

CURRICULUM VITAE

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NAME OF FIRM: OABS Development (Pty) Ltd
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QUALIFICATIONS

2015 MSc (cum laude) Environmental Sciences, North West University
2013 BSc honors Zoology, University of Johannesburg
2012 BSc (cum laude) Life and Environmental Sciences (Zoology and Environmental Management), University of Johannesburg

EXPERIENCE

Prior to and during her studies, 2010-2015, Simone worked and volunteered for several conservation and non-governmental organizations which built an appreciation of the requirements to work in this field. Her studies focused during both her honors and master's degrees on water health and using indicator organisms to monitor and track nature change, as well as the associated impact on human health and wellbeing.

Once she completed her master's degree, 2015, she worked for Sibanye-Stillwater building from an aquatic specialist role at their Gold operations towards ultimately driving multiple strategic, sustainability, financial, legal and other projects encompassing mine closure, water health, rehabilitation, mine expansion, biodiversity and several others spanning a multi-disciplinary approach, including the coordination and management of multi-disciplinary teams.

After almost a decade within Sibanye-Stillwater, 2023, she branched off to undertake independent specialist consulting for local and global entities authoring, advising and managing the development of biodiversity strategy, guidance, commitments and implementation, as well as ongoing work in environmental permitting, project management, water health, sustainability reporting and climate considerations.

During her career she has authored and co-authored several publications, coordinated and contributed to catchment management forums and been an active volunteer in supporting government, non-governmental organizations and small entities to achieve positive outcomes for people and nature.