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languages
english
afrikaans

markup
HTML5 & CSS3
XML, CNXML+

education

2011 – 2014	**M. Phil. in Information Technology** *Dissertation specialising in human-computer interaction*	University of Cape Town
2008 – 2010	**1st year Bachelor of Science** *Computer Science, Mathematics, Physics, Astronomy*	University of South Africa
2004 – 2007	**Bachelor of Music** *with distinction in Chamber Music*	University of Cape Town
2002 – 2003	**1st and 2nd year Bachelor of Arts** *Psychology, Law, Economics and International Relations*	University of the Witwatersrand
2001	**I.E.B. Matric Certificate** *With distinctions for English, Afrikaans, Maths, History, French, Music*	Redhill High School

experience

2011 –	**Siyavula Education** *User experience (UX) designer, webmaster, quality assurance (QA) tester, copywriter, Mathematical Literacy content coordinator & author*	Cape Town
2008 – 2011	**Self-employed** *Freelance administrator, virtual assistant, copywriter, web & graphic designer and musician*	Cape Town
2010 – 2011	**Ifo Music** *Administrator & project manager*	Cape Town
2008 – 2010	**St Cyprian's School** *Cello teacher* Part-time teaching of Grades R - 12	Cape Town
2008 – 2009	**classical.com** *Web content editor & graphic designer*	London/Cape Town

awards

2004 – 2006	**University of Cape Town Dean's Merit List**	Cape Town
2002 – 2003	**University of the Witwatersrand Dean's Merit List**	Johannesburg
2002	**University of the Witwatersrand Council Entrance Scholarship**	johannesburg

professional qualifications

2009	**International Computer Driving License** *Microsoft Windows, Microsoft Office, Internet*	ICDL via UNISA
2008	**Licentiate of the Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music** *Performance, cello*	ABRSM
2003	**Diploma of the Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music** *Performance, cello*	ABRSM

skills

- User experience and interface design
- Quality assurance testing
- English and mathematics authoring, editing, proof-reading and copywriting
- Project management and organisation
- Graphic and website design, webmastering, desktop publishing, research

Operating systems

- Microsoft Windows
- Ubuntu
- iOS7
- Android

Software

- GitHub
- LaTeX
- GVim
- Jekyll
- Adobe Photoshop
- Balsamiq
- Inkscape
- GIMP
- PSTricks
- TikZ

Markup and programming languages

- HTML5
- CSS3
- XML
- CNXML+
- MathML

Working knowledge of Javascript, JQuery, Python, C++, Java

Other

- Knowledge of and experience with Wordpress, Plone and Google Analytics.
- Familiarity with social media and digital marketing tools including Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn and Tumblr.
- Fluency in English and conversational Afrikaans, working knowledge of French.
- Driver's license (code B) and own car.

portfolio

Nicola du Toit: nicoladutoit.com
Project management, UX (structure, layout, sketches, wireframes, mockups), some (collaborative) graphic design, copywriting, testing

Siyavula Education: www.siyavula.com
Project management, UX (structure, layout, sketches, wireframes, mockups), some (collaborative) graphic design, copywriting, testing

The Thunderbolt Kids: thunderboltkids.co.za
Project management, research, site structure, UX (sketches, wireframes, mockups), project specification, testing

Everything Maths: everythingmaths.co.za
UX (navigation, layout, sketches, wireframes, mockups), some graphic design, copywriting, testing

interests

Professional: human-computer interaction, usability, cognitive psychology, visual design

Personal: music, science, photography, dragon boating, trail running, flyball (dog agility)

references

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