

DEPARTMENT OF LITERARY AND COMMUNICATION STUDIES



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Educational Background/Qualification:

- PhD (African Literature & Gender Studies), Morgan State University, Baltimore, Maryland, USA (2009)
- Masters in. (Applied Linguistics), University of Edinburgh, Scotland, United Kingdom (1990)
- Bachelors in Education (Arts in English and Literature), Kenyatta University, Kenya (1986)

Brief Auto-biography of the Faculty/Staff

Dr. Albert Mugambi Rutere is an Associate Professor of Literature at Laikipia University. He is PhD graduate of Morgan State University (USA), a Masters holder from University of Edinburgh (UK) and undergraduate degree from Kenyatta University (Kenya). He has over 30 years teaching experience at the university level in Kenya, USA and Nigeria. He has taught and supervised both undergraduate students. He has authored and coauthored over 50 papers in referred journals, authored 1 textbook and coedited 2 textbooks. He has been an engaging member of Senate in Laikipia University and The Catholic University of East Africa. He has also been a member of Deans' Committee and University Management Board at Laikipia University. He has chaired several ad hoc senate and university management board committees at Laikipia University. Even further, he has been a director of board of undergraduate studies and director Nakuru Campus of Laikipia University. The year 2022, he was the acting deputy Vice-Chancellor (administration, finance and planning) at Laikipia University. Currently, he is on sabbatical leave at Meru University of Science and Technology.

Research Interest

1. African Literature and Gender Studies
2. Oral Literature, especially the retention of proverbial wisdom in African proverbs
3. Issues in Education System in Kenya and beyond
4. Current and topical issues in Health and Environment

All Publications

1. Nderitu, M J and Rutere, A.M (2022). Ng'ang'a Mbugua's Different Colours: A Metaphor of Environmental Activism and Deconstruction of Patriarchy. *Jarida la Idara ya Kiswahili na Lugha Nyingine za Kiafrika Chuo Kikuu cha Moi Vol. 7.1, 29-36 ISSN 2412-6993*
2. Mutie, S., and Rutere, A.M. (2022). Albinism as a Literary Trope in Goro Kamau's Ghosts and Fortune Hunters. *Journal of Social Sciences, Education and Humanities (JSSEH, 2022) 1(1), 61-68.ISSN 2791-190X*
3. Onkoba, S. O., Rutere, A. M., and Kamau, N. G. (2022). Confluence of Kinship an Divinity in Ola Rotimi's *The Gods Are Not to Blame* and Sophocles' *Oedipus the King* and *Oedipus at Colonus*. *East African Journal of Education and Social Sciences* 3(2),102-109. Doi: <https://doi.org/10.46606/eajess2022v03i02.0164>.
4. S. O., Kamau, N. G., and Rutere, A. M. (2021). Greek and African Notions of Spirituality and Gender in Euripides' *The Bacchae* and Wole Soyinka's *The Bacchae of Euripides: A Communion Rite*. *Research Journal of English Language and Literature* 9(3), 145-154. Doi: 10.33329/rjelal.9.3.145
5. Rutere, Albert Mugambi, Mwenzwa, Ezekiel Mbitha and Gatambuki Moses Githigi. (2021). Spotlighting Postgraduate Studies in Kenyan Universities: Strengths, Weaknesses and the Way Forward. In Ed. Motsaathebe, Gilbert. *Education in Africa Perspectives, Opportunities and Challenges*. New York: Nova Science Publishers. : 47-62. LCCN 2020054875 (print) LCCN 2020054876 (ebook) | ISBN 9781536190434 (hardcover) | I SBN 9781536190717 (adobe pdf)
6. Mwenzwa, Ezekiel Mbitha and Rutere. Albert Mugambi . (2021). University Education in Kenya: Gender and Social Protection Challenges and the Way Forward. In Ed. Motsaathebe, Gilbert *Education in Africa Perspectives, Opportunities and Challenges*. New York: Nova Science

Publishers: 179-192. LCCN 2020054875 (print) LCCN 2020054876 (ebook) | ISBN 9781536190434 (hardcover) | ISBN 9781536190717 (adobe pdf)

7. Kirigia, Joses Muthuri 1*, Rose Nabi Deborah Karimi Muthuri 1, Albert Mugambi Rutere 2, & Eliud Kiruji Kirigia 2. International Health Regulations gaps in Africa: A major challenge for the war against COVID-19? *OSR Journal of Dental and Medical Sciences (IOSR-JDMS)* e-ISSN: 2279-0853, p-ISSN: 2279-0861. Volume 19, Issue 8 Ser.15 (August. 2020), PP 42-46 www.iosrjournals.org. Print.
8. Rutere, Albert Mugambi, Rose Nabi Deborah Karimi Muthuri, Eliud Kiruji Kirigia, Joses Muthuri Kirigia. "Gaps in coverage of water and sanitation in Africa: challenges for practicing safe hand hygiene to combat spread of COVID-19" In *IOSR Journal of Environmental Science, Toxicology and Food Technology (IOSR-JESTFT)* e-ISSN: 2319- 2402, p- ISSN: 2319-2399. Volume 14, Issue 6 Ser. IV (June 2020), PP 22-25 www.iosrjournals.org. Print.
9. Kirigia, Eliud Kiruji, Albert Mugambi Rutere, Rose Nabi Deborah Karimi Muthuri Joses Muthuri Kirigia. "Universal health coverage gaps in Africa: A challenge for COVID-19 management" In *IOSR Journal of Dental and Medical Sciences (IOSR-JDMS)* e-ISSN: 2279-0853, p-ISSN: 2279-0861. Volume 19, Issue 5 Ser.9 (May. 2020), PP 42-44 www.iosrjournals.org. Print.
10. Namayi, Christine, Rutere, Albert Mugambi, Chemwei, Bernard. "Dramaturgies of Female Representation: A Study of Selected Kenyan Dramas" In *African Journal of Education and Social Science*. 5 (Feb. 2020): 34-56. ISSN: 2451-0770. Print.
11. Rutere Albert, Mugambi and Chemwei, Bernard. "Representation(S) of Women in Kenyan Drama: A Study of Selected Kenyan Dramas" *In International Journal of English Language, Literature and Humanities* 7.10 (Oct. 2019), 30. Online ISSN: 2582-3574. Print ISSN: 2582-4406. Print.
12. Rutere, Albert Mugambi. "Feminism Ideology and Institution of Patriarchy in African Novel: Analysis of Selected Works of Women Writers and Gynandrists" *Mwanga wa Lugha: Jarida la Idara ya Kiswahili na Lugha Nyingine za Kiafrika Chuo Kikuu cha Moi* 4.1. (Sept. 2019): 61-70. Moi University Press. Print. ISSN 2412-6991. Print.
13. Murage, Joseph Nderitu, Rutere. Albert Mugambi and Goro, Nichols Kamau. "Construction of Referent Social Power in Mariama Ba's *Scarlet Song*" In *Coretrain Journal of Languages, Humanities, Social Science and Education*. 2.1 (April 2019):124-143. ISSN 2363-2470

14. Rutere, Albert Mugambi , “Women Uphill Victory in Men’s Downward Revolution Against French Colonialism in Sembene Ousmane’s *God’s Bits of Wood*” *Coretrain Journal of Social Sciences, Education and Humanities 1.1* (Dec, 2018):111-123. Kenya, Print. ISSN 2363-2470.
15. Mugo, Jane Wanjiru, Rutere, Albert Mugambi and Khasandi-Telewa, Vicky. “Retention of Proverbial Wisdom and Gender Relations in Selected Novels of Ngugi Wa Thiong’o” *Coretrain Journal of Social Sciences, Education and Humanities 1.1* (Dec, 2018):151-167. Print. ISSN 2363-2470. Print.
16. Ngugi, Beth Njeri, Rutere, Albert Mugambi and Yieke, Felicia. “Constraint-Based Code-switching During ESL Lessons in a Multilingual Classroom and their Implications to Second Language Development” *Coretrain Journal of Social Sciences, Education and Humanities 1.1* (Dec, 2018):424-423. Print. ISSN 2363-2470. Print

Projects Supervised:

SUPERVISION OF MA STUDENTS

1. Leah Syombua Solomon. Title of the thesis for Master Degree;’ “The Effect of Socio- Cultural Male Role in Female Husbands’ Language Use: A Study of *Iweto* Marriage Among the Akamba in Yatta District, Machakos County, Kenya” Laikipia University. Graduated in December, 2017
2. Peter Wahome Beru. Title of the thesis for a Master Degree: “Gendered Language in Nursery Classroom Discourse in Selected Schools in Nyahururu Town, Kenya” Laikipia University. Graduated in October, 2016
3. Benedetta Mueni Musyoka. Title of the thesis for Master Degree: “The Role of Classroom Input in the Acquisition of Past Tense Morpheme in English Among Form One Students: A Case Study of Kauwi School in Kitui West District, Kenya” Laikipia University. Graduated in October, 2016.
4. Jane Wanjiru Mugo. Title of the thesis for Master Degree: “The Use of Proverbs in Gakaara Wa Njau Gikuyu Written Wa Nduta’s Narratives” Laikipia University. Graduated in November, 2015

5. Benson Kabue Wang' Ondu. Title of the thesis for Master Degree: "Islam and the Terrorist Ideology in Khalid Hosseini's *And Mountains Echoed*, *The Kite Runner* and *A Thousand Splendid Suns*" Laikipia University. Graduated in December, 2018
6. Firdous Nwanyidima Ongere. Title of the proposal for a Master Degree of Arts in Literature: "Social and Cultural Dynamics in the Construction of Women in Marjorie Oludhe Macgoye's *Coming to Birth* and *Present Moment*" Laikipia University. At Departmental level.

SUPERVISION OF PhD STUDENTS

1. Beth Njeri Ngugi. Title of the thesis for Doctor of Philosophy in Applied Linguistics "Code-Switching in English Language Classroom in Kenyan Primary Schools: A Structural Perspective" Laikipia University. Graduated in December, 2017.
2. Caroline Kagwiria Kinuu. Title of the thesis for Doctor of Philosophy in Applied Linguistics "An Analysis of Pragmatic Errors in L2 English by Kimeru L1 Students in CDF Funded Secondary Schools in Central Imenti Sub County, Meru County, Kenya, Laikipia University. Graduated in December, 2017
3. Stephen Muthoka Mutie. Title of the thesis for Doctor of Philosophy in Literature: "Nationhood, Ethnicity and Identity Construction: A focus on Kenyan Kings Who Reigned and Never Ruled. Graduated in December, 2018
4. Jane Wanjiru Mugo. Title of the thesis for Doctor of Philosophy in Literature: "Retention of Proverbial Wisdom and Gender relations in Selected Novels of Ngugi Wa Thiong'o" Graduated in December, 2018
5. Eric Kipkoech Mutai. Title of the thesis for Doctor of Philosophy in Literature: "Unmasking the Paradoxies and Nuances of Global Terror: A Case Study of Nurrudin Farah's *Crossbones*, *Links*, *Hiding in Plain Sight*, and *Knots*. Graduated in December, 2018
6. Christine Namayi. Title of the title for Doctor of Philosophy in Literature: "Dramaturgies in Female Representation in Selected Kenya Dramas" Kabarak University. Graduated in December, 2021

7. Joseph Nderitu Murage. Title of the thesis for Doctor of Philosophy in Literature: “The Paretian Subversion of Power Legitimacy in Selected Prose Fiction Works by North, East and West African Motherists and Gynandrists” Laikipia University. Graduated in July, 2022
8. Stephen Okari Onkoba. Title of the thesis for Doctor of Philosophy in Literature: “Interface Between Classical Greek and African Drama: A Critical Analysis of Notions of Spirituality and Justice in Selected Plays” Graduated in July, 2022
9. Njeri Karumba. Title of the proposal for Doctor of Philosophy in Literature: “Patriarchy and its Reversal in Selected Novels of Nurrudin Farah and Yvonne Owuor. At School Level
10. Leah Syombua Solomon. Title of the proposal for Doctor of Philosophy in Literature: “Language, Culture and Mysticism in *Ntheo-Ngasya* Rituals Among the Akamba” At Graduate School Level
14. Pamela Mukami Gitu. Title of the proposal for Doctor of Philosophy in Gendered Stigmatisation Towards Involuntary Childless Women in the Pronatalist Gikuyu.

Submitted first draft for examination

Conferences Attended

1. Egerton University 11th International Conference held on 24th -26th November, 2020
2. CORETRAIN conference in Laikipia University, Kenya on 16th-17th September, 2017
3. Egerton University 11th International Conference held on 29th -31st March, 2017
4. “The 3rdChuka University International Research Conference held 26th -28th October, 2016
5. The 3rd Laikipia University International Conference on 24th –27th May, 2016
6. The conference held at Kisii University, Eldoret Campus on 24th-27th June, 2015
7. The 1stChuka University International Research Conference held on 29th –31st October, 2014

8. The 1st National Conference of Faculty of Education and Community Studies of Egerton University on 9th - 10th October, 2014
9. Laikipia University 2nd International Conference- 20th- 23rd May, 2014
10. The conference on The Politics of Social Protection in Kenya Fifty Years after Political Independence-Held in IFRA Office in Nairobi, 2014
11. The Second Annual Conference at The Catholic University of Eastern Africa in June, 2013
12. The First Annual Conference at The Catholic University of Eastern Africa in June, 2012
13. The 2nd International Gender Symposium at Main Campus, Moi University, Eldoret, Kenya on January 25-27, 2012
14. The Third International Conference on Research and Development at Institute of African Studies, University of Ghana, Accra, Ghana on November 24-25, 2010.
15. "The International Research and Development Institute at the University of Ibadan, Nigeria on 6th -7th October, 2010
16. The World Congress on Research and Development at the Ebitimi Banigo Auditorium, University of Port Harcourt on February 10- 11, 2010
17. The International Gender Symposium at Moi University, Eldoret, Kenya on January 20-23, 2010
18. The International Conference on Research and Development at Salle Audio Visuelle Universite Nationale du Benin, Abomey-Calavi, Cotonou, Republic of Benin on November 24 -27, 2009

Workshops & Seminars

1. KEBS training and workshop I Nakuru, 2022
2. KEBS training and workshop in Mombasa, 2022

3. KSG training and workshop in Embu, 2022

Consultancies

In progress