

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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Academic Qualifications	
<b>2017</b>	Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Sociology, Rongo University, Kenya.
<b>2013</b>	Master of Arts in Social Development & Management, Maseno University, Kenya.
<b>2008</b>	Bachelor of Arts (Sociology) University of Nairobi, Kenya
Employment	
<b>2019 Jan to date</b>	Lecturer, Department of Criminology and Social Work, Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology.
<b>2016 - 2019</b>	Part time Lecturer, Department of Peace & Conflict Studies, Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology.
<b>2014 - 2019</b>	Part time Lecturer, Department of Humanities & Social Sciences, Rongo University
<b>2010 - 2019</b>	Senior Children Officer & Head of Research Unit, Department of children Services, Ministry of Labour, Social Security, Pensions & Senior Citizens Affairs.
<b>2008 -2010</b>	Emergency Tracing & Child Protection Officer, Kenya Red Cross Society
<b>2002- 2008</b>	Prison Officer, State Department of Correctional Services, Ministry of Interior.
<b>Responsibilities</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Departmental Examinations Coordinator / Criminology &amp; Social work Department</li> <li>2. Departmental ODEL Coordinator</li> <li>3. Departmental Quality Assurance Coordinator</li> </ol>
Curricula Developed	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. MMUST PhD for Social Work Curriculum</li> <li>2. MMMUST Masters Social Work Curriculum</li> <li>3. TVET Child Protection Level 6, 5 and 4 Curricula</li> <li>4. MMUST TVET Social Work Level 5&amp; 6 Curricula</li> </ol>	
Areas of specialization	
-Child Protection -Social Policy -Sociology of the family -Emergency Protection - Correctional systems	-Social Protection -Research -Social theory -Social Development & Management -Criminology and Criminal Justice process
Areas of interest	
-Social Work in Social Service workforce -Social Psychology -Governance	-Criminology and Criminal Justice -Social Philosophy -Logic
Publications	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Gachoki, D., Oruta, E &amp; <b>Ater, E</b> (2023). Victims' Satisfaction with Procedural Justice Reforms in Kakamega Law Courts, Kenya. East African Journal of Education and Social Sciences / Vol. 4 No. 3.  <a href="https://www.ajol.info/index.php/eajess/article/view/254261">https://www.ajol.info/index.php/eajess/article/view/254261</a> </li> </ol>	

2. Owuor, M., **Ater, E.**, & Oyoo, E. (2023). Social Outcomes of Alternative Healthcare-Seeking Behaviour among Persons Living with Diabetes in Rongo Sub-County, Migori County, Kenya. *Pan-African journal of Health and Environmental Science*, Vol. 2 No. 1.  
<https://journals.aaa.ke/ajhes/article/view/321/48>
3. Sanganyi, N., Nyandor, K., Ontita, E., Nganga, H., **Ater, E.**, Muhingi, W., & Mugure, E. (2023). Effectiveness of the Presidential Secondary School Bursary (PSSB) on Education of Orphans and Vulnerable Children in Selected Sub-Counties in Nairobi City County, Kenya. *Journal of Research Innovation and implications in education* Vol.7, Iss.2, 2023 (pp. 161 - 169).  
<https://jriiejournal.com/effectiveness-of-the-presidential-secondary-school-bursary-pssb-on-education-of-orphans-and-vulnerable-children-in-selected-sub-counties-in-nairobi-city-county-kenya/>
4. Otieno, F. O., & **Ater, E.** (2022). Assessing the expeditiousness of existing strategies for preventing and countering youth radicalization through prison's aspect of criminal justice system in Isiolo County, Kenya. *East African Journal of Arts and Social Sciences*. Issue No. 14, 2022. DOI  
<https://doi.org/10.37284/eajass.5.2.890>
5. Anyonje, L., Ater, E., Nyaera, F. (2022) Media Dissemination Strategies Utilized for Communication of Covid-19 Information in Western Kenya. *International Journal of Linguistics, Literature and Translation* Vol. 5 No. 4 (2022)  
<https://al-kindipublisher.com/index.php/ijllt/article/view/3292>
6. Mutai, H., Oruta, E. & Onyango, E. (2022) Effects of Occupational Hazards on Performance of Police Officers in Uasin Gishu County, Kenya. *Public Policy and administration research journal*, Vol 12, No 6 (2022)  
<https://www.iiste.org/Journals/index.php/PPAR/article/view/59485>
7. Odhiambo, O., Otengah, W., Ater, E., Oyoo, E. (2021). Patterns of Influence of Diabetics' Integrating Healthcare-Seeking Behaviours on Diabetes Management in Rongo Sub-County, Migori County, Kenya. *African Journal of Health Sciences* Volume 34, Issue No. 4, (498-511) July – August 2021  
<https://www.ajol.info/index.php/ajhs/article/view/214201>
8. Ahaya O, **Ater E**, Barasa D, Mandillah L, and Anyonje L. Eds, (2020), **Indigenous African Justice System: Enhancing Access to Justice to Redress impunity in Kenya**, Eldoret, Utafiti Foundation, ISBN: 978-9966-26-233-2
9. Ater, E. & Abura, B. (2016) Effects of Child Participation in Livelihood Activities on Children's Welfare among Fishing Communities in Lake Victoria Kenya. *African Journal of Tropical Hydrobiology and Fisheries*, Vol 14, No. 1(45-50) <https://www.ajol.info/index.php/ajthf/article/view/144813>
10. Ater, E, Saranta, K. & Kabasa, J. (2016) Socio-ecological factors responsible for increased Malaria vulnerability in six most affected counties in Kenya. *International Journal of novel research in humanity & social sciences*, Vol 3 No.5 (35-40) <https://www.noveltyjournals.com/issue/IJNRHSS/Issue-5-September-2016-October-2016>
11. Ater, E, & Abura, B. (2016) Effects of Artisanal Small-Scale Gold Mining (ASGM) on Fisheries Management of Lake Victoria, Kenya. *African Journal of Tropical Hydrobiology and Fisheries* Vol 14, No. 1(50-70)  
<https://www.ajol.info/index.php/ajthf/article/view/152226>
12. Ater, E, Otengah, E & Iteyo, C. (2017) Care giver's knowledge: A stimulus for advocated alternative family care for children in Kenya. *The International Journal Of Humanities & Social Studies* Volume 5, No. 5 (109-112) <http://www.internationaljournalcorner.com/index.php/theijhss/article/view/125356/86373>
13. Ater, E Otengah, W. Iteyo, C & Sanganyi, N. (2017) Compelled by conditions: Dynamics surrounding care givers verdicts in alternative family care for children in Kenya. *International Journal of Innovative Research and Advanced Studies*, Volume 4, No. 5(74-78) [http://www.ijiras.com/2017/Vol\\_4-Issue\\_5/paper\\_17.pdf](http://www.ijiras.com/2017/Vol_4-Issue_5/paper_17.pdf)

#### **Master's Thesis Examined:**

1. Reg. No: MSOC/6004/2018– **Maureen Mwendu Makau**, titled: **Influence of Rehabilitation Strategies on Reintegration of Street Children: An Analysis of Kitale Town, Trans-Nzoia County.**
2. Reg. No: MSOC/8027/2014 – **Samora Marchele Obudho**, titled: **Patterns of Utilization of Motor Cycle Taxis in Rural Kenya: A study of Rongo Sub County, Migori County.**

#### **PROJECTS AND CONSULTANCIES/ COMMUNITY SERVICES**

**UNICEF ESARO Project**

April 2023 to August to date | Researcher and Social Consultant: Conduct mapping for social services workforce for child protection in five Kenyan Counties ( Kisumu, Isiolo, Turkana, Mombasa and Nairobi) and develop an investment case for child protection in Kenya and Zambia

Position: Researcher and Social Policy expert

**USAID HEALTHIT Project** – A project implemented in collaboration between MMUST and The University of Nairobi.

April 2020 to date | Project activity Lead and Consultant: Conducting infrastructure maintenance, software installation and Training on Child Protection Information system (CPIMS) and Electronic Medical Reports (EMR) for the C mapping for social services workforce for child protection in five Kenyan Counties ( Kisumu, Isiolo, Turkana, Mombasa and Nairobi) and develop an investment case for child protection in Kenya and Zambia

**UNICEF Kenya Project**

June 2021 to May 2023 | Social Policy Consultant: Conduct analytical study and develop child protection policies for three Counties (Kisumu, Isiolo & West Pokot Counties (Child Protection.

Position: Researcher and Child expert

**Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology NRF Project**

June 2020 to May 2023 | conduct a study on Conserving Heritage: Indigenous Justice System And Its Application To The Rule Of Law In The Present Society

Position: Researcher and Child Protection Social Policy expert

**Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology NRF Project**

June 2021 to May 2023 | conduct a study on Contribution of the media towards the response and management of COVID-19 among communities in Western Kenya.

Position: Researcher and Social Policy expert

#### Conference Presentations

S. No	Presenter	Title of the paper presented	City/Country	Date of Conference
1.	EricK Ater Onyango	Dropped back or reintegrated? Investigating influences of reintegration practices on wellbeing of children released from statutory Children's Intuitions in Kisumu, County, Kenya.	Masinde Muliro University of Science & Technology, Kakamega	13 <sup>th</sup> Multidisciplinary International Conference 19 <sup>th</sup> to 21 <sup>st</sup> June, 2019.
2.	EricK Ater Onyango	Exploring the nexus between Social Capital and Community Perceptions in Piloting the Guidelines for alternative family care for children in Kisumu County, Kenya.	Masinde Muliro University of Science & Technology, Kakamega	13 <sup>th</sup> Multidisciplinary International Conference 19 <sup>th</sup> to 21 <sup>st</sup> June, 2019.
3.	EricK Ater Onyango	The social workers' itinerary for implementing the inclusive social protection: a case of integrated social assistance programme in Kisumu county, Kenya.	Institute of Social Work, Dar es Saalam, Tanzania.	International Social Work Conference, 8th - 10th May, 2019.
4.	EricK Ater Onyango	Violence against children as reflected in child neglect mirror: A case of child protection intervention among couples in Kakamega county, Kenya.	Institute of Social Work, Dar es Saalam, Tanzania.	International Social Work Conference, 8th - 10th May, 2019.
5.	EricK Ater Onyango	Patterns of child neglect prevalence among young couples: A case of Kisii County, Kenya	Egerton University, Njoro, Nakuru	12 <sup>th</sup> Egerton University Conference held from 27 <sup>th</sup> -28 <sup>th</sup> March, 2018

6.	Erick Ater Onyango	Social workers case management dilemma: managing encounters in Kenya's child Protection information management system.	Kigali Conference & Exhibition Village, Kigali, Rwanda.	International Social work conference held from 19 <sup>th</sup> -22 <sup>nd</sup> March, 2018
7.	Erick Ater Onyango	Social work for lifelong learning opportunities through peer sexuality education: A case of Kenyatta University, Kenya	Kigali Conference & Exhibition Village, Kigali, Rwanda.	International Social work conference held from 19 <sup>th</sup> -22 <sup>nd</sup> March, 2018
8.	Erick Ater Onyango	Patterns of intervention in realizing the best interests of Children: A case of child Protection and Welfare Practice In Kisii County.	Rongo University, Migori County	1 <sup>st</sup> Rongo University Multidisciplinary Research conference held between 6 <sup>th</sup> – 9 <sup>th</sup> March 2018
9.	Erick Ater Onyango	Intervention Pathway within Social Media platforms for realization of best interests and protection of children in Kenya.	Rongo University, Migori County	1 <sup>st</sup> Rongo University Multidisciplinary Research conference held between 6 <sup>th</sup> – 9 <sup>th</sup> March 2018
10.	Erick Ater Onyango	Utilizing Psychosocial support in ecological continuum model for the realization of best interests of children in Kenya.	Arusha, Tanzania	2017 Regional Psychosocial Support Initiative conference held between 4-6 <sup>th</sup> September 2017
11.	Erick Ater Onyango	Effects of peer sexuality education on lifelong learning opportunities among university students: A case of Kenyatta University, Kenya.	Arusha, Tanzania	2017 Regional Psychosocial Support Initiative conference held between 4-6 <sup>th</sup> September 2017
12.	Erick Ater Onyango	Effects of children assemblies in promoting child participation in Kenya.	Arusha, Tanzania	2017 Regional Psychosocial Support Initiative conference held between 4-6 <sup>th</sup> September 2017
13.	Erick Ater Onyango	The role of psychosocial support in restoring family links for the separated and unaccompanied children during emergencies: A case of Baringo county, Kenya.	Arusha, Tanzania	2017 Regional Psychosocial Support Initiative conference 4-6 <sup>th</sup> September 2017
14.	Erick Ater Onyango	Assessment of Trajectories for Child Labour and Child Responsibility in Realizing the Best Interests of Children in Kenya.	Kibabii University Main Campus, Kenya.	1 <sup>st</sup> Kebabii University international Research Conference 14 <sup>th</sup> –15 <sup>th</sup> June 2017
15.	Erick Ater Onyango	Assessment of Dynamics Surrounding Charitable Children Institutions Programme's in Kenya.	Kibabii University Main Campus, Kenya.	1 <sup>st</sup> Kebabii University international Research Conference, 14 <sup>th</sup> –15 <sup>th</sup> June 2017
16.	Erick Ater Onyango	Social Protection Targeting approach for cushioning street children in Kenya	Egerton University, Njoro Campus, Kenya.	11 <sup>th</sup> Egerton University International Conference 29-31 March 2017
17.	Erick Ater Onyango	Formalized alternative family care for the best interests of children as an innovation for social development	Egerton University, Njoro Campus, Kenya.	11 <sup>th</sup> Egerton University International Conference 29 <sup>th</sup> -31 <sup>st</sup> , March 2017.

#### **Successful PhD and Masters Supervised**

##### **PhD Thesis**

1. Prison's aspects of Criminal Justice system influencing youth radicalization in Isiolo County, Kenya by **Francis Otieno Olwenyo Reg No: CPC/H/04-53965/2019**

##### **Master's Thesis**

1. Patterns of healthcare-seeking behaviour of diabetic patients in Rongo sub-county, Migori County, Kenya by **McDonald Odhiambo: MSOC/6002/2018.**

2. Effects of Occupational Stress on performance of Police officers in Uasin Gishu County, Kenya by **Hosea Walei Mutahi: CCJ/LG/005/2015.**

### **Ongoing Masters students Supervision**

1. Effects of Cash Transfer on Child Protection: A case of CT-OVC beneficiaries in Migori County, Kenya by **Peter Otieno Okoth : MSCO/6001/2018.**
2. Influence of Community-Based Supervision Programmes On Child Offenders' Transformation In Kakamega County, Kenya by **Onwuemenyi Marizu Chinemeze CCJ/G/01-57056/2017**
3. Effects of victim-oriented reforms on victim satisfaction with the Criminal Justice System: A Study of Kakamega Law Courts, Kenya by **Gachoki Daisy Wanjira, CCJ/G/01-70065/2020.**
4. An Assessment of Social Protection Interventions for climate change adaptation among self-help groups in South Kakamega, Kenya by **Alice Wanjiru Mbuthia, Msw/G/01-53980/2019.**

### **Modules Developed**

1. Critical thinking
2. Psychology of criminal behavior
3. Introduction to Social sciences
4. Introduction to Philosophy and religion

### **Professional Associations**

1. The Australian Sociological Association-Member
2. The Global Social Service Workforce Alliance- Member and Ambassador.
3. Associate Researcher at the African Institute of Child Studies

### **Achievements**

1. Drafted the now approved Masters of Social Work Curriculum for the Department of Criminology and Social Work, Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology in 2019.
2. Drafted the TVET Child Protection Curriculum for Level 6 in 2019.
3. Participated in developing the Strategic Plan 2018-2022 for the Ministry of Labour and Social Protection
4. Traced and reunified over 3000 unaccompanied and separated children during the 2007 post-election violence in Kenya
5. Participated in state reporting both for ACRWC in 2012 and UNCRC in 2015
6. Set up the Department of Children Services Research Unit.
7. Initiated a collaboration that culminated to the signing of a memorandum of understanding between Department of Children Services and Rongo University.
8. Organized the First International Child Protection Conference for the State Department for social Protection in Kenya held from 8<sup>th</sup> -10<sup>th</sup> August 2018.
9. Participated in the development and roll out of Child Protection information Management system in Kenya.

### **Referees**

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