

# CURRICULUM VITAE

## PERSONAL DETAILS

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Nationality : Kenyan  
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Languages Spoken : English and Kiswahili  
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## EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

Post Graduate Degree in Progress : Currently working on Ph. D Research Proposal on the topic: 'Internal Complex Political Emergencies and Security Implications for Neighbouring States: A Case Study of the Somali Civil War and Kenya's National Security.'

Post Graduate Degree Obtained: M.A. International Studies, University of Nairobi, 1997.

Research Project: Domestic Political Opposition and Foreign Policy Behavior in Africa in the Post-Cold War Era: The Case of Kenya.

Undergraduate Degree Obtained: B.A. in Political Science, (Government), University of Nairobi, 1994, Second Class Honors, Upper Division.

### **School Certificates**

- 1989: Kenya Advanced Certificate of Education (K.A.C.E), 3 Principals, Kanga High School.
- 1987: Kenya Certificate of Education (K.C.E), Div. II, 25 Points, Kanyawanga Sec. School.
- 1983: Certificate of Primary Education (C.P.E) Kamolo Primary School.

### **Computer Knowledge**

Computer Literate

### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

Sept. 2005 to date Working as an Assistant Lecturer at the Department of Political Science and Public Administration, University of Nairobi.

### **Other Responsibilities**

Departmental Coordinator, B. Ed. (Arts) and B.A. Module III programmes.

Departmental Coordinator -Module III Programme

Convener, Departmental Welfare Committee

Vice-Chairperson – Faculty of Arts Welfare Committee

Member, Departmental Committee on Acquisition and Strategic Planning.

May 2003 – Sept 2005: Worked as an Assistant Lecturer in Government at the Department of History and Government, College of Education and External Studies, University of Nairobi.

Oct. 2000 – May 2003 Worked as an Adjunct Lecturer in Government at the Department of History and Government, College of Education and External Studies.

1999 – 2003: Worked as a Tutorial Fellow/Assistant Lecturer in Political Science at the Department of Social Sciences, Catholic University of Eastern Africa.

## **RESEARCH AND CONSULTANCY EXPERIENCE**

- Ongoing Research: Currently working on two papers titled 'Politics of Democratic Transition in Kenya' and 'The Constitutional Reform in Kenya: A Conflict Analyst's Perspective.'
- February 2009 – November 2009 Worked as a Consultant with the German Institute for Global and Area Studies (GIGA) on a research project on the subject "Persistence and Change of Neo-Patrimonialism in Kenya in the Post-Independence Period."
- April – May 2008 Worked as a Researcher with a NEPAD on a project on Kenya Country Report on Governance,
- February – August 2007 Worked as a Consultant for the African Centre for Economic Growth (ACEG)
- Responsibilities**  
Reviewing the performance of the Government of Kenya in the area of Governance and preparing the Annual Progress Report, 205/2006.  
Presenting the report at the validation workshops.
- Issues covered**  
Public Safety, Law and Order, and Public Administration.
- April – August 2005: Worked as a Researcher with the Africa Centre for Economic Growth (ACEG) on the NEPAD African Peer Review Mechanism (APRM) project on the theme Democracy and Political Governance.
- Responsibilities**  
Developing the expert panel survey instruments  
Organizing and Guiding provincial consultative forums and compiling reports.  
Writing the final report.
- April, 2005 – October 2005: Worked as a Researcher in the NEPAD APRM (Kenya), under African Centre for Economic Growth (ACEG).  
**Thematic area: Democracy and Political Governance.**

- 1997 – 2000: Worked (with Prof. Olewe Nyunya) as a Local Research Officer in a Research project sponsored by DFID and implemented by the Consortium for Political. Emergencies (COPE) composed of the Centre for Development Studies, University of Leeds; the Centre for Conflict Resolution, Department for Peace Studies, University of Bradford; the Institute of Development Studies, University of Sussex; and the Agency for Cooperation in Research and Development (ACORD).
- August 1999: Worked (with Dr. W. Odhiambo) as a Senior Research Assistant in a Research Project on ‘The Impact of Licensing Reform in Kenya: The Single Business Permit,’ sponsored by DFID.
- Feb – March 1998: Worked as a Researcher with the International Resource Group in a project dealing with a situation analysis of conflict in the Great Lakes Regions.
- July 1998 – June 1999: Worked (with Prof. Olewe Nyunya, Mr. G.K. Ikiara and Dr. Njuguna Mwangi) as a Graduate Assistant in a Research project sponsored by the International Development Research Centre (IDRC). Topic: ‘Policy Formulation and Implementation in Kenya: The Case of Strategic Trade and Selective Industrial Policies.

#### **SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS ATTENDED**

- 19<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2012 Accompanied Nairobi University Political Science Students Association (NUPOSSA) on an academic trip to Makerere University. Gave a talk on the subject East African Community.
- 4<sup>th</sup> -9<sup>th</sup> November 2012 Attended a writers workshop at the Kenya Wildlife Service Institute, Naivasha organized by the Centre for Open and Distance Learning, UON.
- 13<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> June 2012 Attended Faculty of Arts committees workshop at Maanzoni Hotel. Made a presentation on the recommendations of the Welfare Committee.
- 4<sup>th</sup> November 2009 Attended the workshop on “Criminal Justice Systems in Africa: Enhancing Human Security.” Organised by the Institute for Security Studies.

Presented a paper titled “Mapping Crime in East Africa and its impact on Democratisation.”

28<sup>th</sup> Feb.- 5<sup>th</sup> March 2009

Attended a writer’s workshop at Naivasha KWS training Institute organized by the Centre for Open and Distance Learning, University of Nairobi. Worked on the lecture module for CPS: 443 Administration of Public Enterprises and Privatization.

1<sup>st</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2009

Attended a Workshop on the Review of the Curriculum for the Government Component of the subject of History and Government for the B.Ed. (Arts) for Kenyan Universities at Water Buck Hotel Nakuru. The workshop was organized by Daraja Organization and funded by the Conrad Adenauer Foundation. I represented the Department of Political Science and Public Administration, University of Nairobi.

29<sup>th</sup> -31<sup>st</sup> March 2009

Attended a writer’s workshop at Naivasha KWS training Institute organized by the Centre for Open and Distance Learning, University of Nairobi. Worked on the lecture module for CPS 321:Politics and Government in East Africa.

5<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> August 2008:

I attended a Revision workshop at KWSTI, Naivasha organized by the Centre for Open and Distance Learning (CODL), UON. I revised the lecture module for CPS 102: Politics and Government in Africa after it had been reviewed. The Module is now complete and published by CODL.

24<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> Nov 2008:

I attended a writer’s workshop at KWSTI, Naivasha organized by the Centre for Open and Distance Learning (CODL), UON. I was involved in the writing of lecture module for CPS 321: Politics and Government in East Africa.

Nov. 24 – 29<sup>th</sup> 2007:

Attended a writer’s workshop at Naivasha KWS training Institute organized by the Centre for Open and Distance Learning, University of Nairobi. Worked on the Lecture Module for Politics and Government in Africa.

- May 18<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> 2007  
 Attended the 2007 National Assembly pre-budget workshop at Lake Naivasha Simba Lodge and presented a paper on the subject Public Administration.
- April 23<sup>rd</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup> 2007:  
 Attended a validation workshop for the GOK 2005/2006 Annual Progress Report organized by the Monitoring and Evaluation Directorate at Izaack Walton Hotel, Embu. Presented a paper on Public Safety Law and Order, and Public Administration.
- 17<sup>TH</sup> Jan. – 19<sup>th</sup> Jan. 2007:  
 Attended a training workshop on Pedagogy at Stima Club, Nairobi, organized by the University of Nairobi.
- 13<sup>th</sup> Dec – 17<sup>th</sup> Dec. 2004:  
 Attended, as a Resource Person, a workshop on Church Management and Leadership and gave talks on the subject ‘Conflict Resolution,’ at Kitui Pastoral Centre, organized by the Catholic University of Eastern Africa.
- April, 1998, Feb 1999, Feb. 2000, Feb 2001 & May 2002:  
 Attended Negotiation Skills Seminars at Kenya Institute of Administration and gave talks on the subjects of Diplomatic Negotiations and Documents of Diplomacy.
- 5<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Nov. 1998:  
 Presented a paper titled ‘Opposition Parties and Foreign Policy Behaviour in Kenya’ at a workshop organized by Saskawa Young Leaders Fellowship Fund, at the University of Nairobi.
- 16<sup>th</sup> Feb. – 1998  
 Attended a seminar on ‘Prevention of Violent Conflict and the Coherence of EU Policies in the Horn of Africa,’ at Serena Hotel, Nairobi, organized by saferworld.
- 12<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> Feb 1998.  
 Attended a training workshop on research on the use of small arms and light weapons at Lenana Mt. Hotel Nairobi, organized by the International Resource Group.
- 27<sup>th</sup> June, 1997  
 Attended a seminar on the International Law of Refugees, sponsored by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees at the Nairobi Safari Club.

20<sup>th</sup> May, 1996

Attended a seminar on the future of EU African Relations, sponsored by the EU at the National Museums of Kenya, Nairobi

### **EXTRA – CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

1988: Members of School choir and Participated in music festivals up to national levels (Kanga High School)

1986 Member of School choir and Participated in music festivals up to national levels (Kanyanwanga Sec. School.)

### **HOBBIES**

Analyzing current issues, reading and listening to gospel music

### **REFEREES**

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Chairman, Dept. of Political Science and Public Administration,  
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