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**Degree:** Master of Science

**Discipline:** Agricultural Economics

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**Internship Project:** Development of a training manual on recommended preparation and consumption of locally available vegetables. Target audience are households, schools and health

facilities.

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**Bio:** Karen Gitau is a Master of Science student specializing in Agricultural Economics at the University of Maryland, Eastern Shore. She also serves as a Graduate Extensions Assistant with a focus on research design, data analysis (SPSS, R, Excel), and economic modeling. My experience includes developing and implementing research instruments, conducting impact assessments, analyzing agricultural data, and contributing to technical reports. With strengths in project coordination, academic writing, and collaborative problem-solving, I am committed to advancing evidence-based strategies that improve food security, enhance market access, and support rural livelihoods.