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#### Introduction

Maurice is a trained epidemiologist and biostatistician with 13 years of cumulative work experience in research related environment. Maurice is currently a PhD student (submitted) at the University of Witwatersrand, South Africa and holds a MSc. (Biostatistics and Epidemiology) from the same University and a Bachelor of Science (Mathematics and Computer Science) from Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology (JKUAT), Kenya. In the last 10 years, Maurice work has focused on the urban context, with focus on how different marginalised groups respond and benefit from government initiatives such as free primary education. He has gained technical expertise in study design, sampling, qualitative and quantitative data analysis, impact evaluation, report and scientific writing as well as fund raising and operational expertise in project and financial management as well as supervision. Maurice has special interest in understanding the inter-linkages between education and health, with a focus on the marginalized groups and vulnerable population. Maurice has authored and co-authored a number of articles in international peer reviewed journals. He is driven by the need to contribute to the development of marginalized people and also influence polices that can lead to improvement of their wellbeing.

### Academic qualifications

2013 - to date	PhD, University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa (submitted)
2007	Msc, University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa
2004	B. Sc. Mathematics and Computer science, JKUAT, Kenya

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2008 - to date	Data Analyst, APHRC, Nairobi, Kenya
2007 - 2007	Research Assistant, APHRC, Nairobi, Kenya
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Recent 3	projects
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Effect of food
security and early
child hood
nutrition on
cognitive
development

The project focused on longitudinal analysis of data to understand the nexus between food security and child nutrition among children aged below 5 years in urban poor households in Kenya. Based on the analysis, a mixed methods study was inbuilt to understand the linkages between household food security, nutrition and cognitive development in poor urban settings. The work is in the final stages of analysis and report writing. I am the principle investigator in this project

## Impact evaluation of school readiness intervention among preprimary school learners in Kenya.

This is a randomized controlled intervention, which is currently on going and being implemented in four counties in Kenya. My role together with other team members is to conduct an impact evaluation. The study targets preschool learners, and the impact evaluation is on a sample of schools and is being undertaken between 2015 and 2018. I participated in the design of the impact evaluation, conducted sampling, development of data analysis plan and actual data analysis. I am the statistician in this project

# Advanced learning outcomes and transition to secondary school

This is an intervention project focusing on urban poor boys and girls who were in grade 6 at baseline (2016). I am participating in the impact evaluation. I was involved in the design, sampling, and development of analytical strategy. I am leading in the data analysis and reporting of the findings. The study is currently ongoing and with three points of data collection.

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