

# Richard Avenant

## Curriculum Vitae

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### Personal Information

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**Nationality:** South African  
**Home Language:** English  
**Drivers License:** Code B  
**Interests / Hobbies:** Reading, Travelling, Guitar and Bass, Entertaining/Hosting, Hiking, Public Speaking, Cycling, Driving, Public Relations, Networking, Writing and Computing.

### Personal Profile

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As a student at UCT, my years of studies have shaped the individual I am today by honing and enhancing many of my unrefined skills. I am confident and outgoing in nature. I excel at interpersonal communication and thus I am effective at problem solving within this sphere. My natural and interest driven command of the English language has resulted in an ability to exercise inducement. Given the nature of my tertiary studies and personal strengths I am eager to explore career paths that will allow me to put these strengths to their most effective use. My current ambition is to gain experience in a multitude of sectors in order to discover what best suits my skillset. In my belief the best way to do so is to apply myself to the best of my ability to any given task, thus pushing the limits of my capabilities. I take my responsibilities seriously and attempt to make the best out of every situation. As my tertiary studies draw to a close I wish to continue working diligently towards a new goal.

### Educational Background

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#### Tertiary Education

**Institution:** University of Cape Town  
**Period:** 2016 - current  
**Degree:** Bachelor of Arts  
Triple Major  
Majors: Economic History, English Literature and Film and Media Studies

#### Secondary Education

**Institution:** Matriculated – Abbots College  
**Period:** 2014-2015  
**Subjects:** English, Afrikaans, Mathematical Literacy, Business Studies, History, Dramatic Arts.

#### Secondary Education

**Institution:** Rondebosch Boys' High School

**Period:** 2011-2013  
**Subjects:** Economics, Geography\*  
\*in addition to above mentioned subjects

## **Additional Courses**

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Scouting South Africa 2008-2013

## **Achievements**

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**2015:** Academic Award: English, History and Mathematical Literacy  
**2014:** Entrepreneurship Award from Busidea; Academic Award: History and English.  
**2013:** Scouting First Class Advancement  
**2012:** Cederberg Senior Scout Adventure

## **Skills**

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**Computer Skills:** MS Word, Excel  
**Skills:** Text analysis, researching, writing, interpersonal communication, Networking, public speaking and problem solving.

## **Professional Experience**

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**Company:** Munchkins Playschool  
**Period:** 2013  
**Position:** Assistant  
**Skills Required:** Compassion, patience and people management

**Company:** Vineyard Hotel  
**Period:** 2014  
**Position:** Job Shadow  
**Skills Required:** Time budgeting, people management, efficiency, professionalism, hosting skills and general hospitality skill craft.

**Company:** Loco Lounge  
**Period:** 2013-14  
**Position:** Waiter  
**Skills Required:** Standard Waitering skills.

**Company:** Ambrosia Catering

**Period:** 2013-15  
**Position:** Sever/ Bartender  
**Skills Required:** Working under pressure, efficiency, high standard of formality and people management.

**Company:** Home Bar and Restaurant  
**Period:** 2015 –2017  
**Position:** Waiter  
**Skills Required:** General Waitering skills.

**Company:** Starlight Media  
**Period:** 2018  
**Position:** Marketing Intern  
**Skills Required:** Creative and strategic thinking, basic back-end development skills, strong linguistics and time management

**Company:** Butlers  
**Period:** 2015 & 2017-present  
**Position:** Driver  
**Skills Required:** Good driving skills, professionalism and efficiency.

## References

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**Name:** Charlie Bowler  
**Position:** Owner  
**Company:** Home Bar and Restaurant  
**Contact:** 082 978 9412

**Name:** James Shier  
**Position:** Website Developer and Director  
**Company:** Starlight Media  
**Contact:** 078 205 7921

**Name:** Daniel Hodson  
**Position:** Head Office administrator  
**Company:** Butlers  
**Contact:** 076 196 1681

Further references available on request.