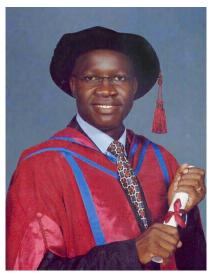
# **CURRICULUM VITAE**



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David Parkin (1940-) was from 1996 until 2008, when he retired, professor of social anthropology at the University of Oxford, fellow of All Souls College, and head of ISCA and the School of Anthropology and Museum

Ethnography from 1996-2006. Before coming to Oxford, he was at the School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London, first as a student (1959-1964) and then as a member of faculty (1964-1996), becoming professor of African anthropology in 1982. He is now Emeritus Professor at Oxford and Honorary Fellow at the School of Oriental and African Studies. His early training included the study of Swahili and Bantu linguistics alongside anthropology.

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## CAREER OBJECTIVE

To work in a leading Centre of Scholarly Excellence in the capacity of a leading Scholar in the pursuit, development, dissemination of knowledge regarding the Swahili language and culture, using diverse interactive instructional best practices to ensure academic success aimed at contributing to the dynamic socio-economic and cultural development of the World at large.

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- 3. **Olali, Tom.** *Mashetani wa Alepo*: Jomo Kenyatta Foundation, 2015 ( Adult Fiction) ISBN 978-9966-51-043-3
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- 2. *Mbu wa Mchana* (Short Story in an Anthology)
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- 4. *Namunyiri Flu* (Co-authoring with Dr. Sanja)

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#### Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut, USA. (14-17 June 2017)

"A Critical Exposition of Jihad Trope as a Religious Philosophy in the Epic of Rasi'l Ghuli (1850-1855)" African Literature Association Conference"

### Marriott Wardman Park, Washington, D.C.USA (May 23-26, 2018)

"Ecology as thematic foci: The identity of Swahili Poetry and Ecocriticism experiment"

### Ohio University, Columbus, USA (15-18, May 2019)

"Ritual and Spectacle: The Grandiloquent Display of Paradoxical Metamessage during the Lamu Maulidi Festival" Paper presented during the 45<sup>th</sup> African Literature Association Annual Conference held in Columbus, Ohio, USA

## Howard University, Washington, D.C. USA (September 29th-October 1, 2022)

'Kifo' cha Uhafidhina wa Maulidi: Athari za Utandawazi na Uchipukaji wa Ukanivali katika sherehe ya Kidini visiwani Lamu, Kenya.

University of Florida, Gainesville, USA (September 29-30, 2023)

"Understanding Emerging and Re-emerging Encumbrances of RISSEA as an Implementer of the Year Abroad Programme in the Lamu Archipelago, Kenya" 13<sup>th</sup> South East African Languages and Literatures Forum (SEALFF).

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"The Integration of AI Technologies into the Design of CLK 404 Virtual Field Study" 14<sup>th</sup> South East African Languages and Literatures Forum (SEALLF).

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- 6. "Of Religious Festival and Popular Carnival: The Hybridization and Dichotomy of the Lamu Milad-un-Nabi" "Crossing and Hybridity in African Socities and Cultures" Conference. The 5<sup>th</sup> Institute of African Studies HK International Conference, 29- 30 October 2015, Hankuk University of Foreign Studies, South Korea.

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- 2. **Olali, Tom.** "Kikundi Kitenzi na jinsi kinavyutumika" in *Taifa Leo* Dec.5,1996(The Verb Phrase and its functions)
- 3. **Olali, Tom.** "Nadharia ya Sarufi katika lugha zetu" in *Taifa Leo* Oct.25,1997 (The Theory of Grammar in our Languages)
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- 5. **Olali, Tom.** Matumizi ya Kishazi na Vipashio husika" katika *Taifa Leo* Jan.4,1997 (The functions of the Clause and its components)
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- 19. Investigating Youth and Language Use: The Influence of Kenyan Christian Hip Hop Music (Malesi, Beverly Shisiali)—UoN 2014.
- 20. Uchanganuzi wa Proposisheni katika Kiswahili: Nadharia ya Uhusiano-Caroline Wawira Njue –UoN (2010)
- 21. Uchanganuzi wa Grafiti ya Maktabani: mtazamo wa Isimu jamii Nadharia ya Giles (1982) ya Utambulisho-UoN- Jacqueline Kinya Muthuri –Uon 2012
- 22.Matumizi ya Taswira kama Kigezo cha kufanikisha maudhui katika utendi wa Siiraji uliotungwa na Muhammadi Kijumwa (Ngunjiri Kahinga Danson)-UoN 2012
- 23. *Uhakiki wa maudhui Teule katika utenzi wa Nabii Isa*. Owallah Kennedy Ouma –UoN 2013
- 24. Translating Similes and Metaphors from English to Kiswahili: A Case Study of Treasure Island translated as Kisiwa Chenye Hazina, Beatrice Akundabweni..UoN 2014
- 25. Translation Inadequacies in Ebrahim N. Hussein's English Version of Kinjeketile, Agnes Kuloba...UoN 2013
- 26.Mitagusano ya Kidini katika michakato ya kijamii inavyodhihirika katika utenzi wa Rasil Ghuli Muriithi Joshua Kariuki..UoN 2013

- 27. Usasa na mwanamke wa kisasa katika "Nyuso za mwanamke" ya Said Ahmed Mohammed. Suakei Ann Sivilon...UoN 2013
- 28. Maendeleo, mpito na mkwamo katika utenzi wa ukombozi wa Zanzibar na utenzi wa uhuru wa Kenya. Jepng'etich Ronoh..UoN 2014
- 29. Fani katika Nyimbo Teule za Anastacia Mukabwa. Mburu James Mungai...UoN 2014
- 30. Communicative effectiveness of Giriama wedding songs. Elizabeth Maisha George
- 31. Athari za kidini katika Utenzi wa Rasi'lghuli. Muriithi J. Kariuki, UoN 2013
- 32. Mchango wa Viongozi Kuleta Mabadiliko Hasi katika Riwaya za Mwenda Mbatiah . Anne Wangeci Njoroge, UoN 2014
- 33.Information and Communication Technology(ICT) as a Threat to the Career of Interpreters in Future. Michel Zagabe.
- 34.Maana ya Usemi na Mazungumzo katika mitandao ya kijamii hususani Facebook na Twitter. Kiunga Mukaria Timothy, UoN 2016
- 35. Translating Regional Specific words from English to Kiswahili: A Case Study of Animal Farm translated as Shamba la Wanyama, Moses Wafula Opilo, UoN 2012
- 36.Dhima ya Matambiko na Takrima Katika Jamii za Wakilindi na Wapate , UON 2017(Ngulamu Mwaviro)
- 37. Muundo na Uamilifu wa Chagizo katika Virai na Vishazi vya Kiswahili Sanifu, UON, 2019, Grace Wairimu Mutai.
- 38.Nafasi ya Utoupole katika kusababisha Mabadiliko ya Kijamii:Uchanganuzi wa Riwaya ya Mtoto wa Mama ya Adam Shafi,, Mbae Patrick Ngenda, UON, 2021

- 39. Mtindo katika Utenzi wa Vita vya Uhud, , Obwogi Dickens Bonyi, UON, 2021.
- 40. Ujenzi wa Taswira: Dhima ya Tashihisi, Sitiari, Tashtiti na Maelezo ya Mandhari katika Utendi wa Ngami na Paa, Margaret Ngina Muasa, UON (2020)
- 41. Baadaukoloni Katika Riwaya ya Kiswahili, John Shitemi William, UON, 2022
- 42. *Mashairi*: A Surviving Art of the Swahili Muslim Peoples of Lamu Town, Kenya, University of Cape Town, 2021, Simon Mwaniki.

# INTERNAL EXAMINER FOR MA THESIS OUTSIDE KENYA

- 1. *Mashairi*: A Surviving Art of the Swahili Muslim Peoples of Lamu Town, Kenya, University of Cape Town, 2021, Simon Mwaniki. (Supervision)
- 2. Investigating TQM for Improved Service Delivery in Distance Education at Higher Education Institution, North-West University, South Africa, 2023, P Moleko

## **Ongoing**

- 1. *Ujitambuzinafsia wa Mwanamke katika na jinsia ya Kike*, UON 2017 (Muasya Victor Mumo)
- 2. *Usawiri wa viongozi katika riwaya ya Yasinya*, UON 2017, Pauline Atieno Adala
- 3. Nafasi ya Mwanamke katika jamii/Kidagaa, UON, 2014, Naisimoi Nina
- 4. Dini na Unafiki katika Riwaya ya Paradiso, UON, 2019, Ndegwa David
- 5. Uakifishi na Athari zake katika hadithi Fupi za alifa chokocho katika tumbo lisilo shiba, 2019, Dorcas Kemunto Nyabuku.
- 6. Uchanganuzi wa Kisintaksia ya Sentensi kwenye Gazeti la Taifa Leo mwaka wa 2021:Mifano ya Mada za Kisiasa, UON, 2023, Janet Kemunto Oigo

## RESOURCE MOBILIZATION

- 13 Million raised for Art-Life Group in collaboration with the University of Nairobi.
- The Publication of CLC: Computer Applications for Information Communication for the University of Nairobi, Module II Programme.
- Course instructor for CLC 113 (Computer Applications) and CLC 311 (Desktop Publications).
- Secured Scholarships for 10 CLK 401(Public Speaking and Speech Writing in Kiswahili) worth 450k (Four Hundred and Fifty Thousand) at The Nairobi Public Speaking High Tea, an Open Forum that brings together Communication enthusiasts to hold conversations around societal issues in a bid to improve individual speaking and leadership skills. (1st December 2023 at the Gem Suites Residency).
- CLK 401: Kiswahili Oral Literature and Culture Field work subsidized costs through networking.
- Visiting Professor and exchange of Faculty staff between Tianjin Normal University and Hankuk University of Foreign Studies, South Korea.

## MEMBERSHIP AFFILIATION IN ORGANIZATIONS

- 1. Member, Global Association for the Promotion of Swahili, USA
- 2. Member, International Association of Professional Translators and Interpreters, USA
- 3. Member, African Literature Association (ALA), USA
- 4. Member, African Speculative Fiction Society (ASFS), USA
- 5. Founder member, University of London Swahili Discussion Forum POKEZANA, GREAT BRITAIN
- 6. Member, Yale On-Line Swahili Dictionary, USA
- 7. Board Member, Bar Kowino Secondary School, Bondo, KENYA.
- 8. Founder Member, Research Institute of Swahili Studies of Eastern Africa(RISSEA), KENYA

- 9. Member, CHAKITA (Chama cha Kiswahili cha Taifa), KENYA
- 10. Member, CHAKAMA(Chama cha Kiswahili Mashariki mwa Afrika), KENYA
- 11. Former Member, the International Council of Museums (ICOM), FRANCE
- 12. Former Member, African Council of Museums (AFRICOM), KENYA

## COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- 1. International SAGE Judge (1<sup>st</sup> engagement in Ukraine) (Students for the Advancement of Global Entrepreneurship).
- 2. Mentor: YALI (The Young African Leader Initiative) Regional Leadership Centre, West Africa, Accra. A United States Government effort to invest in the next generation of African leaders. Currently mentoring Haruna Emmanuel Umoru of Nigeria.
- 3. Alliance High School, Kikuyu
  - Form 1-4 Parent Special Caucus
  - Student Mentorship
  - Form 1-4 K motivational speaker
- 3. Alliance Girls High School, Kikuyu
  - Form 1-4 Parent Special Caucus
  - Student Mentorship
  - Form 1-4 motivational speaker
- 4. International Christian Centre (ICC), Kitengela
  - Volunteer, Kenya Kids Orphanage, Kitengela
  - Chairman, Men's Fellowship
  - Member, Development Committee

- Deacon
- Drama/skit training to teens (Next Gen).
- Director, Creative Arts Ministry
- 5. New Valley Welfare Association, Kitengela
  - Chairman, Amboseli Court
- 6. Kawino Primary, Rarieda Constituency
  - Welfare of two part time teachers
  - Motivational speaker
- 7.HIV/AIDS Awareness programmes
  - Kawino Village, Rarieda Constituency
  - Engage the youth on drugs, Crime and lifestyle
- 8. KAG University Kitengela, Voluntary Academic Advisor.
- 9. International Christian Centre Book Review Facilitator (WHY GREAT MEN

## FALL: 15 WINNING STRATEGIES TO RISE ABOVE IT ALL)-Wayde

Goodall

Content Presented: **COMPARTMENTALIZATION** 

11.International Christian Centre Book Review Facilitator (**SUCCESS KILLS**)
Wayde Goodall

Content Presented: Success Kills

- 12. The Eliud Owalo Foundation
  - Advisory Role in Education Thematic Area

# DEPARTMENTAL RESPONSIBILITIES/POSITIONS OF TRUST IN ACADEMIC ORGANIZATIONS

1. Departmental PhD Coordinator

- 2. Acting Chairman, Department of Kiswahili, August 1-30, 2023
- 3. Acting Chairman, Department of Kiswahili, July 17th- August 1, 2022
- 4. <u>Acting Chairman</u>, Department of Linguistics, Languages and Literature, Dec. 31<sup>st</sup> 2021-Feb.20, 2022
- 5. Web Champion, Department of Kiswahili, University of Nairobi (2016-2020)
- 6. <u>Head</u>, Collaborations and Linkages, Department of Kiswahili, University of Nairobi. (2016-)
- 7. <u>Examinations Officer</u>, Department of Linguistics and Languages, University of Nairobi, 2007-2010.
- 8. <u>Thematic Head</u> (Literature), Department of Kiswahili, University of Nairobi.(2012-2015)
- 9. Departmental Procurement Officer, University of Nairobi, 2007-2012.
- 10. <u>Committee member</u>, *Hekima* Journal, Faculty of Arts journal of the University of Nairobi.
- 11. Member, Publications, Seminars and Research Committee, University of Nairobi, Faculty of Arts(Presently, FASS)
- 12. <u>Managing Editor</u>, *Ndimi* newsletter for the department of Linguistics and Languages, University of Nairobi
- 13.<u>10. Managing Editor</u>, *Siwa la Kiswahili* newsletter for the department of Kiswahili, University of Nairobi.
- 14. <u>Director of Academic Affairs</u>, The Research Institute of Swahili Studies of Eastern Africa (RISSEA), 2005-2007.

- 15. <u>President Adviser</u> (Tianjin African Students Organization, China)-2007-2008.
- 16. <u>Internal Moderator</u>, Department of Linguistics and Languages
- 17. <u>Editorial Board Member</u>, *Asian Journal of African Studies*, Institute of African Studies, Hankuk University of Foreign Studies, South Korea.
- 18.MA Syllabus (Coordinator)
- 19. Chairman, Research and Seminars, 2021 to date

## PERSONAL ASSESSMENT

- Loyal and Trustworthy
- Excellent Interpersonal and Communication skills.
- Committed, Hardworking and Responsible.
- Strong Persuasion skills.
- Strong coordination skills in safety and security
- Flexible, reliable, culturally sensitive, positive attitude
- Knowledge and excellence in the practice and application of international public service
- Excellent leadership, negotiation and settlement, diplomatic skills
- International relations
- Diplomatic nature
- Decision-making skills
- Mediator and Negotiator

### LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

#### LOCAL LANGUAGES

- 1: Luo (native tongue)
- 2: Kiswahili (excellent)

#### FOREIGN LANGUAGES

3: English (excellent)

4: Japanese (skilled in reading [hiragana, katakana], speaking and understanding)

5: Chinese (rudimentary)6: Arabic (rudimentary)7: Korean (rudimentary)

# COUNTRIES VISITED OUTSIDE KENYA FOR RESEARCH/STUDY AND PROJECTS

• United States of America (USA) (Several Conferences/Research)

• Great Britain (PhD Studies, University of London)

• North Wales (Research)

• Israel (Research)

• China (Resident/Visiting Professor)

• Republic of South Korea (Resident/ Visiting Full Professor)

The United Arab Emirates (UAE) (Personal)
 Ukraine (SAGE Judge)

• Egypt (Research)

• South Africa (Conference/Research)

• Uganda (Conference/Research)
• Tengania/Zangiban (Conference/Research)

• Tanzania/Zanzibar (Conference/Research)

• Rwanda (Research)

Ethiopia (Conference/Research)

## EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

- 1. Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D) (African Studies)
  School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), University of London (2000-2004)
- 2. Master of Arts (M.A) (Swahili Studies) **University of Nairobi** (1995-1997)
- 3. Bachelor of Education (B.Ed) (History and Swahili) **Moi University** (1991-1994)

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Class Honours, Upper Division.

4. Kenya Advanced Certificate of Education (K.A.C.E)

St. Mary's School, Yala-(1988-1989)

Kiswahili **Principal**History **Principal**Geography **Principal**Religious Education **Principal** 

### 4 Principals (Maximum)

5. Kenya Certificate of Education (K.C.E)

Wang'apala Secondary School (1984-1987)

### **Division 1 (Equivalent of Grade A)**

6. **Certificate of Primary Education (C.P.E)**Got-Rabuor Primary School, Homa-Bay (1983)

### 28 Points out of 36

## **WORK EXPERIENCE**

### UNIVERSITY TEACHING EXPERIENCE: 25 YEARS at UoN.

- 1: **Associate Professor**, University of Nairobi, 2019 to date
- 2: **Full Professor**, Hankuk University of Foreign Studies (HUFS) 2015 to 2016
- 3: **Associate Professor**, Hankuk University of Foreign Studies (HUFS) 2014-2015
- 4: Senior Lecturer, University of Nairobi, 2011 to 2019
- 5: Lecturer, University of Nairobi, 2007-2011
- 6: Associate Professor, Tianjin Normal University, China, 2007
- 7: **Part-Time Lecturer**, University of Nairobi, 1998-2007. (Department of Linguistics and Languages)

## CHAIRPERSON, KAG EAST UNIVERSITY COUNCIL

## From 6<sup>th</sup> June 2023 to date

- To provide necessary leadership to Council and the wider University Community in the achievement of its aspirations.
- To promote the University in accordance with the University's Mission, Vision, Philosophy and Objectives.
- To chair the meetings of the Council.
- To direct as and when it may be deemed necessary, an inspection of the University or an inquiry into the administration and organization, teaching, research and other work of the University.
- To give such advice to the Council and the University Management Board (UMB) as I consider necessary for the improvement of the University.
- In the exercise of the powers conferred under the KAG East University Statute, I notify the Council, the Vice-Chancellor and the UMB of an intention to direct an inspection of the University, or an inquiry into the work of the University.
- Taking responsibility for the Council composition and development.

- In liaison with the VC, prepare the University Almanac.
- Approve the University budget and oversee the Performance contract.
- Sit as an Ex-Officio in all Council committees.

## UNIVERSITY COLLABORATIONS

- University of London, SOAS, United Kingdom (External Lecturer, Lamu, Kenya, Year Abroad Programme at RISSEA).
- San Diego State University, USA (Swahili Project Consultant).
- Webster University, USA (Cultural exchange Project).
- Ohio University, USA (MA adviser/Conference participant).
- Yale University, USA (Ph.D supervision/adviser/Conference participant).
- Rutgers University, USA (Swahili Project Consultant).
- State University of Southern Illinois, USA (MA supervision).
- Lund University, Sweden (Consultant).
- Tianjin Normal University, China (Visiting Professor in Swahili/Oral English).
- Tianjin University of Foreign Languages, China (Frequent Guest speaker).
- University of Bayreuth, Germany (Exhibition and Workshop on Muhamadi Kijumwa)
- Howard University, USA (PhD External supervision/Conference participant).
- University of Burao, Somaliland (Swahili Project Consultant)
- University of Osaka, Japan (Swahili Programmes).
- University of Warsaw, Poland (Swahili Programmes).
- State University of Zanzibar (Swahili Programmes).
- Soka University (Swahili Language Consultant and Kenyan resident Lecturer).
- Messiah College, Pennsylvania (Swahili Language Consultant)
- Hankuk University of Foreign Studies, South Korea (Visiting Full Professor)
- Bayreuth University, Germany (Writing skills Project)
- University of Lotz (Erasmus Mundus Grant)
- Nelson Mandela African Institution of Science and Technology, Tanzania (Academic collaboration).
- Humboldt University, Berlin
- University of Cape Town, MA Supervisor.

- University of Florida (Conference participant)
- Southwestern University, Florida, USA (Academic Collaboration)

### **UNDERGRADUATE COURSES TAUGHT**

- CLK 202: Modern Swahili Poetry and Drama
- CLK 303: Performing Arts in Kiswahili
- CLK 304: Modern Swahili Poetry
  CLK 305: Modern Swahili Prose
- CLK 306: Pre-C20<sup>th</sup> Swahili Literature
- CLK 401: Swahili Novel
- CLK 404: Kiswahili Oral Literature and Culture

### **COMMUNICATION COURSES**

- CLC 311: Desktop Publishing
- CLC 214: Language in Broadcasting
- CLC 113: Computer Applications for Information Communication

### **MASTER OF ARTS (SWAHILI) COURSES TAUGHT:**

- CLS 501: Epic and Long Poem
- CLS 502: Swahili Drama
- CLS 503: Theory of Literature and Stylistics
- CLS 506: Advanced Swahili Morphology
- CLS 508: Comparative Literature
- CLS 601: Advanced Swahili Syntax
- CLS 602: Swahili Semantics and Pragmatics
- CLS 603: Swahili Prose
- CLS 606: Project Supervision

## MASTER OF ARTS (TRANSLATION AND INTERPRETATION) COURSES TAUGHT:

- CLR 514: Information Technology for Translation
- CLI 514: Information Technology for Interpretation

### Visiting Professor, Hankuk University of Foreign Studiesa, South Korea

## COURSES TAUGHT AT HANKUK UNIVERSITY OF FOREIGN STUDIES (HUFS, SOUTH KOREA)

•	Advanced Swahili Audio-Visual	(012401101)
•	Current Swahili	(010122201)
•	East African Culture	(010253101)
•	Interpretation in Swahili (Postgraduate)	(30071101)
•	Secondary Swahili Laboratory 2	(010317101)
•	Swahili Composition (introductory level)	(012209101)
•	Swahili Conversation (advanced level)	(012208101)
•	Swahili Conversation (introductory level)	(010130101)
•	Swahili Practice (intermediate level)	(012203101)
•	Swahili Practice (introductory level)	(010140101)
•	Swahili Composition (intermediate level)	(012203201)
•	Swahili Translation (Postgraduate)	(A05119201)
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## 2. Lecturer, University of London, SOAS (Year Abroad Programme)-Lamu Island, Kenya.2005-2007

-Lectured *The Spread and Development of Kiswahili in Eastern Africa* and *Swahili Drama* to 3<sup>rd</sup> year Swahili students of the School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), University of London, in Mombasa and Lamu campuses of RISSEA (Research Institute of Swahili Studies of Eastern Africa)

# **3. Visiting Professor, Tianjin Normal University, Tianjin, China, 2007-2008.**-Taught Swahili (Listening, Comprehension, Oral, Grammar) and Oral English (Post-Graduate).

## 4: Associate-head, Research Institute of Swahili Studies of Eastern Africa (RISSEA), Jan 2004-2007

• Approve the selection of International students, before submission of the final list to the RISSEA International and Regional Advisory Board.

- Recommend the selection of part-time lecturers and associate lecturers to the National Museums of Kenya (NMK) for onward transmission to the RISSEA International and Regional Advisory Board.
- Prepare, approve and recommend the course regulations, syllabus and any academic related matter to the NMK Management and RISSEA Board.
- Review and recommend to the museum Board changes to course implementation and management arrangements.
- Oversee the implementation of the syllabus/course content for the University of London students.
- Assist with all local procedures and logistics, especially in areas such as 'Home stays' and acquiring of Pupil Pass and identifying likely issues and providing advice and input to ensure the success of their stay in Kenya.
- Teach on behalf of University of London courses such as Advanced Swahili Usage, Kiswahili Poetry, Development of Kiswahili, Swahili Performance and Governance in Africa.
- Conduct detailed research on the Anthropology of the Swahili, and codicology.
- Conduct research on Muslim Civilizations along the East African Coast.

# 5: Project Counterpart/Coordinator, VVOB (Flemish Office for Development Cooperation and Technical Assistance), April 2004 to December 5, 2004.

- Responsible in conjunction with the coordinator, for the timely planning, development and implementation of Swahili Interactive Activities and Programmes for the National Museums of Kenya (NMK).
- In conjunction with the VVOB Project coordinator, controlling the project's funds worth Ksh.20 Million (Twenty Million only) and provide prudent management of project funds.
- Assistant chief administrator of the project and its staff, in liaison with the NMK chief of personnel.
- In liaison with the Head of Public Programmes, coordinate with funding partners (Belgium Government), key stakeholders and other NMK departments to ensure smooth and efficient operations for Public Swahili Programmes for the NMK.
- Ensure the timely monitoring and evaluation of all Swahili Interactive and non-Interactive Swahili Programmes for the NMK.

- Designing, developing, Producing and Distributing of Swahili Discovery Kits for Interactive Swahili Programmes.
- Organizing and hosting Swahili seminars, workshops and conferences.

## 6: Project Officer (Education), VVOB (Flemish Office for Development Cooperation and Technical Assistance, Jan 2004-April, 2004

- Assist in the development of policy guidelines for Interactive Swahili Programmes.
- Assist in developing, organizing and implementing training on Interactive Swahili activities for staff of all regional museums in Kenya.
- Develop, organize and implement training for volunteers for Interactive Swahili Programmes and activities.
- Develop and produce Swahili discovery kits, Young Researchers packs and Interactive teachers' guides.
- Generate and develop ideas and concepts for Swahili Educational Programmes and activities.
- Advise relevant staff in all regional museums on Swahili Programmes and activities.
- Plan the timely development and implementation of the project's Swahili Interactive Educational Gallery exhibitions.

### 7: Education officer, 1998-2003

- Teach, organize, develop and implement Swahili Educational Programmes at NMK.
- Design, develop, produce and distribute Swahili Educational materials for Schools and Universities.

## 8: Senior Research Scientist, Ethnography Department, NMK December 5, 2004 to date

- Undertake field based research work on Swahili Anthropology.
- Identification and documentation of Swahili objects.
- Preparation of Project Proposals.
- Carrying out Research activities in relevant field and publish the findings.
- Disseminating information through publication, lectures, workshops, and Public Programmes.
- Designing and conducting research and critical reviews, and preparing actionable plans and dissemination of findings.

### 9: Swahili and History Teacher-Various secondary schools in Kenya

- Homa-Bay High School, South Nyanza
- Gendia High School, South Nyanza
- Nyabondo High School, South Nyanza
- Nyagoko Secondary School, Central Nyanza
- Angino Secondary School, South Nyanza
- 10: England: Supply Teacher Registration no: 103486-Various schools in Central London (2002-2004).
- 11: China: Part-time English teacher, Experimental Primary School, Jinnan District, Tianjin China, 2008.
- 12. Part-time Lecturer, Unique College of Languages, KICC-Kenya
- Taught Japanese Basic I, II, III and intermediate.

## MEDIA AND PERFORMING ARTS

1: England: Paramount British Pictures: Alongside Angelina Jolie.

Production Title: Lara Croft, Tomb Raider: The Cradle of Life(2003)

**Production Company: Paramount British Pictures** 

Character: Tribe. Extra Herdsman alongside Angelina Jolie in Lara Croft

2: Kenya Broadcasting Corporation: 1995-1997

Actor in a Kenya Broadcasting Corporation (KBC) TV "TAUSI." Played Dr. Kuria, a quack doctor who performs back street abortions. Voted Best Swahili soap opera in Kenya (1996-2000).

- 3. Media:1991-1994: Kenya Times Media Trust/Nation Media Group
- Vacation job as sub-Editor, Kenya Leo
- Nation Media Group: Columnist, *Lugha Yetu*, in *Taifa Leo*. (1995-2000)
- 4. Director and Script Writer for International Christian Centre
  - 2019: Ho Ho Ho: Once Upon a Time in Bethlehem!
  - 2019: Hope in the Midst of Suffering
  - 2019: Salvation on Sale
  - 2020: The King is born

## ACADEMIC AND LITERARY AWARDS

1: 2017 Winner, The Text Book Centre Jomo Kenyatta Prize for Literature (Kiswahili Adult Category)... Mashetani wa Alepo

http://www.jamesmurua.com/text-book-center-jomo-kenyatta-prize-for-literature-2017-winners-announced/

- 2: **2013** Winner, **The Jomo Kenyatta Prize for Literature** (Kiswahili Adult Category)...*Watu wa Gehenna* http://www.jamesmurua.com/jomo-kenyatta-prize-for-literature-winners-2013/
- 3: **2016** 1<sup>ST</sup> Runner Up **Wahome Mutahi Prize for Literature** (Kiswahili Adult Category) ... *Mashetani wa Alepo*

http://www.nation.co.ke/lifestyle/weekend/There-is-more-to-book-prizes-than-merely-giving-out-an-award/1220-3358768-hc6knw/

- 4:**2014** Nominee, **Wahome Mutahi Prize for Literature** ... *Watu wa Gehenna*. <a href="http://mobile.nation.co.ke/lifestyle/Nation-journalists-nominated-for-wahome-mutahi-prize/-/1950774/2420028/-/format/xhtml/item/1/-/ohweonz/-/index.html">http://mobile.nation.co.ke/lifestyle/Nation-journalists-nominated-for-wahome-mutahi-prize/-/1950774/2420028/-/format/xhtml</a>/irdex.html
- 5:2010 Wahome Mutahi Prize for Literature (3rd Runners Up)... Mafamba

http://kiswahili.uonbi.ac.ke/node/789

- 6: **2000** Recipient of the **Aga Khan Foundation International Scholarship Award** to study for PhD in African Studies at the School of Oriental and African Studies(SOAS), University of London.
- 7: **2001 Additional Fieldwork Award** of the University of London to undertake Research in Kenya.
- 8: 1989 2<sup>nd</sup> best Swahili Student in 'A' level in Siaya District of Western Kenya.
- 9: Top Candidate K.C.E, 1987(Division One/Grade A) at Wang'apala School.

## CONSULTANCIES

#### **International Translations**

#### UNITED NATIONS (AFRICA RENEWAL ONLINE JOURNAL)

Articles translated into Kiswahili for the United Nations *Africa Renewal* Online Journal:

- Prioritising Human Rights in Africa
- Women Hold Up Half the Sky
- Fast-tracking global Early Warnings systems
- Comoros has huge untapped investment potential
- How we are moving the gender agenda forward in Sierra Leone
- Transforming internet governance to eliminate online inequalities
- Oped for international women's day
- New era of solidarity for world's Least Developed Countries as UN gathering in Doha concludes
- New youth climate advisers picked
- Towards the Africa We Want: A roadmap out of crises for policymakers
- Historic UN conference marks watershed moment to tackle global water crisis and ensure water-secure future
- Inclusive water systems for persons with disabilities are integral for achieving SDGs
- Take time to reflect on water

- Solar backpacks lighting up Botswana school children's night studies
- Horn of Africa: Using digital technologies to advance women, peace and security agenda

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Thematic Group: Media, Public Relations, Broadcasting and Communications

Working Group on Policy and Legislative Reforms For the Information, Communications and the Digital Economy Sector (SECTORAL WORKING GROUP).

### Objective:

- a. To Evaluate the efficacy, suitability and structuring of the ICT and digital economy sector and its role in fostering agility, innovation and value creation.
- b. Review existing policy, legislative frameworks, institutional structures and administrative protocols regulating/underpinning the ICT and digital economy sector in Kenya and make recommendations for reform.
- c. Identify emerging technologies and other developments in the environment that require legal and policy intervention and make appropriate policy and legislative proposals.
- d. Assess and advise on necessary reforms to enable the Ministry of Information, Communications and the Digital Economy meet its present mandate and expectations in a fast-changing operational environment.
- e. Develop a detailed action plan with timelines for implementing the result of the reviews and matters being considered by the Sectoral Working Group and the recommendations and strategies made thereto.
- f. Consider, perform and advise on any other matter or subject ancillary or incidental to the matters afore described.
- g. Map out the issues, functions, responsible institutions and financing strategy for each identified challenge area and reform proposal.
- h. Identify international and regional best practices in the management, oversight, strategic intent and regulation of the particular aspect of the ICT and digital economy sector under review.
- i. Consider and propose appropriate mechanisms for collaboration and cooperation among the institutions involved in the particular aspect of ICT and digital sector under consideration.

j. Hold consultations with stakeholders to solicit, receive, consider and collate inputs that may be useful for the performance of its mandate.

## Stakeholders engagement during the Taskforce assignment:

- 1. Government Advertising Agency (GAA)
- 2. Public Relations Society of Kenya (PRSK)
- 3. Kenya Editors' Guild (KEG)
- 4. Kenya Union of Journalists (KUJ)
- 5. Kenya Media Sector Working Group (KMSWG)
- 6. Baraza Media Lab Community
- 7. Bloggers Association of Kenya (BAKE)
- 8. Association of Media Women in Kenya (AMWIK)
- 9. Meta
- 10. Google
- 11. EU Digital Officers EU Digital Officers
- 12. Wikipedia
- 13. Secretary of Information, MoICTDE
- 14. PLWDAs
- 15. Kenya Institute of Mass Communication (KIMC)
- 16. Kenya Correspondence Association
- 17. Competition Authority of Kenya (CAK)
- 18. Media Complaints Commission (MCC)
- 19. Media Council of Kenya (MCK)
- 20. Media Owners Association (MOA)
- 21. Academia
- 22. Digital Broadcasters Association (DBA)
- 23. Communication Authority (CA)
- 24. Kenya Copyright Board (KECOBO)
- 25. Kenya Film Corporation Board (KFCB)
- 26. Kenya Film Commission (KFC)
- 27. Kenya Broadcasting Corporation (KBC)
- 28. Public Relations (APRICOM)
- 29. Development Communication Practitioners
- 30. Kenya Year Book Editorial Board (KYEB)
- 31. Government Spokesman

# KENYA YEAR BOOK EDITORIAL BOARD 2023 (PROOFREADER)

• Proof read the Kenya Kwanza Key Government Achievement (September 2022-September 2023). Sections of the Book included:

- Foreward by H.E. President Dr. William Samoei Ruto, PhD, CGH
- Preface by H.E. Deputy President Rigathi Gachagua, EGH
- H.E. Musalia Mudavadi, EGH, Prime Cabinaet Sectretary and Cabinet Secretary for Foreign and Diaspora Affairs
- Felix K. Koskei, EGH, Chief of Staff and Head of the Public Service
- The book covers:
  - -Agricultural Transformation
  - -Better Health
  - -Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises
  - -Housing and Settlement
  - -Digital Superhighway and Creative Economy

#### **KENYA YEAR BOOK EDITORIAL BOARD 2024 (PROOFREADER)**

Proof read the Kenya Kwanza Key Government Achievement (2024).

#### **KENYA YEAR BOOK (OLYMPIC EDITION) 2024 Editor**

#### ICT TASKFORCE 2024 REPORT Proof Reader

## **The Mo Ibrahim Foundation**

- The Mo Ibrahim Foundation Swahili Website. Website for Good Governance. The website for the Ibrahim Index of African Governance measures the delivery of public goods and services to citizens by governments and non-state actors across 84 indicators of governance. These governance indicators are grouped into four main categories: Safety and Rule of Law; Participation and Human Rights; Sustainable Economic Opportunity and Human Development. The index aims at promoting good governance in Africa.
- Mo Ibrahim Foundation Concert and Discussion Forum on key African issues in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, on 14 and 15 November 2009.

# The Metropolitan Police, City of Westminster, London

• Translate Summons, witness statements, exhibits, alleged offences from English to Swahili for the Magistrates Court in the City of Westminster,

London. Administrative Center Horseferry Rd London SW1P 2AX with Metropolitan Police Service, Central Region, Traffic Criminal Justice Unit.

## **The British Museum**

• *Hazina* (Book). Translated a 150-page book for the British Museum and National Museums of Kenya.

## **International Association for Mission Studies**

- Uokoaji wa Makumbusho ya Watu Wetu: Maelezo ya Kumbukumbu (
  Rescuing the Memory of Our Peoples Archives Manual(International
  Association for Mission Studies-2006, <a href="www.omsc.org/Archives Manual-Swahili.pdf">www.omsc.org/Archives Manual-Swahili.pdf</a>) Yale Reprographic and Imaging Services.
- Doing Oral History: Helping Christians Tell their Own Stories

## Self Help International Africa, Ireland

• Self Help International Africa Swahili Translations.

# **UNESCO** and the National Museums of Kenya

• The Amphibians and the Reptiles of Kakamega Forest

# **Transparency international**

• The Goldenberg Whistleblower Book

# USAID /C-CHANGE/FHI 360

• Guide for Training: Community Health Workers in WASH-HIV Integration

## **USAID (TANZANIA**

- Customs document and border controls booklet.
- Korean Ministry of Foreign Affairs
  Dokdo Island Documentary (English-Swahili)

#### NAVER LANGUAGE ENCYCLOPEDIA PROJECT

- Semiosis research centre, South Korea under Prof. Eun-Jeong Kim. Naver is a popular Web portal in South Korea. Swahili Alphabet and Pronunciation incorporated.
- Lead Content Creator for the Eliud Owalo Foundation

# LOCAL TRANSLATIONS

- 1. Uhuru Gardens Monument and Museum Galleries 2022, Lead Translator
- 2. Customer Service Charter for Nzoia Sugar Company 2009
- 3. Customer Service Charter for Jubilee Insurance 2010
- 4. Kenya Airports Authority 2010
- 5. Safaricom Exhibitions
- 6. The Establishment of the Luo Homestead with a special reference to the intangible Heritage. VVOB Translation (2004). An Exhibition.
- 7. Socio-Cultural Aspects of *Latimae Chalumnae* (Coelacanth) caught off the Malindi Coast in Kenya. VVOB research(2004). An Exhibition.
- 8. The Development of the Swahili attire from the 'Wangozi' period to the present. VVOB research (2004). An Exhibition.
- 9. European Union (EU) development of Cultural Dynamism Exhibition content Consultant (2006). An Exhibition.
- 10. JH Piego-Malaria in Pregnancy handout/brochure
- 11. Service Delivery Charter, Attorney General Chambers, 2019
- 12. Eliud & Associates.
- 13. Fremont International Associates Ltd.(Proof Reading of the Tracer Study Questionnaire and Report)
- 13. Andy Adams Consulting (Several Training)
- Diagnosing Organizational Effectiveness
- Coaching for Optimal Performance
- Career Management
- Communication Skills
- Emotional Intelligence
- Developing Leadership Skills

- Presentation Skills for HR Managers
- Creative Thinking Skills for HR Managers
- Resource Mobilization
- 48 Laws of Power
- Organizational Politics
- Proposal Writing
- Proof Reading

# PROOF READING

- Manuscripts
- Theses,
- Newspapers & Magazines
- Projects
- Dissertation
- Website Proofreading
- Kenya Year Book Editorial Board 2023
- Books.
- Journals
- Academic papers (Essays, papers, PhD Dissertations,
- Print flyers
- CVs
- Letters of Recommendation
- Business Proposals
- World Bank, IMF, UN reports
- Various Marketing Memos
- Copy Editing
- Structural Proofreading
- Legal Proofreading
- Reflection Papers
- Written Speeches
- Reports

# MAIN RESEARCH AREAS

- 1. Zanzibar
- 2. Lamu
- 3. Pate
- 4. Faza
- 5. Kizingitini
- 6. Kiunga
- 7. Mombasa
- 8. Manda
- 9. Kiwayuu
- 10.Malindi
- 11.Pemba

# COMPUTER PROFICIENCY

- Artificial intelligence Tools
- Ms Windows-Operating System.
- Ms Word-Word Processor.
- Ms Excel-Spreadsheets
- Ms Publisher
- Ms Power point
- Adobe Pagemaker
- Ms Access
- Internet
- E-Mail
- InDesign
- Illustrator
- Photoshop
- Google Classroom
- Zoom
- Moodle (E-Class)
- Teams

# WORKSHOPS/STUDY TOURS AMONG OTHERS

- 1: Aberdare Country Club, Nyeri-Education Department Strategic Plan, 2000
- 2: Windsor Golf and Country Hotel Nairobi, Mission, Vision, Core Values for Educational Public Programmes in NMK, 2004
- 3: Naselica Kisumu, Concept Development in Education and Research Workshop, Kisumu, 2004.
- 4: Royal Hotel, Mombasa, Museum Education Basics I, 2004.
- 5: Reef Grand Hotel, Mombasa, Mission, Vision, Core values for NMK, 2003
- 6: Reef Grand Hotel, Swahili Attire development workshop, 2004
- 7: Royal Hotel, Swahili Dress Symposium Mombasa, 2004
- 8: Team Building Workshop, Naro Moru River Lodge, Naro Moru, 02-04 Dec 2003
- 9: Team Building Workshop, White Elephant Hotel, Malindi 1-2 Dec 2004
- 10: Development of Policy Statement Workshop, Fairview Hotel, Nairobi-2004
- 11: University of London, SOAS, one week course on: "Introduction to Language Teaching Course" 2001
- 12: In-House Seminar on "Effective Customer Care" held at the National Museums of Kenya-2000
- 13: Nairobi Botanic Garden Environmental Education Workshop
- 14: South Africa: Various museums in Cape Town, Johannesburg, and Umtata-2004
- 15: Uganda: Kasubi Tombs and Kabaka Trails, National Museums of Uganda-2004
- 16: Tanzania: National Museums of Tanzania-2002
- 17: Zanzibar: Bait-al-Ajeib (House of Wonders), Stone Town-2002
- 18: England: Various museums in London-/2001/2/3/4

- 19: North Wales: Various museums-2003
- 20: UNESCO Sub Regional Workshop on Culture and Development, Nairobi 2005
- 21: International Conference on Rhetoric, Tianjin, China, 2007
- 22: The International Forum on High-Quality Education and Harmonious Development of Education, Tianjin, China-2008
- 23: The Muhammad Kijumwa Workshop, during the Lamu Cultural Festival (17<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>, November, 2006)-Lamu.
- 24: Workshop on Swahili Prosody/Debate between the Conservatives(*Wanamapokeo*) and Modernists(*Wanamapinduzi*)-October, 2006, Mombasa.
- 25: Workshop on Traditional Swahili Herbal Medicine-April, 2007-Lamu.
- 26: Workshop on Research and Publishing-July, 2007-Nairobi.
- 27: Swahili Conference, CHAKITA-August 2009, Nairobi.
- 28: East African Swahili Conference-October 13-16 2009, Kampala, Uganda
- 29: Eastern Africa Literary Landscapes, Johannesburg, South Africa 23-26 October 2009
- 30: International Conference on the Preservation of Ancient African Manuscript, 17<sup>th</sup>- 19<sup>th</sup> December 2010, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.
- 31: Proposal Writing Workshop, University of Nairobi, 2012
- 32: 2<sup>nd</sup> Swahili International Conference, Mombasa (25<sup>th</sup> -27<sup>th</sup> October, 2012)
- 33: Conference: Eastern African Literary and Cultural Studies(East Africa at 50)
  Conference Dates: 10-12 September, 2013: Venue: University of Nairobi
  Paper title: "The Veneration of the Prophet Through Qasida: A Performative
  Analysis of the *Hamziyyah* during the Lamu *Maulidi* Festival, Date of
  Presentation: 11th September, 2013
- 34: Conference: Endangered Languages: Conference Date: June 30, 2013 Venue: Bandari College, Mombasa, Kenya. Paper title: "Endangered

- Languages, Linguicide and Mitigation: The Place of the Ekegusii Encyclopaedia". Date of Presentation: June 30, 2013
- 35. 'English Drama Get Lost!' A Concise History and Exploration of the Development of the Kiswahili Drama since 1957 to 2014 "Rethinking Diversity in African Societies and Cultures: Beyond Homogeneous Boundaries"
  - Conference. 28-29 November 2014, Hankuk University of Foreign Studies, South Korea
- 36. "Of Religious Festival and Popular Carnival: The Hybridization and Dichotomy of the Lamu Milad-un-Nabi" "Crossing and Hybridity in African Socities and Cultures" Conference. The 5<sup>th</sup> Institute of African Studies HK International Conference, 29- 30 October 2015, Hankuk University of Foreign Studies, South Korea.
- 37. Joint Workshop on "Labour and Leisure" between University of Nairobi and Humbolt University, 15<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> November, 2016.
- 38. "A Critical Exposition of Jihad Trope as a Religious Philosophy in the Epic of Rasi'l Ghuli (1850-1855)" Paper presented during the 43<sup>rd</sup> African Literature Association Annual Conference held at Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut, USA (June 14-17, 2017)
- 39. "Ecology as thematic foci: The identity of Swahili Poetry and Ecocriticism experiment" Paper presented during the 44<sup>th</sup> African Literature Association Annual Conference held in Marriott Wardman Park, Washington, D.C, USA (May 23-26, 2018)
- 39. "Ritual and Spectacle: The Grandiloquent Display of Paradoxical Metamessage during the Lamu Maulidi Festival" Paper presented during the 45<sup>th</sup> African Literature Association Annual Conference held in Columbus, Ohio, USA (15-18, May 2019)
- 40. Pedagogy, Andragogy and Mentorship Training for CAVS and CHSS, University of Nairobi. Wednesday 19th to Friday 21th June 2019. The workshop covered major topics such as Engaging and activating learners during teaching, Application of problem-based learning, Curriculum alignment, Lecturer-student

mentorship to enhance teaching in the university, Communication skills and experiential learning and integration of ICT.

# PROJECT WRITING EXPERIENCE AS VVOB/RISSEA OFFICER

- Writing Project Proposal with a logical framework
- Identifying the project idea
- Writing a Project Proposal
- Finding the right funding source
- Packaging a project into an attractive proposal
- Editing and layout of Project Proposal
- Writing Executive Summary
- Proposal Structure
- Presentation of the Organization
- Project Background
- Writing Problem Statement
- Goals and objectives
- Proposed Methodology
- Dividing main partners and other partners
- Analyzing Risks and Assumptions
- Monitoring and Evaluation
- Preparation of the budget
- Sustainability of the Project

# UNITED NATIONS SECURITY TRAINING IN THE FIELD

- 2. Basic Security In the Field(BSITF) at UN Gigiri -2012
- 3. Advanced Security In the Field at UN Gigiri-2012

# SWAHILI COURSE WORK PERFORMANCE

# (<u>University of Nairobi</u>)

M.A II course work.	
<ul> <li>History and Modern Development of Swahili</li> </ul>	-A
<ul> <li>Pre-Twentieth Century Swahili Literature and Texts</li> </ul>	-A
• Dissertation	<b>-B</b>
M.A I course work.	
<ul> <li>Advanced Language Skills in Kiswahili</li> </ul>	-A
Swahili Structure	-B
<ul> <li>Modern Swahili Literature and Texts</li> </ul>	-B
(Moi University)	
Final Year Swahili Grades	
• SWA 410: Research Project in Kiswahili	-A
SWA 411: Swahili Syntax	-A
SWA 412: Swahili Semantics	-A
<ul> <li>SWA 413: Swahili Literary Devices</li> </ul>	-B

# REFEREES

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