


Daystar University Staff Profile For Brenda M. Wambua

<p>1. Name:</p>	<p>Brenda Mueni Wambua Lecturer, English and Linguistics</p>
<p>2. Passport photo:</p>	
<p>3. Job Title and Responsibilities:</p>	<p>Ms. Brenda Mueni Wambua Assistant Lecturer Language and Performing Arts, School of Communication. Teaching English (General Education Courses) and Linguistics Coordinator, Writing and Speech Centre Mentoring Students</p>
<p>4. Biography (About Me):</p>	<p>I have been a teacher of English and Literature in various secondary schools: Kithangaini Secondary school (Machakos), Bishop Ngala Secondary School (Makueni) and Pangani Girls School (Nairobi). In one of the schools, Bishop Ngala Secondary School, I was a Deputy Principal. I have taught on part time basis in various universities as well: Pan African Christian University, Nazarene University, Machakos University, Kenyatta University and United States International University.</p> <p>I worked as an examiner as well as a Senior Examiner for Kenya National Examination Council.</p> <p>I am a lecturer in the Departments of Language and Performing Arts, School of Communication. I teach English and Linguistics. I also coordinate the Writing and speech Centre. I am the one in charge of time tabling classes for our department after the Head of Department has projected the classes. I train peer tutors and organize both Public Speaking and Writing competitions through the Writing and Speech Centre. I</p>

supervise Masters thesis as well. I am a trained Editor and so I edit Masters thesis and articles for Daystar Connect. I am Ph.D student at Machakos University and I have done research in various fields such as Language Planning and Policy, Academic Writing and Second Language Acquisition and Learning.

I possess skills in Leadership, Mentoring, Team building, Academic Writing, Editing, Event organizing, Training coordination.

For my participation in community Development, I am member of the board of Thika Technical Training Institute and Ngamba secondary School (Machakos).

5. Academic Qualifications:

Academic Qualification	Year of Award	Institution	Thesis Title
Ph.D – Applied Linguistics	ongoing	Machakos University	The use of social media platforms as instruction tools for teaching and learning language skills in universities in Kenya
MA - Linguistics	2001	Kenyatta University	The valency of the Kikamba Verb
B.ED – English and Literature	1991	Kenyatta University	
Diploma – Public Relations Management	2001	Kenya institute of Management	
Certificate – Leadership and Mentorship	2012	Elle Interior Designers	

6. Research Interests:

Technology and writing skills
 Digital storytelling
 Language planning and policy
 Academic writing
 Creative writing
 Genre Analysis,
 Second Language Acquisition

	<p>Reading skills Leadership Mentoring Emotional Intelligence</p>
<p>7. Publications:</p>	<p>Books: Wamulama, O., Wambua, B., & Akombo, A.S. (2012). <i>Secondary Breakthrough Workbook English, Form 3</i>. Nairobi, Kenya: Moran Publishers LTD.</p> <p>Wamulama, O., Wambua, B., & Akombo, A.S. (2011). <i>Secondary Breakthrough Workbook English, Form 2</i>. Nairobi, Kenya: Moran Publishers LTD.</p> <p>Conferences Wambua, B., & Musyimi, D. (2019). <i>The challenges facing the implementation of the policy on using mother tongue as the language of instruction in lower Primary schools in Kenya</i>. A paper presented at the International Mother Language Conference held at Kenyatta University, Kitui Campus, 20th – 22nd February 2019.</p> <p>Wambua, B. (2018). <i>Effects of Social Networking Technologies on Writing Skills: Students' Perceptions</i>. A paper presented at the 1st Annual International Conference of Machakos University held at Machakos University on 17th -19th April. 2018.</p> <p>Wambua, B. (2017). <i>Language Variation: The use of language in WhatsApp group conversations</i>. A paper presented in Internal Communication Association Writing Workshop held at Entebbe, Uganda on 24th – 26th October, 2017.</p> <p>Wambua, B. (2016). <i>Using WhatsApp as a medium of teaching and learning skills</i>. A paper presented vat the International Communication Association Conference held at Daystar University on 19th to 21st October, 2016.</p> <p>Wambua, B. (2016). <i>Using Mobile Learning to Teach and Learn Writing Skills in Universities in Kenya</i>. A paper presented at the 4th Annual Innovations Conference & Expo (ELICE) held at Nacece Resource Center, Kenya Institute of Curriculum Development (KICD) on 12th to 16th September, 2016.</p> <p>Nyamasyo, E., Juma, Q., & Wambua, B. (2016). <i>Tobacco control interventions and their impact on cancer prevalence in Kenya</i>. A paper presented in EAMARC III Conference held at United States International University (USIU) on 15th to 17th November, 2016.</p>

Professional Development Activities

24th – 28th October, 2018, attended *Theology of Work* Training held in the Council Room, DAC Building, Daystar University.

27th – 29th July, 2016, attended a *Grant Writing Workshop* organised by African Population and Health Research Center at their Centre in Gigiri, Nairobi.

1st to 12th August, 2016, attended *Teaching for Critical Reflective Thought* Training held at Daystar University

Writing Seminar: 29 May – 1 June 2012 -Discussed the challenges of teaching Writing in the internet age held at Daystar University – Nairobi Campus

Drugs and Substance Abuse Awareness seminar: 18 May 2012 held at Daystar University – Nairobi Campus. Deliberated on ways Creating awareness among University students

Integration of Faith and Learning Seminar: 30 March 2012 held at Daystar University – Athi River Campus. Discussed different ways of infusing the Christian Faith in teaching

eLearning Seminar: 18th November 2011, Athi River Campus. held at Daystar University – Nairobi Campus. Focused on how to use Moodle as a method of uploading information

Health and Development Communication Conference: 21 – 24 June 2011 held at Safari Park Hotel. Discussed how to communicate health issues to society. Did Rapporteurring.

Post Graduate Certificate in Academic Practice (PCAP): 6- 8 July, 2010 held at USIU. Focused on issues regarding enhancing learning in the classroom.

Senior Examiners Workshop organized by KNEC: 7 - 11 Aug 2006 held at Alliance High School. Deliberated on the way forward in marking English paper 3 in the new curriculum

Strategic Planning Seminar: 5th April 2004 held at Pangani Girls' School. Deliberated on service charter, SWOT analysis and strategizing.

9th Post-graduate seminar Science: 15 -17th Oct. 2001, held at the Complex

	Board Room at Kenyatta University. Presented a session paper entitled 'Valency of the Kikamba Verb.'
8. Classes you teach:	<p>Advanced Reading Advanced Writing English Structure and Usage Second Language Acquisition History of English Sociolinguistics Psycholinguistics Advanced Speech and Writing Consultation Advanced Syntax</p>
9. Other relevant links:	Academia.Edu, Research Gate
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