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**EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND**

* MPhil/PhD Environmental Science – University of Botswana
* MSc Environmental Science – University of Botswana
* Post Graduate Diploma in Education with Majors in Geography and History (University of Botswana, Faculty of Education)
* Bachelor of Arts Humanities – Majors in Environmental Science and Archaeology (University of Botswana, Faculty of Humanities; Department of History and Archaeology)

**Other trainings and accreditations include:**

* Certificate of Induction of New Staff Appointment & Returning Staff; Centre for Academic Development, University of Botswana
* Training on e-Learning Design and Assessment of Course – Moodle; Centre for Academic Development, University of Botswana
* Certificate on Grant Writing and Research Training, School of Medicine; University of Botswana
* Botswana Training Authority (BOTA) Accreditation in Full Registration as Trainer and Assessor (Occupational Health Safety and Environment; Geographic Information System and Remote Sensing; Environmental Science; Archaeology)
* Post Graduate Certificate in Geographic Information System (University of Botswana)
* Post Graduate Certificate in Health and Safety (Boitekanelo College, Botswana)
* Post Graduate Certificate in Public Policy, Governance and Leadership (Africa University & Open Society Initiative of Southern Africa; Sandton, South Africa).
* Certificate in Occupational Health and Safety (University of Botswana, Centre for Continuing Education)
* Private Consulting Archaeologist Registered with Department of National Museum Monuments
* Certificate Award for 1st Position in the Tertiary Category for a national essay competition on “Global Warming and Climate Change: Time to Act, 2006”, Department of Environmental Affairs, Gaborone Botswana

**WORK EXPERIENCE**

 **Lecturer – University of Botswana department of History Archaeology Unit (2014 to date)**

Responsibilities include: Teaching, supervision and examination of undergraduate and post graduate courses in the Department of History and Archeology, supervision of undergraduate research students, engage in field investigations and documentation, and research publications, attend board meetings and participate in the general management of the archaeology unit

 **Head of Department and Principal District Lands Officer - Ministry of Lands & Housing, Department of Lands seconded to Kweneng Land Board (2012 to 2014)**

Responsibilities included: Team Leader in Planning and Management of land in Kweneng District for Planning and Non Planning Areas, advising the Land Board- using GIS and RS outputs; Member of the District Council Technical Committee and Secretary for the Agriculture Resources Board, Member of the District Development Committee; District Economic Development Committee; Secretary of District Land Use Planning Unit; District Disaster Preparedness Team; liaising with Department of Wildlife & National Parks for rangeland and Wildlife Management Areas monitoring, consultation of stakeholders including local community, Village Development Committee and Village Extension Team; Technical Land Use Officer- KLB Adjudication Team on land conflicts at the Land Tribunal, Occupational Health Safety and Environment in the field & work place; design and manage departmental plans and budgets, and develop annual training plan for departmental staff; undertook staff Performance Management System Appraisals, Promotions and Transfers; maintaining the departmental staff

establishment register; undertaking any other duties as assigned by the Land Board Secretary and District Commissioner.

 **Senior Lands Officer – Ministry of Lands and Housing, Department of Town and Regional Planning, seconded to Tawana Land Board (2011 to date)**

Responsibilities included: Implementation of Sub-District Integrated Land Use Plans, Chair of the Okavango Sub District Land Use Plan Unit, Land Board Representative in USAid Okavango Delta Management Plan implementation team, monitoring and management of the Okavango Ramsar Site ISO 14001, stakeholder consultations (DVC, VET, NGO’s and local communities), land use monitoring of heritage resources (Tsodilo Hills, Gcwihaba & Koanaka); Member of the District Technical Team for the KAZA Cultural Tourism Regional Plan and reporting to the Principal Land Use Planner – Tawana Land Board and Gumare Sub Land Board Secretary

respectively.

 **Director, Principal Environmentalist/Archaeologist - Enviro-Arch Consultancy (2009 -2011)**

Responsibilities included: Liaising with Clients, preparation of pre-development EIA project proposals for tendering purposes, undertake environmental impact assessment, archaeological impact assessment, design archaeological/environmental management and monitoring plans, applications of remote sensing, environmental information systems and geographic information systems in development projects, carryout stakeholder consultations including the community, undertake site inspections, review development policies and legislative frameworks, undertake strategic environmental assessments, project manager for civil engineering and mining projects, contracts implementation and management, reporting to DEA and Botswana National Museum,

management of the project budgets, training and facilitation of Occupational Health Safety and Environment; Leadership & Governance; Risk Management and Customer Care at Level 3; management of Occupational Health Safety and Environment in the field, reporting on OHS incidents and actions, implementation of SHE Policy, ISO 14001 and OHSAS 18000, Training in Environmental Awareness ISO 14001 and OHSAS 18000.

 **Senior Environmental Specialists (HERBCO Technical Services PTY Ltd Civil Engineering, Environmental & Archaeological Consultants, Gaborone Botswana (2007-2009)**

Responsibilities included: Management of Occupational Health Safety and Environment in the field and office, prepare safety strategy documents, reporting on OHS incidents and actions, implementation of SHE Policy, and ISO 14001 and OHSAS 18000, prepare project proposals for tendering purposes, undertake preliminary field investigations, undertake archaeological/environmental impact assessment, strategic environmental assessment,

environmental project monitoring, design archaeological/environmental management plans, design and produce locational and thematic maps, undertake socio-economic and biophysical investigations, carryout stakeholder consultations including the community, advising in house Civil Engineers, Contractors and Client on heritage and environmental issues, undertake site inspections, review development policies and legislative frameworks concerning the development project, write reports and advise relevant departments, design safety and health

plans for Tender Documentation for Contractors, and liaise with DEA and Botswana National Museum.

 **Senior Teacher II - Ministry of Education, Department of Secondary Education (2006 – 2007)**

Responsibilities included: Teaching Social Studies; Coordinating the Social Studies Department, Member of PTA Board – Teacher Representative, Member of the South East Regional Cluster for Social Studies Examinations; Chair of the School Performance Management Committee for developing school policies, strategic plans and cascading to academic and support staff; Member of SE Regional Cluster Sports Committee and School Netball and under 16 Girls Athletics Coach.

 **Teacher - Ministry of Education, Department of Secondary Education (2003 – 2007)**

Responsibilities included: Teaching Social Studies, History, Geography and Computer Awareness. I prepared examination papers and marked scripts at national level. I was Coordinator for the School Debate and Environmental Club and member of reference group

**BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIPS**

* Chairperson of Board for Somarelang Tikologo, Non-Government Organization
* Executive Member of GaMalete Development Trust
* Member-Quality Assurance Committee – University of Botswana

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Grootlaagte, Ghanzi

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Tlokweng Village, Tlokweng Sub District Council.

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construction Mmandunyane-Mathangwane Road for Roads Department. Department of Environmental Affairs,

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