

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE



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Educational Background:

- PhD (History), Egerton University, Kenya (2006)
- Masters in History, Kenyatta University, Kenya (1993)
- Bachelor of Education (Arts) (Second Class Upper Division), Kenyatta University, Kenya (1987)

Brief Auto-biography of the Staff

Dr. Waweru attended local schools and Universities and was posted to Kericho Teachers College in May 1987 as a Graduate Teacher after completion of my first degree, Bachelor of Education (Arts) to teach History and Physical Education. Joined Kenyatta University for an M. A. (History) in 1991 and completed the degree in 1993 and graduated the same year. In 1993, I joined Egerton University as an Assistant Lecturer and deployed to Laikipia Campus College to teach History. I rose through academic ranks to Lecturer level on 7th July 1995 and Senior Lecturer of History on 3rd June, 2013. Equally, I have been entrusted with a number of administrative positions during this time such as Coordinator of Nyahururu Town Campus and rising to the position of Director of the said Campus on 27th January 2011. After leaving the position of Director, I was again appointed to head the Department of Public Affairs and Environmental Studies on 11th February, 2016; a position I still hold today. Beside these positions, I have held many other key positions in key university administrative and academic committees and task forces that are too numerous to mention here.

Selected publications

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2. Kungu, J. N. and Waweru, P. "Generation Sets as Institutions of Cohesion and Mutual Existence in Pre-colonial Kenya. *Scholars Journal of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences*, 2016; 4(9C): 1189 – 1197.
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4. Chacha, B. K. and Waweru, P. "Ekebete Marriages in the Historiography of Pawnship and Female Abduction in East Africa, 1890 – 1945" in *Les Cahiers D'Afrique de l'Est/The East African Review*
No. 49, April – June 2014, pp.123 – 140.
5. Nyambura, R. , Waweru, P and Nyamache Tom, *Rethinking Kenyan Politics: The Life of G. G. Kariuki*.
Saarbrucken: Lap Lambert, 2013.
6. Simpson, G. L. and Waweru, P. "Becoming Samburu: The Ethnogenesis of a Pastoral People in the Nineteenth-Century Northern Kenya" in *The Journal of the Middle East and Africa*, vol. 3, No.2 July – December 2012, pp. 175 – 197.
7. Waweru, P. *Continuity and Change in Samburu Pastoralism under Colonial Rule, 1909 – 1963*.
Saarbrucken: Lap Lambert, 2012.
8. Waweru, P. "Frontier Urbanization: The Rise and Development of Towns in Samburu District, Kenya. 1909 – 1940" in *Azania*, vol. XXXVI – XXXVII, 2002, pp. 85 – 89.

Research Interest

1. Environmental History,
2. Precolonial history of pastoral communities
3. Economic History of Africa