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Academic vita

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- 2019 – 2021: M.A Global Studies: A European Perspective, Universities of Leipzig (Germany) & Vienna (Austria)
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Publication

- “Boko Haram: Religious Radicalism and Insurrection in Northern Nigeria” (2016). In: *Journal of Asian and African Studies (JAAS)* 52 (4).
- “Poverty and ‘Economic Deprivation Theory’: Street Children, Qur’anic Schools/almajirai and the Dispossessed as a Source of Recruitment for Boko Haram and other Religious, Political and Criminal Groups in Northern Nigeria”. In: *Perspectives on Terrorism* 10 (5).
- Master thesis: “Northern Nigeria’s Protracted Social Deprivation and Violent Extremism: Investigating the Connections of the Almajiri Phenomenon to the Recruitment/ Membership of Dissident Groups in the Post-Colonial States of Kano, Maiduguri and Yola in Northern Nigeria”.