

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION

2004-2008 PhD (Geography) University of Nairobi
1995-1998 M.A. (Geography) University of Nairobi
1990-1993 B. A (Geography Major 3.1.1) University of Nairobi
1989 Kenya Advanced Certificate of Education (Gusii Highlights High School)
1986 Kenya Certificate of Education (Riokindo Mixed Secondary School)
1984 Kenya Junior Secondary Education (Riokindo Mixed Secondary School)
1982 Certificate of Primary Education (Mariny Primary School, Kericho)

WORK EXPERIENCE AND TRAINING

- **1st-21st September 2014** - Acting Chairman, Department of Geography and Environmental Studies
- **15th-18th May 2014** – Acting Associate Dean, College of Humanities & Social Sciences
- **24th-28th February 2014** – Acting Chairman, Department of Geography and Environmental Studies
- **September 2011** – Research and Grant Proposal Writing (Certificate)
- **2006-to-2010** - Representative, College of Humanities & Social Sciences, in the University of

Nairobi Exhibitions Committee.

- **5th – 7th October 2005** – Programme for Training Lecturers in Pedagogy (Certificate)
- **July 2005 to present**, Lecturer, Department of Geography & Environment Studies
- **August 2004 to October 2011** - Part- time Lecturer, Institute of Anthropology
- **2002-to-date** - Subject (Geography) Coordinator in Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Education (Science), and Bachelor of Arts
- **2002-to-2008** - Departmental Coordinator of Module II Programmes in the Faculty of Arts.
- **March 2001 to July 2005** - Assistant Lecturer, Department of Geography
- **March 1999 to February 2001**- Part-time Lecturer, Department of Geography
- **1997** - Certificate in Demography - Charles University Prague, Czech Republic

COURSES TAUGHT AND SUPERVISION RESPONSIBILITIES

✓ Courses Taught

❖ Department of Geography Courses (*Undergraduate*)

- CGP/SGP 102: Introduction to Human Geography (*earlier*)
- CGP/SGP103: Introduction to Practical Geography & Q.T for Fieldwork I (*earlier*)
- CGP/SGP 106: The East African Environment (*current*)
- CGP/SGP 202: Spatial Organization of the Human Development (*earlier*)
- CGP/SGP 205: Introduction to Population Geography (*earlier*)
- CGP/SGP 206: Geography of Resources (*earlier*)
- CGP/SGP 305: Population Geography I (*earlier*)
- CGP/SGP 312: Demography I (*earlier*)
- CGP/SGP 405/421: Population Geography II (*Earlier*)
- CGP/SGP 412/426: Demography II (*current*)

Department of Geography (*Postgraduate*)

- CGP 511: Research Methods in Environmental Planning & Management (*earlier*)
- CGP 514: Human Impact on the Natural Environment (*current*)

❖ Department of History & Archaeology (*Tourism Courses*)

- CTO 102: International Tourism (*earlier*)
- CTO 201: Ecology and Tourism (*earlier and current*)
- CTO 202: Domestic Tourism (*earlier*)
- CTO 220: Computer Applications in Tourism I (*earlier*)
- CTO 302: Tourism: Policy, Planning and Management (*earlier*)
- CTO 308: Research Methods in Tourism (*earlier*)
- CTO 401: Project Paper (*earlier*)
- CTO 408: Environmental Management & the Tourist Industry (*earlier*)

❖ **School of Economics (Undergraduate)**

- CEC 206: Economic Demography (*earlier*)

❖ **Department of Education (Undergraduate)**

- CCS 005: Environmental Science (*earlier*)

❖ **Institute of Gender, Anthropology and African Studies**

- NAF 110: Computer Literacy (*earlier*)
- NAF 604: Social Statistics (*earlier*)

✓ **Thesis/Project/Dissertation Supervision**

• **Department of Geography (*Undergraduate*)**

- A good number of undergraduate dissertations

• **Department of Geography (*Postgraduate*)**

(a) **COMPLETED M.A SUPERVISION:**

1. Maleyo, A. Jemuge, “Storm water challenges and their environmental implications: A Case study of Ongata Rongai Town”. Unpublished M.A Dissertation in Environmental Planning and Management (2014)
2. Machogu, J. Obangi, “Assessment of the Environmental Impacts of Wildlife-based Tourism in Kenya’s Protected Areas”. Unpublished M.A Dissertation in Environmental Planning and Management (2014))
3. Esiromo, E. “An Assessment of Human-Wildlife Conflict: A Case Study of Ol Donyo Sabuk National Park, Machakos County”. Unpublished M.A Dissertation in Project Planning and

Management (2012)

4. Nzomo, M. "Factors influencing Household Use of Improved Sources Of Drinking Water in Kenya". Unpublished M.A Dissertation in Environmental Planning and Management Project (2012)
5. Muiruri, J. Kinyanjui, "A Study of the Build Up of Waste By Unclaimed Vehicles in Police Stations' Yards in Kenya; A Case Study of Nairobi Area, Kenya". Unpublished M.A Dissertation in Environmental Planning and Management (2011)
6. Yasin, A. Mohammed, "Effects of Refugees on the Natural Environment; A Case Study of Dadaab Refugees Camp, Garissa District". Unpublished M.A Dissertation in Environmental Planning and Management (2011)
7. Mutua, T. Muthakye, "The effects of Socio-Economic and Institutional Practices on the Food Security Situation in Kenyan Drylands: A case Study of Tseikuru Division of Mwingi District". Unpublished M.A Dissertation in Environmental Planning and Management (2011)
8. Biratu, A. Tufa, "The Effect of Demographic Pressure and Land Ownership Rights on Soil Erosion in Kiambu District". Unpublished M.A Dissertation in Environmental Planning and Management (2010)
9. Kamithi, N. "The Role of Ecotourism in Environmental Management". Unpublished M.A Dissertation in Environmental Planning and Management (2009).
10. Ogega-Siameto, E. Nadupoi, "An Evaluation of Land Tenure and Registration Process in Maua Location, Meru North District of Kenya". Unpublished M.A Dissertation in Environmental Planning and Management (2009)

(b) CURRENT PhD SUPERVISION:

1. Dongurum, K. Clement, "Dimensions of HIV/AIDS and Adolescents' Risky Sexual and Reproductive Health Behaviour (SRHB) in Plateau State, NIGERIA". (PhD Thesis- Ongoing)

(c) CURRENT M.A SUPERVISION:

1. Ndege, E. Mwajuma, "Socio-economic and demographic determinants of fertility behavior: A study of Emuhaya Division – Emuhaya Sub-County". (M.A Dissertation - Ongoing)
2. Libah, A. Bashir, "The impact of soil and water conservation on food/fodder production in

ASALs, Somaliland”. (M.A Dissertation –Ongoing)

3. Kariuki, J. Evanson, “Bushment utilization and the challenges of biodiversity conservation in Kenya’s Tsavo ecosystem”. (M.A Dissertation – Ongoing)
4. Wachira, J. “A participatory assessment of the forest resource use and implications to the environment; A Case study of Rumuruti forest”. M.A Dissertation – Ongoing)
5. Kazungu, R. Konde, “Exploring Building Density-Human Health Nexus in Nairobi”. (M.A Dissertaion - Ongoing)
6. Omondi, J. Fredrick, “Assessment of eco-village tourism potential in Western Kenya”. (M.A Dissertation – Ongoing)

PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL PAPERS AND REVIEWS

❖ Papers/Articles

1. Omoke, K.J. “Spatio-Temporal Characteristics And The *Distribution Of Older Persons in Lamu and Turkana Districts in Kenya*”. *International Journal of Education and Research*. Volume 2, Issue 3, March 2014, 27-38
2. Omoke, K.J. “Kenya’s Increasing Older Population: A Case for Retooling Our Perspectives”. *Online Journal of Social Sciences Research*. Volume 3, Issue 3, March 2014, 54-63
3. Wambua, B., Omoke, K.J., and Telesia, M. “Effects of Socio-Economic Factors on Food Security Situation in Kenyan Dry lands Ecosystem”. *Asian Journal of Agriculture and Food Science*. Volume 2 Issue 1, February 2014, 52-59
4. Omoke, K.J. “Livelihood Bases, Risks and Adaptations among the Older Persons in Turkana and Lamu Districts in Kenya”. *Online Journal of Social Sciences Research*. Volume 2, Issue 9, October 2013, 242-253
5. Ayiemba, E.H.O. and Omoke, K.J. “Population Dynamics and Forest Cover Change in West Laikipia, Kenya”. *Journal of the Geographical Association of Tanzania, New Series*, Volume 1 Number 1, July 2000, 13-34
6. Omoke, K.J. “The Changing Forest Cover of West Laikipia: 1961-1996; Local Actors’ Roles, Perceptions and Policy Implications”. *Laikipia Research Programme and Institute of Geography, University of Berne, Switzerland*. Laikipia-Mt. Kenya Paper No. 46, Discussion Series, March 2000.
7. Omoke, K.J. “Expanding Rural Settlements and Forest Cover Dynamics: Portraits of Association –

West Laikipia, Kenya". *Laikipia Research Programme and Institute of Geography, University of Berne, Switzerland*. Laikipia – Mt. Kenya Paper No. 44, Discussion Series. May 1999

❖ Reviews

2014 December - Reviewed 12 papers for *Pathways to African Feminism and Development: Journal of African Women's Studies*:

- ✓ Women's Knowledge and Food Security – by Prof. Elishiba Kimani – Kenyatta University
- ✓ Women's Experiences on Food Security: What it entails? - by Prof. Tabitha Nganga – University of Nairobi
- ✓ Women Decision Making and Food Security; A Case of Nakuru County – by Mary W. Kanyi
- ✓ Resilience in the face of starvation: Coping strategies for food security among women in Kenya – by Dr Wanjiru Gichuhi – University of Nairobi
- ✓ Cost of Gender Gaps in the Agricultural Sector: The Case of Kenya and Rwanda – by Prof. Tabitha Nganga – University of Nairobi
- ✓ Validating Women's Knowledge and Experiences; A Case of Women's Experiences and Food Security – by Prof. Wanjiku Kabira – University of Nairobi
- ✓ Female Headed Households and Food Security in Kenya: The Case of Nyatike Constituency in Migori County – by Grace W. Mwawuda and Nyaoke S.O
- ✓ Women, Land and Food Security in Kenya – by Amos Burkeywo
- ✓ Food Security Score for Kenya – by Samuel Wakibi, Wanjiru Gichuhi and Wanjiku Kabira – University of Nairobi
- ✓ Securing food through women's traditional knowledge in seed security; The case of Mulîlî sub-location, Makûenî County of Eastern Kenya – by Agatha Daniel Mumbua (KARI) and Charles Owuor Olungah -University of Nairobi
- ✓ Filling the Granary: Proposals for the attainment of food security – by Prof. Chesaina – University of Nairobi
- ✓ Women and food security: Organizing information with a gender lens, the challenges and opportunities for University of Nairobi library – by Jane Achieng – University of Nairobi

- 2014 November** – Reviewed 4 County Food Security Status Reports by The African Women’s Studies Centre (Taita Taveta, Kisii, Kiambu, and Migori).
- 2014 April** - Reviewed the National Food Security Status Report by The African Women’s Studies Centre entitle: *Filling the Granary: Zero Tolerance to Hunger*
- 2013** - Reviewed the following papers for the African Women’s Studies Centre journal:
- Exploring Cash Transfer as an Instrument of Food Security in Kenya
 - Best Practices in Attaining Food Security
 - Gender Mainstreaming in Policies and Programmes in Kenya
 - Implementing Article 43 (1) Constitution of Kenya 2010: The Right to Food; Lessons for Kenya From Brazil
 - Food Security: Definition and Policy Considerations: Comparative Study of Policies And Programs Aimed At Countries' Efforts Towards Food Security
- 2008** Reviewed: CTO 202: Domestic Tourism Course Unit by Ben Nyanhoga & George Odeny. Lecture series for Distance Learners, University of Nairobi.
- July 2004** Reviewed: Air Transport and the Growth of Tourism in Kenya by Prof. E.M. Irandu. HEKIMA Publications, Faculty of Arts, University of Nairobi.
- Nov. 2000** - Irandu, E.M. and Omoke, K.J. Reviewed: Tourism and African Development: Change and Challenges of Tourism in Kenya; Third World Planning Review 22(4): 458-460. Liverpool University Press
- ❖ **Books (Lecture Series)**
1. Omoke, K.J & Nyanhoga, B. (2014): CTO 102: International Tourism, Course materials for B.A (tourism) Distance Learners, University of Nairobi – *(in progress)*
 2. Omoke, K.J. & Ayiamba, E.H.O (2012): CGP/SGP 426: Demography; Course materials for Distance Learners, University of Nairobi.
 3. Irandu E.M. & Omoke, K.J. (2012): CGP/SGP 327: The Geography of Recreation & Tourism; Course materials for Distance Learners, University of Nairobi.
 4. Omoke, K.J. & Asumpta B.R (2011): CGP/SGP 106: East African Environments; Course materials for

Distance Learners, University of Nairobi.

5. Ayiemba, E.H.O & Omoke, K.J. (2010): CGP/SGP 421: Population Geography; Course materials for Distance Learners, University of Nairobi.
6. Omoke, K.J. (2009) CTO 302: Tourism Policy, Planning and Management; Course materials for B.A (Tourism) for Distance Learners, University of Nairobi.
7. Omoke, K.J. (2005) SGP 305: Population Geography I; Course materials designed for teaching B.Sc & B.Ed (Science). Faculty of Science, University of Nairobi.
8. Omoke, K.J. & Moronge, J.M. (2004) SGP 203: Practical Geography; Course materials for teaching B.ED Science. Faculty of Science, University of Nairobi
9. Omoke, K.J. & Moronge, J.M. (2004) SGP 206: Geography of Resources; Course materials for teaching B.ED science. Faculty of Science, University of Nairobi
10. Omoke, K.J. & Nyangaga, J.M. (2003) SGP 106: Introduction to Practical Geography and Quantitative Techniques for Fieldwork I; Developed Course materials for teaching B.Ed Science. Faculty of Science, University of Nairobi

CONSULTANCY

- 2014 February** – Consulting for Socio-Economic Research Foundation (SERF) on preparing the 2014-2024 Strategic Management Plan for the MAU water tower – a project for the Kenya Water Towers Agency funded by the European Union
- 2013** – Consulting for African Women Studies Centre on the Environmental and Food Security agenda.
- 2012** – April–June – Consulted for the African Women Studies Centre in the development of gender and food security policy analysis tools on environment.
- 2012** May– Consulted for NACADAA (National Campaign Against Drug Abuse Authority) in developing the ratio to be used in determining the permitted number of alcoholic selling premises in localities in Kenya.
- 2011** – Consulted for East African Association of Grant Makers as a data analyst
- 2010 – to date** – Registered with National Environmental Management Authority (NEMA) as Lead Expert (no. 2236) and undertaking Environmental Impact Assessments and Audits (EIA/EAs)
- 2009** – Consulted for House of Training (K) Ltd in the Monitoring and Evaluation of the 2009 Kenya Population and Housing Census

1999 June -Designed a survey on the population component in a project entitled: People, Land Management and Environmental Change – PLEC executed by the United Nations Environment Programme (Nairobi) and convened by Kenya Agricultural Research Institute.

CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS AND SYMPOSIA

- Nov. 21st 2014 – Attended and chaired a session at the stakeholder’s forum to share food security research findings and launching OF the ‘Status Report on the Kenya National Food Security’ held at the University of Nairobi Council Chambers.
- May 2nd – 3rd, 2014 – Attended a National Conference on Women and Food Security in Kenya - Convened by the African Women’s Studies Centre (UON) at the Council Chambers, University of Nairobi.
- May 29th-30th, 2013 – Attended a Demographic Data Workshop organized by the Ministry of Environment, Water and Natural Resources in collaboration with GIZ at Hill Park Hotel Nairobi..
- April 17th -19th, 2012 – Attended a NACADAA (National Campaign Against Drug Abuse Authority) workshop to develop the ratio to be used in determining the permitted number of alcoholic selling premises in a locality held at Morendat Conference and Training Center – Naivasha, Kenya.
- Jan 30th-1st Feb. 2012– Attended a Consortium for advanced Research Training for Africa (CARTA) capacity building workshop held at Protea Hotel in Dar es Salaam - Tanzania
- September 2011 – Attended a University of Nairobi training workshop on research and project grant writing held at Chiromo campus, University of Nairobi..
- 25th January 2011 – Presented a paper entitled: ‘From greying to greening our cities; youth power in Nairobi’ to the Nairobi youth at City Hall of Nairobi City Council
- December 2010 - Attended and chaired a session in the 3rd Association of Hospitality and Tourism Schools in Africa (AHITSA) international conference on Hospitality and Tourism Research held at Kenya Utalii College - KENYA
- 7th September 2010 Attended a National e-Waste Conference on ‘Responsible disposal and management of Waste of Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) for a cleaner environment and posterity’ held at UNEP Gigiri Complex

- 31st May – 4th June 2009 Attended a writers workshop organized by Centre for Open Learning, University of Nairobi – held at Kenya Wildlife Training Institute, Naivasha, Kenya
- 14th-16th Dec. 2008 Attended a CETRAD Scientific Workshop on dissemination of research results held at Kenya Wildlife Training Institute, Naivasha, Kenya
- 29th March- 2nd April, 2006 E-Content Development Training Workshop for Science Courses held at Kenya Wildlife Training Institute, Naivasha
- 5th-7th April 2005 -Attended the programme for training lecturers on pedagogy at University of Nairobi
- 2003 – 2004 Attended Writers’ Training Workshops for B.ED Science (Distance Learning Mode) held variously at Machakos (Level I materials), Matuu (Level II materials), Nyeri (Level III materials) & Naivasha
- 12th-16th Dec. 2001 Attended a 2nd Faculty of Science Management Committee Workshop held at Lake Bogoria Hotel
- June 2000 - Attended a Commonwealth Geographical Training Workshop on Eco-Tourism at the Breakwater Campus, University of Cape Town, South Africa.
- August 1997 Attended a certificate course on Demography at the 8th International Summer School on Demography and Geodemography in Prague, Czech Republic.

SUMMARY OF SKILLS AND COMPETENCIES

- Research on socio-economic issues
- Data analysis, report writing and presentation skills
- Environmental Impact Assessment and/or Audits skills
- Training in Geography, Environmental Science, Population/Demography, Tourism, Statistics (and related fields), Research methods.
- Management and coordination skills
- Problem solving, fundraising and peace keeping skills among peoples

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

- University of Nairobi, scholarship for PhD in Population Geography - 2005
- University of Berne, Switzerland, scholarship for Master of Arts Programme in Population Geography

MEMBERSHIPS

- Member of the Union of African Population Studies (UAPS)
- Bronze Life Member (No. 000 787) University of Nairobi Alumni Association
- Board member of Buyonge Secondary School (2010-to date)
- Board Member of Moteiribe Secondary School (2010-to-date)
- Board Member of Mokomoni Secondary School (2010-2012)
- Board Member of Kerongorori Secondary School (2010-2012)
- Patron – Nyakorere Secondary School (2009-to-date)
- Patron – Riokindo Girls Secondary School (2011-to-date)

HOBBIES

- Reading – various articles on topical issues
- Participating in social and economic activities

REFEREES

- Dr. Samuel Owuor
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