

# Dr Joe Gazeley

**Languages:** English, Spanish and French

## Current employment

- FNRS postdoctoral fellow, Université Libre de Bruxelles, October 2023-present

## Other relevant employment

- September 2021- July 2023: Associate Lecturer in French and African History, University of St Andrews
- May 2021- present: Invited external lecturer for the UK Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO) Africa Directorate, designing and teaching the course *France-Africa relations and implications for UK policy*
- December 2020 - September 2021: Factchecker for the *Journal of Southern African Studies*
- February- June 2017: Research assistantship on the project 'Security Sector Reform and Historical Memory' at ICESI University, Colombia.
- February – July 2016: Traineeship at the European Parliament working on EU Migration Policy, Borders, European Security and Brexit.

## Other research positions

- September 2020- March 2021: Scouloudi research fellow at the Institute of Historical Research, University of London
- October- December 2019: Visiting research fellow at IMAF/Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne

## Education

- 2017- 2020: PhD in Politics, University of Edinburgh. "*They have many chains to bind us*": state formation, foreign policy and the colonial pact in Mali, c.1958-2020.
- 2015-2016: MA in International Conflict and Security with International Migration, University of Kent, Brussels School of International Studies. Pass with Merit.
- 2013- 2014: Doble Grado in Political Science and Public Administration, Universidad Autónoma de Madrid. Erasmus Year.
- 2011- 2015: BA Politics and International Relations with Spanish, University of Kent. First Class Honours.

## Academic publications

- **2023: Gazeley, J.**, The construction of terrorist threat in Mali post-9/11: agency and narratives of intervention, *International Studies Quarterly*. Part of the Special Issue: *Rethinking the study of international interventions through transversal lines of inquiry*.
- **2022: Gazeley, J.**, 2022, The strong 'weak state': French statebuilding and military rule in Mali, *Journal of Intervention and Statebuilding*, <https://doi.org/10.1080/17502977.2022.2030627> This sole authored article has attracted 3474 views and an altmetric score of 7, putting it in the top 25% of outputs by this metric.
- **2021: Gazeley, J.**, 2021, Mali-France. Exhumer une voix africaine à partir d'archives européennes et en contexte de terrain fermé, *Revue d'histoire contemporaine de l'Afrique*, 14th June 2021, <https://doi.org/10.51185/journals/rhca.2021.e499>
- **2018:** Toros, H., Dunleavy, D., **Gazeley, J.**, Guirakhoo, A., Merian, L., Omran, Y., 2018, "Where is War? We are War." Teaching and Learning the Human Experience of War in the Classroom, *International Studies Perspectives*, Volume 19, Issue 3, 199–217, <https://doi.org/10.1093/isp/ekx012> This co-authored article has attracted 4086 views. It has attracted higher than average attention for outputs of this type having attracted 8 citations and an altmetric score of 7.

## Commissioned policy reports

- May 2022: Lead author for the report *Continuity and change in the France-Africa relationship and implications for UK policy*, produced in collaboration with a senior research analyst at the UK Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO). Purpose described in the impact statement provided by the FCDO was to inform development of future UK policy towards Francophone Africa.

## Invited book reviews

- Gazeley, J. 2023, Review: Switzerland and Sub-Saharan Africa in the Cold War, 1967-1979. *Revue d'histoire contemporaine de l'Afrique*. (in French and English). <https://doi.org/10.51185/journals/rhca.2023.cr08>
- Gazeley, J., 2022, Review: France's wars in Chad: military intervention and decolonization in Africa. *Modern & Contemporary France*, 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2022, <https://doi.org/10.1080/09639489.2022.2033709>
- Gazeley, J., 2021, Review: Africa's last colonial currency the CFA Franc story. *Modern & Contemporary France*, 19th October 2021. <https://doi.org/10.1080/09639489.2021.1992368>

## Academic outputs in process

- Monograph: *Françafrique and post-colonial myth making in West Africa*.

## Impact and knowledge exchange (invited presentations)

- July 2021: Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office. Lecture for the Economics and Evaluation Directorate, London, UK, *Understanding the CFA franc*.
- July 2021: British Army peacekeeping contingent to MINUSMA. Pre-deployment lecture, *Mali: The State, the army and their allies*.
- March 2021: Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office. Lecture, '*The Colonial Pact in 2021: Reconceptualising the French relationship with former African colonies*'
- March 2020: British Army Knowledge Exchange. Lecture at Edinburgh Castle, '*State, military and foreign partners: Potential pitfalls for UK engagement in Mali*'

## Selected academic and conference presentations

- June 2023: BISA 2023, Glasgow, UK. Joint-research presentation, *Wild Realism and the Foreign Policy Commentariat*, with Dr Daniel Mobley (University of Stirling).
- March 2022: Monterrey Institute of Technology and Higher Education, Chihuahua City, Mexico. Invited on-line lecture *French Foreign Policy in Africa*,
- June 2021: Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University. Invited on-line panellist at the two-day workshop *Rethinking the study of international interventions through transversal lines of inquiry*
- March 2021: Institute of Historical Research. Fellows' seminar presentation '*Individual, bankrupt petty states: the Dakar coup and the collapse of the Federation of Mali*'.
- February 2021: Foreign Policy Research Group. Seminar presentation on '*The political risks of technocratic state building in Mali*', University of Edinburgh.
- November 2019: Guest Seminar speaker, '*More than la Françafrique: relations between France and Mali post-independence*', Institut des mondes africains, Paris, France
- 2019, Invited Panellist, BISA: '*Colonial continuities and African movements for justice and decolonisation in the present*', the Royal Society, London, UK
- 2019: Foreign Policy Analysis Workshop, *Foreign Policy in a Globalising World: Accounting for Change*, University of Edinburgh.

- 2019: ASEN Annual Conference. Panel Chair, '*Nationalism, Imperialism and Colonialism: Historical Perspectives*', Edinburgh, UK
- 2019: St Andrews Graduate Security Conference 2019, '*Drought, Famine and War? Potential lessons from the 1969-1975 Sahelian Drought for Managing Climate Related Interstate Conflict*', St Andrews, UK
- 2018: BISA Roundtable, '*Pedagogies of Solidarity: Critique, Collaboration, and Care in the Neoliberal University*', Bath, UK
- 2017: Guest Seminar on '*Brexit: What it is, what it means and why you should care*', ICESI University, Cali, Colombia.

### Newspaper publications

- [Why was Mali hit with another coup?](#), *The Washington Post*, August 20<sup>th</sup> 2020
- [Waarom Mali steeds maar staatsgrepen heft](#), *NRC Handelsblad*, 6<sup>th</sup> September 2020

### Selected blog posts

- 2021: [The death of Déby has exposed the limits of French influence in Chad](#) at Democracy in Africa [2571 views]
- 2020: [President Keita falls to a coup in Mali: 1968 is here again](#) at Democracy in Africa. [4545 views]
- 2020: [Ghosts of juntas past: Can France get it right in Mali this time?](#) at Democracy in Africa [2277 views]
- 2020: [Post-Brexit Britain must do better than 'doomed' Mali deployment](#) at politics.co.uk

### Podcasts

- May 2021: Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office. Lecture on la Françafrique for the UK FCDO delivered with the assistance of the Africa Directorate
- May 2020: Centre for the Study of Modern and Contemporary History (CSMCH). Interview to disseminate PhD findings on the Mali conflict, *CSMCH Showcase* podcast series

### External awards

- 2020: Scouloudi Foundation IHR Fellowship. Funding for early career historians to complete a doctorate
- 2020: BISA Founders Fund grant. Funding to assist with final stages of thesis completion
- 2019: Erasmus+ postgraduate research Fellowship. Funding for visiting research fellowship in Paris
- 2019: Tweedie Exploration Fellowship. Funding to support doctoral fieldwork in Senegal

### Internal awards

- 2023: University of St Andrews discretionary fund. Competitively awarded fieldwork support.
- 2022: University of St Andrews Research and Fieldwork Fund to support fieldwork for book in process.
- 2018 and 2019: University of Edinburgh Research Fund.
- 2015- 2016: Academic Scholarship for Masters Programme at BSIS, University of Kent