

# **CURRICULUM VITAE**

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## **Education**

**Project Management Short Course, Durban University of Technology (2009)**

**Bachelor of Science (Biological Sciences), University of KwaZulu-Natal, (2005)**

**Matric Exemption, Northwood High School, (2000)**

## **Previous Work Experience:**

**Assistant Programme Manager: Conservation SPACE Programme, Wildlands Conservation Trust, May 2009 to present**

This post requires me to support the Programme Manager in ensuring that all strategic projects and initiatives with regards to the Conservation SPACE Programme are effectively implemented, monitored and completed.

This is achieved by:

- Managing the implementation of key projects of the Conservation SPACE Programme, including financial management and reporting on projects to the Programme Manager
- Planning and designing projects that support the strategic objectives of the Programme
- Supervision of field staff

**Regional Project Facilitator, Ezemvelo KZN Wildlife, Zululand Region, February 2007 to April 2009.**

This post required me to monitor and evaluate all projects implemented by EKZNW in the Zululand Region.

## **Project Manager, Ezemvelo KZN Wildlife, Ithala Game Reserve, September 2005 to January 2007**

I was directly responsible for 2 Department of Environmental Affairs and Tourism (DEAT) poverty alleviation projects.

## **Buffalo Monitor, EKZNW, Ithala Game Reserve, June 2005 – September 2005**

The monitoring programme involved tracking and locating the buffalo populations, collecting an assortment of data along with their GPS positions, analysing the geographical data using a Geographical Information System.

## **Honorary Officer, Ezemvelo KZN Wildlife, Durban North Unit, 2004 – 2005**

I volunteered as a member of the Durban North Honorary Officer Unit which was responsible for the stretch of coastline from the North Bank of the Umgeni River to La Mercy.

## **Amarula Elephant Research Programme, UKZN, 2004 – 2005**

I volunteered as a field worker, collecting data relating to the impacts of herbivory on vegetation in various South African game reserves.

## **Other Attributes:**

- **Valid Driver's licences:** Code 08
- **Valid passport, and willingness to travel**
- **Experience with travelling in Africa, experience in Mozambique and Swaziland**
- **Self-motivated** and I enjoy a challenge.
- **Tourism:** I assisted Ntshondwe camp, Ithala Game Reserve, by taking guests on game drives and trails.
- **Great financial knowledge and understanding, clear understanding of the PFMA and associated best practices**
- Ability to **work under pressure** is experienced on a daily basis as my current job requires
- I have exhibited the ability to work efficiently in isolated environments,
- Excellent **project management skills**.
- Excellent **Computer Literacy Skills:** Windows '95/'98/ME/XP, Microsoft Office (MS Excel, MS Word, MS PowerPoint, MS Projects, MS Access [basic knowledge]) MS Outlook, Internet Explorer and GroupWise. Proficient in using SPSS 11.0 statistical software package. Basic knowledge of Visual Basics and JAVA programming languages.
- **Strong work ethic**
- **Technically minded** and comfortable with building and reticulation requirements
- **GIS proficiency:** ArcView 3.2 & 9.0, ArcExplorer, ArcPad 6 & 7. Excellent knowledge of the functioning of a GPS device and the associated MapSource & Garmin software programmes.
- **Fencing:** I understand all aspects of game fencing and electric fencing systems.
- **Physically fit** and enjoy doing daily patrols on foot.
- **Working knowledge of alien plant species**
- **Advanced Health and Safety Management Course:** I have attended an accredited training course covering the policies and principles of the OHS act in detail.
- **Languages:** Fluency in English & Afrikaans and conversational Zulu