

Academic Staff Profile Template

1.1 Personal Profile

1.1.1 Personal Details

Name: Dr Mwangi Gachara
Title/Qualification: B/Ed., UoN; MA, Ph.D, Kenyatta; LLB, UoN (ongoing)
Department: Literature, Linguistics & Foreign Languages
Designation/Position: Director/Lecturer
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General Area:

- Teacher Professional development

Area of Specialization:

- Language Pedagogy
- Metaphor Theory and Research
- Language, Education and Law

Research Interests:

- Teaching Practicum and Mentorship
- Metaphor Theory in Education

Google Scholar:
ORCID ID:



1.1.2 Academic & Professional Qualifications

- B/Ed., (arts), MA (Linguistics), Ph.D (Cognitive Linguistics)

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1.1.3 Employment History

- 2019 – Present: Director, Centre for Teacher Professional development & Excellence
- 2012 – Present, Lecturer, Kenyatta University
- 2009 – 2012 Tutorial Fellow, Kenyatta University
- 2008 – 2009 Lecturer, Saint Mary's University of Minnesota, Nairobi Campus
- 2002 – 2007 Teacher of English, TSC
- 2001 – 2002 Teacher of English and Geography, Saint Paul Seminary, Nyeri

1.1.4 Achievements

- Delivering the April – August 2019 Teaching Practicum of Kenyatta University, the largest in Kenya's History.
- Heading the Exam docket of Centre for Teacher Professional Development & Excellence for 5 years issues free!

1.2 Publications

1.2.1 Refereed Journals

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1.2.2 Books and Books Chapters

- When Facts Lie ISBN
- Metaphors We Marry By (in print)

1.2.3 Conference/Workshops/Seminar Papers

1.2.3.1 Conference Papers

- The Cosmological Metaphor of Life as a Day among the Agĩkũyũ People. Hong Kong, 2018
- The Language of Hate Speech and the Kenyan Deaf Laws – An analysis of selected metaphors of incitement and their (in)admissibility in judicial proceedings. Hong Kong, 2018

- Metaphors of Gĩkũyũ Marriage Negotiations. Cagliari, Sardinia, Italy. 21st – 23rd June, 2016
- Metaphors Used in the Commodification of Kenyan women. Lancaster, UK, 4th – 7th July, 2014

1.2.3.2 Workshops Papers

- The Dynamics of Teacher Training in 21st Century – the Unique Case of Teacher Mentor of Kenyatta University

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1.2.3.3 Seminar Papers

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1.2.5 Student Co-authored Publications

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1.2.4 Other Publications

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1.3 Research

- Metaphors of Hate Speech
- The Language Used in Campaigning Against HIV/AIDs
- Life as A Day, A Gikuyu World View
- An Evaluation of the Teacher Mentor Programme

1.4 Funded Projects

- CODESRIA US \$ 5,000.00
- TWaweza US \$ 2,000.00

1.5 Conferenced/Workshops/Seminars Attended

1.5.1 Conferences Attended

- Lancaster
- Cagliari
- Hong Kong

1.5.1 Workshops Attended

- Teacher Mentor Training
- Association of African Universities, Strathmore University, Nairobi, Kenya 6th – 9th August, 2019.

1.5.1 Seminars Attended

- Machakos Curriculum Review

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1.6 Supervision of Postgraduate Students

1.6.1 Masters

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1.6.2 Ph. D

- Muindi Mary
- Chuchu Githara
- Kimwele
Langat
Otieno
Gemme
Wabwire
Kago

1.7 Professional/Consultancy (Editor/Peer review in journals, Networks/Collaborations, External Examiner, Patents)

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1.8 Community Service and Other Engagements

- CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF MANAGEMENT, QUEEN OF ROSARY SECONDARY SCHOOL

- DEPUTY CHAIRMAN, GATHERA SECONDARY SCHOOL

1.9 Affiliation of Professional Bodies

- MEMBER, INTERNATIONAL COGNITIVE LINGUISTICS ASSOCIATION (ICLA)

- MEMBER, RESEARCHING AND APPLYING METAPHOR (RaAM)

2.0 National and International awards and Recognitions

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2.1 Administrative Positions Held

2.1.1 Recognized university administrative positions

- 2019 – PRESENT: DIRECTOR, Centre for Teacher Professional Development & Excellence

- 2018 – 2019: Exams Coordinator, Centre for Teacher Professional Development & Excellence

- 2014 – 2018: Exams Coordinator, Centre for Teaching Practicum & Mentorship

- 2008 – 2009 Head of English and Literature Department, Saint Mary's University of

Minnesota, Nairobi Campus

2.1.2 Other administrative positions Held

- 2019 – Present: Board Member, Dadaab Centre

- 2013 – Present: Board Member, Kenyatta University Press