

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND AND TRAINING

Education

2017September todate: a Ph.D. Candidate at the School of Development and Strategic Studies, Maseno University, Kenya the Research topic: *Efficacy of impact based forecasting in fisher folk's adaptations to storms in lake victoria, in homa bay county, Kenya*

October 2018- trained on Household Economy Approach and IHM, University of Reading

2005-2008: Studied for Master of Arts in Development Studies at Institute for Development Studies, the University of Nairobi, and Kenya.

2008: Qualified with Master of Arts in Development Studies, from the University of Nairobi, Kenya.

1994-1998: Studied for Bachelor of Arts (Political Science and Geography), at the University of Nairobi, Kenya.

1998: Qualified with Bachelor of Arts (Second Class Honours Upper Division) in Political Science and Geography from the University of Nairobi, Kenya.

1989-1992: High School Education at Onjiko Boys High School. Qualified with the Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education (K.C.S.E) in 1992.

1981- 1988: Primary School Education at Gumo Primary School. Qualified with the Kenya Certificate of Primary Education (K.C.P.E.) in 1988.

Special Courses

April 2012. Three days training in PhD proposal development organized by partnership of building stronger universities

April –June 2009: Leadership Certificate Course by Word of Faith Bible Institute.

Jan 2005: Voluntary Counseling and Testing (VCT), by Liverpool, Nairobi Kenya among fishing communities around Lake Victoria in Homa Bay County- Kenya.

Nov 2002: Capacity building training on participatory development methodology by UNDP, Mombasa Kenya.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

November 2019- October 2020- consultant with WISER Project Western Kenya

- Organized field research for co- production of Scientific Weather Forecasts and local knowledge among fisher folk in the Lake Victoria
- Conduct field study and analyze the data.

1st July 2016- 30th June 2019. Co – Investigator HyCRISTAL Maseno University

Responsibilities

- Organized field research and data collection of HEA and IHM in Homa Bay County among farmers and fishermen
- Research finding disseminations to government and end users
- Conducted ethnographic studies on socio- cultural, economic and political change among fishing communities in Homa Bay County.

1st July 2015- 2016 Research Assist – HyCRISTAL–Maseno University

Responsibilities

- Literature review on livelihood vulnerability metrics
- Coordinate data collection on rural livelihoods in East Africa.
- Conducted ethnographic studies on social-cultural economic and political changes among fishing communities in Kenya and Uganda.
- **November 2013 – January 2014: Research Assistant at School of Development And Strategic Studies, Maseno University.** *The political economy of social protection in Kenya*
- **March 2009 – February 2010: Research Assistant at Institute For Development Studies, University Of Nairobi** “*Migration, Labour Markets and Development in West and North African Countries*”. A Research Project

supported by the International Institute for Labour Studies (IILS), of the International Labour Organisation (ILO), Geneva

- 2008: **Research Assistant** at institute for development studies *African Governance Monitoring and Advocacy Project (AfriMAP)*, Institute for Development Studies – University of Nairobi & Open Society Institute
- **August – December 2007. Researcher, Chronic Poverty Research Centre- Kenya**, Institute for Development Studies, University of Nairobi
- Nile perch Market Liberalization and Chronic Poverty: Driver and Maintainer of Chronic Poverty among fishers in Suba District: The overall goal was to come up with better ways of identifying chronically poor, what drives and maintains them into chronic poverty. The objective was to come up with policy recommendations on better ways of addressing chronic poverty among fishers.

Current Employment:

January 2010 to date: Assistant lecturer, School of Development and Strategic Studies, Maseno University, Kenya.

Institutional Responsibilities:

Current: Examination coordinator for School of Development and Strategic Studies.

I also teach the following courses

DDS 104: Development Politics

DDS 204: International Institutions and the Development Processes

DDS 301: Development and the State

DDS302: Environment and Development

DDS 307: Social Movements in Development

DDS 313: NGOs and Development

DDS 315: Issues in Urban Development

DDS 405: Development Planning

DDS 406: Seminar in Development Studies

DDS 410: Project Analysis

DDS 412: Monitoring & Evaluation in Development Practice

2016-to date E-learning learner support assistant E campus – Maseno University

January –October 2005: VCT Counsellor with International Medical Corps, Suba District, Kenya

2001-2002 a secondary school teacher of history, mathematics and physics, Suba Academic

2002-2004 deputy principal in charge of school academics records and policy to improve school's academic performance. During my tenure as academic master the school was ranked as one of the most improved in Kenya K.C.S.E. and took three students to public universities.

SKILLS AND TRAINING

- Teaching
- Monitoring and evaluation
- Resource mobilization
- Elearning facilitation
- Participatory research

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

-4 year years experience of research Coordinator –HyCRISTAL Project

-8 Years experience of examination coordination

-2 years chairman to church deacons Board

-4 year experience of church board secretary

-2 years experience of deputy principal of a secondary school

-1 year project Coordinator – IMC

Workshop/ Conference and Presentation Undertaken

7-9th October 2019, participated on Africa climate Risk conference in Addis Ababa Ethiopia.

6-7th June 2019 participated in Research Capacity Building, organized by Maseno University held at Kisumu Hotel.

1-24th May 2019 HyCRISTAL Annual General Meeting Kampala – Uganda

16-22nd November 2018 participated in Household Economy Methodology Foundation Level organized by Walker academy at University of Reading.

28-2 August 2017 participated in Midterm conference organized by Future climate for Africa.

5-8th May 2015 participated in Impact evaluation Work organized by the World Bank at Safari Park Hotel Kenya.

August 2012 presented a paper on social and economic drivers of conflict in Africa. African preparation course for Denmark Royal Defence Collage

March 29-30 2012, presented a paper entitled: Elders' councils and democratization process in Kenya : the intensification of democracy or ethnicity. Workshop held at Kisumu hotel under building stronger university on the theme of stability, democracy and rights.

Rapporteur: *Proceedings of African Regional Network for Labor and Social Studies.* A conference organized by International Development Research Center (IDRC) International Institute for Labor Studies (IILS) and Institute for Development Studies, Nairobi. Held in Utalii Hotel, Nairobi March 27th – 28th 2008

Facilitator: *Participatory Chronic Poverty Assessment Seminars.* A workshop organized by Chronic Poverty Research Centre Kenya (CPRC-K), Institute for Development Studies University of Nairobi, CMA hall Mbita Town August 19th – 25th 2007

Publications

Owuor J, 2013. **Market Liberalization and Chronic Poverty among fishers in Kenya**, lap Lambert academic publishing.

Owuor J. An Assessment of the Role of Civil Society Organizations in Election – Related Conflict in Kenya (1992 – 2012) unpublished manuscript.

Peer Reviewer with International Journal of Climate Change Strategies And Management.

REFEREES

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