

Curriculum Vitae

Olivia Kunguma

1. Personal Information

Surname: Kunguma
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Date of Birth: 26 December 1982
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Languages: English (Fluent), Shona (Fluent), Ndebele (Fair) and Sotho (Fair)
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3. Educational Qualifications

- PhD, Full-Theses: Social media and networks in South Africa as resilience tools against disasters (To be registered),
- Masters in Disaster Management, University of the Free State (2009),
Mini –Dissertation: The experience and coping strategies of rural women in Riverside, Zimbabwe with regard to water scarcity
- BA Integrated Marketing Communication, University of the Free State (2005)
- BA Honours Integrated Marketing Communication, University of the Free State (2006)

4. Papers presented at conference and Publications

- Crisis Communication Plans for Municipalities: A case of Fraances Baard District Municipality (In publication progress)
- Gender and access to fresh water: experiences and coping strategies of rural women in Zimbabwe (In publication progress)
- Socio-Environmental damage, a looming facet of illegal gold panning: a case study of the illegal gold panners of Gwanda District, Zimbabwe (In publication progress)

5. Current projects / activities

- Disaster risk reduction community awareness campaigns (In collaboration with HANSA Network)

6. Training Experience

- The Sphere Project: Humanitarian Charter and Minimum Standards in Disaster Response
- The SPHERE Training of Trainers (Qualified SPHERE Project trainer)
- Introduction to Qualitative and Quantitative research
- Introduction to SPSS (formally SPSS basics) and Data management and manipulation (formally intermediate topics)
- Gender Mainstreaming and Gender Responsive Budgeting in Integrated Water Resources Management
- Project Management
- Assessor Training (Qualified Assessor)
- Microsoft Word 2010: Dissertation writing
- UNU PhD Block course-From vulnerability to resilience in Disaster Risk Management
- Introduction to Geographical Information Systems (GIS) for Disaster Risk Management

6. Work Experience

- NAME OF COMPANY:** University of the Free State, Disaster Risk Management Training and Education Centre for Africa (DiMTEC)
- NAME OF POSITION:** Researcher / Masters Programme Coordinator
- PERIOD:** 2006 – To date:
- AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY:**
- a) Junior lecturer of Strategic Disaster Management and Management of Media Relations (Masters Degree in Disaster Management)
 - b) Compilation of examination papers and assessment of assignments and examinations
 - c) Invigilation of students during examinations
 - d) Facilitator of “Gender and access to resources” at the Leadership Training in Sustainable Development: The Population, Environment and Development Nexus (Department of Social Development, LEAD and University of the Free State)
 - e) Facilitator of short course in “Media and Disasters”, “Disasters and development” and “Humanitarian Charter and Minimum Standards in Humanitarian Response (SPHERE PROJECT)” to private and public officials working in the disaster management field
 - f) Field research (qualitative and quantitative)
 - g) Data interpretation and capturing through SPSS
 - h) Coordination of community service and service learning
 - i) Coordination of the Masters program in Disaster Management (liaising with masters students and other lecturers, contact session schedules and venues)
 - j) Clerical and administrative work (student records, and filling)

7. Conferences and Workshops attended

- International Strategy for Disaster Reduction (ISDR) Conference
- Disaster Management Institute of Southern Africa
- Disaster Management Training and Education Centre for Africa
- Disaster Management Indaba-Strengthening national mechanisms for disaster management

8. Skills

Good writing and research skills, computer literacy, fluency in English, ability to work in a multi-cultural environment. Good interpersonal relationships, strong personality and a team player with good leadership skills

9. Travel experience

Serbia (Europe), Tanzania, Mozambique, Swaziland, Kenya, Zambia, Namibia and Botswana

8. References

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