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### **Education:**

MA, Ancient Studies, Stellenbosch University, 2020.

Thesis: *Literary techniques and communicative aims in a selection of martyr narratives from the first three centuries C.E.* (Advisor: Prof. Annemaré Kotzé)

BAHons *cum laude*, Classical Civilizations, University of KwaZulu-Natal, 2016.

BA, Classical Civilizations and History, 2015.

### **Academic Employment:**

Junior Lecturer, Department of Ancient Studies, Stellenbosch University 2021–present

Contract Junior Lecturer, Department of Biblical and Ancient studies (Classics unit),

University of South Africa (UNISA) 2018–20

Tutor, School of Religion, Philosophy & Classics, University of KwaZulu-Natal 2015–17

### **Courses Taught:**

*As Lecturer:* Ancient Roman history; Mythology in context; Roman society, myth and literature; Perspectives of Roman North Africa in antiquity; and an introduction to ancient Greek grammar and syntax (online).

*As Tutor:* Classical Civilizations 1A and 1B (UKZN)

### **Awards received:**

William Robert Hartman Trust Bursary (U.P) - 2018

Stellenbosch University Postgraduate Merit Bursary – 2017

University of KwaZulu-Natal Postgraduate Scholarship – 2016

School of Religion, Philosophy and Classics honours bursary (UKZN) – 2016

NRF Honours Innovation Scholarship – 2016

Golden Key Honour Society - 2013

### **Community Engagement:**

*Ditsong Assist Museum Project* (Pretoria, 2019) – Collaborated with other staff from UNISA to compile a digital friendly catalogue of Jan Smuts' personal library. I was apart of the team which undertook to examine all of the Classical works in the library along with any notes and/ or

inscriptions which were found within the collection. The project is still ongoing with current members of staff from UNISA.

***GetOn Skills Development Centre*** (Pretoria, 2018) – I volunteered along with other staff members from UNISA to assist in building a library collection for the GetOn Skills centre, which provides training to disadvantaged youth in Pretoria. The purpose of the GetOn Skills centre is to provide a number of accredited skill development programmes to previously disadvantaged people.

***Scouts South Africa*** (2015-present) – Active member of the World Organization of the Scout Movement. As Assistant Pack Scouter, I organize weekly meetings for kids aged 7-10 yrs, focusing on social, mental and physical development through play.

### **Additional training:**

Tutor training program, School of Religion, Philosophy and Classics Tutor training programme, University of KwaZulu-Natal, 2015

Online training courses for staff development, Centre for Professional Development, UNISA, 2018-2020.

### **References:**

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