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ABOUT ME

I am a dynamic, team-spirited, and performance-driven graduate engineer with an excellent learning attitude; trainable and ready to embrace positive change with a positive mindset. I am active in outdoor leadership and mentorship programs and am ready to motivate others to achieve their dreams.

Persuing a Ph.D. to attain scholarly excellence in teaching and research toward attaining Sustainable Development Goals.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Doctor of Engineering

Universitaet Siegen [01/10/2023 - Current]

City: Siegen | Country: Germany | Website: https://www.uni-siegen.de/ | Field(s) of study: Electrical Engineering and Computer Science

Deutsch Intensiv für Studium & Beruf

Institut für Internationale Kommunikation e.V. (IIK Düsseldorf) [30/05/2023 – 29/09/2023]

City: Düsseldorf | Country: Germany | Website: https://www.iik-duesseldorf.de/en/german/ | Field(s) of study: Arts and humanities | Final grade: B1.1

Master of Science in Telecommunication Engineering

Dedan Kimathi University of Technology [26/09/2018 – 15/12/2021]

Address: Private Bag – 10143, Dedan Kimathi,, Nyeri (Kenya) | Website: https://www.dkut.ac.ke/ | Field(s) of study: Engineering, manufacturing and construction | Final grade: A | Thesis: A Water Quality Monitoring System using Wireless Sensor Networks

- Wireless Communication
- Advanced Electromagnetics, Antennas and Radio-frequency Propagation
- Telecommunication Network Design and Planning
- Digital Signal Processing

Bachelor of Science in Electrical and Electronic Engineering

Dedan Kimathi University of Technology [12/09/2012 – 28/04/2017]

Address: Private Bag – 10143, Dedan Kimathi,, Nyeri (Kenya) | Website: https://www.dkut.ac.ke/ | Field(s) of study: Engineering, manufacturing and construction | Final grade: First Class Honors

A Degree in Electrical and Electrical Engineering A total of 84 courses completed successfully.

Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education (KCSE)

St. John's Nyamagwa Boys High School [02/02/2008 – 15/11/2011]

Address: P.O Box 505, 40200 Kisii (Kenya) | Final grade: A -

General High School Education

Kenya Certificate of Primary Education (KCPE)

Mavuno Complex Academy Primary School [01/01/1999 - 20/11/2007]

City: Kisii | Country: Kenya | Final grade: 377/500

General Primary School Studies

WORK EXPERIENCE

PhD Researcher

University of Siegen [01/10/2023 - Current]

City: Siegen | Country: Germany | Website: https://ubicomp.eti.uni-siegen.de/home/index.html.en?lang=en | Na me of unit or department: Electrical Engineering and Computer Science

A. Research and Development:

- Conduct advanced research in Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Data Science, including machine learning, neural networks, and big data analysis.
- Develop and implement innovative algorithms and models to solve complex technical problems.

B. Data Analysis and Modeling:

- Collect, clean, and analyze large datasets to support research projects.
- Apply statistical methods and machine learning techniques for pattern recognition, predictive modeling, and data interpretation.

C. Publications and Presentations:

- Publish research findings in reputable journals and present at international conferences.
- Share research results at academic and industry events to promote scientific exchange and networking.

D. Project Management and Collaboration:

- Participate in interdisciplinary research projects and collaborations with other universities and industry partners.
- Manage project tasks, including planning, budgeting, and reporting for research projects.

E. Teaching and Mentoring:

- Assist in teaching courses in electrical engineering, computer science, and Al.
- Mentor and supervise Master's and Bachelor's students in their research projects and theses.

Assistant Lecturer

Dedan Kimathi University of Technology [01/02/2022 – Current]

Address: Private Bag – 10143, Dedan Kimathi, Nyeri (Kenya) | Website: https://www.dkut.ac.ke/ | Name of unit or department: Electrical and Electronic Engineering. - Business or sector: Education

A. Teaching and Research

- Preparing teaching materials for the units allocated based on the recommended course books.
- Conducting lectures for the allocated units in strict compliance with the University semester schedules.
- Setting examinations for the units allocated.
- Mentoring and supervising graduate assistants assigned to me.
- Supervising students on external attachment.
- Organizing and supervising academic trips for students.
- Attending and participating in the School Board, Departmental Board, and class advisory meetings as scheduled.
- Conducting research and publishing papers in peer reviewed journals and author books in my thematic area.
- Developing grant proposals and source for grants to carry out research.
- Carrying out extension consultancy work on behalf of the University.
- Continuously engaging in self-development skills upgrading activities.

Units Assigned so Far:

- 1. Circuit and Theory of Networks II
- 2. Circuit and Theory of Networks III
- 3. Microprocessors
- 4. Introduction to Engineering and Computing.
- 5. Wireless Communication I.
- 6. Control Engineering I
- 7. Signals and Communication II

- B. Departmental Exams Coordinator
 - Scheduling and collecting draft examinations and for external moderation.
 - Overseeing timetabling of departmental examinations.
 - Collecting and processing marked scripts for moderation.
 - Implementing of approved examination procedures.
 - Advising the department on examination best practices.

Engineering Lecturer (Part-Time)

Meru University of Science and Technology [17/07/2022 – Current]

Address: P.O BOX ,972, 60200 Meru (Kenya) | Website: https://www.must.ac.ke/ | Name of unit or department: Electrical and Electronics - Business or sector: Education

- Preparing teaching materials for the units allocated based on the recommended course books.
- Conducting lectures for the allocated units in strict compliance with the University semester schedules.
- Setting examinations for the units allocated.

Units Assigned

Electrical Measurements and Instrumentation

Engineering Lecturer (Part-time)

Kirinyaga University [01/03/2022 – 30/07/2022]

Address: P.O.Box 143, 10300 Kutus (Kenya) | Website: https://www.kyu.ac.ke/ | Name of unit or department: Engineering and Technology - Business or sector: Education

- Preparing teaching materials for the units allocated based on the recommended course books.
- Conducting lectures for the allocated units in strict compliance with the University semester schedules.
- Setting examinations for the units allocated.

Units Assigned

- Electromagnetics
- Digital Electronics II

Graduate Assistant

Dedan Kimathi University of Technology [01/05/2021 - 01/02/2022]

Address: Private Bag – 10143, Dedan Kimathi, Nyeri (Kenya) | Website: https://www.dkut.ac.ke/ | Name of unit or department: Electrical and Electronic Engineering - Business or sector: Education

- Preparing teaching materials for the units allocated based on the recommended course books.
- Conducting lectures for the allocated units in strict compliance with the University semester schedules.
- Setting examinations for the units allocated.

Units Assigned

- 1. Circuit and Theory of Networks II
- 2. Circuit and Theory of Networks III
- 3. Microprocessors
- 4. Introduction to Engineering and Computing.
- 5. Wireless Communication I.

Graduate Student and Assistant

Dedan Kimathi University of Technology [26/09/2018 - 02/02/2021]

Address: Private Bag – 10143, Dedan Kimathi, Nyeri (Kenya) | Website: https://www.dkut.ac.ke/ | Name of unit or department: Electrical and Electronic Engineering - Business or sector: Education

A. Assigned Roles:

- Diploma tutor at the Institute of Technical and Professional Studies (ITPS).
- Assisted in project coordination for undergraduate student.
- Internal attachment software trainer for undergraduate students.
- · Assisted in the Commission for University Education (CUE) documents review and editing

B. Extra Duties:

- Teaching courses and/or discussion sections at the undergraduate level.
- Instructing and supervising undergraduate level labs and projects.

- Grading and/or evaluating performance of undergraduate students.
- Collecting and processing research data for the department.
- Preparing materials for presentations.
- Assisting with the assessment of the programs and services.

Electrical and Electronic Engineer (Intern)

Communications Authority of Kenya [01/06/2018 – 31/08/2018]

Address: P.o. Box 14448, 00800 Nairobi (Kenya) | Website: https://www.ca.go.ke/ | Name of unit or department: Frequency Spectrum Management (FSM) - Business or sector: Information and communication

- Managing the country's frequency spectrum and numbering resources.
- Facilitating the development of e-commerce.
- Regulating retail and wholesale tariffs for communications services.
- Monitoring the activities of licensees to enforce compliance with the license terms and conditions as well as the law.

Field Officer (Data Collection)

The National Construction Authority (NCA) [01/02/2018 – 31/05/2018]

Address: P.O.Box 21046, 00100 Nairobi (Kenya) | Website: https://nca.go.ke/ | Name of unit or department: Rapid Result Initiative (RRI) - Business or sector: Construction

- Field data collection under the overall supervision of the head office, coordinated by the regional offices.
- Data entry with the aim of capturing the construction workers details.
- Data analysis and classification based on factors like age, gender, mode of qualification etc.

Electrical and Electronic Engineer (Intern)

Ministry Of Transport, Infrastructure, Housing And Urban Development [01/01/2017 – 30/04/2017]

Address: P.o Box 52692, 00200 Nairobi (Kenya) | Website: https://publicworkskenya.com/ | Name of unit or department: State Department for Public Works - Business or sector: Construction

- Electrical installations (lighting and power).
- · Vertical transportation systems.
- Security surveillance systems (CCTVs).
- Standby power facilities (generators and solar).
- Structured cabling installation (Data communication systems).
- Design considerations and calculations for interior lighting and power.
- Preparation of electrical engineering drawings.
- Preparation of bills of quantities.

Electrical and Electronic Engineer (Intern)

Kenya Electricity Generating Company [01/01/2016 – 30/04/2016]

Address: P.o. Box 47936, 00100 Naivasha (Kenya) | Website: https://kengen.co.ke/ | Name of unit or department: Electricity Generation, Olkaria - Business or sector: Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply

- Instrumentation and Controls
- Basics of geothermal well drilling technology
- Corrective maintenance of power plants
- Routine motor and generator maintenance
- Disabling and assembling of electrical equipment during Rig down and Rig up
- Involved in electrical installations

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Other language(s):

English German LISTENING C2 READING C1 WRITING C2 LISTENING B1 READING B1 WRITING B1

SPOKEN PRODUCTION C2 SPOKEN INTERACTION C2

SPOKEN PRODUCTION B1 SPOKEN INTERACTION B1

DIGITAL SKILLS

Software and Office Tools

Microsoft Office / Microsoft Excel / Microsoft Word / Microsoft Powerpoint / Team-work oriented / Outlook / Zoom / Google Drive

Programming Languages:

Programing: pyhton, C++, PHP, HTML, JavaScript, Css, mysql

Simulation and CAD Tools:

Matlab Simulink PSCAD Multisim Proteus Electronic Work Bench Power World Simulator

Data Analysis and Machine Learning:

Data Analysis and Machine Learning

Software Development and Programming:

Al and Neural Networks / Cloud Computing (AWS, Azure, Google Cloud) / Programming and Software Development / I ntegrated Development Environments (IDEs) like Visual Studio and PyCharm

Database Management:

Database Management / InfluxdB

Freelancing and Expressed Writing:

Freelancing Platforms (Upwork, Fiverr) / Freelancing Skills / Expressed writting and editing skills / Professional Writing and Editing Skills / Technical Documentation

Project Management and Organizational Skills:

Project Management Tools (Microsoft Project, JIRA, Trello) / Resource Allocation / Time Management and Scheduling / Google Docs / Organizational and planning skills / Decision-making

Social Media Skills:

Social Media Management (Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn) / Content Creation and Marketing / Blogging Platforms (WordPress, Medium)

Interpersonal and Soft Skills:

Public Speaking and Presentation Skills / Leadership and Team Collaboration / Problem-Solving and Critical Thinking / Creativity and Innovation / Adaptability and Resilience

Tools for Enhanced Productivity:

Note-taking Apps (OneNote, Evernote) / Collaboration Tools (Slack, Microsoft Teams) / Task Management Apps (Asana, Todoist) / Design and Prototyping Tools (Figma, Adobe XD)

PUBLICATIONS

[2024]

<u>A Survey of LoRaWAN-integrated Wearable Sensor Networks for Human Activity Recognition: Applications, Challenges and Possible Solutions.</u>

N. M. Obiri and K. Van Laerhoven, "A Survey of LoRaWAN-Integrated Wearable Sensor Networks for Human Activity Recognition: Applications, Challenges and Possible Solutions," in *IEEE Open Journal of the Communications Society*, vol. 5, pp. 6713-6735, 2024, doi: 10.1109/OJCOMS.2024.3484002.

Long-Range Wide Area Network (LoRa-WAN) Connectivity and Range Evaluation in a Rural Setting

Nahshon M. Obiri and Humphry Shikunzi, "Long-Range Wide Area Network (LoRa-WAN) Connectivity and Range Evaluation in a Rural Setting," *International Journal of Computer Applications*, vol. 185, no. 3, pp. 61-67, 2023.

[2021]

<u>Anomaly Detection for Raw Water Quality - A Comparative Analysis of the Local Outlier Factor Algorithm and the Random Forest Algorithms</u>

M. Nahshon, W. M. Ciira and K. Henry, "Anomaly Detection for Raw Water Quality – A Comparative Analysis of the Local Outlier Factor Algorithm and the Random Forest Algorithms" *International Journal of Computer Applications*, vol. 174, no. 26, pp. 47-54, 2021. DOI: 10.5120/ijca2021921196

[2021]

A Raw Water Quality Monitoring System using Wireless Sensor Networks

M. Nahshon, W. M. Ciira and K. Henry, "A Raw Water Quality Monitoring System using Wireless Sensor Networks," *Int ernational Journal of Computer Applications*, vol. 174, no. 21, pp. 35-42, 2021. DOI: 10.5120/ijca2021921113

NETWORKS AND MEMBERSHIPS

[11/06/2017 - Current] Kenya

Graduate Engineer (Electrical and Electronic Engineer)

Engineering Board of Kenya (EBK) Registered Number: B12410

[15/12/2016 - Current] Kenya

Associate Member

Geothermal Association of Kenya (GAK)

Registered Number: 200

DRIVING LICENCE

Driving Licence: B

CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS

[10/11/2019 - 14/11/2019] Nyeri, Kenya

DeKUT International Conference on Science, Technology, Innovation and Entrepreneurship

Presented a research paper on: A Study on the Performance of LoRa in a Rural Environment: Connectivity and Range Evaluation

[10/09/2016 - 20/09/2016] Naivasha, Kenya

Workshop: Geothermal Projects and Finance Management

Workshop: Geothermal Projects and Finance Management.

Key Area: Emerging Trends in Project Management.

[22/05/2025] University of Siegen

Center for Sensor Systems PhD Forum

PhD Forum:

Presented the following:

POSTER: LoRaWAN-integrated Wearable Sensor Networks for Remote Human Activity Recognition: Applications, Challenges, and Possible Solutions: A Review.

LIGHTNING TALK: LoRaWAN Path Loss Measurements in an Indoor Setting, including Human and Environmental Effects.

Link: https://www.uni-siegen.de/zess/kombibox/zess_phd_forum_2024.html

PROJECTS

[05/01/2016 - 18/08/2016]

Text Message Based Electrical Devices Monitoring and Control System Using GSM Technology

System Development.

Undergraduate studies requirement.

[03/01/2020 - 10/05/2021]

A Water Quality Monitoring System using Wireless Sensor Networks

Postgraduate Research

HONOURS AND AWARDS

[30/03/2023] German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)

Kenyan - German Postgraduate Training Programme, 2023/24

A scholarship by the DAAD for further study and training.

Link: https://www.daad-kenya.org/en/

[26/09/2018] Dedan Kimathi University of Technology

Scholarship Award

MSc. Telecommunication Engineering

Full Sponsorship.

[10/12/2013] Dedan Kimathi University of Technology

Merit Awards and Honors

Best Performance Overall: Position Two (First Year)

Bachelor of Science in Electrical and Electronic Engineering

[10/12/2014] Dedan Kimathi University of Technology

Merit Awards and Honors

Best Performance Overall: Position Two (Second Year)
Bachelor of Science in Electrical and Electronic Engineering

bachelor of Science in Electrical and Electronic Engineering

[10/12/2016] Dedan Kimathi University of Technology

Merit Awards and Honors

Best Performance Overall: Position Two (Fouth Year)

Bachelor of Science in Electrical and Electronic Engineering

[10/09/2016] Geothermal Association of Kenya (GAK)

MANAGEMENT AND LEADERSHIP SKILLS

Departmental Examinations Coordinator

Dedan Kimathi University of Technology

2021 till 2023.

Departmental Undergraduates' Engineering Projects Coordinator

Dedan Kimathi University of Technology

2019 to 2020

Students Leadership

Speaker of the Congress

2015 to 2016

Dedan Kimathi University of Technology

HOBBIES AND INTERESTS

Hobbies

- Travelling
- Soccer activities
- Watching plays and art performances
- Researching
- Coding etc.

VOLUNTEERING

[05/08/2017 – Current] Nyeri, Nairobi

Community Services

- Charity donations mainly at Nyeri and Kasarani, Nairobi Kenya.
- Volunteering movements like tree planting.
- Fund-drive activities organizing and chairing.