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DESIGNATION: SENIOR LECTURER

1.1.2 ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

UNIVERSITY

- January 2004- June 2011 Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) at Kenyatta University
Area of specialization –**Comparative Education**
Title of the Thesis: Continuing **Professional Development; Policies Trends and Practices: A Case of Kirinyaga District.**
- September 12 2011 to November 18, 2011 Completed online non-credit certificate course in Values Centered Leadership offered by School of Public Service and Vincent on Leadership in DePaul University – USA.
- August 28th 2000-October-2003: Masters student at **Kenyatta** University.
Area of specialization: **Comparative Education.** Title of the Thesis: **Kenya Certificate of Primary Education Performance: Comparative Study of Public and Private Primary Schools in Central Division, Kirinyaga District.**
- March 31st 1992 to April 19th 1996: Obtained a **Bachelor of Education** (Arts) degree from **Egerton** University.
- ‘O’Level: **Nakuru** High School Attained a B- mean grade in K.C.S.E.
- **Primary level: Kiranja** primary school attained 454/600 marks

Other skills:

- Computer skills: Ms Word, Excel, SPSS, Ms PowerPoint
- Mahoya youth polytechnic Driving Classes B-C-E

1.2.3 EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

- **May 1st 1996-AUGUST 23RD 2000: MAIANI SECONDARY SCHOOL**
 - Taught Geography and History
 - Head of Humanities Department
 - Coach of badminton
 - Patron of Young Christian Society
- **June 24th 2002 to September 2003: MUGWANDI SECONDARY SCHOOL**
 - Teacher of Geography and History.
- **October 2003- June 2011: KENYATTA UNIVERSITY**
 - Tutorial Fellow teaching History of Education and Comparative Education.
 - ❖ Part time teaching in the University of Nairobi for the following two units:
 - Alternative education
 - Critical issues in education
 - ❖ Part Time teaching in Karatina University
 - Units: LPE 806: Resource Mobilization, Leadership and management
 - LPE 802: Effective school and leadership
- **July 2011 to AUGUST 2019-Working at Kenyatta University as a Lecturer**
 - Teaching Comparative Education and History of Education
 - Masters courses:
 - Comparative Study of Systems of Education.
 - Leadership in comparative perspectives
 - Research Methods in Comparative Education

- Introduction to Comparative Education
 - Politics, Citizenship and Education
 - Education and School Governance
 - Education Systems and Innovations
- Participated in two lecture series to Medical staff of Nairobi University in November 2012. Topics presented were:
 - i) Leadership Theories, Styles and Traits
 - ii) Open and Distance Learning: Application in Medical Education.
- **September 2019 to present** Working as a Senior Lecturer at Kenyatta University.

1.2 .4 MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS SINCE LAST APPOINTMENT

- ❖ Promoted to Senior Lecturer on September 1st 2019.
- ❖ Chairman of the Department of Educational Foundations between August 2016 and August 2020
- ❖ Publication of chapters in A Student Text book in Comparative Education.
- ❖ Appointed as a mentor in Kenyatta University Mentoring programme.
- ❖ Successfully supervised four masters' student to completion.
- ❖ Successfully supervised one Doctor of Philosophy student up to completion in July 2019.
- ❖ Published two chapters of a book with international authors in a book "Raising Impact in Educational Research in Africa".
- ❖ Transforming Msingi journal from print to open access through online platform and successfully published an issue in February 2019 and July 2019.

1.2 RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS

1.2.1 Refereed Journal Papers

1. Michael M. Maina, Dr. Jackton Ogeno and **Peter Mugo Gathara** (2019) *The Status of Adult Education Programme in Yatta Sub-County of Machakos County, Kenya* in International Journal of Academic Research in Business, Arts and Science

(IJARBAS.COM), Volume 1, Issue 4 Pages 15-35 ISSN 2664-7354 DOI: 10.5281/zenodo.3593459.

2. **Peter Mugo Gathara** (2019) Continuing Professional Development; Dilemma of Information Provision for Secondary School Teachers in Kirinyaga County, Kenya in Msingi Journal, Volume1 Issue 1, 2019 page 1-17, ISSN 2663-1032. Available online.
3. Antony Njoroge Johnson, **Gathara Peter Mugo**, Kirimi Francis (2019) *Implications of Academic Staff Participation in Teaching Practice on the quality of Bachelor of Education program in selected Public Universities in Kenya*, in Journal of Education and Training (JET) Volume 6 Number 1, pages 68-82 , ISSN 2330-9709. Available online
4. **Mogeni Ben Nyamweya, Gathara Peter Mugo, Mambo Augustine Karugu** (2018) *Efficacy of Remedial Teaching and influence on performance of learners in English Language Test Scores in Primary Schools in Nakuru County, Kenya* in International Journal of Innovative Research and Advanced Studies (IJIRAS) Volume 5 Issue 12, December 2018 pages 79-86, ISSN 2394-4404. Available on line.
5. **Johnson Antony Njoroge, Gathara Peter Mugo, Kirimi Francis** (2018) *Implication of Academic Staff Qualification on the Quality of Bachelor of Education Programmes in Public Universities In Kenya* in International Journal of Innovative Research and Advanced Studies (IJIRAS) Volume 5 Issue 11, November 2018 pages 119-127 ISSN 2394-4404. Available online.
6. **Peter Mugo Gathara** (2016) *Partnership examinations versus Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education: One goal, different perspectives* in Journal of Educational Research and Studies Volume 4 (2) pp 9-17 ISSN 2329-3039 Available on line.
7. **Peter Mugo Gathara** and Kasembeli, David. (2014). *Partnership in secondary school assessment examinations and Kenya certificate of secondary education examinations: Dilemma in evaluation*. In Asian Journal of Educational Research, 2 (1), 28-38. ISSN: 2311-6080 .Available on line.
8. **Peter Mugo Gathara (2014):** *Continuing Professional Development (CPD) for Secondary School Teachers: Policies and Practices of Mentoring in Kenyan Education System in Achieving Vision 2030*, Msingi Journal of Education: Education and Development in the Context of Kenya's Vision 2030, Volume One number 1. pages 200-235 ISSN: 2310-3493.
9. **Peter Mugo Gathara and Jafred Muyaka (2014):** *The Role of Tutors' ICT Skills in Meeting Kenya's Vision 2030*. In Msingi Journal of Education: Education and Development in the Context of Kenya's Vision 2030 Volume one Number 1 pages 311-343. ISSN: 2310-3493.

1.2.2 Other publications

Books and Book Chapters

- a) **Peter M. Gathara & Lynette Jacobs**, *Researching Problems in Specific Contexts Towards Making an Impact: Considering A Case of Book Harvesting At A School In Kenya*, In Charl C. Wolhuter, (Editor), (2018), **Raising the Impact of Education Research in Africa**, AOSIS ltd, Durbanville 7550 Pages 309-328 ISBN 978-1-928396-79-6. DOI: <http://doi.org/10.4102/AOSIS.2018BK53>.
- b) **Augustine M. Karugu, Peter M. Gathara & Corene de Wet**, *Fifty years of Graduate Teacher Education in Kenya: Reflections on the Past, the Present and the Future*, In Charl C. Wolhuter (Editor), (2018), **Raising the Impact of Education Research in Africa**, AOSIS ltd, Durbanville 7550 Pages 41-58 ISBN 978-1-928396-79-6. DOI: <http://doi.org/10.4102/AOSIS.2018BK53>.
- c) Peter Mugo Gathara (2017) *Adult and Continuing Education in Kenya: From Main Stream to Periphery*, Lambert Academic Publishing, Germany ISBN: 978-620-2-07835-1.
- d) Wolhuter CC., Kamere I. and Biraimah K. (2013) **A Students Textbook in Comparative Education**, Platinum Press, Potchefstroom South Africa. ISBN: 978-1-86822-638

TOPICS WRITTEN BY THE AUTHOR

1. Peter Mugo Gathara and Charl Wolhuter: Definitions and Purpose of Comparative education
2. Peter Mugo Gathara and Charl Wolhuter: Historical Development of Comparative Education
3. Peter Mugo Gathara and Charl Wolhuter: Methodology in Comparative Education.
4. Peter Mugo Gathara and Charl Wolhuter and Hennie Steyn : The structure and Shaping Factors of Education systems
5. Augustine M. Karugu, Isabella M. Kamere and Peter Mugo Gathara: Effective Teacher Education in Developing Countries
6. Peter Mugo Gathara and Isabella M. Kamere : Brain Drain
7. Augustine M. Karugu and Peter Mugo Gathara: International AID in Education
8. Augustine M. Karugu, Isabella M. Kamere and Peter Mugo Gathara: The Education System of Cameroon
9. Augustine M. Karugu, Isabella M. Kamere and Peter Mugo Gathara: Nigerian Education system

10. Augustine M. Karugu and Peter Mugo Gathara: France Education system
- e) **Peter Mugo Gathara** (2011) *Continuing Professional Development for Secondary School Teachers in Kenya: Policies, Trends and practices*, VDM Verlag Dr Muller ISBN 987-3639361247
- f) Peter Mugo Gathara (2011) *Factors Influencing Kenya Certificate of Primary Education: Comparative Study of public and private primary schools in Central Division Kirinyaga District*, VDM Verlag, Germany ISBN 9783639344387.

Conferences Attended and papers presented

1. Peter Mugo Gathara and Lucy Mbirianjau (2019) *Exploring Dilemmas and Enabling Interventions for increasing Female Student Participations in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Disciplines in Kenyan Public Universities*, Presented at SAERA conference 2019 at Elangeni Maharani Hotel, Durban, South Africa on 22-25th October 2019.
2. Peter Mugo Gathara (2017) *Improving Learning Outcomes Through Initiative Of Book Harvesting; Trends In Book Ratio And Financing In Kiranja Primary School, Kirinyaga County, Kenya in 4th Annual International conference on Education and Lifelong Education at Kenyatta University KUCC between 4th -8th October 2017.*
3. Peter Mugo Gathara and Prof. Augustine Mambo Karugu (2016) *Fifty Years of Graduate Teacher Education in Kenya: Reflections on the Past and the Future*, In 10th Annual Decolonizing the Spirit Conference, Embu University College Kenya on 19th- 21st July 2016.
4. Peter Mugo Gathara (2015) *Status of Teaching Peace Education in Selected primary schools in kirinyaga County: Critical steps in alleviating Post Election Violence in Kenya in the 2nd International Annual October conference on Education and Lifelong learning, held in Kenyatta University KUCC on 8-9th October 2015 : Conference proceedings Volume 2 pages 29-42 ISBN no 978-9966-083-45-6.*
5. Peter Mugo Gathara (2015) *Partnership Examinations verses Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education: One Goal Different perspectives*. In Canadian International Conference on Education (CICE) at the university of Toronto, Mississauga, Canada, 22nd – 25th June 2015.
6. Peter Mugo Gathara and Dr. Salome Nyambura (2014) *Developing Transformative Leaders in Higher Education in Kenya*, in 1st Annual Conference on Education and Lifelong learning on 31st October 2014 at Kenyatta University KUCC.

7. Peter Mugo Gathara (2012) *Culture of Silence: Gender Based Violence among Female Students in Kenyan Universities*, In International Conference on Gender Based Violence at Kenyatta University between 1st- 3rd August 2012.

1.3 QUALITY TEACHING AND LEARNING

Supervision

COMPLETED MASTERS STUDENTS

1. David Kasaveli (E55/CE/22210/2010) Partnership in Secondary School Assessment and Performance at Kenya Certificate of Secondary Examination: A Case of Selected Schools in Western Region. Completed and graduated in 2014.
2. Benjamin Mogeni (E55/CE/22462/2011) Efficacy of Remedial Teaching on the Performance of English in Primary Schools of Molo, Nakuru County, Kenya. Completed and Graduated on 3rd August, 2018.
3. Michael M. Maina (E55/CE/11555/2008 Adult Education Programme and Impediments to Implementation in Yatta Sub County, Machakos County, Kenya. Completed and Graduated on 14th December 2018.
4. Mary Atieno Andere (E55/CE/26270/2011) Relationship between School Related Gender Based Violence and Student performance in Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education Examination in Molo District, Nakuru County. Completed and Graduated on 14th December 2018.

COMPLETED DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY STUDENTS

5. Antony Njoroge Johnson (E83/24005/2013) Implication of Academic Staffing on the quality of Bachelor of Education programmes in selected public Universities in Kenya. Graduated in August 16th 2019.

In progress

6. Bernard Amwayi (E83/CE/26539/2013) Effects of School Costs on Completion of Secondary Education in Public Day Schools within Kakamega East Sub County.
7. David Kasambeli (E83/33978/2015) Utilization of Secondary School Peer Teachers and Implications on Quality of the Teaching Profession in Western Region, Kenya.
8. Brenda Agina Omodi (E55/CE/26656/2013) Physical, Psychological and Social Effects of Ethnic Violence on Secondary School Boys versus Girls Education in Moyale Constituency, Marsabit County, Kenya.

9. Felistus Mwendu (E55/CE/28312/2015) Evaluation of Formative Assessment on English Literacy Acquisition in Public primary schools in Matungulu Sub County, Machakos Kenya.
10. Dominic Everia (E55/CE/26410/2011) Teacher Mobility and implication on Learning Outcomes among Students in Secondary schools in Khwisero, Kakamega County Kenya.
11. Patrick Castrol Mwangela (E55/CE/26269/2011) The Impact of Social-Economic Environment on Education Attainment: A case of Kasikeu Division Makueni County. In progress
12. Perez K. Ngetich (E55/CE/22460/2011) Secondary School Teachers' Preparedness in Integrating ICT in teaching and learning process: A Case of Sotik District Bomet county Kenya. In progress
13. Naftaly Gikaru Waweru (E55/CE/22965/2010) An Exploration of primary School teachers Knowledge on Climate Change and the Impact on their pupils: A Case of selected primary schools in Makuyu Division , Maragwa District Muranga County, Kenya. In progress.
14. Ondieki N. Joshua (E55/CE/24239/2012) Effect of Mobility of Teaching Staff on Academic performance in Secondary Schools in Kakamega County; Kenya. In progress
15. Muturi Amon (E55/CE/26411/2011) A Case Study of Low enrolment in Village Polytechnics in Gatanga District, Muranga County, Kenya. In progress.
16. Ibrahim O.Okemwa (E55/CE/22786/2010) To investigate Extent to which Government Policy on Repetition is being implemented in Secondary Schools of Kenyanya District, Kisii County. In Progress.

1.4 Professional/ Consulting

- ✓ Curriculum Co-Development for Social Studies Meeting for the “The Borderless Higher Education For Refugee (BHER) project” at Kenyatta University Conference Centre (KUCC), Nairobi, Kenya December 4-6th 2019.
- ✓ Reviewed Doctoral and Masters Programmes for the Department of Educational Foundations and Policy studies, Pwani University in February 2019.
- ✓ Participated in writing of the History of Education Module for Marsabit Open learning project in 2009
- ✓ Acted as a lead trainer for Uwezo National Conference with Uwezo Kenya, Wednesday 10th - Saturday 13th September 2014 at Tom Mboya Labour college , Kisumu, Kenya.
- ✓ Involved in Uwezo National Conference as a senior trainer, 9th- 12th September 2015 at Jambo Village Mombasa as a lead trainer.
- ✓ Participated in a workshop with Uwezo Kenya at Voi between 19th march and 26th March 2009 as Master Trainer.

- ✓ Participated in a workshop at Multimedia University College with Uwezo Kenya as a master trainer between 18th and 24th July 2009.
- ✓ Involved in Uwezo Kenya as a master trainer in the project promoting learning in East Africa in 2009.
- ✓ Involved in Uwezo as a Master trainer in the 2013 Annual Assessment and Re-survey process.
- ✓ Involved in Africa Asia dialogue international workshop held at Kenyatta University between 1st march and 5th March 2010 as the rapporteur.
- ✓ June 24th to 27th 2013 involved in Girl Education Challenge Workshop in Savelberg Retreat Centre in Nairobi as a lead trainer.

1.5 Administration and Responsibilities

1.5.1 Recognized University administrative positions

- ❖ August 2016 to date- **Chairman** of the Department of Educational Foundations, Kenyatta University.
- ❖ 2015- August to 2016 **Examination Coordinator** in the Department of Educational Foundations.

1.5.2 Other responsibilities in the University.

- ❖ Chairman (2019) Secretariat and editorial board of African Journal of Education Studies (AJES) of Kenyatta University.
- ❖ Member of the editorial board for the Annual International Conference on Education, School of Education at Kenyatta University since 2014.
- ❖ 2014 -To date involved in mentoring programme in Kenyatta University
- ❖ 2013 to date- Technical committee of the editorial group of the Annual International Conference on Education and Lifelong learning in the school of Education in Kenyatta University
- ❖ Member of Departmental committees of Curriculum review, Executive group, Welfare, Msingi journal, Anti-corruption.
- ❖ A Sub Editor in the secretariat of Msingi journal of the Department of Educational Foundations, Kenyatta University since 2016.

- ❖ 2004-2006 Deputy Examination Coordinator at Kenyatta University Department of Educational Foundations.
- ❖ 2007- 2013 Comparative Education Coordinator in Kenyatta University in the Department of Educational Foundation.

1.6 Community engagement and other contributions

- ❖ 2003-2006 Chairman of Kangaita Parish Development Committee
- ❖ 2010- Member of Parent Teachers Association at Kiburia Girls Secondary School.
- ❖ 2011- to 2013 Chairperson of Parent Teacher Association at Kiburia Girls Secondary school and a member of the Board of Management
- ❖ 2010- 2011 Chairperson of Board of Governors at Sacred Heart Kangaita Secondary school.
- ❖ 2016 to Date: Member of the Board of Management for Kiranja Primary School.
- ❖ 2015- 2018 a member of parents Teachers Association at Baricho High School.
- ❖ 2015- 2018 A member of Board of Management at Baricho High School.
- ❖ Mentoring of graduates at the community level after their graduation.

Speeches on topical issues on education presented during graduation ceremonies

- ❖ Peter Mugo Gathara (2017) *“Everything has its own time”* presented on 17th July 2017 at the graduation ceremony of Mwangi Karimi a diploma student at Kenya Teachers Training College.
- ❖ Peter Mugo Gathara (2018) *“The stone that was refused by the builders has become the corner stone”*, Presented on 23rd October 2018 At the graduation of a Bachelor of Education student Virginia Mwendia from Chuka University.
- ❖ Peter Mugo Gathara (2018) *“Every end has a new beginning”*, at a graduation ceremony held on 15th December 2018 during the graduation of Lena Wambui Bachelor of Information Science from Kenyatta University.

1.7 Referees

PROF. DONALD KISILU KOMBO

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