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Brief Bio	<p>Dr. Okal is experienced in general linguistics, literature and translation with a lectureship of over ten years at the Department of Kiswahili and other African Languages, School of Arts and Social Sciences, Maseno University. He has taught literature, language, communication skills, and pure and applied linguistics courses in Kiswahili. He supervises postgraduate students in Kiswahili and has served as internal examiner. Okal has acted on short term basis as in-charge of the Department of Kiswahili and other African Languages, is the departmental curriculum officer, and secretary to the school curriculum committee. He has served as a school's Learner Support Assistant at the e-Campus, and is currently the Programme Coordinator of the school at Maseno University, Kisumu campus in-charge of programmes of all the departments, and coordinating school's e-learning programmes at the e-Campus. Okal has served as a reviewer of international peer reviewed scholarly journals, guest editor of an international journal, reputable translator and designer of academic programmes. Okal has authored a book titled <i>The Linguistic Face of Africa</i>, book chapters, and numerous topical articles in the scholarly peer reviewed journals and print media. He has served as a member of the Board of Management of various primary and secondary schools. He is the founding chairman of Chama cha Kiswahili Magharibi mwa Kenya-CHAKIMAKE (Western Kenya Kiswahili Association). He has actively participated in the conferences of CHAKIMAKE, Chama cha Kiswahili Afrika Mashariki (CHAKAMA), Chama cha Ukuzaji wa Kiswahili</p>

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	<p>Duniani (CHAUKIDU), academic seminars, symposia, and workshops. He actively participated in a nationwide consultative stakeholders' workshop on the <i>Languages of Kenya Policy</i>, and the <i>National Kiswahili Council of Kenya Bill</i>.</p>
<p>Current Research: We also need past research activities</p>	<p>Past research activities :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ PhD thesis research at Maseno University titled: <i>Uchanganuzi wa Kileksikografia wa Hiponimia za Leksimu Nomino na Vitenzi vya Kiswahili na Tafsiri zake katika Kiluo (A Lexicographical Analysis of Kiswahili Nominal and Verbal Hyponymy and its Translation into Dholuo)</i>, 2009-2018. ▪ MPhil thesis research at Moi University titled : <i>Uchanganuzi wa Kileksika wa Hiponimia katika Kiswahili (Lexical Analysis of Hyponymy in Kiswahili)</i>, 2001-2006.
<p>Publications:</p>	<p>Books:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Okal, B. O. (2016). <i>The Linguistic Face of Africa</i>. Verlag, Germany: LAP Lambert Academic Publishing. ISBN 13: 9783659889486 (E-Book & Print) <p>https://www.amazon.com/Linguistic-Face-Africa-Revitalization-Contributions/dp/3659889482</p> <p>Chapters in Edited Books:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Okal, B. O. (2018). Chagamoto za Utekelezaji wa Tafsiri ya katiba Mpya ya Kenya katika Lugha za Kijamii. In: M. Kandagor, S. M. Obuchi, & N. M. Mwanakombo (Eds.). <i>Lugha na Masuala Ibuka</i>. Chapter 5, 100-113, ISBN: 978-9976-5058-5-6 (Print). University of Dar es Salaam: IKS. 3. Okal B. O. (2016). Nafasi ya Tafsiri katika Leksikografia Thaniya. In: Hadija Jilala (Ed.). <i>Nadharia za Tafsiri, Ukalimani na Uundaji wa Istilahi. Kitabu Maalum kwa Heshima ya Profesa Hermas J. M. Mwansoko</i>. Chapter 11, 184-209, ISBN 978-9976-9935-1-6 (Print). Dar es Salaam: Daud Publishing Co. Ltd. <p>Articles in Refereed Scholarly Journals</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Okal. B. O., Yakub, A., Okello, J., & Kodak, B.O. (2020). Analysis of Themes and Illocutionary Speech Act in Selected Advisory Biblical and Literary Texts. <i>QUANTUM JOURNAL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES AND HUMANITIES</i> 1(2): 14-27. http://www.qjssh.com 5. Okal, B. O. (2020). Mikabala ya Uchanganuzi wa Hiponimia na Uainishaji Wake. <i>Mwanga wa Lugha</i>, Jarida la Idara ya Kiswahili na Lugha Nyingine za Kiafrika, 5 (1), ISSN 2412-6993 (Print). Moi University: Moi

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 10. Okal, B. O. (2017). Mchango wa Kihindi katika Leksikografia ya Kiswahili. *Mulika*, (Toleo Maalum la Makala ya Kongamano la Chama cha Ukuzaji Kiswahili Duniani-CHAUKIDU, 2016), University of Dar es Salaam: Institute of Kiswahili Studies. <http://journals.udsm.ac.tz/index.php/mj/issue/view/291/showToc>
 11. Adams, Y., Nyakoe, D. G., & Okal, B. O. (2017). Discourse of Traditional Medicine Street Advertisement in Kisumu, Kenya. *Saudi Journal of Humanities and Social Sciences* (SJHSS), Vol. 2 (7), (July), 497-503, ISSN 2415-6248 (Online & Print), Dubai, United Arab Emirates: Scholars Middle East Publishers. DOI: 10.21276/sjhss
 12. Ambuyo, B. A., Okal, B. O., & Amukowa, D. N. (2017). Is Democracy Possible? A Theoretical Perspective. *Research on Humanities and Social Sciences* (RHSS), Vol. 7, No. 6, (55-63), ISSN (Paper) 2224-5766 ISSN (Online & Print) 2225-0484. www.iiste.org/journals/index.php/RHSS/pages/view/EditorialBoard
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