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### Career Objective

To train to the highest standards and develop skills and competencies needed to realize and maximize my potential and enhance excellence in all fields of academic, social, spiritual and work performance.

## Motivation Statement

I am a highly motivated and results-oriented person currently working within the University academic sector. I endeavor to provide exemplary services and mentorship to my clients and to my community at large. I am a team player, always ready to learn and improve the current knowledge and skills further. I aim to bring immediate and strategic value in my environment.

#### Profession

Professional training in Nutrition, Food Science, Community Development and Education

### Skills and Competencies

- Teaching
- Qualitative and quantitative methodology
- Presentation of papers at conferences and workshops
- Training of Trainers (TOT)
- Psychosocial support
- Monitoring and evaluation
- Experienced in working among people of diverse educational, cultural, social and economic background

#### **Personal Data**

**Nationality** : Kenyan

**ID NO** : 11472444

Marital Status : Married

**Religious Affiliation**: Christian

Language Proficiency: English, Kiswahili

#### **Professional Development:**

**Sept 2013 to 2020:** PhD. **Food Science and Nutrition**, Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology- Kenya

Project title: Levels of bioactive food components in African Leafy Vegetables cooked by traditional methods used in Kakamega County, Western Kenya

May 2014 to Dec 2017: PhD student contract (African Centre for Technology Studies)- with HORTINLEA project

Project Title: Horticultural Innovations and Learning for Improved Nutrition and Livelihoods in East Africa (HORTINLEA) Sub-Project 7b- Meal Cultures. Project funded by the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research and the German Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation

**5th-11th March 2018: HORTINLEA Summer School-** AICAD/Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology

**Topics covered:** Role and task awareness in training; facilitation techniques and workshop, process-planning-tool, input and workshop; dynamics and difficulties

**15th September-15th December, 2017; Visiting researcher**; Faculty of Agriculture Division of Gender and Globalization, Humboldt University of Berlin

Tasks undertaken: writing publications, thesis and project final report

**10th -17th September 2017: HORTINLEA Summer School**- Leipniz University, Hanover Topics covered: MAXQDA software for qualitative data analysis, teaching and learning workshop, writing lab and individual coaching

**31st August-9th September 2016**: HORTINLEA Summer School-Egerton University, Kenya Topics covered: Grant proposal writing, argumentation and logic, effective writing, research proposal evaluation, working in teams, personal career development, webinar demonstration

**1st March-15th April 2016**: **Visiting researcher**; Faculty of Agriculture-Division of Gender and Globalization, Humboldt University of Berlin

**Tasks undertaken**: Training in qualitative data analysis with special emphasis on use of MAXQDA, transcription of data, publications writing

**8-13th September 2015: HORTINLEA Summer School**-Werbellin, Germany Topics covered: Nagoya Protocol, Scientific writing, QGIS, Ethics in Science, Research Development Framework planner, Presentation Skills, Elevator Pitch organization and operation

**13th April-31st July 2015: Visiting researcher**; Faculty of Agriculture-Division of Gender and Globalization, Humboldt University of Berlin

Tasks undertaken: active participation in classes: sustainable resource management, active participation in workshops, transcription of interviews, introduction to qualitative studies, organization and participation in the 'Food and Culture' event

**June 2015**: featured in movie, "Revival for the fittest" to promote production and consumption of African indigenous vegetables in Kenya. https://www.facebook.com/Hortinlea-Diversifying-food-systems1589917507916535/vid https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n\_W1GOlmKpY.

September 4th-12th 2014: HORTINLEA Summer School- Kenyatta University, Kenya.

**Topics covered:** Experimental design for natural sciences, research design for social sciences, individual PhD research plans, traditional African vegetables, value chain analysis, statistics for social and natural sciences

#### **Work Experience:**

### February 2021 to date: Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology Lecturer, Department of Nutritional Sciences Duties and Responsibilities:

- Lecturing various courses
- Curriculum development and review
- Supervision of students' projects
- Examining and Evaluation
- Administration and management of departmental programmes and activities
- Development of learning materials
- Maintaining class attendance
- Conducting research and disseminating the results
- Community outreach

Student mentorship, guidance and counselling

# 2012 to 2021: Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology Assistant Lecturer, Department of Nutritional Sciences

#### **Duties and Responsibilities:**

- Lecturing various courses
- Curriculum development and review
- Supervision of students' projects
- Examining and Evaluation
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- Conducting research
- Community outreach
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# 2011: Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology, Nakuru Campus Position: Lecturer, Part-time; Department of Public Health Science

#### **Duties and Responsibilities:**

- Lecturing various courses
- Supervision of students' projects
- Examining and Evaluation
- Maintaining class attendance
- Student mentorship

# 2009- 2011: Faulu Advisory Services; P.O Box 10474, 00100 GPO Nairobi Position: Training Representative

#### **Duties and responsibilities:**

- Managing the day to day business of the organization
- Mobilization and planning for trainings
- Training
- Developing courses
- Networking with other organizations in related fields
- Financial accounting
- Report writing

#### 2005-2007: Rural Outreach Program (ROP) - Kenya; P.O Box 29086 Nairobi

Project Manager, Nutrition and HIV/AIDS Project supported by Bernard van Leer

Foundation. Project title: "Improving the psychosocial care given to young children for better nutrition outcomes; targeting households affected by HIV/AIDS in Butere division, Western Kenya".

#### **Duties and Responsibilities**

- Coordination of project activities on day to day basis
- Mobilization of community groups, leaders, caregivers and target children
- Planning and facilitating trainings for community groups, leaders and caregivers in Nutrition and HIV/AIDS and ECD issues
- Monitoring and Evaluation of project activities
- Food distribution to ECD centres
- Periodic nutritional status assessments and monitoring
- Implementation of micro-credit facility to support Income generating activities for households affected by HIV/AIDS
- Financial accounting
- Networking with government and non-governmental organizations in related fields
- Report writing

1999-2004: Department of Home Science and Technology; Maseno University,

#### P.O Box 333, Maseno- Kenya Position: Graduate Assistant

#### **Duties and Responsibilities:**

- Teaching Assistant to Prof Asenath Sigot, Dr. Susan Abong'o and Ms. Louisa Ndunyulecturing, tutoring, supervising practical sessions
- Research Assistant to Prof. Asenath Sigot, Prof. Mary O.A. Onyango and Dr.Susan Abong'o- conducting surveys, experimentation, focus group discussions, documentation of data and data analysis

# 1997-1998: Bishop Njenga Girls High School, P.O box 606, Webuye- Kenya Position: Graduate High School Teacher

#### **Duties and Responsibilities:**

- Classroom teaching
- Head of Subject- Home Science
- Assistant and Acting Boarding Mistress

#### **Academic Qualifications:**

2013-2020: PhD Food Science and Nutrition; Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and

#### Technology

2001- 2005: MSc. Community Nutrition and Development, Maseno University- Kenya.

Masters Degree, Community Nutrition and Development

1991- 1996: B.Ed. (Hons) Home Science and Technology, Maseno University- Kenya B.Ed.

Degree, 2<sup>nd</sup> Class Hons (Upper Div)

1987-1990: Moi Girls High School- Eldoret- KCSE Grade B-

#### **Short Courses:**

June 20-21<sup>st</sup> 2012: Induction training on E-learning (Moodle Environment)-

Masinde Muliro University of Science and technology

**November 2007:** Training, Effective Knowledge Delivery for the next decade, Kenya Institute of Management (KIM)

**Oct-Nov 2006:** REPSSI Training of Trainers on Psychosocial Support for young children affected by HIV/AIDS- Kampala, Uganda

#### **Responsibilities held:**

October, 2020: School of Public Health, Biomedical Sciences and Technology: Member, Quality Assurance Committee

October, 2020: School of Public Health, Biomedical Sciences and Technology: Member, School Attachment Committee

January, 2020 to date: Department of Nutritional Sciences; Attachment Coordinator

**2017 to 2019:** Department of Nutritional Sciences; Departmental Examination Officer **Responsibilities:** 

- Processing draft exams for the four programs in the department
- Facilitating exams moderation meetings
- Compiling exam mark sheets for processing by the Faculty and Senate
- Generating graduation lists for final year students
- Maintaining communication with external examiners

2014 to 2016: Coordinator, Diploma in Nutrition and Dietetics program

#### **Responsibilities:**

- Program review
- Coordinating examinations
- Time-tabling
- Student mentorship

**2014:** School of Public Health, Biomedical Sciences and Technology: Member, Quality Assurance Committee

**2012-2013**: Department of Nutritional Sciences; Departmental Time Tabler, Class Advisor for 2nd year class

2018 to date: Church Deaconess; Full Gospel Churches of Kenya, Kiamunyi LCA- Nakuru

#### **Research Experience:**

2020-2021: Alternative solutions towards inclusive access to E-learning education by marginalised students in Masinde Muliro University of Science & Technology. Project funded by Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology

**2020:** Adoption of best practices for a sustainable and equitable food system to achieve household food security in adaptation to Covid-19 in Kakamega County. Project funded by University Research Fund- Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology

2014-2018: PhD research and thesis writing: Levels of bioactive food components in African Leafy Vegetables cooked by traditional methods used in Kakamega County, Western Kenya

**2014-2017:** Horticultural Innovations and Learning for Improved Nutrition and Livelihoods in East Africa (HORTINLEA) Sub-Project 7b- Meal Cultures. Project funded by the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research and the German Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation

2002-2003: Master of Science research and thesis writing; Title: The role of home gardening in household food security in Butere division, Western Kenya

March- July 2003: Rural Outreach Program (ROP) Impact Study Assistant Director, conducted in Butere- Mumias, Western Kenya

January- February 2002: Research on Recipe Collection and Standardization of African Leafy Vegetables, conducted in Western Kenya; funded and submitted to International Plant Genetic Resource Institute (IPGRI)

#### **Conferences/ Workshops:**

1st September, 2020: The role of KIFTS in steering food safety and nutrition during COVID 19 pandemic. KIFST Webinar 2020

17<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> September, 2018: **African indigenous vegetables contribution towards food security and safety in Kenya: A meal security perspective.** Paper presented at the Tropentag conference in Ghent, Belgium

21<sup>st</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> May, 2018: **Meal practices of African indigenous vegetables for food and nutrition security: choices and challenges in Kenyan households. Paper presented at the 1<sup>st</sup> Nutrition and Dietetics Conference; organized by the Kenya Nutritionists and Dieticians Institute at Pwani** 

University Kenya.

15-20<sup>th</sup> October, 2017: **Influence of meal cultures on food and nutrition security: a case of African Indigenous Vegetables in Kenya.** Paper presented at the International Congress of Nutrition (ICN), Buenos Aires, Argentina.

24<sup>th</sup> November 2017: **AIV consumption in Kenya; choices and challenges**. Paper presented at the Gender in agricultural value chains HORTINLEA workshop, Humboldt University of Berlin 16<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> March 2017: **Meal cultures in market trends and consumption habits.** Paper presented at the HORTINLEA workshop, Bishop Stam Retreat Centre, Kakamega

June 23<sup>rd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> June 2016: **Re-defining Indigenous Food: Local perspectives on AIV Consumption in Kenya.** Paper presented at the Multiple Dimensions of Food Sovereignity HORTINLEA Conference, Humboldt University of Berlin

November 23<sup>rd</sup> 2015: **Food Habits of African Indigenous Vegetables in Kenya**.Poster presented at the 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on Bioversity for Food and Nutrition-Nairobi, Kenya

November 17<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> 2015: **Changing food habits and Consumption patterns, African Indigenous Vegetables for Food and Nutrition Security in Kenya**. Paper presented at the 2<sup>nd</sup>
AfricaLics International Conference, University of Rwanda September

16-18<sup>th</sup> 2015: **Food Habits Matter: Investigating the Consumption of African Indigenous Vegetables in Kenya.** Paper presented at Tropentag Conference; Berlin, Germany

May 28<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> 2015: **Re-discovering Indigenous Vegetables: Changing food habits and consumption patterns in Kenya.** Paper presented at the workshop at Humboldt University of Berlin

#### **Publications:**

Mithamo FN, Kamande PW, Konyole SO, **Musotsi AA** and AJ Sigot (2020): **Acceptability of a mushroom enriched composite flour and porridge among child/mother dyads (6-24months) at Nabongo dispensary, Kakamega County- Kenya.** Published by African Journal of Food, Agriculture, Nutrition and Development (AJFAND) https://doi.org/10.18697/ajfand.95.20005

Anne A. Musotsi, Anselimo Makokha; Mary O. Abukutsa-Onyango, Sheila M. Kilonzi (2019): Quantitative Changes of Ascorbic acid and Beta carotene in African nightshade (Solanum nigrum) and Spider plant (Cleome gynandra) by traditional cooking methods used in western Kenya. Journal of Food and Nutritional Sciences Research 2019, 1(1), 51-63. https://doi.org/10.37512/600

Musotsi A.A, Brückner M, Teherani-Krönner P, & Kingiri A (2018): The Gender dynamics of provisioning African Indigenous Vegetables as a meal in Kenya: a meal security perspective.

Journal of Gender, Agriculture and Food Security; Volume 3(2) 36-50. https://doi.org/10.37512/600

Musotsi A.A, Abukutsa-Onyango M.O & Makokha A (2017): Changing food consumption habits: A Case of African Indigenous Vegetables for Food and Nutrition Security in Kakamega County, Western Kenya. African Journal of Horticultural Sciences. Afr. J. Hort. Sci. (June 2017) 12:30-39. Corpus ID: 168745368

Musotsi A.A (2017): Meal attitudes and practices influencing consumption of African Indigenous vegetables in Kenya (a review). African Journal of Horticultural Sciences. Afr. J. Hort. Sci. (June 2017) 12:

Brückner M & Aswani A (2017): Promoting consumption of African Indigenous Vegetables in Kenya, the role of gendered knowledge and perception. Policy brief, HORTINLEA and African Centre of Technology Studies http://www.actsnet.org/images/Pubs/Policy\_Briefs/Hortinelea-Policy-brief0012017c.pdf

Musotsi A.A (2012): The role of home gardening in household food security; A case of rural households in Western Kenya. Published b Lambert Academic Publishing (LAP)www.lap-publishing.com

Musotsi A.A, Sigot A.J& Onyango M.O.A (2008): The role of home gardening in household food security in Butere division, Western Kenya. Published by African Journal of Food, Agriculture, Nutrition and Development (AJFAND)www.ajfand.net

Musotsi A.A, Sigot A.J& Onyango M.O.A (2005): African Indigenous vegetables Recipe Documentation and their role in food security. Proceedings of the Third Horticultural Association of Kenya conference on Sustainable Agriculture, held at Maseno University on 27th -29th November 2003

Musotsi A.A (2004): Utilization of organic resources to promote home gardening for food security in Kenyan rural households. Proceedings of the Fourth Horticultural Association of Kenya conference on Sustainable Agriculture, held at Moi University on 24th-27th November, 2004

Musotsi A.A, Sigot A.J & Onyango M.O.A (2003): The role of home gardens in improving health, nutrition and food security in sub-Saharan Africa. A paper submitted to Support Africa International Award for Sustainable Agriculture

#### Membership to professional bodies:

- 1. Kenya Nutritionists and Dieticians Institute (KNDI)
- 2. The Nutrition Society (NS)
- 3. African Women in Science and Engineering (AWSE)

#### **References:**

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