

## Curriculum Vitae

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#### II. Education

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**Table 1: Research Projects on Disability & Education**

No.	Research Project s	Role/Status	Year
1	<b>Local Project Leader</b> , Responding to Poverty and Disability through Higher Education and Research, Project o Progress, Collaborative Project between Special Needs Education Department University of Addis Ababa and University of Vienna, Austria .	Lead Researcher	2011-2014
2	<b>Co-Director</b> , Strategic Planning Partnerships-Strengthening Higher Education Stakeholder Relations in Africa, Association of African Universities, Project on progress, Collaborative Project between University of Prince Edward, Canada and Addis Ababa University, 2011, Accra, North Ghana.	Local, Lead Researcher	2011
3	<b>Project Collaborator -Ethiopia</b> , Classifications of Disabilities in the Field of Education, ICF Conception of Participation in different Societal and Cultural Contexts. Cooperation b/t University of Vienna, Bangkok Srinakharinwirot University and Addis Ababa University.	Local, Lead Researcher	2010 to present
4	<b>Co-Director</b> , Project on Research, Innovation towards Inclusive Education and Competence Building in Special Needs Education with the University of Oslo, Norway.	Local, Lead Researcher	2001-2007
5	<b>Project Leader</b> , A Study on Integrating Disability into the Fast Track Initiative (FTI ) Process in the National Education Plan in ETHIOPIA, London, World Vision UK, London.	Individual Project	2007-2008
6	<b>Project Leader</b> , Situation Analysis of Children with Mental Retardation in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.	Individual Project	2006
7	<b>Co-Director</b> , Longitudinal Research Project on Early Psychosocial Development, collaborative Project with the University of Bergen and University of Oslo, Norway.	Local, Lead Researcher	1993-2001
8	<b>Project Leader</b> , Early Intervention for Preventing Learning Difficulties and Early School Dropout at Debre Selam Primary School, Addis Ababa.	Individual	1993-1996
9	<b>Project Leader</b> , A Study on Gender and Disability in Ethiopia, Save the Children Sweden, Addis Ababa.	Individual Project	1999-2000
10	<b>Project Leader</b> , A Study on Persons with Disabilities of High Achievement Profile and Resilience in Ethiopia, Addis Ababa September, Save the Children Sweden.	Individual Project	1999
11	<b>Project Leader</b> , Studies in the Situation of Child Labor in the Informal Sector in Ethiopia, Addis Ababa, April 1997, African Network for Prevention and Protection of Child Abuse and Neglect (ANPPCAN).	Lead Researcher	1997
12	<b>Project Leader</b> , Access and Supply of Educational Facilities in Ethiopia, Government	Lead	1996

	of Ethiopia, PHRD Office, World Bank, Addis Ababa Ethiopia.	Researcher	
13	<b>Project Leader</b> , Base Line Survey on Disabilities in Ethiopia, FINNIDA, Institute of Educational Research, Addis Ababa University, Commercial Printing Enterprise.	Lead Researcher	1994-1995
14	<b>Project Leader</b> , The Psychosocial and Educational Problems of Addis Ababa University Institute of Educational Research, Addis Ababa University.	Individual Project	1989

**Table 2: Lead Consultant, Researcher, Trainer & Technical Advisor on Disability Education**

No.	Type of Consultancy Service	Organization	Year
1	Comprehensive Evaluation of General Education Quality Improvement Program of Ethiopia , Ministry of Education, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.	Hifab International & CANDID Services	2011-2013
2	The Status of Children at Risk in Ethiopian Primary Schools, Young Lives -An International Project on Childhood Poverty, Ethiopia.	DFID,UK	2011
3	Early Childhood Education Policy Framework Translation in ‘Amahric ‘(Official Government’s working language), Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.	UNICEF	2011
4	Kigali Institute of Education, Higher Education Qualification Framework, Early Childhood Education. Kigali, Rwanda.	Insititute of Education	2011
5	Emergency Interim Care, Family Tracing, Reunification and Follow-up. Support Service For Ethiopian Minors Repatriated From Yemen, UNICEF, Addis Ababa.	UNICEF	2011
6	Special and Inclusive Education for the preparation of Training Module for Teacher Education Colleges in Ethiopia, USAID/AED (IQPEP) Ministry of Education, Ethiopia.	USAID/AED	2011
7	National Research Project on Early Childhood Education, UNICEF & Ministry of Education, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.	UNICEF	2007
8	Basic Issues of Disability and the Trend of the Education of Persons with Disability in Ethiopia, Bahir Dar, Region 3, Ethiopia.	Cheshire Home Foundation	2004
9	Training on Early Childhood Care and Development for Foster Mothers, Bahir Dar, Region 3, Ethiopia.	SOS	2002
10	Research Project on Child Labor and Early Childhood Development Experience in Ethiopia, Economic Sector Study, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.	World Bank	2001
11	Early Childhood Care and Development Interventions in Ethiopia. Economic Sector Study, World Bank, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.	World Bank	2000
12	Study on the Coordination of Analytical Work on Education Sector in Ethiopia, Addis Ababa, EC/UNESCO/ODA.	EC/UNESCO /ODA	1997

13	Access and Supply of Educational Facilities in Ethiopia, Government of Ethiopia, PHRD Project, Prime Minister's Office, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.	World Bank	1996
14	Evaluation of Early Childhood Education Project Across all Districts of Zimbabwe, Ministry of Education, Zimbabwe.	Save the Children Norway	1995

**Table 3: Publications on Disability & Education**

No.	Publications	Status	Year
1	<u>Understanding and Caring Children: Essential Strategies for Parents and Teachers</u> (written in “Amharic” Ethiopian official working language), 2 <sup>nd</sup> ed., Addis Ababa University Printing Press, Ethiopia.	Author	2008
2	<u>Including the Excluded : Integrating disability into the EFA Fast Track Initiative processes and National Education Plans in Ethiopia</u> (edited by Helen Young), World Vision, UK.	Co-author	2007
3	An Overview of Inclusive Development in the Last Fifteen Years in Ethiopia, Chapter. <u>In eds. H. Salvolainen, M. Matero &amp; H. Kokkala</u> , When All Means All: Experiences in Three African Countries with EFA and Children with Disabilities, Hakapain Oy, Helsinki, Finland.	Author	2006
4	<u>Disability in Ethiopia, Issues, Insights and Implications</u> , Addis Ababa University Printing press, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.	Author	2005
5	Odom Samuel, Tirussew Teferra & Kaul Sudha (2004). An Overview of International Approaches to Early Intervention for Young Children with Special Needs and Their Families. <u>Journal of the Education of Young Children</u> , 38-43. NW, Washington, DC.	Co-author	2004
6	Early Intervention Practices in Ethiopia, Chapter. <u>In eds. S. Odom, et al, Early Intervention Practices around the World</u> . Baltimore: Paul Brookes Publishing, Co., Inc. USA.	Author	2003
7	Gender and Education: The Case of Children with Disabilities in Addis Ababa. <u>In the Proceedings of Quality of Education in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: Challenges and Opportunities in the Primary Education of Ethiopia</u> , Institute of Educational Research, Addis Ababa University.	Author	2002
8	Mediational Intervention for Sensitizing Caregivers in Ethiopia (pp 95-114) and Preventing Learning Difficulties and Early School Drop out (pp. 115-130), two chapters. <u>In eds. P.-S., Klein, Seeds of Hope: Twelve Years of Early Intervention in Africa</u> , Oslo: Unipub forlag, Norway.	Author	2001
9	Gender and Disability in Ethiopia. <u>The Ethiopian Journal of Development Research</u> , 23, 79-109, Addis Ababa University.	Author	2001
10	Inclusion of children with disabilities in to regular schools: challenges and opportunities. The Ethiopian Journal of Education at Addis Ababa University. <u>IER Flambeau</u> , Vol. 19, No.1, 29-64,	Author	1999

	Addis Ababa University.		
11	Self – Esteem, Coping Styles and Social Dimensions of Persons with Disabilities of High Achievements in Ethiopia. <u>The Ethiopian Journal of Development Research</u> , 20, 2, 65-91. Institute of Development Research, Addis Ababa University, Ethiopia.	Author	1998
12	Mediational Intervention for Sensitizing Caregivers: Ethiopia. In Pnina S. Klein (Ed.), <u>Early Intervention: Cross Cultural Experiences with Mediational Approach</u> . New York: Garland Publishing Inc. USA.	Co-author	1996
13	Psychosocial and Educational Profile of Students with Disabilities in Addis Ababa University. <u>The Ethiopian Journal of Health Development</u> 8, 1, 43-61, Addis Ababa University, Ethiopia.	Author	1994
14	Rehabilitating War Victims: Focus on Disability. <u>Ethiopian Red Cross Society, Special Issue, Vol. II, No. 31</u> , Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.	Author	1993
15	Problems and Prospects of Persons with Disabilities in Ethiopia. <u>The Ethiopian Journal of Development Research</u> , 15, 1, 67-87, Addis Ababa University, Ethiopia.	Author	1993
16	Towards A Realistic Approach Regarding Disabilities, Vol. 2, No. 1, 1-5, IER Flambeau, Addis Ababa University, Ethiopia.	Author	1992
17	Understanding the Needs of Handicapped Students: A Focus on Ordinary School Setting. , Vol. 1, No. 2, IER Flambeau, Addis Ababa University, Ethiopia.	Author	1991
18	Onset, Bodily Reactions and Psychosocial Consequences of Menarche Among a Group of Ethiopian Girls. <u>The Ethiopian Journal of Education Vol. 1. XI, No. 2</u> , Institute of Educational Research, Addis Ababa University, Ethiopia.	Author	1990
19	Reflections on the Rehabilitation of the Handicapped in Ethiopia. <u>Wiss. Zeitschrift der Humboldt Universität zu Berlin, R. Ges Wiss.</u> 38(1989), Germany.	Author	1989
No.	Articles in Proceedings	Status	
20	The Status of Early Child Care and Education in Ethiopia. <u>1<sup>st</sup> International Conference on Educational Research for Development , Vol.I</u> , Addis Ababa University Printing Press, Ethiopia.	Co-author	2009
21	Tirussew Teferra and Teka Zewdie (2009). Reflections on Experiences of Early Psychosocial Intervention Program in Ethiopia. <u>6<sup>th</sup> Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect in Africa</u> .	Co-author	2009
22	Research and Competence Building in Special Needs Education between Addis Ababa University and the University of Oslo. <u>International Conference on Inclusive Education and Competence Building in Special Needs Education in Ethiopia</u> , Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.	Author	2007

23	Towards Creating an Inclusive Environment for Students with Disabilities: Perspectives of Addis Ababa University. <u>National Conference held in the School of Graduate Studies</u> (Summary of the articles. The full texts of the papers are posted on <a href="http://www.higher.edu.et">http://www.higher.edu.et</a> .	Co-author	2005
24	Gender and Education: The Case of Children with Disabilities in Addis Ababa. <u>In the Proceedings of Quality of Education in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century : Challenges and Opportunities in the Primary Education of Ethiopia</u> , Institute of Educational Research , Addis Ababa University, Ethiopia.	Author	2002
25	Psycho-educational Implications of Intellectual Handicap. <u>Workshop on Curriculum Development for Training Teachers of the Mentally Handicapped</u> , Ministry of Education, Ethiopia.	Author	1988
Modules ,Training Manuals & Guides			
26	Module on Special Needs and Inclusive Education for College of Teacher Education Teachers' Capacity Building, USAID, AED/IQPEP, Ministry of Education, Ethiopia.	Author	2011
27	<u>Quality Parenting: A Training Material</u> , (written in "Amharic" official working language of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia). Action for Self Reliance Organization, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.	Author	2006
28	<u>Child Sexual Abuse: Nature, Consequences, Prevention and Rehabilitation Strategies</u> . Training Manual for Integrated Family Service Organization (NGO), Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.	Author	2005
29	<u>Human Disabilities: Developmental, Educational and Psychosocial Implications</u> . Teaching Material for Students of Psychology and Special Needs Education, Ababa University Printing Press, Addis Ababa University, Ethiopia.	Author	2000
	Tirussew Teferra (1999). <u>Landmine Training Manual for Teachers: A Module to be used for training</u> , Save the Children Sweden, Regional Office for Ethiopia and Easter Africa.	Author	
30	<u>Handbook for Helping Children With Disabilities in Refugee and Other Situations</u> . Save the Children Sweden, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.	Author	1997
31	<u>Special Needs Education. Facts, Guidelines and Resource Materials for Trainers of Special Needs Education</u> . SSEP Project /FINNIDA, Ministry of Education: Commercial Printing Enterprise, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.	Author	1997
32	<u>Basic Issues on Disability in Ethiopia</u> . Introductory Training Manual, SSEP Project /FINNIDA, Addis Ababa University, Ethiopia.	Author	1994
33	<u>Pedagogical and Psychological Guide for Primary School Teachers</u> ( written in "Amharic" official working language of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia )written in Amharic ). Ministry of Education, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.	Co-Author	1992

34	<u>Guide for Services of the Handicapped in Ethiopia</u> June 1991, pp. 56, German Cultural Institute, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.	Co-author	1991
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**Table 4: Teaching & Student Advisement at Addis Ababa University**

No.	Courses Titles	Code	Department	Level
1	Developmental Psychology	Epsy 241	Psychology	Undergraduate
2	Psychopathology	Epsy 331	Psychology	“
3	Practicum in developmental Psychology	Epsy 312	“	“
4	Introduction to Handicapped Psychology	Epsy 431	“	“
5	Seminar in Psychology	Epsy 404	“	“
6	Special Topics on Disability Education	Educ 532	Special Needs	Graduate
7	Visual Impairment , psychosocial and educational	Educ 621	“	“
8	Hearing Impairment , psychosocial and educational	Educ 641	“	“
9	Rehabilitation of children with motor disorders	Educ 642	“	“
10	Early Psychosocial Intervention & Community Based Rehabilitation	Educ 711	“	“
11	Special Studies in Disability	Educ 749	“	“
12	Foundations for Early Intervention ,disability & education	SPNE 811	“	Doctoral
13	Dissertation Research Seminar I, disability & education	SPNE 821	“	“
14	Dissertation Research Seminar II, disability & education	SPNE 824	“	“
15	Dissertation Research Seminar III , , disability & education	SPNE 831	“	“

**Table 5: Academic Management Positions at Addis Ababa University**

No.		Year
1	<b>Dean</b> , Faculty of Education, Addis Ababa University	2005- 2010
2	<b>Dean</b> , College of Education, Addis Ababa University	2002-2003
3	<b>Head</b> , Department of Educational Psychology, Addis Ababa University	2000- 2002
4	<b>Director</b> , Institute of Educational Research, Addis Ababa University	1993-1996
5	<b>Head</b> , Research and Training Unit, Institute of Educational Research (IER), Addis Ababa University	1996 -1998

**Table 5: Community Service & Professional Affiliations**

No.	Community Services and Other Professional Engagements	Organization	Year
1	Member, The African Behavioral Studies Research Advisory Panel (ARAP), Lusaka, Zambia.	Lusaka University	2009 to present
2	Member, Early Childhood Development African Expert Group, Nairobi, Kenya.	African Child Policy Forum	2009 to present
3	<b>Advisory Board Member</b> , Disability and Career Development Center (DCDC), Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.	Addis Ababa University	2007-2011
4	Member, Council for Exceptional Children, Arlington, VA, USA.	Council for Exceptional Children	2004 to present
5	<b>President</b> , the Ethiopian Psychologists' Association (EPA), Addis Ababa.	EPA	2000-2004
6	<b>Member, Steering Committee</b> , National Decade for Persons with Disabilities, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.	Ministry of Labor & Social Affairs	2007-2008
7	<b>National Co-coordinator for UNESCO</b> , Teacher Training Initiative in Sub-Saharan Africa (TTISSA), Ministry of Education.	Ministry of Education	2006-2007
8	<b>Executive Board Member</b> , the Ethiopian Special Needs Education Professional Association (ESNEPA).	ESNEPA	2006-2010
9	<b>Chairperson</b> , The Scientific Committee for the Sixth African Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect, African Network for Prevention Association for Prevention & Protection Against Child Abuse and Neglect (ANPPCAN), Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.	ANPPCAN	2009
10	<b>Board Member</b> , Ethiopian National Association on Intellectual Disability (ENAIID), Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.	ENAIID	2005 to present
11	Member, Advisory Board of the Rehabilitation Rape Victims Center, IFSO, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.	IFSO	2002-2003
12	<b>Country Reviewer</b> , Open File on Inclusive Education: Support Materials for Managers and Educators; UNESCO, Inclusive Education Division, Paris.	UNESCO	2001
13	<b>Chairman</b> , National Advisory Committee on the Situation of Blind Students and Blind Teachers in the Ethiopian Schools, Ethiopian National Association of the Blind (ENAB), Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.	ENAB	2000-2002
14	Member, International Society on Early Intervention, University of Washington.	University of Washington	1999 to present



15	<b>Honorary Member</b> , Ethiopian National Association of the Physically Handicapped, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.	Addis Ababa	1996 to present
16	<b>Chairperson</b> , Addis Ababa University Affirmative Action Committee, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.	Addis Ababa University	1995-1998
17	<b>Regional Consulting Editor</b> , African Journal of Special Needs Education, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.	Kampala-Uganda	1994 -1997
18	<b>Chairperson</b> , National Sign Language Research Committee, Ethiopian National Association of the Deaf, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.	Addis Ababa	1992-1997

**Table 6: Institution Capacity Building**

No.	Institution Building	Responsible Body	Year
1	Establishment of Undergraduate, Graduate and Doctoral Programs in Special Needs Education, College of Education, Addis Ababa University 1999 to 2007 (initiated, proposed and coordinated the programs).	Graduate School of Education	1999-2007
2	Staff and Student Exchange Program with the University of Jyväskylä, Department of Social Sciences and Philosophy and the Department of Special Needs Education Sept 2, 2007 to present.	Finland, Government	2007 to present
3	Capacity Building Project on Special Needs Education Doctoral Program between Special Needs Education, Addis Ababa University and Ludwig-Maximilians-University (LMU) Munich.	DAAD, German Government	2005-2011
4	Establishment of Center for Disability and Career Development at Addis Ababa University, prepared proposal and submitted to Addis Ababa University President (Initiated and proposed the center).	Addis Ababa University	2006
5	Program Development & Co-operation b/w Niilo Mäki Institute of Finland, University of Lusaka and Addis Ababa University on Clinical Child Neuropsychological Study, Lusaka, Zambia.	Finland, Government	2002
6	Serving Ethiopian National Association of Persons with Disabilities (ENAPwDs) in different capacities as advisor, trainer, committee and board member.	ENAPwDs	1993 to present

**Table 7: Awards, Fellowships & Certificates of Appreciation**

No.	Awards, Fellowships & Certificates of Appreciation	Organization	Year
1	UNESCO's Laureate, Recipient of the Prestigious Jan Amos Comenius Medal Award in Recognition of Outstanding Achievements in the Fields of Educational Research and Innovation, Director General UNESCO, Geneva, Switzerland.	UNESCO	2008
2	<b>Fulbright Fellow, Senior Research Program Award</b> for the year 2003-2004, Council for International Exchange Scholars, Washington DC 20008-3009, Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana, USA.	U.S. Department of State	2003
3	<b>Chosen for Distinguished Standing &amp; Conferred with an Honorary Appointment to the Research Board of Advisors</b> , the American Biographical Institute, July 2006, NC, USA.	American Bibliographical Institute	2006 to present
4	<b>Designated National Co-ordinator for UNESCO in the framework of the UNESCO Initiative for Teacher Training in Sub-Saharan Africa (TISSA)</b> , Director, Division of Higher Education, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.	UNESCO-Higher Education Division	2006-2007
5	<b>German Academic Exchange Program (DAAD) Scholarship Grants, Three times.</b>	DAAD-German Government	1992, 1997 & 2001
6	<b>Meritorious Prize Bearer</b> (Gold -Ring), Certificate of Appreciation, Ethiopian National Association of the Blind (ENAB), Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.	ENAB	2000
<b>Certificates of Appreciation</b>			
7	Certificate of Appreciation, Ethiopian Teachers Association (ETA), Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.	ETA	2010
8	Certificate of Appreciation, Ethiopian National Association of the Blind (ENAB).	ENAB	2010
9	Certificate of Appreciation, African Network for Prevention and Protection Against Child Abuse and Neglect (ANPPCAN), Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.	ANPPCAN	2009
10	Certificate of Appreciation, Ethiopian National Association of the Deaf (ENAD), Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.	ENAD	1999 & 2001
11	Certificate of Appreciation, Trigrai Regional Education Bureau (TREB), Addis Ababa,	TREB	2005

	Ethiopia.		
12	Certificate of Appreciation, Integrated Family Service Organization (IFSO), Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.	IFSO	2004
13	Certificate of Appreciation, UNESCO Conference, Knowledge Construction, Equality and Inclusion, University of Jyväskylä, Finland.	University of Jyväskylä	2003
14	Certificate of Appreciation, Ethiopian National Association of the Physically Handicapped (ENAPH), Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.	ENAPH	2000
15	Certificate of Appreciation, Ethiopian Federation of Persons with Disabilities (EFPwDs), Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.	EFPwDs	2000
16	Certificate of Appreciation, Ethiopian National Association of the Deaf (ENAD).	ENAD	1999 & 2001
17	Certificate of Appreciation, Association of Parents of Children and Youth with Mental Retardation ( <b>ENA-MRCY</b> ), Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.	<b>ENA-MRCY</b>	1995
18	Certificate of Appreciation, <b>General Secretary</b> , Ethiopian Red Cross Society, National Secretariat, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia..	Red Cross Society	1993