

CURRICULUM VITAE

MARI EMMA NELSON

ACADEMIC PREPARATION

- 1986 PhD Education Policy and Leadership: Student Personnel Administration, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH. Dissertation: What is the Nature of the Knowledge Base in Student Personnel as Reflected by Three Major Journals?
- 1978 M.A. Education: Counseling, Washington University, St. Louis, MO
- 1971 B.A. English, Greenville College, Greenville, IL.

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

- Present ó 1996 Lecturer, University of Nairobi, Nairobi, Kenya. Teaches undergraduate and graduate level courses in educational administration; organizational behavior and teacher education, supervises graduate theses and projects.
- Present ó 1987 Educational Consultant and Trainer
- 2010 ó 2002 Coordinator, International Departmental Linkages, University of Nairobi
- 2012 ó 1997 Educational Advisor, EdUSA. Invited by US Embassy Cultural Affairs Officer to manage Embassy's Educational advising center which prepares students for study in the United States.
- 1996- 1995 Visiting Lecturer, University of Nairobi, Nairobi Kenya. Taught graduate level courses in education; supervised graduate student thesis work.
- 1995 ó 1993 Visiting Professor, United States International University ó Africa, Nairobi, Kenya. Taught undergraduate, and graduate level courses in organizational behavior, human resources management and conflict resolution. Appointment to faculty and student activity executive committees; and served as advisor of the Yearbook Staff. (Approved Leave of Absence from the Ohio State University).
- 1995 ó 1993 Chair, English Department, United States International University ó Africa.
- 1995- 1985 Coordinator, University College, The Ohio State University. Managed Academic unit that is responsible for providing advising for students which involved program design, administration, monitoring and evaluation of programs and student progress. Supervised a professional advising staff; taught graduate and undergraduate course.
- 1995 ó 1987 Adjunct Assistant Professor, Educational Policy and Leadership, The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio. Taught graduate level courses in curriculum and diversity in higher education.
- 1986 ó 1982 Hall Director, Residence Life, The Ohio State University. Managed staffs in hall systems that were living in learning areas; designed, implemented, administered and evaluated programs; participated in area and system-wide planning, administered policy procedures, coordinated hall operations with maintenance, housekeeping, food service personnel and served as a resource and liaison to other university departments and community agencies.

- 1982 ó 1981 Graduate Administrative Associate, Office of Black Student Programs, The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio. Planned and implemented, monitored and evaluated lecture series, workshops, and special events; performed research; counseled students with personal and academic concerns; served as resource to student groups; advised the OUR CHOKING TIMES NEWSLETTER; represented office on university committees; and disseminated information.
- 1981 ó 1979 Graduate Research Assistant to Robert J. Silverman, Professor of Education and Editor of The Journal of Higher Education. Responsible for all activities relevant to execution to seminar workshop. Organized and processed mailings, performed research activities; coordinated activities of and communications with participants; negotiated contract agreements with businesses, the Ohio State Research Foundation, the National Institute of Education and university departments; wrote quarterly and annual reports; participated in selection process; administered budget; processed all purchasing.
- 1979 ó 1978 Graduate Administrative Associate, University College, The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio. Advised Freshman Foundation students enrolled in Arts and Sciences; counseled students with academic and personal concerns; coordinated additional support services i.e. tutoring, learning resources center, counseling center, and financial aid; taught classes.
- 1978 ó 1977 Graduate Intern, Washington University, St. Louis, MO. Planned and provided academic and personal counseling; planned and implemented workshops and programs.
- 1977 ó 1971 Teacher, Northwest High School, St. Louis, MO. Taught English to students in grades 9-12; managed a reading/learning center.
- 1971 ó 1968 Staff, Dean of Women's Office, Greenville College, Greenville, Illinois. Managed all office operations.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

National Association for Women in Education

Ohio Association for Women Deans, Administrators and Counselors

Past President	(1993 ó 1993)
President	(1991 ó 1993)
President Elect	(1990 ó 1991)
Resolutions Chairperson	(1984 ó 1985)
Conference Program Co-Chairperson	(1985 ó 1987)

The Ohio State University Faculty Women's Club

Rotary Club of Nairobi (1996 ó Present)

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

- 2016 Harmony Institute "UN Sustainable Development Goals for Women" presentation.
Faraja Cancer Support Centre, "Life After Ovarian Cancer" presentation.
- 2015 Presenter: American Educational Research Association (AERA) Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL. Paper: "Language, Praxis and Culture in the Pursuit of Justice: African Paradigm Shifting". AERA Presidential Invited Speaker Session. 15-20 April 2015.

- 2009 Team Building, Communication and Dealing with Change PDI/USAID Naivasha, Kenya
- 2015 ó 2005 Annual Graduate Research Seminar Presenter, VON-Kikuyu
- 2006 DAI/OTI Team Building and Implementation Planning Workshop Mombasa, Kenya
- 2006 USAID/OPH Adjustment to Change, Naivasha, Kenya
- 2001 Writing/Communication Skills Workshop REDSO/USAID Nairobi Kenya
- 2003 Writing/Communication Skills Workshop REDSO/USAID Nairobi Kenya
- Presentations: öThe Kenyan Education Systemö, Northeastern University. Boston, MA. Massachusetts Association of Foreign Advisors, Boston, MA.
- 2001 Salem State University, Salem, MA.
Presenter: NAFSA annual conference, Seattle,
Paper: öKENYA EDUCATIONAL SYSTEMö.
- 2002 Presenter: NAFSA Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA
- 2001 Panelist. NAFSA Annual Conference, San Antonio, TX
- 2001 Presentation: öFraud in the Application Processö
- 1994 Presenter: One People One World Symposium, University of Nairobi, Kenya.
Paper: öFOREIGN EDUCATION SYSTEMSö.
- Presenter, First Black American History Symposium, United States International University ó Africa, Nairobi, Kenya. Paper: BLACK AUTHORS, POETS AND RECITATIONSö.
- 1992 Presenter, First International Conference on African Women and Women of the Diaspora, University of Nigeria, Nsukka, Nigeria. Paper: BRIDGING THE ACADEMY: AFRICA TO AMERICAö.
- 1991 Presenter, NAWA Annual Conference, San Antonio, Texas. Paper: öAFFIRMATIVE ACTION AND MINORITY WOMEN: PROMISE OR DISSAPPOINTMENT?ö
- 1990 Presenter, NACADA Conference, Anaheim, California. Paper: öAN OBJECTIVE ANALYSIS OF ARTICLES PUBLISHED IN THE NACADA JOURNALö.
- 1987 Presenter, University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland. Paper: öDEALING EFFECTIVELY WITH MICRO-INEQUITIES IN THE PROFESSIONAL SETTINGö.
- Presenter, NACADA Regional Conference, The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio. Paper: öADVISING THE STUDENT OF COLORö.
- 1981 Presider, NAWDAC Annual Convention, San Francisco, California. Session: öAFFIRMATIVE ACTION AND MINORITY AND WOMEN FACULTYö.

Presenter, AERA Annual Meeting, Los Angeles, California. Paper: "CAREER DEVELOPMENT FOR MINORITY AND WOMEN FACULTY".

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- 2016 Board Chair Woman of Mogra Star Children's Rescue Centre.
- 2015 - 2014 Established Annual Dr. Seuss READ ACROSS KENYA Program.
- 2016 - 2014 Early Grade Reading Instruction Program Research Team, University of Nairobi.
- Present - 2013 Member (appointed) of University Gender Mainstreaming Committee, University of Nairobi - Kikuyu Campus.
- Present - 2014 Patron - University of Nairobi Christian Student Union - Kenya Science Campus.
- 2006 Facilitator - Episcopal National Ladies Conference.
- 2002 Directed International Education Seminar. Traveled with University of Nairobi graduate students to the Ohio State University for a month long program.
- 2002 - 2003 Initiated Teaching Practice Program between CEES and Rosslyn Academy, Kenya.
- 2002 - 2003 LINKAGE INITIATIVES
Dean School of Education Central State University, OH
Dean School of Nursing, Winston Salem State University, Winston Salem, NC
Dr. Gwendolyn O'Neal, Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS
Dr. Twinett Parmer, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI
Dr. Maxine Sample, Virginia State University, Petersburg, VA
Jaini Shah, Tampa University, Tampa, FL
- 2002 Member, Selection Committee for Hubert Humphrey Fellowships for US Embassy, Public Affairs Section.
- 2001 Member, Selection Committee for Fulbright Fellowships for Kenyan Junior Faculty, US Embassy, Public Affairs Section.
- 1992 - 93 Ohio Staters, Inc., Faculty Adviser
- 1992 - 93 Council of Black Graduate Students, Adviser, The Ohio State University
- 1991 - 92 The Ohio State University Annual Staff Appreciated Week, Co-Chair
- 1991 - 92 Alpha Psi Lambda, Incorporation, Adviser, The Ohio State University Chapter
- 1990 - 92 Center for Teaching Excellence Awards Committee, Member, The Ohio State University
- 1991 - 92 Orientation Committee, University College, Member, The Ohio State University
- 1990 - 92 Retention Planning and Coordinating Committee, Member, The Ohio State University.
- 1990 - 92 Executive Board, President, President, Ohio Association for Women in Education
- 1984 - 86 Executive Board, Ethnic Minority Member-at-large, National Association for Women in Education.

HONORS

- 1988 Selected to attend HERS Bryn Mawr Summer Institution, Bryn Mawr College, Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania (selected by The Ohio State University)
- 1980 Nominee for the 1981 Dai Ho Chun Fellowship Award, the College of Education, The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio.
- 1971 Outstanding Ethnic Minority Women of the Year Award, National Association for Women in Education
- 1971 Selected to "WHO'S WHO IN AMERICAN COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES"
- 1969 AKS member (Honor Society), Greenville College, Greenville, Illinois

GRANTS

- 1989 ó 1988 SU Affirmative Action Grant, Academic Climbers: A Program of Upward Academic Mobility,ö submitted January, 1988, funded April 1988.
- 1989 ó 1988 OSU Affirmative Action Grant, öHow to Succeed in College,ö submitted January 28, 2988, funded April 1988
- 1988 ó 1987 OSU Affirmative Action Grant, öStatewide Conference on Recruitment and Retention of At-Risk Studentsö submitted January, 1987, funded April 1987.

RESEARCH & PUBLICATIONS

- 2016 Nelson, M., Reche, G.N., & Mberia, Anne (2016). The Challenges of Headteachers in the Administration of Inclusive Education in Nairobi West District. (Article submitted for publication to International Journal of Inclusive Education).
- Nelson, M., Teyie, B. (2016). The Impact of International Education on Private Secondary Schools in Nairobi County, Kenya. (Article submitted for publication to The Cradle).
- 2009 Psychological, Social, Economic and Cultural Determinants of Collegiate Women Behaviors: Why do the women students come to college to cook for the men?
- 2009 APA in Brief
- 1992 Published calendar to commemorate 75th Anniversary of National Association of Women in Education entitled CATALYSTS FOR CHANGE
- 1981 ERIC DOCUMENT NO. ED 202421