

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Personal details

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Fields of specialisation:	Population Studies, Social Ecology, Applied Social Research
Number of Citations:	1467 (Google Scholar, 5 June 2024)
h-index:	17 (Google Scholar, 5 June 2023)
i10-index:	30 (Google Scholar, 5 June 2023)

Academic Qualifications

❖ *Formal training*

- 1989: PhD (Sociology), University of the Free State
- 1986: M Soc. Sc *cum laude* (Sociology), University of the Free State
- 1984: B.Soc. Sc Hons *cum laude* (Sociology), University of the Free State
- 1983: B. Soc. Sc (Sociology, Criminology, Psychology), University of the Free State
- 1980: Matriculated at High School Sentraal, Bloemfontein (four distinctions)

❖ *Other Qualifications*

- 2005: Certificate in *Population and Health Research Communication*. Makerere University (Uganda) & Population Reference Bureau (Washington, USA)
- 1989: Certificate in *Conflict Mediation* (Centre for Dispute Resolution: University of Colorado, USA)
- 1987: Certificate in *Social Research Methodology* (Human Sciences Research Council, South Africa)

Professional Career

- 2021- **** : Research Fellow, Department of Sociology, University of the Free State
- 2002-2020: Professor of Sociology, University of the Free State
- 1998-2001: Associate Professor of Sociology, University of the Free State
- 1991-1997: Senior lecturer of Sociology, University of the Free State
- 1989-1990: Lecturer of Sociology, University of the Free State
- 1985-1988: Research assistant, Human Sciences Research Council, Pretoria

Core University Functions

- Until my retirement in 2020, I lectured in the following programmes/modules:
Sociology Undergraduate level: Classical social theory; Social Research Methodology; Population and Environment.
Sociology Honours level: Population and the Environment; Social Research Methodology
Structured Master's programmes: Sustainable Agriculture; Development Studies; Environmental Management; Disaster Risk Management.
Ph.D. programmes: Sociology, Development Studies; Environmental Management.
- **External moderator and/ or examiner** for the following universities: Fort Hare University; Walter Sisulu University; University of Stellenbosch; North West University; Rhodes University; Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University; University

- of South Africa (UNISA); Manonmaniam Sundaranar University (Tamil Nadu, India); University of Zimbabwe (Harare); University of Swaziland, University of Malawi.
- **Senior Research Associate** at the Centre for Development Support, UFS (2003-2013)
 - **Senior Research Associate** at the Centre for Health Systems Research & Development, UFS (1994-2012)

Other professional experience and involvement

❖ ***Invited visits abroad (non-conference related)***

- 2013, Sept 28-Oct 6: Visited the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (Laxenburg, Austria) and the Vienna Institute for Demography (Vienna, Austria) on invitation of IIASA as selected PhD supervisor in the 2013-2014 joint South Africa-IIASA Young Scientist Summer Programme.
- 2011, 27-30 July: Visit Dar es Salaam, Tanzania on invitation as panel member and external grant application reviewer for the African Climate Change Fellowship Programme.
- 2011, 15-20 February: Visit Bergen, Norway on invitation as member of an international task team to review final project reports in the South Africa-Norway Bilateral Research Programme.
- 2005, 3-14 October, Kampala (Uganda): Invited by the *Population Reference Bureau* (Washington) and the *Institute for Public Health* (Makerere University, Kampala) to attend and co-facilitate a training workshop on *Communicating population and health data to policy makers*.
- 2004, 14-17 January, Rome (Italy): Invited by the *Oblates of Mary Immaculate* (Roman Catholic Church) for a presentation to the General Administration, pre-capitular Commission of the Oblates on the topic “Demographic trends and challenges faced by the Oblates of Mary Immaculate”.

❖ ***Member of specialist task teams, research agency panels and editorial boards***

- 2019- current: Advisory Board Member of the International Society for Academic Researchers (ISfAR)
- 2018: Associate editor of the journal *African Journal of Range & Forage Science*
- 2017-current: Member of the editorial board: *South African Journal of Education*.
- Article referee for the following scientific journals (intermittently):
International Journals: *Journal of Population Ageing*; *Population and Environment*; *Environmental Impact Assessment Review*; *Plos One*; *Peak Journal of Social Sciences and Humanities*; *Landscape and Urban Planning*; *The International*

Journal of Environmental, Cultural, Economic and Social Sustainability; Journal of Scientific Research and Studies; Namibia Development Journal.

South African based journals: *South African Journal of Sociology, Acta Academica, Journal for Contemporary History, Koers, Society in Transition; Journal for Agricultural Extension, Town and Regional Planning, LitNet Akademies (online); Tydskrif vir Geesteswetenskappe.*

- 2016: Member of an international panel of 75 expert reviewers of the South African Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) for shale gas development in the Central Karoo. (Scholes, R., Lochner, P., Schreiner, G., Snyman-Van der Walt, L. and de Jager, M. (eds.). 2016. Shale Gas Development in the Central Karoo: A Scientific Assessment of the Opportunities and Risks. CSIR/IU/021MH/EXP/2016/003/A, ISBN 978-0-7988-5631-7)
- Panelist and external reviewer for bilateral agency grant applications submitted to the *National Research Foundation* (2002-2012); the *International Foundation for Science, Sweden* (2008-2009), the *Research Council of Norway* (2010-2011), *The African Climate Change Fellowship Programme (ACCFP)* (2011-2012).
- 2012-2014: Project steering committee member (social science methodologist) for the *National Agricultural Marketing Council*
- 2009-2013: Chairperson of several evaluation panels at the *National Research Foundation* for the allocation of research grants in terms of existing international bilateral/trilateral research forums and collaborations
- 2008-2009: Member of the national task team responsible for the 10-year review of the *Population Policy for South Africa*.
- 2005-2008: Project steering committee member for the *Water Research Commission*
- 2004-2005: Member of an international task team that designed, facilitated and compiled a course outline on leadership training in sustainable development (the population, environment and development [PED] nexus), initiated by the National Population Unit, as part of the implementation of the 1998 *Population Policy for South Africa*
- 2001-: Technical advisor to the *United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)* for the evaluation of the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Country Programmes in South Africa
- 1999-2012: Assistant editor of the scientific journals *Acta Academica* (1999-2010) and *Journal for Development Studies* (2009-2012)

❖ **Short courses coordinated and facilitated**

- 2006-2016: Coordinated, facilitated and co-presented several short courses on the population, environment and development (PED) nexus for national and international participants (in collaboration with the United Nations Population Fund, Leadership for Environment and Development: Southern and Eastern Africa; the Chief Directorate Population & Development, South African National Parks): Bloemfontein: 3-14 July **2006**; Kimberley: 12-22 February **2007**; Bloemfontein 19-28 September **2007**; 11-19 September **2008**; 4-12 June **2009** &

15-23 September **2009**; 15-23 April **2010**; 12-20 April **2011**; 17-25 April **2012**; 20-27 Augustus **2013**; 11-19 September **2014**; 14-22 April **2016**.

- 2005. Presented a one-day course on community-based conservation to a delegation of West African scientists at *Tussen-die-Riviere* Nature Reserve, Free State
- 2002. Facilitated a 5-day course on Social Impact Assessment for De Beers Consolidated Mines (Kimberley Division).
- 2002. Facilitated a 3-day course on applied survey research and data analysis for the Department of Labour (Free State): Bloemfontein.

Post graduate supervision

Summary

Completed Masters (full research dissertation):	6
Completed course work Masters (extended mini dissertation):	33
Completed PhD:	8

❖ **Completed Masters**

- 2020: Shirindzi, L. *Factors causing stagnant visitor numbers at Golden Gate Highlands National Park: Management perspectives* (Environmental Management – Co-supervisor).
- 2019: Nemurangoni, T. *Evaluating management practices of the northern and southern solid waste landfills in Bloemfontein, South Africa* (Environmental Management - Supervisor).
- 2019: Matodzi TK. *Impact of the northern and southern Bloemfontein landfills on residential property values*. (Environmental Management - Supervisor).
- 2017: Mofuoa MM. *The role of community participation in sustainable environmental management: the case of the textile factory-based communities of Ha-Thetsane, Lesotho*. (Development Studies – Supervisor)
- 2017: Kernan AM. *Assessment of the thatch harvesting programme at Golden Gate Highlands National Park* (Sociology – Supervisor).
- 2014: McGregor EC. *Expanding the conservation estate in South Africa: the case of Coleske farm in the Baviaanskloof* (Environmental Management - Supervisor).
- 2014: Chimukuche RS. *Challenges of climate change for rural community livelihoods and development: the case of farmers and fishermen in Suba district of Kenya* (Development Studies – Supervisor).
- 2013: Goodrick W. *Policy implications and challenges of population ageing in South Africa* (Sociology – Supervisor).
- 2013: Mkhize GS: *Co-management of natural resources at Shongweni Dam and Game Reserve*. (Environmental Management - Supervisor).

- 2013: Mokoena PS: *The impact of the Songimvelo Nature Reserve in Mpumalanga (South Africa) on communities residing within the protected area.* (Environmental Management - Supervisor).
- 2012: Phiri, G. *Community-based management of water supplies in Umzingwane District, Zimbabwe.* (Development Studies – Supervisor).
- 2012: Boonzaaier J. *Stakeholder engagement by mining companies in South Africa: the experiences of International Ferro Metals and Samancor Chrome.* (Development Studies – Supervisor).
- 2011: Hasheela R. *Adaptation of Farmers to Climate Change in Ohangwena Region, Namibia.* (Development Studies – Supervisor).
- 2010: Sara L. *The role of culture in the spread of HIV/AIDS amongst the Luo people of Nyanza province, Western Kenya* (Disaster Management – Supervisor).
- 2010: Masiane M. *The socio-economic impact of soil conservation programmes in Leribe District, Lesotho.* (Environmental Management - Supervisor).
- 2009: Khabi T. *An evaluation of community-based conservation in the Ts'ehlanyane National Park, Lesotho.* (Development Studies – Supervisor).
- 2009: Mwashita F. *Social impact of HIV/AIDS and coping strategies of affected households in informal settlements in Namibia.* (Development Studies – Supervisor).
- 2007: Mdibe N. *An outcome evaluation of the in-field rainwater harvesting project in the Thaba'Nchu area in the Free State.* (Sociology – Co-supervisor)
- 2007: Sigenu K. *Rural people's perceptions of drought: A proposed strategy to deal with water scarcity in South Africa* (Sociology – Supervisor)
- 2007: Sonnekus AC. *Die impak van grondhervorming op volhoubare landbouproduksie in die Waterberg distrik van die Limpopo provinsie.* (Sustainable Agriculture – supervisor).
- 2006: Pheto-Moeti MB. *An assessment of 'Seshoeshoe' dress as a cultural identity for Basotho women of Lesotho* (Consumer Science – Co-supervisor)
- 2006: Carstens SW. *A disaster management mitigation framework to reduce the risk and vulnerability to disasters caused by increased human migration into the Western Cape province.* (Disaster Management – Supervisor).
- 2004: Claassen P. *An explorative study of the Katutura biogas initiative in Windhoek, Namibia.* (Development Studies – Supervisor).
- 2004: Modise SK. *An investigation of the sustainability of a land restitution program: the case of the Metsimatale (Groenwater) community.* (Environmental Management - Supervisor).
- 2004: Netshikovhela ME *The impact of indigenous knowledge and technology on resource conservation practices among resource poor farmers of the Limpopo sub-region.* (Sustainable Agriculture – Supervisor).
- 2004: Khorommbi K. *Empowerment of the inhabitants of Lake Fundudzi catchment in integrated water resources management* (Environmental Tho
- 2004: Elimam B. *Public participation in environmental management in Lesotho.* (Environmental Management - Supervisor).

- 2004: Zietsman Z. Sustainable harvesting of Devil's Claw (*harpagophytum procumbens*) in the context of community based conservation. (Environmental Management - Supervisor).
- 2004: Mouton R. *The supply of water to the area between Katima Mulilo and Kongola in Eastern Caprivi: an outcome evaluation* (Development Studies – Supervisor).
- 2002: Ndou, C. *Participatory forest management in Southern Africa: A comparative analysis of policies and practices relating to the sustainability of community forestry initiatives in South Africa and Zimbabwe*. (Environmental Management - Supervisor).
- 2002: Makosonke, MN. *Harvesting and utilisation of medicinal plants in the KwaZulu-Natal midlands by the local communities with specific reference to the Bergville plant nursery* (Environmental Management - Supervisor).
- 2002: Sempe, TA. *Guidelines for a community-based conservation approach in the QwaQwa National Park*. (Development Studies - Supervisor).
- 2001: Redelinghuys, N. *Environmental refugees: An analysis of the nature, dynamics and trends in Southern Africa*. University of the Free State (Sociology - Supervisor).
- 2000: Smit, JE. *Die ekonomiese volhoubaarheid van sukerrietproduksie in Nkomazi-Oos (Mfumfane, Mangane and Mbhunu C)*. University of the Free State (Sustainable Agriculture - Supervisor)
- 1999: Jordaan, DG. *Carnations: production factors which influence sustainability*. University of the Free State (Sustainable Agriculture - Supervisor)
- 1999: Mupetami, L. *The Aus-Rosh Pinah-Oranjemund Road: A social impact assessment*. University of the Free State (Environmental Management - Supervisor)
- 1999: Mutyorauta, SJB. *A study of factors that determine the development of resource poor farmers*. University of the Free State (Sustainable Agriculture - Supervisor).
- 1997: Khadi, S. *Katse Dam: A social impact assessment*. University of the Free State (Environmental Management - Supervisor).
- 1997:- Viljoen, M. *Sentiment en die lied van die NG Kerk: 'n inhoudsanalitiese perspektief*. University of the Free State (Music – Co-supervisor).

❖ **Completed PhD**

- 2021: Pheto-Moeti, B. *The meaning and symbolism of cultural dress practices in Lesotho*. (Consumer Sciences: co-supervisor)
- 2017: Murye, AF. *Environmental and socio-economic sustainability of marula harvesting in the Lubombo region, Swaziland* (Environmental Management: Supervisor).
- 2010: Mubaya, CP. *Farmer strategies towards climate variability and change in Zimbabwe and Zambia*. (Development Studies: Supervisor).

- 2008: Letsela LMS. *A participatory sustainable assessment framework for biodiversity conservation in rural areas*. (Environmental Management: Supervisor)
- 2008: Redelinghuys N. *International conflict over access to fresh water: dynamics, trends and interventative guidelines*. (Sociology: Supervisor)
- 2008: Molaoa MN. *The socio-economic impact of the Lesotho Highlands Water Project resettlement programme at Makhoakhoeng*. (Sociology: Supervisor).
- 2006: Engelbrecht M. *Termination of pregnancy policy and services: an appraisal of the implementation and operation of the Choice on Termination of Pregnancy Act (92 of 1996)*. (Interdisciplinary: Co-Supervisor)
- 2005: Esenjor AF. *Community participation in environmental management and conservation of land resources in Lesotho: guidelines for a community-based programme* (Sociology: Supervisor).

Papers presented

Summary:

Local = 21

International = 18

- 2024. Masisi, T.V., Sabela, K.S., Rose, L., Jackson, M., Matebesi, S., Pelser, A., and Rothmann, L.A. 2024. *A first look at farmer perceptions of sorghum production, disease constraints and future outlooks*. 53rd Southern African Society of Plant Pathology Congress, 22-25 January 2024, Clarens, South Africa. <https://doi.org/10.17605/OSF.IO/VGE92>
- 2020. *Exploring mobile learning among secondary school mathematics learners in resource constrained schools: towards a research agenda*. Paper presented at the annual conference of the Southern African Association for Research in Mathematics, Science and Technology Education, Port Elizabeth: 14-16 January (with Van der Merwe A & Stols G).
- 2019. *Perceptions of adult day-care centers as a culturally acceptable option for care of older adults in Cameroon*. Paper presented at the Conference of the Association of South African Social Work Education Institutions (ASASWEI), University of Cape Town, 27-29 August (with P Lum Tanyi).
- 2019. *Towards an "age-friendly hospital": Older persons' perceptions of an age-friendly hospital environment in Nigeria*. Paper presented at the 1st Annual Conference of the International Society for Academics in Research (ISfAR). Zanzibar Beach Resort, Zanzibar Island, 15-18 July (with P Lum Tanyi)
- 2018. *Mathematics teachers' use of an online platform in resource-constrained communities*. Paper presented at the International Conference of the World Education Research Association, Cape Town: South Africa, 2-5 August (with Stols G; Ferreira R, Van der Merwe, A).
- 2018. *The impact of social media use on the academic performance of undergraduate students at the University of the Free State, South Africa*. Paper presented at the International Conference of the World Education Research Association, Cape Town: South Africa, 2-5 August (with K de Wet).

- 2017. *Understanding mathematics teachers' limited use of a technological resource*. Paper presented at the 9th annual International Conference on Education and New Learning Technologies (EDULEARN 17). Barcelona (Spain). 3-5 July. (with G Stols, R Ferreira, A van der Merwe and W Olivier) Appears in: [EDULEARN17 Proceedings](#) Page: 4903 (abstract only), ISBN: 978-84-697-3777-4, ISSN: 2340-1117 doi: [10.21125/edulearn.2017.0210](https://doi.org/10.21125/edulearn.2017.0210)
- 2017. *Improving human well-being through conservation initiatives: A South African experience*. Paper presented at the *International Conference for Social Sciences and Humanities*. Venice (Italy), 20-23 June.
- 2017. *National parks and poverty alleviation in South Africa: Lessons from an integrated conservation and development initiative*. Paper presented at the 11th annual International Conference on Sociology. Athens (Greece): 1-4 May.
- 2016. *A technologically-driven intervention in support of mathematics education in South Africa: lessons learned*. Paper presented at the 3rd International Multidisciplinary Scientific Conference on Social Sciences & Arts, Albena, Bulgaria: 24-31 August (with Ferreira R, Van der Merwe A, Stols G, Olivier W).
- 2016. *Utilising Participatory Reflection and Action to Develop an Online Portal in Support of Mathematics Teachers in Resource-Constrained School Settings*. Paper presented at the 9th International Multi-Conference on Society, Cybernetics and Informatics, 5-8 July, Orlando, USA. (with R Ferreira; G Stols, A van der Merwe, W Olivier, C de Villiers).
- 2016. *The socio-economic contribution of marula harvesting to rural livelihoods in Swaziland*. Paper presented at the 4th Annual Sustainable Development Conference. Kuching, Malaysia: 7-9 July 2016. (with A Murye)
- 2015. *Developing an online portal for mathematics teachers in resource-constrained school settings*. Paper presented at the 7th International Conference on Education and New Learning Technologies. Barcelona, Spain 6-8 July 2015. (with G Stols, R Ferreira, A van der Merwe, W Olivier, C de Villiers). Available at <https://library.iated.org/view/STOLS2015DEV>
- 2015. *Teachers' perceptions of technology integration in the mathematics classroom*. Paper presented at the Ireland International Conference on Education, 20-22 April, Dublin, Ireland. (with R Ferreira, G Stols, W Olivier, A van der Merwe, C de Villiers).
- 2015. *Integrated conservation and development approaches in South Africa: lessons, benefits and challenges*. Paper presented at the 15th International Academic Conference, Rome, Italy 14-17 April 2015.
- 2015. *A multi-sectoral approach to sustainability training for government officials: The population-environment-development nexus training programme in South Africa*. Paper presented at the 11th International Conference on Environmental, Cultural, Economic and Social Sustainability. Copenhagen, Denmark: 21-23 January.
- 2014. *A changing population and a changing climate: What does it hold for Africa?* Lead-SEA International Colloquium on Population and Climate Compatible Development. Port Elizabeth: 22-27 June 2014.
- 2014. *The use of outcome analysis in the assessment of a poverty reduction initiative at Golden Gate Highlands National Park*. (with N Velelo) Paper presented, at the XXI Congress of the South African Sociological Association, Port Elizabeth: 6-8 July.

- 2013 *Using socio-economic data to inform mining right applications and social impact assessments: The case of the Edenburg uranium deposits*. Statistics South Africa: Symposium on evidence based decision-making. Bloemfontein: 10-11 October 2013.
- 2013 *Integrating biodiversity management with population development: What lessons have we learned?* Seminar paper presented at the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis, Laxenburg, Austria: 1 October 2013 and the Vienna Institute for Demography, Vienna: Austria: 3 October 2013.
- 2012 *Population and climate change: lessons for Africa*. Pan African Conference on Population and Climate Change: Towards Climate Compatible Development for Africa. Lilongwe, Malawi, 12-15 November.
- 2012. *Biodiversity Management and Poverty Mitigation: Experiences and Lessons from a National Park in Rural South Africa*. The BIT 1st Annual World Congress on Biodiversity. Xian, China 25-28 April.
- 2011. *Population, Environment and Development as framework for climate change mitigation and adaptation*. International Conference on Population Dynamics, Climate Change and Sustainable Development (jointly presented by the Department of Social Development, South Africa and *Partners in Population and Development*), Pretoria: 1-2 November 2011.
- 2010. *Understanding the population-environment-development nexus*. Paper presented at LEAD International Seminar on Population, Climate Change and Development: Challenges and Opportunities for a Sustainable Future, Port Elizabeth: 31 October - 7 November 2010. Available at <http://southafrica2010.lead.org/wp-content/uploads/PED-Nexus.ppt>
- 2008. *Trends, changes and challenges at the interface of population, environment and development in South Africa*. Paper presented at a public seminar on 10 years of population policy implementation. Pretoria: Department of Social Development, 1-3 December 2008.
- 2007. *Capacity for population, environment and development integration in Africa: The population, environment and development (PED) nexus capacity building programme in South Africa*. Paper presented at the Pan-African Conference on Population and Development in Africa: Research and Dialogue for Action. Mafikeng, 5-8 March 2007.
- 2005. *The socio-economic and demographic landscape of HIV/AIDS in the Free State*. Paper read at the ARC Conference *Implementing the Comprehensive Care and Treatment Programme for HIV and AIDS patients in the Free State: sharing experiences*. Bloemfontein: University of the Free State, 30 March (in collaboration with N Redelinghuys).
- 2004. *Main demographic trends and challenges in the changing membership structure of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate*. Presentation to the General Administration, pre-capitular Commission of *the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate*. Rome, Italy: 15 January 2004.
- 2004. *Trends and changes in the South African population structure over the next few decades*. Inaugural lecture, Bloemfontein: University of the Free State, 2 June.
- 2003. *Aids, health and African development*. International conference on Africa agriculture and development. Bloemfontein: 13-14 August 2003.

- 2002. *Omgewingsbestuur in 'n nuwe era: die noodsaaklikheid vir 'n diverse benadering*. Paper read at a simposium on “The power of Diversity in South Africa”, hosted by the South African Academy for Science and Arts. Stellenbosch, 20-21 June .
- 2002. *Health implications of environmental degradation: current trends and future impacts*. Paper read at the OPE National Cluster Conference on “The protection of the human environment for sustainable development”, Bloemfontein: 21-24 May.
- 2001. *Incorporating environmental refugees into an existing international and local policy framework: decisions and challenges within the Southern African context* (with N Redelinghuys). Paper read at the DEMSA joint conference on migration and development. Pretoria, 2-4 October.
- 1995. *A sociological perspective on recent student unrest in South African tertiary institutions*. [In collaboration with N Bagosi and JC Heunis]. Paper read at the 2nd annual congress of the South African Sociological Association (SASA). Grahamstown: Rhodes University, 2-5 July.
- 1993. *Some indicators concerning the (im)probability of right wing violence in a future South Africa*. Paper read at the CRIMSA International Congress. Pretoria: UNISA, 2-3 September 1993.
- 1991. *The role of politics in a population development programme*. Paper read at a congress for senior officials on population development. Pretoria, 20-22 February.
- 1990. *Legitimiteit en legitimeitskrisis van die Suid-Afrikaanse owerheid teen die agtergrond van politieke beleidsopsies*. Paper read at the 23rd annual congress of the South African Sociological Association. Potchefstroom: PU for CHE, 3-6 July.
- 1988. *Marxisme, Suid-Afrika en die Sosiologie: 'n historiese en toekomstperspektief*. Paper read at the 21st annual congress of the South African Sociological Association. Pretoria: HSRC, 5-8 July.
- 1987. *“People’s education”’: ‘n sinoptiese perspektief op radikale onderwys in Suid-Afrika*. Paper read at the 20th annual congress of the South African Sociological Association. Durban: Natal Teachers College, 1-3 July.

Publications

Summary:

Books:	2
Chapters in books:	15
Peer reviewed articles:	59
Commissioned research reports:	61

❖ **Books and chapters in books**

- André Pelsler & Katinka de Wet. 2024. *Social media and academic performance: A profile of undergraduate students at a South African university*. In Vuyisile Msila & Serges Djoyou-Kamga (Eds.). 2024. Rethinking Higher Education in Africa: Examining the

Ongoing Struggles for Cognitive Justice and Politics of Transformation. Stellenbosch: Africa Sun Media. (in print)

■ André J Pelser & Rujeko Samantha Chimukuche. 2023. *Climate Change, Rural Livelihoods, and Human Well-Being: Experiences from Kenya*. In L Hufnagel & MA El - Esawi (eds.). Vegetation Dynamics, Changing Ecosystems and Human Responsibility. London: IntechOpen, pp.427-443. ISBN 978-1-80356-138-7 (544 pages). DOI: 10.5772/intechopen.104965

■ Madhanagopal D, Beer CT, Nikku BR & Pelser AJ (Eds.). 2022. *Environment, Climate, and Social Justice: Perspectives and Practices from the Global South*. Singapore: SpringerNature. ISBN 978-981-19-1986-2 (389 pages). Available at <https://doi.org/10.1007/978-981-19-1987-9>

■ Madhanagopal D, Beer CT, Nikku BR & Pelser AJ. 2022. *Environment, Climate, and Social Justice: Interdisciplinary voices from the Global South*. In Madhanagopal D, Beer CT, Nikku BR & Pelser AJ (Eds.). 2022. Environment, Climate, and Social Justice: Perspectives and Practices from the Global South. Singapore: SpringerNature, pp. 1-16. ISBN 978-981-19-1986-2

■ Pelser AJ. 2022. *Protected areas as a catalyst for environmental sustainability, social justice and human development: Lessons from South Africa*. In Madhanagopal D, Beer CT, Nikku BR & Pelser AJ (Eds.). 2022. Environment, Climate, and Social Justice: Perspectives and Practices from the Global South. Singapore: SpringerNature, pp. 207-225. ISBN 978-981-19-1986-2

■ Murye AF & Pelser AJ. 2018. *Commercial harvesting of marula (sclerocarya birrea) in Swaziland: A quest for sustainability*. In Şen, B & Grillo, O (eds.). Selected Studies in Biodiversity. London: IntechOpen, pp. 303-317 (ISBN 978-1-78923-233-5). Available at <https://www.intechopen.com/chapters/60753>

■ Pelser AJ, Redelinghuys N & Kernan AM. 2015. *Protected areas and ecosystem services — Integrating grassland conservation with human well-being in South Africa*. In: Lo Y, Blanco JA & Roy S (eds.) Biodiversity in Ecosystems: Linking Structure and Function. Rijeka: InTech, pp. 597-626. ISBN 978-953-51-2028-5. Available at <http://bit.ly/1LWOvPW>

■ Pelser AJ, 2012. *The health, environment and development nexus in South Africa*. In: Van Rensburg HCJ (Ed.). Health and Health Care in South Africa (2nd edition). Pretoria: Van Schaik, ISBN 978-0-627-03103-0, pp. 189-236. Available at <http://alturl.com/irmpr>

■ Pelser AJ, Van der Merwe, A & Kotze, P 2012. *Rethinking sustainability of small towns: towards a socio-technical approach*. In: Marais L & Donaldson R (eds). Small town geographies in Africa: Experiences from South Africa and elsewhere. New York: NOVA, ISBN 978-1-62100-001-1, pp 45-64. Available from: <http://alturl.com/2cqtq>

■ Pelser AJ, Redelinghuys N & Velelo N. 2011. *People, Parks and Poverty: integrated conservation and development initiatives in the Free State Province of South Africa*. In: Grillo O & Venora G (Ed.) Biological Diversity and Sustainable Resources Use. Rijeka: InTech, pp 35-62. ISBN. 978-953-307-706-2 Available from: <http://alturl.com/yhyyy>

■ Pelser AJ, 2004. *Health, environment and development in South Africa*. In: Van Rensburg HCJ (ed.). Health and Health Care in South Africa. Pretoria: Van Schaik, pp. 171-214, ISBN 0627025633

- Pelser AJ, Ngwena C & Summerton J, 2004. *The HIV/AIDS epidemic in South Africa: trends, impacts and policy responses*. In Van Rensburg HCJ (ed.) Health and Health Care in South Africa. Pretoria: Van Schaik, pp. 275-314. ISBN 0627025633
- Van Rensburg HCJ & PELSER AJ, 2004. *The transformation of the South African health system*. In Van Rensburg HCJ (ed.). Health and Health Care in South Africa. Pretoria: Van Schaik, pp. 109-170. ISBN 0627025633
- Pelser AJ & De Kock CP, 2004. *Manifestations of violence in South Africa*. In Adler LL & Denmark FL (eds.) International perspectives on violence. Westport: Praeger, pp. 241-264. ISBN: 0-275-97498-7.
- Pelser AJ, 2003. *Migration in South Africa: A profile of patterns, trends and impacts*. In Adler LL & Gielen GW (eds.) Migration: immigration and emigration in international perspective. Westport: Praeger, pp. 329-350. (ISBN: 0-275-97666-1)
- Pelser AJ & Botes LJS, 1992. *Temas in die Politieke Sosiologie*. Pretoria: Academica, (ISBN: 0-86874-371-2)

❖ **Peer-reviewed articles in scientific journals**

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Press interviews (specialist opinion)

Numerous radio and television interviews between 2012 and 2020 by local and national broadcasting agencies, mostly related to the interface between population, environment and development.

Rewards and recognitions

- NRF Rated Researcher: C (Established Researcher) – 2016 to 2021 cycle
- 2014: NRF Grant for 2014/2015: Knowledge Interchange and Collaboration (Visit to Denmark).
- 2014-2015: Selected Supervisor for the 3rd Southern African Young Scientists Summer Programme (SA-YSSP, Visit to Austria)
- 2013-2014: Selected Supervisor for the 2nd Southern African Young Scientists Summer Programme (SA-YSSP)
- Have won several research tenders in various capacities (since 1992) for government-NGO- and private sector-initiated commissioned research projects to the value of +R25 million
- NRF Research Grant-holder (2002-2004)
- NRF Supervisor allocation grant (1998-2001)
- UFS Professional Merit Award (1990, 1991, 1993, 1997, 2013)

- HSRC Post-Graduate Scholarship (1986; 1989)
- HSRC Prestige Undergraduate Scholarship (1981-1984).///00///