TUMELO NAUDE

AGRICULTURAL ECONOMIST

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EDUCATION

MSC AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS JUNE 2022

University of Pretoria, Pretoria, South Africa

Thesis: "Economic Impact of Climate Change on Maize Production in South Africa"

BSC IN AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS DECEMBER 2018

University of Pretoria, Pretoria, South Africa

KEY SKILLS

Economic modelling
Supply chain optimisation
Crop management
Excellent communication
Policy development

INTERESTS

Rural development
Environmental conservation
Sustainable agriculture
Hiking
Photography
Running

PROFILE

Highly analytical, data-driven, and results-oriented Agricultural Economist with extensive experience in economic analysis, market research, and policy development across diverse agricultural sectors in South Africa. Proven ability to provide strategic insights, optimize agricultural value chains, and contribute to sustainable development initiatives.

EXPERIENCE

SENIOR AGRICULTURAL ECONOMIST • MAR 2023 – PRESENT

Agri-Consult Solutions (Pty) Ltd • Centurion, Gauteng

As a Senior Agricultural Economist, Tumelo leads economic analysis and feasibility studies for large-scale agricultural projects across South Africa, advising clients on investment strategies and market entry. They develop complex economic models to forecast commodity prices, assess market trends, and evaluate the impact of agricultural policies. Tumelo also conducts comprehensive value chain analyses for various crops and livestock, identifying opportunities for efficiency improvements and increased profitability. They prepare detailed reports and presentations for government bodies, private investors, and international organizations, and provide expert testimony and economic insights in agricultural disputes and regulatory proceedings.

AGRICULTURAL ECONOMIST • FEB 2020 — FEB 2023 Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development • Pretoria, Gauteng

Conducted research and analysis for national agricultural policies, focusing on food security and rural development. Monitored market performance, identified risks, and collaborated with stakeholders on development programs. Assisted with economic impact assessments for new technologies and trade agreements.

JUNIOR AGRICULTURAL ANALYST • JAN 2019 — JAN 2020 FarmCo Research Institute • Stellenbosch, Western Cape

Assisted senior economists with data collection, cleaning, and preliminary analysis for research. Prepared literature reviews and contributed to papers on water resource management and labor markets. Developed basic econometric models for farm-level data.