# Curriculum Vitae

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## CAREER OBJECTIVE

Learning and teaching shape my understanding of knowledge and service. I view the library not simply as a storehouse of materials, but as an active intellectual space where ideas are explored, questioned, and refined. Engaging with students and scholars continually challenges me to think critically and remain open to new perspectives. This ongoing exchange strengthens my professional practice and sustains my commitment to growth as a librarian and educator. I am guided by Ranganathan's laws mostly that "the library is a growing organism." I strive to ensure that collections, services, and technologies evolve responsively to meet users' changing academic and research needs.

## EDUCATION

**University of South Africa, Pretoria SA**

• PhD Information Sciences, Graduated June 2025, **Dissertation topic**: *"Knowledge loss and the sustainability of selected public university libraries in Uganda".*

**Makerere University, Uganda**

- Master of Science in Information Sciences, Graduated January 2017 (CGPA = 4.43/5) **Dissertation topic**: *"Academic staff submission of scholarly materials to the Uganda Martyrs University Institutional Repository" Unpublished dissertation.*

- Bachelor of Science in Library and Information Science (CGPA = 4.26/5) August 2008 to July 2011, **Dissertation topic**: *"Development of inhouse vocabulary control tool to enhance information retrieval of publications at Uganda Water and Sanitation NGO Network Library" Unpublished dissertation.*

- Diploma in Library and Information Science (CGPA = 4.05/5) August 2000 to July 2002. **Dissertation topic**: "*Records management in the Ministry of Works, Housing and Communication: case study Central Mechanical Division." Unpublished dissertation*

## RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE

**Post-Doctoral Research Fellow,** *University of South Africa (UNISA), 2026 – Date*

Co-supervision of masters' students where applicable; Facilitation of postgraduate seminars; Submission of at least two research output units to an accredited peer- reviewed journals per annum; Facilitation of research workshops and seminars; Designing and conducting specific research projects.

**University Librarian,** *The Uganda Pentecostal University, 2022 – 2025*

Managing the library collection and staff, budgeting and collection development, ensuring library staff welfare, security of the library, supporting research agenda of the university

**Assistant Lecturer (part-time),** *Kyambogo University,* 2018-2023

Teaching and conducting examinations, supervision of research, supervision of internship, curriculum review and development of new programs

**Library Clerk,** *Makerere University Library, August 2005 – 2026*

- February 2023-2026 Newspaper Digitisation Center

- January 2022 – February 2023 College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences Library
- March 2014 – January 2022, Technical services
- August 2005- April 2014 – African Section

## LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

- Lyaka, M., & Ngulube, P. (2025). Role of a learning culture in overcoming barriers to knowledge retention in libraries. *Library Management*, 1-14, 529–542, doi: https://doi.org/10.1108/LM-12-2024-0134
- Lyaka, M., & Ngulube, P. (2025). Leveraging Human Resource Practices to Retain Librarians' Knowledge in Selected Public University Libraries in Uganda. *International Journal of Knowledge Management (IJKM)*, *21*(1), 1-15. DOI: 10.4018/IJKM.370947
- Kiconco, R., Kalyesubula, R., Tumusiime, J., Atwine, R., Bagenda, C., Rugera, S., ... & Obuku, E. (2025). Association Between Angiotensin Converting Enzyme Insertion/Deletion Genotypes and Diabetic Nephropathy Defined by Urinary Albumin-to-Creatinine Ratio: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis [version 1; peer review: awaiting peer review]. *F1000Research* 2025, **14**:697 (https://doi.org/10.12688/f1000research.166660.1)
- Mukungu, I., Izaruku, R., & Lyaka, M. (2024). Museumization in Libraries: Challenges and Prospects at Lira University Library. https://doi.org/10.4236/oalib.1111769
- Rugambwa, Nina Olivia, Lyaka, Martha and Mutibwa, Lois Nankya (2020) Contextualizing Wilson's Information Behavior model in Seeking Indigenous Information for HIV prevention among Adolescents in Secondary schools, Uganda. Library Philosophy and Practice (e-journal). 4718. https://digitalcommons.unl.edu/libphilprac/4718
- Lyaka M., Mbagwu F. C., Kiwelu J. E. and Nyantakyi-Baah L (2020). Achieving sustainable development goals two and three: role of academic libraries. Library Philosophy and Practice (eJournal). 3995. https://digitalcommons.unl.edu/libphilprac/3995

## BOOK CHAPTERS

- Lyaka, M., Mukungu, I., Rugambwa, N. O., & Ngulube, P. (2026). Designing Robust Sampling Frameworks for Mixed Methods Research: Challenges and Practical Guidelines. In *Research Methods for Computing and Informatics* (pp. 207-236). IGI Global Scientific Publishing. DOI: 10.4018/979-8-3693-4018-9.ch006
- Mukungu, I., & Lyaka, M. (2026). Understanding Phenomenological Qualitative Inquiry in Information Science and Informatics Research. In *Research Methods for Computing and Informatics* (pp. 259-288). IGI Global Scientific Publishing. DOI: 10.4018/979-8-3693-4018-9.ch008
- Rugambwa, N. O., & Lyaka, M. (2026). Advancing Indigenous Knowledge Research Epistemologies and Research Methodologies in LIS Research. In *AI-Driven Research Innovations in Computing and Information Science* (pp. 285-320). IGI Global Scientific Publishing. DOI: 10.4018/979-8-2600-0434-0.ch009
- Rugambwa, N. O., & Lyaka, M. (2026). Advancing Child-Centred Research Methodologies in the School Library Context. In *AI-Driven Research Innovations in Computing and Information Science* (pp. 247-284). IGI Global Scientific Publishing. DOI: 10.4018/979-8-2600-0434-0.ch008

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## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- Lyaka Martha and Ngulube Patrick (2025). Library knowledge retention framework to combat knowledge loss and ensure sustainability in public university libraries. Paper presented at the 4th Consortium of Uganda University Libraries (CUUL) Research Dissemination Conference, 16-17 October 2025
- Lyaka Martha (2021). Role of librarians in making university agricultural research relevant and sustainable (accepted poster by Development and Research Conference (DevRes2020) and presented virtually in a Swedish Development Research Conference, DevRes 2021 held from June 14-16, 2021
- Lyaka M., Mbagwu F. C., Kiwelu J. E. and Nyantakyi-Baah L (2020). Achieving sustainable development goals two and three: role of academic libraries. Paper presented at the University of Pretoria and Carnegie Corporation of New York Capstone conference, 25- 29 March 2019

## GRANTS AWARDED

- 2026 DAAD funded workshop on **Publishing for Impact: Equity, Ethics, and Global Collaboration in the SDG Era** held in Jinja, 6th- 8th October.
- 2025 DAAD funded workshop on **Leveraging policy briefs for professional development and sustainable development goals** held in Gulu 17th-19th July.
- 2025 DAAD funded workshop on **Mastering Systematic Reviews: Enhancing Professional Expertise for Sustainable Development** held in Jinja 23rd-25th July.

## PROJECTS WORKED ON

- 2023 **Digitization of the newspapers at Makerere university**
- 2019 RIF project **Digitization of the artefacts at Makerere university**
- 2019 RIF Project **Leveraging technology to integrate information literacy into ODEL curriculum: a shared responsibility between the lecturer and the librarian**.
- 2018 RIF Project **Digitization of land archives**
- 2005 **Formation of the archive Makerere University Library**

## TRAININGS FACILITATED

- 2026 (6th- 8th October) **Publishing for Impact: Equity, Ethics, and Global Collaboration in the SDG Era** held at Spark Africa Hotel, Jinja, funded by DAAD
- 2025 (17th-19th September) **Leveraging policy briefs for professional development and SDGs,** held at Kocoke Madite Hotel, Gulu funded by DAAD
- 2025 (23rd-25th July) **Mastering Systematic Reviews: Enhancing Professional Expertise for Sustainable Development,** held at Spark Africa Hotel, Jinja, funded by DAAD
- 2025 (18th-29th August) **Information competence and management (ICM) course**, held at Makerere University Library
- 2025 (11th- 13th June) **Ethical use of AI for researchers and Librarians**, held at Uganda Christian University Mukono, organized by CUUL
- 2025 (26th-28th Feb) **Policy briefs for social scientists**, organized by School of Gender Makerere University, held at Innovations hub Yusufu Lule Central Teaching Facility
- 2024 (27th-28th June) **E-resources Librarians workshop,** organized by the Consortium of Uganda University Libraries (CUUL), held at Kyambogo University Library

- 2023 (14th April) **Training of Trainers Capacity Building Workshop** organized by the East African Community and Makerere University School of Statistics
- 2021 (28th March to 1st April 2022 – virtual training) **Scholarly Writing and Communication Skills**

  **Training** organized by the Directorate of Research and Graduate Training at Makerere University, Uganda
- 2020 (23rd – 27th November) **24th Information Competence and Management** cross cutting course organized by Makerere University Library in collaboration with the Directorate of Research and Graduate Training at Makerere University, Uganda
- 2019 (17th – 28th June) **14th Information Competence and Management** cross cutting course organized by Makerere University Library in collaboration with the Directorate of Research and Graduate Training at Makerere University, Uganda
- 2018 (7th-11th May) **E-resources Librarians workshop,** organized by the Consortium of Uganda University Libraries (CUUL) with support from SIDA, held at Makerere University Library

**Short Courses / Training attended**

- 2024 (19th-21st August) **The Future of Teaching: Exploring Pedagogical Innovation and AI Integration in Higher Institutions of Learning, conducted by** *Faculty of Science, Mbarara University of Science and Technology in collaboration with AUGA*
- 2023 (17th-21st July) **Training of trainers (ToT) of Academic, professional and administrative staff (APAS),** held at Makerere University
- 2022 (10th-14th January) **Systematic reviews and meta-analysis**, organized by the Department of Forestry, Biodiversity, and Tourism with funding from the Carnegie Corporation under the SECA project
- 2019-2020 **International Librarians Networking Program**, sponsored by the International Relations Round Table
- 2020 (6th April- 25th May) **Research writing in social sciences** online course offered by INASP
- 2020 (20th April) **Search strategies** online course offered by INASP
- 2018 (1st -19th October) **GODAN action online course on Open data management in Agriculture, nutrition and land** funded by the UK Department for International Development (DFID)
- 2018 (28th -30th May) **Systematic review training for librarians** conducted by the African Centre for Systematic Reviews and Knowledge Translation in collaboration with Makerere University School of Public Health under the project collaboration for evidence-based healthcare and public health in Africa (CEBHA+)
- 2016 (21 May- 18 June) **Professional development programme for the next generation African library and information professionals** - University of Pretoria Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology
- 2013 (11th-14th June) **ICT and Web 2.0 Technologies** by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) Alumni held at Makerere University

- 2013 (18th-31st October) **e-Resources training** by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) Alumni held at Metropole hotel Kampala
- 2012 (2nd July) **Statistics for Advocacy by the statistics and evaluation** section of IFLA (International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions) held at Makerere University Library

## ACADEMIC AND CONTRIBUTION TO COMMUNITY

### External Examiner

2017-2019 External Examiner with YMCA Wandegeya – Bachelor's Degree Courses.

### Reviewer

Reviewer for several journals (check my Orcid https://orcid.org/0000-0002-7993-613X and Web of Science ResearcherID is PLR-9924-2026)

### Consortium of Uganda University Libraries

2024- to date Publicity Chairperson

- Responsible for the visibility of the consortium especially on all social media channels, design posters and all publicity materials for any consortium activity.

2022- 2023 Publicity committee member

- Assist the Chairperson and publicity secretary with designing posters and all publicity materials for any consortium

2022-to date Conference organizing committee member

- Reviewer and conference organizing committee member
- Review conference papers
- Organise the annual CUUL conference

## REFEREES