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PROFILE

Dedicated and driven professional with a clear vision for achieving goals through passion, effort, and meaningful connections. Skilled in building inclusive relationships, simplifying complex concepts, and engaging confidently with diverse groups. Seeking opportunities to grow technical expertise while further developing interpersonal skills through hands-on experience and collaborative environments.

I am eager to bring my dedication, analytical skills, and passion for growth to a dynamic team where I can make a meaningful impact. My combination of technical expertise, entrepreneurial drive, and strong interpersonal abilities positions me to contribute effectively to challenging projects, while continuing to learn and evolve as a professional. I look forward to the opportunity to apply my skills in a collaborative environment that values innovation, initiative, and excellence.

EXPERIENCE

GRADUATE, WATERBORNE CAPITAL – 2026-PRESENT

Exceeding first two months expectations in a single month through contributions and due diligence work on the Cape Wines Airport deal. Responsibilities include financial modelling, deal structuring, capital raising, due diligence, and managing client engagements.

INVESTEC NAVIGATE PROGRAMME – 2025

Flown up to Johannesburg to spend a few days learning the ins and outs of Investec. Participated competed around a group case study. Led the winning team, achieving victory by building an Investec working product demo with JS.

INVESTEC, WATERBORNE FINANCIAL ADVISORY – 2025

Successfully navigated difficult challenges over the course one week.

Competed in the “Money Magic Challenge” converting a R1k loan to R3k in 6 hours by starting a springbok meat retail business - arbitraging the price.

LEARNING ASSISTANT, UNIVERSITY OF STELLENBOSCH – 2025

Assisted second year statistics focusing on applied statistics in Excel & Rstudio. Work involved providing student support during official lectures for personal in-class.

STATISTICS & DERIVATIVES TUTOR, ONYX EDUCATION – 2025

Tutored first and second year statistics at Stellenbosch and the University of Pretoria. Performed one on one and exam prep classes. Most impressively taught third year derivatives exam classes for the University of Pretoria after self-teaching myself the entire course syllabus.

LEADERSHIP

PEER ACADEMIC SUPPORT FACILITATOR (2025)

Taught weekly 2nd-year statistics classes and mentorship as part of extra classes for students who were struggling. 3 hour classes a week with availability to assist with extra questions.

MINERVA MENTOR (SEPTEMBER 2022 - SEPTEMBER 2023)

I was a member of a prestigious mentor team that served 130 first-year students. I was responsible for a group of ten students for a year, conducting daily check-ins during the orientation period and addressing any issues they encountered weekly. I assisted with facilitating NSFAS, bursaries and personal matters, hospital visits and academic guidance and registration.

BELGIUM / SOUTH AFRICA STUDENT EXCHANGE

Selected as one of ten students to travel to Belgium from a grade of 360.

EDUCATION

UCT, B.COM. (HONS) ECONOMIC ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL MARKETS (2026 - PRESENT)

UNIVERSITY OF STELLENBOSCH, B. COM INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT, STATISTICS & FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT (2022-2025)

NSC, OUTENIQUA HIGH SCHOOL, (GRADUATED 2021)

85% average, WP top 10 English First additional language

SKILLS

Hard Skills:

- Financial modelling and valuation techniques
- Deal structuring and capital raising
- Due diligence and financial analysis
- Advanced Microsoft Excel (including financial functions and modelling)
- RStudio for statistical analysis
- ARENA Rockwell for process simulation and optimisation
- Applied statistics and econometrics

- Derivatives and investment analysis
- Business process optimisation and operational simulations
- Data visualisation and reporting
- Research and academic writing
- Presentation and public speaking skills

Technical Competencies:

- Data analysis (R, Excel)
- Quantitative modelling and forecasting
- Scenario analysis and sensitivity testing
- Simulation modelling (ARENA Rockwell)
- Financial markets analysis and portfolio evaluation

Soft Skills:

- Strong communication and interpersonal abilities
- Confident presenter and facilitator
- Leadership and mentorship (student mentoring and peer support)
- High adaptability and resilience under pressure
- Problem-solving and critical thinking
- Team collaboration and coordination
- Creative and innovative approach to tasks
- Empathy and ability to connect with diverse individuals
- Organisational and time management skills

Additional Skills and Attributes:

- Entrepreneurial mindset and initiative (e.g., business challenges and arbitrage projects)
- Ability to learn quickly and apply new skills in practical contexts
- Passionate about professional development and continuous learning
- Effective at simplifying and explaining complex concepts to different audiences

Thank you for taking the time to review my resume. I look forward to engaging with you further.