

DUDLEY MBEKENGA

LINGUIST | WRITER | EDITOR



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Education

BA - Linguistics & Sociology

University of Auckland

2022 - 2025

BSc - Civil Engineering

Michigan State University

2016 - 2021

Semester Exchange

Denmark Technical University

2019

High School Diploma

West Catholic High School

2012 - 2016

Languages

(US) English - Native

(TZ) Swahili - Advanced

(FR) French - Intermediate

Danish - Intermediate

Japanese - Beginner

Profile

I'm a linguist with an interest in exploring the relationship between language, society, and technology. I've interacted with a diversity of cultures, thus I'm knowledgeable on the language learning process. I'm a skilled creative and academic writer, with further experience in education and music. I'm looking for a position where I can utilize my creative thinking, writing, communication, and language skills.

Work & Volunteer

International Student Ambassador Apr 2024 - Present

University of Auckland (UoA) & The Ambassador Platform (TAP)

- Represent UoA's Faculty of Arts
- Provide resources and insights to prospective students
- Create social media content to promote UoA on a global scale

Vice-President Nov 2023 - Present

UoA Linguistics & Language Society

- Organize meetings and plan social events for the year
- Encourage love of world languages through presentations & talks
- Collaborate with other student groups and societies

Drummer | NZ Drumline Sep 2023 - Present

- Collaborate with The NZ Session Collective
- Perform at NZ basketball games and local Auckland events
- Offer drum lessons for all skill levels

Writer & Editor | Freelance 2020 - Present

- Write, edit, and publish stories & poetry
- Provide feedback and editing services for creative writers
- Short story featured in *Worldbuilding Magazine's* 2024 Issue 1

Percussion Instructor 2021 - 2022

West Catholic High School

- US high school marching band program
- Taught fundamentals of marching, music, and performance
- Organized transportation of instruments for performance

English Language Tutor | Freelance 2019 - 2023

- Engaged with students from variety of language backgrounds
- Created personalized lesson plans for real-life scenarios
- Explained contextual nuances and complex grammar