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CORE COMPETENCIES

I am an experienced Public teacher, communication expert and Trainer of Trainers who has worked both in the Private sector and in Government. I am a Senior Lecturer at the University of Nairobi in the Department of Linguistics and Languages with various consultancy engagements in the private sector. My teaching areas range from Linguistics, Communication and Philosophy. I also have diverse experience in advocacy through HAKI Afrika, an initiative of University lecturers across East and Central Africa, of which I am a founding member. I am also a founding member for the Centre for Human Rights and Peace at the University of Nairobi. I have attended, organized, presented, facilitated and published papers in various international conferences under subject of communication and linguistics. I am an accredited editor of various international Journals including CHOTRO, ALCLAS and UON Press with experience of over ten years. I am also a consultant editor with various United Nations agencies in Nairobi. I have written and maintained special columns in Local Newspapers addressing issues on Education, Economics, and Politics. I am also the current Organizing Secretary of the University Academic Staff Union.

EDUCATION

PhD – University of Nairobi

Title of Thesis: Speaker Intention in Monologue Discourses

Supervised by – Prof Hamu Habwe & Prof Mwendah Mbatiah (University of Nairobi)

Examined by: Prof Monika Kopytowska (Lodz University – Poland) Prof. Oyori Ogechi (Moi University - Kenya)

Masters Degree in Linguistics

Title of Thesis: Deixis and Cohesion in Opinion Columns of Newspapers

Institute/organization where research affiliated; date undertaken

University of Nairobi, 2002

Post Graduate Diploma in Journalism

Title of Thesis: Opinion Polling in Media Organizations

Institute/organization where research affiliated; date undertaken

University of Nairobi, 1998

Bachelor of Education (Arts) Hons

University of Nairobi

Name of university/academic body; date of study

University of Nairobi, Kikuyu Campus, 1996

CAREER SUMMARY

2012 Aug – Present - Senior Lecturer - University of Nairobi (Department of Linguistics and Languages)

2006 July – Present - Lecturer and Consultant (Public Relations Management and Communication Strategy) **East African School of Aviation**

2008 August – Present: Adjunct Lecturer, (Communication) **Moi University**

2011 – Present: Adjunct Lecturer (Defense College of Kenya)

2000Oct: to 2003 Tutorial Fellow
University of Nairobi, Kenya

2001 Oct. to April 2002 Country Training Manager
Management Education Division
Kenya Institute of Management, Kenya

1998 June to 1999 Senior Editor
Media Institute

1996 April to 1998 Research Assistant
International Center for Research In Agro forestry.

PROFFESIONAL TRAINING

SEPTEMBER 2012 – Research Methodology (Rutgers University - USA)

JULY 2009 – Writing Techniques for Distance Learning

SEPTEMBER - DEC 2007 – Pedagogy Training – University of Nairobi

JUNE - JULY 2007 – ISO Training - University of Nairobi

APRIL 2002: Management workshop by Kenya Institute of Administration on Budget Control Practices, Nairobi Kenya.

BOOK PUBLICATIONS

Maloba Wekesa (2015) Speaker Intention In Monologue Discourse, Lambert Academic Publishers, Heinrich-Bocking, Germany

Maloba Wekesa Leonard (2011) Cohesion and Deixis in Practice: The Case of an Opinion Column, Saarbrucken, Germany.

Maloba Wekesa (2009) Traditionalist Syntax: University of Nairobi Press

Maloba Wekesa (2010) Advanced Language Structure: University of Nairobi Press

PUBLISHED PAPERS

- **Maloba Wekesa, 2007, *The Structure of the Monologic Text: The case of the Lubukusu myth. Paper for*, VII Jornadas de Estudio de la Narrativa Folklórica and the Interim Conference of the International Society for Folk Narrative Research (ISFNR, La Pampa Argentina.**
- **Maloba Wekesa, 2008, *The Biblic Language Dilemma: The case of Lubukusu Vs English - Orient Blackswan, New Delhi***
- **Maloba Wekesa, 2008, *The Notion of Faithfulness Vs Context in Language*, Lodz Press, Kairzmeirz Dolny, Poland**
- **Maloba Wekesa, 2012, *Aspects of Discourse Structure*, Orient Blackswan, Vadodra India**
- **Maloba Wekesa, 2014, *Discourse as Graduated from the Morph*, Reyono Journal of Interdisciplinary Studies, Vol 3 Issue 2, July 2014, St. Thomas College, Kerala**
- **Maloba Wekesa, 2016, *Understanding Discourse Through Particles*, Routledge - Taylor Francis, New Delhi**
- **Hate Online: Upcoming Paper in Tydskriff Vir LetterKunde, Pretoria, South Africa**

GRADUATE STUDENT ACADEMIC SUPERVISIONS

- **Njura Gerald Otieno - Topic and Focus in Dholuo Narrative Texts (Master of Arts Thesis: 2010)**
- **Irungu Jane Wambui - The Role of Explicatures and Implicatures in Advertising Discourse (Master of Arts Thesis: 2011)**
- **Wabende Walela Andrea - A Lexical Pragmatic Analysis of the Discourse in a Drinking Session (Master of Arts Thesis: 2012)**
- **Matheka Sila Paul – Fluidity in Sheng: A Case of Synonymy Rather Than Replacement (Master of Arts Thesis: 2013)**
- **Muchiri Peace –Order in Politeness: A case for Interviews (Master of Arts Thesis 2013)**
- **Scholastica Wabende – Discourse Analysis of Chimamanda Adichie (Master of Arts Thesis – 2014)**

- Sarah Ndirangu – Persuasion Discourse of Bank Advertisements (Master of Arts Thesis – 2014)
- Mwende Birithe – A Discourse Analysis of Census Questionnaire, Case of 1999. (Master of Arts – 2015)
- Amiru Haseem Mohammed – Exegesis in Contrast (PhD, Nsukka University, Nigeria – External Examiner, Ongoing)

EXTERNAL DOCTORAL ACADEMIC EXAMINATION

- Agness Bernadette Chimangeni Hara – Text Comprehension in Bilingual (Chichewa/English) Children: Mental Representation and Narrative Text Structure – 2014 (**Doctoral Thesis, University of KwaZulu Natal, Durban – South Africa**)

- Davis Nyanda - Argument Quality in Tanzania Parliamentary Discourse in Kiswahili in Budget Speeches and Debates – 2016 (**Doctoral Thesis, University of Stellenbosch, Western Cape – South Africa**)

INTERNAL DOCTORAL ACADEMIC EXAMINATION

-Atoh Fred Ochieng - A Linguistic Discourse Analysis of Luo Traditional Songs: The Luo Dirge (**Doctoral Thesis, University of Nairobi, Nairobi, Kenya**)

SOME CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS ATTENDED/FACILITATED

1. African Language Conference – Understanding the role played by languages in the integration and Development of African countries: Johannesburg, South Africa 25th – 30th May 2014 Title of Paper: Implicature and Explicature; The Correlates of Political Communication in Africa
2. The 16th Triennial ACLALS Conference in St. Lucia, West Indies with the theme: Currents in language studies / Linguistic circuits and circuits of identity or cultural exchange. Aug 2nd – 9 th 2013 Title of Paper: Understanding Discourse at Word Level
3. Chotro Four; Imagining the Intangible - Languages, Literature and Visual Arts of the Indigenous, Baroda, India: Jan 2 nd – 9 th 2012 Title of Paper: Aspects of Discourse Structure
4. University of Western Cape - A Pre-bid Workshop for Edulink Programme – Cape Town, South Africa. 5 th - 8 th Dec 2011 vide the Centre for Human Rights and Peace, UoN.
5. Centre for Black African Arts and Civilization (CBAAC) National Theatre, Teaching and Propagating African History and Culture to the Diaspora and Teaching Diaspora History and Culture to Africa: State University of Rio De Janeiro, Brazil 2010 Title of Paper: Translation Across Cultures

6. Chotro Two: Nomadic Communities in Post Colonial World; 2009, Bhasha Research and Publication Centre, Baroda India and the Association for Commonwealth Literature and Language Studies Title of Paper: Discourse Connectivity: The Case of Lubukusu
7. Indira Gandhi National Centre for Arts National Manuscript Mission of India, European Association for Commonwealth Literature and Language Studies (EACLALS) and Indian Association for Commonwealth Literature and Language Studies (IACLALS) 2nd to 8th Jan 2008, Title of Paper: The Bible Language Dilemma
8. Instituto Nacional de Antropología y Pensamiento Latinoamericano (National Institute of Anthropology and Latin American) 20th to 27 nd Sep 2007 in Santa Rosa, La Pampa, Argentina Title of Paper: The Structure of the Monologue Text, A Case of the Myth

MEDIA PUBLICATIONS

Diverse commentary in Politics, Economics, Book Reviews and Public Administration in *The Standard* and *Nation* Newspapers, TV (NTV, KTN, EBRU): Refer to Managing Editors.

DEPARTMENTAL & FACULTY RESPONSIBILITIES

- Examinations Officer, Department of Linguistics and Languages from 2010 to Present
- Web Champion, Department of Linguistics and Languages from 2009
- Editor, “NDIMI” Newsletter, Department of Linguistics and Languages
- Editor, Faculty of Arts Newsletter “FAN”
- Organizing Secretary – University Academic Staff Union (UASU)

REFERENCES

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