

Richard Jamieson

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I'm an Electrical Engineer with a wide-ranging career as an investment banker, leadership consultant, entrepreneur and developer, now looking to work alongside other good, smart people in the DeFi / Blockchain space, helping to build out the ecosystem and shift the way finance works.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Head of Coaching Lockstep Consulting Apr 2017 – Apr 2021

I worked as an executive coach, and as the head of the Lockstep coaching practice, focusing mainly on developing coaching programmes and coaching leaders in small and medium sized companies, with a particular focus on tech start-ups and private equity.

Co-founder Dalebrook Capital Jan 2016 – Apr 2017

Dalebrook is a systematic quantitative investment fund, making use of multiple sources of data to drive investment decisions. I was responsible for the research, development and implementation (in Python) of our back-testing engine and portfolio construction tools (see code on Github [here](#)).

Managing Partner Mindful Revolution, Cape Town Apr 2015 – Dec 2016

I played a key role in setting up Mindful Revolution as a business and particularly in designing the course content and training the corps of facilitators who run the programme, both in Cape Town and Johannesburg.

Senior Associate Connemara, Cape Town Dec 2011 – June 2015

As an associate at Connemara I fulfilled multiple roles, from new business development to design, facilitation and coaching. I also worked across Africa and occasionally in Europe for General Electric as a facilitator and trainer.

Managing Director Yes Solar, Cape Town June 2010 – May 2012

Along with my two partners we started up a solar installation company, focusing mainly on installations in the Western Cape. We grew the business to the point where we had seven franchisees operating in different parts of the country.

Leadership Academy Democratic Alliance, Cape Town Aug 2006 – May 2010

Set up a Leadership Academy at the party in 2006 with the strategic focus of attracting high caliber leaders to the party and creating development opportunities for existing leaders. Started the DA Young Leaders Programme as a talent attraction vehicle, which afforded me the opportunity to work with and coach a diverse range of potential future leaders.

Analyst Citigroup GCIB, London Oct 2004 – Nov 2005

I worked in a front office role on the European Leveraged Finance team which arranged high yield debt financing primarily for leveraged buy-outs and recapitalizations of European companies.

Research Assistant Sanford C. Bernstein, London Feb 2004 – Oct 2004

Reporting to a Senior Equity Analyst, I was responsible for carrying out research into the semiconductor sector, producing research updates and modeling company financials.

Intern McKinsey & Co., Johannesburg June 2002 - July 2002

I received general business training and worked as part of a McKinsey team on a live client engagement at a major South African mining company.

CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Blockchain Qualifications Ivan on Tech Academy Mar 2021 – present

Blockchain & Bitcoin 100, Ethereum Smart Contract Programming 101, Ethereum 101, Defi 101, Bitcoin Monetary Revolution, Javascript Programming for Blockchain Developers, Ethereum Smart Contract Programming 201. Projects can be viewed on my portfolio website [here](#).

PCC Coaching Qualification Centre for Coaching, UCT GSB Mar 2009 – Feb 2010

PCC stands for professional coaching certificate - I attained international accreditation in 2010.

EDUCATION

BScEng (Hons) Elec Eng (Cum Laude) University of Cape Town 2000 – 2003

This degree equipped me with excellent problem-solving abilities, technical programming skills, an understanding of computation generally, as well as communication, presentation, and business skills.

Key Achievements:

Dean's Merit List 2001, 2002, 2003

Additional Skills:

I was involved in debating, attended two World Championships and was elected chairman of the UCT Debating Union, where I grew the Union to twice its original size.

BSocSc (Philosophy) (2:1) University of Cape Town 1997 – 1999

I developed skills in qualitative analysis, reasoning, research, and written and verbal communication.

Key Achievements:

Class medals in Philosophy and Theory of Literature

Additional Skills:

I played hockey for the university and set up a coaching clinic for children from underprivileged areas.

Western Cape Senior Certificate 1996

Five distinctions including Maths (93%) and Additional Maths (95%)

Key Achievements:

Theron Scholarship (1992-1996), College Prefect, Vice-captain of 1st XI Hockey

HOBBIES

Music: I play the guitar and even sing when no-one's listening ☺

Reading: Mostly blockchain related books this last year, but I love a good novel when I have the time.

Sports: Surfing, hiking in nature, yoga, travel, learning stuff.

REFERENCES

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