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EDUCATION

- Harvard University**, Cambridge, MA 02138 January 2019-March 2021
Master of Liberal Arts in Extension Studies, Field: International Relations
Dean's Prize for Outstanding ALM Thesis in International Relations
Dean's List Academic Achievement Award
GPA: 3.8
- Cornell University**, Ithaca, NY 14853 August 2008-May 2014
College of Architecture, Art, and Planning
Bachelor of Science in Urban and Regional Studies, Minor in Law and Society
GPA: 3.4
GPA junior and senior years: 3.7
- Johns Hopkins University**, Baltimore, MD June-August 2011
Summer University Program
GPA: 4.0
- Harare International School (H.I.S.)**, Harare, Zimbabwe August 2004-May 2008
International Baccalaureate (I.B.) Diploma
Valedictorian
GPA: 3.7

AWARDS/HONORS

- Harvard Dean's Prize for Outstanding ALM Thesis in International Relations May 2021
Harvard Dean's List Academic Achievement Award March 2021
Cornell Learning Strategies Scholarship June 2013
Cornell Dean's List May 2013
Cornell Learning Strategies Scholarship June 2012
Valedictorian May 2008
English Excellence Award May 2008
Marie Curie Award for Excellence in Science May 2008
Meticulous Mathematician Award May 2008
Le Prix Rene Descartes, prix de l'excellence en français May 2008
Le Prix Mariama Bâ, prix de l'effort en français May 2007
Most Improved Tennis Player Award May 2007
Coach's Award for Girls Basketball May 2007
Sliding Doors Award for Scheherazade Drama Play December 2006
Miss Congeniality Award September 2006
The Prince Metternich Award for History May 2006
First Place Abstract Art Award May 2006
Honors in piano recital of three pieces in National Institute of Allied Arts-Eisteddfod March 2006
Best Piano Recital, Alla Turca by Mozart, National trophy March 2006

PUBLICATION

- Wolle, M. (2021). *Saving Lives While Sharing Power: The United States and China in United Nations Peacekeeping Missions in Africa* (Master's Thesis). Harvard University, ProQuest.

POLITICAL AFFAIRS/SOCIAL AFFAIRS/PEACE AND SECURITY/HUMAN RIGHTS COURSEWORK

- Thesis Part I, II June-December 2020
Thesis Proposal Tutorial in International Relations January-May 2020
The United States and China: Opium War to the Present January-May 2020
Negotiating in Crisis August-December 2019
Future Foreign Policy and Defense Strategy August-December 2019

Non-Profit Leadership and Community Engagement	August-December 2019
Conflict and Cooperation	January-May 2019
Democracy and Its Discontents	January-May 2019
Grand Strategy and U.S. National Security	September-December 2018
Leadership in War and Peace	June-August 2018
International Law, War, and Human Rights	January-May 2014
International Humanitarianism	January-May 2014
Causes and Consequences of U.S. Foreign Policy	January-May 2014
Nutrition, Health, and Society	January 2014
International Organizations and International Human Rights	August-December 2013
Human Rights and Government	August-December 2013
Promise and Pitfalls of Contemporary Planning	August-December 2013
Human Rights and Global Justice	January-May 2013
International Development	January-May 2013
Land Use, Environmental Planning, and Urban Design Workshop	January-May 2013
Environmental Planning Seminar	August-December 2011
International Relations through Film	June-August 2011
People, Planning, and Politics in the City	January-May 2011
The American City	August-December 2009
Global Ethiopia	August-December 2009
Court, Crime, and Constitution	August-December 2009
Nature Functions Limits of Law	August-December 2009
African Cultures and Civilizations	January-May 2009
The Global City	January-May 2009

WORK/VOLUNTEER/INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE

Political Affairs Intern, United Nations Department of Peace Operations May-July 2021
Worked in the Office for Rule of Law and Security Institutions. Conducted research on women, peace, and security. Assisted with a study on youth, peace, and security and U.N. peacekeeping.

Intern, United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and Empowerment of Women Feb-May 2018
Worked on the eliminating violence against women and girls team. Wrote concept notes, terms of references, a development engagement document, and reports. Edited program documents, reports, and concept notes. Evaluated consultants to hire. Helped organize the African Women Leaders Network Event co-organized by the African Union.

Teen Residential Counselor, Cornell Adult University, Ithaca, NY July-August 2009
Supervised over 100 teens and coordinated program activities.

FRESH Intern, New York State Courts, Buffalo, NY March 2009
Shadowed Surrogate Judge of Erie County Barbara Howe through Supreme Court cases. Referred by Judge Howe to shadow judges in criminal, civil, and family court cases.

Treasurer and Mentor, Project Lansing (Incarceration Center) January-December 2009
Collaborated with founder to form and manage organization, calculated expenses, and mentored juvenile girls. Secured funding source from Cornell.

Secretary, Acting on AIDS Cornell January-December 2009
Fund raised on Cornell campus to provide primary and secondary school fees for AIDS orphans. Spread awareness about HIV/AIDS. Organized and recorded group events.

Head organizer, Over-night Lock-in 2008
Supervised students and managed staff. Organized art and sport activities and provided food and equipment for over 400 participants.

Participant, Leadership Retreat 2008
Selected to attend retreat, provide leadership to class, and organize yearly events.

Vice President, Juru Village Planning Committee 2007-2008
Created subsistence plan for Juru village during an economic downturn. Executed plan by obtaining and supplying food and clothing to village members and providing textbooks, pens, and paper to the local school, Kadjamadari. Lived in Juru village for a week helping build facilities for Kadjamadari.

Student Representative, Ethiopian Community September 2006-June 2008
Sold tickets in auctions to raise money for Ethiopians affected by hunger.

Volunteer, Just Children Foundation September 2006-June 2008
Fundraised for the foundation and spent time with orphans on trips to Just Children Foundation.

Tutor, International Baccalaureate Program September 2006-June 2008
Tutored eleventh and twelve grade students weekly in higher level English, biology, chemistry, and math until successful performance was reached.

TEAM-WORK

Member, Harvard Extension School International Relations Club	2021
Member, Cornell Minority Organization of Architecture, Art, and Planning	2010
Delegate, Model United Nations	2007-2008
Pianist, Zimbabwean Combined School's Orchestra	2007-2008
Pianist, Big band	2006-2008
Pianist, Orchestra	2006-2008
Basketball Player, Senior Varsity Basketball	2006-2008
Tennis Player, Tennis Team	2006-2008
Vocalist, Choir	2006-2008
Actress, Yellowstone Park Play and Scheherazade Play	2006-2007

INTERNATIONAL/MULTICULTURAL EXPERIENCE

Attended primary and secondary school with students from **135 countries** with various religious and ethnic backgrounds. **Lived in four countries:** Zimbabwe, Ethiopia, Kenya, and the United States.

LANGUAGES

English: Fluent
Amharic: Proficient