# **Robin J. Lewis**

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#### **Education and Honors**

**London School of Economics and Political Science**, London, England

December 2013

Graduated with Merit, Master of Science in Comparative Politics

Furman University, Greenville, SC

May 2012

Magna cum laude, Bachelor of Arts in Political Science

Phi Beta Kappa

Omicron Delta Kappa Inducted Fall 2011

# **Professional Experience**

The Brookings Institution, Washington, DC

January 2014–Present

**Inducted Spring 2012** 

# **Research Analyst & Associate Fellow, Governance Studies**

April 2016-Present

- Current <u>research</u> and other professional activity focuses on the intersection of financial inclusion, technological innovation, and the mobile economy
- Co-authored "The 2016 Brookings Financial and Digital Inclusion Project (FDIP) Report:
   Advancing Equitable Financial Ecosystems" and associated scorecard

#### **Research Analyst, Governance Studies**

July 2015-March 2016

- Conducted primary and secondary research to inform the annual Brookings FDIP report and scorecard; drafted and edited blog posts and other web content; and engaged with key stakeholders to amplify awareness of FDIP and advance the project's research agenda
- Coordinated with Brookings' communications, events, finance, and development teams to
  promote dissemination efforts, manage public and private events, assist with stewardship of
  the project budget, and support the drafting of progress reports and other grant materials
- Co-authored "The 2015 Brookings Financial and Digital Inclusion Project (FDIP) Report:
   Measuring Progress on Financial Access and Usage" and associated scorecard

### Senior Research Assistant, Governance Studies

June 2014-June 2015

- Collected and analyzed data; produced briefing memos, meeting readouts, and other
  research and administrative materials; supported the development and implementation of
  project engagement and dissemination strategies; and drafted and presented working
  versions of the inaugural FDIP methodology and metrics to project co-directors
- Provided other research and programmatic support as needed for Governance Studies vicepresident and director Darrell M. West and nonresident senior fellow John D. Villasenor

# **Project Coordinator, Governance Studies**

January-June 2014

- Managed the planning and execution of the third World Forum on Governance (WFG), an international convening held in Prague, Czech Republic that focused on global anticorruption efforts and featured nearly 90 thought leaders from more than 20 countries
- Drafted and edited the 2014 WFG report, "Leveraging Private Capital and Political Action in the Fight Against Corruption"

# Freelance Writer, Cengage Learning, Inc., Boston, MA

**Summer 2012** 

 Authored the instructor's manual for the sixth edition of James M. McCormick's "American Foreign Policy and Process"

#### Furman Advantage Research Fellow, Furman University, Greenville, SC

Summer 2011

- Researched, compiled, and coded data regarding the intersection of religious identity and congressional politics under the supervision of James L. Guth, the William R. Kenan, Jr. Professor of Political Science at Furman University
- Presented research during a panel at Furman University in March 2012

# **Select Publications and Other Professional Activity**

- "The 2016 Brookings Financial and Digital Inclusion Project (FDIP) Report: Advancing Equitable
   Financial Ecosystems," co-authored Brookings report, August 2016
- "The 2015 Brookings Financial and Digital Inclusion Project (FDIP) Report: Measuring Progress on Financial Access and Usage," co-authored Brookings report, August 2015
- "Financial Inclusion in sub-Saharan Africa," panel discussion hosted by the Brookings Africa
  Growth Initiative, the Global Development Network, and the African Economic Research
  Consortium, October 2016