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## PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

Experienced educator with an excellent track record in Financial Management, Alternative Investments, Derivatives, Risk Management and Financial Technology (Fintech); has demonstrated a commitment to scholar life, excellence in teaching graduate and undergraduate, has a student-centered approach in accredited institutions of higher learning; has Doctorate in Business Administration (D.B.A.), a Masters degree in finance and a Bachelor of Education; has conducted a series of empirical and theoretical research in finance; Savvy financial practitioner with expertise in Accounting, Investment Banking, Private Investment Management and Business Operations; Has worked in consulting and fortune 500 companies in over 33 countries in all continents.

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## EDUCATION

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2014-2018	<b>DBA Finance - University of Wisconsin - Whitewater</b> <i>Dissertation: Topic- Three essays on Pathway in commodities futures market</i> <i>Advisors: Chair - Pascal Letourneau (Ph.D) and Committee member - Raja Velu (Ph.D)</i>	Whitewater, WI
2007-2011	<b>MBA Finance</b> Northwestern University, Kellogg School of Management	Chicago, IL
1996-1997	<b>H. Dipl. Compt. Audit</b> University of the Witwatersrand	Johannesburg, South Africa
1988-1991	<b>B.Ed - Science</b> Kenyatta University	Nairobi, Kenya

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## WORK EXPERIENCE

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2020- Current	<b>The Citadel College, The Military College of South Carolina</b> <i>Visiting Assistant Professor of Finance, (Undergraduate Courses: - Financial Markets and Institutions</i> <i>Graduate Online Courses: MBA Essentials II and Financial Markets and Institutions)</i>	Charleston, SC
2018- 2020	<b>Trinity Christian College, Department of Business</b> <i>Assistant Professor of Accountancy, (Undergraduate Courses: - Principles of Accounting, Intermediate Accounting and Advanced Financial Accounting)</i>	Palos Heights, IL
2015-2018	<b>Chicago State University, College of Business</b> <i>Adjunct Lecturer, Accounting and Finance Department (Undergraduate Courses:-Introduction to Financial Accounting, Advanced Financial Accounting and Quantitative Business Applications)</i>	Chicago, IL
2016-2017	<b>University of Wisconsin – Whitewater, College of Business,</b> <i>Adjunct Finance Lecturer, Finance and Business Law Department (Graduate Course-Capital Budgeting)</i>	Whitewater, WI
2011-2016-	<b>Linkage Emerging Markets Capital Partners LP (LEMCP)</b> <i>Managing Director/Chief Operating Officer</i>	Rockville, MA
2012-2014	<b>Northwest Illinois Railroad Corporation (Metra)</b>	Chicago, IL
2011-2012	<b>Venture Capital and Private Equity (Alternative Investments)</b>	

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## PUBLICATIONS

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- *Dissertation Defense Completed 2018: Topic- Three Essays on Pathway in Commodities Futures*
  - Contango and backwardation: Does correlation of volume differ in short-term and long-term commodity futures market,
  - Pathways in Commodities futures: Price versus Volumes,
  - Algorithmic Trading strategies that exploit Pathways in commodities futures,

### Under Review

- Global Finance Journal– submitted / under review
  - *Mobile-Network vs Relational Embeddedness and its Influence on Financial Outcomes*

### Case Studies for MBA Financial Technology (Fintech)

- Harvard Business Review Publishing
  - *Equitel Kenya (Finserve) - Challenging a giant*
  - *Equitel Kenya (Finserve) - Charting the Future*

### Upcoming articles

- Commodities Futures
    - *The Contemporaneous Interaction of Soy complex and Foreign Currency Exchange Rates*
    - *Foreign Currency Exchange Rates and Soybean Crop: Exploring the Relationship via a Principal Component Analysis*
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## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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- Financial Management Association conference – October 23-26, 2019, New Orleans, Louisiana, USA
    - Moderator/Chair – Alternative Investment Session
    - Discussant - *Financial Forecasting with Ensembles of Crows and Algorithms* (Germ´an Creamer, Yasuaki Sakamoto, Jeffrey V. Nickerson, Suman Banerjee)
    - Discussant - *A Network Analysis of Information Diffusion in the Financial Sector* (Paul Borochin, Stephen Rush)
  - Co-operative Conference – March 22-25, 2019, Karen-Nairobi, Kenya
    - Moderator/Chair – Re-imagining Cooperatives in the Era of Big Data session
    - Presented Paper - *Mobile banking adoption among the low-income using TAM and UTAUT: Segment M-Pesa and Lipa-Na-M-Pesa Approach,*
  - Academy of Finance and Economics conference – February 6-9, 2019, Florida, USA
    - Moderator/Chair - Financial Derivatives session
    - Discussant Paper - *Investment Returns from Reputation Investing* (Kristine Beck, Bruce Niendorf, Hsin-Hui Chiu)
    - Presented paper - *Algorithmic Trading strategies that exploit Pathways in commodities futures* (Mike Chitavi),
    - Presented paper - *Soybean Complex and the foreign currency exchange rates* (Mike Chitavi, Garrett Smith)
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## AFFILIATIONS

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- Member of American Financial Associations (AFA) – 2015 to present
- Member of Financial Management Association (FMA) – 2019 to present