

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Nationality: Kenyan
Languages: English, Kiswahili, Luhya and Dholuo
Religion: Christianity (Catholic)

ACADEMIC BACKGROUND

Ph.D (2015) **Moi University, Eldoret ,Kenya.**
Major: Religion and social change,- modern nation state, the public sphere and secularism, Islamic bias.

2015 (English) **“The Secular State Premise and the Kadhi Court Debate During Kenya’s Constitutional Review Moment”** D.Phil. Thesis. Moi University, Eldoret.

M. Phil. 2001: **Moi University, Eldoret, Kenya.**

Major: Religion and social change, – morality and secularism, Islamic bias.

2001(English) **“The Influence of Modernization on the Morality of the Muslim Youth in Mumias Town,”** M.Phil. Thesis. Moi University, Eldoret.

B.Ed (Arts) 1995: **Kenyatta University, Nairobi, Kenya**
Education, Religion and Geography.

KCSE 1989: **St Peters Mumias Boys High School - Mumias, Kenya**

KCPE 1985: **Mwiyala Primary School, Kakamega, Kenya.**

WORK EXPERIENCE

Sept. 1995 **Teacher: Teachers' Service Commission, Kenya.**

Dec. 1995: June 1995 - January 1995: Upper Hill School, Nairobi.
 ▪ January 1996 – September 2009: Kakamega High School, Kakamega.
 ▪ Taught Geography, Religion and Games and sports.

2001 to 2009: Part-time lecturer Moi and Masinde Muliro Universities.

September, 2009: Deputy Principal: Mwiwala High School, Kakamega.

Sept, 2009 - March 2010: Assistant lecturer Narok University College (now Maasai Mara University).

March, 2010 - Dec. 2013: Assistant Lecturer, Social Science Education department, Masinde Muliro university of science and technology (MMUST).

Responsibilities

- Teaching, research and community outreach
- Assisting in designing and organizing courses; evaluating student performance; evaluating and revising courses as needed; and assisting in new course development.

2013- 2018: **Lecturer, Social Science Education department, Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology (MMUST).**

- Assisting in designing and organizing courses; evaluating student performance; evaluating and revising courses as needed; and assisting in new course development.
- Coordinating religion division of social science education department.
- January - March 2016, Ag. COD Social Science Education department, MMUST.
- April 2016 – present, COD Social Science Education department, MMUST.

2015 to Present: **Senior lecturer, Social Science Education (SSE) Dept. MMUST.**

2015 to 2022: **Chair of Department, Social Science Education (SSE) Dept. MMUST.**

PUBLICATIONS: Articles

1. J. OsogoAmbani and OhiengAhaya, June 2015(English) **“The Wretched African Traditionalist in Kenya; The Challenges and Prospects of Customary Law in the New Constitutional Era”**(*Strathmore Law Journal* Vol. 1 Issue No. 1, pp.41-58)
2. N. Rop and OchiengAhaya, March 2015(English) **“African Traditional Religion A Substructure for Sustainable Development in Africa: A Kenyan Perspective”** (*International Journal of Humanities and Social Sciences* Vol. 2 Issue No. 3, online)

3. OchiengAhaya, August 2016 (English) **“Islam and Terrorism: The Blurring Boundary Between ‘This’ and the ‘other’ world”**(*Strathmore Law Journal* Vol. 2, Issue No.1, pp. 1-20)
4. OchiengAhaya, 2016 (English) **“The Kadhi Court Debate and the Secular State Concept in Kenya: A Revisit of the Constitutional Moment.”**(*Kabarak Journal of Law and Ethics* vol.2, PP.43-60), ISBN 9966-53-059-2.
5. Shipimilu C.I and Ahaya L. O October 2017 (English), **“The Unforgiving Society: A Disconnect With The Enhanced Rehabilitative And Corrective Mandates Of Prisons In Kenya,”***IOSR Journal Of Humanities And Social Science (IOSR-JHSS) Volume 22, Issue 10, Ver. 10 (October. 2017) PP 70-79 e-ISSN: 2279-0837, p-ISSN: 2279-0845. www.iosrjournals.org DOI: 10.9790/0837-2210107079 www.iosrjournals.org 70 | Page*
6. Atamba C. and Ahaya O.L March, 2017 (English), **“The Church at Crossroads in The Mitigation Towards Sex Workers in Kenya,”***Kenya Journal Of Educational Planning, Economics & Management* Volume 11, Issue 1 pp.1-14 ISSN NO. 2074 - 5400
7. OchiengAhaya and Risper Wepukhulu December 2017 (English), **“Taboo and Secular Education: The Engagement Towards Environmental Conservation in Africa,”***African Journal of Education and Social Science* Volume 2, pp89-103 ISSN:2415-0770
8. Ochieng Lukes Ahaya and Georgine Anyango Onyango 2018 (English), **“Terrorism In Kenya Since 1990s: A Historical Lens Perspective,”***IOSR Journal Of Humanities And Social Science (IOSR-JHSS) Volume 23, Issue 9, Ver. 3 (September. 2018) 76-86 e-ISSN: 2279-0837, p-ISSN: 2279-0845. www.iosrjournals.org*
9. Amunga N. C and Ahaya O.L 2018 (English), **“Society, Patriarchy and Church in the Subjugation of Women in Worship: The case of Trousers in Kenya”***International Journal of Education and Social Sciences (IJRESS)*, ISSN:2617-4804 1 (1) 14-18, (August 2018).
10. Dinah Nakhungu Wekesa and Ochieng Lukes Ahaya, 2020 (English), **“Christianity and Widowhood Rites in Africa: An Audit of The Effects of Ababukusu Indigenous Culture on Widows in The Context of Friends Church in Western Kenya,”***International Journal of Academic Research in Business and Social Sciences*, Vol. 10, No. 10, (October, 2020), E-ISSN: 2222-6990

PUBLICATIONS: Books

1. Ahaya O.L. (2011) (English) ***Muslim Morality and A Changing World: Modernization and its Influence on the Muslim Youth in Mumias- Western Kenya.***(Saarbrücken Lambert Academic Publishing) ISBN10:3847305743
2. Ahaya O.L. (2016), ***The Evolutionary Origin of Islam and Modernity: State Secularism Revisited,***(Utafiti Foundation Research Centre, Eldoret). ISBN: 978-9966-26-093-2.
3. Lilian m.o. Were and Ochieng Lukes Ahaya, 2017 (English), ***Wife Inheritance in Abamarachi Culture: The Challenges of integration in the Catholic Church,*** Eldoret, Utafiti Foundation. ISBN:978-9966-26-113-7
4. Ahaya O.L. (2018) (English) ***Research Methods in Religion and Social Sciences: A Module For Beginners,*** Eldoret, Utafiti Foundation. ISBN: 978-9966-26-164-9.
5. Ahaya O, Ater E, Barasa D, Mandillah L, and Anyonje L. Eds, (2020), ***Indigenous African Justice System: Enhancing Access to Justice to Redress impunity in Kenya,*** Eldoret, Utafiti Foundation, ISBN: 978-9966-26-233-2.

WORKS IN PROGRESS

- Legal and Policy Instruments Related to Migrants' Access to Health Care Services and Treatment In EAST AFRICA – A Policy paper for International Organization for Migration(IOM)
- Understanding Influences to Mental Health among over 70 year olds in Kenya using Life Course Theory – Research In order to tackle the rising burden of mental health in older adults in Kenya – An intersectional research focusing on the older population.

Affiliations

1. Institute for Human Development, Aga Khan University, Nairobi, Kenya
2. Social Science Education Department, MMUST, Kakamega, Kenya

THESES -SUPERVISION M.PHIL

1. **2014/15 Beatrice VugutsaLukalo, M.A Degree, Thesis Title: “ An Investigation into the Intergration of Christian and Abatirichi Death Rituals.”**
2. **2015/16 Jared Makori, M.A Degree, Thesis Title: “The catholic Church Mitigation Efforts on Gender Based Violence Against Women Among the Abisukha Community in Kakamega county.”**
3. **2015/2016 Lilian Were,M.A Degree, Thesis Title: “The Catholic Church Influence on Wife Inheritance Among the Abamarachi of Western Kenya.”**
4. **2015/16 Emmanuel Chumbe, M.A Degree, Thesis Title: “A Critical Examination of the Pastoral Management of Single-mothers by Choice in Magombe Parish of Busia County, Western Kenya.”**
5. **2016/2017 WakoliVifuoli, M.A Degree, Thesis Title:“The Secular Sacred Conflict in the Bukusu Catholic Attitude Towards the Use of Assisted Reproductive Technology in Bungoma Diocese, Kenya.”**
6. **2017/2018 AmungaCarolynne,M.A Degree, and Thesis Title: “The Gender Dimension To Dressing: Societal Attitudes and Trousers Adornment for Women in the Full Gospel Church of Mumias in Western Kenya.”**
7. **2018/2019 Shipimilu Collins,M.A Degree, Thesis Title: “Christianity and Transformation of Adult CriminalBehaviour in Kakamega Main and Women Prisons.”**

8. 2018/2019 AtambaCarolynne, M.A Degree, Thesis Title: “The Influence of the Church on Commercial Sex Work in Kakamega Town in kakamega.”

9. 2018/2019 Ann NekesaWepukhulu, M.A Degree, Thesis Title: “ Modernization on Traditional Circumcision Rite Among Bukusu of Bungoma County, Kenya.”

10. 2018/2019 Phyllis NekesaWanyembi, M.A Degree, Thesis Title: “Influence of The Teachings of the Friends (Quakers) Church on Bukusu Traditional Funeral Rites in Bungoma County, Kenya.

11. 2020/2021 DinnahNakhunguWekesa, M.A Degree, Thesis Title: “The Ababukusu Traditional Widowhood Rites and Effects on Widows in the Context of Friends Church Christianity.”(awaiting graduation)

THESIS EXAMINATION

1. 2014/15 Matisi Margaret, M.A Degree, Thesis title: “Historical and Theological Articulation of Selected Teachings of Repentance and Holiness Kings Outreach Church.”.

2. 2018/19AmugunePHD Degree, Thesis title: “Influence of Religious Organizations on the Implementation of Curriculum Within the Policy Framework of Sponsorship of Public Secondary Schools in Kenya.”

3. 2018/19 Matisi Margaret,PHD Degree Thesis title: “Conflict and Unity on Growth and Development of Pentecostal Churches: A Case of Pentecostal Evangelical Fellowship of Africa (PEFA) Church in Bungoma County, Kenya.”

4. 2019/20 Wekesi Rodgers Mukimba,PHD Degree, Thesis title: “Male Circumscicion and Social Capital Among the Bukusu People of Bungoma County: A Cultural Autopsy in the Kenyan Context.”

5. 2019/20 Achoki Gladys Nyaboke, M.A thesis title: “*Emergence of Abagusi Diaspora in Kenya’s South Rift, 1895 – 2007: Opportunities and Challenges.*”

6. 2019/20 BradleyBarasaNamunyu,MA thesis entitled: “Historical Analysis of the Land Question in Bukusu- Sabaot Inter-Ethnic Conflict in Mt Elgon Area Since 1850,”

7. 2020/2021 Candidate (PhD/012/2021) of Laikipia University, PHD thesis title: “Socio-Economic Role of Catholic Women Association on Women Empowerment: A Case of Catholic Diocese of Nyahururu, Kenya.”

8. 2021/2022 Kamande Purity Wambui (HPS/G/01-58300/2016) M. Sc. Thesis title: “Nutritional Knowledge Practice and Status of Elite Rugby Players in Kenya.”

SEMINARS, WORKSHOPS AND CONFERENCES ATTENDED

- Training with Pedal Online Technology for transformative Pedagogy Course from 4th February 2021 to 7th March 2021
- Organizer during MMUST School of Arts and Social Science (SASS) writing workshop held at MMUST ON 5th March 2021
- Facilitator during MMUST School of Arts and Social Science (SASS) writing workshop held at MMUST ON 5th March 2021
- Participated and presented two papers during the first Pan African International Research Congress (PAIRC) on knowledge generation and dissemination hosted by MMUST BETWEEN 18th and 21st of June 2018 with the theme; “Harnessing research output for sustainable development.”
- Organizer during the World Conference on Transformative Education (WCTE) hosted at MMUST from 26th to 28th of July 2018
- Training on Strategic Leadership and Management of Higher Education Institutions by MMUST School of Business and Economics (SOBE) at MMUST from 26th to 28th of March 2018
- Attended the Christian and Scientific Association of Kenya(CSAK) national delegates conference 2016 *Theme: Fostering Dialogue between Faith and Science in the African Context*at Safari Park Hotel, Nairobi, Kenya from 8th - 9th September, 2016.
- Attended information security management system seminar on 23/4/2018
- Attended ISO 9001:2008 Continual Improvement Training Course between 29th and 30th August 2016 at Bishop Nicholas Stam Centre – Kakamega
- Participated in the Training on Strategic Leadership and Management of Higher Education Institutions between 26th and 28th March 2018
- Participated in grant proposal writing workshop organized by MMUST in Eldoret between 26th and 27th November 2016
- Participated in the Christian and Scientific Association of Kenya(CSAK) regional conference held between 29-30 August, 2018 at Sweet Lake resort, Naivasha.
- Participated in the Christian and Scientific Association of Kenya(CSAK) regional conference held between 14th to 16th August, 2019 at Rainbow Resort Hotel, Ruiru.
- E-Learning workshop 21st July 2014 at MMUST
- Curriculum development and Review for Public Universities in Kenya at MMUST on 23rd and 24th 2014
- DAAD Proposal Writing Training Workshop 25th -27th May 2012 at MMUST

- The 8th Annual international conference: Presented a paper on “**Religion and The secular state in Africa.**” 4th-8th July 2013 at Moi University
- The 4th Annual International Conference 28th -30th June 2012 at MMUST
- The 2nd Annual Law Conference at Strathmore University: 4th – 5th August 2015. Presented a paper on “**Religion and Terrorism**”
- The 1st KIBU International Conference 22nd-24th June 2016 at Kibabii University Presented a paper on “**Taboo and Secular Education: The Engagement Towards Environmental Conservation in Africa.**”

ORGANIZATION OF ACADEMIC FORUMS

- Chair of logistics Sub-committee in the preparation of the World Conference of Transformative Education (WCTE).
- Committee member in the preparation of MMUST school practice handbook
- Committee member of the committee preparing the proposal for the establishment of the institute of indigenous knowledge and culture at MMUST.
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OTHER ENGAGEMENTS

- Reviewer of Academic programmes at MMUST from July 2022 to the present
- Nomination as a module reviewer for Kibabii University for BCS 111 “**Introduction to the study of Religion.**”
- Strathmore Law Journal, guest editor for the December special issue of 2015.
- Strathmore Law Journal, blind reviewer for the June issue of 2017.
- Book review, *Ethnicity in Kenya: A Philosophical Perspective*, by Isaiah Kirui Kiplang at © 2017 for Utafiti Publishers.
- Appointment as External Examiner of Religious Studies at Laikipia University from 2018/2019 academic year to the present.

MEMBERSHIP

Member of the Christian and Scientific Association of Kenya (CSAK), membership number KCSA/16/0174. Chair of CSAK, Kakamega Chapter.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

- World Rugby Coach educator
- Delegate Kenya Rugby Union (KRU)
- Volunteer Coach MMUST rugby team
- Regional Rugby Development Officer – Western Kenya Region (KRU)
- National U19 Rugby Coach for 2004
- Member of the Masinde Muliro University Student Organisation (MMUSO) electoral commission - presiding Officer 2014/15 and 2015/16.
- Tournament director for Kenya Universities Sports Association (KUSA) MMUST Chapter 2015.
- Counselor on family and marital issues- Kakamega sub-parish

REFEREES

1. Dr. Rispa Wepukhulu Namasaka
Dean FESS & Senior Lecturer Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies,
Kibabii University College,
2. Dr. Judah Ndiku
Executive Dean, School of Education (SEDU).
Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology (MMUST),