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EDUCATION

- PhD** Tufts University, Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy Exp. 2021
Food and Nutrition Policy
Dissertation: *Longitudinal study of growth faltering in children*
Committee: Beatrice Rogers (Tufts), William Masters (Tufts), Elena Naumova (Tufts), Nandita Perumal (Harvard)
- MPH** Emory University, Rollins School of Public Health May 2013
Global Health and Epidemiology
Certificate: Complex Humanitarian Emergencies
Thesis: *Women's empowerment for infant and young child feeding*
Advisor: Aimee Webb-Girard
- BS** The College of William and Mary May 2008
Major: Neuroscience

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- Tufts University, Friedman School, Boston** 2019-Present
Data Analyst, Food Aid Quality Review
- Tufts University, Friedman School, Boston** 2019-2020
Graduate Researcher, Feed the Future Nutrition Innovation Lab
- Tufts University, Friedman School, Burkina Faso** 2014-2019
Field Research Director, Food Aid Quality Review
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Atlanta** 2011-2013
Research Assistant, International Emergency and Refugee Health Branch
- CARE, Bangladesh** 2012
Research Intern, Window of Opportunity Project
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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

The Carter Center, Chad
Technical Advisor, Guinea Worm Eradication Program

Jun-Dec 2013

United States Peace Corps, Burkina Faso
Community Health Development Volunteer

2008-2011

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed

Cliffer, I.R., Masters, W.A., & Rogers, B.L. (2020). Fortified blended flour supplements displace plain cereals in feeding of young children. *Maternal and Child Nutrition*. 2020;e13089. <https://doi.org/10.1111/mcn.13089>

Cliffer, I. R., Nikiema, L., Langlois, B. K., Zeba, A. N., Shen, Y., Lanou, H. B., Suri, D. J., Garanet, F., Chui, K., Vosti, S., Walton, S., Rosenberg, I., Webb, P., & Rogers, B. L. (2020). Cost-Effectiveness of 4 Specialized Nutritious Foods in the Prevention of Stunting and Wasting in Children Aged 6-23 Months in Burkina Faso: A Geographically Randomized Trial. *Current Developments in Nutrition*, 4(2), nzaa006. <https://doi.org/10.1093/cdn/nzaa006>

Shen, Y., **Cliffer, I. R.**, Suri, D. J., Langlois, B. K., Vosti, S. A., Webb, P., & Rogers, B. L. (2020). Impact of stakeholder perspectives on cost-effectiveness estimates of four specialized nutritious foods for preventing stunting and wasting in children 6-23 months in Burkina Faso. *Nutrition Journal*, 19(1), 20. <https://doi.org/10.1186/s12937-020-00535-x>

Langlois, B. K., **Cliffer, I. R.**, Nikiema, L., Suri, D. J., Garanet, F., Shen, Y., Zeba, A. N., Walton, S. M., Lanou, H. B., Webb, P., & Rogers, B. L. (2020). Factors that May Influence the Effectiveness of 4 Specialized Nutritious Foods in the Prevention of Stunting and Wasting in Children Aged 6–23 Months in Burkina Faso. *Current Developments in Nutrition*, 4(2). <https://doi.org/10.1093/cdn/nzaa002>

Manuscripts Under Review

Langlois, B.K., Griswold, S., **Cliffer, I.R.**, Riffenburg, K., Suri, D.J., Shen, Y., Sawi, M.K., Webb, P., & Rogers, B.L. Use of specialized nutritious foods in a moderate acute malnutrition treatment program in Sierra Leone. *Under review at Maternal and Child Nutrition*.

Griswold, S., Langlois, B.K., Shen, Y., **Cliffer, I.R.**, Suri, D.J., Chui, K., Rosenberg, I.H., Koroma, A.S., Wegner, D., Hassan, A., Manary, M.J., Vost, S.A., Webb, P., & Rogers, B.L. Cost-effectiveness of four supplementary foods for treating moderate acute malnutrition: results from a comparative intervention trial in Sierra Leone. *Under review at American Journal of Clinical Nutrition*, Sept 23, 2020.

White Papers, Reports, and Commentaries

Cliffer, I.R., Masters, W.A., Andrews-Trevino, J., Webb, P., & Ghosh, S. Food systems and nutrition: emerging evidence and research opportunities, Nutrition Innovation Lab, October 2019. https://pdf.usaid.gov/pdf_docs/PA00W5W7.pdf

Green, L. E., **Cliffer, I. R.**, Suri, D. J., Caiafa, K. R., Rogers, B. L., & Webb, P. J. R. (2019). Advancing Nutrition in the International Food Assistance Agenda: Progress and Future Directions Identified at the 2018 Food Assistance for Nutrition Evidence Summit. *Food and Nutrition Bulletin*, 379572119871715. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0379572119871715>

Cliffer, I. R., Suri, D.J, Langlois, B., Shen, Y., K., Nikiema, L., Zeba, A. N., Lanou, H. B., Suri, D. J., Garanet, F., Vosti, S., Walton, S., Green, L.E., Chui, K., Rosenberg, I., Webb, P., & Rogers, B. L. Comparative cost-effectiveness of four supplementary foods in preventing stunting and wasting in children 6-24 months in Burkina Faso. Report to USAID, January 2019. https://pdf.usaid.gov/pdf_docs/PA00TSS9.pdf

Roubert, A., **Cliffer, I.R.**, Griswold, S., Shen, Y., Suri, D.J., Langlois, B.K., Maganga, G., Walton, S., Rogers, B.L., Webb, P. The last mile of food aid distribution: insights gained through FAQR's field studies in Malawi, Burkina Faso, and Sierra Leone. Report to USAID, November 2018. https://pdf.usaid.gov/pdf_docs/PA00TS1D.pdf

PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED LECTURES

Oral Presentation, “Emerging evidence lightning talks: How do caregivers adjust their feeding behaviors when provided with food aid?” *Food Assistance for Nutrition Evidence Summit*, 2020.

Virtual Presentation, “Temporal patterns in linear and ponderal growth velocity among children 6-23 months in Burkina Faso,” *American Society for Nutrition*, 2020.

Workshop Presentation, “Breaking down silos: Conducting team-based data analyses,” *Tufts Analytics Without Borders Conference*, 2020.

Webinar Presentation, “Food systems and nutrition: Emerging evidence and research opportunities,” *USAID Agrilinks E-consultation*, 2019.

Oral Presentation, “Displacement of household foods by fortified blended flours versus lipid-based supplements in complementary feeding of children aged 6-23 months in Burkina Faso,” *American Society for Nutrition*, 2019.

Oral Presentation, “Comparative effectiveness and cost-effectiveness of four supplementary foods in the prevention of stunting and wasting in children 6-23 months in Burkina Faso,” *American Society for Nutrition*, 2018.

Poster, “Evaluating opportunity cost of caregivers’ time and its impact on comparative cost-effectiveness of supplementary foods to prevent child undernutrition in Burkina Faso,” *American Society for Nutrition*, 2018

Poster, “Behaviors surrounding ration use in a blanket supplementary feeding program in Burkina Faso,” *American Society for Nutrition*, 2018

Oral Presentation, “Evidence on interventions and program components beyond effective food aid products: Behaviors, environment and modalities,” *Food Assistance for Nutrition Evidence Summit*, 2018.

Seminar Series Lecture, “Guiding USAID towards more effective food assistance for nutrition: Results from the Food Aid Quality Review (FAQR) field studies,” *Friedman School Speaker Series*, 2018.

Poster, “Methods for rigorous in-home observations conducted during a food aid cost-effectiveness trial in Burkina Faso,” *International Congress of Nutrition*, 2017.

Poster, “Changes in household food insecurity between enrollment and exit from a blanket supplementary feeding program for children 6-23 months old in Burkina Faso,” *International Congress of Nutrition*, 2017.

Poster, “Research methods used to determine cost-effectiveness of a supplementary feeding trial to prevent child undernutrition in Burkina Faso,” *International Congress of Nutrition*, 2017.

Poster, “Who are we really feeding with specialized food aid products?” *Action Contre la Faim Research for Nutrition Conference*, 2017.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Tufts Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy, Boston Sep 2020-Present
Teaching Assistant, “Doctoral Seminar”, Graduate level
Professor: Beatrice Rogers

Tufts Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy, Boston Sep 2018-Dec 2018
Teaching Assistant, “Science-based interventions for child malnutrition”, Graduate level
Professor: Irwin Rosenberg, Shibani Ghosh

Emory University Rollins School of Public Health, Atlanta Jan 2013-May 2013
Teaching Assistant, “Evidence-based strategic planning”, Graduate level
Professor: Stanley Foster

SKILLS

Software: R, Stata, SAS, SUDAAN, ArcGIS, Epi Info, CSPro, Excel, Nvivo

Languages: English, French, Hebrew, Mooré (Burkina Faso, West Africa)

AWARDS

Gerald J. Friedman Fellowship in Nutrition and Citizenship 2018-Present
Tufts University Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy
Provides full funding for doctoral program

Charles C. Shepard Symposium for Outstanding Thesis 2013
Emory University Rollins School of Public Health

Delta Omega Honor Society 2013
Inducted into the public health honor society

LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE

Journal Referee 2019-Present
BMJ Global Health
Advances in Nutrition
Food and Nutrition Bulletin
Digital Medicine

Admissions Committee 2019-Present
Tufts University Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy

Team Lead 2020-Present
Academic Public Health Volunteer Corps

Volunteer Interpreter 2019-Present
Political Asylum/Immigration Representation (PAIR) Project
Interpret meetings between asylum seekers and lawyers

Abstracts Committee 2017-2018
Student Research Conference, Tufts University

Student Outbreak and Response Team 2011-2013
Competitive training and service program with the Emergency Operations Center of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Student Ambassador 2011-2013
Emory University Rollins School of Public Health