A job talk presented by the IU Department of Anthropology:

"Race, Sovereignty, and the African Postcolony"

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A light reception will follow the lecture.

If colonial rule in Africa depended upon a racial hierarchy that simultaneously consolidated supposedly “tribal” difference and white racial and cultural and political supremacy, what happens to this structure at the end of formal colonial rule? And, what would it mean to explore racial formations in our analyses of decolonization and the African postcolony? In this lecture, I use examples from my current ethnographic and historical research on the political economy of resource extraction in Ghana to address these questions.