

CURRICULUM VITAE

1.1 PERSONAL PROFILE

1.1.1 PERSONAL DETAILS:

NAME: DR. RACHEL WANJIRU KAMAU-KANG'ETHE

DESIGNATION: SENIOR LECTURER

EXPERIENCE IN TEACHING AT UNIVERSITY: 29 YEARS

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE: 40 YEARS

1.1.2 ACADEMIC & PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS:

Ph.D. (SP. EDUC.): KENYATTA UNIVERSITY (1998-2004)

**M. A. (SP.EDU): UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO,
CANADA (1986-1989)**

**M. ED (SP. EDUC): WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY,
DETROIT, MICHIGANI, USA
(1980-1982)**

**B.ED. (ARTS): UNIVERSITY OF NAIROBI
KENYATTA UNIVERSITY COLLEGE
(1974-1977)**

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:

December, 2004: **Doctor of Philosophy in Special Needs Education:
Kenyatta University**

Topic: "A Study of Measures Used to
Identify Gifted and Talented Children in Two
Provinces of Kenya"

1992-1994: **Diploma in Neuropsychology-Niilo Maki Institute,
University of Jyvaskyla - Finland.**

Sept. 1986-1989: **Master of Arts Degree in Special Needs Education
(Learning Disabled, Gifted and Talented) Ontario
Institute for Studies in Education; University of
Toronto - Canada.**

1980-1982: **Master of Education in Special Needs Education
(Education for the Visually Impaired and the Mentally
Retarded) Wayne State University, Detroit, Michigan,
U.S.A.**

1974-1977: **Bachelor of Education (History, Philosophy and Religious Studies). – (Second Class Honours Upper Division) University of Nairobi (Kenyatta University College), Kenya.**

1972-1973: **East African Advanced Certificate of Education (History, Literature and Divinity- Three Principles) Loreto High School, Limuru.**

1.2.3 EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

UNIVERSITY TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

Twenty Nine (29) years of teaching experience at the Kenyatta University.

EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY

1989-1990: **Tutorial Fellow**, Kenyatta University, Department of Educational Psychology

1991 - 1995: **Lecturer:** Department of Educational Psychology

1989-1995: **Lectured in Educational Psychology Courses**

- Introduction to Psychology
- Human Growth and Development
- Educational Psychology

1995-2001:- **Lecturer:** Department of Educational Psychology. (Special Needs Education Section).

- **Participated in the development of Bachelor of Education (Special Needs Education) Degree Programme.**
- Presented the Special Education Degree Programme to the Board of Undergraduate Studies and then defended it in the Dean's Committee and the Senate where it was finally approved for implementation .
- Kenyatta University commenced the Bachelor of Education in Special Needs Education (B. Ed Special Education) in 1995.

2002 –AUGUST 2007: – **Lecturer:** Department of Special Needs Education

Areas Of Specialization: Undergraduate Units

- Education for the Gifted and Talented
- Education for the Learning Disabled
- Psycho-Educational Assessment
- Introduction to Neuropsychology

Areas of Specialization: Graduate Units

- PSE500: The Exceptional Children
- PSE514: Collaborative Teaching

DEPARTMENT OF EARLY CHILDHOOD STUDIES

16TH JUNE, 2010 To date -**Senior Lecturer**, Department of Early Childhood Studies

SEPT. 2007 TO June 15th2010- **Lecturer**, Department of Early Childhood Studies

EXAMINATION CO-ORDINATION

SEPT, 2004-AUGT, 2007 -**Examination Officer**, Department of Special Needs Education

OCT. 2007 TO OCT, 2009 - **Examination Coordinator School of Education**

DEPARTMENTAL CHAIRMANSHIP

August 2014- Completed my term as the chairperson of the Department of Early childhood Studies after serving for four years and eleven months.

June 11th 2012- Renewal of Chairmanship for another two (2) years

June 11th, 2010- Appointed Substantive Chairperson, Department of Early Childhood Studies for two (2) years.

Oct. 2009 to June, 2010- Acting Chairperson, Department of Early Childhood Studies.

VICE CHANCELLOR COMMITTEES AND OTHER APPOINTMENTS

- Jan, 2016 April 2018: Appointed Deputy Director, Kenyatta University, Nairobi City Campus (Total Student population- 6000).
- Octo 17th 2014-Sept 2015: Appointed Director of Kenyatta University Financial Aid
- 2012 January: Appointed to the Academic Advisory Committee of Kenyatta University Institute of African Studies.
- 2011 March: Appointed a member of the Vice-Chancellor's Curriculum Committee Chaired By Prof. Ayot to develop the following courses:
- A Certificate Course in Early Childhood Education
 - Postgraduate Diploma in Early Childhood Education
 - Postgraduate Diploma in Psycho-educational Assessment
- 2010 May 21st, Appointed to participate in "*An International Association of Universities IAU Study on the changing Nature of Doctorial Programmes in Sub-sahara Africa.*"
- 2007: Appointed a member of Board of Community Outreach and Extension
- JUNE 2008; Appointed a member of University Intellectual Property Management Board.
- 2006: April Appointed a member of the Vice-chancellor's Committee to discuss the prospects of Kenya Institute of Special Education (KISE) becoming a Constituent College of Kenyatta University.
- 2006 to date: Appointed as a Mentor for Kenyatta University Students

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

- Jan.1984-Sept. 1986: **Senior Inspector of Schools, Ministry of Education**
- 1983- 1985:** **Inspector of Schools** in-charge of Schools and programmes for the Visually Impaired children.
- 1979-1982:** - **Education Officer**; Special Education Administration, Ministry of Education.
- 1977 Oct.-March, 1979:- Graduate Teacher**, teaching History, Religious Studies at Gichuru Secondary School, Limuru. School,
- 1974: Untrained Teacher:** **Gathirimu Harambee Secondary School Current Gathirimu Girls' Technical High Previously known as**

School), Githunguri Division, Kiambu District, Central Province

OTHER PROFESSIONALLY RELATED ACTIVITIES:

2005: 19-20th December Attended a writing Workshop on the development of Identification Tools for the Gifted and Talented at Kenya Institute of Education (KIE).

2004: 24th April to 1st May: Attended a Writing Workshop on the Development of Psycho-Educational tools organized by the Kenya Institute of Education (K.I.E.)

2003 (3rd March to 24th September): **Sabbatical Leave**

**-Visting Scholar, University of Cambridge
United Kingdom: Faculty of Education; Department of Special
Needs Education**

2001: -Appointed member of Cambridge University, Ministry of Education and Kenyatta University (Kenya) Special Needs Education Linkage Programme by the Director of Education Mrs. Naomy Wangai.

1994-2002: - Tutor in Clinical Child Neuropsychology: African Programme II and III Niilo Maki Institute University of Jyvaskyla.

1990-1991: -Coordinated writing workshop for "Manual for the Identification of Children with Learning Difficulties." This manual is to be used by non-specialists in the screening and referral of children with learning problems.

1991: -Assistant Co-ordinator for Children with Special Needs Seminar organised by the Department of Educational Psychology.

-Co-ordinated several courses offered in the Department Educational Psychology namely, Introduction to Psychology; Human Growth and Development and Educational Psychology

1989-2003 - External Examiner for Kenya Institute of Special Education (K.I.S.E.).

1984-1986: -The Secretary to the Development Committee for Kenya Institute for Special Education (KISE) appointed by the then Director of Education, Dr. G.P. Oluoch.

- Resource person in the training of Assessment and Resource Personnel for the Education Assessment and Resource Centres in Kenya.

1968-1971: **East African Certificate of Education - (Division II-19 Points). Kambui Girls' High School.**

1961-1967: **Kenya Certificate of Primary Education -(A; B; C). Kambui Primary School.**

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

2015 January to August: Invited as a Visiting Scholar to the Western Kentucky University, Georgia, USA. (Permission not granted due to new appointment as Director, Financial Aid Office, Kenyatta University).

2003 March to Mid-September - Invited to University of Cambridge as a visiting Scholar

1992-1994: - Niilo Maki Institute, University of Jyvaskyla, Finland
- Studied for a Diploma in Clinical Child Neuropsychology (Distance -Education Programme).

1986-1989: - Commonwealth Scholarship at University of Toronto: Ontario, Canada.
- Studied Master of Arts (M.A.) Degree in Special Education (Learning Disabilities and Gifted and Talented).

1980 – 1982: - African American Institute Scholarship at Wayne State University. Detroit, Michigan, USA
- Studied Master of Education (M.Ed.) Degree in Special Needs Education (Visually Impaired and Mentally Retarded).

1.2 RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS

1.2.1 Articles in peer-reviewed journals

PUBLICATIONS

- June-2018:** Wanjohi Githinji and Rachel W. Kamau-Kang'ethe: "Mother Tongue Policy Implementation Practices in Lower Primary School Classes: A Case of Nyeri County, Kenya Institute of African Studies, Kenyatta University: From Asmara 2000 to Nairobi 2014: Trends in African Languages and Literatures: ISBN No. 978-99966-54-100-0
- January-2018: Influence of Parents' Support on Pupils' Transition From Pre-Primary Schools to Lower Primary Schools in Jimeta, Adamawa State, Nigeria. Esther Daniel Mshelbila, Rachel W. Kamau-Kang'ethe & Wanjohi Githinji International Journal of Science Arts and Commerce Vol. 3 No. 1, January-2018
- December 2017: The Development of Knowledge Workers in an Organization: Zipporah Gichuhi, Rachel Kamau-Kang'ethe and Peter Mwathi. Journal of Knowledge Management., [Online] Vol.6, No. 5, pp457-468. Available at: <http://www.vcampus.uom.ac.mu/km/unit4/resources/km>
- July 2017: Mercy Kerubo Nyakundi, Nyakwara Begi & Rachel W. Kamau-Kang'ethe Determinants of Parents' Perception on School Readiness Among Pre-Primary School Pupils In Karasani Division, Nairobi County, Kenya.. European Journal of Education Studies - Volume 3 Issue 6 | 2017. 743.
- July 2016: Beatrice Makena & Rachel W. Kamau-Kang'ethe: "Jiggers Detrimental to Pupils Outdoor Play Activities": (ASSRJ NEW ISSUE PUBLISHED (Vol13issue7July2016)
- January, 2015: Challenges Encountered by Married Women who are Adventitiously Blinded in Machakos District: Implications for Rehabilitation Opportunities in Kenya: Published in the Journal of Special Needs and Disabilities Studies: Nairobi Academic Press. ISSN:2305-2619
- October 2014: Characteristics of Gifted and Talented Children in the Juvenile Deliquent Schools in Kenya (Duo Exceptionality). To be published by A School of Education
- August, 2014: Mother Tongue Policy Implementation and Language of Instruction Practices in Lower Primary School Classes. A Case of Nyeri County, Kenya. Paper to be Published in the a referred Journal.
- July 2014: Gifted and Juvenile delinquency: a case of Selected Rehabilitation Schools of Kenya. Journal of Special Needs and Disabilities Studies (ISSN:2305-2619).

- July 2014: Preferred Methods of Teaching Reading in Early Childhood Classes in Dagoretti and Westlands Divisions in Nairobi County, Kenya. Journal of Special Needs and Disabilities Studies (ISSN: 2305-2619).
- November, 2013: Early Identification of Learning Disabilities among Standard Three Pupils of Public Schools in Butere District, Kenya. Journal of Guidance, Counselling and Psychology. ISSN2226-0552.
- January 2013: Individualized Educational Programme for Children in Special Circumstances: A Study of Kajiado District, Kenya; Published on 10th July 2013 Under 10th Annual Hawaii Scrid Early Childhood Education by Abubakar Gafar
- 2012: Wrote the Preface of NURTURING THE FUTURE: Educating Kenya's Gifted and Talented (GYST) (I AM ALSO ONE OF THE TRUSTEES).
- 2011 March: Mystery of the Gifted and Talented: Gifted and Talented Magazine: Issue No: One/2011
- 2006 "Knowledge and Attitudes towards HIV/AIDS among Adolescents and Teachers in Starehe Division: Nairobi Province". Sponsored by United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and supervised by Kenyatta University. This was done with my Maters student **Students** Margaret Wangui Mugi, and Dr, Josephine Gitome of the Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, Kenyatta University.
- 2004: - **"Inclusive Education: The Teaching of Signing Exact English to the Hearing Impaired Children,"** A Paper presented at an International Conference on Inclusive Education Organized by Maseno University, Department of Special Needs Education in 2002, Published in **the British Journal of Special Education in 2004.**
- 2003: -**Working together for Inclusion: A Paternership Scheme between South and North** by Martin Rouse and Rachel Kang'ethe, Published in a South African Journal: **Perspectives in Education, Vol. 21(3), September 2003.**
- 2001: - **The Inclusion of Neuropsychological Assessment Test (NEPSY) in School Based Assessment of Children with Special Needs in Kenya:** paper presented during the 19th Annual Conference of the Association for Educational Assessment in Africa

(AEAA), September 24-28 in Nairobi, Kenya. ((Submitted to Kenyatta University Educational Journal for Publication).

SUPERVISION THESES OF DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY:

1. Bitengo Teresia Mwoma: (December, 2009): "Paternal Involvement in Children's Education: An Implication of Children's Performance at Preschool in Gucha District, Kenya".
2. Koech Peter Kibet: (July, 2010) "Factors Influencing Parent-Teacher Partnerships and Strategies to Strengthen them in Uasin Gishu District, Kenya"
3. Nzoka Stephen M. (DEC. 2011) "Establishing Braille Proficiency of Primary School Teachers of Visually Impaired Learners in Kenya"
4. Gichuhi Zipporah Wanjiru (Graduated in July, 2014): "Determinants of Knowledge Management Practices in Selected University Libraries in Nairobi and Kiambu Counties, Kenya".
5. Kinyua, Peter (Graduated in July, 2014). "Exploring Giftedness Among Learners With Juvenile Delinquency in Selected Rehabilitation Schools in Kenya".
6. Esther Marima (Graduated in Dec. 2014): "A Comparative Study on the Use of Phonics and Whole Word Approaches in the Teaching of Reading in the Early Childhood Classes in Nairobi County, Kenya".

7. Peter Githinji Wanjohi (Graduated in Dec. 2014): "A situational Analysis of Schools Teachers and Parents Influence on Language of Instruction in STD ONE Two and Three Classes in Nyeri County, Kenya".
8. Robert Wekesa Wafula (Graduating in July 2015): "Early Intervention of Mathematics Difficulties in Lower Primary Schools in Butere District, Kakamega County, Kenya".
9. Benta Ogutu (Graduated in July, 2015): "Quality Early Childhood Education: The Case of Internally Displaced Children in Camps Nyandarua County, Kenya".
10. Mwangi Margaret Wanjiru (Graduated in July, 2016): "Parental Involvement and Strategies Used by Teachers in Supporting Children's Transition from Pre-Primary to Primary School in Kiambu County, Kenya.
11. Maina Anne Wanjiru: (Graduated in December, 2016): "Parents Participation in the Boy-Childs' Education: A Case of Class Three Children in Nyeri County".
12. Wanjau, Agnes Wanja: (Graduated in December 2016)
13. Evangelista Busingye: (Graduated August, 2017): "Teacher Motivation as Determinants of Quality Inclusive Education in Early Childhood Centres, Kampala Region, Uganda".
14. Rose Atieno Opiyo (Graduate, December, 2017): Home Literacy Environment and the Development of Early Literacy Abilities of 3-4 Year Old Children in Kakamega Central Sub County, Kenya.

15. **RUTH WANGU WALIOLI:** (Submitted PHD thesis and waiting for defense):
"Effects of Sexual Abuse on Learning of School
Going Children 5-8 Years in Nairobi City County,
Kenya"

SUPERVISION OF MASTERS THESES/PROJECTS

COMPLETED MASTERS THESES.

1. **Momanyi, Lazarus Okioma.** (1993): "A study of the Preparation of Regular Primary School Teachers to Handle Exceptional Children" M.Ed. Thesis. Kenyatta University.
2. **Murugi Ndirangu.** (1996): "A study of the Peer Acceptance of the Visually Impaired Child within the Integrated Class". M.Ed. Thesis. Kenyatta University.
3. **Bonjo Josphat Shaduma.** (2002): "The co-operation Between Parents and Teachers at Educational Assessment and Resource Centres in Kenya: A Study of the Collaboration between Teachers and Parents at two Assessment Centres in Kenya. M. A. Thesis. University of Oslo, Norway."
4. **Kimani, Paul Kamau.** (August to December, 2005): "A Study of Inclusive Educational Practices in Kenya. M.A. Thesis. University of Oslo. Norway."
5. **Muinde Hellen (Dec. 2008).** "Effects of Jigsaw Technique on the Performance of Students with Visual Impairments in Geography at Thika High School for the Blind, Kenya."
6. **Kinyua Joyce (Dec. 2008).** "Promoting Teacher-Parent Collaboration in Providing Education for Learners with Learning Disabilities in Primary Schools in Kasarani Division, Kenya."
7. **Mutai Pual Kipkorir (Dec. 2008).** "Challenges Faced by Teachers in Implementing HIV/AIDS Curriculum in Primary Schools for Pupils with Hearing Impairments in Rift Valley Province, Kenya."
8. **Pamella Karambu (June 2009).** "A Examination of Library Services for Students with Visual Impairments at Kenyatta University."

9. **Kimanthi Sysyline Katakaa (June, 2009).** Constraints to Inclusion of Students with Hearing Impairments for Training at KENYA Technical Teachers' College.
10. **"Mwangi D. Kimani (June, 2009).** Evaluation of HIV /AIIDS Awareness among Upper Primary School \pupils with Hearing Impairments in Central Province, Kenya."
11. **Muindi Scholastica Nkinga (June, 2009).**" Socio-cultural Perceptions of Teachers and Parents on Inclusive Education in four Selected special and Integrated Schools in Kenya"
12. **Kamunge Jane Wangeci (Dec, 2009).** Factors Influencing Teachers Interventions for Primary Schools Pupils with slow Learning Disabilities in Kasarani Division, Nairobi, Kenya.
13. **Wafula Robert Wekesa (Dec, 2009).** Early Identification of Learning disabilities Among the Standard Three Pupils of Public Primary Schools in Butere District: Kenya.
14. **Agnes Wangari (Dec, 2009).** Factors Hampering Enrolment and Retention of Orphans in the Free Primary Education in Municipality division, Kiambu East District: Kenya.
15. **Maina Anne Wanjiru (April, 2010).** Factors Relating To Fathers' Direct And Indirect Involvement In Early Childhood Literacy In Thika Municipality, Kenya.
16. **Mwihungi H. Kihoro (May, 2010).** Factors Affecting Assessment And Placement Of Children with Mental Retardation By The Nyeri Central Assessment Center, Kenya.
17. **Gateru W. Agnes (May, 2010).** Teachers Awareness Intervention For Primary School Pupils With Learning Disabilities In Inclusive Education In Makadara Division, Kenya.
18. **Giiku Florence Wairimu (June, 2010).** "The Status of Dyslexia in Public Schools. A Case of Thika District".
19. **Mwenda Jennifer Muiti (Dec. 2010).** Hindrances to Effective Learning of with Hearing Impairment in Meru North District: Kenya.

- 20 Isika Kasyoka Jerusa (Dec. 2011).** Play and Learning materials on the Social Development of children Aged 3-4 Years Accompanying their Mothers in Langata Women Prison, Nairobi County.
- 21 Ndathe Rachel Wangari (Dec 2011).** Challenges Encountered by Married Women who are Adventitiously Blind in Machakos District: Implications for Rehabilitation Opportunities in Kenya.
- 22 Murithii Sabina (January, 2012).** Challenges of Using Collaborative Teaching Strategies by Teachers of Learners with Hearing Impairments at Kaaga Primary School for the Deaf- Imenti North district, Meru County, Kenya.
- 23 Kamau, Joyce Wanjohi: (September,2012):**Role of Stakeholders in Provision of Play Materials among 5-12 Year Old children with Physical Challenges at Joytown Special School, Thika Kiambu County, Kenya
- 24. Ruto, Jane (July, 2013):** Enrolment and Retention of children Aged 3-5 Years in Public Preschools in Eldama Ravine Division, Koibatek District, Baring County.
- 25. Mwebia, Beatrice Makena :(December, 2013):** Relationship Between Jigger Infestation and Children’s Participation in School Activities in Gatundu District Kiambu County, Kenya.
- 26. Marigi M. Cecilia: (June, 2014):** Psychological challenges and coping strategies of parents of children with intellectual disability in selected special units in Embakasi Division of Nairobi County, Kenya.
- 27. Margaret Apondi: (Dec. 2014):** Effects of Poor Nutrition on the Performance of Preschool Children in Rabour Zone, Kisumu East District, Kenya.
- 29. Thuo Nelius Wanjiru (Dec. 2014):** Parental Attitude towards Children with Hearing Impairment and Academic Performance: a Case of Kambui School for the Deaf, Githunguri District, Kiambu County, Kenya.
- 30. Kandie Faith Jelangat (Dec. 2014):** Relationship between Lower Primary School Teachers’ Mathematics Self-efficacy and their Pupils’ Performance in Mathematics in Kericho sub-county, Kericho County, Kenya.
- 31. Alex Lusweti Walumoli: (Graduated in July. 2016):** Influence of 5-8 Year Old Children’s Aggressive Behaviours on their Educational

Progress in Mwingi Central District, Kitui County Kenya.

- 32. Caroline Chelangat: (Graduated in July, 2016):** "Implication of School Feeding Programmes on Pre-School Children's School Attendance and Enrollment in Chepalungu District, Bomet County, Kenya",
- 33. Margaret Wanjiru Murage:(PROJECT; July 2016):** Assessment of Classroom Intervention Strategies for Class Three Pupils with Learning Disabilities in Public Primary Schools in Mathira West, Nyeri County, Kenya
- 34. Njaru Mbogo Harrison: (Graduated in December, 2016):** Teachers Application of Individualized Educational Programme on Low Academic Performing Learners aged 6 to 8 Years in Loitokitok District, Kajiado County, Kenya.
- 35. Mercy Muthoni Ndungu: (PROJECT; Graduated in December, 2016).** Community Support Grant in Promoting Children's Access and Retention in Early Childhood Development Centres in Laikipia County, Kenya
- 36. Martha Nyaboke Omweri: (Graduated, 2017).** Implementation of Language Instruction Policy: A Case of Pre-Primary and Lower Primary Schools in Kasarani, Nairobi County, Kenya.
- 37. Mercy Kerubo Nyakundi: (Graduated, 2017).**
- Determinants of Parents Perception on School Readiness in Early Pre- Primary School Pupils in Kasarani Division, Nairobi County, Kenya.
- 38. Njuki Jane Wanjiru: (Graduated in August, 2017).**
- Teachers Knowledge on the Implementation of Inclusive Education in Early Childhood Centres in Mwea East Sub-County, Kirinyaga County, Kenya.
- 39. ALICE Moraa Machuma: (Graduated in August, 2017)**
- Impact of School Feeding Programme And Concentration? In The Learning of Pre-Primary School Children In Manga Sub-County, Nyamira County, Kenya
- 40. Ntondwe Walakisa: (Graduated in December, 2017).**

Parental Involvement in Mvula Acculist Practice and School adjustment of their five to Seven Year Old children in Chonyi Division, Kilifi Sub-County, Kilifi County, Kenya.

41. Pauline W. Wanjiru: (Graduated in December, 2017). Utilization of Improved Materials in Teaching of Mathematics in Preschools in Mwhoko Zone, Ruiru Sub-County, Kiambu County, Kenya.

42. Ouma Doryce: (Graduated in December, 2017)
Teachers' and School Administrators' Perception of Factors Influencing the Provision of Guidance and Counseling Services by Pre-School Teachers in Kasarani Division, Nairobi County, Kenya.

43. Irene Wanjiku Nguu: (Graduated in August 2018)
Determinants of Social Interaction and their Effects on Learning of Children Living with Autism I Regular Pre-Schools in Nairobi County, Kenya.

44. Esther Daniel Mshelbila: (Graduated in August 2018)
Determinants of Pupils' Transition From Pre-Primary to Lower Primary Schools in Jimeta Local Council Area Adamawa State, Nigeria

45. Edith Njeri Wangombe: (Graduated in August 2018)
The Impact On Lower Primary Education By The Challenges Of Distance To The Pre-School Centres In Mukogondo Division Laikipia County, Kenya.

46. Mututa Fredrick Gicobi: (Graduated December 2018): "Factors Influencing Academic Performance among Learners Aged 6-7 Years from Selected Public and Private Primary Schools in Kabare Zone, Kirinyaga County"

46. Clifford Otieno Owino: (Graduating in July 2019):" Determinants of Teachers' Preparedness Towards Implementation of Inclusive Education in Lower Grade Primary Schools in Awendo, Migori Kenya"

47. Eglah Cheptanui Chumba :(Graduating in July 2019): "Influence of Mothers Characteristics on Academic Performance Of Lower Primary School Children Aged Eight Years Old in Kosirai Division, Nandi County"

47 Nelly Mwendwa Mpekethu: (Defended the thesis and passed on July 4, 2019): "Influence Of Parental And School Characteristics on Pre-Primary Participation In Mlolongo Slum, Machakos County, Kenya"

MASTER OF EDUCATION PROJECTS:

Have supervised **Seven (7) Students from the Department of Educational Psychology in Guidance and Counselling, School of Postgraduate Studies.**

Postgraduate Diploma

1. **"Ndiira Mercy, (2002),** "A study on Knowledge and Attitudes of the Mentally Handicapped Adolescents Towards Pre-Marital Sex and Their Knowledge on HIV/AIDS in two Special Schools in Meru District." Postgraduate Diploma.
2. **Kinyua, Nancy Wanjiku** (2001): "A study on Knowledge and Attitudes of Adolescents Towards Pre-Marital Sex and their Knowledge about HIV/AIDS in Selected Secondary Schools in Kenya". Postgraduate Diploma Project.
3. Have supervised Projects for seven (7) Master of Education (Guidance and Counselling) Students from the Department of Educational Psychology.

CONSULTANCIES AND RESEARCH ACTIVITIES:

2015 to 2017: External Examiner University of Nairobi. Department of Communication and Technology.

2014 to 2017: External Examiner: Jaramogi Oginga Odinga University of Science and Technology. Department of special Needs and Early childhood.

2014 : External Evaluator: University of Rwanda: Diploma in Early Childhood Education

2012 Janaury: UNICEF consultancy on documentation and Review of the Talent Academy Project in Kenya.

2009 September: UNESCO consultancy on the Training of Schools Inspectors in Rwanda

2006: Was one of the Lead Researchers in a collaborative Research between Kenyatta University and some Commonwealth Universities from Britain, West Africa, India and Pakistan on **Education and**

Poverty Eradication. (My main emphasis was on Disability, Poverty Education).

- 2006 March **"Knowledge and Attitudes towards HIV/AIDS among Adolescents and Teachers in Starehe Division: Nairobi Province"**. Sponsored by United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and supervised by Kenyatta University. This was done with my Maters student **Students** Margaret Wangui Mugi, and Dr, Josephine Gitome of the Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, Kenyatta University.
- 2006: 18th February to 4th March. Consultant with International Aids Sweden on training of Teachers in Somaliland.
- 2005 July Consultant in a collaborative research project between GTZ, Ministry of Home Affairs Children's Department and Kenyatta University, School of Education, Department of Special Education on:
"Juvenile Justice and Management of Child Offenders in Kenya: An Annotated Bibliography of Research 1958-2005". The Research has already been published.
- 2005 May Two weeks Consultancy in Somaliland: Training Primary school Teachers
- 2003- December - Co-ordinated the writing of a Primary Teacher Education Syllabus for International Aids Sweden (IAS): Integrated Education & Development Programme to be implemented in Somaliland.
- 2001-2002: - Consultant in Special Needs Education with International Aids Sweden (IAS) in Hargeisa, Somaliland
- Undertook Programme Evaluation which enabled them to get funding from European Union (EU) for a period of five years.
- 2000: -Participated in the Review of Maseno University Bachelor of Special Education Degree Programme.
- 2000: - Evaluation of Kericho Integrated Programme for the Visually Impaired Children sponsored by Sight Savers (SSI) International of Britain.
- 1999: - "Provision of Educational Programmes for the Gifted and Talented in Kenya" Paper Presented to the Koech Commission of Inquiry into the System of Education in Kenya.

- 1997: - Evaluation of Integrated Programmes for the Visually Impaired (Embu and Baringo): Sponsored by Sight Savers international (SSI) of Britain.
- 1996-1997: - Kenya Society for the Deaf Children. "A National the Survey of Deafness in Kenya."
- 1995: - World Bank Study on "The Cost and Financing of Special Education in Kenya."
- 1992-1993: - International Labour Organisation (ILO) Kenyan Project on "Employment of Persons with Disabilities", Training of Village Polytechnic Managers and Instructors on how to integrate persons with Disabilities.

SEMINARS/CONFERENCE PAPERS

- 16-18TH May 2018: National Symposium on Childcare and Protection. Multimedia University-Mbagathi Campus.
- 11th –13th December, 2015: 2nd Conference on African Urban Youth Languages as one of the committee member organizing it and as a presenter organized by Institute of African Studies: Kenyatta University.
- August 2014: The International Conference on African Languages and Literatures in the 21st Century as one of the committee member organizing it and as a presenter organized by Institute of African Studies: Kenyatta University.
- 2012 ; 10th August: Attended the Prison Gifted and Talented Presentations at Industrial Area Prisons Nairobi. (Attendance Certificate)
- 10th February, 2012; Attended the Launching of an Enrichment Programme on Gifted and Talented Young Persons in Kenya Parent's forum at Visa Oshwal Primary School, Westlands, Nairobi County, Kenya.
- 26TH-27TH October 2011: Facilitated An Orientation of Gifted and Talented Workshop for Teachers at Aga Khan Mombasa Academy in Mombasa, Kenya.
- 12th to 14th October 2010: Attended co-operative Bank Training on FOSA MANAGEMENT COURSE

27TH TO 30TH JULY, 2010: Attended the National conference on "Laying the Foundation for Unlocking the Potentials of the gifted and Talent Young Persons in Kenya, at Kenyatta University. " (Lead Organiser of the conference)

2010 May, 27th - 28th. Attended the Kenya Education Staff Institute (KESI). National conference on "Innovations in Education Management" at Kenyatta International Conference Center (I was appointed in the Committee to coordinate Early childhood and Special Needs Education) .

2010 February, 25th to 29th February: Attended an Internal Edulink Seminar on Learning Disabilities and presented two papers with my Masters Students. We are preparing the papers for Publication.

1998: **-Kenya Society for the Blind Seminars:**

Papers Presented

- (a) Teaching children with Low Vision
- (b) Management of learning environment where the learner is Visually Impaired.
- (c) Accessing Visually Impaired Pupils into the General/Regular Curriculum.

1997: **-British Council: Seminar for Librarians:**
Topic "Barrier Free Issues in Library Services." For the Visually Impaired Children.

1997: -Kenya Society for the Blind Seminar for parents, Pediatric Nurses/Social workers/Community Development Officers.

1996 (a): -Kenya Society for the Deaf Children "National Survey on Deafness."

1996 (b): **"Psychosocial Aspects of HIV/Aids Intervention: A Kenyan Perspective"**
Paper presented during the International Society for the Study of Behavioural Development (ISSBD) African Regional Workshop Held in Lusaka Zambia: 9-12 April, 1996.

1996 (c): **"What is Special Education?"** Paper presented during the seminar for Creation of Awareness on the Education of the Visually Handicapped children for Senior Officers of Nairobi City Council.

1995 (a): World Bank study on **"The Cost and Financing of Special Education in Kenya."**

- 1995 (b): **Resource Person** on a seminar for Teaching Staff of Kagumo Diploma Teachers Training college on the Integration of the Visually Impaired students in the college. Sponsored by Kenya Society for the Blind.
- 1989-1994: Research in Baringo and Kibera through the National Capacity Building Child Survival and Development Project (NCB/CSD) sponsored by UNICEF. I have co-authored two papers with other researchers namely:
- (i) Children with Learning Difficulties in Baringo District.
(ii) School Wastage and Dropout.
- ***The above two papers were published in the proceedings of the Fourth African Universities Consortium held in October 1994 in Nairobi, Kenya.***
- 1994: -"Community Participatory Research: A Case of Kibera." The paper was published in the proceedings of the Fourth African Universities Consortium held in October 1994 in Nairobi, Kenya. Sponsored by UNICEF.
- 1992: -"**Creativity: Identification and Development of Creativity in Kenya: A Case Study of Professor James Kirumbi Kimani.**" A paper presented during the Second Eastern African Regional Conference for the Gifted and Talented held at the Kenya Institute of Special Education in August 1992, entitled
- 1992: -Presented a paper during the "Children with Special Need's Seminar held at Kenyatta University in June 1991 on "**Educational Programmes and Programming for the Gifted and Talented Children.**"
- 1991: - "**A Critical Analysis on Literature Review in Gender Differences in Intellectual Development, Functioning and Achievement**". Presented a paper during the Fifth Annual Seminar of the Department of Educational Psychology entitled
- 1991: - "**Curriculum Guidelines for Training Teachers for the Gifted and Talented.**" Presented a paper during the First Eastern African Regional Conference for the Gifted and Talented Children held at Moi University Chepkolele Campus entitled. (Submitted to Kenyatta University Educational Journal for Publication)

- 1990: - **"The Adaptation of the Parents Outreach Programme - Canada to the Kenyan Situation.** Presented a paper with Dr. Malcolm Garber from Ontario Institute for Studies in Education (OISE) Canada.
- 1989-1991: -Research on the **"State of Special Education in Kenya". Sponsored by DANIDA** - paper presented during children with special Needs Seminar held at Kenyatta University.

1.6: COMMUNITY SERVICES

- 2015 to date: Honorary Secretary, Kenversity Housing Cooperative Society Ltd.
 2014 Honorary Secretary, Kenversity Savings and Credit Society Ltd.
 1998 to 2015: Director, Kenversity Savings and Credit Society Ltd.

MEMBER OF BOARD OF GOVERNORS.

- 2019 June: Nominated as Member of Business Education for Kenyan Community (BEKCOM)
- 2019 18th March: Appointed as a Member of the Board of Management of Nyaga Vocational Training Centre by CECM-Education Culture and Social Services, Kiambu County.
- 2019 6th March: Appointed as a Member of the Board of Management of Ngewe Primary School by County Director of Education, Kiambu County.
- 2012 August to date: Vice-chairperson School Board of PCEA Toll Blue Sky Academy
- 2011 March PCEA Mirimani-ini Academy (JUJA). Appointed by the Director /Parish Minister; Juja Parish
- 2004- 2010 April - **Gathirimu Girls' Technical High School.** Appointed by the Minister for Education Science and Technology, the Late Honourable Professor George Saitoti. (Chairman of the Education sub-committee).
- 2004-2009 -**P.C.E.A. Kambui School for the Deaf Children.** Appointed by the Late Honourable Professor George Saitoti. (Member of the BOG Executive committee. Chairman of the Education sub-committee).
- 2001-2009 - **Kambui Girls' High School.** Appointed by the then Minister of Education and Manpower Development Hon Henry Koskey.
 -Member of the BOG Executive committee.
- 2009: May-June 2013: **Loreto High School- Limuru-** (National School). Appointed Member of Board of Governors. I am also an Old Girl.
- 2010, May **Kitamainyu High School.** Appointed by the Minister for Basic Education

- 2001-2002; Member of the Executive Committee for Parents Teachers Association Muthaiga Primary School and a Signatory to the School's Account.
- 1994- 2002: -Co-opted member of Parents Teachers Association of Muthaiga Primary School, Nairobi.

I HAVE ALSO PARTICIPATED AS A CHIEF GUEST IN NUMEROUS FUNDRAISING, GRADUATION AND PRIZE GIVING CEREMONIES FOR CHURCHES, SCHOOLS/COLLEGES AND COMMUNITY PROJECTS.

- **THE GRADUATION CEREMONY OF AFRICAN CHRISTIAN CHURCH & SCHOOLS ACC & ECDE TEACHER TRAINING COLLEGE HELD ON 30TH APRIL, 2014**
- **6TH AUGUST, 2012: CHIEF GUEST AT THE KIAMBU COUNTY EARLY CHILDHOOD CERTIFICATE AND DIPLOMA GRADUATION CEREMONY.**
- **28TH NOVEMBER, 2011: GUEST OF HONOUR DURING THE END OF THE YEAR PRAYERS DAY AT LORETO LIMURU.**
- **17TH NOVEMBER, 2011: NAIROBI BAPTIST CHURCH ACADEMY- NAIROBI COUNTY GRADUATION CEREMONY FOR PRE-SCHOOL CHILDREN**
- **19TH AUGUST, 2011: NYERI DICECE GRADUATION CEREMONY FOR PRE-SCHOOL TEACHERS AND PRIZE GIVING DAY.**
- **12TH AUGUST, 2011: KAKAMEGA COUNTY GRADUATION CEREMONY FOR PRE-SCHOOL TEACHERS AND PRIZE GIVING DAY ON**
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- **GRAUDATION CEREMONY FOR KENYA UNIVERSAL COLLEGE OF EDUCATION, MARAGUA, MURANGA COUNTY ON FRIDAY 5TH AUGUST, 2011.**
 - **PRIZE GIVING DAY AT LORETO HIGH SCHOOL-LIMURU SATURDAY 23RD JULY, 2011.**
- **EDUCATION DAY FOR BUTERE DISTRICT EDUCATION DAY ON FRIDAY 20TH MAY, 2011.**

- **CHIEF GUEST THE GREEN GARDEN SCHOOLS**
- **PRICE GIVING DAY AT KAMBUI GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL
ON FRIDAY 17TH SEPTEMBER, 2010.**