard Writing Cities Symposium [Advisor, Speaker and Panellist], MIT, Cambridge, MA, USA, May 10-12, 2012

Public panel discussion on “Politics, institutions and land in African cities” [Panellist], MIT, Cambridge, MA, USA, Apr. 19, 2012

Opening of exhibition entitled “Participation: Engagement in practice” [Speaker and Moderator], Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, USA, Apr. 19, 2012

Public event entitled "VideoCity: Film, participation and the built environment" [Moderator], Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, USA, Apr. 2, 2012

4th Harvard African Development Conference, urban development panel [Speaker and Panellist], Cambridge, MA, USA, Mar. 24, 2012

Harvard Kennedy School of Government seminar on "Social institutions and economic development" [Panellist], Cambridge, MA, USA Mar. 23, 2012

4th Curry Stone Design Prize Festival, panel on "Urban tactics/Designing the commons" [Discussant], Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, USA, Nov. 8, 2011

"Design and development in East African cities" [Invited Lecture], Harvard Leadership Conference, Cambridge, MA, USA, Nov. 5, 2011

Hinterland Urbanisms Symposium, panel on "Latin American transcontinental mobility" [Panel Moderator], Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, USA, Oct. 8, 2011

Annual Loeb Fellowship/MIT SPURS Lecture: "The complexity of public participation" [Invited Lecture], Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, USA, Oct. 3, 2011

Harvard seminar on "Research methods for urbanism" [Invited Lecture], Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, USA, Sep. 20, 2011

Streetfilms bicycle film event entitled "Bicycles, advocacy and the city" [Moderator], Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, USA, Sep. 19, 2011

APA Panel on "The state of planning" [Speaker and Panellist], Cambridge, MA, USA, Feb. 16, 2011

"Coping with displacement: A study of forced evictions in urban Africa" [Invited Lecture], Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, USA, Feb. 16, 2010

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Citizenship: Canadian