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Professional Experience

- Associate Professor of Economics (With Tenure), PVAMU, Fall 2023 -
- Associate Head, Management and Marketing Department, PVAMU, Fall 2022 - present
- Assistant Professor of Economics (Tenure-track), PVAMU, Fall 2020 - Summer 2023
- Assistant Professor of Economics (Tenure-track), Central State University (CSU), Fall 2016 - Summer 2020
- Senior Financial Analyst, Heineken group-Bralima, Democratic Republic of Congo(DRC), 2007-2011
- Lecturer in Financial Management, University of Kinshasa (UNIKIN), DRC, 2008-2011
- Loan Officer, FINCA International-DRC, 2007-2008

Education

- Ph.D., Economics, Southern Illinois University Carbondale (SIUC), 2012-2016
Fields: *International Finance and Development Economics*
Dissertation: *Essays on Real Exchange Rate Dynamics and Price Convergence*
Advisor: *AKM Mahbub Morshed*
Committee members: *Sajal Lahiri, Kevin Sylwester, Elaine Jurkowski*
- Master of Arts in Economics, SIUC, 2011-2013
Field: *Development Economics*
Thesis: *Does economic growth cause financial development? Evidence from South Africa*
- Bachelor of Science, Financial Management, UNIKIN, 2005-2007
Tracks: *Corporate Finance and Microfinance*
Thesis: *Adéquation entre Performance Financière et Sociale des Institutions de Microfinance*
- Associate degree, Economics, UNIKIN, 2001-2004

Professional Training

- Texas Academic Leadership Academy (TALA) scholar, 2023-2024
- Independent Applying the Quality Matters Rubric (APPQMR), December 2022
- Social & Behavioral Research (IRB_certificate), Summer 2021
- Technical Assistance Scholar Training in **Grant Writing** South Carolina State University, MBDA, US Department of Commerce, Spring 2019
- Financial Analysis, Accounting (IAS/IFRS), and Business Management, **Heineken Finance Academy (FINAC)**, 2008-2009

Honors and Awards

- Dean's Excellence Award for **Services**, COB award for services, PVAMU, 2023
- Dean's Excellence Award for **High-Quality publication**, PVAMU, 2022,2023
- Dean's Excellence Award for **Research**, PVAMU, 2022
- SOCHE Excellence Award for **Teaching and Research**, CSU, 2017
- Fulbright scholarship in **Economics**, 2011-2013

Research Experience (Link to Google Scholar profile)

A. Research interests

- International Finance
- Development Economics
- International Trade
- Banking and Microfinance
- Applied Economics

B. Publications

- [1] Kitenge, E. & Lahiri, S. Imported Inputs and Export Performance: A Gravity Analysis. (Forthcoming). *Foreign Trade Review* (**B-ABDC ranking Equivalent¹; ABS Tiers 1**)
- [2] Kitenge, E. & Lahiri, S. (2023) Estimating Gravity Coefficients with Multiple Layers of Heterogeneity. *Review of International Economics*. (**A-ABDC ranking; ABS Tiers 2**)
- [3] Yemba, B., Kitenge, E & Tang, B. (2023). Monetary Policy in China: A Factor Augmented VAR approach. *International Review of Economics and Finance*. (**A-ABDC ranking; ABS Tiers 2**)
- [4] Kitenge, E. (2022). Determinants of Entries into and Exits from the US Farming Sector. *Quarterly Review of Economics and Finance*, Vol. 85, 379-385. (**B-ABDC ranking; ABS Tiers 2**)
- [5] Ahmed, I., Kitenge, E.(2022). Microfinance outreach and aggregate welfare. *Journal of International Development*, 34(3), 652-669. (**B-ABDC ranking; ABS Tiers 2**)
- [6] Kitenge, E., Bashir, S. (2022). The Effects of Financial Access on Agricultural Convergence across US states. *Applied Economics*, 54(15), 1715-1726. (**A-ABDC ranking; ABS Tiers 2**)
- [7] Kitenge, E., Lahiri, S. (2022). Is the Internet Bringing Down Language-based Barriers to International Trade? *Review of International Economics*, 30(2), 566-605. (**A-ABDC ranking; ABS Tiers 2**)
- [8] Kitenge, E. (2021). The Linder hypothesis during the globalization era. *Economics Letters*, Vol. 200. (**A-ABDC ranking; ABS Tiers 3**)
- [9] Kitenge, E., Morshed, A.M. (2020) On Cross-country Differences in the Contribution of Nontraded Goods to Real Exchange Rate Fluctuations. *Open Economies Review*, 31 (5), 1117-1145. (**B-ABDC ranking; ABS Tiers 2**)
- [10] Yemba, B., Kitenge, E. (2020) Nonlinear Effects of Inflation on Economic Growth in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. *South African Journal of Economics*, 88 (4), 536-550. (**B-ABDC ranking; ABS Tiers 1**)
- [11] Kitenge, E., Morshed, A.M. (2019) Price Convergence among Indian Cities: The Role of Linguistic Differences, Aggregation, and Topography. *Journal of Asian Economics*, Vol. 61, 34-50. (**B-ABDC ranking; ABS Tiers 1**)
- [12] Kitenge, E., Alam, R., Sameem, S. (2019). Convergence of US Suicide rates: What does it imply? *Economic Analysis and Policy*, Vol. 62, 300-306. (**B-ABDC ranking; ABS Tiers 1**)
- [13] Yemba, B., Tang, B., Kitenge, E. (2019) Divisia Monetary Aggregate and Monetary Transmission Mechanism in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC). *Applied Economics Letters*, Vol 1 (7), 1350-4851. (**B-ABDC ranking; ABS Tiers 1**)
- [14] Rafayet, A., Kitenge, E., Bedane, B. (2017). Government Effectiveness and Economic Growth. *Economics Bulletin*, 37(1), 222-227. (**C-ABDC ranking; ABS Tiers N\A**)
- [15] Kitenge, E. (2016). Effects of Food and Agricultural Imports on Domestic Factors in the U.S. Agricultural Sector: a Translog Cost Function Framework. *Applied Economics Letters*, 23(2), 132-137. (**B-ABDC ranking; ABS Tiers N\A**)

¹The Equivalency is obtained using a formula developed by Faculty members from Prairie View A&M University. That formula uses the H-Index and Impact Factor of any journal, within a field, that is not listed on the ABDC list to approximate its ABDC ranking Equivalency.

C. Under Review

- [1] Kitenge, E. Time-Specific Time-Varying Inclusive Effects of Trade Agreements: Reevaluating Export Performance during NAFTA. *Empirical Economics*
- [2] Kitenge, E.& Menon, Anish. Exploring the Effectiveness of Cross-Border Banking through Dynamics in Lending Interest Rates. *Finance Research Letters*

D. Working papers and in preparation

- [1] Kitenge, E.& Morshed, AKM. The Great Recession and Price Convergence Among United States Cities.
- [2] Kitenge, E. (2021). The impact of Internet Access on Directional Non-linearity of Price Convergence across U.S. commodity markets
- [3] Alam, R., Sameem, S, & Kitenge, E. Convergence of Poverty and Inequality among US cities.
- [4] Kitenge, E. Time Variations in the Responsiveness of Financial Development to Economic Development.
- [5] Maswana, JC., Yemba, B, Kitenge, E. & Otchia, C. Africa's manufacturing development under the rise of China: Threat or opportunity?
- [6] Yemba, B., Kitenge, E., Tang, B. Quantitative Impact of African Continent Free Trade Area (AfCTA) on African Economies.
- [7] Kitenge, E. (2020). COVID-19: A virus for the Rich and the Poor
- [8] Kitenge, E., Trautman, L. (2021). The Business School Academic Job Market: What's valued? What's Not?
- [9] Lahiri, S. & Kitenge, E. Heckscher-Ohlin Theory versus Linder Effect
- [10] Kitenge, E. & Bashir, S. (2022). U.S. Policies and Displacement of U.S. Agricultural Labor Force Due to Import Competition
- [11] Kitenge, E., Bashir, S., Owusu-Antwi, G. (2022). Targeting the curriculum in non-agricultural courses as a strategy to enhance labor force participation in agriculture
- [12] FDI and International Trade: An instrumental variable approach in a Gravity framework

E. Technical Publications

- [1] Bashir, S., Kitenge, E. and Berry-West, W. (2020) Barriers to Financial Access in the U.S. Agricultural Sector.
- [2] Kitenge, E., Bashir, S., Ikem, F. (2017). The Economic Impact of Central State University in the Region and the State of Ohio: An IMPLAN Input-Output Analysis

F. Recent Conference presentations

- [1] Southern Economic Association Conference, Presenter, Title: "Estimating Gravity Coefficients with Multiple Layers of Heterogeneity ", New Orleans, LO, 2023.
- [2] Southern Economic Association Conference, Presenter, and session chair, Title: "Time-Specific Time-Varying Inclusive Effects of Trade Agreements: Reevaluating Export Performance during NAFTA ", New Orleans, LO, 2023.
- [3] Southern Economic Association Conference, Presenter, Title: "Heckscher-Ohlin theory versus Linder Effect", Ford Lauderdale, FL, 2022.
- [4] Southern Economic Association Conference, Presenter, Title: "Targeting the curriculum in non-agricultural courses as a strategy to enhance labor force participation in agriculture", Ford Lauderdale, FL, 2022.
- [5] Southern Economic Association Conference, Presenter, Title: "U.S. Policies and Displacement of U.S. Agricultural Labor Force due to Import Competition", Ford Lauderdale, FL, 2022.
- [6] COB Research Seminars, Title: "The Great Recession and Price Convergence among US cities", Spring 2022.
- [7] COB Research Seminars, Title: "Introduction to STATA", Spring 2022.
- [8] COB Research Seminars, Title: "The Business School Academic Job Market: What's valued? What's Not?", Spring 2022.

- [9] Cercle des Economistes Congolais, Online Presenter, Title: "The Great Recession and Price Convergence among US cities", December, 2021.
- [10] Southern Economic Association Conference, Online Presenter, Title: "Import Competition and Export Performance of Domestic Manufacturing Sectors", Houston, TX, 2021.
- [11] Marshall University, Presenter, Online Title: "Import Competition and Export Performance of Domestic Manufacturing Sectors",Huntington, WV, November, 2021.
- [12] AEA/ASSA Conference, Title: Quantitative Impact of African Continent Free Trade Area (AfCTA) on African Economies, Virtual, January 2021.
- [13] Southern Economic Association Conference, Presenter, Title: "The impact of Internet Access on Directional Non-linearity of Price Convergence across U.S. commodity markets ", Virtual, November 2020.
- [14] AEA/ASSA Conference, Title: Africa's manufacturing development under the rise of China: Threat or opportunity? San Diego, CA, 2020.
- [15] Southern Economic Association Conference, Presenter, Title: "The Impact of US Imports of Export Performance in International Agricultural and Livestock Markets", Lauderdale, FL, 2019.
- [16] Southern Economic Association Conference, Presenter, Title: "The Interactions between, and the heterogeneity in, gravity variables: Estimation of total effects", Lauderdale, FL, 2019.
- [17] Seminar in Local and Global Regional Economies at Wright State University, Presenter, Title:"Is the Internet Bringing down Language-based trade barriers?", Fairborn, OH, Spring 2018.
- [18] Southern Economic Association Conference, Presenter, Title: "Price Convergence among Indian Cities: The Role of Linguistic Differences, Aggregation, and Topography", Washington, DC, 2018.
- [19] Southern Economic Association Conference, Presenter, Title: "Is the Internet Bringing down Language-based trade barriers?", Tampa, FL, 2017.
- [20] Southern Economic Association Conference, Presenter, Title: "The Financial-Economic Development Nexus in the US agricultural sector", Tampa, FL, 2017.

Teaching Experience

A. Prairie View A&M University, Fall 2020 - Present

- Fundamentals of Economics in Global Society (Undergraduate level): Fall 2020 (4.16/5.00)
- Principles of Macroeconomics (Undergraduate level): Spring 2021 (4.25/5.00)
- International Trade (Undergraduate level): Spring 2021 (4.44/5.00)
- Concepts of Economic Analysis (Master's level): Fall 2020 (4.29/5.00), Spring 2021 (4.80/5.00)
- Research and Academic Writing Skills (Doctoral level): Fall 2021
- Applied Statistics II (Doctoral level): Fall 2022, Fall 2023
- Doctoral Dissertation: Summer 2023-
- Seminar in Banking: Summer 2023, Fall 2023

B. Central State University, Fall 2016 - Summer 2020

- International Economics (Undergraduate level)
- Money and Banking (Undergraduate level)
- Macroeconomics (Undergraduate level)
- Microeconomics (Undergraduate level)
- Operations Management (Undergraduate level)
- Business Calculus (Undergraduate level)
- Agricultural Economics (Undergraduate level)
- Spreadsheets for Business (Undergraduate level)

Sponsorship, Grants, and Proposals

A. Sponsorship

- [1] Sponsorship between the PV Summer Banking Academy (PVSBA) and JPMorgan Chase bank to support stipends of participants and other related expenses. Amount: **\$10,000** in 2021, **\$12,000** in 2022, and **\$23,000** in 2023.
- [2] Sponsorship between the PV Summer Banking Academy (PVSBA) and Texas Capital Bank to support stipends of participants and other related expenses. Amount: **\$15,000** in 2022.
- [3] Sponsorship between the PV Summer Banking Academy (PVSBA) and Capital One to support stipends of participants and other related expenses. Amount: **\$20,000** in 2022.
- [4] Sponsorship between the PV Summer Banking Academy (PVSBA) and Wells Fargo to support stipends of participants and other related expenses. Amount: **\$20,000** in 2023.
- [5] Sponsorship between the PV Summer Banking Academy (PVSBA) and Comerica Bank to support stipends of participants and other related expenses. Amount: **\$20,000** in 2023.
- [6] Sponsorship between the PV Summer Banking Academy (PVSBA) and American National Bank of Texas to support stipends of participants and other related expenses. Amount: **\$10,000** in 2023.

B. Internal Funded Grants (PVAMU/CSU)

- [1] **Project Director** in the PV Summer Banking Academy (PVSBA). Amount: **\$20,000**, Summer 2022, funded by the College of Business and the Provost at Prairie View A&M University.
- [2] Faculty Enhancement Program (FEP) Award, Spring 2022: **\$1999.00**
- [3] Faculty Enhancement Program (FEP) Award, Fall 2021: **\$524.00**
- [4] **Project Director** in the PV Summer Banking Academy (PVSBA). Amount: **\$20,000**, Summer 2021, funded by the College of Business and the Provost at Prairie View A&M University.
- [5] Faculty Enhancement Program (FEP) Award, Fall 2020: **\$1,999**
- [6] Faculty RISE-Graduate Research Award - Division of Research & Innovation Award: **\$10,000**
- [7] **Principal Investigator** in the Economic Impact Analysis of Central State in the Regions of Ohio. Amount: **\$5,000**, funded by Central State University, 2017. (with Fidelis Ikem & Saima Bashir)

C. External Funded Grants

- [1] **Co-Principal Investigator** in Fostering Global Entrepreneurship Among Minority Students and Small Businesses, Department of Education- Summer 2021, Requested Amount: **\$190,000**. (with Dr. Ojumu, Dr. Quddus, Dr. Quazi, Dr. Tandon, Dr. Khan, Dr. Bell, and Dr. Baldwin)
- [2] **Co-Principal Investigator** in the Marauder Agricultural Scholarship Program (MASP)-Workforce Development for the US Agriculture Industry project. Capacity Building Grant (CBG), Amount: **\$600,000**, funded by NIFA-USDA, 2021-2024. (with Saima Bashir, George Owusu, Wendy Berry-West, Katrina Swineheart)
- [3] **Principal Investigator and instructor** at the Summer Banking Institute. Amount: **\$399,513.26**, to be funded by Union Savings Bank and the Ohio Bankers' League, Summer 2020. This project has been downsized to **\$40,157.32** due to COVID-19 (with Fred Aikens & Steven Washington)
- [4] **Principal Investigator and instructor** at the Summer Banking Institute. Amount: **\$300,000**, funded by Union Savings Bank First Financial Bank of Ohio, and the Ohio Bankers' League, Summer 2019. (with Fidelis Ikem & Steven Washington)
- [5] **Principal Investigator and instructor** at the Summer Banking Institute. Amount: **\$251,756**, funded by Union Savings Bank and the Ohio Bankers' League, Summer 2018. (with Fidelis Ikem & Steven Washington)
- [6] **Principal Investigator and instructor** at the Summer Banking Institute. Amount: **\$36,000**, funded by Union Savings Bank and the Ohio Bankers' League, Summer 2017. (with Fidelis Ikem & Steven Washington)
- [7] **Co Principal Investigator** in the Outreach Education and Technical Assistance (OETA). **\$200,000**, funded by the USDA, 2018-2019. (with Saima Bashir & Fidelis Ikem)

- [8] **Co Principal Investigator** in the Technical Assistance and Financial Education (TAFE) of disadvantaged farmers in Ohio project. Amount: **\$99,999**, funded by the USDA, 2017-2018. (with Saima Bashir & Wendy Berry-West).

D. Not Funded Proposals

- [1] **Co Principal Investigator** in Marauder Agricultural Business Innovation Center, USDA/NIFA -January 2021, requested amount: **\$2,000,000**. (with Dr. Bashir and Dr. Owusu)
- [2] **Co Principal Investigator** in Financial and Technical Access for Limited Resource Producers, USDA-AFRI -Summer 2021, requested amount: **\$650,000**. (with Dr. Ojumu, Dr. Yemba, and Dr. Alam)
- [3] **Principal Investigator** in PARTNERSHIP_Effects Of Uncertainties On Agriculture, USDA-AFRI-Summer 2021, requested amount: **\$800,000**. (with Dr. Ojumu, Dr. Yemba, and Dr. Alam)
- [4] **Principal Investigator**: Center for Research and Rural Economic Development” USDA-AFRI -2020 (\$500,000)
- [5] **Co-Principal Investigator**: Outreach Education and Technical Assistance” USDA-OPPE-2019 (\$750,000)
- [6] **Co-Principal Investigator**: Financial and Business Education for Beginning, Female, Veteran, and Socially Disadvantaged Farmers” NIFA-USDA, 2019 (\$600,000)
- [7] **Principal Investigator**: Marauder Agri-Business Institute” USDA-NIFA-2019 (\$600,000)
- [8] **Co-Principal Investigator**: Educational Training in Sustainable Agriculture” USDA-SARE-2019 (\$89,999)
- [9] **Principal Investigator**: Agricultural Supply Chain for Healthy Foods in Ohio” USDA-NIFA-2018 (\$600,000)
- [10] **Co-Principal Investigator**: Financial and Business Education for Beginning, Female, Veteran, and Socially Disadvantaged Farmers” NIFA-USDA, 2018 (\$600,000)
- [11] **Co-Principal Investigator**: Agricultural Risk Management and Insurance Education” USDA-RMA-2017-(\$99,999)
- [12] **Principal Investigator**: Economic Impact Analysis: All American Quarter Horse Congress” Ohio Quarter Horse Association-2017
- [13] **Principal Investigator**: Agricultural Supply Chain for Healthy Food in Ohio” USDA-NIFA-2017 (\$600,000)

Services

A. Prairie View A&M University

- Co-chair of the PV-COB Intellectual Contributions Committee.
- Member of the PV-COB Mission, SP, Accreditation Committee.
- Member of the PV Distance Learning Council.
- Member of the PV University Advisory Research Council.
- Implementation and coordination of the PV Summer Banking Academy (PVSBA). This program creates a pipeline of qualified minority students to enter the US banking workforce.
- Intellectual and Professional Contributions Committee.
- Search committee for the Professor of the Practice & Director, Chevron Leadership Academy.
- Program administrator in the Advancing Black Pathways College and University Mentorship Program. This program connects PV students with professional bankers.
- Undergraduate student advising (15 advisees)
- Principal advisor and Co-advisor for Capstone EMBA projects (6 students)

B. Central State University

- Implementation and coordination Summer Banking Institute (2017-2020)
- Program/Curriculum Review Committee
- Adjunct Review Committee
- MBA program development committee
- Retention Committee.
- Assessment of Teaching and Learning Committee
- Summer Banking Institute (non-credit teaching) (> 80 students)
- Workshop for minority and disadvantaged farmers (non-credit teaching) (> 200 farmers)

C. Grant reviewer

- USDA-AFRI Economics, Markets, and Trade panel

D. Journal referee

- Review of International Economics
- Journal of African Development
- Economics Bulletin
- Applied Economics
- Economics Modelling
- Bulletin of Economic Research
- World Development Perspectives
- Applied Economics Letters

E. Doctoral students

- Damian Viltz, Graduation Summer 2024