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EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

University of Cape Town, Cape Town, South Africa

Professor of Development Finance and Insurance, UCT GSB Jan. 2024-Date
Assoc./Prof. in Development Finance and Insurance, UCT GSB Jan. 2021-Dec.2023
Senior Lecturer in Development Finance and Insurance, UCT GSB Jan 2019- Dec. 2020
Lecturer in Development Finance and Insurance, UCT GSB July 2016-Dec. 2018

University of Ghana, Accra, Ghana

Teaching Assistant, University of Ghana Business School (Department of Finance) 2012-2013
Graduate Assistant, University of Ghana Business School (Department of Finance) 2011-2012

Ghana Institute of Management and Public Administration (GIMPA), Accra, Ghana

Project Coordinator, GIMPA Consultancy Services (National Service) 2009-2010

Société General Ghana Ltd. (Formerly SG-SSB), Accra, Ghana

Internship, International Business Centre Jul.-Aug., 2008

ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

University of Cape Town, Cape Town, South Africa

Ph.D. in Business Administration ([Insurance Finance](#)) 2013-2016

University of Ghana, Accra, Ghana

MPhil. in Risk Management and Insurance, University of Ghana Business School 2010-2012
BSc. in Banking and Finance (Distinction), University of Ghana Business School 2005-2009

Prempeh College, Kumasi, Ghana.

High School Diploma/Matric (Business, Distinction) 2001-2004

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Cape Town, Cape Town, South Africa

Research Methodology (Master of Commerce in Development Finance) 2016-Date
Issues in Development Finance (Master of Commerce in Development Finance) 2024
Banking and Finance in Emerging Markets (PGDip in Development Finance) 2021-2023
Quantitative Research Design (MBA Full Time & Modular) 2023-Date
Quantitative and Mixed Methods Research Designs (PhD Research Colloquium) 2019-Date
Quantitative Research Design (MPhil Inclusive Innovation) 2019-2022

Lecture session on “Dynamics: Banking and Insurance” April 2022
for Board Performance and Corporate Governance Programme (Executive Education)

University of Ghana Business School (Tutorials), Accra, Ghana.

Quantitative Techniques (MSc Development Finance) 2012-2013
Risk Management (MSc Development Finance) 2012-2013
Elements of Risk and Insurance (BSc Administration -Insurance) 2012-2013
Principles and Practice of Insurance (BSc Administration -Insurance) 2012-2013

ACADEMIC LEADERSHIP

Programme Director, Master of Commerce in Development Finance, Nov. 2021-Date *UCT Graduate School of Business, Cape Town, South Africa*

- Facilitate information sessions for the recruitment of prospective applicants.
- Review and approval of applications of prospective applicants.
- Allocation of supervisors for minor dissertation and nomination external examiners for coursework and dissertation.
- Recommendations to the Commerce HDC for approval of examiners reports.
- Review and approval of exam questions for external examination.
- Recommendation of final grades for courses after external examination for FEC approval.
- Recommendations on student's progression code to the Faculty Examination Committee (FEC).
- Curriculum development including new electives on climate finance and agribusiness finance and assurance of learning.
- Developed programme handbook for students and marketing activities.
- Developed and manages the consolidated grades database on the coursework and dissertation.
- Alumni engagement activities and outreach through LinkedIn and other social media platforms.
- Annual budgetary preparations and expenditure reconciliations for the programme.

Chair, GSB Postgraduate Committee (PGC), May 2020- May 2022 *UCT Graduate School of Business, Cape Town, South Africa*

- Review and approval of candidature of topics and supervisors for MBA and EMBA programmes.
- Review and approval of examiners for research reports for the MBA and EMBA programmes.
- Review and approval of HoD recommended grades for research reports for the MBA and EMBA programmes.

Head of Minor Dissertation, MCom in Development Finance, 2016-2021 *UCT Graduate School of Business, Cape Town, South Africa*

- Coordinated the development and roll out of postgraduate diploma in development finance in 2021.
- Allocate supervisors for minor dissertation; nominate external examiners.
- Mediate between students and supervisors to resolve issues relating feedback delays.
- Reviews external examiner's report on minor dissertations and make recommendations for approval by GSB PGC and Commerce HDC.
- Provides the academic decision for student's progression to the Commerce Faculty Examination Committee (FEC).
- Developed and maintains the consolidated grades/marks database on the coursework and dissertation since programme inception (2011).

AWARDS, SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS

1. National Research Foundation (NRF) rating (C, Established Researcher category) 2024
2. African Economic Research Consortium grant RT23522 (\$10,000) 2023
3. [Winner, 2018 Emerald Literati Award for Outstanding Paper](#) 2018
in the *Journal of Economic and Administrative Science*
4. **UCT University Research Committee (URC) Conference Award (R10,000)** 2018
5. **Yu Ziyou Memorial Scholarship** for [APRIA/IRFRC Conference in Singapore](#) (\$500) 2018
6. **KYOBO LIFE TRAVEL SCHOLARSHIP** for [APRIA/IRFRC Conference in Singapore](#) (\$500) 2018
7. **UCT Emerging Research Programme (ERP) Conference Award (R32,369.83)** 2018
8. [Insurance Risk and Finance Research Centre \(IRFRC\)](#) Conference Grant, Singapore 2017
9. Africagrowth Institute PhD Scholarship award 2013 -2016

PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

2024

1. Chininga, E., **Alhassan, A.L.** & Zeka, B. (2024) [ESG Rating and Corporate Financial Performance in South Africa](#), *Journal of Accounting in Emerging Economies*, 14(3): pp. 692-713, Emerald; CABS 2; ABDC B; ISI Impact Factor: 2.3; ScopusCiteScore: 4.4
2. Zeka, B. & **Alhassan, A.L.** (2024) [Gender disparities in financial resilience: Insights from South Africa](#), *International Journal of Bank Marketing*, (Earlyview) Emerald; CABS 1; ABDC A; ISI Impact Factor: 5.3; ScopusCiteScore: 9.9
3. Mofokeng, M., **Alhassan, A.L.** & Zeka, B. (2024) [Public Private Partnerships \(PPPs\) and Economic Growth: A Sectoral Analysis from Developing Countries](#), *International Journal of*

Construction Management, 24(10) Pages 1029-1037 , TaylorFrancis; CABS 1; ISI Impact Factor: 3.9; ScopusCiteScore: 7.1;

2023

4. Murungi, K., **Alhassan, A.L.** & Zeka, B. (2023) [Regulations and Agriculture Financing in Kenya](#), *Agricultural Finance Review*, 83 (4/5): 783-799 Emerald; CABS 1; ABDC C; ISI Impact Factor: 1.6; ScopusCiteScore: 3.1
5. **Alhassan, A.L.** (2023) [Financial Health of Medical Schemes in South Africa](#), *Finance Research Letters*, 51(C):1-13, 103403, Elsevier; CABS 2; ABDC A; ISI Impact Factor: 9.848; ScopusCiteScore: 9.30.

2022

6. Letho, L., Chelwa, G. & **Alhassan, A.L.** (2022) [Cryptocurrencies and Portfolio Diversification in an Emerging Market](#), *China Finance Review International* 12(1):20-50; Emerald; CABS 1; ABDC C; IBSS, ISI Impact Factor: 8.2; ScopusCiteScore: 6.9
7. Kale, A., Mutize, M. & **Alhassan, A.L.** (2022) [Education and economic growth in a developing country](#), *International Journal of Education Economics and Development*, 13(2):171-189, Inderscience, ScopusCiteScore: 0.6

2021

8. Khumalo, Z. & **Alhassan, A.L.**, (2021) [Read, write, develop: The socio-economic impact of literacy in South Africa](#), *International Journal of Social Economics*, 48(8): 1105-1120. Emerald; CABS 1; ABDC B; IBSS, ISI Impact Factor: 1.9; ScopusCiteScore: 2.6
9. **Alhassan, A.L.**, Zyambo, K. & Boakye, M-A.A. (2021) [‘Welcome on Board’: Resource Dependency and Agency Theoretic Evidence from the South African Life Insurance Market](#), *Corporate Governance*, 21(4): 626-644 Emerald; CABS 2; ABDC C; ISI Impact Factor: 5.6; ScopusCiteScore: 9
10. **Alhassan, A.L.** & Magazi, N. (2021) [Microinsurance and household asset welfare in South Africa](#), *Geneva Papers on Risk and Insurance-Issues and Practice*, 46(3): 358–382; (Special Issue: Microinsurance), SpringerNature; CABS 2; ABDC B; ISI Impact Factor: 1.455, ScopusCiteScore: 1.6
11. Mnisi, K.P. & **Alhassan, A.L.** (2021) [Financial Structure and Cooperative Efficiency: A Pecking-Order Evidence from Sugarcane Farmers in Eswatini](#), *Annals of Public and Cooperative Economics*, 92(2): Pages 261-281 Wiley; CABS 2; ABDC B; ISI Impact Factor: 1.679; ScopusCiteScore: 2.3;
12. Owusu, B.F. & **Alhassan, A.L.** (2021) [Asset-Liability Management and Bank Profitability: Statistical Cost Accounting Analysis from an Emerging Market](#), *International Journal of Finance and Economics*, 26(1): 1488-1502, Wiley; CABS 3; ABDC B; Impact Factor: 1.634; ScopusCiteScore: 1.2.

2020

13. Mndolwa, F. & **Alhassan, A.L.** (2020) [Gender disparities in financial inclusion: Insights from Tanzania](#), *African Development Review*, 32(4): 578-590; Wiley; CABS 2; ABDC C; ISI Impact Factor: 2.766; ScopusCiteScore: 2.4
14. **Alhassan, A.L.** & Boakye, M-A.A. (2020) [Board Characteristics and Life Insurance Efficiency in South Africa](#), *Pacific Accounting Review*, 32(2): 217-237; Emerald; CABS 1; ABDC B; ISI Impact Factor: 2.1; ScopusCiteScore:2.5
15. Kusi, B., **Alhassan, A.L.**, Ofori-Sasu, D. & Sai, R. (2020) [Insurance Regulations, Risk and Performance in Ghana](#), *Journal of Financial Regulation and Compliance*, 28(1): 74-96 Emerald; CABS 1; ABDC C; ISI Impact Factor: 0.9; ScopusCiteScore: 1.2

2019

16. Maloba, M. & **Alhassan, A.L.** (2019) [Determinants of Agri-lending in Kenya](#), *Agricultural Finance Review*, 79 (5): 598-613; Emerald; CABS 1; ABDC C; ISI Impact Factor: 1.6; ScopusCiteScore: 3.1
17. **Alhassan, A.L.** & Biekpe, N. (2019) [Pricing Power in Insurance Markets: Evidence from South Africa](#), *International Journal of Bank Marketing*, 37(5): 1371 – 1392; Emerald; ISI Impact Factor: 5.3; CABS 1; ABDC A; ScopusCiteScore: 9.9
18. **Alhassan, A.L.** & Biekpe, N. (2019) [Do Property-Liability insurers create liquidity? Evidence from South Africa](#), *South African Journal of Economics*, 87 (1): 22-45; Wiley; ISI Impact Factor: 2.136, CABS 1; ABDC B; IBSS, ScopusCiteScore: 2.1

2018

19. **Alhassan, A.L.** & Biekpe, N. (2018) [Competition and risk-taking behaviour in the non-life insurance market in South Africa](#). *Geneva Papers on Risk and Insurance-Issues and Practice*; 43(3): 492–519; Springer Nature; CABS 2; ABDC B; ISI Impact Factor: 1.455, ScopusCiteScore: 1.6;

20. **Alhassan, A.L.** (2018) [Loss Reserving Behaviour in Insurance Markets: Evidence from Mauritius](#), *Managerial & Decision Economics*, 39(7): 805-813, Wiley; CABS 2; ABDC B; Impact Factor: 1.379; IBSS, ScopusCiteScore:1.3;
21. Kambole, C.N. & **Alhassan, A.L.** (2018) [Interest Rate \(Caps\) and Sustainability of Microfinance Institutions in Zambia](#), *The African Finance Journal*, 20(2): 66-90. Sabinet, CABS 1; IBSS, ScopusCiteScore: 0.70
- 2017**
22. **Alhassan, A.L.** & Biekpe, N. (2017) [Liberalization Outcomes and Competitive Behaviour in an Emerging Insurance Market](#), *African Development Review* 29(2): 122–138 Wiley; CABS 2; ABDC C; ISI; Impact Factor: 2.766; ScopusCiteScore: 2.4;
23. **Alhassan, A.L.** & Tetteh, M.L. (2017) [Non-interest income and Bank efficiency in Ghana: A two-stage DEA bootstrapping approach](#), *Journal of African Business*, 18(1): 124-142; TaylorFrancis; CABS 1; ABDC C; IBSS; ISI Impact Factor: 1.9; ScopusCiteScore: 5.50;
24. Asare, N., **Alhassan, A.L.**, Asamoah, E.M & Ntow-Gyamfi, M. (2017) [Intellectual Capital and Profitability in an Emerging Insurance Market](#), *Journal of Economic and Administrative Sciences*, 33(1): 2-19 Emerald; ABDC C; Impact Factor: 1.8; ([Outstanding Paper, 2018 Emerald Literati Award](#));
- 2016**
25. **Alhassan, A.L.** & Asare, N. (2016) [Intellectual Capital and Bank Productivity in Emerging Markets: Evidence from Ghana](#), *Management Decision*, 54 (3): 589 – 609 Emerald; CABS 2; ABDC B; ISI Impact Factor: 5.589; ScopusCiteScore: 7.9;
26. **Alhassan, A.L.** & Biekpe, N. (2016) [Competition and Efficiency in the Non-Life Insurance Market in South Africa](#), *Journal of Economic Studies*, 43 (6): 882 – 909 Emerald; CABS 2; ABDC B; IBSS, ISI Impact Factor: 1.7; ScopusCiteScore: 3.2;
27. **Alhassan, A.L.** & Biekpe, N. (2016) [Determinants of Life Insurance Consumption in Africa](#), *Research in International Business and Finance*, 37: 17-27, Elsevier; CABS 2; ABDC B; Impact Factor: 4.091; ScopusCiteScore: 3.70;
28. Asamoah, E.M, Adjasi, C.K.D. & **Alhassan, A.L.** (2016) [Macroeconomic Uncertainty, Foreign Direct Investment and Institutional Quality: Evidence from Sub-Saharan Africa](#), *Economic Systems* 40(4): 612–621; Elsevier; CABS 2; ABDC B; ISI Impact Factor: 3.208; ScopusCiteScore: 3.1;
29. **Alhassan, A.L.** & Biekpe, N. (2016) [Explaining Bank Productivity in Ghana](#), *Managerial and Decision Economics*, 37(8): 563–573 Wiley; CABS 2; ABDC B; Impact Factor: 1.379; IBSS, ScopusCiteScore: 1.30;
30. **Alhassan, A.L.** & Biekpe, N. (2016) [Insurance Market Development and Economic Growth: Exploring Causality in 8 Selected African Countries](#), *International Journal of Social Economics*, 43(3): 321-339 Emerald; CABS 1; ABDC B; IBSS, ISI Impact Factor: 1.9; ScopusCiteScore: 2.3;
31. **Alhassan, A.L.**, Tetteh, M.L. & Owusu, F.B. (2016) [Market Power, Efficiency and Bank Profitability: Evidence from Ghana](#), *Economic Change and Restructuring*, 49(1):71-93, Springer Nature; CABS 1; ABDC B; IBSS, SCOPUS; ScopusCiteScore: 2.472;
32. **Alhassan, A.L.** & Ohene-Asare, K. (2016) [Competition and Bank Efficiency in Emerging Markets: Empirical Evidence from Ghana](#), *African Journal of Economics and Management Studies*, 7(2): 268-288; Emerald; IBSS; ABDC C; ISI Impact Factor: 1.3; ScopusCiteScore: 3.0;
- 2015**
33. **Alhassan, A.L.** & Biekpe, N. (2015) [Efficiency, Productivity and Returns to Scale Economies in the Non-Life Insurance Market in South Africa](#), *Geneva Papers on Risk and Insurance-Issues and Practice*, 40(3): 493-515 (Special Issue: Insurance and Finance) Springer; CABS 2; ABDC B; ISI Impact Factor: 1.455, ScopusCiteScore: 1.60; ;
34. **Alhassan, A.L.** (2015) [Income Diversification and Bank Efficiency in an Emerging Market](#), *Managerial Finance*, 41(12): 1318 –1335; Emerald; CABS 1; ABDC A; Impact Factor: 1.6; ScopusCiteScore: 2.5;
35. **Alhassan, A.L.**, Addisson, K.G. & Asamoah, E.M. (2015) [Market Structure, Efficiency and Profitability of Insurance Companies in Ghana](#), *International Journal of Emerging Markets*, 10(4): 648 – 669; Emerald; CABS 1; ABDC B; Impact Factor: 3.422; IBSS, ScopusCiteScore: 2.3.
- 2014**
36. **Alhassan, A.L.** & Fiador, V. (2014) [Insurance-Growth Nexus in Ghana: An Autoregressive Distributed Lag Bounds Cointegration Approach](#), *Review of Development Finance*, 4(2): 83-96 (Special Issue: Developments in the Financial Services Sector in Africa) Elsevier; CABS 2; IBSS, ScopusCiteScore:5.00.

37. **Alhassan, A.L.**, Kyereboah-Coleman, A. & Andoh, C. (2014) [Asset Quality in a Crisis Period: An Empirical Examination of Ghanaian Banks](#). *Review of Development Finance*, 4(1): 50-62. Elsevier; CABS 2; IBSS, ScopusCiteScore: 5.00.

BOOK CHAPTER CONTRIBUTION AND POLICY PAPERS

1. Boitumelo, N. and **Alhassan, A.L.** (2024) [Regional trade integration and regional value chains in Africa: Implications for the Africa Continental Free Trade Area Agreement \(AfCFTA\)](#), *Afreximbank Policy Research Working Papers Series (APRWPS)*
2. Abor, J.Y., Asare, M., Yamoah, S., Atarairé, G. & **Alhassan, A.L.** (2023). Sustainable Risk Financing and Insurance in Developing Markets. In Abor, J.Y. (Eds.), [Sustainable and Responsible Investment in Developing Markets: A Companion](#), Edward Elgar Publishing.

POPULAR MEDIA PUBLICATIONS

1. **Alhassan, A.L.** & Zeka, B. (2024) "[Development finance: how it works, where it goes, why it's needed](#)", The Conversation.
2. Zeka, B. & **Alhassan, A.L.** (2024) "[Cost-of-living crisis: experts share 3 survival tips](#)", The Conversation.
3. Biodiversity Credit Alliance (BCA). (2023). [Communities and Nature Markets: Building Just Partnerships in Biodiversity Credits](#). Discussion Paper. New York:
4. **Alhassan, A.L.** (2023) "[Development Finance: A Conceptual Definition](#)", *Development Finance Agenda (DEFA)* 8 (1): 16-18
5. Zeka, B. & **Alhassan, A.L.** (2023) "[Get-rich-quick schemes, pyramids and ponzi: five signs you're being scammed](#)", The Conversation.
6. Zeka, B. & **Alhassan, A.L.** (2023) "[Kids and Money: five ways to start the conversation](#)", The Conversation.
7. **Alhassan, A.L.** (2023) "[Financing SDG 3: Innovative financing options for National Health Insurance Scheme in South Africa](#)," *Development Finance Agenda (DEFA)* 8 (1): 14-15
8. Media interview on ponzi/pyramid schemes on eNCA, 23rd May 2023. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZgpJRC7x-as>

PAPERS UNDER REVIEW

1. "In-demand": Understanding the demand for microinsurance in Zambia" with Perpetua Siloya & Bomikazi Zeka, Revision requested, *Qualitative Research in Financial Markets*, Emerald; IBSS; ABDC B; ISI Impact Factor: 1.9; ScopusCiteScore: 2.9;
2. "Un(der)served: Exploring the supply for microinsurance in Zambia" with Perpetua Siloya & Bomikazi Zeka, Under review, *Journal of the Knowledge Economy*, Springer Nature; IBSS; ABDC C; ISI Impact Factor: 3.3;
3. "Gender, remittances and household entrepreneurship: New perspective from Malawi" with Peter Mayeso Chakaniza & Bomikazi Zeka, Under review, *Entrepreneurship & Regional Development*, TaylorFrancis; IBSS; CABS 3; ABDC A; ISI Impact Factor: 5.6; ScopusCiteScore: 9.7
4. "Health Market Inquiry and Asymmetric (Sticky) Costs Behaviour in the South African Private Health Insurance Market" with Bomikazi Zeka, Submitted, *Accounting and Finance*.

PAPERS IN DEVELOPMENT

5. "Efficiency of Private Health Insurers in South Africa", with Bomikazi Zeka & Oscar Akotey, Finalizing draft for submission.
6. "A Test of Competition in the Private Health Insurance Market in South Africa" with Bomikazi Zeka, Finalizing draft for submission.
7. "Competition and Agency Costs in Private Health Insurance Markets: Evidence from Australia and South Africa", with Bomikazi Zeka and Andrew Worthington, Work-in progress.

EXTERNAL ENGAGEMENTS

Strathmore University Business School, Strathmore University

Peer Reviewer, MSc Development Finance Curriculum

Jan., 2024

Parliamentary Budget Office (PBO), Parliament, RSA.

Deputy Director, Member, Selection Committee,
Finance Analysts, Member, Selection Committee,

July-Aug. 2022
May-Oct. 2021

National Research Foundation (NRF), RSA.

NRF Rating Reviewer
NRF Rating Reviewer

October 2019
September 2018

Wits Business School, University of the Witwatersrand

Member, Selection Committee for Economics and Finance Faculty,

October 2019

COMMITTEES

University

Member, Board for Graduate Studies (BfGS)

Jan. 2021-Date

Member, University Panel on Responsible Investment (UPRI)

June 2018 - Date

GSB Ad Hoc Representative, UCT Enrolment Planning Committee

March 2018

GSB Ad Hoc Representative, UCT Senate Executive Committee (SEC)

December 2017

GSB Ad Hoc Representative, UCT Admissions Committee (AC)

October 2017

Faculty (Commerce)

GSB Representative, Faculty Higher Degrees Committee (HDC)

May 2020-Date

GSB Representative, Faculty Ad hominem Working Group

February 2020

GSB Ad Hoc Representative, Faculty Higher Degrees Committee (HDC)

2017-2020

GSB Ad Hoc Representative, Faculty Examination Committee (FEC)

2017-2018

GSB Ad Hoc Representative, Faculty Enrolment Planning Committee

April 2017

Department (GSB)

Programme Director, MCom Development Finance

Nov. 2021- Date

Member, GSB Selection Committee, Bertha Centre, Snr Project Manager

Since Jan. 2024

Member, GSB Selection Committee, Head, Recruitments & Admissions,

May-July, 2023

Chair, GSB Postgraduate Committee (PGC)

2020- 2022

Admissions Committee, MCom Development Finance,

2017-Date

Review and Panel Chair, PhD Proposal Review

2017-2022

GSB Assurance of Learning Committee for AACSB Accreditation

June 2019-Date

Member, GSB Selection Committee (Pass Staff), DEFIC

Sept.-Nov., 2019

Member, GSB Selection Committee (Pass Staff), DEFIC

Aug-Sept., 2019

Member, GSB Post Graduate Committee (PGC)

2016-2020

Member, GSB Selection Committee (Pass Staff), Library

April-August 2018

POSTGRADUATE SUPERVISION AND RESEARCH INTEREST

1. **Industrial organization of financial institutions** (Insurers, Banks, MFIs, Medical schemes) on Efficiency and productivity analysis; financial performance; competition, liquidity, reserving and risk-taking behaviour and corporate governance.
2. **Development finance:** SME financing, DFIs; financial inclusion and resilience; Financial sector development and economic growth.

Supervision Performance (MCom Development Finance, MPhil & MBA)

	Students Graduated	Average Grade
2017	9	68
2018	29	70
2019	30	70
2020	38	70
2021	29	70
2022	23	71
2023	19	70
2024**	5	66
Total	182	69

Selected Completed Dissertations

1. Siloya, P. (2022), [Un\(der\)served: Factors influencing microinsurance penetration in Zambia](#), MCom Development Finance Dissertation, UCT GSB, South Africa.
2. Asuquo, Eyo, A. (2021) [Commodity Prices, Exchange Rate Fluctuation and Sustainable Development Goals in Sub-Saharan Africa: An Empirical Investigation](#), MCom Development Finance Dissertation, UCT GSB, South Africa
3. Johnston, C.M. (2021) [Financial Inclusion: Using a Randomized Control Trial to Assess the Impact of Loan Amounts and Tenors on Customers' Loan Take-Up and Repayment](#), MCom Development Finance Dissertation, UCT GSB, South Africa
4. Munnik, D.L.J. (2021) [Outcomes of SMMEs participation in incubator programmes in South Africa](#), MCom Development Finance Dissertation, UCT GSB, South Africa
5. Murungi, K. (2021) [Interest rate ceilings and agriculture financing in Kenya](#), MCom Development Finance Dissertation, UCT GSB, South Africa
6. Wolf, M. (2021) [Money Talks: Investigating the relationship between linguistic diversity and financial inclusion](#), MCom Development Finance Dissertation, UCT GSB, South Africa
7. Chigiji, Kudzai (2018) [Determinants of Loss Reserve Errors: Evidence from the General Insurance Market in South Africa](#), MCom Development Finance Dissertation, UCT GSB
8. Boakye, Mary-Ann (2018) [Corporate Governance and Firm Efficiency in the Long-Term Insurance Market in South Africa](#), MCom Development Finance Dissertation, UCT GSB
9. Fadzai, Chitiyo (2017) [Demand for Non-Life Insurance: Evidence from Selected Insurance Markets in Africa](#), MCom Development Finance Dissertation, UCT GSB
10. Nkotsoe, Leonard M (2018) [Determinants of Life Insurance Penetration in SADC](#), MCom Development Finance Dissertation, UCT GSB
11. Mndolwa, Florence (2017) [Determinants of gender disparities in financial inclusion: insights from Tanzania](#), MCom Development Finance Dissertation, UCT GSB

PhD Supervision (in-progress)

1. Mogaladi, G.T. *Financial Health and Efficiency of South African Municipalities*, University of Cape Town Graduate School of Business, South Africa. (Since 2021)
2. Yamoah, Susana Adobea, *Insurance Market Development in Africa: Dynamics of Pricing, Liquidity Creation and Cost Behaviours*, University of Cape Town Graduate School of Business, South Africa. (Since 2024)
3. Smith, Jessica, *Unlocking private finance for community-led nature conservation and restoration in Southern Africa*, University of Cape Town Graduate School of Business, South Africa. (Since 2024)

AWARDS, SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS

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| 10. National Research Foundation (NRF) rating (C, Established Researcher category) | 2024 |
| 11. African Economic Research Consortium grant RT23522 (\$10,000) | 2023 |
| 12. Winner, 2018 Emerald Literati Award for Outstanding Paper
in the <i>Journal of Economic and Administrative Science</i> | 2018 |
| 13. UCT University Research Committee (URC) Conference Award (R10,000) | 2018 |
| 14. Yu Ziyou Memorial Scholarship for APRIA/IRFRC Conference in Singapore (\$500) | 2018 |
| 15. KYOBO LIFE TRAVEL SCHOLARSHIP for APRIA/IRFRC Conference in Singapore (\$500) | 2018 |
| 16. UCT Emerging Research Programme (ERP) Conference Award (R32,369.83) | 2018 |
| 17. Insurance Risk and Finance Research Centre (IRFRC) Conference Grant, Singapore | 2017 |
| 18. Africagrowth Institute PhD Scholarship award | 2013 -2016 |

PEER REVIEWED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

1. *Commodity price volatility and sustainable development in Sub-Saharan Africa*, [2023 Australian Conference of Economists](#) (Economics Society of Australia), 9th-12th July 2023, Queensland, Australia.
2. *'Financial Performance and Cooperative Efficiency in Eswatini'*, 2023 (58th) AERC Biannual Research (Virtual) Workshop May 22nd – June 7, 2023.
3. [Explaining Pricing Power in Insurance, 2018 Joint IRFRC & APRIA Conference](#), 29th July – 1st August 2018, Marina Mandarin Hotel, Singapore,

4. [Do Property-Liability insurers create liquidity? Evidence from South Africa, 2017 Annual Insurance Risk and Finance Research Centre \(IRFRC\)](#), 29th – 30th June 2017, Goodwood Park Hotel, Singapore
5. [Market Structure, Efficiency and Performance: Empirical Evidence from Ghanaian Life Insurers, 2013 University of Ghana Business School \(UGBS\) Conference on Business and Development](#), 8th to 9th April 2013, Accra, Ghana.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

1. Discussant, “*Effect of Competition on the Performance of Microfinance Institutions in Sub-Saharan Africa*”, 2023 (58th) AERC Biannual Research (Virtual) Workshop May 22, – June 7, 2023.
2. ‘*Does it pay to be Responsible*’: Performance analysis of responsible investment strategies of Collective Investment Schemes in South Africa, 2022 African Finance Journal Virtual Conference, 16th-17th May 2022.
3. [‘Financial Returns to Cooperative Efficiency in Eswatini, 2021 Global Development Finance Virtual Conference](#), 16th-17th November 2021.
4. *Public Private Partnerships (PPPs) and Economic Growth: A Sectoral Analysis from Developing Countries*, 2019 African Finance Association Conference, 21st to 22nd May 2019, Elephant Hills Hotel, Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe
5. [Determinants of gender disparities in financial inclusion: Insights from Tanzania, 2018 Global Development Finance Conference](#), 21st to 22nd November 2018, Gateway Hotel, Umhlanga, Durban.
6. [Determinants of loss reserve errors: Evidence from the general insurance market in South Africa, 15th African Finance Journal Conference](#) 18-19 April 2018; Kenya School of Monetary Studies, Nairobi, Kenya
7. [Board Characteristics and Efficiency: Evidence from the Life Insurance Market in South Africa, 15th African Finance Journal Conference](#); 18-19 April 2018; Kenya School of Monetary Studies, Nairobi, Kenya
8. [Partial adjustments to optimal liquidity in insurance markets: A life cycle analysis from South Africa, 2017 Global Development Finance Conference](#), 18th - 20th October 2017, The Lord Charles Hotel, Somerset West, Cape Town
9. [With or without U? An inverted U-shaped analysis of Insurance-Growth Nexus in Africa, 14th African Finance Journal Conference](#), 17th- 18th May 2017, Elephant Hills Resort, Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe
10. [Insurance Penetration, Financial Development and Economic Growth: Schumpeter is right in Africa, 2016 Global Development Finance Conference](#), 22th – 24th November 2016, Gateway Hotel, Umhlanga, Durban, South Africa.
11. [Do Property-Liability insurers create liquidity? Evidence from South Africa, 13th African Finance Journal Conference](#), 18th- 19th May 2016, La Palm Royal Beach Hotel, Accra, Ghana.
12. [Competition and risk-taking behavior in the non-life insurance market in South Africa, 2015 Global Development Finance Conference](#), 29th-30th October 2015, Spier Hotel, Cape Town, South Africa.
13. [Cost and Profit Efficiency in Insurance Markets: Evidence on Competition Effects in South Africa, 11th African Finance Journal Conference](#), 14th-15th May 2014, Durban, South Africa.
14. [Has Competition Impacted On efficiency of Ghanaian Banks?" 10th African Finance Journal Conference](#), 15th to 16th May 2014, Durban, South Africa.

MASTERS AND PHD EXAMINATIONS

Wits Business School, University of Witwatersrand

2017-Date

Johannesburg, South Africa (Masters)

Financial Econometrics; Financial Management, Economics for Business, Research Methods

School of Accounting Economics & Finance, UKZN

2018

Corporate Financial Management (Third year)

Master’s thesis Examination (31)

2017-Date

Wits Business School, University of Witwatersrand, Johannesburg; University of Ghana Business School, North-West University, University of Johannesburg, University of Cape Town

PhD Proposal review (2017-date): 52

PhD Thesis Examination (7)

1. Wahidin, D. (2024) Bond Market Development and Economic Growth, Doctoral Thesis, Griffith Business School, Griffith University, Australia.
2. Zinyoro, T. (2023) Insurer Performance and its Determinants: Evidence from Selected African Countries, Doctoral Thesis, Development Finance, Stellenbosch Business School, Stellenbosch University, South Africa.
3. Karuitha, J. (2022) Empirical Evaluation of the Possible Impacts of the Transformation of Microfinance Institutions in Africa, Doctoral Thesis, Wits Business School, University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa.
4. Makubu, J. G. (2022) Risk Governance, Risk-Taking, and Economic Capital of Non-Life Insurer, PhD Finance, Doctoral Thesis, University of Ghana Business School, University of Ghana, Ghana.
5. Modisane, M. (2021) A Framework for Enabling aspiring multinational corporations in South Africa, Doctoral Thesis, North-West University, South Africa.
6. Kamau, S. (2021) Banking Industry Response to Competition from the Financial Inclusion Paradigm in Africa, Doctoral Thesis, Wits Business School, University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa.
7. Asamoah, M.E. (2021) Essays on Private Capital Flows and Real Sector Growth an Africa, Wits Business School, Doctoral Thesis, University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa.

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

Track Chair , Enterprise and Trade Finance 2021 GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT FINANCE VIRTUAL CONFERENCE , 16 th -17 th Nov.	2021
Track Chair , Issues in Development Finance 2018 GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT FINANCE CONFERENCE , 22 nd – 23 rd Nov., Gateway Hotel, Umhlanga, Durban	2018
Discussant , 2018 JOINT IRFRC & APRIA CONFERENCE , 29 th July – 1 st August, Marina Mandarin Hotel, Singapore,	2018
Track Chair , Capital Markets 15 th African Finance Journal Conference, Kenya School Of Monetary Studies, Nairobi, Kenya	2018
Track Chair , Financial and Development Economies Global Development Finance Conference, Cape Town, South Africa.	2017
Track Chair , Issues in Development Finance, Global Development Finance Conference, Cape Town, South Africa.	2017
Discussant , Insurance Risk and Finance Research Centre (Irfrc), June, Goodwood Park Hotel, Singapore	2017
Track Chair , Corporate Finance, Investment and CSR Global Development Finance Conference, 22 nd – 24 th November, Gateway Hotel, Uhmlanga, Durban, South Africa.	2016
Track Chair , Capital Markets, Money and Banking Global Development Finance Conference, 29 th - 30 th October, Spier Hotel, Cape Town, South Africa.	2015

Editorial Board Membership

Scientific Committee Member, 2018 African Finance Journal Conference	2018
Editorial Assistance, Development Finance: Innovations for Sustainable Growth	2017
Associate Editor, AfricaGrowth Agenda (AGA) Journal	2016-2018
Associate Editor, Development Finance Agenda (DEFA) Magazine	2013-2018

Ad-hoc Referee (Academic Journals)

[African Development Review](#); Review of Development Finance; Research in International Business and Finance; Applied Economics; Managerial and Decision Economics; Quarterly Review of Economics and Finance; [Geneva Papers On Risk And Insurance-Issues And Practice](#); The Journal of International Trade and Economic Development; Economic Systems; Measuring Business Excellence; Managerial Finance; African Finance Journal; International Journal of Emerging Markets; Journal of Financial Regulation and Compliance; [Journal of Risk Finance](#); Knowledge Management Research and Practice; Journal of African Business; Journal of International Trade Law and Policy; [South African Journal of Economics and Management](#); Equality, diversity and inclusion: An international journal; Small Business Economics Journal; Journal of International Development; International Journal of Economics and Finance, Risk Management and Insurance Review.

CONSULTANCY EXPERIENCE

Financial Inclusion Consultant, The World Bank Group **April-Dec. 2023**

Responsible for developing the financial inclusion strategy as part of the financial sector development strategy (FSDS II) for Lesotho. This involves mission trips to Lesotho to facilitate vision setting workshops with the Central Bank of Lesotho including the Minister of Finance, the Central Bank Governor, and affiliated stakeholders. I drafted the financial inclusion component of the FSDS II in addition to the implementation strategy covering the M&E framework and the governance structure for the implementation. I also developed the evaluation report of the FSDS I (2013) covering the progress on the financial inclusion and stability policy actions.

Africa Union Development Agency (AUDA)-NEPAD **2022**

Member, 1st Technical Expert Group Meeting on Energy and Climate Resilience Centre of Excellence, 13th-14th April, Dakar, Senegal. Presented a position on scaling climate finance for sustainable development in developing countries.

Member, Technical Expert Group Meeting for the AUDA-NEPAD on Centres of Excellence, 5-8 April 2022, Johannesburg, South Africa.

Africa Union Development Agency (AUDA)-NEPAD **2021**

Member, Technical Reference Group Workshop Development Finance Facility, 20th -22nd October 2021, Kigali, Rwanda.

Development Bank Southern Africa (DBSA) **2020**

Member, team of consultants that developed an exploratory paper on the use of debt markets by intermediate municipalities.

African Development Bank (AfDB) **Mar.-Dec. 2019**

Member, team of consultants that developed the Enabling Youth Employment (EYE) dashboard to track youth employment in Africa. I was responsible for the coordination of the development of the structural framework and collation of the relevant data for the variables for developing the EYE construct.

Africa Investment Climate Research (AFRICRES), Cape Town, **2014 – 2016**

Project Manager, Africa Investment Climate Research (AFRICRES), Cape Town, South Africa.

Role: I was responsible for the implementation of a capacity building programme for farmer organisations in eight African countries on behalf of the Alliance for Green revolution in Africa (AGRA) under the Farmer Organization Support Centre in Africa (FOSCA) programme.

Africa Export-Import Bank (Afreximbank), Cairo, Egypt **March–June 2015**

Consultant/Team Member, Study on cross-border trade in selected Western and Southern African countries for Africa Export-Import Bank (Afreximbank), Cairo, Egypt. I supervised and coordinated data collection on informal and formal cross-border trades for the following corridors:

- Western Africa: Nigeria-Cameroun border (Ikom); Ghana-Togo border (Aflao) and Ghana-Cote D'Ivoire border (Elubo)
- Southern Africa: Zimbabwe-Zambia border (Chirundu); Zimbabwe-Mozambique border (Nyamapanda) and Malawi-Mozambique border (Dedza)
- Data analysis on the size and commodities involved in both informal and formal cross-border trade in the countries covered.

ECONOMETRIC SOFTWARE

- STATA, EViews, SPSS.

REFEREES

Available upon request