

Yale World Fellows Program

2011 Graduate/Professional School Affiliates



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Jared is a second-year Master of Public Health and Master of Arts student at Yale University where he is focusing on Health Policy as well as International and Development Economics. Prior to Yale, Jared studied Science, Technology and Society as an undergraduate at Vassar College. Jared is involved with various organizations at Yale such as Universities Allied for Essential Medicines, the Student Global Health and AIDS Coalition, and is working with other public health students to start a *pro-bono* public health consulting group. Jared has also spent some time in Haiti working on a collaboration between the School of Public Health, School of Forestry, and Hospital Albert Schweitzer in the Artibonite Valley Region. This summer, Jared worked as an intern at Results for Development in Washington D.C..



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World Fellow: Carl Mossfeldt (Sweden)

From rice paddies to rooftops, Kyra is keenly interested in making sustainable food more accessible and affordable. She is currently a Masters student at the Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies where she focuses on environmental justice, community development and sustainable food systems. Previously, Kyra lived in Thailand working to bring Fair Trade rice to the U.S., coordinated national fair trade and trade justice campaigns for the ENGAGE network, and developed an indigenous Farm to School curriculum with the White Earth Land Recovery Project, co-authoring a report on Native American Farm to School programs. In New Haven, she has looked at the links between bicultural and place-based education and food sovereignty and has developed educational programming for both the New Haven Ecology Project and the Yale Sustainable Food Project.



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World Fellow: Sati Rasuanto (Indonesia)

Howard is a 3rd-year joint degree candidate at the Yale School of Management and School of Forestry & Environmental Studies. His interests are in financing renewable energy projects and developing early stage clean technology ventures. He wants to research how to implement public policy initiatives in order to most efficiently facilitate private sector environmental solutions. Howard interned at GE Energy Financial Services in the Venture Capital and Renewables group after his first year and interned in the Utility Solutions group at EnerNOC, a demand response and energy efficiency company based in Boston, after his second year. Prior to Yale, he worked at J.P. Morgan for 5 years in a variety of roles across investment banking, strategic planning, and operations. His focus was primarily on developing innovative financial instruments to alleviate constrained liquidity and address credit risk management needs. He earned a BA in economics from Johns Hopkins University with a minor in Entrepreneurship & Management.



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Brad Davis is a second-year MBA student at the Yale School of Management, where he is Co-President of the Investment Management Club, graduate advisor to the Dwight Hall Student-Run Socially Responsible Investing Fund, and teaching assistant for Basics of Accounting. Prior to Yale, Brad was an equity research analyst with Federated Investors for four years where he covered a variety of industries including Autos, Insurance, Banks, and Energy. He interned this summer as an investment banking associate in the Natural Resources Group at Barclays Capital. Brad earned his bachelor's degree from Tulane University with a double major in Finance and Economics, was a member of Omicron Delta Epsilon International Honors Society in Economics, and is a CFA Charterholder.



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Fauzia is a second year student at the Yale School of Management. She is passionate about innovative solutions to entrepreneurship development as a means to economic development in the Middle East. After completing a double degree in Middle Eastern & Islamic Studies and Political Science at New York University, she spent three years working on the development of strategic philanthropy best practices and education reform in Cairo, Egypt. While there, Fauzia launched the first network of Arab universities committed to civic engagement in higher education.

Before coming to Yale, Fauzia worked in a number of different independent consulting roles in Egypt. During her internship, Fauzia will be returning to Cairo to work with Endeavor, a global non-profit organization, which transforms emerging countries by supporting high-impact entrepreneurs. At the School of Management, Fauzia is co-chair of the Net Impact club and plans to pursue courses related to international relations, business, and development in emerging markets.



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World Fellow: Monika Halan (India)

Anuj is a masters student in environmental management candidate studying policy and industrial ecology at Yale's School of Forestry and Environmental Studies. He spent this past summer interning for GE's environmental health and safety department on supply chain issues at corporate headquarters in Fairfield, Connecticut. Previously, Anuj spent 14 years in New York as an editor and writer, primarily for magazines. He was the former deputy editor of *Plenty* magazine, which covered green living and issues cover to cover; and the past editor in chief of the lifestyle title *Black Book*. His writing has appeared in *Bookforum*, *Dwell*, *Elle*, *ESPN* magazine, *Newsweek International*, *Slate*, and *The New York Times*. Though his past in journalism is mostly dormant while at Yale, he still serves as a board member for the emerging media nonprofit Blank on Blank, which is dedicated to building, preserving, and broadcasting a digital archive of the American interview.



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Jessica is a second-year in the three year MEM/MBA joint degree program at the Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies and the Yale School of Management. She is interested in environmental economics and market based solutions to environmental problems, in addition to strategies to motivate public and private investment in the environment. Prior to Yale, Jessica worked for both Goldman Sachs and Fortress Investment Group, trading fixed income products. Last summer, Jessica worked at the Environmental Defense Fund on an analysis of the viability of Carbon Capture Wetland Farming in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. This summer, Jessica is the Clean Tech and Renewables Group at Goldman Sachs, where she is learning about advising, financing, and investing strategies for Clean Tech companies. Jessica is originally from the Philadelphia area, and graduated from Dartmouth in 2003, with a BA in Mathematics modified with Economics, and a minor in Biology.



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Jamie is a second year MBA candidate at Yale School of Management. This summer she worked as an associate at Goldman Sachs in credit trading. Prior to Yale she served as the Ambassador's personal chief of staff at U.S. Embassy Helsinki. In Phoenix, as Barrett's research and project manager, Jamie managed corporate business matters in scientific, defense and aerospace industries as well as significant initiatives, including international conferences on women's economic empowerment, the U.S. State Department's Diplomacy Center and efforts with a presidential library and policy center.

As a National Security Education Program Scholar to Poland, Forseth studied at Jagiellonian University and Adam Mickiewicz University. She continues her work as a National Language Service Corps charter member. Jamie graduated summa cum laude from Arizona State University with four bachelor's degrees - in political science, violin performance, English literature and Polish - and a Master's in political theory.



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Terrol is a first-year Master of Public Health Student at the Yale School of Public Health. Terrol is originally from Portmore, Jamaica. He currently lives in Auburndale, Florida and graduated from Wake Forest University in May of 2011. In the summer of 2009 he was a University of Alabama-Birmingham School of Public Health MHIRT trainee working on a research project on people living with HIV/AIDS in his native Jamaica. He spent the summer of 2010 working in the Fortune Lab at the Harvard School of Public Health. Terrol has a longstanding interest in international health policy especially as it relates to global diseases such as HIV and tuberculosis. He is also interested in the fields of international development and global health diplomacy. In addition to his MPH with a global health concentration he plans on pursuing the development studies certificate at the Jackson Institute for Global Affairs and hopes to become proficient/fluent in Portuguese during his time at Yale. At this time he'd like to work for USAID in its Bureau of Global Health or UNAIDS upon the completion of his studies.



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Ben is a third-year joint MBA/MEM candidate. Prior to grad school, Ben worked as the Staff Director to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources in the Massachusetts state legislature, where he served as lead staffer for the Committee in helping to pass the Commonwealth's Green Jobs Act. Ben is also a graduate of Yale College ('04) and a former member of the New Haven Board of Aldermen, which he served on starting at the age of 19. Over the last two summers, Ben has worked on public power deals in Morgan Stanley's Municipal Securities Division and as a Summer Associate at a San Francisco-based venture capital firm focused on double bottom line returns. Currently, Ben works as a Research Assistant on a Sobotka Collaborative Research Grant in Business and the Environment, focused on the institutional theory behind clean energy development.



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Jennifer is a 2nd year student at the Yale School of Management. Prior to entering the MBA program, Jennifer worked as a global equity research analyst at BNY Mellon Asset Management covering companies domiciled in countries including the United States, Singapore, Hong Kong, China, Philippines, Taiwan, and Malaysia. She focused on the real estate industry, and in particular the housing and retail sectors within these countries. This summer, she is working at PepsiCo in the Innovation Finance and Strategy team. She is interested in food access/policy, nutrition, and sustainable agriculture and is an active volunteer on the Yale Farm. At Yale School of Management, Jennifer is a co-leader of the Retail Club and the Public Speaking Club.



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Chris is currently a JD/MBA student at Yale Law School and Yale School of Management, where he focuses on nonprofit and for-profit approaches to tackling social problems. Chris was born and raised in Southern California and graduated from the University of Southern California with a B.S. in Finance in 2003. Chris began his career in corporate finance in the Silicon Valley. He then transitioned to the social sector, working as a management consultant at the Bridgespan Group, a nonprofit spinoff of Bain & Company, advising the leaders of private foundations, other nonprofits, and public institutions. While there, he worked extensively with the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation on issues related to domestic education reform, family homelessness, global libraries and access to information. He also worked with an urban public school district and other nonprofits focused on education reform and youth development. Chris has also worked as a Summer Associate at the law firm of Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP.



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Matt was commissioned from Montana State University Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) with a degree in Electrical Engineering in 2005 and assigned for three years to the Air Force Research Laboratory at Eglin Air Force Base near Destin Florida. He worked on future technologies that will eliminate the reliance of munitions and aircraft on the global positioning system (GPS). Afterward he spent two years as a power systems engineer for Emerson Electric Co. in Denver CO and Portland OR commissioning utility owned substations and industrial power systems. During the past summer he executed mergers and acquisitions for OEM Capital, a boutique investment bank specializing in the tech sector. Matt enjoys mountaineering, sailing, competitive basketball, and neighborhood walks with his wife and golden retriever.



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Anna is a second year graduate student in the Yale department of political science, where she is focusing on political theory. Prior to Yale, Anna studied German and Political Science at the University of Pennsylvania, where she developed an interest in 20th century German and continental political philosophy. Anna has also spent time living in Germany as a Congress-Bundestag Exchange Program participant. Her current research explores themes in continental political philosophy as it relates to current debates on subjects such as territory, contentious politics, and political judgment.



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World Fellow: Gavin Sheppard (Canada)

Joyce is a second-year Master of Fine Arts student at the Yale School of Art. Originally from the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), she has been living in London, UK, for the past 10 years. She was awarded a first-class honors degree in Fine Art at the University of Oxford in 2010. At Yale, she has taken several courses in African Studies and is passionate about economic development, improving the arts sector in the Congo, and using visual arts to highlight social issues such as the rape of women in Eastern Congo. To bring awareness about the situation in DRC, for the past two years Joyce has been helping Nancy Ciakudia and Barbro Ciakudia organize the Congo Conference, which takes place once a year in Toronto, Canada. As well as writing the plan and doing marketing research for the multi-arts centre she plans to open in Kinshasa, this summer she volunteered at the Congolese Centre and Age UK in London.



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World Fellow: Monika Halan (India)

Dhruv is a second-year MBA student at Yale's School of Management (SOM). Dhruv was raised in the Boston area and attended Boston University. Prior to Yale, Dhruv was an Analyst at Moody's Investors Service where he assigned debt ratings to high yield energy, metals and mining, and auto part companies. He also previously worked at General Electric in fixed income research, and completed one of the company's training programs. This summer, Dhruv interned in the Corporate Strategy Group of the oil and gas company, Hess Corporation. Dhruv has a strong interest in geopolitical affairs and will help lead the "Business and Politics" club at SOM this fall. In the spring, he will serve as a Teaching Assistant for Yale SOM's India International Experience Trip.



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Sarah is a third year student at Yale Law School. She is currently serving as Student Director of the school's Legislative Advocacy clinic, and as a McDougal Graduate Life Fellow. Her legal interests include international law and public policy. This summer, Sarah was a summer associate in the litigation department at the law firm of Simpson, Thacher & Bartlett. Prior to law school, Sarah attended the University of Connecticut, where she was editor-in-chief of the undergraduate daily newspaper.



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World Fellow: Ibrahim Suffian (Malaysia)

Markus is a PhD candidate in the department of Philosophy, where he focuses on moral and political philosophy. His dissertation investigates how contemporary social contract theories can provide a basis for policy decision. In line with his research interests, Markus has taught classes on global justice, on ethics and international affairs, and on the theoretical foundations of social justice at Yale. He is also one of the co-founders of the Yale Working Group in Moral Philosophy.

Before coming to Yale, Markus received an M.A. degree in philosophy from the University College London and a B.A. in Philosophy & Economics from the University of Bayreuth, Germany.



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World Fellow: Negusu Aklilu (Ethiopia)

Nate Loewentheil is a second year at Yale Law School, enrolled in a joint degree program with Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies. He hails proudly from Baltimore, Maryland. In early 2005, while in his sophomore year at Yale College, he helped found the Roosevelt Campus Network and later served from 2007 to 2009 as executive director. Following this, he spent a year working in

Cochabamba, Bolivia. Most recently, he spent a summer working on urban policy at the Domestic Policy Council at the White House.

Nate sits on the Board of Directors of the New Leaders Council and the College Democrats of America Alumni Association. He is also on the advisory board of Fundación Sodis, an international NGO focused on water provision in developing nations. He has submitted testimony to Congress on topics like Social Security, published with the Center for American Progress and the Review of Policy Research, and contributes to the Huffington Post. He is a member of the Royal Society of Arts of England and the Sandbox Network. He is also the editor of a recent book, *Thinking Big: Progressive Ideas for a New Era*.



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Tasha is a third year student at Yale Law School. Tasha was the founder and director of People for Equality and Relief in Lanka (PEARL), a non-profit advocacy organization dedicated to promoting human rights in Sri Lanka. She spent over a year documenting human rights violations committed against Tamil civilians in northern Sri Lanka, and remains committed to pursuing accountability for violations of international law. Tasha received her bachelor's degree from the Georgetown School of Foreign Service.



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World Fellow: Habib Ur Rahman (Afghanistan)

Joshua is a second-year Master of Arts in Religion student at Yale University, where he focuses on ethics, specifically the intersection of Christian ethics, Islamic ethics, and human rights. Last semester he worked as a research assistant in the Yale Center for Faith and Culture on a project that seeks to highlight similarities between Christianity and Islam. Joshua's interests, though, are not merely academic. He is deeply invested in the future of Afghanistan. He serves on the International Board of Advisers for the Banyan Tree Network, an Afghan non-profit organization. In the summer of 2010, he taught the principles of competitive debate to students in Kabul. This summer, he directed the Kabul Invitational, a project of the Banyan Tree Network that was co-sponsored by the International Public Debate Association and funded by the U.S. State Department. With a team of college debaters from the United States, he organized exhibition debates, debate workshops, and a debate tournament between universities in Kabul.



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World Fellow: Sonali Kochhar (India)

In the fall of 2011, Christina will be a second-year Master of Public Health student, with a focus in Epidemiology of Microbial Diseases. Prior to attending Yale's School of Public Health, Christina worked for three years as a research assistant in an immunology lab at The Wistar Institute, and she earned her Bachelor's degree in Biology from Saint Joseph's University in 2007. This summer she is volunteering in the State TB Office and Training & Demonstration Center in Hyderabad, India to facilitate a needs assessment in the area of psychosocial counseling for TB and MDR-TB patients.

Christina is interested in studying the epidemiology of infectious diseases associated with sexual violence, as well as the special health needs of populations who live in areas affected by political and armed violence. Particularly, she is focusing her studies on the mental and psychosocial health needs of those living with chronic infectious diseases in conflict-ridden areas.



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Jaclyn is a doctoral candidate at Yale Law School. She was appointed as an Assistant Professor with the Law Faculty of the National University of Singapore in 2008 and is currently on a scholarship to pursue her degree here at Yale. Jaclyn's dissertation focuses on the intersection between secular constitutions and religious groups, with an emphasis on Southeast Asia.

At the Law School, Jaclyn co-pioneered a new workshop series titled 'Debating Law & Religion' in spring 2011 which invites speakers to discuss and debate topical issues concerning law and religion. Jaclyn is also one of the organizers of the inaugural doctoral scholarship conference at Yale Law School scheduled for December 2011.

Before entering academia, Jaclyn practiced with the litigation and dispute resolution department of one of the top law firms in Singapore. She has published several journal articles and book chapters on constitutional law, focusing on minority and women's rights in Malaysia and Singapore.



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Stephanie Platis is a second year Master of Public Health student at Yale University where she is focusing in Health Policy and Administration. She previously worked on global HIV/AIDS policy at the Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation in Washington, D.C. followed by two years working with clients at the San Francisco AIDS Foundation's Syringe Exchange Program. She is interested in HIV/AIDS policy, specifically in the context of gender equality and human rights. As a result, she was inspired to co-found the first UN Women-USNC San Francisco Chapter, and was awarded the Weirnerman Fellowship to continue her work with UN Women as an intern in the HIV/AIDS and Gender Equality Division this summer. While at Yale, Stephanie has been an active member of the Yale Student Global Health and AIDS Coalition and is currently a Qualitative Research Assistant for the Yale Robert Wood Johnson Clinical Fellows Program.



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Erica is a second year student at the Yale School of Forestry & Environmental Studies, focusing on social ecology and ecosystem restoration. Before coming to Yale, she spent two years working on forestry and climate change issues in Southeast Asia with an international organization in Bangkok, Thailand. This past summer, Erica conducted independent research on forest restoration in Thailand and the Philippines, focusing on how forest restoration approaches can be adapted to local contexts to support household livelihood strategies. At Yale, Erica also works with FES faculty on forest governance research and is interested in international development and the environment.



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Megan is a second-year student at the School of Management. She is focusing her MBA on courses that create a deeper understanding of the intersection between the private and public sector, with a particular interest in emerging markets. As such, she is spending her summer internship at Thomson Reuters, focusing on the company's organic growth in emerging markets. Megan has spent the majority of her career as an investment banker at JPMorgan and MESA (Media & Entertainment Strategy Advisors), working in New York and India. She has worked primarily with clients in the Technology and Media sectors, executing deals in capital markets and M&A. While at JPMorgan, she also worked on the development and implementation of JPMorgan's first Asia Investment Banking Training Program in Mumbai. Prior to investment banking, she worked at ABC News in Washington, D.C. Megan grew up in New York and graduated from Stanford University with a BA in International Relations.



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Nick is a second year student at the Yale School of Management. Originally from Ohio, he studied civil engineering at the University of Notre Dame and structural engineering at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Afterwards, Nick spent four years working as a structural engineer in the building design industry for the Columbus, Ohio firm of Shelley Metz Baumann and Hawk.

Nick is interested in issues related to international development, particularly those of physical infrastructure and the built environment. This summer, he worked as an intern with The Kaizen Company, a Washington, DC-based management consulting firm focused on sustainable capacity building solutions to international development assistance projects. At the School of Management, Nick plans to pursue courses related to strategy and international relations.



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Rafael is a second year student focused on environmental policy and its role in addressing global environmental problems, in particular those related to energy and climate change. Prior to Yale, Rafael worked almost 9 years as a financial statement auditor, most recently as manager at Deloitte & Touche, and just under one year consulting for other clients, including a renewable energy company. At Deloitte, Rafael served public and private companies in a range of industries, concentrating on manufacturing, technology and energy. He was leader of an office greening committee and he served on various task forces helping develop Deloitte's sustainability service offering. Rafael earned a BS in Business Administration from Babson College, with honors, and also earned the CPA, CMA, and CFM financial certifications.



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Karina is a second-year MBA student at the Yale School of Management, where she focuses on urban economic development and real estate. This summer she interned at the Urban Investment Group at Goldman Sachs. Prior to Yale, Karina was a Senior Analyst at HR&A, advising municipal governments and real estate developers on urban land use and economic revitalization strategies—from New York, to Newark to Washington, DC. Karina is a former Coro Fellow in Public Affairs and an Honors graduate of the University of Pennsylvania.

At the School of Management, Karina serves as an Admissions Interviewer and will assist in leading the International Experience trip to Hungary and Russia. She is also Graduate and Professional Student Coordinator for the Joseph Slifka Center for Jewish Life at Yale.



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Tiffany is a second year Master of Public Health student at Yale University where she is focusing on Epidemiology of Infectious Disease. Prior to Yale, Tiffany finished her undergraduate degree in Peking University, China with a major in biology and a minor in German. She had lab experience on research of HIV pathology and later she took an internship at the George Institute for International Health where she worked on projects of hypertension and gained basic skills of data management and public health field research. Tiffany is interested in issues related to HIV program cost-effective analysis as well as general global health governance issues such as public-private partnership and global health diplomacy. She is also pursuing a graduate certificate on International Development in the Jackson Institute for Global Affairs at Yale.



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Fellow: Xolani Zitha (Zimbabwe)

Benjamin (Ben) Widness is a second year student at Yale's Jackson Institute for Global Affairs where he is pursuing a Masters Degree in International Relations. As an Iowan, Ben has strong opinions on ethanol, presidential politics, and why the Chicago Cubs lose the National League Central Division every year. Before coming to Yale, he spent several years working on domestic social policy and foreign affairs as an aide to a U.S. senator. His academic interests include empires in theory and practice; diplomatic history; and U.S. foreign and national security policy, particularly its political and legislative drivers. Ben is a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of American University's School of International Service, where he received a B.A. in International Studies in 2005. As an undergraduate student, he concentrated on European politics and German area studies. He also interned with the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum, a congressman from New York City not named Anthony Weiner, the Australian Embassy, and the Bertelsmann Foundation's Brussels office.



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Jesse Zink is a third-year student at the Divinity School, inching his way towards ordination in the Episcopal Church. Prior to coming to Yale, he was a missionary at a community center in a shantytown outside Mthatha, South Africa and a news reporter at a public-service radio station in Nome, Alaska. Since arriving at Yale, he has continued to travel, with trips to Sudan (twice), Nigeria, China, and a term abroad in the U.K. The purpose of these trips is to listen to and learn from Christians in different cultures and contexts. His primary research interests are the church in the non-western world and how the world-wide body of Christ can live as an example of unity without unanimity. His first book, about his years in South Africa, will be published in early spring 2012.