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## **EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND**

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<b>2014-2018</b>	Bachelor of Science Natural Resources-Wildlife Management Major (Second Class Honors-Lower Division)	Karatina University
<b>2010-2013</b>	Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education	Mbita High School
<b>2002-2009</b>	Kenya Certificate of Primary Education	Rabuor Primary School

## **PUBLICATIONS**

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**March 2020:** Musila S, Rumoky J, Muthama L, LeGrange G, Zuhura A, Odhiambo K, Kamau P, Masinde S (2020). Occurrence records of small and medium sized mammal species in Tana River Basin, Kenya. Version 1.3. National Museums of Kenya. Occurrence dataset <https://doi.org/10.15468/xtsgbk> accessed via GBIF.org on 2023-01-16.

**November 2022:** Musila S, Zuhura A, Mabeya S, Shema S, Nyaga S, LeGrange G (2022). Occurrence records of different mammal species from several localities in Kenya. Version 1.1. National Museums of Kenya. Occurrence dataset <https://doi.org/10.15468/vyf55f> accessed via GBIF.org on 2023-01-16.

## **WORK EXPERIENCE**

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**July 2020 – Present:** Research assistant at Mpala Research Center under a project called The UHURU Experiment; it studies Ungulate Herbivory under Rainfall Uncertainty. Assist in making of trapping timetable, setting of Sherman traps, taking morphometric of small mammals, collection of samples like fecal or blood samples. Laboratory preservation of samples and data entry.

**February 2019- June 2020:** Volunteer at National Museum of Kenya-Zoology Department, Mammalogy section. Assisting and learning the various activities in the mammalogy section such as: Identification, preservation, accessioning of the collected specimens, database

management, training students on attachment and giving educational talks on mammals and their conservation.

**October 2019:** Biodiversity monitoring in Yala swamp, Siaya County- Honed my skills in data collection through observation of time, location, GPS coordinates and taking photographs of scats and tracks of mammal species.

**April 2019- 2021:** Taking part in Mammal Atlas Project that involves compilation of data mainly; Species, main habitat type, locality, on all Mammals in protected areas in the country.

**April 2019:** Participated in a project that involved trapping of rodents in Ngara Market and Uhuru Gardens-Nairobi and collecting their tissue samples to identify whether they are carriers of viruses.

**June- August 2017:** Field attachment at Aberdare National Park. During this period of three months I was exposed to activities such as Black Rhino ear-notching in Solio Ranch, Nyeri County, report writing, data entry, database management, daily park patrols and EIA survey of River Malewa for an irrigation project.

## **SKILLS AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

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- Handling of live Small mammals
- Dissection of rodents for tissue samples.
- Skinning of lion for taxidermy
- Digitization and geo-referencing of field data

## REFEREES

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