

CURRICULUM VITAE OF NOMNDENI NKOSI SUMMARY

Nomndeni Nkosi is an aspiring environmentalist who will go to any length to achieve her goals. She has 3 years of hands-on experience in conservation ecology and environmental management. Her passion and drive have inspired her to work tirelessly and earn a Greenmatter Foundation bursary. As a result, she was able to obtain a Bachelor of Technology in Nature Conservation from Nelson Mandela University. She previously earned a diploma in nature conservation (cum laude) from the University of Mpumalanga. I am deeply committed to assisting organizations in achieving their environmental management system objectives. I have hands-on experience in conducting veld condition assessments and interpreting the data. Throughout my internship, I gained experience implementing regulations of the Occupational Health and Safety Act 85 of 1993 and conducting environmental inspections in accordance with the National Environmental Management Act 107 of 1998 (NEMA).

PERSONAL INFORMATION

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INTERESTS

Hiking, Travelling, and bird watching

WORK EXPERIENCE

Organization:	South African Biodiversity Institute (SANBI)
Based:	Kirstenbosch National Botanical Garden (Cape Town)
Date:	From- 01 April 2021 to 31 March 2023

Title: Internship

Responsibilities included the following

- Assist the estate manager to develop an environmental management policy.
- Plan and implement environmental education programs.
- Conduct plant surveys around the estate.
- Biodiversity monitoring including conducting surveys and monitoring breeding owls.
- Conduct Environmental Management inspections according to NEMA.
- Conduct risk assessment for the garden staff in relation to the use of all machines and equipment's in the garden.
- Update environmental management plans and emergency response plan.
- Assisting with Invasive alien plant detection and eradication within the Directorate on Biodiversity Evidence unit.
- Research assistance to external researchers from different Universities and Conservation Organisations
- Assisting with specimen and seed collection for-Millennium seed bank collection
- Writing minutes for Safety and Health meetings.

Organization: Kruger National Park (Skukuza)

Date: 28 January 2018- 31 December 2018

Title: Work Integrated Learning (WIL)

The Kruger National Park offered internship programmes for Students to accomplish in service training. I received the opportunity to be part of the team as a nature conservation student for the period of one year under the scientific services department. During this period, my responsibilities included the following:

- Vegetation Monitoring (Conducting tree transects, Veld Condition Assessment) including the analyzing the data or the interpretation of the results.
- Assisting with prescribed burning
- Assisting with river biomonitoring of five perennial rivers of KNP (Identifying suitable sites for macroinvertebrate, determining biological communities in rivers).
- Game capturing with the game capture team.
- Reception work (Conducting reservations, serving tourist by greeting, welcoming, and directing them appropriately).
- Performing plant nursery duties and working with the Working for Water team for the removal of invasive alien plants.
- Experience using a GPS and cybertracker Data Capture

TERTIARY EDUCATION

University of Mpumalanga (Diploma in Nature Conservation)

Nelson Mandela University George campus (BTech in Nature Conservation)

University of South Africa (Final student- BSc honours in Environmental Management)

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

Academic excellence award (University of Mpumalanga)

Greenmatter fellowship award

Reptile research participation certificate

REFERENCES

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