

# James Papoutsis

## BACHELOR OF ACCOUNTING SCIENCE STUDENT

<b>Objective</b>	I am a dedicated and ambitious university student currently pursuing a degree in Accounting Science at the University of the Witwatersrand. With a strong work ethic, leadership experience, and a passion for both accounting and technology, I aim to make meaningful contributions to these fields. I thrive in challenging environments that allow for growth and personal development. My long-term goal is to positively impact the South African financial and technological landscapes, while continually expanding my skills and leaving a lasting legacy.	
<b>Education</b>	2024-Present	<b>University of the Witwatersrand</b> <b>Bachelor of Accounting Science</b> ( <i>First year</i> ) Clubs: AWS Cloud Club, Wits Debating Union
	2019-2023	<b>Edenglen High School</b> <b>Matriculated: 2023</b> <b>Achievements:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Matriculated with six distinctions, Accounting, Computer Applications Technology, English, Life Orientation, Mathematics and Physical Sciences.</li> <li>• Highest average in the school for matric.</li> <li>• Awarded Academic Full Colours and served as Head Boy</li> <li>• Trophies for Best Accounting and Mathematics Student, Principal's Award, Academic Gold Medal</li> <li>• Grade Rankings: Gr. 8: 17<sup>th</sup>, Gr. 9: 5<sup>th</sup>, Gr. 10: 2<sup>nd</sup>, Gr. 11: 1<sup>st</sup>, Gr. 12: 1<sup>st</sup>.</li> </ul> <b>Extracurricular Activities:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First Team Debating (Gauteng Debating Competitions)</li> <li>• Public Speaking</li> <li>• First Team Athletics &amp; Cross Country</li> <li>• Maths Olympiad</li> <li>• First Team Chess (Captain of the Chess Team)</li> <li>• Wits Integrated Experience (WIE 2022)</li> <li>• Swimming</li> </ul>
<b>Experience</b>	January 2024 – Present	<b>Waiter – Bailey's Live Bedfordview</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide excellent customer service in a fast-paced environment, handling multiple tables and ensuring a positive guest experience.</li> <li>• Manage point-of-sale operations, handling payments and assisting in resolving customer concerns.</li> </ul>
	July 2024 & January 2021	<b>Vacation Work – Leadership Program – Moore Johannesburg</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Participated in an intensive leadership program focused on developing management, teamwork, and technical skills in auditing and accounting.</li> <li>• Gained practical insight into the auditing profession through collaboration with senior auditors and partners.</li> </ul>
	December 2022 – October 2023	<b>Instructor – Go Ape, Modderfontein</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Led and supervised participants in outdoor adventure activities, ensuring safety and delivering clear instructions.</li> <li>• Managed bookings and participant check-ins, while providing exceptional customer service.</li> </ul>

	July 2022 – August 2022	<b>Accounting Manager's Assistant – Altron, Woodmead</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Assisted in financial operations such as invoice processing, account reconciliation, and data entry for financial reports.</li> <li>Supported the preparation of financial statements while ensuring accuracy and compliance with internal policies.</li> </ul>
<b>Community service</b>	2022-2023	<b>Edenglen High School Recycling Initiative</b> Served as Head of Recycling, where I initiated and managed a comprehensive recycling project. Oversaw the operation of three recycling sheds and coordinated the efforts of approximately 25 volunteers, fostering environmental awareness and sustainability within the school community.
<b>Honors and awards</b>	October 2023	<b>Moore Johannesburg Bursary</b> Awarded a full bursary from Moore Johannesburg, including a signed three-year training contract to complete my articles upon graduation. This bursary recognizes both academic potential and professional promise in the field of chartered accounting.
	October 2023	<b>Edenglen High School Honors Blazer</b> Received the prestigious Honours Blazer, the first to be awarded in five years at Edenglen High School. This recognition is granted to students who achieve full colours in academics, leadership, service, and extracurricular activities across sports and cultural spheres.
	2020-2023	<b>Edenglen High School Honorary Scholarship</b> Awarded a scholarship from Edenglen High School in Grade 9, recognizing consistent excellence in academics, leadership, sports, and cultural activities.
<b>Languages</b>	English	Native language
	Afrikaans	Intermediate Listener, Novice Speaker, Intermediate Reading and Writing
<b>Computer Skills</b>	Programming Applications	Python, C, JavaScript, SQL, HTML, CSS. Microsoft Office Suite (Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Access), Arduino IDE.
	Platforms	Linux (Ubuntu), Windows, AWS Cloud Services, Git/GitHub.
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