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Short Biography: I am a trained teacher who has taught in high schools and universities in Kenya since 1994. I hold a Bachelor of Education degree from Egerton University (Kiswahili and Geography), Master of Arts (Kiswahili) from Kenyatta University and PhD (Kiswahili) from Chuka University. My greatest interest in teaching is youth mentorship and role modeling. I am also interested in authorship, having published two books and some papers in refereed journals.

Research Interests: Kiswahili Literature especially poetry and oral literature.

Publications in Journals:

- M'Ngaruthi T.K., Mukuthuria, M., & Kobia, J.M., (2015). Portrayal of the Contemporary African Politician in Swahili Poetry. *International Journal of Current Research*, 7, (9), 20287-20289.

- M'Ngaruthi T.K., Mukuthuria, M., & Kobia, J.M., (2015). Kiswahili Poetry and its Role in Preservation of the History of Struggle for Freedom in Africa. *International Journal of Arts and Entrepreneurship*, 4(7), 52-61.
- M'Ngaruthi T.K. (2014). Kiswahili kama Kitambulisho cha Bara la Afrika. *International Journal of Professional Practice. IJPP 2014*, 5(1&2): 7-14.

Presentation of Papers at Academic and Professional Conferences;

- ‘Mabadiliko ya Mwanasiasa wa Afrika kwa Mujibu wa Washairi wa Kiswahili’ at the CHAKAMA International Conference, Mount Kenya University, 16th October, 2015.
- ‘Mwanasiasa wa Afrika Mashariki katika Ushairi wa Kiswahili’ at the International Conference on African Languages and Literatures in the 21st Century, Kenyatta University, 7th August, 2014.
- ‘Kiswahili kama Kitambulisho la Bara la Afrika’ at the Research Institute of Swahili Studies in East Africa (RISSEA), Mombasa, 26th October 2012.
- ‘Nafasi ya Kiswahili katika Uendelezaji wa Utamaduni na Katiba’ At an International Conference organized by Baraza la Wanataluma wa Kiswahili (BAWAKI), at Catholic University of East Africa, 27th April 2011.
- ‘Usawiri wa Wahusika Katika *Dafina Ya Umalenga na Jicho la Ndani*’, at Kenyatta University’s School of Humanities, 17th July 2008.

Books Published:

- M'Ngaruthi T.K. (2012). *Miale Ya Mashariki: Mashairi na Mwongozo wa Uchambuzi*. Ontario: Nsemia Inc. Publishers. ISBN 978-1-926906-25-6
- M'Ngaruthi T.K. (2008). *Fasihi Simulizi na Utamaduni: Kitabu cha Walimu na Wanafunzi (Shule na Vyuo)*. Nairobi: Jomo Kenyatta Foundation. ISBN 9966-22-638-9

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EDUCATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

- 2012-2015 Chuka University – PhD in Kiswahili
- 2005-2008: Kenyatta University – Master of Arts in Kiswahili
- 1990-1994: Egerton University – Bed. Arts (Second class, Upper division)
- 1988-1989: Kanyakine High School – KACE 13 points
- 1984-1987: Chuka High School – KCE Division 1, 20 points
- 1976-1983: Loire Primary School – CPE 28 points

WORK EXPERIENCE

- September 2016 to date: Full time Kiswahili lecturer, University of Embu.
- 2011 - 2016: Full time Kiswahili lecturer, Kenya Methodist University.
- 2008-2010: Part time Kiswahili lecturer, Kenya Methodist University
- 2000-2010: Teacher, Ruiri Girls Sec. School, Meru
- 1996-1999: Teacher, Kanjalu Girls Sec. School, Meru
- 1994-1996: Teacher, Mataara Secondary School, Thika

PUBLICATIONS IN REFEREED JOURNALS

1. Mutegi, D. M., Mugambi, A. & **M'Ngaruthi, T. K.** (2023). Dhima ya Toponemia kama Utambulisho wa Jamii: mfano kutoka Jimbo Dogo la Maara Nchini Kenya. *East African Journal of Swahili Studies*, 6(2), 1-14.<https://doi.org/10.37284/jammk.6.2.1581>.
2. Mwembu, K., Mugambi, A. & **M'Ngaruthi, T. K.** (2022). Uhusiano wa Kifahiwa katika Leksia za Kîtharaka: Mtazamo wa Leksika Pragmatiki. *East African Journal of Swahili Studies*, 5(1), 341-352. <https://doi.org/10.37284/jammk.5.1.859>.

3. Mwembu, K., Mugambi, A. & **M'Ngaruthi, T. K. (2022).** Ubadili Maana katika Leksia za Kiitharaka: Mtazamo wa Kifonolojia na Kimofolojia. *East African Journal of Swahili Studies*, 5(1), 353-362. <https://doi.org/10.37284/eajss.5.1.860>.
4. Mutegi, D.M, Mugambi, A. & **M'Ngaruthi, T.K. (2022).** Ubainishaji wa Vigezo vya Utoaji wa Toponemia katika Jamii: Mfano kutoka Jimbo Dogo la Maara nchini Kenya. *East African Scholars Journal of Education, Humanities and Literature*. Volume-5 | Issue-9 | September- 2022 | DOI: 10.36349/easjehl.2022.v05i09.002
5. Mutegi, D.M, Mugambi, A. & **M'Ngaruthi, T.K. (2022).** Upambanuzi wa Miundo ya Toponemia katika Jamii: Mfano kutoka Jimbo Dogo la Maara nchini Kenya. *East African Scholars Journal of Education, Humanities and Literature* Volume-5 | Issue-10 | Oct- 2022. ISSN: ISSN: 2617-443X (Print) & ISSN: 2617-7250 (Online). DOI: 10.36349/easjehl.2022.v05i10.001
6. Karimi, J., **M'Ngaruthi, T.K.** & Mugambi, A. (2021). Visababishi vya Uhusiano wa Kimahaba na Mimba za Utotoni kwa Mujibu wa Waandishi wa Hadithi Fupi Teule za Kiswahili. *East African Scholars Journal of Education, Humanities and Literature* Volume 4, Issue 10. ISSN: 2617-443X (Print) & ISSN: 2617-7250 (Online) DOI: 10.36349/easjehl.2021.v04i10.001
7. **M'Ngaruthi T.K. (2021).** Mchango wa Lugha za Kiasili katika Uafikiaji wa Maendeleo Endelevu. *East African Scholars Journal of Education, Humanities and Literature* Vol 4, Issue 6. ISSN: 2617-443X (Print) & ISSN: 2617-7250 (Online) DOI: 10.36349/easjehl.2021.v04i06.002
8. **M'Ngaruthi T.K. (2019).** Dhima ya Kiswahili katika Uimarishaji wa Utamaduni na Mazingira kwa Mujibu wa Katiba ya Kenya. *East African Scholars Journal of Education, Humanities and Literature* Vol 2, Issue 9. ISSN 2617-443X (Print) | ISSN 2617-7250 (Online). DOI: 10.36349/EASJEHL.2019.v02i09.006
9. **M'Ngaruthi T.K. (2019).** Umbuji wa Wahusika katika Ushairi wa Kiswahili: Mifano Kutoka kwa Diwani ya *Jicho la Ndani* (S.A. Mohamed, 2002). *East African Scholars Journal of Education, Humanities and Literature* Volume 2, Issue 6
10. **M'Ngaruthi T.K.,** Mukuthuria, M., & Kobia, J.M., (2015). Portrayal of the Contemporary African Politician in Swahili Poetry. *International Journal of Current Research*, 7, (9), 20287-20289.
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12. **M'Ngaruthi T.K.** (2014). Kiswahili kama Kitambulisho cha Bara la Afrika. *International Journal of Professional Practice. IJPP 2014, 5(1&2): 7-14.*

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CHAPTERS PUBLISHED IN SCHOLARLY BOOKS

1. **M'Ngaruthi, T.K. (2019).** Kiswahili na Uenezi wa Biashara katika Muktadha wa Utandawazi. In Walibora, K.W., Kipacha, A.H., & Simala, K.I. Kiswahili, *Utangamano na Maendeleo Endelevu Afrika Mashariki* (pp. 240-249). Zanzibar: Kamisheni ya Kiswahili ya Afrika Mashariki (KAKAMA). ISBN 978-9976-5-1653-1.
2. **M'Ngaruthi, T.K. (2019).** Vijana na Mshikamano wa Kitaifa: Mchango wa Hadithi Fupi ya Kiswahili. In Kobia, J., Kandagor, M., & Muita, L.C. (Eds.). *Lugha na Fasihi katika Mshikamano wa Kitaifa na Uwiano Barani Afrika* (pp. 175-182). Eldoret: Moi University Press. ISBN 978-9966-133-55-7.
3. **M'Ngaruthi, T. K. & Mukuthuria, M. (2018).** Mabadiliko ya Mwanasiasa wa Afrika kwa Mujibu wa Ushairi wa Kiswahili. Katika Kandagor, M. & Mukuthuria, M. (Eds.). *Fasihi ya Kiswahili: Utafiti na Maendeleo yake*. Dar es Salaam: TUKI. ISBN: 978 9976 5058 8 7.

EDITED WORKS

1. EU Kenya, NP Njiruh, C Gitonga, M Muturi, **TM Kinoti**, Z Njagi (2020). **Proceedings from the first Annual International Conference on Decolonizing Education**, University of Embu.
2. Various publications of the *Flashlight Magazine*, the official publication of University of Embu as the editor.

PRESENTATIONS IN ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES

1. ‘Utekelezaji wa Mtaala wa Umilisi na Utendaji na Mustakabali wa Kiswahili nchini Kenya’ at the Chama cha Kiswahili cha Taifa (CHAKITA) International Conference, Kabarnet, 25th-26th November, **2021**.
2. ‘A strength-based perspective of how Kenyan families are coping and surviving the COVID-19 pandemic’ at the *Virtual International discussion on Strong Families around the World: Surviving the Pandemic*. Organized by Center for Public Mental Health (CPMH) Universitas Gadjah Mada. Yogyakarta, Indonesia. Co-presented with Njue, J; Kathuri-Ogola, L; Kabaria-Muriithi, J; Ogola, M; T; Olumbe, R; Oswago, R; Mwaniki, L. M., Gitonga, C.; Mbirianjau, L. and Nkuru, F., 15th-17th July, **2021**.
3. ‘Tamthilia ya Kiswahili na Uhifadhi wa Mazingira: Kwa Nini Ukame Bado Ungalipo?’ at the Chama cha Kiswahili cha Afrika Mashariki (CHAKAMA) International Conference, Maasai Mara University, Narok 7th-8th November, **2019**.
4. ‘Nafasi ya Lugha za Kiasili katika Uafikiaji wa Maendeleo Endelevu Barani Afrika ’ at the Chama cha Kiswahili cha Taifa (CHAKITA) International Conference, Karatina University, Nyeri 8th-9th August, **2019**.
5. ‘Vijana na Mshikamano wa Kitaifa: Mchango wa Hadithi Fupi ya Kiswahili’ at the Chama cha Kiswahili cha Taifa (CHAKITA) International Conference, Moi University, Eldoret 8th-10th August, **2018**.
6. ‘Education at crossroads: will Kiswahili and other African languages emancipate it? At the 1st Decolonizing Education Conference, University of Embu 6th -8th June, **2018**.
7. ‘Dhima ya Kiswahili katika Kuendeleza Biashara ya Kisasa’ at the 1st East African Kiswahili Commission International Conference, Zanzibar 7th-9th September, **2017**.
8. ‘Mabadiliko ya Mwanasiasa wa Afrika kwa Mujibu wa Washairi wa Kiswahili’ at the CHAKAMA International Conference, Mount Kenya University, 16th October, **2015**.
9. ‘Mwanasiasa wa Afrika Mashariki katika Ushairi wa Kiswahili’ at the International Conference on African Languages and Literatures in the 21st Century, Kenyatta University, 7th August, **2014**.
10. ‘Kiswahili kama Kitambulisho la Bara la Afrika’ at the Research Institute of Swahili Studies in East Africa (RISSEA), Mombasa, 26th October, **2012**.
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12. ‘Usawiri wa Wahusika Katika Dafina Ya Umalenga na Jicho la Ndani’, at Kenyatta University’s School of Humanities, 17th July, **2008**.

RESEARCH GRANTS

- Awarded research grant by the National Commission for Science, Technology and Innovation (NACOSTI), 2012/2013 for PhD research proposal titled ‘Mwanasiasa wa Afrika Mashariki katika Ushairi wa Kiswahili’ (The Portrayal of the East African Politician in Kiswahili Poetry).

AWARDS

- Best Non-Student Actor – Kenya National Drama and Film Festivals (Film Category), 2019 for starring as *Professor Mambo* in the University of Embu film titled *Scars and Consequences*.

PhD SUPERVISION

1. Kimathi Mwembu Ngumah, AD12/35379/18 – **Ubadili Maana katika Leksia za Kîtharaka: Mkabala wa Leksika Pragmatiki.** Tharaka University – Graduated in December, 2022.
2. Mutegi David Micheni, AD12/35732/18 –**Toponemia kama Utambulisho wa Jamii: Mfano kutoka kwa Jimbo Dogo la Maara Nchini Kenya.** Tharaka University – Graduated in December, 2022.
3. Burundi Rosemary Njeri, AD12/35377/18 – **Mbinu za Usawiri wa Wahusika na Uhushika katika Tenzi Teule za Kiswahili.** Tharaka University – Thesis ongoing.
4. Nthuku Purity Karegi, EDU-4-0163-1/2014 – **Factors Influencing Education Management on Participation for Learners with Hearing Impairments in Special Public Primary Schools in Meru and Isiolo County – Kenya.** Kenya Methodist University –Thesis ongoing.

MASTERS SUPERVISION

1. Joyce Karimi, AM12/29221/17 – **Suala la Mimba za Utotoni katika Hadithi Fupi Teule za Kiswahili**, Chuka University – Graduated in December, 2021.
2. Caroline Muthini Mutuku, E556/1369/2020 – **Uchanganuzi wa Mtindo katika Muziki wa Benga wa Jamii ya Wakamba: Mkabala wa Umtindo**, University of Embu – Ongoing.
3. Caroline Kathure Kamuru, E556/1454/2020 – **Balagha katika Hotuba za Wagombea Wakuu wa Urais kwenye Makongamano ya Wajumbe nchini Kenya, Mwaka wa 2022**, University of Embu – Ongoing.
4. Elizabeth Wanjiru Waithaka, E556/1455/2020 – **Usawiri wa Unyanyasaji wa Wanaume katika Hadithi Fupi Teule za Kiswahili**, University of Embu – Ongoing.

THESIS INTERNALLY EXAMINED

1. Mutwiri Fred John, ‘Muundo wa Sentensi ya Kiigembe: Mtazamo wa Eksibaa’ Chuka University, 2019
2. Kithinji Joshua, ‘An Assessment of Factors Affecting Transition of Pupils from Public Primary Schools to Public Secondary Schools in Buuri Sub-County, Meru County, Kenya’, Kenya Methodist University, 2016.
3. Njagi Queensbeth, ‘Challenges Faced in Educational Provision of Mentally Challenged Learners in Primary Schools: A Case of Maara Sub-County, Tharaka Nithi County, Kenya’, Kenya Methodist University, 2016.
4. Mbwiria Wilson Gitobu, ‘Factors Influencing Students’ Performance in Geography in KCSE: A Case of Igembe South Sub-County’, Kenya Methodist University, 2015.
5. Muthungu David Ngari, ‘Challenges Facing Headteachers in Addressing Indiscipline in Secondary Schools in Nyeri Sub-County,’ Kenya Methodist University, 2015.
6. Kaberia Hellen Machoki, ‘Strategies used to counter Challenges faced by the Hearing Impaired Learners in Public Primary Schools in Laare Division’, Kenya Methodist University, 2014.
7. Mutia Susan Kangai, Factors Influencing Students’ Choice of Day Secondary Schools: A Case of Igembe North District, Meru County’, Kenya Methodist University, 2014.
8. Murungi Florence Gatwiri, A Study of Factors Influencing Effective Implementation of Free Day Secondary Education in Maara District, Tharaka-Nithi County, Kenya Methodist University, 2014.

RESPONSIBILITIES HELD AT KENYA METHODIST UNIVERSITY

- May 2015-August 2016: Chairman, Education Department.
- 2015: Chairman, Programs and Collaborations Committee
- 2014 - 2016: Member, Teaching Practice Committee.
- 2013 - 2015: Coordinator, Education Department Staff Welfare
- 2013 - 2016: Member, of KEMU SACCO Management Board and Credit Committee
- 2013: Chairman, KEMU SACCO strategic plan (2014-2018) Development Sub-Committee
- 2013: Chairman, Committee for development of bridging courses
- 2012: Chairman, Committee for review of Kiswahili Diploma and Degree curriculum
- 2012 - 2015: Chairman, Common University Examinations (Kiswahili panel).
- 2012 - 2014: Course Advisor (Pre-University Program)

RESPONSIBILITIES HELD AT UNIVERSITY OF EMBU

- Hostel Warden, Students Affairs Department
- Chairman, University Cultural Festival Organizing Committee
- Chairman, University Policies Editorial Committee
- Chairman, Research Findings Dissemination Committee (SESS)
- Editor, *Flashlight Magazine* (The official University Magazine)
- Member, SESS Postgraduate Board
- Member, International Mother Language Day Planning Committee
- Member, University Anthem Development Committee
- Member, University Graduation Committee
- Member, Chaplaincy Committee
- Patron, Chama cha Kiswahili cha Chuo Kikuu cha Embu
- QMS ISO Auditor

INVOLVEMENT IN CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT

- 2023: Contracted by the Kenya Institute of Curriculum Development (KICD) to write and edit Indigenous Languages Pupils’ Book and Teachers’ Guide for Grade 1 (Kiimenti).
- 2022: Fasihi ya Kiswahili Panelist for Kenya Institute of Curriculum Development (KICD), Diploma in Secondary Teacher Education, Competence Based Curriculum Design.
- 2022: Fasihi ya Kiswahili Panelist for Kenya Institute of Curriculum Development (KICD), Senior Secondary School, Competence Based Curriculum (Scope and Sequence Charts).

LEADERSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES OUTSIDE THE UNIVERSITY

- 2015 – 2022: Chairman, Board of Management, Rwarera Secondary School, Meru.
- 2015 – To date: Member, Board of Management, Kanthungu Primary School, Meru.
- 2011-2013: Member, Board of Elders, Full Gospel Churches of Kenya, Meru Town Church
- 2010: Chairman, Ruiri Girls Staff Welfare Association.
- 2007-2010: Member, Parents and Teachers Association (PTA), Ruiri Girls Sec. School.
- 2007- 2009: Chairman, Kenya Students Christian Fellowship (KSCF), Mutindwa Area.
- 2007- 2009: Vice-chairman, KSCF Eastern Region
- 2006-2013: Chairman, Men Fellowship, Meru Town Full Gospel Church

MEMBERSHIP TO PROFESSIONAL BODIES

- 2016 – To date: Member, Chama cha Kiswahili cha Taifa (CHAKITA)
- 2015 – To date: Member, Chama cha Kiswahili cha Afrika Mashariki (CHAKAMA).

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