

# **CURRICULUM VITAE**

## **PERSONAL DETAILS**

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## **CAREER OBJECTIVE**

To develop my academic career in Education related fields, to improve and broaden my skills set to ensure that I continue to be an asset to colleagues, institutions and organizations whose objective is to develop a holistic child. To pursue a career within an organization/ institution that offers an opportunity to diligent and global-minded individuals.

## **EDUCATION – Academic**

### **January 2012 PhD in progress**

**Topic:** Supporting transition to primary school: Strategies used by parents, pre-primary and primary school teachers in Kiambu County.

### **April 2007 Masters in Education (Early Childhood Education)**

#### **Kenyatta University**

- Units undertaken included: Statistics; Contemporary Issues in Child Development; Families, Culture and Development; Research Methods and Evaluation; Health, Nutrition and Early Education Practices; Family Guidance and Counseling; Project Design, implementation and Administration; Fostering Creativity and Resilience in young children and Language Development in Young children.
- Area of specialization: Teaching methods in multiple language literacy
- Area of research: Pre-school teachers' use of instructional strategies in instructing in English.

**Nov 1996 – Oct 1999**

**Bachelors in Education (Early Childhood Development)**

**and Education) First Class Honors**

**Kenyatta University**

- Units included: Communication skills; philosophical , sociology and foundations of education; Child Development; General Psychology; Historical Development of Early Childhood Education; Personality Development; Food and Nutrition; Community Education and Mobilization; General methods of Teaching Exceptional Children among others.
- Conducted researches in children's homes and juvenile homes.

**Jan 1987 – Nov 1988                      Kenya Advanced Certificate of Education (KACE)  
Sotik High School (Kericho)**

- Attained; Economics – Subsidiary; CRE – Principal; Geography – Subsidiary; General Paper – Pass

**Jan 1983 – Nov 1986                      Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education (KCSE)  
Gathirimu Girls Secondary School – Division III**

- Subjects taken include; Mathematics, Physics, Geography, CRE, Commerce, Kiswahili, English and Biology.

**PROFESSIONAL COURSE**

**Jan 1992 – Nov 1992                      Certified Kindergarten Teacher  
Kindergarten Headmistresses Association (KHA)**

- Successfully completed a training course to equip trainees with early childhood development skills.
- Obtained skills as a kindergarten headmistress and an instructor

**WORK EXPERIENCE**

**November 2011 to Date – Kenyatta University**

**Tutorial Fellow – Department of Early Childhood Studies**

**November 2009 – November 2011 Masai Mara University (Former Narok University College)**

- **Lecturer** – Department of Early Childhood and Primary Education
- **Head of Department** - Early Childhood and Primary Education

- **University Teaching Practice Coordinator**
- **Committee Member-** Marketing Department

**Sep 2004 – March 2009      Kenyatta University**

**Part- Time Lecturer - Department of Early Childhood Studies**

- Lecturing early childhood courses at degree and diploma levels
- Assessing and grading students in Bed. Early Childhood Studies.

**Sep 2004 – Dec 2005 Tutor at Thika Early Childhood Development College**

- Training kindergarten teachers
- Helping instructors to develop skills to maximize childhood development
- Instructing kindergarten teachers on holistic development of children

**Jan 2000 – Aug 2004 Tutor at Elijen Preschool Teachers' College**

- Training early childhood instructor
- Preparing instructors for a career in early childhood development

**Jan 1993 – Nov 2000 Tutor and Principal at The Green Garden Schools and ECD  
Teachers' College**

- Training and assessing early childhood development instructors
- Developing early childhood instructional materials

**Jan 1993 – Nov 1996      Kahawa Baptist Academy**

**Pre-school Teacher and Acting Head Teacher**

- Involved in teaching and monitoring young children
- Worked as part of team in early childhood section
- Was acting head teacher at the academy and helped in increasing the enrollment through improving the curriculum scope.

## **PERSONAL SKILLS AND ABILITIES**

- Committed, honest and of high integrity
- Good communication and numeric skills
- Team player with good cognitive skills
- Proficient in MS Office suit and wide array of computer applications

## **PUBLICATIONS**

- General Psychology** - Longhorn Publishers
- Mathematics Activities** - Longhorn publishers
- Health and Nutrition** - Kenya Institute of Education
- Mathematics Activities** – Kenya Institute of Education
- General Psychology** – Kenya Institute of Education
- Science Activities** – Kenya Institute of Education
- General Methods and Material Development** - Kenya Institute of Education

## **OTHER EXPERIENCES**

- Editor - Longhorn Publishers and Kenya institute of Education
- Participated in a review workshop for an Integrated Early Childhood Development Policy organized by MOESR/ UNICEF
- Supervision and assessment of practicing teacher trainees
- Marking and supervising National Examinations

## **REFEREES**

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