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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Engineering and Computing Education, Education Technology and Innovation, Higher Education

## **EDUCATION**

Purdue University

PhD in Engineering Education, Advisor: Prof. Alejandra J. Magana

West Lafayette, IN, USA Aug. 2021 – Present

Carnegie Mellon University

Master of Science, Information Technology

Kigali, Rwanda

Aug. 2017 – Dec 2018

Makerere University

Bachelor of Science in Software Engineering

Kampala, Uganda Aug. 2010 – Jun 2014

#### Research publications

- Joreen Arigye, Joseph A. Lyon, Alejandra Magana, Elsje Pienaar. The Reflective Modeling Practitioner: Promoting reflective practices through computational modeling assignments. In *Educational Technology Research and Development [Under review]*.
- Joreen Arigye, Alejandra Magana, Joseph A. Lyon, and Elsje Pienaar. Biomedical and Agricultural Engineering Undergraduate Students Programming Self-Beliefs and Changes Resulting from Computational Pedagogy. In American Society of Engineering Education (ASEE) Annual Conference and Exposition[Under review].
- Yashin Brijmohan, Moses Olayemi, Viyon Dansu, Ifeoluwa Babalola, Yasir Gamieldien, Ijeoma Ezika, **Joreen Arigye**, Uchenna Asogwa, Collins N Vaye. African Diaspora Engineering Education Student Experiences at US Universities: A Collaborative Autoethnographic Study. In World Engineering Education Forum & The Global Engineering Deans Council (WEEF/GEDC) with the African Engineering Education Association Cape Town, SA. Nov 2022 [Peer Reviewed].

#### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Python Instructor

West Lafayette, IN, USA

Gifted Education Research and Resource Institute, Purdue University

Jul 22 - Jul 2022

• Introduction to Python: to 9 -12<sup>th</sup> grade students at a residential summer camp.

Node.js Instructor

Kampala, Uganda

Refactory, Clarke International University

Nov 19 - Jul 2021

• Server-side development: with NodeJS, Pug, MongoDB, Git, TDD.

Data Analysis Instructor

Kampala, Uganda

Upskill, The Innovation Village

Mar 20 - Mar 2020

• Data analysis: online sessions on the basic steps of a data science project.

Guest Instructor

Cape Town, South Africa

 $Launch Lab,\ Stellenbosch\ University\ Techpreneurship\ Centre$ 

Jul 21 - Jul 2021

• Introduction to Git and GitHub: at the Data Boot camp.

# Graduate Teaching Assistant

Kigali, Rwanda

Carnegie Mellon University

Aug 18 - Dec 2018

- Java For Smartphone Development: Collaborated on creating assignments, grading student, and advising/mentoring students.
- Tech Stack: Java, Android, OOP, Firebase

#### Graduate Research Assistant

Purdue University

West Lafayette, IN, USA

Aug 21 - Present

• Computational modeling: Collaborate on research projects, currently working on model based learning, specifically computational modeling in disciplinary engineering classes.

Data Analyst

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Kampala, Uganda

Feb 2019 - Jul 2021

- Data engineering: Created and maintained routine scripts in the analytics database to meet analytics and reporting needs across the business.
- Data analysis: Met requests for analysis, visualisations and insights from different departmental stakeholders.
- Technical training: Conducted training of team members on data tools/skills to grow data analysis capacity.
- Experimentation: Gathered requirements, designed, and collected data for A/B testing and experiments.
- Machine learning: Maintained machine learning models to inform business interventions.
- o Tech Stack: Python, SQL, AWS, Redshift, Git, PySpark, JIRA, Jupyter Notebook, Airflow

 $\begin{array}{c} \textbf{Data Intern} \\ Engie \ Energy \ Access \end{array}$ 

UMEME

Kampala, Uganda

Jun 2018 - Aug 2018

- Analysis and visualization: Performed experimentation and analytics for solar loan repayment interventions.
- o Tech Stack: Python, SQL, JIRA

# **Business Process Analyst**

Kampala, Uganda

Apr 17 - Aug 2017

- Software product management: Co-ordinated the implementation of a company-wide off the shelf HR system for over 1000 employees.
- **Business process analysis**: Supported in the identification, design, and execution of business process re-engineering to drive efficiency.

#### Software Developer

Kampala, Uganda

Oct 16 - Jun 2017

- InfoTronics Business Systems
  - Software coding: Developed 3 information systems that capture data and provide reporting dashboards.
  - Requirements analysis: Conducted requirements elicitation and system testing.
  - o Data management: Performed data input, cleaning, and analysis as per client requirements.
  - Training: Trained clients on how to use systems.
  - Tech Stack: C#, SQL

#### Supply Chain Management Apprentice

Kampala, Uganda

Dec 14 - Sep 2016

Medical Access Uganda Limited

- Software product management: Coordinated implementation and testing company software with contractors.
- Data analysis: Analysed data for monitoring and evaluation activities.
- o Business process analysis: Managed the business process review for ISO certification.
- $\circ\,$  Supply chain: Supported in procurement, warehousing and distribution of ARV's in Uganda.
- **I.T. support**: Run applications and network help desk and provide technology support including installation, maintenance and troubleshooting.
- o Tech Stack: MySQL, Advanced Excel, Microsoft Visio

# Software Engineering Intern

Kampala, Uganda

Medical Access Uganda Limited

Jun 2013 - Aug 2013

- Software coding: Developed a Windows web service as part of the company's integration process.
- o Tech Stack: ASP.Net

## • Speaker

Women in Tech CMU Africa, Research or professional path (11/2021)

DataFest Africa, Getting the workforce ready for Data Science opportunities (04/2021)

ENGIE Energy Access, IWD talk on inspiring women to join tech industry (03/2020)

Women in ML and Data Science, Data Science to inform business in the Energy (01/2020)

Pyladies Kampala, About Data Science in industry (11/2020)

Coding Girls, How to be deliberate about gaining technical skills (08/2019)

IBM Research Africa, Data to develop sustainable energy and financial inclusion in Africa (05/2019)

# • Judge

Educating The Children Kampala, Cohort 3 Final presentations for the code queens program (12/2020) Educating The Children Kampala, Cohort 2 Final presentations for the code queens program (09/2019)

# • Panelist

African Women In Tech, On resources, skills, challenges regarding data analytics (02/2020)Chinese Embassy Pretoria, Africa and China relations in Education and Leadership (02/2020)

# • Leadership Training

Mandela Institute for Development Studies, Leadership fundamental skills development (06/2020)

Mandela Institute for Development Studies, Inaugural leadership development programme (08/2019)

# • Service

Vice President Membership, Techy Talkers Toastmasters CMU Africa (2017/2018)

# • Voluteer

Anj Data Management Solutions Ltd, Technical Advisor and Co-founder (2021/2022)

Verve couture Kampala, Clothing retail and store management (2016)

Kakukuru Primary School Nyakayojo, Teaching Maths and Science at my home village school (2009)

Conservation Effort for Community Development, Youth advocacy & environment conservation (2009)

#### • Awards

 $2^{\rm nd}$  place - Facebook CMU-Africa hackathon (04/2018)

Mandela Institute for Development Studies Scholarship (08/2017)

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

### Programming

Python, NodeJS, C#, Java, ASP.Net, JavaScript, Android, Matlab, HTML, CSS, Pug, IATEX MySQL, SqlServer, MongoDB, SQLite, NEO-4J, Cypher, PostgreSQL, SPSS, Amazon Redshift

# • Applications

Windows CLI, Linux, Vi/Vim, Airflow, Git, Jupyter Notebooks, Google Colab, JIRA, Postman

#### • Languages

English, Runyankore, Luganda, abit of Swahili & French