



CURRICULUM VITAE

A. PERSONAL DETAILS

IDENTIFICATION

NAME: (Surname First) AKARANGA STEPHEN IFEDHA

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B. WORKING EXPERIENCE

UNIVERSITY OF NAIROBI

15.8.2014 to date **Associate Professor of Religion**, Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, College of Humanities and Social Sciences.

23.1.2001 to: 14.8.2014 **Senior Lecturer**, Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, College of Humanities and Social Sciences.

23.1.1992 to 22.1.2001: **Lecturer**, Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, College of Education and External Studies.

23.5.1990 - 22.1.1992 **Assistant Lecturer**, Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, College of Education and External Studies.

3.10.1988 - 22.5.1990 **Tutorial Fellow**, Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, College of Education and External Studies.

C. AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

1. Phenomenology of Religion
2. Research Methodology in Religions Studies

D. POST GRADUATE SUPERVISION

(1) ONGOING DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY THESES

- Maina John Mwangi, “Factors of church growth in African Independent Pentecostal Church of Africa: Nyadarua County”: PhD in Religious Studies, University of Nairobi.
- Kasyula Damaris Nzilani, “A theological reflection on the challenges in marriage and family life among the Akamba community in Kenya”: PhD in Religious Studies, University of Nairobi.
- Onsarigo Clare Mwangi, “Influence of organizational monitoring and evaluation practices on the performance of micro credit institution: A Case of Mwalimu National Sacco”, PhD in Project Planning and Management, University of Nairobi.
- Karicha Jona Mbaabu, “Historical development and the teachings of the deliverance church In Meru County”, PhD in Religious Studies, University of Nairobi.

(2) DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY THESIS SUPERVISED AFTER PROMOTION TO ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR

- Nyahela Caxton Masaba (2015), “The Influence of Luyia Traditional Religion on Christianity: With Special reference to African Israel Church Nineveh, Vihiga County, Kenya”, PhD in Religious Studies, University of Nairobi.

(3) DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY THESES SUPERVISED BEFORE PROMOTION TO ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR

- Moywaywa Charles Kinanga (2013) Hindu-Christian Relations in Post-independent Kenya: A Case Study of Nairobi”, PhD in Religious Studies, University of Nairobi.
- Atieno Kili K’Odhiambo (2013), “A Phenomenological investigation into the efficacy of University entry examinations in Kenya: The lived Experiences of prospective Teachers”, PhD in Philosophy of Education, University of Nairobi.

(4) ONGOING MASTER OF ARTS PROJECTS

- Muraguri Simon Kirima, (2016), “Challenges facing distribution channel management in Awali Tumaini Investment Oil Marketing Companies in Kenya”, Master of Arts Project Planning and Management, University of Nairobi.

(5) MASTER OF ARTS PROJECTS SUPERVISED AFTER PROMOTION TO ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR

- Mogusu Eunice Kemuma (2016), “Factors influencing the implementation of the free maternal Healthcare Programme: A case of Pumwani Maternity Hospital in Kenya”, Master of Arts Project Planning and Management, University of Nairobi.
- Hafsa Ali Ibrahim (2016), “Factors affecting the practice of family planning among Muslims: A case study of Majengo, Nairobi- Kenya”, Master of Arts Project, in Religious Studies, University of Nairobi.
- Irene Nekesa Opicho (2015), “Effect of male circumcision on sexual behaviour of Luo men in relation to the spread of HIV and AIDS: A case of Maranda sub county in Kenya”, Master of Arts in Project Planning and Management, University of Nairobi.
- Linda Wanja Nyaga (2015), “Determinants of employee performance in donor funded projects: A case of University of Nairobi, college of health sciences for the period between 2009 2014”, Master of Arts in Project Planning and Management, University of Nairobi.
- Ochieng Justine Aila (2014), “The impact of Seventh day Adventist Church’s pastoral ministry on women’s life: A case study of Suba sub-county, Homabay county in Kenya”, Master of Arts Project in Religious Studies, University of Nairobi.

- Ochieng George Oyombra (2014), “The impact of prison reforms on inmates rights to Health: A Case of Kamiti Maximum Prison”, Master of Arts Project, in Human Rights, University of Nairobi.
- Opiyo Washington Sati, (2014), “Children’s Rights to Education: A Case of Children with disabilities in Nairobi County”, Master of Arts Project, in Human Rights, University of Nairobi.
- Ng’ang’a Kenneth (2014), “The World Vision and its impact on Social and Religious Development: A Case Study of Dagoretti Sub-county”, Master of Arts Project, in Religious Studies, University of Nairobi.

(6) MASTER OF ARTS PROJECTS SUPERVISED BEFORE PROMOTION TO ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR

- Munyiri Julius Kiama (2013), “The Challenges of implementing Economic Stimulus Projects in Kitui County in Kenya”, Master of Arts in Project Planning and Management, University of Nairobi.
- Kinyua Damaris Nzilani (2012), “The Role of Church in addressing Child abuse and Neglect: A case of Catholic Diocese of Kitui”, Master of Arts Project in Religious Studies, University of Nairobi.
- Kirima Phyllis Nyambura, (2012), “Gender relations: An Examination of the impact of some Modes of women liberation to African Christian Families in Kagio Town in Kirinyaga County”, Master of Arts Project in Religious Studies, University of Nairobi.
- Kamundia Evanson Mwangi (2012), “The role of Anglican Church of Kenya in ministering to contemporary African Single mothers: A case of Embakasi Archdeaconry in the Diocese of Nairobi”, Master of Arts Project in Religious Studies, University of Nairobi.
- Swaleh Kadara Harith (2012), “ Mosques and Social Change: The Case of Malindi, Kenya,” Master of Arts Project in Religious Studies, University of Nairobi.
- Gikonyo Naomi Wairimu (2005), “The Effect of Learners’ Support Services on the Performance of Distance Learners of the Presbyterian Theological University College in Kenya”, Master of Education Project, in Educational Administration and Planning, University of Nairobi.
- Josephine Wambui Mbabu (2005), “The role of guidance and counseling in prevention of abortion amongst Kenyan public university Students: A Case Study of Kikuyu campus”, Master of Education Project, in Educational Administration and Planning, University of Nairobi.
- Maina Emily Wanjiku (2005), “Factors Affecting Free Primary Education in Kenya: A case study of Kasarani Division in Nairobi District”, Master of Education Project in Educational Administration and Planning, University of Nairobi.
- Angeline Sabina Mulwa (2004), “Factors influencing pupils’ academic performance in KCPE Examination in Mutonguni division in Kitui District”, Master of Education project in Educational Administration and Planning, University of Nairobi.
- Simiyu Patrick Cheben (2002), “Students’ Performance in CRE in KCSE and Attitudes towards CRE in Lelan division of West Pokot in Kenya”, Master of Education Project, in Educational Administration and Planning, University of Nairobi.

E. TEACHING EXPERIENCE

TEACHER TRAINING COLLEGE

- March, 1988 - September. 1988: Graduate teacher, Machakos Teachers College Machakos : Taught Kiswahili and Christian Religious Education to first and second year pre-service students.
- August, 1984 - November. 1984: Graduate teacher, Shanzu Teachers College Mombasa: Taught Christian Religious Education to first and second year pre-service students

SECONDARY SCHOOL

12.1.1987 - Mar., 1988: Graduate Teacher, Ruiru High School.

May, 1984 - Aug., 1984: Untrained Graduate Teacher, Friends School-Kigama.

Jan, 1983 - Feb., 1983: Untrained Graduate Teacher, Lukhuna Secondary School

Oct, 1973 - Feb., 1974: Untrained Teacher, Narati Secondary School.

PRIMARY SCHOOL

May, 1978 - Sept., 1980: P1 Trained Teacher, Tongaren D.E.B. Primary School.

Feb, 1974 - May, 1975: Untrained Teacher, Tongaren D.E.B. Primary School.

F. OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

Christian Religious Education Examiner–Paper 2, Kenya National Examinations Council,
from 1991 to 2008.

Undergraduate Teaching Practice Supervision from 1990 to date.

G. RESPONSIBILITIES HELD

2015 to date - External Examiner, Machakos University College

2014 to date - External Examiner, Kenyatta University, Department of Philosophy and Religious
Studies.

2011 to date – Chairman, Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, University of Nairobi.

2002 to August 2005 – Chairman, Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies,
Faculty of Social Sciences, College of Education and External Studies, University of Nairobi.

H. PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

Siriba Teachers College: May, 1976 - Apr. 1978.

Certificate Awarded: Certificate of Teacher Education, P1, 1978

The British Overseas Examinations Institute

Certificate Awarded: 1976, Bookkeeping and Accounts-Stage two - pass,
16th April, 1976.

Kenya Utalii College: May 1975-Apr. 1976

Certificate Awarded: Basic Level Certificate in Food and Beverage, 15th April, 1976.

I. EDUCATION

(1) POST- GRADUATE

UNIVERSITY OF NAIROBI

Reg. No. and Years: C82/8111/89; May, 1990 - Dec. 1997.

Degree and Conferment Date: Doctor of Philosophy-in Religious Studies; 1.12.1997.

Thesis Title: " A Study of Logooli Moral Values with particular reference to Taboos, Oaths and
Curses".

Degree and Conferment Date: Master of Arts in Religious Studies: 4.12.1987.

Thesis Title: "Birth and Initiation into Adulthood in Relation to Baptism and Confirmation among the Ahalogooli of Kenya".

(2) UNDERGRADUATE

UNIVERSITY OF NAIROBI

Degree and Conferment Date: Bachelor of Arts, Second Class Honours (Upper Division) 7.12.1984.

Areas of Study: Religious Studies, Kiswahili and Geography.

(3) SECONDARY SCHOOL

Trans Nzoia Secondary School, KITALE, East African Certificate of Education (EACE), 1972.
Kenya Junior Secondary Examination (KJSE), 1970.

(4) PRIMARY SCHOOL

Narati R.C. School: 1965- 1968 EXAM TAKEN: Certificate of Primary Education, CPE -1968
Waterbeck R.C. School: 1964- 1965
Big Tree Primary School: 1962-1964
Athina Primary School: 1960-1962

J. EXAMINATIONS TAKEN PRIVATELY

East African Advanced Certificate of Education: EAACE: 1979

Subjects taken

1. General Paper
2. Economics
3. Geography
4. Kiswahili

East African Advanced Certificate of Education: EAACE: 1975

Subjects taken

1. Divinity
2. Economics

K. JOURNAL ARTICLES

(1) ARTICLES PUBLISHED AFTER PROMOTION TO ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR

- Akaranga S.I. & Makau B.K. (2016). "The Hermeneutics of Education Management Information Systems for Kitinga Primary School in Mwingi Central – Kenya", *Journal of Education and Practice*, Vol.7 (35), (36-40).
- Akaranga S.I. & Makau B.K. (2016). "Ethical considerations and their applications to Research: A case of the University of Nairobi", *Journal of Educational Policy and Entrepreneurial Research*, Vol. 3(12), 1-9.
- Akaranga S.I. & Makau B.K. (2016). "Internet access and security in Kitinga Primary School in Mwingi Central – Kenya", *International Journal of Education and Research*, Vol.4 (11), 1-12.
- Akaranga S.I. & Ongong'a J.J (2016). "The hermeneutics of the phenomenon of dialogue between Christians and Muslims in contemporary Kenya", *International Journal of Humanities and Social Science*, Vol.6 (5), 157-162.
- Akaranga S.I. & Simiyu P.C. (2016). "Influence of selected learners' characteristics on their academic achievement in public secondary schools in Trans Nzoia and West Pokot counties, Kenya ", *Journal of Educational Policy and Entrepreneurial Research*, Vol. 3(2), 67-78.
- Akaranga S.I. & Moywaywa C.K. (2016). "The contemporary challenge of Hindu-Christian relations in Kenya", *Journal of Culture, Philosophy and Religion*, Vol. 16, 26-33.
- Akaranga S.I. and Simiyu P.C. (2015). "Determinants of Secondary school learners' performance in Christian Religious Education in Lelan sub county, Kenya", *Journal of Education and Practice*, Vol. 7(5), 125-130.

- Akaranga S.I. & Moywaywa C.K. (2015). "The Origins and Settlement of Hindus in Nairobi, Kenya", *International Journal of Arts and Commerce*, Vol. 4 (8), 115-121.
- Akaranga S.I. and Constantine M.M. (2015). "Blessed are the rich and prosperous for theirs is the Kingdom of this world", *Journal of Research on Humanities and Social Science*, Vol. 5(14), 138-141.
- Akaranga S.I. & Ongong'a J.J. (2015). "Prosperity Gospel in Kenyan Urban Centres: Come, See, Pay and Receive your Miracles and Healing", *Research on Humanities and Social Science*, Vol. 5(10), 199-208.
- Akaranga S.I. & Ongong'a J. J. (2015). "The Phenomenon of intolerance and its impact on Christian - Muslim relation in Kenya", *Research on Humanities and Social Science*, Vol. 5(8), 122-127.
- Akaranga S.I. & Ongong'a J. J. (2014). "The Suppression of Women by Religion: A Kenyan Example", *Journal of Educational Policy and Entrepreneurial Research*, Vol.1 (4), 48-60.

(2) ARTICLES PUBLISHED BEFORE PROMOTION TO ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR

- Akaranga S.I., Atieno K.K'Odhiambo & Gunga S.O. (2013). "Analysis of Socrates Credo: The Unexamined life is not worth living in relation to learners who fail the Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education (KCSE) Examinations", *International Journal of Humanities and Social Science*, Vol.3 (21), 157-162.
- Akaranga S.I. & Ongong'a J.J. (2013). "The Phenomenon of Examination Malpractice: An Example of Nairobi and Kenyatta Universities", *Journal of Education and Practice*, Vol.4 (18), 87-96.
- Akaranga S.I. & Ongong'a J.J. (2013). "Work Ethics for University Lecturers: An Example of Nairobi and Kenyatta Universities", *International Journal of Arts and Commerce*, Vol.2 (8), 8-22.
- Akaranga S.I. & Ongong'a J.J. (2013). "African Traditional Cultural Conundrums which make Women prone to HIV/AIDS infections: A Case of the Maasai of Kenya", *International Journal of Education and Research*, Vol.1 (8), 153-166.
- Akaranga S.I. & Ongong'a J.J. (2013). "The Dynamics of Religiosity and Spirituality in Kenyan Public Universities", *International Journal of Education and Research*, Vol.1 (6), 63-80.
- Akaranga S.I. & Ongong'a J.J.(2013). "The Phenomenon of Religious Switching among University Students: The Case of Nairobi and Kenyatta Universities, Kenya", *International Journal of Education and Research*, Vol. 1(5), 241-258.
- Akaranga S.I. (2002). "Indigenous Moral Education: Perspectives from Logooli Culture", *The Fountain-Journal of the Faculty of Education*, Vol. 1, 13-24.
- Akaranga, S.I. (1996). "Some Aspects of Indigenous Logooli Moral Values", *Trans African Journal of History*, Vol. 25,146-153, Gideon Were Press: Nairobi.

L. LECTURE MANUALS AND BOOK

- Akaranga, S.I. (2000). *Phenomenology of Religion*, Lecture Series, University of Nairobi, Nairobi.
- Akaranga, S.I. (1993). *Christianity in Africa*, Lecture Series, University of Nairobi, Nairobi.
- Akaranga S.I. (1987). (Revised 1999), *Semi za Kiswahili: Maana na Matumizi*, Oxford University Press, Nairobi.

M. THESES WRITTEN

- Akaranga S.I. (1997). "A Study of Logooli Moral Values with particular reference to Taboos, Oaths and curses"; PhD Unpublished thesis, University of Nairobi, Nairobi.
- Akaranga, S.I. (1987). "Birth and Initiation into Adulthood in relation to Baptism and Confirmation among the AVALOOLI of Kenya", M.A. Unpublished thesis, University of Nairobi.

N. WORKSHOPS ATTENDED

- 31st July -2nd August 2014, Faculty of Arts Chairs of Departments and Heads of committees retreat workshop at Sentrim Elementaita , Elementaita, Kenya.
- 19th -21st June 2014, Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies Syllabus review workshop at

- Kenya Wildlife Service Training Institute, Naivasha, Kenya.
 22nd - 29th Nov. 1998, Teachers' Public Legal Education Workshop organized by COBADES CONSULTANTS at Ahero Pastoral Centre Kisumu, Kenya. Awarded a Certificate in Public Legal Education on 27th. Nov. 1998.
- 26th - 30th July, 1998, Teachers' Public Legal Education Workshop organized by COBADES CONSULTANTS at Ahero Pastoral Centre Kisumu, Kenya.
- 23rd - 29th Apr. 1998, Teachers' Public Legal Education Workshop organized by COBADES CONSULTANTS at Kolping Vocational Training Centre Kilimambogo, Kenya.
- 19th - 24th Aug. 1991, Kenya Certificate of Secondary Examination Examiners Training Course at Moi - Nairobi Girls High School - Nairobi.
- 6th - 20th July. 1991, Writers' workshop at Kenya Institute of Education organized by Department of Education, Faculty of External Studies, University of Nairobi to write materials for the External Degree Programme.
- 16th - 30th June. 1990, Writers' workshop at the Kenya Institute of Education organized by Department of Education, Faculty of External Studies, University of Nairobi to write materials for the External Degree Programme.
- 30th - 31st Jan. 1990, Writers' workshop at the College of Education and External Studies, University of Nairobi to review Christian Religious Education Materials for the in-Service Teacher Education Programme.
- 11th - 25th Nov. 1989, Writers' workshop at the Kenya Institute of Education organized by the Department of Education, Faculty of External Studies, University of Nairobi to write materials for the External Degree Programme.
11. 13th - 27th Jan. 1989, Writers' workshop at the Kenya Institute of Education organized by the Department of Education, Faculty of External Studies, University of Nairobi to write materials for the External Degree Programme.

O. CONFERNCES ATTENDED

30th July to 2nd Aug, 2014 –First International Kisii interdisciplinary Conference-hosted at Kisii University. **Paper presented: The suppression of women by religion: A Kenyan example.**

6th to 9th Dec, 2012- Conference on Roho Christianity: Pentecostalism in a globalized African public space, hosted by **Kenyatta University. Paper presented: Come, see, pay and receive your miracles and healing: New Pentecostalism in Kenyan urban Centres.**

3rd to 4th Dec, 2012-National Ossrea Kenya chapter workshop, hosted at Moi University, Kenya. **Paper presented: Mombasa republican council: A socio-political and economic challenge to Kenyan government development plan.**

1st to 5th August, 2012 –The First Kenyatta University conference on gender based violence-hosted at Kenyatta University Nairobi. **Paper presented: African traditional cultural conundrums which make women prone to HIV/ AIDS infections: A case of the Maasai of Kenya.**

26th-30th June 2012- First interdisciplinary conference- 50 years of academic excellence, hosted at Catholic University, Nairobi.

Papers presented:

***Work ethics for Lecturers: An example of Nairobi and Kenyatta Universities**

***The phenomenon of examination malpractices: An example of Nairobi and Kenyatta Universities.**

24th to 26th April 2012 - Religious mobility in East Africa –The Catholic University of East Africa, Nairobi -Religious Mobility in East Africa, Nairobi.

Papers presented:

- * **The dynamics of religiosity and spirituality in Kenyan public Universities**
- * **The phenomenon of religious switching among University students: The case of Nairobi and Kenyatta Universities, Kenya.**

P. ACADEMIC REFEREES

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Q. DECLARATION

I hereby declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief, that the information given above is correct.



Signature:

Dated: 9th January, 2017

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