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## PROFILE

Doctor of Philosophy in Languages, Linguistics, and Literature from the University of South Africa  
Research and Teaching Linguistics, Department of Linguistics at Ambo University  
Director, Laureate Tsegaye Gebre-medihin Cultural Studies and Research Center

I am a broadly trained linguist, specializing in the African language, linguistics, and literature. My publications explore these issues ethnographically among the target community and Quasi-experiment on mother tongue-based education in Ethiopia. As an Academician and Researcher at Ambo University Department of Linguistics, I work on interdisciplinary, indigenous knowledge, teaching methods, cultural projects, community-based projects, and clinical linguistics projects.

## EDUCATION

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I hold a PhD in Languages, Linguistics, and Literature from the University of South Africa, an M.A. in Documentary Linguistics and Culture from Addis Ababa University, and a B.A. in Linguistics from Addis Ababa University. Currently, I am an Assistant Professor of Linguistics at Ambo University.  
Ph.D. Title: ‘‘Assessment of the Implementation of Mother-Tongue Education: Primary Schools in West Shoa Zone, Oromia Regional State, Ethiopia’’ in Language, Linguistics and Literature at University of South Africa,

M.A. Title: Documentation of Irrecha Ceremonies Among Shoa Oromo: a comparative analysis of Hora Arsade and Hora Bisil ceremony’’ in Documentary Linguistics and Culure from Addis Ababa University, since 2012, and

B.A. Title: ‘‘Phrase structure of Afan Oromo’’ in Linguitics from Addis Ababa University, since 2008. Currently, I am an Assistant Professor of Linguistics at Ambo University.

## RECENT RESEARCH GRANTS AND AWARDS

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2024/25 (Principal Investigator): An Investigation of Indigenous Knowledge in Promoting Human Security: The Roles of Language, Gender, and Intercultural Communication in Peacebuilding in Oromia, Ethiopia. (Ambo University Project)

2024/25 (Principal Investigator): Seenaa Jijjiirama Aartii Oromoo Bara 1950ootaa Hanga 2015tti. (Joint project with IQQO)

2022-2023 (Principal Investigator): Language Application to study hard and soft sciences at school:  
Applied Linguistics Perspective.

2019-2020 (Principal Investigator): A Critical Discourse Analysis of Haacaaluu Hundeessaa’s Lyrics: Applied Linguistic Perspectives’’

2018-2018 (Principal Investigator):’’ Language Acquisition and Education Language in Africa: An Interdisciplinary Discussion from Educational Linguistics Perspective’’  
Bursary

- 2017 – 2019 (Principal Investigator): "Critical Discourse Analysis on Literary work" (UA Bursary)
- 2017-2018 (Principal Investigator): "Language Policy in Ethiopia: Challenges and Opportunities in Current trends of Afaan Oromoo" (Ambo University Research grant).
- 2015-2016 , PI, on "Archiving Indigenous Knowledge on Pottery making among Mecha Oromo" (Ambo University Research grant)
- 2014-2015 PI, on "Documenting moribund Oromo Lexicons: West Shoa Zone in Focus" (Ambo University Research grant)

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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- 2017- present **Assistant Professor** at AmboUniversity, Ambo, Ethiopia.
- 2014-2017 **Lecturer** in Language and Linguistics at, Ambo University, Ambo, Ethiopia.
- 2012-2013/14 **Lecturer** in Language and Linguistics at, Medawalabu **University**, Robe Bale, Ethiopia

## Training experience

- 2025 English and Foreign Languages University
- 2023 EDUCATIONAL MEDIA PRODUCTION FOR E-LEARNING
- 2023 TOT Trainer on entrepreneurship
- 2021 Master trainer for **NEBE** in collaboration with ECES for the 6<sup>th</sup> round national election
- 2020 3D painting for children Art (Training organizer) organized by Ambo University
- 2019 Active learning methods for High school teachers (as a trainer) Organized by Ambo University
- 2018 Mother tongue education for college teachers (as a trainer) organized by USAID
- 2014-15 Higher Diploma program (as a trainer) organized by Madawalabu University
- 2013-2021 Took so many training at University level.
- 2024 Language technology from University of English and Foreign Languages, Hyderabad, India

## JOB RELATED EXPERIENCE

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Article Journals reviewer of Jimmaa University (EJSSLS and Gadaa Journal), Wollo University (AJBS), and Ambo University (JSSD). Reviewer of International Journal Culture and History (<http://www.macrothink.org/journal/index.php/ijch/about/editorialTeam>). In addition, engaged in presenting research findings on national and international conferences at different Universities. Also serve as a Higher Diploma Programme Tutor. Serve as Quality Education Assurance and Audit Team leader of CSSH at Ambo University. Engaged in International NGOs, US Aid (RTI) as a translator or adapter. Currently, I am a Director for Laureate Tsegaye Gebre-medihin Cultural Studies and Research Center at Ambo University.

## MAJOR PUBLICATIONS

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- 2024 Samuel Leykun "Analysis of Mecha Oromo Safu-Moral system: Anthropological Linguistics Perspectives" Journal of Science and Sustainable Development (JSSD), 2024 12 (2), 62-73
- 2023 Samuel Leykun "A Critical Discourse Analysis of Hachalu Hunsessa's Lyrics: Applied Linguistic Perspectives". Journal of Science and Sustainable Development (JSSD) 11(1). 1-9
- 2023 Samuel Leykun 2023 "Language Application to Study Hard and Soft Sciences at School: Applied Linguistics Perspective". DAAGU INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF BASIC AND APPLIED RESEARCH (DIJBAR) 5(2) 310-324.

- 2020. Samuel Leykun** “Critical Analysis of Social Genetics and Linguistics Inquiry” International Journal of Language and Linguistics, 2020; 8(1): 11-16  
<http://www.sciencepublishinggroup.com/j/ijll> doi: 10.11648/j.ijll.20200801.12 ISSN: 2330-0205 (Print); ISSN: 2330-0221 (Online)
- 2020. Samuel Leykun**, and Tamiru Gari. 2020. “Language Policy” in Ethiopia: Challenges and Opportunities in Current Trends of Afaan Oromoo. Arabic Language, Literature & Culture. Vol. 5, No. 1, 2020, pp. 1-8.  
 doi: 10.11648/j.allc.20200501.11
- 2019. Samuel Leykun** “Critical Analysis on Frequency of Amharic Sounds: the perspective of corpus Linguistics” Daagu International Journal of Basic & Applied Research-DIJBAR. volume1, Issue-2, pp (24-37)
- 2019. Samuel Leykun** “Assessment of Active Learning Methods in Linguistic Courses: Ambo University in Focus, Ethiopia” International Journal of Language and Linguistics 2019; 7(6): 345-350 <http://www.sciencepublishinggroup.com/j/ijll> doi: 10.11648/j.ijll.20190706.23 ISSN: 2330-0205 (Print); ISSN: 2330-0221 (Online)
- 2019. Samuel Leykun and Negash Demise** “Class Room Management During A Group Discussion In English; The Case Of Mada Walabu University First Year English Language And Literature Students” Daagu International Journal of Basic & Applied Research-DIJBAR. volume1, Issue-2, pp (1-19)
- 2019. Samuel Leykun and Tamiru Gari** “Archiving Indigenous Knowledge on Pottery Making Among Macca Oromo: West Shoa Zone in Focus” Journal of Culture, Society and Development  
[www.iiste.org](http://www.iiste.org) ISSN 2422-8400 An International Peer-reviewed Journal Vol.52, 2019 pp(29-38).
- 2017. Samuel Leykun and Welde Eshete** ‘Critical Analysis of the Diacritic // in Afaan Oromoo’ Ethiopian Journal of Social and language studies vol4(1) Jimma University.
- 2015. Samuel Leykun and Welde Eshete** Linguistic Analysis of Moribund Oromo Lexicons: Bale Oromo in focus . JSSD (p: 95- 115) Journal of Ambo University
- 2014. Samuel Leykun Irreecha** ceremony Among Shoa Oromo. JSSD (p: 95- 115) Journal of Ambo University Published Books:
- 2013. Samuel Leykun and Welde Eshete** A Digital Documentation and Description of a Moribund Bale Oromo Lexicons  
 LABERT PUBLISHER; SAMBRUCHEN, GERMANY (2013)
- 2012. Samuel Leykun** Documentation of ‘Irreecha’ ceremony among Showa Oromo: A comparative study of Horaa Arsadee and Horaa Bisiil Irreecha ceremonies in Ethiopia.  
 LABERT PUBLISHER; SAMBRUCHEN, GERMANY (2012)

Current professional Services:

**Director**, Laureate Tsegaye Gebre-medihin Cultural Studies and Research Center,  
 Article Journals reviewer of Jimmaa University (EJSSLS and Gadaa Journals), Wollo University (AJBS), and Ambo University (JSSD). In addition, engaged in teaching, research and Community Services at Ambo

University.

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