

CURRICULUM VITAE
JUANITA MIREKUAA SEFA

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CAREER MISSION: I am looking to work with a progressive institution that values diversity and achievement.

EDUCATION

Temple University	<i>Philadelphia, PA</i>
<i>PhD in Criminal Justice</i>	<i>Present</i>
Illinois State University	<i>Normal, Illinois</i>
<i>Master of Science in Criminal Justice</i>	<i>Jan 2022- December 2023</i>
Major: Criminal Justice	
GPA: 4.0/4.0	
Western Ukrainian National University	<i>Ternopil, Ukraine</i>
<i>Bachelor of Arts in International Law (With Honors)</i>	<i>November 2017 - June 2021</i>
Major: International Law	
GPA: 3.9/4.0	

WORK EXPERIENCE

Temple University	<i>Philadelphia, Pennsylvania</i>
Graduate Assistant	<i>Aug 2024 – Present</i>
• Grading student work and providing feedback • Developing and organizing course materials • Instructor for an undergraduate General Education course	
Labyrinth House (YWCA)	<i>Normal, Illinois</i>
Case Manager	<i>Dec 21 2023- 30 July 2024</i>
• Provide clients with appropriate treatment programs and resources • Evaluate patient progress	
Illinois State University	<i>Normal, Illinois</i>
Graduate Assistant	<i>Jan 2022 – Dec 16 2023</i>
• Grading student work and providing feedback • Assist with faculty-led criminal justice research and scholarly projects.	

Legal Aid Scheme, Office of the Attorney General

Accra, Ghana

Information and Data Coordinator

July 2021- December 2021

- Organized and categorized data
- Scheduled appointments for clients

Challenge Book Shop (Prisons and Outreach)

Accra, Ghana

Outreach Coordinator

September 2016 – May 2017

- Organized monthly prison visitations and donations

ORGANIZATION & ACTIVITIES

Western Ukrainian National University Moot Court

Ternopil, Ukraine

Coordinator

September 2019 – June 2020

- Compiled cases for moot meeting
- Published an article in the Western Ukrainian National University yearly Journal

National Union of Ghanaian Student

Ternopil, Ukraine

Administrator

August 2020 – May 2021

- Advised students during forums

Criminal Justice Graduate Student Association

Tempe, USA

Secretary and STARS Coordinator

August 2025 – May 2026

- Attended workshops to maintain STAR-level training and professional development.
- Prepare meeting minutes.
- Coordinate STAR activities and supported communication among members.

CERTIFICATION

Havard University

Online

Persuasive Speaking and Writing

June 2020 – August 2020

Illinois State University

Online

Cyber Security Awareness

February 2022

Alison

Online

Becoming a Mentor

April 2026

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Challenge book shop

Accra, Ghana

Resource Volunteer

- Involved in mentorship programs
- Introduced recreational activities

College of Applied Science and Technology Council

Normal, Illinois

Student Delegate

December 2022 – March 2023

- Aided in Dean Search 2023 at Illinois
- Communicate student well-being and future advancements

McLean County Resource Fair

Normal, Illinois

Student Volunteer

- Setting up tables and chairs and serving food
- Sharing information about available community resources

McLean County Reentry Council

Normal, Illinois

Board Member

December 2023- Aug 2024

- Organize yearly reentry resource fair
- Organize monthly meetings on reentry

PRESENTATIONS**Women and Gender Studies Symposium**

Normal, Illinois

Cyber bullying among female college students

April 2023

American Society of Criminology

Philadelphia

Recidivism among immigrants

November 2023

Model United Nations Conference

Ternopil, Ukraine

Security implications over Russia's actions in the Azov Sea.

May 2019

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Juvenile Delinquency

Immigration and Crime

Comparative criminology

Quantitative studies

ACADEMIC HONORS AND AWARD

May 2021

Outstanding Undergraduate Student

COMPUTER SKILLS

Skilled in Microsoft Excel, Word, and PowerPoint

Knowledgeable of SPSS, Stata and R