

CURRICULUM VITAE 2022

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Educational Record:

2021 California Institute of Integral Studies, California, USA
PhD Graduate, Ecology, Spirituality, and Religion

2017 California Institute of Integral Studies, California, USA
PhD Student, Ecology, Spirituality, and Religion

2010 Tel-Aviv University, Israel
MA Graduate, Near and Middle Eastern History

2006 AFDA Motion Picture and Live Performance Academy, ZA
Postgraduate BA Honors in Film Production

2000 Open Window Art Academy, ZA
Certificate in Communications, Brand Management and Media Design

1999 Pro-Arte Alphen Park High School, ZA
Matriculated with exemption

Work Experience:

- 2022** Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Criminology
Randolph-Macon College
- 2022** Lecturer
California Institute of Integral Studies
- 2020 - 2022** Co-chair of the Religion, Literature, & Film Unit,
American Academy of Religion, Western Region
- 2020** Teaching Assistant, Graduate Program of Ecology, Spirituality
and Religion at the California Institute of Integral Studies
- 2018 – 2020** Department Coordinator for the Department of Anthropology
and Social Change at The California Institute of Integral
Studies
- 2018 – Current** Co-founder of Non-Profit the Deep-Water Initiative
- 2015 – 2018** Freelance Agricultural Writer and Communications Consultant
- 2009 – 2016** Communications Executive for African Agricultural Group
- Agrisig, Agricultural Remote Sensing Services
 - Farm Limited Holdings
 - Farmsecure Holdings
- 2013 - 2016** Business Owner
Twenty-Two Media, African Agricultural Media Services
- 2006 - 2009** Operations & Communications Manager
CoPro-Documentary Marketing Foundation
- 2006 - 2007** Public Relations Assistant
Lowy Overseas School TAU
- 2005 - 2006:** Production Coordinator and Producing Lecturer
AFDA Motion Picture Film Academy
- 2004 - 2006:** 95 Keerom, Part Time Manager and Waitress
- 2005 - 2001** Graphic Designer and Copywriter
- Marot and Saunders Advertising Agency, South Africa
 - The Property Magazine
 - Freelance

Academic Areas of Competency:

Departments:

African Studies
Anthropology
Environmental Humanities
Film and Narrative Studies
Philosophy
Religious Studies

Academic Themes:

Comparative Colonialism
Comparative Culture
Decolonial Pedagogies and Research Design
Environmental Anthropology
Ethnoecology
Historical Anthropology
Indigenous Knowledges
Narrative Analysis
New Animism and Animistic Theory
Other Ways of Knowing
Southern African Ritual and Cosmology
Social Geography
Relational Ontology
Visual Anthropology

Teaching Experience:

Anthropology of Religion

Adjunct Assistant Professor
Randolph-Macon College

Cultural Anthropology

Adjunct Assistant Professor
Randolph-Macon College

Decolonial Research Methods

Online Forum Facilitator
California Institute of Integral Studies

Integral Ecology, Towards an Ecological Consciousness

Teaching Assistant
California Institute of Integral Studies

Producing (film production)

Lecturer
AFDA Motion Picture and Live Performance Academy

Sex and Culture

Adjunct Assistant Professor
Randolph-Macon College

Academic Event and Conference Engagement:

<u>November 2022</u>	Presenter – American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting
<u>April 2022</u>	Presenter - Harvard Divinity School, Inaugural Conference: Ecological Spiritualities Spring 2021
<u>March 2022</u>	Unit Chair and Presenter - American Academy of Religion Western Region Meeting
<u>April 2021</u>	Co-creator and Coordinator - Decolonizing Research, Academic Conference hosted at the California Institute of Integral Studies
<u>March 2021</u>	Unit Co-chair and Presenter - American Academy of Religion Western Region Meeting
<u>March 2021</u>	Presenter - 4th Religion and Ecology Summit, California Institute of Integral Studies
<u>October 2020</u>	Co-creator and Coordinator - Online Academic Panel, Decolonizing Research - Indigenous Research Methodologies
<u>September 2020</u>	Co-creator and Coordinator - Online Academic Panel, A Renewal of Genesis I
<u>January & March 2020</u>	Presenter – Philosophy, Cosmology and Consciousness Forum, California Institute of Integral Studies
<u>March 2020</u>	Presenter - American Academy of Religion Western Region
<u>February 2020</u>	Presenter - 4th Yale Graduate Conference on Religion and Ecology
<u>September 2019</u>	Curator and Coordinator - 1st Religion and Ecology Film Festival, Deep-Water Initiative and California Institute of Integral Studies
<u>May 2019</u>	Organizer and Presenter - 5th World-Ecology Research Network Conference led by Prof Jason Moore, Binghamton University
<u>March 2018</u>	Moderator – 3rd Religion and Ecology Summit, California Institute of Integral Studies
<u>November 2017</u>	Presenter – Philosophy, Cosmology and Consciousness Conference, California Institute of Integral Studies
<u>March 2017</u>	Moderator - 2nd Religion and Ecology Summit, California Institute of Integral Studies

Leadership Positions and Achievements:

<u>2021</u>	Chair of the Religion, Literature, & Film Unit, American Academy of Religion, Western Region
<u>2018 - 2020</u>	Co-founder at Deep-Water Initiative
<u>2015 - 16</u>	Co-founder of African Agricultural Technology Start-up
<u>2010 - 15</u>	Technology Portfolio Manager for African/Middle East/U.S. for Farmsecure and FARM Holdings
<u>2010 - 13</u>	Africa and Middle Eastern Business Relations Coordinator for the Farmsecure Group
<u>2010 - 13</u>	Investor Relations for the Farmsecure Group
<u>2010 - 12</u>	Alternate Board Member at Farmsecure Holdings Responsible for all CSI and CSR Activities Co-board Representative for Training and Development at Farmsecure Holdings
<u>2005</u>	Best Producer Best Film Chairperson of the Student Body Council Chairperson of the Events and Production Council Head Producer 4 th Year
<u>2004</u>	Best Producer Head Producer 3 rd Year
<u>1999</u>	Student Body Representative Drama Council Representative Deputy Head-Girl, Hostel

Examples of Cultural and Community Engagement:

2021-2022

Member of the American Association of Anthropology

2020-2022

Member of the American Academy of Religion

2020:

Sundance Film Festival

Full-time theatre volunteer at the 2020 Sundance Film Festival in Park City, Utah.

2018 – Present:

Deep-Water Initiative

Program and conference developer for a newly established non-profit organization in the U.S. called the Deep-Water Initiative that focuses on educational programming within the field of Religion & Ecology.

2017:

Volunteer with CUESA

Volunteer with CUESA Foodwise Kids program, whose programs are centered on increasing awareness of healthy produce and cooking amongst public school goers in the San Francisco Bay Area.

2010 – 2013:

Head of CSI/CSR Development, Farmsecure Holdings

During this time, I reported directly to the board on all matters relating to the company's corporate social responsibility policy and rural program development and the execution thereof.

2005:

Israel-Palestine Film Literacy Project, AFDA

Initiated and facilitated by myself. This project aimed to introduce young South African film students to films by young Israeli and Palestinian filmmakers with the aim to facilitate a more realistic understanding of youth in Israeli and Palestinian society.

2004-2005:

Vision K NGO, Kayamandi

Volunteer for an NGO focused on providing youth from Kayamandi township in South Africa with cultural experiences to enhance their personal development as young adults.

1998- 1999:

Founder and Editor of the Hostel Newspaper at Pro-Arte Alphen Park

Academic References:

Additional or varied references are available upon request.

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