

CURRICULUM VITAE

SOWEDI MASABA

PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Date of Birth: December 26, 1970
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OBJECTIVE:

Career development in University teaching, research, outreach and consultancy

EDUCATION BACKGROUND:

September 2013: PhD Student (Environmental Governance and Management), Wangari Maathai Institute for Peace and Environmental Studies, University of Nairobi.

October 1996- August 2002: Master of Science (Environment and Natural Resources), Makerere University, Uganda. Title of Thesis: An Economic Valuation of alternative Wetland uses to the local community. A case study of Namatala wetlands

October 1991- June 1994: B.A Education (Second Class Honours- Upper Division), Islamic University in Uganda. Major: Economics & Geography

February 1988- March 1990: Uganda Advanced Certificate of Education, Masaba Secondary School, Sironko, Uganda.

February 1984- December 1987: Uganda Certificate of Education, Nkoma Secondary School, Mbale, Uganda.

WORK EXPERIENCE:

November 2011 to Date: Lead person, developing the Bachelor of Science (Environmental Science and Management) Degree Programme for Busitema University.

August 2010 to Date: Lecturer, Faculty of Natural Resources and Environmental Sciences, Busitema University. I teach and supervise undergraduate students' research in Environmental Policy, Introduction to Natural Resource and Environmental Economics, Environmental Law, Urbanization & Environment, and Environmental Ethics.

September 2008: Lead person, developing the Bachelor of Science (Natural Resources Management) Degree Programme for Ndejje University.

August 2007 to July 2010: Lecturer, Faculty of Forest Science and Environment Management, Ndejje University. I taught and supervised undergraduate research in: Environmental Policy and Law, Environment and Natural Resource Economics, Environment and Development, Environmental Education, and Environmental Impact Assessment

March–December 2003: Acting Head, Department of Geography and Environmental Studies, Islamic University in Uganda. As acting head, I was responsible for coordinating academic and administrative matters in the Department.

April 2003- July 2007: Lecturer, Department of Geography and Environmental Studies, Islamic University in Uganda. I taught and supervised undergraduate research in Environmental Economics, Environmental Impact Assessment, and Environment and Development.

2000: Lead person, developing the Bachelor of Environment Management Degree Programme for Islamic University in Uganda.

January 1995- March 2003: Teaching Assistant, Department of Geography, Islamic University in Uganda. I conducted tutorials in: Climatology, Geomorphology and World Physical Environmental Systems.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE:

2009-2011 Principal Researcher, Economic Valuation of Wetlands Loss to Agriculture in Eastern Uganda

February 2010: Research Assistant, Lake Victoria Research Initiative (VICRES). I was responsible for collecting field data for a project titled “To conserve or convert Lake Victoria wetlands. An economic valuation”

- October 2003: Research Assistant, Network of Ugandan Researchers and Research Users (NURRU). I was responsible for collecting household data for a research project titled “Towards privatization of garbage collection in Kampala City, Uganda”.
- December 1999: Research Assistant, World Conservation Union Uganda Country Office. I was responsible for collecting and analyzing data, and updating the Environmental NGOs/CBOs database.
- January-December 1998: Principal Researcher: Collected and analyzed field data, and prepared MSc. Dissertation on “Economic valuation alternative wetland uses in Eastern Uganda”.

PUBLICATIONS:

Masaba, S. 2004. Economic valuation of mountain and highland ecosystems in Uganda. In: Obua J., Nakileza B., and Ogwang E., (eds). Mountain Ecosystems, Resources and Development in Uganda. Reviewed papers presented at the workshop to mark the International year of the Mountains, October 2002. Mountain Resource Centre, Makerere University. Kampala, Uganda. ISBN 9970-05-017-6.

Masaba, S. 1999. Wetlands Precious as Gold. *The New Vision*. March 28, 1999.

CONFERENCES & WORKSHOPS ATTENDED:

- October 2009: Attended the Pre-AFRICAGIS conference workshop on GeonetCast for Water & Natural Resources Management. Makerere University, Uganda.
- August 2009: Ecological Society for Eastern Africa Conference. 2009. Oral Presentation on “Economic costs of wetlands loss in Uganda”. Kampala, Uganda.
- August 2008: Attended the 10th Biennial International Society for Ecological Economics Conference on Applying Ecological Economics for Social and Environmental Sustainability. Nairobi, Kenya.
- January 2008: Attended the Uganda National Council for Science and Technology workshop on competitive grants proposal writing. Mukono, Uganda.
- July 2007: Attended workshop on developing minimum requirements for the Bachelor of Environmental Management Programme for Ugandan Universities,

organized by the National Council for Higher Education, Masaka, Uganda.

- August 2006: Attended the Tropical Biology Association workshop on writing for publication, fundraising and communicating results. Makerere University, Uganda.
- March 2006: Attended Workshop on Principles and Practices of Economic Instruments in Environmental Management organized by National Environment Management Authority, Mukono, Uganda.
- November 2005: Uganda Society Science Conference. 2005. Oral Presentation on “Economic valuation: a tool for sustainable wetlands management”. Kampala, Uganda.
- August 2003: Attended the Network of Ugandan Researchers and Research Users (NURRU) workshop on Participatory Action Oriented Research for Poverty Eradication. Kampala, Uganda.
- October 2002: National Workshop on Mountains. 2002. Oral Presentation on “Economic Valuation of Mountain and Highland Ecosystems in Uganda”. Makerere University, Uganda.
- October –November 2000: Attended the Training of Trainers workshop organized by Uganda Institutional Capacity Building Project at Uganda Management Institute, Kampala, Uganda.

COMPUTER KNOWLEDGE:

Microsoft Word, Microsoft Excel, Microsoft Power Point, Microsoft Access, ArcGIS, Internet & Email.

MEMBERSHIP TO PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS:

- 2008-2010: Member, African Society for Ecological Economics
Member, Ecological Society for Eastern Africa

COMMUNITY SERVICE:

- 2012 To date: Chair, Examinations Malpractices and irregularities Committee, Faculty of Natural Resources and Environmental Sciences, Busitema University.
- 2011 To date: Chair, Students’ Disciplinary Committee, Busitema University, Namasagali Campus.

2011 To date: Secretary for Academic Affairs, Busitema University
Academic Staff Association.

2002-2004: Member, Board of Governors, Hamdan Girls' High
School, Mbale, Uganda.

2000 To date: Member, Board of Trustees, Mount Masaba High
School, Mbale, Uganda.

1998-2000: Chairperson, Bungokho County Youth Council, Mbale
District, Uganda.

LANGUAGES:

Native: Lumasaba
Fluent: English
Basic: Kiswahili

DECLARATION:

I, the undersigned certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief, all the information stated in this document is a true and complete reflection of my qualifications, my experience and myself.



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