

Academic Staff Profile

Personal Profile

Personal Details

Name: Dr. John Mosu Nzioka Title/Qualification: PhD Department: Philosophy and Religious Studies Designation/Position: Lecturer Email: nzioka.john@ku.ac.ke Contact Address: 43844-00100 Nairobi Area of Specialization: Epistemology - - Research Interests: Logic, Metaphysics, Critical and Creative Thinking - - Google Scholar: John Mosu Nzioka ORCID ID: 0009-0001-6945-5498	
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Academic & Professional Qualifications

- **2021 - 2024: Chuka University (PhD in Philosophy)**
 - **Title of the Thesis:** Viability of Empirical Methods in Knowledge Acquisition: Critical Analysis of Pragmatism and the Duhem-Quine Thesis.
- **2013 – 2017: Kenyatta University (Master of Arts in Philosophy)**
 - **Title of the thesis:** Reconciliation of Libertarian Free Will with the Contemporary Neuroscientific Advocacy for Determinism in Human Action.
- **2009-2012: Pontifical Urbaniana University- Rome**
 - Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy

Employment History

2024- Present: Kenyatta University
Position: Lecturer
-2019-2024: Tharaka University
Position: Assistant Lecturer
2019: Chuka University
Position: Tutorial Fellow
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Achievements

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Publications

Referred Journals

- i. Nzioka, J. M., Dynesius Nyangau, P., & Kagema, D. N. (2024). Justification for the Pragmatic Conception of Truth in Scientific Pursuit of Knowledge. *International Journal of Research and Innovation in Social Science*, 8(8), 659-670. DOI: <https://dx.doi.org/10.47772/IJRISS.2024.808053>
- ii. Necessity and Sufficiency of Belief, Justification and Truth as Conditions for Knowledge. DOI: <https://dx.doi.org/10.47772/IJRISS.2024.808056>
- iii. Challenges affecting Youth Participation in Governance: A Case of Tharaka Nithi County, Kenya. (2022; 6(2): 105-113), DOI: <https://doi.org/10.11648/j.jpapa.20220602.16>
- iv. Mechanisms of Youth Participation in Governance in Kenyan Counties: A Case of Tharaka Nithi County. (2022; 6(2): 105-113), DOI: <https://doi.org/10.11648/j.jpapa.20220602.17>
- v. Status of Youth Participation in Governance in Kenya: A Case of Tharaka Nithi County. (2022; 6(3): 114-121), DOI: <https://doi.org/10.11648/j.jpapa.20220603.11>

Books and Books Chapters

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Conference/Workshops/Seminar Papers

Conference Papers

- **31st October 2024:** Presented 3 research papers at the 6th Annual International Research Conference at Tharaka University.
 1. “*Rationality and Validity of African Sagacity in Contemporary Problem Solving and Decision Making*”
 2. *Necessity and Sufficiency of Belief, Justification and Truth as Conditions for Knowledge.*
 3. *Justification for the Pragmatic Conception of Truth in Scientific Pursuit of Knowledge*
- **12th July 2024:** Presented a research paper titled, “*Redefining the Epistemic Foundations for Gender Equality in Contemporary African Societies,*” at the Inaugural Research Conference in Humanities and Social Sciences, held at Chuka University.
- **31st May 2019:** Presented a paper titled “*The Palestine-Israel Conflict: Origin, Points of Contention and Status of Human Rights,*” during a half-day conference themed “The Palestinian Question and its Relevance to the Struggle for Human Rights in the Contemporary World conference,” held at Kenyatta University.
- **2nd November 2017:** Presented an academic paper at the Conference on “Cultural and Scientific Impact on Extremism and Radicalism” at Kenyatta University titled: “An

Evaluation of the Success of the United Nations Global Anti-Terrorist Strategy (2006).”

- **5th -6th October 2017:** Presented three (3) academic papers at Kabarak University’s 7th Annual International Research Conference titled:
 - *An Objective exposition of the Autonomy of the African Mind: A Rational Perspective*
 - *The Value of Practical Wisdom in Transforming the Society*
 - *An Examination of the Correlation between Human Rights Law and Social Justice, and Socio-Economic and Political Development- A Case Study of Kenya.*
- **20th - 22nd April 2017:** Presented two academic papers at the COMIUCAP- CUEA Philosophical Conference titled:
 - *Challenges of Teaching Philosophy in Africa.*
 - *The Role of Philosophy in Addressing Governance and Integrity in Africa.*

Workshops Papers

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Seminar Papers

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Student Co-authored Publications

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Other Publications

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Research

- **June 2018 - November 2018:** Research assistant to Professor Michael Katola (Kenyatta University) research on “*The Proliferation of Organized Criminal Groups and their Effects on Security and Peace in Nairobi County, Kenya*” within Makadara and Kamukunji constituencies, Nairobi County.

Funded Projects

June 2020: Won a grant of Ksh. 300,000 for research on, “The Status, Mechanisms, Challenges and Opportunities of youth Participation in Governance in Kenya: A Case of Selected Counties.”

Conferenced/Workshops/Seminars Attended

Conferences Attended

- 29th – 31st October, 2024:** The 6th Annual International Research Conference at Tharaka University.
- 12th July 2024:** The Inaugural Research Conference in Humanities and Social Sciences, held at Chuka University.
- 31st May 2019:** Half-day conference at Kenyatta University, organized by Kenyatta University and the Iranian Embassy.
- 2nd November 2017:** Half-day conference at Kenyatta University, organized by Kenyatta University and the Iranian Embassy.
- 5th -6th October 2017:** Kabarak University's 7th Annual International Research Conference.
- 20th - 22nd April 2017:** COMIUCAP- CUEA Philosophical Conference

Workshops Attended

- **June 2022:** CISCO course: *Introduction to Cybersecurity* at Tharaka University.
- **June 2022:** NACADA training on “Workplace Based Prevention Interventions” at Tharaka University.
- **February 2022:** CBC Pedagogy workshop at Tharaka University.
- **15th – 17th June 2021:** ISO/IEC 27001:2013 Information Security Management System training at Tharaka University.
- **8th – 12th February 2021:** ISO 9001:2015 Quality management Systems training at Tharaka University.

Seminars Attended

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Supervision of Postgraduate Students

Masters

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Ph. D

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Professional/ Consultancy (Editor/ Peer review in journals, Networks/ Collaborations, External Examiner, Patents)

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Community Service and Other Engagements

- BOM Member, Kanaani Secondary School, Makueni County, Kenya.
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Affiliation of Professional Bodies

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National and International awards and Recognitions

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Administrative Positions Held

Recognized university administrative positions

July 2025- Date: Departmental Examinations Coordinator, Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, Kenyatta University

Other administrative positions Held

- **August 2025- Date:** Coordinator, E-Learning, Research & Innovation, Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies.

August 2025- Date: Member of the departmental Unit Allocation & Timetabling Committee (Philosophy Section).

November 2024 – Date: Member of the Departmental Quality Management Committee

November 2024- Date: Member of the Examinations Moderation Committee

October 2024- Date: Member of the University Common Units Committee in the Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies.

June 2021- 2024: Internal Auditor for ISO 9001: 2015 (Quality Management System) at Tharaka University.

June 2021- 2024: Internal Auditor for ISO/IEC 27001:2013 (Information Security Management System) at Tharaka University.

February 2020- 2024: Member of TVET steering Committee of Tharaka University.

July 2020- 2024: Member of Tharaka University Committee on the Campaign against Drug Abuse.

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