

# CURRICULUM VITAE

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Profession: Wildlife Ecologist / Conservation Biologist / Primatologist / Mammalogist

### **Education**

Ph.D. 1978 Wildlife Ecology, Michigan State University  
M.Sc. 1975 Wildlife Ecology, Michigan State University  
B.Sc. 1970 Wildlife Biology, University of Massachusetts

### **Primary Professional Interests**

Field studies on mammalian and avian ecology, behaviour, taxonomy, biogeography, abundance and conservation status, especially primates, antelopes, suids, rodents, and raptors. Conservation and ecology of tropical forest, Afromontane, Afroalpine, and desert ecosystems, and of threatened species. Biodiversity surveys, evaluation, monitoring, and conservation. Protected area identification, development, and management. Biodiversity and protected areas database establishment and maintenance. Island biogeography. IUCN Red List assessments for species and subspecies. Providing training, assistance, and opportunities to developing country biologists and conservationists.

### **Professional Experience**

2001-present Co-Leader- Eastern Africa Primate Diversity and Conservation Program  
2013-2019 Director - Lolldaiga Hills Research Programme (Kenya)  
2010-2013 Director - King Khalid Wildlife Research Centre (Saudi Arabia)  
2006-2011 Senior Conservation Biologist - Drexel University's Bioko Biodiversity Protection Program (Bioko Island, Equatorial Guinea)  
2004-present Co-director - Eastern Africa Primate Diversity and Conservation Program  
1998-2013 Co-Editor - *Mammals of Africa*, a series of six volumes (published in February 2013 by Bloomsbury Publishers)  
2005-2008 Co-director - Taxonomy and Conservation Genetics of the Threatened Mangabey Taxa of the Eastern Arc Mountains and Coastal Forests of Tanzania and Kenya Biodiversity Hotspot

2005-2006	<u>Technical Advisor</u> (Corridors) - CEPF Eastern Arc Mountains and Coastal Forests of Tanzania and Kenya Biodiversity Hotspot Project (Conservation International)
2004-2005	<u>Scientific Advisor</u> - CEPF Eastern Arc Mountains and Coastal Forests of Tanzania and Kenya Biodiversity Hotspot Project (Conservation International)
2001-2006	<u>Director</u> - Conservation International's Eastern Africa Biodiversity Hotspots Program
1998-2000	<u>Project Leader</u> - Evaluation of the Conservation Status and Translocation of the Hirola (Hunter's) Antelope (Kenya)
1997-2002	<u>Co-Project Leader</u> - Conservation and Monitoring of the Endangered Endemic Primates of the Udzungwa Mountains (Tanzania)
1997-1999	<u>Project Leader</u> - Recommendations on the Location of a Fence around the Aberdares Mountains (Kenya)
1995-2006	<u>Senior Editor</u> - <i>African Primates</i> – The Journal of the Africa Section of the IUCN/SSC Primate Specialist Group (Founding Editor)
1995-1997	<u>Co-Project Leader</u> - Ecological Surveys of Mt. Tshiaberimu (Congo)
1994-2001	<u>Project Leader</u> - Tana River Primate Monitoring Project (Kenya)
1993-2006	<u>Vice-Chair for Africa</u> - IUCN/SSC Primate Specialist Group, Africa Section
1993-2001	<u>Senior Conservation Biologist</u> - Zoo Atlanta's Africa Biodiversity Conservation Program (Kenya)
1992-present	<u>Honorary Warden of Uganda National Parks</u> (life-time appointment)
1991-1993	<u>Director</u> - Institute of Tropical Forest Conservation (Uganda)
1986-1993	<u>Director</u> - Impenetrable Forest Conservation Project (Uganda)
1978-1984	<u>Post-doctoral Researcher</u> - Primate Ecology, Kibale Forest (Uganda) and Rockefeller University (New York)
1978-1993	<u>Honorary Lecturer</u> - Department of Zoology, Makerere University (Uganda)
1970-1974	<u>Wildlife Biologist</u> - Botswana Department of Tourism, Wildlife & National Parks

### **Some Current Professional Societies, Associations, and Institutions**

American Society of Mammalogists (Life Member)  
 American Society of Primatologists (Member)  
 International Primatological Society (Member)  
 The Wildlife Society (Member & 'Certified Wildlife Biologist')  
 The Chicago Field Museum of Natural History (Associate in Zoology, Division of Mammals)

### **Some Current Professional Activities**

IUCN/SSC Antelope Specialist Group (Member)  
 IUCN/SSC Afrotheria Specialist Group (Member)  
 IUCN/SSC Primate Specialist Group (Member)  
 IUCN/SSC Wild Pigs Specialist Group (Vice-chair for Africa & the Middle East)  
 IUCN/SSC Primate Specialist Group's Section on Great Apes (Executive Committee)  
 National Primate Task Force, Kenya Wildlife Service (Member)  
 Institute of Primate Research, Kenya (Collaborator)  
*Journal of East African Natural History* (Editorial Committee)  
 Nocturnal Primate Research Group, Department of Anthropology, Oxford Brookes University (Collaborator)  
*African Primates: Journal of the Africa Section of the IUCN/SSC Primate Specialist Group* (Editorial Board)

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