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### **Summary of Qualifications**

Over eighteen years college level teaching experience. Taught numerous college courses including Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, International and Comparative Economics, and Money and Banking. IIQ students' evaluations. Possess solid classroom management skills.

### **Education**

- Ph.D., Economics, University of Pune, India, 2000
- MBA Finance, Metropolitan State University, 2020.
- M.A., Economics, University of Pune, India, 1996
- B.Sc., Statistics, Addis Ababa University, Ethiopia, 1990
- Ph.D. Dissertation: "Financial Intermediaries in Ethiopia: A Study of the Role of Financial Intermediaries in Ethiopia"

### **Professional Experience**

#### Instruction

##### In USA

- Instructor of Economics as a Community Faculty at Metropolitan State University, since Spring 2006
- Instructor of Economics at North Hennepin Community College, since Fall 2006
- Teach face-face classes, hybrid, and fully online classes
- Comfortably use online tools for teaching courses such as D2L, MindTap

##### Students Evaluation in USA

- Several years of IIQ report

##### In Ethiopia

- Academic Dean, Ethiopia Adventist College, Shashemene, Ethiopia, 2001-2005
- Taught several undergraduate courses including Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, Money and Banking, Financial Institutions and Markets, Managerial Economics, Business Statistics, Statistics for Management, Introduction to Risk Management and Insurance, 2001- 2005
- Advised students on curriculum and course selection, 2001- 2005
- Organized colloquium program for students, 2001- 2005
- Planned, coordinated, and directed college programs.
- Developed curriculum, received high evaluation from college administration and board for coordination and management of Ethiopia Adventist College programs.

##### Program/ Department Management, Ethiopia Adventist College 2001-2005

- Planned, coordinated, and directed the academic operation of Ethiopia Adventist College, 2001- 2005

- Chaired the College Academic Commission, College Library Committee, College Admission Committee
- Served as member of the College Finance Committee
- Prepared budget for the College with the Business Manager
- Served as a member of the College Building Committee
- Recommended potential candidates for the post of teaching according to the guidelines of College administration
- Worked on accreditation of College programs
- Assigned teaching loads for the teaching staff
- Conducted evaluations of teaching staff
- Organized professional enrichment program for teachers

### **Achievements as Academic Dean, Ethiopia Adventist College, 2000-2005**

- The junior college with two-year diploma programs was promoted to senior college, which offers four-year degree programs.
- The student enrollment at college level increased which improved the financial status of the college
- The reconstruction of the college building, burned by fire, was completed when I was the Academic Dean and Acting President. This was in part the result of teamwork under my leadership, which enabled the college to raise funds from within and outside the country.
- The college library, which lost 90% of its holdings and furniture due to fire accident, was restored with up-to-date books and facilities. I worked with Richard Stockton College of New Jersey, USA and acquired approximately 17,000 books and twelve computers for the library.
- The college received a letter of appreciation from Ethiopian Ministry of Education for keeping high academic standards.

### **Professional Affiliation**

- Ethiopian Economic Association, Addis Ababa Ethiopia

### **Workshops Meetings and Webinars Attended**

- Meetings organized by Federal Reserve Bank Minneapolis District, Minnesota Economic Association Annual meetings, Ethiopian Economic Association, Workshops Organized by Cengage, McGraw-Hill.

### **Non-Profit Organization**

- One of the founders and supporter of African Economic Development Solutions (AEDS), a nonprofit organization serving several small businesses. <https://aeds-mn.org/>
- AEDS has benefited numerous small businesses in Minnesota specially the great Metro area.
- Active participant in programs of AEDS.