

AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS GRADUATE PROGRAMME

18-month fixed term work experience

Vinpro, situated in Paarl, is an independent service provider to South African wine producers. Vinpro serves the wine industry with a wide range of specialised services, ranging from soil science and viticulture consultation to agricultural economics and data analysis. We currently have an exciting opportunity for an energetic and dynamic graduate to join our team. The candidate will be exposed to many facets of the wine industry value chain and gain experience from experts in the industry.

Requirements for the ideal candidate:

- Recent graduate with a tertiary qualification (degree) with focus on Agricultural Economics, economics, finance or data analysis.
- Advanced analytical skills with a critical focus on detail.
- MS Excel, Word, PowerPoint and Google suite exposure will be advantageous.
- Very good interpersonal, written and verbal communication skills.
- Have the capability to perform projects individually and in a team environment.
- Must be able to communicate in both English and Afrikaans.
- Willingness to travel, own transport and driving license are essential.
- Own accommodation, preferably near Paarl (Vinpro head office).

What will be expected from the candidate:

- Assistance in industry wine benchmarking of study groups at primary- and secondary production level.
 - Which involve details on analytical work with large datasets,
 - o One-on-one interaction with producers,
 - o Close liaison with viticulturists and/or cellar masters,
 - o Preparation and delivery of presentations within study groups
- Updating of agricultural economic industry indicators as required.
- Handling a spectrum of agricultural economics enquiries.
- Writing agricultural economics articles for wine industry publication.
- Assisting in the compilation of annual agricultural publications, such as the Vinpro Cost Guide.
- Participation in information gathering events, such as Information days and forums.

Mentorship and guidance will be provided to the candidate by employees within the department.

Vinpro considers all applications in terms of its Employment Equity plan.

Interested candidates should email their CVs to Maretha Cillie (<u>cillie@vinpro.co.za</u>)

Closing date: **17 April 2025**

If you do not hear from us within three weeks of the closing date, accept that your application has been unsuccessful.