# Maryanne Kamunya

#### **EXPERIENCE**

### Victimology Research Centre, Ottawa, ON — Research Assistant

October 2021– October 2022

- Conducted extensive online research to identify relevant literature and resources related to victimology and related fields.
- Transcribed and coded research data on victimization, posttraumatic change, vicarious resilience, and service provider wellness and related topics, and analyzed the resulting data using qualitative and quantitative software such as Atlas. Ti.
- Conducted interviews with victim service workers in the field of victimology to gather qualitative data and gain insights into victimization experiences and related issues.
- Utilized qualitative research methods such as content analysis, thematic analysis, and grounded theory to analyze interview and focus group data.

### **Africa Scholars Forum,** Boston, MA – Research and Program Assistant

September 2018 – May 2019

- Conducted academic research on socio-political issues in African Development to support Associate Dean Rita Kiki Edozie and the mission of the Africa Scholars Forum.
- Lead the planning and successful execution of the first-ever Africa Day at UMass Boston. Coordinated complex event planning, budget preparation, vendor selection, financial management, social media set up and maintenance.
- Supervised and directed graduate and undergraduate student leaders and volunteers; and on the day of the event managed a crowd of over 100 faculty, staff, students and community.

### KadAfrica, Uganda/Remote — Program Coordinator

January 2015 – February 2017

• Collaborated with the CEO to research potential funding opportunities for KadAfrica's programs and projects, which

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#### SKILLS

Interpersonal skills

Critical thinking & Analytical skills

Organization skills

Trauma-informed counselling

MS Office, Google Suite, Atlas.Ti, Survey Monkey

Research and evaluation

Public speaking & presentation skills

Leadership

Social Media

#### LANGUAGES

Native English.

Native Swahili.

#### **EDUCATION**

Algonquin College, Ottawa, ON — Postgraduate Certificate, Victimology

GRADUATED June 2022.

University of Massachusetts Boston, Boston, MA — Masters in International Relations involved identifying and evaluating various grants and donor opportunities.

- Managed KadAfrica's social media presence by coordinating and scheduling posts and collaborating with the media team to ensure consistency in messaging and branding.
- Developed and implemented a monitoring and evaluation plan to assess the progress and impact of KadAfrica's ongoing programs and provided regular updates to the team.
- Acted as the primary point of contact for public relations by handling media inquiries, preparing press releases, and maintaining positive relationships with stakeholders. Additionally, I served as the first point of contact for volunteers, providing them with guidance and support throughout their involvement with the organization.

## **Parliament Monitoring Group,** Cape Town, SA — Parliament Monitor

September 2012 – February 2013

• Wrote, transcribed, and edited multiple policy reports for Parliament Committee meetings, including publications such as "Department of Education Quarterly Report on Basic Education and State of National Examination Readiness" and "Department of Transport Report on Regulation of Road Transportation Between Lesotho and South Africa." University of Cape Town, Cape Town, SA — Bachelor in Political Science and Public Administration.

GRADUATED December 2012.

#### ACTIVITIES

Founder, www.amandlaawethu.org

Volunteer Program Coordinator, KadAfrica