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Professional Summary

Research professional with solid history of delivering thorough and insightful analyses in various research projects. Known for collaborative approach, adaptability to changing project needs, and results-driven mindset. Skilled in data interpretation, report writing, and utilizing advanced research methodologies to drive outcomes.

EDUCATION

Expected in 2026 **Ph.D., Educational Sciences, *University of Debrecen***, Debrecen

PhD Dissertation Title: Education-Development Nexus: Analysis of Economic Growth and Labor Market Outcomes Across Education Sectors in Ethiopia

07/2017 **Higher Diploma, Teaching, *Dilla University***, Ethiopia

06/2015 **MA, Educational Leadership, *Dilla University***, Ethiopia

06/2015 **Diploma, Application Software CPU Computer Systems, *Dilla University***

07/2011 **BA, Educational Planning and Management, *Dilla University, School of Pedagogy***, Ethiopia

Work History

09/2021 - Current
PhD Researcher
University of Debrecen, Debrecen, Hungary

- Conducted comprehensive literature reviews to support research initiatives and inform project direction.
- Developed and implemented data collection methodologies to enhance research accuracy and reliability.
- Analyzed qualitative and quantitative data sets to derive actionable insights for ongoing studies.
- Presented research findings in clear, concise formats to stakeholders, facilitating informed decision-making.
- Mentored junior researchers on best practices in data analysis and interpretation techniques.
- Utilized statistical packages to analyze data and create visualizations.
- Presented research findings at national and international conferences, raising the profile of the institution.

11/2015 - 01/2021
Lecturer and Researcher
Dilla University, Ethiopia

- Teaching different courses of educational leadership, school leadership, educational research, EMIS, Economics and so forth
- Conducting Educational Research
- Engaging in community services for nearby primary and secondary school leaders and teachers
- Delivered a short-term training for Gedeo zone women leaders on basic leadership skills
- Providing consecutive training for school principals and teachers of SOS partner schools since 2018 through the Educare project
- Advising both under and post graduate students
- Baseline assessments and feasibility studies with different local NGOs

08/2019 - 12/2019

Students' Service Vice Director

Dilla University

- Planning, Leading, and Controlling activities related to students' services in Dilla University

02/2017 - 06/2018

Focal Person for Women School Leadership Training at Dilla University

Ministry of Education

- Assigning training courses for appropriate professionals
- Leading the progression of the training as per the schedule of MoE
- Reporting the implementation of the training to both the University and the ministry
- Issuing certificate of training up on the completion of the program

07/2016 - 06/2018

Department Head

Dilla University

- Leading under and post graduate degree programs of Educational Planning and Management, Educational Leadership and Management, and School Leadership academic programs of different modality

04/2014 - 11/2015

Vice Principal for Dilla University Community School

Dilla University

- Leading academics and conducting action research for the improvement of instructional process
- Monitoring and evaluation of the school's overall activities
- Following up of CPD of teachers

04/2012 - 04/2014

Expert

Dilla University

- Planning, Organizing, Leading, Controlling and Reporting to the director activities related to students' services at Dilla University

SKILLS		
	• Technical skills • Time-management skills • Interpersonal skills • Conflict management skill	• Communication skills • Computer skill • Decision-making skills • Data processing and Analysis
LANGUAGES		
	Tigrinya: Native language: Amharic: C2 Proficient:	English: C1 Advanced:
AWARDS		
	Gold medalist during the commencement, Dilla University, 2011	
HOBBIES AND INTERESTS		
	Reading Books, Swimming, Supporting people with disabilities, Scientific research, Academic engagement	

LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

- Pathways to graduates' employability: analysis of labor market outcomes in Ethiopian higher education and vocational training institutions. *Frontiers in Education*, 11. <https://doi.org/10.3389/feduc.2026.1778312>
- Governing higher education system as consumable goods for enhancing the employability of graduates in Ethiopia. <https://doi.org/10.3389/feduc.2025.1546457>
- The Effect of Research and Development on Economic Growth in Ethiopia: The Untapped Potential for Prosperity. <https://doi.org/10.1155/2024/5562940>
- Determinants of Human Capital Development in Ethiopia: Implications to Education Policy. <https://doi.org/10.1155/2021/6619674>
- Trends of human capital development in Ethiopia: a comparative analysis <https://doi.org/10.1504/IJLIC.2023.129238>
- Trends of higher education enrolment, graduation, and employment in Ethiopia: an empirical analysis <https://doi.org/10.1080/2331186X.2024.2302623>
- Graduates' Unemployment and Associated Factors in Ethiopia: Analysis of Higher Education Graduates' Perspectives <https://doi.org/10.1155/2021/4638264>
- Education inequalities in Ethiopia: a macro-level analysis and its policy implications <https://doi.org/10.1504/IJMIE.2024.141752>
- The International Comparison of the Educational Systems of Iran, Myanmar and Ethiopia
- Perceptions of Teachers and Students on the Practices of Educational Quality Enhancement in Dilla University: A Differential Study 10.5281/zenodo.1188294
- Managing the Ethiopian Education System amid Emergencies: Lessons from COVID-19 Global Crisis
- The Mediating Effect of Higher Education Research and Innovation Practices in Addressing Economic Challenges: Graduates' Employability Perspectives. <https://doi.org/10.3311/BICE2024-008> BICE 2024
- Education and Economic Growth in Sub-Saharan Countries: A Systematic Review of Empirical Studies, Publication of the 2024 MELLEarN volume, Obuda University, Budapest
- The Effect of Higher Education on Economic Growth: A Meta Regression Analysis of Empirical Studies from Developing Economies (Under Review)

Paper Presentation at Conferences

- Education and Development Nexus: A Theoretical Perspective, Oradea University, Romania (May 2022)
- Employments Status and Associated Factors among Peoples with Disabilities (PWDs) in Gedeo Zone, Ethiopia: Implications for Equity in Education and Economic Inclusiveness, University of Debrecen< Hungary (April 2023)
- Managing the Ethiopian Education System amid Emergencies: Lessons from COVID-19 Global Crisis, Addis Ababa University, Ethiopia (May 2022)
- Human capital development in Ethiopia. Dilla University, Ethiopia (December 2020)
- The Mediating Effect of Higher Education Research and Innovation Practices in Addressing Economic Challenges: Graduates' Employability Perspectives. BME, Budapest, Hungary (Nov. 2024)
- Education and Economic Growth in Sub-Saharan Countries: A Systematic Review of Empirical Studies, Obuda University, Budapest, Hungary (May 2024)
- Business and Modern Slavery Research Conference 2024, University of Sussex (Participation), Brighton, UK (September 2024)

References

- Gabor Erdei, PhD, erdeigabor2@gmail.com, University of Debrecen, Doctoral Program of Educational Sciences
- Berhanu, Mekonnen Yimer, PhD, Asso. Prof, berhanumy@gmail.com, 0916177900, Dilla University, Dean, Institute of Education and Behavioral Sciences, Ethiopia
- Mesfin, Molla Demissie, PhD, Asso. Prof, mesfinmollademissie@gmail.com, 0926302630, Dilla University, Former Dean, Institute of education and behavioral sciences, Ethiopia
- Misganu, Legesse Bareke, PhD, Asso. Prof, misganulegesse@gmail.com, 0911944488, Dilla University, Director, Research and Dissemination Directorate, Ethiopia