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## EDUCATION

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**PhD** University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY December 2001  
Educational Policy Studies (Studies in Higher Education)

- Dissertation Title: Julius Kambarage Nyerere's Vision of Higher Education for Tanzania
- Dissertation Director: Dr. Clint Collins

**MA** Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore, KY May 1996  
Master of Arts in Religious Education

**BA** University of Lubumbashi, Lubumbashi, DR of Congo July 1982  
Bachelor of Arts in English - Language and Literature

- Thesis Project: Ernest Hemingway's self-Projection in *The Old Man and the Sea*
- Thesis Advisor: Dr. Mutoke Tujibikila

**Certificate** (Secondary School Teaching) - University of Lubumbashi, DRC July 1982

### Honors and Awards

*European Scientific Journal* 2017 Reviewer of the Year 2017

Graduate School Academic Fellowship, University of Kentucky 2000

Coca-Cola Travel Grant to the annual meeting of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS), Atlanta 2000

Dissertation Enhancement Award, University of Kentucky 1999-2000

Outstanding Scholarship, North American Professors of Christian Education, Asbury Theological Seminary 1999

## COLLEGE TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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**University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY** August 2017 to present

**Clinical Assistant Professor**, Sociocultural Studies in Education

- Ethics and Educational Decision Making (EPE628), Spring 2018
- Comparative Higher Education (EPE 655), Fall 2017
- Education in American Culture (EPE 301) Fall 2017

**University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY** 2015-2017  
**Lecturer, Sociocultural Studies in Education**

- Field Studies in Educational Institutions (EPE 663)
- Education in American Culture (EPE 301)

**University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY** 2006-2009, 2011-2012 and 2013-2015  
**Affiliate Faculty**

- Education in American Culture (EPE 301 and EPE 301W), an undergraduate teacher preparation course, Fall 2006 to Spring 2015
- Capstone Senior Research Project Seminar in International Studies (INT495), Fall 2011 and Spring 2012
- Introduction to International Studies (INT101/A&S100), Fall 2011

**Mulungwishi Theological Seminary, Mulungwishi, DR of Congo** Oct 1983- July 1994  
**Assistant Professor**

- History of Western Philosophical Trends (an undergraduate course), 1983-1994
- English as a Foreign Language (an undergraduate and graduate course), 1983-1994

**United Methodist Teachers College, Kamina, DR of Congo** July 1990  
**Visiting Assistant Professor**

- Oral African Literature (independent study)
- English Literary Criticism (second-year undergraduate course)
- African Literature in English (second and third-year undergraduate course)

#### **ADDITIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE**

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- **Educational Interpreter**, Fayette County Public Schools, Lexington, KY, 2012 to present
- **English-French translator**, the Confessing Movement within the United Methodist Church, Lexington, KY, 2008
- **French-Swahili-English interpreter and translator**, the Confessing Movement within the United Methodist Church, Pittsburgh, PA, April 2004
- **Consultant**, developing new church curriculum for Africa, United Methodist Publishing House, Nashville (TN), 2003-2004
- **French-Swahili-English interpreter**, United Methodist General Council on Ministries, Pittsburg, PA and Oklahoma City, OK, 2002
- **Research Assistant**, Preparing Future Faculty Project at UK (Department of Educational Policy Studies), University of Kentucky, 1999-2000
- **Research Assistant**, planned and organized field trips within the USA and to the Holy Land for Dr. Matt Zahniser's course on Christian Missions and World Religions, Asbury Theological Seminary, 1996-1999
- **Secondary School Teacher of English as a Foreign Language**, Institut Kitabataba, Mulungwishi, Democratic Republic of the Congo, 1983-1993
- **Secondary School Teacher of English as a Foreign Language**, Institut Kamweneja, Lubumbashi, Democratic Republic of the Congo, 1982-1983
- **Assistant to the Director and Honorary Consul**, Barclays Bank/British Consulate, Lubumbashi, Democratic Republic of the Congo, 1982 (July-August)
- **Swahili Instructor**, US General Consulate in Lubumbashi, Congo RDC, 1981-1982

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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- School and social integration of African refugees in Central Kentucky
- Higher education and community engagement
- Education and health issues in sub-Saharan Africa
- Philosophical and socio-cultural issues in education
- Education in America and abroad
- Rituals and customary laws in changing Congolese (DRC) society

## PUBLICATIONS

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### *Books*

Nkulu, Kiluba L., *Serving the Common Good: A Postcolonial African Perspective on Higher Education*, New York: Peter Lang Publishing, 2005 [ISBN 0-8204-76269].

### *Journal Articles*

Nkulu, Kiluba L., "Congo, Democratic Republic of the," *Sociology of Education: An A-to-Z Guide*, vol. 1, Sage Reference, Ed. James Ainsworth, Sage Publications, Los Angeles, 2013.

Nkulu, Kiluba L., "No Longer Strangers but Sisters and Brothers in Christ," *Circuit Rider*, November/December, 2004.

### *Conference Papers and Presentations*

Panelist, "Stories of Kentucky's Engagement with the World" conference at International Book Project, Lexington, November 17, 2018.

Nkulu, Kiluba L., "The Contributions of Philosophy to Education," *Last Lectures Series*. Colloquium co-presented on the occasion of Dr. Clint Collins' retirement, Department of Educational Policy Studies, University of Kentucky, May 2, 2004.

Nkulu, Kiluba L., "Julius K. Nyerere's Contribution to the Idea of Higher Education." Colloquium, Department of Educational Policy Studies, University of Kentucky, February 16, 2002.

Nkulu, Kiluba L., "What Educational Ideal for the New Century?" Paper presented at the Ohio Valley Philosophy of Education Society, annual meeting, University of Dayton, September 28-29, 2001.

Nkulu, Kiluba L., "Refining the Primary Aim of Higher Education: A Step toward University Reform in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century." Paper presented at the conference on Higher Education for the New Century, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, June 29-July 1, 1999.

### ***Work in Progress***

Manuscript editor, *Pratiques rituelles funeraires et leur symbolique dans la societe Luba du Haut-Lomami* [Funeral rituals and their symbolism among the Luba of Upper-Lomami]. A doctoral dissertation by Gilson Mwepu Kilume Kinek (University of Lubumbshi) soon to be published as a book.

Nkulu, Kiluba L., *Building Sustainable Higher Education: Challenges and Opportunities in sub-Saharan Africa* (book project)

Nkulu, Kiluba L., “Language and cultural barriers for school-aged African refugees newly resettled in Central Kentucky” (article project)

### **SERVICE**

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- **Consultant**, faculty development, Methodist University in Kamina (DRC), since April 2018.
- **Member of the *European Scientific Journal***, ESJ’s international editorial team, since April 2017
- **IRB Cultural Consultant**, University of Kentucky, 2014 to present
- **Conference paper manuscript reviewer**, Global Conference on Education and Research GLOCER, Sarasota/Florida, 2017
- **Book manuscript reviewer**, Sage publications, Spring/Summer 2016
- **Mentor**, Harrison Elementary School, Fayette County Public Schools, Lexington, KY, 2012 to 2017
- **Financial Secretary**, Christ United Methodist Church, Lexington, KY, 2012 to present
- **Vice-Chairman**, Board of Directors, the Big Wattle Tree Inc. (non-profit organization), Lexington, KY, 2010
- **Manuscript reviewer**, African Studies Review, 2004
- **Director of Community Life**, Mulungwishi Theological Seminary (Democratic Republic of the Congo), 1990-1994
- **Interim Academic Dean**, Mulungwishi Theological Seminary, April-June, 1990
- **Secretary**, Congo Task Force on Student Recruitment for Africa University in Zimbabwe, Kinshasa, August 1987
- **National Secondary Teachers’ representative** at the Evaluation Conference for American Peace Corp teaching in the Democratic Republic of Congo, Kikwit, December 1985
- **French and Swahili Instructor for American and Swiss Missionaries** with the United Methodist Church in Southern Congo at Mulungwishi, 1984-1994
- **Trilingual (English – French - Swahili) Interpreter** for the United Methodist Church in Southern Congo at Mulungwishi 1989-1994

### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

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Tanzania Studies Association  
African Studies Association  
American Educational Studies Association