

ABRIDGED CURRICULUM VITAE

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GENERAL INFORMATION: 39 | South Africa | Male | Code B - Driver's License |
Multilingual: English, SiSwati, Setswana, Sepedi, IsiZulu.

OBJECTIVES: Seeking an opportunity to influence the next strategic frontier for SA's development & political economy whilst learning and growing.

SKILLS: High level strategic and lateral thinking, policy formulation, analysis & advisory, strategic communication, writing, presentation and research, social capital development & senior management stakeholder management, problem solving, facilitation and scenarios planning, ability to operating in high-level political environments, strategic planning & project management.

PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY: Committed to national development as a professional with 12 years of experience straddling the public, regulation, research & academic, civil society, and consultancy sectors.

EDUCATION	2019	MA – Politics (Cum Laude)	University of Johannesburg
	Subjects	Research on South Africa's Foreign Policy Dissertation by research for a Master of Arts degree in Politics: <i>South Africa's National Interests in Africa During the Mbeki Years, 1999-2008.</i>	
	2007	BA. Hons – International Relations¹	University of Pretoria
	Subjects	International Political Economy Foreign Policy Security & Strategic Studies Peace, Conflict & Mediation Jean Monnet European Studies.	
	2005	B.PolSci – Political Sciences	University of Pretoria
	Subjects	SA Politics Philosophy Economics International Relations International Political Economy Foreign Policy & Diplomacy Strategic Intelligence & Risk Analysis International Cooperation Africa in World Politics History.	
	2000	Matric Senior Certificate – Pass with Exemption (M)	Thembeke High School

¹ Due to student debt, the actual degree certificate is not issued. However, a Letter of Completion of Studies is issued and hereby attached. The certificate and academic record is available at the University upon request by the prospective employer.

SHORT COURSES	2006	United States Studies	Universities of Pretoria & Indiana
	Subjects	American History American Politics American Democracy & Electoral System.	
	2011	African Programme on Rethinking Development Economics (APORDE)	
	Subjects	Changing Perspectives on Development Economics Market, State and Institutions in Economic Development East Asian Development Experience Latin American Development Experience Governance and Economic Development Urbanisation & Development Globalisation, Development & Inequality Gender & Development Economics International Finance & Development Social Policy & Development Mineral Resources in Africa African Development in Historical Perspective Technology and Late Development, etc.	
	2012	Research Proposal Writing Skills	Wits University
	2012	Project Management	Regenesys Business School
EXECUTIVE EDUCATION	Subjects	Establishing a project management environment Project team development Project management cycle Problem analysis & project identification Project planning Procurement, tender & contract management Implementation Project monitoring & evaluation Project closure.	
	2013	Seminar on Economic & Social Development - Academy for International Business Officials (AIBO) Beijing, China	
	Subjects	China's Reform, Opening-up & Peaceful Development China's Modernisation Process China's Regional Economic Cooperation Policy Current situation of the World Economy Chinese Culture China's State-Owned Development China's Economic & Trade relations with Africa Introduction to China's Private Economy.	
AWARDS SCHOLARSHIPS	2020	Seminar on Poverty Alleviation and Rural Development – China-Africa Institute of the People Republic of China & The National School of Government	
	2021	IIPP Executive Education Programme for South African Senior Government Officials – UCL Institute for Innovation and Public Discourse & The National School of Government	
	2003	Honorary Colours for Leadership – University of Pretoria SRC	
RECOGNITION	2005	Honorary Colours for Leadership – University of Pretoria SRC	
	2007	Honorary Award – SASCO TUT Garankuwa Branch	
	2007 – 2009	Mandela-Rhodes Scholarship – Mandela-Rhodes Foundation, MRF.	
	2011	Certificate of Recognition – COSAS Mpumalanga Province	
2010	Co-Founder – Mapungubwe Institute for Strategic Reflection, MISTRA.		

**WORK
EXPERIENCE**

2007-2008 President - South Africa Students' Congress - Johannesburg
Key Tasks Spokesperson, International Relations, Political Head, overall strategic leader.
Reason for Leaving Not available to serve another term.

2007 Part-Time Lecturer – Tshwane University of Technology, Pretoria

Key Tasks Lecturing second year students in International Relations.

Reason for Leaving – Contract not renewed.

**2008-2009 Manager: Office of the Chairperson - Gauteng Youth Commission
Office of the Premier, Gauteng**

Key Tasks Prepare responses to Legislature questions | Sensitise office environment in a political and legal context | Keep abreast with applicable prescripts/policies prepare briefing notes | Speech writing | Media liaison in the stead of the Chairperson | Represent the Commission in external forums | Stakeholder Management, etc.

Reason for Leaving – The Gauteng Youth Commission became defunct.

**2009-2010 Deputy Director - Office of the Deputy Director-General: Policy & Governance
Office of the Premier – Gauteng**

Key Tasks Provide management and support services to Deputy Director-General | Manage the Office of the DDG: Policy and Governance | Manage the flow of documents and do quality assurance | Preparation of documents | Monitor responses to Legislature questions | Sensitise Office on political/policy environment | Input into strategy, policy research, analysis and co-ordination | Keep abreast with regard to the applicable prescripts/policies.

Reason for Leaving Sought new opportunities for growth.

2010 – 2017 Researcher – Political Economy Faculty – Mapungubwe Institute (MISTRA)

Key Tasks Conduct research | Produce papers, chapters & articles | Editorial work | Project management | Stakeholder management | Policy & Consultant | Institutional development | Communicate research outcomes to audiences & media, etc.

Projects Completed Three priority research projects – Reports published | Multiple major consultancies | Conceptualised and facilitated several strategic reflections | Improved the social capital of MISTRA.

Advisory Completed The Presidency (RSA) | Gauteng Government | City of Johannesburg | Council on Higher Education | Higher Education Ministerial Transformation Oversight

Committee | Department of Public Service & Administration | Various other local and international organisations.

Reason for Leaving – Looking for new opportunities of growth.

2018 – 2019 Acting Chief of Staff – Competition Commission South Africa

Key Tasks Content generation and speech writing | Lead, direct and manage the Office of the Commissioner in terms of Communications, Stakeholder Relations and International Relations departments | Manage Special Projects | Parliamentary Liaison | implement and maintain appropriate systems and processes to ensure the effective functioning of the Office of the Commission | Contribute to institutional culture | Manage the reporting to various statutory institutions | Managing the Risk and Governance function.

Projects Completed Annual Competition Conference | African Competitions Network Biennial Conference | Reports to Parliaments, the Auditor-General and the Minister, etc | Worked on the 20th Anniversary Project | Direct media liaison | Helped to establish the internal Office of the Ombudsperson.

Advisory or Completed Preparing high-level briefs.

Reason for Leaving Invited by the Gauteng MEC of Health to join the Office of the MEC and motivated to return to Public Service proper.

2019 - 2020 Chief of Staff – Office of the MEC for Health - Gauteng

Key Tasks Planning and strategic alignment of the MEC's Programs and the Departmental Strategic Plan | Ensure effective and timeous advice to the MEC | Policy management | Monitoring and Evaluation | Budget and financial Management oversight | Identify risk areas and provide strategic advice | Manage external relations | Manage media relations | Manage parliamentary liaison | Manage Labour Relations and Private Hospital Licensing Appeals | Manage Special Projects | Manage the schedule of the MEC | Manage the administration of the Office | Manage Statutory Organs and Compliance | Attend all Executive Meetings.

Projects Completed 100 Days Project | Successful launch of the ongoing Employee Value Proposition (EVP) Programme | Completion of the Relocation Project | Successful management of the Covid-19 Donations workstream with more than R350m worth of PPE material raised from private donors | High rate of compliance with the submission of reports to the Legislature and Statutory Organs | Completed the Appeals backlog in a year | Helped the MEC to manage the first wave of COVID-19 successfully | Developed a Political Risk Assessment Matrix for COVID-19.

Reason for Leaving Contract terminated with the departure of the MEC.

CURRENT WORK

Director: Executive Support – Office of the Vice-Chancellor & Principal, UNISA

PUBLICATIONS²	<p>Peer-reviewed Books</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Changing economic balances and Integration in 'Africa Rising'</i>. 2017. Johannesburg. Real African Publishers – David Maimela (Ed). MISTRA Research Report. • <i>Essays on the Evolution of the Post-Apartheid State – Legacies, reforms and prospects</i>. 2013. Johannesburg. Real African Publishers – Mcebisi Ndletyana & David Maimela (Eds). MISTRA Research Report. • Research Coordinator & Project Manager for <i>The Art, Science and Philosophy of Football in South Africa</i>. 2012. Johannesburg. Real African Publishers. MISTRA Research Report. <p>Books</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Resurgent Resource Nationalism? A study into the global phenomenon</i>. 2016. Johannesburg. Real African Publishers – Mcebisi Ndletyana & David Maimela (Eds). MISTRA Research Report.
BOARD MEMBERSHIPS	<p>Non-Executive Director – SABC Board Trustee – SABC Medical Aid Scheme (As a representative of the SABC Board) Member of the Digital Committee, HR Committee & News & Editorial Committee.</p> <p>Non-Executive Director – Mpumalanga Economic Development Agency (MEGA). Chairperson of the HR Committee and Member of the Finance, Investment and Loans Committee.</p> <p>Non-Executive Director – Gauteng Growth & Development Agency (GGDA). Chairperson of the Infrastructure, Trade and Investment Committee.</p> <p>Non-Executive Director – Automotive Industry Development Centre (AIDC).</p> <p>Council Member – University of Limpopo. Member of the ICT Committee and Institutional Forum (IF).</p>
NGOs & NPOs	<p>Former Board Member – Pan-African Youth Dialogue (PAYD) (Inactive)</p> <p>Former Board Member – South Africans for Peace in Africa Initiative (SAPAI) (Inactive)</p>
ADVISORY	<p>Member – Panel of Eminent Persons into the Taxi Industry Unity [Advising the Minister of Transport]</p> <p>Former Member – Council on Higher Education (CHE) Task Team on the Regulation of Tuition Fees in Higher Education (SA) (Inactive).</p>
ASSOCIATIONAL MEMBERSHIPS	<p>Member of the Mapungubwe Society of Researchers (MSSR).</p> <p>Member of the Institute of Directors in South Africa (IoDSA)</p>
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENTS	<p>High School Years</p> <p>Provincial Secretary of COSAS in Mpumalanga, 1999-2001 and Ex-officio member of the National Executive Committee Member of the Mpumalanga Education & Training Council (MPETC), 1999 & 2000 Chairperson of the Representative Council of Learners (RCL) at Thembeke High School.</p>

University Years

Executive Member for Finance at the UP SRC in 2002 | Member of the Institutional Forum of the UP in 2002 | Member of the Senate Appeals Committee at the UP between 2003-2005.

Provincial & National

Chairperson of SASCO - Gauteng Province, 2005 | Deputy President - SASCO, 2006 | National President – SASCO, 2006-2008.

INTERESTS

Reading, writing & poetry | Watching documentaries & sports | Traveling & physical exercise.

² Full list of other publications is available on request. This includes book chapters, journal articles, conference papers, etc.

