

Curriculum Vitae/Resume for Timothy Berke

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EDUCATION

2018 to Present – Ph.D. Candidate, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

Urban and Regional Planning. Research interests are in post-conflict development, collaborative planning, public health and the built environment, plan evaluation, and international development.

Dual Masters, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL (August 2010- May 2013)

Public Health (MPH)

Interest in health inequalities and health in relation to the built and natural environment

Urban and Regional Planning (MSP)

Specializing in developing areas (economic and social development, globalization, connectedness of people with places)

BA, Guilford College, Greensboro, NC (August 2005-June 2009)

Economics and Sociology double major

(Experience in survey design, data compilation, and statistical analysis)

Received Achievement Scholarship 2005 - 2009.

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Berke, T., & Larsen, L., (2022). Using Land to Promote Refugee Self-Reliance in Uganda. *Land*, 11, 410.

- Selected as a “Feature Paper” by the editors of the Journal

Berke, T., & Sell, J. (2018). Educational Challenges in South Sudan. In *Strategies, Policies and Directions for Refugee Education* (Vol. 13, pp. 101-116). Emerald Publishing Limited.

Coutts, C. & **Berke, T. (2013).** The extent and context of human health considerations in London's spatial development and climate action strategy. *Journal of Urban Planning and Development*.

Other Selected Publications

Berke, T. (2021) Planning in Post-Conflict Setting: The Case of South Sudan, in Hoey & Rumbach (Eds). *International Planning Case Studies Project*. International planning case studies and teaching materials. Available at: <https://planningcasestudies.org/>

Forcier, N., Twijnstra, R., Hollowell, C., **Berke, T.**, Lowuro, L., Longoria, J., Peterson, B., Umayam, H., (2016) Girls Education South Sudan Learning Assessment - Midterm Draft Report. Available at: <https://girlseducationsouthsudan.org/>

Berke, T., Boan, G., Casa-Valencia, A., Donini, A., George, H., Gonzalez, T., Murray, K., Pesta, B., Rodgers, R., Rice, C., Rojas, L., and Widness K. (2011) Roots of Empowerment: Boca La Caja, Panama City, Republic of Panama. Available at: <https://fpdl.coss.fsu.edu/studios/roots-empowerment-boca-la-caja-panama-city-republic-panama>

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

Berke T. (2021, February). “Deforestation and Gender-Based Violence among rural displaced persons in Northern Uganda”. Michigan University-Wide Sustainability & Environmental Conference (MUSE). Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Berke T. (2020, November). Using Land to promote Refugee Self-Reliance in Uganda. The Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning (ACSP) annual conference. Virtual.

Berke T. (2019, May). “Refugee Settlements in Northern Uganda: Planning for the Long Term”. Mellon Conference. Johannesburg, South Africa.

Berke T. (2019, February). “Coordination Mechanisms in Humanitarian Response and Recovery” International Humanitarian Professionals Network. Los Angeles, California

Berke T. (2019, January). “Introduction and Ethics in Programming Humanitarian Aid” International Humanitarian Professionals Network. Los Angeles, California

Berke T. (2018, July) “From Crisis to Sustainable Living: Humanitarian Operations in Post-conflict Settings”. Philadelphia & Jefferson University, Philadelphia Pennsylvania.

Berke T., Atem J, Nyrua C. (2015, September). Committee for National Healing Peace and Reconciliation (CNHPR) Implementation and Policy Recommendations for the International Community. Various versions of the presentation at, UN headquarters (UNDP, UNDP, UNDPKO), CRS headquarters, USIP, U.S. Department of State, and USAID.

Berke, T. (2012, September). How do we make HIA’s a useful tool for planners? American Planning Association (APA) Florida 2012 Conference, Waldorf Astoria Naples, FL.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Summer 2021 **Graduate Research Assistant, University of Michigan.**
“*Racializing Space: Housing and Inequality in Detroit, 1930-2020*”

2018 – 2021 **Graduate Student Instructor, University of Michigan**
URP 509| Public Economics for Urban Planning (Jonathan Levine, Ph.D.)
URP 503| Comparative Planning Institutions and Law (Ana Paula Pimentel Walker, Ph.D.)
URP 506| Urban Planning Methods (Robert Goodspeed, Ph.D.)

Summer 2020 **Institutional Grant Manager for IsraAID, Tel Aviv**
Grant writing and reporting for institutional, governmental, and organizational donors, such as UNICEF, UNHCR, USAID, etc. Creation of country and program specific budgets, and management of donor relations.

2019 **Freelance Consultant, Colombia**
Lead a refugee needs assessment in Bogota, Cucuta, and Barranquilla, Colombia, and developed a program design for an International NGO, to begin operations in Colombia to respond to the Venezuelan refugee crisis.

Summer 2019 **Research Manager of National Science Foundation (NSF) Research Project, Ethiopia**
Oversaw in collaboration with Addis Ababa University (AAU) faculty three different master’s student projects that were composed of the both University of Michigan Students and AAU students (total of 12 students). The student programs fell under the NSF research project, IRES: Advancing Cyber-Enabled, Decentralized Water Systems in Rapidly Developing Cities.

2017 – 2018 **Country Director at IsraAID, South Sudan**
Developed and managed a team of over 60 national staff and 5 international advisors, developing and expanding programs (protection, public health, and education) in a volatile environment, ensuring proper and timely financial and narrative reporting. Established long-term partnerships with a wide range of institutional donors – including UN agencies. Raised over 3-million dollars for the organization. Designed and facilitated training programs for more than 500 service providers including social workers, police officers, medical and legal personnel on protection, program design,

monitoring and evaluation, and institutional development. Trained and provided continuing technical support to governmental institutions and 9 Community-Based Organizations.

- 2016 – 2017 **Research Manager at Forcier Consulting, South Sudan Office**
Managing third party monitoring and evaluation programs with various clients (WFP, VISTAS, USAID, UNICEF, DFID, World Bank, Mercy Corps, GW University, etc.) across a variety of subjects (children & youth, gender-based violence, community-based initiatives, food security, post-conflict development, public health, education, water, sanitation and hygiene). Various responsibilities include serving as the focal point with clients, ensure various project officers and researchers are completing projects and delivering results on time and on target while building capacity of staff.
- 2013- 2015 **Program Specialist for South Sudan's Committee for National for Healing, Peace, and Reconciliation**
Involved in program design, strategy development, and documentation processes (methodology and framing of data collection tools) for community-based dialogs and consultations. Brief high-level government officials and UN agencies within and outside of South Sudan to seek support and advocate the mechanisms and processes CNHPR is utilizing. Other duties included; budgeting, project proposals, assessments, M & E, press releases, facilitation of workshops, establishing database frameworks, etc.
- 2013- 2014 **International Coordinator for Jonglei, South Sudan Peace Dividends**
Jonglei Peace Dividends is a follow up from 2012 Jonglei peace process, implementing physical infrastructure (schools, health clinics, etc.) of grassroots solutions to local conflict. Project proposals, grants and discussion with donor community to support the projects, in addition to implementation of projects in the field (staffing health clinics and schools).
- 2013 **Teaching Assistant (TA)- Urban Information Systems at Florida State University**
Introduced Master students to the basic concepts, structures, and functions used in Geographic Information Systems (GIS) and how it applies to a wide array of planning and policy-related issues. Tasks included grading and preparing several lectures.
- 2012 **Research Assistant- Institute for the Environment at UNC Chapel Hill**
Analyzed 175 Local Hazard Mitigation Plans and incorporated them into best practice users guidebook for the use of practitioners (to supplement FEMA's guidelines). Provided feedback to FEMA (U.S. Federal Emergency Management Act) for new 2012 guidelines for Hazard Mitigation Guidelines.
- 2012- 2013 **Public Health Intern- Florida Department of Health**
In the process of researching and writing the Health Impact Assessment (HIA) methodology for parks and greenways in the state of Florida. Conducted (HIA) of Carter-Howell-Strong Park in low-income neighborhood, Tallahassee, Fl., Researched demographics, health, and crime statistics, direct observation, interviews, organized stakeholder meetings, and currently writing of HIA document.
- 2011 **Program Assistant, Team Leader - Panama City, Republic of Panama**
Conducted a community development planning study for the urban squatter settlement of Boca la Caja. Focused on crime, public safety and social capital (was team leader of the social capital team). Contacted community leaders and government officials in Panama City. Conducted a survey on social networks in cooperation with the Social Development branch of Panama's government. Organized the budget for 12 Master Students and arranged educational excursions.
- 2009- 2010 **Research Assistant - Center for Community Capital at UNC Chapel Hill**
(Conducted research and policy analysis on the power of capital to transform households and communities).

SKILLS

Microsoft Office (Excel spreadsheets and statistical analysis)

ArcGIS mapping

STATA/SPSS Statistical analysis

Nvivo

Atlas.ti

Word Press

ONA/ODK Survey Scripting software

Kobo Collect Survey software

Languages:

Conversational in Spanish

Basic Juba Arabic

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

2013 – 2014 **Archbishop's International Coordinator** – Office of the Archbishop, South Sudan, and Sudan

2012 **Box City** – Assisted in teaching a 5th grade class about urban planning.

2010 **Village of Nueva Luz, Peru** - Worked with village residents to establish a waste system

2010 **Pucallpa, Peru** – Volunteered in a reforestation project, Pucallpa, Peru

2008-2009 **Food Not Bombs** - Organized with homeless residents to create food program, Greensboro, NC

2008-2009 **Raise the Wage Campaign**, Organized and petitioned to raise the minimum wage, Greensboro, NC,

2008 **Guilford Project Community** - Worked with disadvantaged immigrant children.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

2009 **NCAA All-Conference Player**, Old Dominion Athletic Conference, Student-athlete (05-09)

2005 **3A, 5 County Player of the Year (Soccer)**, East Chapel Hill High

References Available upon request