#### DEPARTMENT OF LITERARY AND COMMUNICATION STUDIES



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## PERSONAL DETAILS

# A Educational Background/Qualification

- 1. PhD Degree: (Area of specialization), University Name, Country (Year)
- 2. PhD in Applied linguistics), Laikipia University, Kenya (2014)
- 3. Master of Arts in English and Linguistics, Kenyatta University, Kenya (1992)
- 4. Bachelor of Education (Arts) (English & Literature) University of Nairobi, Kenya (1985)

# B Brief Auto-biography

Eliud Kirigia is a forthright, sociable and dedicated associate professor of applied linguistics with over 30 years teaching experience at university level. He is committed to satisfying the academic needs of his students as well as fulfilling his university's mission and vision. Professor Kirigia is an accomplished scholar and has published numerous articles in peer reviewed journals.

# C Areas of Specialization

- 1. Language acquisition and learning
- 2. Phonetics and phonology
- 3. Morphology and syntax
- 4. Sociolinguistics
- 5. Historical linguistics
- 6. English grammar
- 7. Semantics and pragmatics

## D Research Interest

- 1. Health communications and literacy
- 2. Language and communication
- 3. Language acquisition and learning
- 4. Language use errors
- 5. Pragmatics of language use

#### E All Publications

- 1. Mbaka N, and **Kirigia E.** (2023). Morphosyntactic decomposition of place names in proximate sister languages: Gichuka, Gikuyu, Kiimenti and KiEmbu. Journal of languages and linguistics. Vol 2, issue 1, Oct 2023
- 2. Mbaka N, **Kirigia E.** and Mwithi F. (2023). The morphological strategies of causatives in Gichuka. *Coretrain Journal of Languages, Humanities and Education. Vol.*1 2023, Laikipia University
- 3. M'Rithara K., **Kirigia E. &** Ondisa E., (2023). Deixis in Kamanu and Kaimi's Kimeru song and dance lyrics. *Journal of languages and linguistics*, *Vol* 2. Issue 1, July 2023. https://doi.org/10.51317/jll.v211.373
- 4. M' Rithara K., **Kirigia E. &** Ondisa E., (2023). Deictic strategies in Kamanu and Karimi's Kimeru song and dance lyrics. Journal of communication. *CARI Journals Limited*. Journals @ carijournals .org
- 5. Ogal G, **Kirigia E** & Ntabo V (2022). Unpackaging modified idiomatic expressions in Kenyan Political Discourse. A Cognitive Linguistic Perspective. *Studies in Linguistics, Culture and FLT-VOL 10*, ISSUE ISSN2534-952X
- 6. Mbaka N, **Kirigia E.** and Mwithi F. (2021). Gichuka nominal derivatives. *African Journal of Language Research*. ISSN 2790-0517
- 7. **Kirigia E**. (2020). COVID-19 in Africa: The Poverty, Governance and Corruption Challenges for Prevention and Control. *JOSR: Journal of Dental and Medical Services (IOSR-JDMS):Vol.* 19:(Issue 12) PP 53-63 <a href="www.iosrjournals.org">www.iosrjournals.org</a>
- 8. Maina J., **Kirigia E** & Onyango J (2020). Semantic and Pragmatic Interpretation of figures of Speech by Trilingual Schizophrenics in Nakuru Level Five Hospital in Nakuru County, Kenya.

- Asian Journal of Social Science and Management Technology Vol. 2 (Issue 5), www.ajssmt.com
- 9. Kirigia, J, Muthuri, R, Rutere, A. & **Kirigia, E**.(2020). International Health Regulations gaps in Africa: A Major Challenge for war against Covid 19.: JOSR: *Journal of Dental and Medical Sciences ( JOSR-JDMS):Vol. 19*: (Issue 8) PP 42-46. <a href="www.ijllt.org">www.ijllt.org</a>
- 10. Ombati, J. and **Kirigia, E**. (2020). L2 English Pronunciation errors by Kenyan University Students: A case of L1 Ekegusii and L1 Kimeru Speakers. *JOSR : Journal of Dental and Medical Sciences ( JOSR-JDMS)*. *Vol. 3*(Issue 8) www.ijllt.org
- 11. **Kirigia**, E., Rutere A., Muthuri R. and Kirigia J. (2020). Universal Health Coverage Gaps in Africa: A Challenge for Covid 19 Management: *JOSR: Journal of Dental and Medical Sciences (JOSR-JDMS): Vol. 19* (Issue 5): www.iosrjournal.org.
- 12. Rutere, A., Muthuri, R., **Kirigia, E.** and Kirigia, J. (2020). Gaps in Coverage of Water and Sanitation in Africa: Challenges for Practicing Safe Hand Hygiene to Combat Spread of Covid19: *JOSR Journal of Environmental Science, Toxicology and Food Technology (JOSR-JESTFT): Vol. 14*(Issue 6): www.iosrjournals.org.
- 13. Ndegwa, F., **Kirigia, E.,** Ndoro, P. and Khasandi, V. (2020). Sexuality Communication between Teachers and Adolescents in Nakuru County, Kenya. *Edition Consortium of Media and Communication Studies (ECMJMCS): Vol.02* (Issue 01)www.editocpublishing.org
- 14. Patrick, J. Kitur & **Kirigia**, **E.** (2019). The Teacher as a Contributory Factor in Failure to Implement Mother Tongue Education Policy in Nandi County, Kenya. *International Journal of English Language and Communication Studies: Vol.5(Issue 1)*www.iiardpub.org
- 15. Bikeri, L. Abuya, Ndambuki, J., and **Kirigia, E.** (2019). A Critical Discourse Analysis of Gender Stereotyping in Stand-Up Comedy: A Case Study of Mc Jesse Churchill Live Performances. *International Journal of Innovative Research and Development: Vol.* 7 (Issue 9) www.theijhss.com
- 16. **Kirigia, E.** (2019). A Pragmatic Analysis of Kimeru Proverbs as Speech Acts.: *Coretrain Journal of Languages Humanities, Social Sciences and Education. Vol 1*(Issue 1) <a href="https://www.coretrain.org">www.coretrain.org</a>
- 17. Maina, J. and **Kirigia, E.** (2019). Code Switching in Churchill Live in Nation Television Network (NTV), Kenya. *International of Journal of Arts and Humanities Vol. 03*, (Issue 2) <a href="https://www.journal-ijah.org">www.journal-ijah.org</a>.

- 18. Maina J., **Kirigia E.** & Onyango J. (2019). Perceptions of Communicative Behaviour of Schizophrenics by Relatives in Nakuru Level Five Hospital in Nakuru County, Kenya: *International Journal of English, Literature and Social Sciences (IJELS)Vol. 4* (Issue5). <a href="https://www.ijels.com">www.ijels.com</a>
- 19. Kitur, P. and **Kirigia, E.** (2019). Challenges of Mother Tongue Education in Selected Primary Schools in Nandi County, Kenya: *Journal of advances in Education and Philosophy* (SCHOLARS MIDDLE EAST PUBLISHERS). Available Online: www.saudijournals.com.
- 20. Mutai, E. and **Kirigia E.** (2018). Representation of Global Terrorism in Nuruddins Imperfect Trilogy of Hiding, Knots, Links and Cross. *International Journal of English Literature and Social Sciences (IJELS) Vol. 3* (Issue 5). www.ijels.com.
- 21. Maina, J. **Kirigia, E.** and Onyango, J. (2019). Language and Neuropsychiatric Disorders: Analysis of Communication among Trilingual Schizophrenics in Nakuru Level Five Hospital in Nakuru County, Kenya. *International Journal of English, Literature and Social Sciences (IJELS. Vol. 1* (Issue 3) <a href="https://www.editoncpublishing.org">www.editoncpublishing.org</a>.
- 22. Situma, M., Mahero E., **Kirigia, E.** (2018). Gender Based Prejudice and Stereotypes in Ethnic Conflicts: A Case Study in Eldoret Township, Kenya. *Coretrain Journal of Languages, Humanities, Social Sciences and Education Vol.1* www.coretrain.org.
- 23. **Kirigia, E.** (2018). A Socio-Semantic Study of Personal Names Among the Ameru of Central Kenya. *Cotetrain Journal of Languages, Humanities, Social Sciences and Education Vol.1 www.coretrain.org*.
- 24. Situma, M., **Kirigia, E.** & Mahero, E (2018). The Social Impact of Ethnic Stereotypes and Prejudice on Social Harmony: A Case Study Eldoret Township, Kenya. *Tura Journal of Humanities and Social Sciences Tura Journal of Humanities and Social Sciences*. htt://turajournal(p9)
- 25. Jerotich E., Nyangara, N., & **Kirigia, E** (2018). Influence of Correlates of Intrinsic Motivation on Academic Performance of Students in Selected Public Secondary Schools in Koibatek Sub-County, *Kenya Journal of Contemporary Research in Humanities and Social Sciences* (School of Humanities & Social Sciences). RUWAZA AFRIKA vol. vi December 2018 Issue.p304
- 26. **Kirigia, E. (2017).** Health Literacy and Literacy Perceptions among women attending maternal child health clinics in Meru County, Kenya *Scholars Journal of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences (SAS PUBLISHERS )Issue (p918)* <a href="https://saspjournals.com/sjahss">http://saspjournals.com/sjahss</a>

- 27. Kinuu, C., **Kirigia, E.** & Rutere A. (2017). Aspects of Pragmabehavioral Errors in the Acquisition of a Second Language Scholars *Bulletin (Scholars Middle East Publishers) A Case Study of Kimeru AL1 Learners of L2 English* p472
- 28. **Kirigia, E.** & Mahero E. (2017). Ethnic stereotypes among Major Ethic Communities in Eldoret Township Martin Situma *Scholars bulletin (Scholars Middle East Publishers)htt://scholarsbulletin.com* p48
- 29. Kinuu, C., **Kirigia, E. &** Rutere, A.(2017). Gender Differences in the Acquisition of English Language Skills among Students in Secondary Schools in Kenya. *Scholars Journal of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences (SAS Publishers) http://saspjournals.com/sjahss* (P1588)
- 30. Rutere, A and **Kirigia, E.** (2013). Conversation Songs of Meru Men. The Hidden Proverbial Wisdom in the Performer's Pragmatic Rivalry. *Journal of Social Sciences, Education and Humanities (JSSEH)*, *Laikipia University*, Vol 1 2013,ISSN NO 2309-1010, PP 26-46
- 31. Rutere, A, **Kirigia, E.** and Gatambuki. M. The last shall become the first: Gender paradigm shift in the management of small-scale tea farms in South Imenti Sub-County, Kenya. *Journal of Social Sciences, Education and Humanities, ( JSSEH), Vol 2, Issue 1 [ISSN 2309-1010]*, Laikipia University
- 32. **Kirigia**, **E.** and Ombati J. Error prevalence in university students' written work: A Case Study of Students Taking English and Literature in Laikipia University. *Journal of Social Sciences*, *Education and Humanities*, (JSSEH), Vol 2, Issue 1 [ISSN 2309-1010], Laikipia University
- 33. **Kirigia, E.,** Rutere, A., and Kiugu, R. Appraisal of Mother Tongue Education in Kenya. A study of its execution in South Imenti, Meru. *Journal of Contemporary Research in Humanities and Social Sciences, Pwani University*, Vol 3, No 1 2015 pp 108-116.
- 34. **Kirigia, E.** Health adult Education among women attending Maternal Child Health Clinics in Meru County, Egerton University. *Journal of Education and Human Resources ( JEDHURE)*, Vol 8, Issue 1, Egerton University.
- 35. Rutere, A. and **Kirigia, E.** By Any Other Name a Rose Does not Smell as Sweet! Naming Systems and Gender Inequality in the Meru Community of Kenya. Gender Practices and Challenges. *Moi University Press*, Moi University, Eldoret, ISB:9966-854-89-4, pp 19-28

# F Project/Thesis Supervision (provide a sample list)

## **PhD**

1. Mbaka, Nelly K (2023); Verbal and nominal extensions in proximate sister languages.

- 2. Inoti, Lucy Gakii (PhD 2022); A Socio-semantic Analysis of language of death and grief among the Meru of Kenya
- 3. Ndegwa, Francis (PhD, 2021); Adult- Adolescent sexual communication interaction and Adolescent Sexual behavior: A Study in Nakuru County, Kenya
- Maina, Joseph (PhD, 2020); Language and Neurolinguistic Disorders: An analysis of communication among trilingual schizophrenics in Nakuru Level Five Hospital, Nakuru County, Kenya
- 5. Situma, Martin (PhD, 2018); Linguistic Stereotypes and prejudices in Interethnic Conflicts in Eldoret, Kenya
- 6. Kinuu, Caroline Kagwiria (PhD, 2017); Pragmatic errors in L2 English by Kimeru L1 students in selected secondary schools in Central Imenti Sub-County, Meru County

#### Masters

- Wandabwa Innocent. Verbal duels in Kenyan Primary Schools: A case study of mchongoano, (to graduate)
- 2. AKAEZE Augustina Chinweokwu (2022): An Analysis of Language use by traders and their clients in the Nakuru town open air market, Nakuru County Kenya
- 3. Joseph, Patrick Kitur (2018). Mother Tongue Education and its influence on Second Language Learning in lower classes of selected primary Schools in Nandi County, Kenya
- 4. Abuya, Lydia (MA,2019): Gender and ethnic stereotyping in Stand-Up Comedy: the case of MC Jesse's Churchill Raw Show Performances, Kenya
- 5. Ndungu Anne Wanjiru (M.A. 2015). An analysis of morphological processes of loan words from English to Gikuyu.
- 6. Kingori Mary Wanjiku (M.A., 2015). Gikuyu reduplication: A morphophonological study.
- 7. Mugo Wanjiru (M.A.2015). The use of proverbs in selected Gakaara Wanjau's written GikuyuWa-Nduta narrative

## **G** Scholarly Presentations at Conferences/Workshops/Seminars

- Participated in the Board of Management (BOM) Induction Course at Gitoro Pastoral Centre in Meru on 27<sup>th</sup> sept 2019
- 2. Participated in the first Coretrain conference held on 15<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> sept 2017 at Nakuru campus, Laikipia University

- 3. Gave a key note address in a paper entitled 'Adult health Literacy amongst women in Rural Kenya and its challenges in the INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON LITERACY EMPOWERMENT FOR ALL BEYOND 2015, Egerton University, on 9/10/2015
- 4. Presented a paper entitled 'Appraisal of Mother Tongue Education in Kenya. A study of its execution in South Imenti, Meru' at the 2<sup>nd</sup> CORETRAIN INTERNATIONAL CONFRERENCE held on 21<sup>st</sup>, May 2014, in Nakuru Campus, Laikipia University
- 5. Presented a paper entitled 'Error Prevalence in University Students' work: A case study of students taking English in Laikipia University' at the 2<sup>nd</sup> INTERNATIONAL CONFRERENCE from 21<sup>st</sup>, May 2014, Laikipia University
- Presented a paper entitled 'Selected Conversational Songs of Meru Men: The hidden Instructional value in the Performer's pragmatic rivalry' at the 1<sup>st</sup> INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE held from 20<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> June, 2012
- 7. Presented a paper entitled 'By any other name a rose in the Meru Community of Kenya does not smell as sweet' at the 2<sup>nd</sup> INTERNATIONAL GENDER SYMPOSIUM at the Institute for Gender Equity, Research and Development, Moi University on 26/1/2012
- 8. Presented a paper in the University of Illinois at Urbana- Champaign on 15/4/1994 entitled 'Gender differences in the naming system of the Ameru of Kenya',