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### Professional experience

**December 2011 - Date**

**UNIVERSITY OF NAIROBI**

#### **Senior Lecturer**

Working as Senior lecturer in the Department of Linguistics and Languages

- Effective lecturing in related courses
- Timely marking of examinations
- Supervision of MA & PhD students
- Effective assessment of students on teaching practice
- Coordinating the teaching of Linguistics in the Department of Distance Studies
- Participation as a member of the board of examiners during the defense of PhD Thesis in linguistics
- Acting Associate Dean in the Faculty of Arts (Kikuyu Campus) for short periods
- Acting chairman in the Department of Linguistics and Languages for short periods
- External examining MA theses from other public universities
- Internal examining PhD theses from the University of Nairobi

**2000 - 2011**

**UNIVERSITY OF NAIROBI**

#### **Lecturer**

Working as lecturer in the Department of Linguistics and Languages

- Effective lecturing in related courses
- Timely marking of examinations
- Supervision of MA & PhD students
- Effective assessment of students on teaching practice
- Member of post graduate board in the Faculty of External Studies
- Coordinating the teaching of Linguistics in the School of Continuing and Distance Education
- Participation as a member of the board of examiners during the defense of PhD Thesis in linguistics and distance education
- Faculty of Art representative in CAB meetings at CEES
- Part-time lecturing in the Faculty of External Studies & Faculty of Education Module II Programs at Kikuyu Campus
- Acting Associate Dean in the Faculty of Arts (Kikuyu Campus) for short periods

- Acting chairman in the Department of Linguistics and Languages for short periods
- Examined two MA theses at Addis Ababa University in 2008
- External examining MA theses from other public universities

### **1995-2000**

#### **MOI UNIVERSITY AND OTHER UNIVERSITIES**

##### **Lecturer (Full - time and Part - time)**

Worked as Lecturer in the Department of Linguistics & Foreign Languages Moi University

- Lecturing
- Timely setting & marking of examinations
- Efficiently offering secretarial services to departmental meetings
- Offering services as the departmental welfare officer
- Assessing students on teaching practice
- Lecturing ( part-time and full-time) at The Catholic University of Eastern Africa & (part-time) at Daystar University

### **1994-1995                      MOI UNIVERSITY**

#### **Tutorial Fellow**

Worked in the Department of Linguistics & Foreign Languages

- Lecturing
- Timely setting & marking of examinations
- Efficiently offering secretarial services to departmental meetings
- Offering services as the departmental welfare officer

### **1990-1994                      MOI UNIVERSITY**

#### **Graduate Assistant**

Worked as a Graduate assistant in the English Department

- Lecturing
- Setting & marking of examinations
- Secretary to departmental meetings

### **1990                                      MALINDI HIGH SCHOOL**

#### **TEACHER**

Teacher of English language & literature

#### **Seminar and Workshop Papers**

1. 18<sup>th</sup> April 1991 at MOI UNIVERSITY – *“The relationship between ‘Language’ and ‘Dialect’ paying attention to fact that the distinction between them is relative & also the main factors that can cause language change”*

2. **26<sup>th</sup> April, 1991 at MOI UNIVERSITY** – *“Tracing the development of linguistics from 5BC to the present day”*
3. **April, 1991 at MOI UNIVERSITY-** *“A Contrastive Analysis of Vowels and Consonants of Kiswahili & R.P, English, (The analysis is based on the theory of a phoneme being the smallest contrastive unit which brings a change in meaning)”*
4. **April, 1991 at MOI UNIVERSITY-** *“Justify Why You Think Transformational Generative Grammar is a Better Theory of Language than Phrase Structure Grammar”*
5. **August, 1991 at MOI UNIVERSITY-** *“An Examination and Classification of Linguistic Pathologies”*
6. **June, 2007 at ADDIS ABABA UNIVERSITY-***“The Joys and Pains of Teaching Phonetics and Phonology without the aid of Machines”*
7. **May 2, 2008 at ADDIS ABABA UNIVERSITY-** *“A Phonetic Description of the Relationship between Vowel Height and Tone in Dholuo” (to be published by Addis Ababa University)*
8. **June 6, 2009 at FAIRVIEW HOTEL NAIROBI-** *“Harmonization of the Orthographic System and the IPA System of Nilotic Languages in Kenya” (to be published by CASAS)*

## **Conference Papers**

1. **August 17, 2009 at UNIVERSITY OF COLOGNE GERMANY-** *“Syllable Weight in Dholuo”*
2. **August 28, 2009 at LENANA HOUSE NAIROBI-** *“A SWOT Analysis of the Treatment of Pronunciation in Recommended Text Books for Secondary Schools in Kenya”*
3. **November 6<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at THE UNIVERSITY OF NAIROBI** *“A Swot Analysis of the Language Policies in Education in Kenya and Ethiopia” (This paper is published in the University of Nairobi Journal of Language and Linguistics, Vol.1.)*
4. **July 15-19, 2010 in MOMBASA** *“Preserving Oral Literature in Kenya through Documentary Linguistics: Views and Challenges”*
5. **July, 2010 at KENYATTA UNIVERSITY** *“Towards a Practical Proposal of Multilingualism in Education in Kenya”*
6. **July, 2011 at ADDIS ABABA UNIVERSITY** *“Bunnana Ithiopia Ayileyayyum ‘Coffee and Ethiopia are Inseparable’: Documentation of Coffee Ceremony among the Amhara” (Summer School Presentation)*
7. **October 21-22, 2011 at the UNIVERSITY OF WARSAW** *“Body Parts in Dholuo: Meaning and Associated Metaphors”*
8. **August 20 - 24, 2012 at the UNIVERSITY OF BUEA** *“Documentation of the Vocabulary and Tone Melodies of the Boro-Ukwala Dialect of Dholuo”*
9. **September, 10 - 14, 2012 at BONDO UNIVERSITY COLLEGE** *“The Anticipated Benefits of Multilingualism in Education in Kenya”*
10. **October, 4<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at THE UNIVERSITY OF DAR-ES-SALAAM** *“The Anticipated Benefits of using Kiswahili in Education in Kenya”*

**11. May, 22<sup>nd</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup>, 2013 at THE UNIVERSITY OF COLOGNE** “A Study of the Relationship between Syllable Weight and Stress in Dholuo”

**12. August, 12<sup>th</sup> -16<sup>th</sup>, 2013 at KENYA SCIENCE CAMPUS, UNIVERSITY OF NAIROBI** “Mother tongues literacy and official languages in Kenya” by Oduor, Jane Akinyi Ngala and Xu Jing

**13. August, 12<sup>th</sup> -16<sup>th</sup>, 2013 at KENYA SCIENCE CAMPUS, UNIVERSITY OF NAIROBI** “An evaluation of the local orthographies developed for Kenyan languages” by Oduor, Jane Akinyi Ngala and Xu Jing

**14. August, 12<sup>th</sup> -16<sup>th</sup>, 2013 at KENYA SCIENCE CAMPUS, UNIVERSITY OF NAIROBI** “Sustaining life long reading in Kenya” by Oduor, Jane Akinyi Ngala and Xu Jing

## **Publications      Ready Publications**

**November, 1994 at Moi University** - “The Dholuo syllable Structure” – This paper has been posted in the Eric Data Base (Eric clearing house on languages and linguistics, Washington D.C.)

**2010 at University of Nairobi** - “A SWOT Analysis of the Language Policies in Education in Kenya and Ethiopia” (This paper is published in ‘the University of Nairobi Journal of Language and Linguistics, Vol. 1.’)

**2011 by CASAS in South Africa** - “Harmonization of the Orthographic System and the IPA System of Nilotic Languages in Kenya” (This paper is published as a chapter in a book entitled ‘Harmonisation and Standardisation of Orthographies of Kenyan Languages’ by ‘CASAS’.)

**2011 by the University of Nairobi** - “Teaching Kiswahili Pronunciation in Secondary Schools in Kenya: the Necessity to Use the Right Information and Descriptive Tools” (This paper is published in ‘the University of Nairobi Journal of Language and Linguistics, Vol.2.’)

**2012 by CASAS in South Africa** - “A Unified Orthography of Kalenjin Languages (Keiyo, Kipsigis, Marakwet, Nandi, Pokot, Sabaot, and Tugen)” (This monograph by CASAS is coauthored by Jerono, P., Sang. H. and A. Chelimo)

**2013 by Peter Lang - International Academic Publishers** - “The Anticipated Benefits of Multilingualism in Education in Kenya” (This chapter is published in C. Altmayer and H. E. Wolff (Eds.), *Africa: Challenges of Multilingualism*)

## **Forthcoming publications**

**2011 by Kenyatta University and University of Pennsylvania** “Towards a Practical Proposal of Multilingualism in Education in Kenya” (This paper has been accepted for publication as a chapter in the book entitled ‘Multilingualism and Education in Africa: the Reality on the Ground’. The Publisher is Cambridge Scholars Publishers.)

“A Phonetic Description of the Relationship between Vowel Height and Tone in Dholuo” (This paper has been accepted for publication in ‘The Ethiopian Journal of African Languages and

***Linguistics' based at Addis Ababa University.)***

***"The Relationship between Syllable Weight and Stress in Dholuo (to be published in Germany under the title Nilo-Saharan: Models and Descriptions. ed. by A. Mietzner & A. Storch Cologne: Köppe in 2015)***

**Modules  
written**

1. CLE 101: *History and Varieties of English*
2. CLL 102: *Introduction to Phonetics and Phonology*
3. CLE 201: *Modern English Phonetics and Phonology*
4. CLE 302: *Advanced English Phonetics and Phonology*
5. CLL 403: *Advanced Phonology*

**Creative  
Writing**

The Joys and Pains of Motherhood

**Workshops  
and  
Seminars**

1. Deutscher Akademischer Austausch Dienst (DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service))  
academic workshops
2. Module writers' workshops at the University of Nairobi (2006 - 2011)
3. Module reviewers' workshops at the University of Nairobi
4. Workshop on Experimental Phonetics at Addis Ababa University, in 2007
5. Workshop on communication skills at the University of Nairobi
6. Training in Pedagogy at the University of Nairobi
7. Workshop on reviewing syllabus for the Faculty of Education, University of Nairobi
8. Workshop on harmonization of African languages at Fair View Hotel (2009)
9. German-African Network of Alumni & Alumnae (Ganaa) 4<sup>th</sup> International Workshop on multilingualism at UON (2009)
10. Teaching Practice workshops at Kikuyu Campus (2009) and Tangaza (2010)
11. Kenfaa workshop on nonfiction writing at UON (2010)
12. Teaching Practice induction seminar (2010)
13. Teaching Practice induction seminar (30<sup>th</sup> March 2012)

14. Tone workshop at Negst for 6 weeks (October- November 2010)
15. Workshop on preparation of a strategic plan for the Department of Education Studies (2012)
16. Syllabus review workshop organized by the Department of Educational Studies (27<sup>th</sup> -2<sup>nd</sup> March 2012)
17. University of Nairobi Training Workshop on Research and Project Grant Writing (20<sup>th</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> February 2012)
18. Workshop on harmonization of the orthographies of Kenyan languages at Fair View Hotel (2012)
19. German-African Network of Alumni & Alumnae (Ganaa) Summer School on Multilingualism and Language Policies in Africa at Bondo University College ( 10<sup>th</sup>- 14<sup>th</sup> September 2012)
20. Workshop on preparation of a strategic plan for the Faculty of Arts at KCB Training College in Karen (16<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> May 2013)
21. Seminar on 'Rocking the Emperor's Throne: African Languages in the Disciplines' by Prof. Mogane, (Director of the African Languages Programme at Harvard University, USA) at the University of Nairobi (17<sup>th</sup> July 2013)
22. Bridging the Divide Seminar organized by Establishment of Korean Studies Project, CHSS at the University of Nairobi (24<sup>th</sup> July 2013)
23. Kenya DAAD Scholars Association (KDSA)/ DAAD Scientific Paper Writing Workshop at Kenyatta University Conference Centre (24<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> July 2013)
24. Stakeholders' Forum to Share Food Security Research Findings and Launch the Report at the University of Nairobi's African Women's Study Centre ( November 21, 2014)

## **Conferences**

1. World Congress on African Linguistics 6 (WOCAL 6) conference at University of Koeln (2009)
2. Chakita international conference on Kiswahili at Lenana Hotel (2009)
3. Conferences on the Center for Women Studies at the University of Nairobi (2009)

4. Pan Africa Media Conference at KICC (2010)
5. ISOLA conference at Diani organized by UON (2010)
6. Multilingualism and Education International Conference at Kenyatta University (2010)
7. Conferences on the Center for Women Studies at the University of Nairobi (2011)
8. Conference on 60 years of German constitution at the University of Nairobi
9. International conference on the body in language (lexicon, metaphor, grammar and culture) at University of Warsaw, Poland (20<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>th</sup> October, 2011)
10. Conference on political leadership for good governance and launching of a book (*Challenging the ruler: A leadership model for good governance*) at the Panari Hotel, Nairobi (8<sup>th</sup>- 9<sup>th</sup> December, 2011)
11. World Congress on African Linguistics 7 (WOCAL 7) conference at University of Buea (20<sup>th</sup>- 24<sup>th</sup> August, 2012)
12. International conference on 50 years of Kiswahili at the University of Dar-es-Salaam (3<sup>th</sup>- 6<sup>th</sup> October, 2012)
13. Nilo-Saharan Linguistics Colloquium at the University of Cologne (22<sup>nd</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> May, 2013)
14. Kenya DAAD Scholars Association (KDSA) conference on African Cities of the Future: Smart, Sustainable, Participatory at The Safari Park Hotel (30<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2013)
15. The 8<sup>TH</sup> Pan-African Reading For All Conference at Kenya Science Campus, University of Nairobi (12<sup>th</sup> -16<sup>th</sup> August, 2013)
16. Association of Commonwealth Universities Conference on “Enhancing Gender Equity in the Leadership and Management of Higher Education” at the University of Nairobi (26<sup>th</sup> August 2013)
17. Rapid Results Initiative (RRI) conference at the University of Nairobi, 2013.
18. International Conference on Multilingualism entitled: “From Asmara 2000 to Nairobi 2014: New Horizons and Trends in African Languages and Literatures” at Kenyatta University, 2014
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**Reviews  
Done**

1. Reviewed a module entitled “English Usage in Kenya” (University of Nairobi)



2. Reviewed a paper entitled ‘‘The Tones of Awngi’ by Andreas Joswig (a member of SIL International and a student at Leiden University)
3. Reviewed a paper entitled ‘‘Harmonization of Western Kenya Bantu Languages: Tone in Igikuria and Luhya’’ by Leonard Chacha Mwita (Kenyatta University)
4. Reviewed a paper entitled ‘‘Language policy conflicts in Vanuatu’s education system’’

**Examiner  
(Addis  
Ababa  
University)**

1. MA thesis entitled- ‘‘Attitudes and Motivations in Learning Afan Oromo as a Second Language: The Case of Adama Senior Secondary School’’ by Alemgena Belete (Graduated in July, 2008)
2. MA thesis entitled- ‘‘Amharic Second Language Teachers’ Pedagogical Grammar Approach: The Case of Oromia’’ by Mellese Gelaneh (Graduated in July, 2008)

**External  
Examiner  
(In the  
public  
universities  
in Kenya)**

1. MA thesis entitled ‘‘A Phonological Analysis of the Constraints on the Syllabic Structures of Olunyala’’ by Everlyn Etakwa (Kenyatta University, 2009)
2. MA thesis entitled ‘‘Language Policy Implementation and Experience in Primary Schools in Chuka Division – Meru South District’’ by Nancy W. Mbaka (Chuka University, 2009)
3. MA thesis entitled ‘‘Misinterpretations in English-Kimuthambi church sermons: A Case of Pentecostal Churches in Muthambi Division, Kenya’’ by Humphrey Kirimi Ireri (Chuka University, 2011)
4. MA thesis entitled ‘‘A morphosyntactic analysis of a regional variety of Kiswahili spoken in Kakamega County’’ by Likuyani, Erick Muhati (Kenyatta University, 2014)
5. PH. D. thesis entitled ‘‘An Investigation of Phonological Awareness of Learners with Reading Disorders in Class Six in Nairobi County’’ by Stephen Ochieng’ Orago (Kenyatta University).

**Internal  
Examiner**

1. PhD thesis entitled ‘‘From Rendille to Samburu: A Language Shift Involving Two Mutually Unintelligible Languages of Northern Kenya’’ by Kenneth Kamuri Ngure (2012)
2. PhD thesis entitled ‘‘An Investigation of Speaker Intention in Monologue Discourses’’ by Leonard Maloba Wekesa (2012)
3. PhD thesis entitled ‘‘A Lexical Phonology Study of Modern Standard Arabic’’ by Mohammed

Abdul Akidah (2012)

4. Examined 23 essays in the essay competition (2012) whose theme was “My Dream of Kenyan-Korean Relations” (in January 2013)

5. Examined 49 essays in the essay competition (2013) whose theme was “The Value of Korean Studies in an African University” (in January 2014)

My Dream of Kenyan-Korean Relations” (in January 2013)

**PhD  
Supervisions**

**Completed**

1. PhD Thesis entitled: “*A Synchronic Segmental Morphophonology of Standard Kiswahili*” by Patrick Iribemwangi (Graduated in 2008)

2. PhD Thesis entitled: “*Tugen Word Order - A Minimalist Perspective*” by Prisca Jerono (Graduated in 2011)

**In Progress**

1. PhD Proposal entitled: “*Communicative Competence in Kenyan Public Universities: A Case Study of the University of Nairobi Students*” (The proposal has already been defended at the departmental level)

2. PhD Thesis entitled: “*Tonology of Lwisukha Nouns and Verbs*” (The proposal has been defended at Faculty level)

3. PhD Thesis entitled: “*The Phonetic Properties of Stuttered Spontaneous Speech: a Case Study of Four Kenyan Adults*” (The student is still writing the proposal).

4. PhD thesis entitled: “*The Strategies Used by Kenyan Learners in the Acquisition of the Chinese language: A Survey of Chinese learners at The University of Nairobi*” (The proposal has been defended at Faculty level)

**MA  
Supervisions**

**Completed**

1. MA dissertation Title: “*Dholuo Tonal Notations: A Study of Tone levels and their Representations*” by Stephen Bruno Odawa (Graduated in 2004)

2. MA dissertation Title: “*Vowel Harmony in Kipsigis: An Auto-segmental Theory Approach*” by Chebet Koske (Graduated in 2006)

3. MA dissertation Title: “*Reduplication in Dholuo: A Study of Morphological Reduplication*” by Jackline Atieno Okello (Graduated in 2007)

4. MA dissertation Title: “*Dholuo Vowel Harmony in an Autosegmental Phonology Theory Framework*” by George Ojal Were (Graduated in 2007)
5. MA dissertation Title: “*A Study of Tone in Dholuo Compound and Complex Sentences*” by Emily Atieno Ayieko (Graduated in 2009)
6. MA Project Title: “*Sense Relations in Dholuo: A Lexical Pragmatic Approach*” Nancy Achieng’ Anyim (Graduated in 2010)
7. MA Project Title: “*A Semantic Analysis of Dholuo Spatial Prepositions Using Image Schema Theory: A Concept in Cognitive Semantics Theory*” by Millicent Adhiambo Ochola (Graduated in 2011)
8. MA Project Title: “*Analysis of the Frequent Mistakes in Simultaneous Interpretation and why they Occur*” by Doris Mutio Mutisya (Graduated in 2011)
9. MA Project Title: “*Morphosyntactic Verb Inflections For Tense and Aspect in Lunyore: A Minimalist Program*” by Brenda Susan Timbwah (Graduated in 2011)
10. MA Project Title: “*The Contrastive Tone Patterns and their Functions in Kimbeere*” by Peter Ngari Njuki (Graduated in 2012)
11. MA Project Title: “*Stress Placement among Kenyan English Speakers across Gender and Age*” by Michael Kebabe Nyachio (Graduated in 2012)
12. MA Project Title: “*Pronominal Arguments in Translation: A Case of Translating between English and Kiswahili*” by Kamundi, Henry Mutugi (Graduated in 2012)
13. MA Project Title: “*Issues of Kiswahili Language Interference in Students’ English Translations and Vice Versa: A Case Study of Master/ Undergraduate Translations in English and Kiswahili*” by Muchiri, George Maara (Graduated in 2012)
14. MA Project Title: “*Morphophonemic Processes of Igikuria*” by Maroa, Rebecca Ghati. (Graduated in 2013)
15. MA Project Title: “*A Semantic Analysis of Kisukuma Spatial Prepositions Using Image Schema Theory*” by Jackson, Thobias (Graduated in 2013)
16. MA Project Title: “*A Semantic Analysis of the Prepositions Used in Sheng Using the Image Schema Theory: A Concept in Cognitive Semantics*” by Bonyo, Tobias Odhiambo (Graduated in 2013)
17. MA Project Title: “*A Study on Manifestations of Stereotypes in Kiambu Metaphors – A Lexical Pragmatics Approach*” by Njagi, Jacob Muriithi” (Graduated in 2013)
18. MA Project Title: “*Phonological Basis of Misspellings in the Written English of Kimeru Speaking Pupils in Public Primary School Pupils in Meru*” by Maore, Josephat Mugambi (Graduated in 2013)
19. MA Project Title: “*Metaphors in the Book of Revelation: A Study of Selected S.D.A. Lay Leader’s Interpretations*” by Nyakundi, Stephen Ogana (Graduated in 2013)
20. MA Project Title: “*A Study of Morphological Reduplication in Kiambu*” by Nyaga Papion Wanja (Graduated in 2014)
21. MA Project Title: “*A Study of Suprasegmental Features of Ki-ndia Dialect of Gikuyu Language*” by Githinji Irene Wambui (Graduated in 2014)

22. MA Project Title: “A Study of Noun Plural Formation in Bor Dialect of Dinka” by Mayom John (Graduated in 2014)

23. MA Project Title: “A Synchronic Survey of Kiambu Dialects” by Mwaniki, Daisy Gicugu (Graduated in 2014)

24. MA Project Title: “Assessing The Usefulness of Asenath Bole Odaga’s English-Dholuo Dictionary to A Translator of The Constitution of Kenya,2010” by Rachier, Ambrose Otieno (Graduated in 2014)

**Courses  
Taught**

- ENG 210 Introduction to the Study of English
- ENG 211 Introductory English Phonetics
- ENG 212 The Art of Writing
- ENG 213 The English Word & Morphology
- ENG 311 The Structure of the English Sentence
- ENG 312 English Prosody
- ENG 315 Trends in Contemporary English
- ENG 411 Practical English Stylistics
- RLE 203 Reading Skills in English
- RLE 202 English Vocabulary and Sound System
- RLE 302 Semantics
- RLE 402 English Phonology and Morphology
- BLL 101 Study of Language I
- BLL 104 Study of English language III
- BLL 308 Semantics
- CLL 102 Introduction to Phonetics and Phonology
- CLL 501 Phonetics
- CLL 502 Phonology

**Syllabus  
Preparation  
and review**

1. Took part in the review of the B.ED. linguistics syllabus for the School of Education
2. Reviewed the B.ED. linguistics syllabus for the Department of Educational Studies (School of Continuing and Distance Education)
3. Took a major role in preparing the B.A. syllabus for Korean studies in 2012-2013.

4. Took a major role in preparing the certificate course syllabus for Korean Language, Literature and Culture in 2012-2013.
5. Took part in reviewing the B.A. in Linguistics syllabus in 2013-2014.
6. Currently, I am preparing MA in Korean Language and Culture Syllabus

### **Completed Projects**

1. Strategies for fundraising for Help Age Kenya (an organization supporting homes for senior citizens)
2. Preparation of primary school syllabus for Somaliland

### **Qualifications**

**2011**

#### **Summer School on Language Documentation**

Attended the East Africa Summer School on Language Documentation: Methodologies and Technology at University of Addis Ababa, Ethiopia for 2 weeks (2011)

**2008**

#### **Post-Doctoral Training                      Addis Ababa University**

Undertook a Post Doctoral Diploma in Experimental Phonetics at Addis Ababa University

(additionally took a course on the use of Fieldwork Language Explorer and another course on

Multimedia Documentary Linguistics at Addis Ababa University)

**1996 - 2000**

#### **Doctorate                                      University of Nairobi**

Awarded Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Linguistics – (*Thesis – “A Study of Syllable Weight and its Effect in Dholuo Phonology”*)

**1991-1992**

#### **Masters Degree                                      Moi University**

Awarded Master of Philosophy Degree in English – (*Thesis – “A Contrastive Analysis of English (RP) and Dholuo Syllable Structures”*)

**1987 -1990**

#### **Bachelors Degree                                      Moi University**

Awarded Bachelor of Education (Arts) Degree-Attained Second Class Hon.(Upper Division)

**Area of  
specialization**

Phonology

**Academic  
Research  
interests**

1. The phonology of languages
2. Phonetics especially articulatory and acoustic phonetics
3. The teaching of pronunciation in Kenyan Schools
4. Language documentation
5. Multilingualism in education

**Other general  
Interests**

1. Research and reading
2. Travelling & touring
3. Music
4. Swimming

**Personal**

Date of Birth: 2<sup>nd</sup> April, 1967

Married with children

**Referees**

1. Prof. Rosemary Atieno                      University of Nairobi
2. Prof. Duncan Okoth Okombo              University of Nairobi
3. Prof. Peter Amuka                              Moi University
4. Prof. Edward Kembo Sure                  Moi University
5. Prof. Kithaka wa Mberia                    University of Nairobi
6. Prof. John Habwe                              University of Nairobi