
**Kenyatta University Department of Early Childhood & Special Needs Education
(Autism Spectrum Disorders)**

Profile

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Dr. Ogogo holds a Doctor of Philosophy (Special Needs Education –Autism Spectrum Disorders) from Kenya University-Kenya, M.ED (Special Needs Education - Autism) from The University of Texas at Austin, U.S.A and B.Ed (Special Needs Education) from Kenya University.

Self Drive: Team Player; works with minimal supervision, obedient and humble, social justice crusader and advocacy in disability inclusion

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Current Position:

Lecturer, Department of Early Childhood & Special Needs, Kenya University &
School of Education and Lifelong Learning Examination Coordinator, Kenya University

Educational Background

Institution & Location	Certificate	Completion Date	Field of Study
Kenyatta University, Kenya	Ph.D (Special Needs Education)	July, 2019	Special Needs Education – (Autism Spectrum Disorders)
The University of Texas at Austin,	M.ED (Special	May, 2012	Special Needs Education-(Autism

U.S.A	Needs Education)		Education)
Kenyatta University, Kenya	Bachelor of Education (Special Needs Education)	December, 2004	Special Needs Education –Intellectual Disabilities
KISE	Diploma Teachers Certificate	July, 1997	Special Education- Intellectual Disabilities
Kilimambogo Teachers College	Primary Teacher's Certificate (P1)	July, 1994	All subjects taught in Primary Schools
Kenya National Examinations Council	KACE	1989	KACE Certificate
Kenya National Examinations Council	KCE	1987	KCE Certificate

Work Experience

2019 – Present: Lecturer, Department of Early Childhood &Special Needs Education, Kenyatta University

2015 – 2019: Tutorial Fellow, Department of Early Childhood and Special Needs Education, Kenyatta University

2005-2014: Part-Time Lecturer, Kenya Institute of Special Education (KISE)

2014-2015: Part Time Lecturer for Special Needs, Bugema (Kisii Campus), Rongo and Masai Mara (Kisii Campus) Universities

2008-2015: EARC Coordinator-Rongo Sub-County Education Office, Teacher Service Commission

2004-2007: Teacher-Migori County Schools (Mariwa Primary, Ngere Primary, Rongo Primary and Kadika Primary in Charge of Special Units)

1.2 RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS

1.2.1 Refereed Journal Papers

- ✓ Ochieng H, **Ogogo J.** (2025). Mechanisms through which Lordotic Posture Affects Learners with Cerebral Palsy's Speech Production Ability in Nairobi City County, Kenya. *Journal of Popular Education in Africa*: ISSN-2523 2800 (Online)
- ✓ Orero M, Nzoka S. **Ogogo J.** (2024). Communication Board (CB) Influencing Expressive Language of Learners with Autism Spectrum Disorder in Migori County, Kenya.. *Journal of African Interdisciplinary Studies (JAIS)* :ISSN-2523 6725 (Online)
- ✓ Alwala M, Karia M. **Ogogo J.** (2023). An Examination of Improvement in Swallowing and Speech Production on the Quality of Life Among Children with Cerebral Palsy in Mombasa County, Kenya: *International Journal of Research and Review* Vol. 10 Issue 11. ISSN:-2349-9788: P-ISSN :2454- 2237
- ✓ Mutua A. **Ogogo J.** (2022). To Establish Peer Support Strategies for Decreasing Out-Of-Seat Behaviour for Learners with Autism Spectrum Disorders in Special Schools, Embu County, Kenya. *European Journal of Special Education Research*. ISSN-2501-2428 ISSN-L:2501-2428
- ✓ **Ogogo J.** Akinyi M. Mbugua P. Nzoka S. (2019). Inclusive Education for Persons with Disabilities in Context of Social Change and Development in Kenya- A Case of Kenyatta University : *International Journal of Research and Innovation in Social Science (IJRISS)* Volume III, Issue IV ISSN-2454-6186
- ✓ **Ogogo J.** G. Karugu, M.C Joel, Munyi W. (2018). Play Activities for Enhancing Social Interactions of Children with Autism Spectrum Disorders in Public Primary Schools in Migori County-Kenya. *International Journal of Research and Innovation in Social Sciences (IJRISS)* Volume II, Issue IX, ISSN-2454-6186

1.2.2. Other Publications

(iv). Book Chapters in a University Level Scholarly Book

- ✓ Nzoka S, Kamau E. Mbugua P, Ogalloh M, **Ogogo J.** (2023): Active Aging with Aphasia: A Case of Kiambu County, Kenya. In *Handbook of Speech-Language Therapy in Sub-Saharan Africa* M. Lüdtke, Edward Kija, Mathew Kinyua Karia. "Handbook of Speech-Language Therapy in Sub-Saharan Africa. Springer Publishers.(2023)
- ✓ **Owino C., Awori B.,Ogogo J.** (2023): Family and Teacher Roles in Family Engagements in Special Education in Kenya. DOI: 10.4018/979-8-3693-1384-8.CH005
- ✓ **Ogogo J.** Ogalloh M. Awori B., (2023): Inclusion of Children with Social Communication Disorder in Kenya DOI: 10.1007/978-3-031-04504-2-29: <https://www.researchgate.net/publication/368270177>

1.2.2. (v) Refereed Learning Modules

- ✓ **ESN 025:** Instructional Methods for Learners with Special Needs

- ✓ **ESN 037:** Special Needs in Early Childhood Education
- ✓ **ESN 823:** Curriculum and Instructional Strategies for Learners with Emotional and Behaviour Disorders
- ✓ **ESN 843:** Curriculum and Instructional Strategies for Learners with Autism and Spectrum Disorders
- ✓ **ESN 830:** Education of Learners with Mental Retardation

1.2.2. (vi) Reviewed Conference Papers

- ✓ Mutua A. **Ogogo J.** (2022). To Establish Peer Support Strategies for Decreasing Out-Of-Seat Behaviour for Learners with Autism Spectrum Disorders in Special Schools, Embu County, Kenya. European Journal of Special Education Research. ISSN-2501-2428 ISSN-L:2501-2428
- ✓ **Ogogo J. (2019).** Assessing Disability Rights and Access to Education in Kenya. 1st International Conference on Disability Rights, Awareness and Empowerment (ICDRAE19), University of Nairobi, Kisumu Campus.

1.2.3. (xi) Non- Reviewed Conference Papers

- ✓ **3rd and 4th October, 2024:** Participated and presented a paper during the 10th International Annual October Conference on Education and Lifelong Learning, 2024. Theme: Re-orienting Education to the 21st Century demands for Sustainable Development”. *Paper titled: “Knowledge of Learning Dyslexia among Primary School Teachers: A Case of Kenyatta University Primary School in Nairobi City County, Kenya”.*
- ✓ **3rd and 4th October 2023:** Participated and presented a paper during the 9th International Annual October Conference on Education and Lifelong Learning 2023. Theme: “Re-focusing Education in a Globalized Society for Sustainable Futures”. *Paper titled: “Peer Networks Strategies for Improving Social Interaction Skills of Children with Autism Spectrum Disorders in Migori County, Kenya”.*

1.2.2. (xiii) Editorship of a Book or Conference Proceedings

- ✓ **25th – 27th October, 2021:** Participated and presented a paper in a Fourth National Early Childhood Development Stakeholders’ Conference (2021) whose theme : Responsive Caregiving for Children in Diverse Circumstances: Innovations and Inclusivity. *Paper titled: “Early Years Care and Education in the Face of Covid-19 Pandemic. A Case of Kakluma Refugee Camp in Kenya”.*

1.2.2. (xiv) Scholarly Presentations at Conference, Workshops and Seminars

Seminar/workshops/Conferences attended:

- ✓ **10th September, 2025:** Received an Acceptance of Abstract and invitation to present my paper during the 11th International Annual Conference to be held on 7th – 9th October, 2025.

- ✓ **3th July, 2025:** Participated in a Virtual 49th Postgraduate Seminar for Ph.D and Masters Graduands : Theme “ Education for Ethics-Guided Research and Technology”
- ✓ **1st- 4th July, 2025:** Participated in Division for International Special Education and Services (DISES) -2025 Conference held at Egerton University, Njoro.
- ✓ **23rd -30th June, 2025:** Participated in a Workshop organized to develop Vocational Level Curriculum for Learners with Special Needs held at Masada Hotel in Naivasha.
- ✓ **27th and 28th May, 2025:** Actively participated in staff wellness training held at the Kenyatta University, BSSC Room 14
- ✓ **24th April, 2025:** Certificate of Participation- Attended a Sponsored Webinar/Revolutionizing the IEP Process with AI: See the Let’s Go Learn AI Assistant in Action Writing PLAAFPS and Empowering Teachers.
- ✓ **3rd to 4th October, 2024:** Certificate of Participation - Participated at the International Annual Conference on Education and Life Long Learning - School of Education, Kenyatta University, Nairobi.
- ✓ **7th October, 2023:** Certificate of Participation - IEP Fair Presentation Basics of an Individualized Education Programme/Plan held at the department of Early Childhood and Special Needs Education, Kenyatta University.
- ✓ **August 7 to August 11, 2023:** Certificate of Participation- Training on Proposal Writing, supported under the World Bank ACE II AF.
- ✓ **2022:** Certificate of Publication for a research paper entitled “*To Establish Peer Support Strategies for Decreasing Out-Of-Seat Behaviour for Learners with Autism Spectrum Disorders in Special Schools, Embu County, Kenya*”.
- ✓ **6th – 7th October, 2021:** Certificate of Presentation - Participated and presented at the International Annual Conference on Education and Life Long Learning - School of Education, Kenyatta University, Nairobi. Paper Titled “ *Inclusion of Learners with Disabilities in Early Years Education – A Case of Kiwanja Primary School, Nairobi City County, Kenya*”.
- ✓ **22nd -25th October, 2019:** Certificate of Completion – Completed a training in Research Administration and Grant Writing held at the College of Health Sciences, University of Nairobi.
- ✓ **12th July, 2019:** Certificate of Participation- Presented a Ph.D Research Thesis Findings Entitled “ *Peer-Mediated Support Strategies for Enhancing Social Interaction Skills of Children with Autism Spectrum Disorders in Public Primary Schools, Migori County, Kenya*” during the 38th Kenyatta University Postgraduate Seminar held at Kenyatta University.
- ✓ **11th July, 2019:** Played a role of Rappoteur during the School of Education and Lifelong Learning Postgraduate Seminar at the School of Education Boardroom 432.
- ✓ **15th Nov. 2018:** Certificate of Participation – For Participating in a breast cancer awareness training organised by peer consellers in Kenyatta University.
- ✓ **26th January, 2018:** Certificate of Participation – Attended the Staff Mentors Seminar Organized by the Kenyatta University Mentoring Programme at Kenyatta University.

- ✓ **6th – 7th April, 2017:** Invited to the 2nd East Africa Education Conference sponsored by the East Africa Education Forum. Theme “ *Bringing the Industry Leaders on One Platform*”.

1.3 QUALITY TEACHING, LEARNING AND MENTORSHIP

(i) Student Evaluation

STUDENT-LECTURER EVALUATION RESULTS

S/NO	UNIT TITLE	CODE	YEAR & SEMESTER	%
2.	Biomedical Aspects of Autistic Spectrum Disorders (Secondary)	ESN 435	2022/2023 –First Semester	94.25%
1.	Practicum	ESN 220	2021/2022-Trimester Semester	98.85%
3.	Children in Need of Care and Protection (Secondary)	ESN 315	2021/2022-Trimester Semester	96.55%
4.	Development of Special Needs Education	ESN 110	2021/2022-Trimester Semester	96.17%

1.3 (ii) Training in Higher Education teaching since the last appointment or promotion

- ✓ **22nd- 24th July, 2025:** Completed the AI and Digital Assessments (AIDA) Training and awarded a Certified Digital Assessor – Foundational Level 1.0 Certificate.
- ✓ **16th July, 2025.** Invitation to attend a training on Digitized Competency-Based Assessment by Firefly Edtech Solutions held virtually.
- ✓ **12th – 13th October, 2024:** Participated in a two-day training on “Transforming Conflice from Within: A Psychodrama Intervention for Peacebuilding in Kenyan Universities”.
- ✓ **24th – 29th April, 2023:** Completed Training as an Item Writer in Competency Based Assessment in a workshop held at Kahuhia Girls High School, Murang’a County.
- ✓ **9th May- 3rd June, 2022:** Completed the Massive Open Online Course on Authentic Assessment for Online Learning offered by the Commonwealth of Learning.
- ✓ **27th October, 2021:** Appointed to support- Training Trainers for Teacher Education and Management in Kenya (TOTEMK) Module 1. Century Learning and Teaching Skills.

- ✓ **26th April – 9th July, 2021:** Certificate of Completion – Training of Trainers for Teacher Education and Management in Kenya on 21st Century Skills – CBC Curriculum.
- ✓ **April- June, 2021:** Certificate of Completion in the MOOC, Digital Literacy Lab for Educators offered jointly by the Commonwealth of Learning and the Commonwealth Centre for Connected Learning.
- ✓ **October 19th - 30th October, 2020:** Certificate of Completion – Training on Applied Entrepreneurship Education Programme (AEEP) Online Train the Trainers Workshop
- ✓ **17th December, 2019:** Appointed as a Staff Mentor for the 2019/2020 and 2020/2021 Academic Years, Kenyatta University
- ✓ **7th November, 2019:** Participated in a Training of Trainers Workshop for Staff Mentors and Growing Leaders Facilitators at Kenyatta University
- ✓ **Certificate of Participation-** Participated in a Training of Trainers Workshop for Staff Mentors and Growing Leaders Facilitators at Kenyatta University.

Post-graduate Supervision

Postgraduate Research Supervision (completed)

- ✓ **M.Ed. Thesis:** “Picture Exchange Communication System Enhancing Expressive Language Skills of Learners with Autism Spectrum Disorders in Selected Regular Schools, Migori County Kenya”. **Mary Anyango Orero, KU.** (Completed May, 2025) **Reg.No: E55/28494/2019**
- ✓ **Research Project.** “Swallowing Exercises for Improving Speech Production. A Case of Tom Mboya School for Children with Cerebral Palsy, Mombasa County, Kenya”. **Michelle Akinyi Alwala, KU.** (Completed April, 2024). **Reg. E55/38744/2016.**
- ✓ **Research Project.** “Classroom Management Strategies for Out-Of-Seat Behaviour for Learners with Autism Spectrum Disorders in Special Schools, Embu County, Kenya”. **Abraham Gitonga Mutua, KU.** (Completed October, 2022). **Reg. E55/CE/25203/2018**
- ✓ **Research Project.** Relationship Between Posture and Speech Production Among Children with Cerebral Palsy in Rehabilitation Centers in Nairobi City County, KENYA “**HILLARY OTIENO OCHIENG E55/38741/2016.** (COMPLETED AUGUST, 2025)

1.4 PROFESSIONAL/CONSULTING

1.4 (i) Evidence of Networking and Collaborations

- ✓ **1st- 4th July, 2025:** Participated in Division for International Special Education and Services (DISES) -2025 Conference held at Egerton University, Njoro.
- ✓ **5th December, 2024:** Invited to Participate in the Multiple Intelligences Theory Application to Early Childhood Development and Education Conference to be held at Kenyatta University. Theme: *“Application of Multiple Intelligence theory in Early Childhood Development and Education and also touching on application to gifted and talented children”*.
- ✓ **25th April, 2019-27th April, 2019:** Attended the Pan African Congress on Autism.
- ✓ **3rd May- 5th May, 2017:** Participated in a convening on the theme “Consolidating the gains: The IFP and its contribution to enhancing social justice in East Africa:. Held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Nairobi.
- ✓ **9th February – 11th February, 2017:** Certificate of Participation - the 6th East Africa International Conference on Communication and Disability held at the Kenyatta University Conference Centre.

1.4 (iv) Consulting for External Academic/Professional Organizations/Institutions

- ✓ **29th July, 2025:** Attended a Consultative Meeting with a Representative from Kenya Institute of Curriculum Development (KICD) held at the School of Education Boardroom 432.
- ✓ **23rd June, 2025:** Participated in a Workshop organized to develop Vocational Level Curriculum for Learners with Special Needs held at Masada Hotel in Naivasha
- ✓ **24th February- 4th March, 2020:** Attended an Editing Workshop to Reform the Current In-Service Special Needs Education (SNE) Diploma Teacher Education Curriculum offered to Kenya Institute of Special Education (KISE)

1.4(v) Peer Review

- ✓ **December 2022:** Received Reviewer Certificate in recognition of the review made for the journal (4 reviews) ISSN No. 2454-6186: International Journal of Research and Innovation in Social Science (IJRISS).

1.5 ADMINISTRATION AND RESPONSIBILITIES

1.5.1. Recognized University Administrative Positions

1.5.1. (v) Examination Coordinator at the School and Department

- ✓ **23rd August, 2023 to date:** School of Education and Lifelong Learning Examinations' Coordinator
- ✓ **28th September, 2021:** Renewal of Appointment as Departmental Examinations Coordinator.
- ✓ **25th October, 2019:** Appointed Examinations Coordinator, department of Early Childhood and Special Needs Education.

1.5.1. (viii) Membership of University Committee

- ✓ **1st August, 2025:** Appointed member of a Committee on Water Sustainability at Kenyatta University.
- ✓ **14th May, 2025:** Invited for a Training on Competency-Based Education as a CBE Nominee.
- ✓ **13th May, 2025:** Nominated to represent the Department at the Capacity Building Training on CBE

1.5.1. (ix) Membership of a School Committee

- ✓ **9th September, 2025:** Attended the School of Education and Lifelong Learning Quality Management Meeting on Preparation for SGS (K) Audit Meeting held at the School's Boardroom 432.
- ✓ **4th September, 2025:** Invited to attend a meeting for the School of Education Quality Team Members.
- ✓ **2nd October, 2024:** Attended a meeting for Session Chairs, Rapporteur and Technical Team for the School of Education and Lifelong Learning 10th International Annual Conference held at the International Languages & Culture Centre
- ✓ **13th September, 2024:** Attended the School of Education and Lifelong Learning Quality Management Meeting on Preparation for SGS (K) Audit Meeting held at the School's Boardroom 432.
- ✓ **6th September, 2024:** Attended the School of Education and Lifelong Learning Quality Management Meeting to prepare for the audit scheduled between 9th – 13th September, 2024 held at the School's Boardroom 432.
- ✓ **17th May, 2024:** Attended a virtual meeting for the School Programme Development Committee to finalize on reviewed Bachelor of programmes, including those course outlines with section 3.10 Design Plan.

- ✓ **2nd May, 2024:** Participated in a School of Education of Education and Lifelong Learning Board of Examiners meeting held at the Schools' Boardroom 432.
- ✓ **9th October, 2023:** Appointed a member of the School Programme Development Committee.
- ✓ **16th March, 2023:** Appointed a member of the School of Education CBC Committee
- ✓ **10th March, 2023:** Appointed as a Member of the School of Education and Lifelong Learning Marks Verification Committee
- ✓ **7th February, 2023:** Appointed to the School of Education and Lifelong Learning World Teachers' Day Committee
- ✓ **21st February 2022:** Appointed to review a Paper for Publication entitled: "Assessment of Communal Conflict and Challenges of Peace Building Education in Democratic Nigeria".
- ✓ Appointed to the School of Education and Lifelong Learning Research Committee.

1.5.1. (ix) Membership of a Departmental Committee

- ✓ **22nd July, 2025:** Appointed to a Departmental Committee to Develop Guidelines for Practicum Assessment and Teaching Practice for Braille and Sign Language.
- ✓ **6th April, 2021:** Appointed to the Departmental ISO and Strategic Plan Committee.

1.5.2. Other responsibilities in the University

Staff Mentor:

- ✓ **25th January, 2022:** Appointed as a Staff Mentor for 2021/2022 and 2022/2023 Academic Years.
- ✓ **13th November, 2017:** Appointed as a Staff Mentor for 2017/2018 and 2018/2019 Academic Years.

Student Mentor:

- ✓ **16th September, 2025:** Appointed to be a mentor at the Regional Leadership Center East Africa Trevor Noah Foundation Education Changemakers Cohort 2 Mentorship.

Academic Advisor:

- ✓ **28th April, 2025:** Participated in a training for Online Teaching Practicum II Assessment held at the BSSC Room 14.
- ✓ **26th January, 2021:** Attended Induction of University Supervisors in preparation to student supervision.
- ✓ **20th January, 2016:** Appointed as Third Year Student Advisor.

Internal Examiner:

- ✓ **7th April, 2025:** Appointed Internal Examiner for Jane Purity Warui's E55/0L/24621/2011, M.Ed Project Entitled: "School Features Influencing Use of Competency-Based Assessment in Pre-Primary Schools in Nyeri County, Kenya.
- ✓ **25th February, 2025:** Appointed as an Examiner for remarking ESN 420: Research Methods in Special Needs Education – Makeni N. Daniel – E41S/17030/2013
- ✓ **2nd October, 2024:** Participated as an internal examiner in a Ph.D Defence for Miriam Kinyua held virtually.
- ✓ **2nd August, 2024:** Appointed Internal Examiner for Mr. Kinyua Miriam's Ph.D Thesis ,PHD/064/2024, Entitled: "Comprehension Intervention Strategies as Correlates of English Reading Performance Among Grade Four Learners with Dyslexia in Nairobi and Kiambu Counties, Kenya".
- ✓ **13th February, 2024:** Appointed Internal Examiner for Mr. Mwambia John Muriira's M.ED Thesis, Entitled "Identification as Predictor of Educational Achievement of Learners with Behaviour Disorders in Public Primary Schools in Meru County, Kenya".
- ✓ **18th December, 2023:** Appointed Internal Examiner for Mr. Chaba Mark Onyango's M.ED Thesis, Entitled "Educational Assessment Influence a Predictor of Academic Performance among Learners with Visual Impairment in Selected, Nairobi County, Kenya".
- ✓ **27th October, 2023:** Appointed Internal Examiner for Njiru Christine Muthoni's M.ED Project Entitled, "Teacher Competency as a Determinant of Mathematics Achievement among Class Six Learners with Dyscalculia in Mbeere South Sub County, Kenya".
- ✓ **7th June, 2023:** Appointed Internal Examiner for M.ED Project Entitled, "Teacher Competency as a Determinant of Mathematics Achievement among Class Six Learners with Dyscalculia in Embu County, Kenya".

- ✓ **5th April, 2023:** Appointed Internal Examiner for Silomelo Nelima Beatrice's M.ED Project Entitled "Challenges Faced by Adolescents with Emotional and Behavioural Disorders in Accessing Transition Services at Kakamega Rehabilitation Centre, Kakamega County, Kenya.
- ✓ **7th March, 2023:** Appointed Internal Examiner for Mary Akoth Shikuku's M.ED Project Entitled "Influence of Instructional Media on Acquisition of Numeracy Skills Among Pre-Primary School Children in Nairobi City County, Kenya:
- ✓ **8th February, 2023:** Appointed Internal Examiner for MASTERS/P/063/2023 Project Entitled "Challenges Faced by Adolescents with Emotional and Behavioural Disorders in Accessing Transition Services at Kakamega Rehabilitation Centre, Kakamega County, Kenya.
- ✓ **2nd February, 2023:** Appointed Internal Examiner for MASTERS/P/046/2023 Project Entitled "Utilization of Instructional Media and Acquisition of Numeracy Skills among Pre-Primary School Children in Nairobi City County, Kenya.
- ✓ **30th March, 2022:** Appointed Internal Examiner for Ms. Nteziryayo Jean Pierre's M.ED Thesis Entitled "Analysis of Education Assessment Services for Students with Special Needs in HVP Gatagara Schools- Rwanda"

Appointment to Acting Positions

- ✓ **3rd – 6th June, 2025:** Ag. Director, Directorate of Disability Services.
- ✓ **17th July, 2020:** Ag. Chairperson, Department of Early Childhood and Special Needs Education.

Examinations Coordinator, Undergraduate Programmes

- ✓ **4th March, 2021:** Appointed Departmental Examinations Coordinator, Undergraduate Programmes.

Departmental Attachment Coordinator- SNE

- ✓ **15th February, 2019:** Appointed as Departmental Attachment Coordinator Special Needs Education

1.6 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS

1.6. (i) Attracting Research and Development Funding

- ✓ **11th August, 2025:** Member of a School Curriculum Committee that developed a Postgraduate Certificate in International Baccalaureate (IB) Programme at Kenyatta University, targeting to generate funding to Kenyatta University.

1.6 (ii) Community Service and Outreach

- ✓ **2025:** Participated at a Plenary Session 2 and Q & A Panel at the Joint Citam Challengers Ministry Workers Retreat
- ✓ **19th September, 2021:** Commissioned as one of Pioneer Members of Catholic Women Association (CWA) at the Christ the Teacher Chaplaincy, Kenyatta University
- ✓ **29th June, 2019:** Participated in the 2019 Cerebral Palsy Charity Walk
- ✓ **2nd March, 2019:** Participated in a clean-up Kamukunji Kibera Slums conducted by UCESCO in Partnership with SCHOFCO

1.6 (ii) Member of School Board

- ✓ **20th May, 2022:** Appointed Member of the Board of Management, Lambwe Special Secondary School for the Hearing Impaired.
- ✓ **18th May, 2022:** Appointed Member of the Board of Management, Oindi Mixed Secondary School

1.6. (iv) Recognition, Awards and Honours

- ✓ **30th June, 2025:** Appreciation for participation in the Workshop to Develop the 2 Vocational Level Curriculum Designs for Learners with Special Needs
- ✓ **March, 2025:** Recognition of the Publication of the Paper Entitled “Mechanisms through which Lordotic Posture affects Learners with Cerebral Palsy’s Speech Production Ability in Nairobi City County, Kenya. Journal of Popular Education in Africa, 9(3), 5-21
- ✓ **3rd Sep, 2019:** Appreciation for Participating in May-August, 2019 Teaching Practicum exercise.

- ✓ **26th July, 2019:** Congratulation note for being awarded the degree of Doctor of Philosophy of Kenyatta University during the 46th Graduation Ceremony
- ✓ **18th March, 2019:** Received an appreciation for performing well during the departmental '*interactive research methods forum*'.
- ✓ **April, 2019:** Recognition of the publication of the paper entitled "Inclusive Education for Persons with Disabilities in Context of Social Change and Development in Kenya – A Case of Kenyatta University.
- ✓ **September, 2018:** Recognition of the publication of the paper entitled " Play Activities for Enhancing Social Interactions of Children with Autism Spectrum Disorders in Public Primary Schools in Migori County-Kenya

Scholarship Award

- ✓ **August 2010- August 2012:** Ford Foundation International Fellow for Post-Graduate work towards a Master's Degree in Special Education at the University of Texas, Austin, United States.

1.6. (v) Guest Speaker/Motivational Speaker:

- ✓ **5th September, 2025:** Nominated Speaker to represent the School of Education and Lifelong Learning during a visit to Kenyatta University by Muna, St Joseph's-Githunguri, Calim and Mwingi High Schools at a function held at the Kenyatta University Amphitheatre.
- ✓ **30th March, 2022:** Guest Speaker on Autism – what is autism, diagnosis and treatment, during a pre-shoot show aired on Kenyatta University TV.
- ✓ **26th January, 2021:** Invited to address University Supervisors during Teaching Practice induction exercise

1.6. (v) Initiating and or Leading Research Project

- ✓ **23rd May, 2025:** Applied for a grant for proposal titled "Gendered Impact of Teaching Life Skills on Learning Outcomes among students in secondary schools in Homa Bay County, Kenya.
- ✓ **17th October, 2024:** Submitted a grant proposal to the RSTMH 2024 Early Career Grants Programme.
- ✓ **22nd February, 2023:** Applied for a grant application titled : Modeling Pathways of Interventions in Responding to Social Causes of Mental Health Outcomes among Children and Adolescents in Rural Areas in Migori County, Kenya
- ✓ **26th January, 2022:** Applied for a grant with the Spencer Foundation for a proposal titled "Mitigating Technology – Mediated Learning Challenges among Learners with

Neurodevelopmental Disorders amidst Covid-19 Pandemic in Primary Schools in Nairobi Slums, Kenya”

- ✓ **17th December, 2020:** Responded to a R2HC Annual Call, 2020, proposal titled “Empowering Persons with Disabilities to Increase Access to Healthcare Services in Kakuma Refugee Camp in Kenya.

ACADEMIC REFEREES

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