

CURRICULUM VITAE (RESUME)

1.0 PERSONAL INFORMATION

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2.0 QUALIFICATIONS

2.1 Academic Qualifications

- 2007: Ph.D. Degree in History and Political studies, Kenyatta University.
- 2000: Master of Arts Degree (History), Kenyatta University.
- 1996: Bachelor of Arts (B.A) Degree, Kenyatta University.
- 1990: Bungoma Boys High School- K. C. S. E Secondary Certificate.
- 1986 Lumboka Primary School, Bungoma- K. C. P.E Certificate.

2.2 Professional Courses

- 2013: Completed a Certificate course on Teaching Methodology administered by the Centre of Teaching Excellence and Evaluation at Kenyatta University.
- 2013: Completed an Advanced Research Certificate on Issues Peace, Security and Reconstruction in the Great Lakes, CODESRIA, Dakar Senegal.
- 2008: Certificate in Project Cycle Management (PCM), Heinrich Boll Foundation and GS Consultants, Nairobi.
- 2002: Certificate in the Study of Gender Issues, CODESRIA, Dakar.
- 2002: Certificate in Cultural Studies at the Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta India.

2.3 Other Courses

- 2000: Certificate in the Study of African Governance Issues, CODESRIA, Dakar
- 2000: Completed an Advanced Study and Research course in the African Humanities, Northwestern University, Evanston USA.
- 1999: Certificate in Computer Applications, Kenyatta University

3.0 EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

- March 2006- To Date: Lecturer, Department of History, Archeology and Political Studies, Kenyatta University, Nairobi.
- 2006-To Date: Served at varied times as Part-Time Lecturer, external examiner and Adjunct Professor at the Kenya Military Academy (Lanet, Nakuru), United States International University (USIU), Catholic University of Eastern Africa (CUEA), Mount Kenya University (Thika) and Chuka University College.
- November 2001-2006: Tutorial Fellow, Department of History, Archeology and Political Studies, Kenyatta University, Nairobi.
- July 2000-2001: Graduate Assistant, Department of History, Archeology and Political Studies, Kenyatta University, Nairobi.

- December 1997: Employed as Presiding Officer in Western Kenya by the Electoral Commission of Kenya
- June To August 1994: High School Teacher, (History, Literature and Kiswahili) at Mateka Secondary School, Bungoma.

4.0 ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITY

4.1 At Kenyatta University

- 2012 to Present: Member of the Editorial Board CHEMCHEMI International Journal of Arts and Social Sciences, Kenyatta University.
- 2011: Appointed Acting Chairman, Department of History, Archeology and Political Studies
- June 2010 to Present: Member of New Generation Research Team of Kenyatta University.
- January 2009- Present: Coordinator, Departmental Staff and Student Seminars and Conferences
- June 2009 –Present: Co-Convener, Kenyatta University Gender Roundtable Research Seminars
- January 2007 to Date: Departmental Student Advisor for ALL 2nd Year B.A and B.Ed Undergraduate students.
- November 2007 to Present: Chairman, Departmental Welfare Committee
- April 2007 to Date: Patron, Kenyatta University Bumula Constituency students Association.
- January 2006 to present: Co-ordinator, Kenyatta University-IRD (France) Research Cooperation
- October 2006 to October 2008: Departmental Examination Coordinator.

4.2 At Other Institutions

- 2013: External Examiner, Mount Kenya University
- January 2011 to present: Board Member, St Joseph Lumboka Memorial High School, Bungoma County.

- January 2003 to 2006: Reviewer of Secondary School History and Government Books for the Oxford University Press (E.A)
- January 2002 to 2004: Elected as the Assistant Secretary of the Kenya American Studies Association (KAMESA)

5.0 FELLOWSHIPS

- July 2013: Recipient and Fellow of the CODESRIA, Great Lakes Initiative and Advanced Research on Issues of Peace, Security and Reconstruction in the Great Lakes Region.
- 2012 (March to June): Fellow, Global South Scholar in Residence at the Graduate Institute of International and Development studies, Geneva, Switzerland.
- 2011: Fellow and member of the Multi-disciplinary Partner team on poverty, Resource accessibility and spatial mobility in East Africa (MPRAM). The grant was awarded by IRD.
- 2008: Resource member of the methodological training in social sciences and humanities in East Africa organized at Kenyatta University and Arusha. The programme was supported by the IRD and the French Embassy.
- 2005: Fellow of the Global South Programme organized by CODESRIA, CLACSO and APISA between 5th Nov. 5th Nov in Havana Cuba.
- December 2002: Fellow, of the CODESRIA GENERAL ASSEMBLY, the Nile Hotel, Kampala Uganda.
- January 2002: Fellow, of the Sephis South-South Programme at the Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta, India
- June To August 2000: Fellow of the CODESRIA GOVERNANCE INSTITUTE, Dakar Senegal. .
- January to June 2000: Fellow of the CODESRIA African Humanities Institute Programs at the University of Ghana-Legon and Northwestern University USA.
- August to October 1999: Member of the Ford Foundation Sponsored Research Team in Ethnicity, Civil Society and Community Relations in a Democratizing Kenya.

6.0 POSTGRADUATE SUPERVISION

6.1 PhD Supervision

6.1.1 EXAMINED AND COMPLETED

- Barasa Maurice Wekesa, Cultural Change and Continuity: A Historical Reflection on Music and Dnce Among the Bukusu of Bungoma county, circa 1990-2012”

6.1.2 ONGOING

- Bonface O. Mouti, ‘The Role and Capacity of Regional Integration in Conflict Mitigation: The Case of the East African Community, 2011-2014’. (Work still at the Research Stage)

6.2 Masters Supervision

6.2.1 COMPLETED

- Paul Njoroge Muiru, Thesis Title: ‘The Socio-Economic Impact of Ethnic Violence in Molo Division, 1969-2008’(Graduated in 2012)
- Kilonzo Phillip Ondere, Thesis Title: ‘The Role of Non State Actors in the Transformation of Urban Livelihoods, 1963-2003’ (Graduated in July 2013)
- Omwansa W. Nyarango, Thesis Title: ‘An Aesthetic Analysis of the Abagusii Male Initiation Ritual Drama: Okwarooka’ (Graduated in 2012)
- Rodrigue Rwirahira, Thesis Title: ‘The Construction of Heroism and Patriotism in selected Rwandese Insigamigani Texts’ (Graduated in 2012).
- Amos Kundu Nandasaba, Thesis Title: The Role of Electorates’ Culture and Culltural Identities in Parliamentary Elections: The Case of Webuye Constituency” (Graduated in July 2013)
- Githinji Catherine Wairimu, Thesis title: ‘The Evolution of Cooperative Societies in Nyandarua North District of Kenya 1965-2000” (Graduated in December 2014)

6.2.2 ONGOING

- Kosygin Aberi, Thesis Title: “Culture and Crossborder Conflicts between the Maasai and Kuria of Western Kenya, 1920-1962” (work submitted for examination in June 2013)

- Nyakundi, Enock, “ A History of Asians in Kisii” (Work has been submitted to the external examiners)
- Hellen Monyenye, “ A History of Inter-ethnic Relations between the Kisii and Kipsigis” (Work is ready for Submission).
- Banda Godfrey “ The Impact of ICFEM on Bukusu Circumssion in Kimilili” (Work is almost ready for submission)
- Mukami Lillian “History of Cross Border trade on the Kenya-Uganda Border” (Draft copy is being revised).
- Epuu Elim Joseph “ History of Inter-ethnic relations between the Turkana and Toposa” (Draft copy is under review)

7.0 CONFERENCES/SEMINARS/WORKSHOPS

7.1 Participation in Workshop/Conferences

- September 24-25, 2014 International workshop on Petroleum, nationalism and geopolitical issues, Paris France.
- August 2014, Participated in the curriculum Review of the History., Archeology and political Studies Courses at KUCC, Nairobi.
- 15th-18th July 2013, Participated in Training Workshop for KU staff on Teaching Methodologies Conducted by the Centre for Teaching excellence and Evaluation, Business Centre, KU.
- November 2008, Participated in the National Conference on Gender in Kenya at the Nairobi Safari Club, Lillian Towers.
- July 2008, Participated in workshop on Leisure in Subsaharan Africa: Colonial and Postcolonial Transformations organized by the BIEA, in Naivasha, Kenya.

7.2 Presentation of papers at Academic and Professional Conferences

- June 19-21, 2014- Conference on Refugees and IDPs in KU. I presented the paper titled “Borders, conflicts and the refugee question in the Great Lakes Region: Historical and contemporary perspectives”.
- September 8-11, 2010 Attended an international workshop at the University of Basel, Switzerland on ‘Cross Border Trade in Africa’, I presented a paper titled “Magendo, Economic Ingenuity and the Paradoxes of Inter-state Relations on the Kenya-Uganda Border, 1966-1980”
- May 21-22, 2010, Attended an international workshop at the Centre of African Studies (CEMAf) Paris on ‘African Independences and Boundaries, I presented a

paper titled “Independence and Border Community Relations: Reflections on the Kenya Uganda Case, 1962-1972”

- September 10-12, 2009, Attended a conference organized by Aborne, on ‘How is Africa Transforming Border Studies’, at the University of Witwatersrand in Johannesburg, SA and presented a paper titled “old Issues and New Challenges: The Migingo Island Controversy and the Kenya-Uganda Borderland”.
- October 28, 2007, Attended a workshop organized by the French Institute for Research in Africa (IFRA) in Arusha, Tanzania and presented a paper on ‘Sources’.
- September 2006, Attended and presented a paper at an International Workshop on ‘Divided they Stand’ at the Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, Halle Saale Germany

7.3 Convening and Coordinating Conferences

- Feb- March, 2015, Co-convened a young research team in the Department to write two research proposals in response to international Calls.
- June 19-21, 2014- Part of the team that convened the conference on Refugees and IDPs in KU.
- December 15th 2012, Convened a regional Methodological Training Workshop on Qualitative and Quantitative Research techniques in KU.
- 2011 to Date: As the departmental staff/ Seminar coordinator I have successfully organized and coordinated more than 10 student and staff seminars in the Department since my appointment.
- September 2007 to Date, I have been a co-convenor of the Gender Roundtable Seminars (GRS), as part of the cooperation between Heinrich Boll Foundation (HBF) and the Department of History, Archeology and Political Studies, KU.

8.0 RESEARCH AND PUBLICATIONS

8.1 Articles in Refereed Journals

- Peter Wafula Wekesa (2015): IEBC and Kenya’s 2013 elections: Reform, conform or temporary ceasefire? In Kimani Njogu and P Wekesa eds “Kenya’s 2013 Elections: Perspectives for Democratic Practice (Forthcoming)
- Peter Wafula Wekesa (2014): “Land Resource, Livelihoods and ethnic Mobilization: A Comparative Study of two East African Locations” CODESRIA (forthcoming)
- Peter Wafula Wekesa, Pius Kakai and Felix Kiruthu (2014): "Politics in Post Colonial Zimbabwe: From Optimism to Disillusionment", in Maurice Amutabi

and Shadrack Nasong'o (EDS), *Regime Change and Succession Politics in Africa: Five Decades of Misrule*.

- Peter Wafula Wekesa (2013): 'Border resources, conflicts and regional integration in East Africa' in African Journal of Regional Integration (Forthcoming).
- Peter Wafula Wekesa (2010): 'Old Issues and New Challenges: The Migingo Island Controversy and the Kenya-Uganda Borderland' in Journal of Eastern African Studies Vol 4 Number 2. Oxford: Routledge.
- Peter Wafula Wekesa (2008): 'Representing African Music: Postcolonial Notes, Queries', A review in Africa Development Vol. XXX111 No. 1, 2008.
- Peter Wafula Wekesa (2007): 'Mahewa: Negotiating Youth Identity through Rap Music in Kenya', in Jahazi, Nairobi: Twaweza.
- Peter Wafula Wekesa (2006): "Challenges of Music Education in Kenya" in Chemichemi Journal of the School of Humanities and Social Sciences, Kenyatta University
- Peter Wafula Wekesa (2004): 'The Politics of Marginal Forms: Popular Music, Cultural Identity and Political Opposition in Kenya', in Africa Development Vol XXIX No. 4..
- Peter Wafula Wekesa (2004): Review article of Dharam Ghai's book, Renewing Social and Economic Progress in Africa, in the Spring 2004 issue of Journal of Third World Studies (JTWS).
- Peter Wafula Wekesa (2002): Review Article of Post-colonialism and the Politics of Kenya by Pal Ahluwalia, 1996 in East African Social Science Research Journal, volume xvii No. 1, OSSREA
- Peter Wafula Wekesa (2001): "Creating Political Identity through Music: Bukusu Music as an Agent of Political Expression in Kenya's Multiparty Era, 1990- 1997" in Atuti A. (ed.)Independent Review Journal 2001 Vol. 2 No. 1 May

8.2 Articles in Conference Proceedings

- Peter Wafula Wekesa (2010) 'Cultural Flows and the new forms of Sociability in Nairobi' Nairobi Cultural Library, Nairobi: Goethe Institute Proceedings
- Peter Wafula Wekesa (2008): 'Globalization and the New Pan East Africanism: exploring Borderland research and theoretical issues in the Study of Regional Integration', Occasional Paper series No 1 ISBN: 978-987-1183-88-3. Asdi: Apisa, Clacso, codesria conference Proceedings, Havana Cuba.

- Peter Wafula Wekesa (2005): ‘Brothers in the Wilderness: The Dilemmas of Dual Citizenship and the Cross-Border Migrations Between the Bukusu of Western Kenya and the Bakisu of Eastern Uganda, 1990-1997’, in Zegeye ed. Migration and Citizenship in Africa. Dakar: Codesria
- Peter Wafula Wekesa (2003): “Bridging the Gap: Music and the AIDS Campaign in Kenya since 1990” in Music Therapy International (MTI) MONOGRAPH Series.
- Peter Wafula Wekesa (2001): “Music and the Electoral Process in Kenya” for The International Association for the Study of Popular Music (IASPM) Conference held in Turku Finland, Published in Karki K., Leydon R. and Terho H. (eds), 2002, Looking Back, Looking Ahead: Popular Music Studies 20 Years Later, (pp.497-505) IASPM Turku.

8.3 Books

- Peter Wafula Wekesa and Kimani Njogu (eds) 2015 Kenya’s 2013 Elections: Perspectives for Democratic Practice (Forthcoming)
- Peter Wafula Wekesa (2010), Politics and Nationalism in Colonial Kenya, London: Lambert Publishing

8.4 Chapters in Books

- Peter Wafula Wekesa (2013): ‘Constitutionalizing gender rights and the politics of inclusion in Kenya since 1963’, in Mansah Prah ed, Insights into Gender Equity, Equality and Power Relations in Sub- Saharan Africa, OSSREA.
- Peter Wafula Wekesa (2010): ‘Magendo and Survivalism: Babukusu-Bagisu relations and Economic Ingenuity on the Kenya- Uganda Border’ in D. Feyissa and M. Hohne eds Borders and Borderlands as Resources in the Horn of Africa, London: James Curry.
- Peter Wafula Wekesa (2010): ‘Negotiating Kenyanness: The Debates’ in M. Mbugua and G, Gona (eds) (Re)membering Kenya: Identity, Culture and Freedom, Nairobi: Twaweza communications.
- Peter Wafula Wekesa (2008): ‘Historical Memory and Border Community Relations in East Africa: Quests and Research Directions’ In Speitkamp W. eds History and Memory Gottingen: V& R Press.

9.0 NETWORKING AND COLLABORATION WITH EXTERNAL ORGANIZATION

- Jan 2015, Member of the CODESRIA Multinational Working Group on Land Grabs in Africa.
- July 2013, Member of the CODESRIA, Great Lakes Initiative and Advanced

Research on Issues of Peace, Security and Reconstruction in the Great Lakes Region.

- 2012 (March to June): Member and Fellow, Global South Scholar in Residence at the Graduate Institute of International and Development studies, Geneva, Switzerland.
- 2011: Member of the Multi-disciplinary Partner team on poverty, resource accessibility and spatial mobility in East Africa (MPRAM). The team brings together researchers from Kenyatta University, Makerere and IRD (France).
- 2008 Member of the methodological training in social sciences and humanities in East Africa organized at Kenyatta University and Arusha. The programme was supported by the IRD and the French Embassy.
- November 2008: A member of the Kenyatta University, HELB and KENET partnership project tasked with developing Instructional design materials for the MARSABIT PROJECT.
- 2005: Fellow and collaborator on the Global South Programme organized by CODESRIA, CLACSO and APISA between 5th Nov. 5th Nov in Havana Cuba.
- 2002 Fellow and Member of the Sephis South-South Programme at the Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta, India

10.0 EXTERNAL AND INTERNAL GRANTS

- 2012 (March to June): Won a Fellowship Grant from the Global South Scholar in Residence Programme at the Graduate Institute of International and Development studies, Geneva, Switzerland.
- 2012: Member of the KU MPRAM team that received Euro 1,300 from the French Embassy to run a regional Methodological workshop in the department of History Department
- 2011: KU member on the regional Multi-disciplinary Partner team on poverty, resource accessibility and spatial mobility in East Africa (MPRAM). The grant of Euro 58,820 was awarded to the team for a period of 3 years by IRD.
- 2007: Member of Collaborative team between Heinrich Boll foundation and Department of History that won a Grant of Euro 3,000 to run the Gender Round table Seminars
- 2006 Resource member of the methodological training in social sciences and humanities in East Africa organized at Kenyatta University and Arusha. The programme received a grant from IRD and the French Embassy.

- 2002-2007: Received Grants for my PhD Study on : History of Community Relations Across the Kenya-Uganda Border from DAAD, SEPHIS Netherlands and KU.

11.0 LOCAL, REGIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL APPOINTMENTS

11.1 External Examiner in other Universities

- 2013: External Examiner in the Institute of Security Studies, Justice and Ethics in the School of Social Sciences, Mount Kenya University.

11.2 Appointment to Boards

- January 2011 to present: Appointed Board Member, St Joseph Lumboka Memorial High School, Bungoma County.

12.0 AWARDS/ RECOGNITION

13.0 COMMUNITY OUTREACH

- Member of St Joseph’s Catholic Church at Kahawa Sukari. I belong to St Benedict Jumuia Community that has been assisting Children Homes. In June 2012 we aided Lumboka children’s home in Bungoma County.
- Member of Engo Development Foundation, a Nairobi based Bungoma Group that supports needy children among other groups. Among other efforts, we in 2012 supported the Kanduyi Children’s Home.
- I have been annually supporting the “We Can Bidii Welfare Association” which helps the needy bright students in Mulango Kubwa Nairobi. In December 2010 we sponsored two students to College.
- Member of OKUO, Operation Kenyatta University Outreach, a link between KU and the neighboring Community

14.0 ACADEMIC LEADERSHIP

- Have successfully developed the following Modules and materials for use by our students
 - 2012: History Module title: International Relations, Introductory Notes on the Philosophies and Theories . Submitted to: Department of History and Political Studies, Kenyatta University.
 - 2007: History Module title: World Economic Systems Submitted to: Institute of Open Learning, Kenyatta University

➤ 2006: History Module title: Themes in African History
Submitted to: Institute of Open Learning, Kenyatta University

- November 2008: A member of the Kenyatta University, HELB and KENET project tasked with developing Instructional design materials for the MARSABIT PROJECT

15.3 Membership to Professional Organizations

- 2009 To Date: African Borderland Research Network (ABORNE)
- 1998 To Date: Council for the Development of Social Science Research in Africa (CODESRIA)
- 2000 To Date: Kenya American Studies Association (KAMESA)
- 2000 To Date: Organization for Social Science Research in Eastern Africa (OSSREA)
- 2002 To Date: Music Therapy International (MTI)
- 2002 to Date: Kenya DAAD Scholars Association
- 2003 to Date: British Institute of Eastern Africa (BIEA)
- 2005 : Kenyatta University, Institute of Research & Development (IRD) France Cooperation.

16.0 REFEREES

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