

CURRICULUM VITAE

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ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

- 2018 Master of Commerce (Applied Economics) (with Distinction), University of Cape Town
- 2016 Bachelor of Honours Economics (with Distinction), Nelson Mandela University
- 2014 Bachelor of Commerce (Economics and Accounting) (with Distinction), Nelson Mandela University
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EMPLOYMENT

- March 2018 – present Junior research analyst, Development Policy Research Unit, University of Cape Town
- April 2017 – Feb 2018 Junior researcher, J-PAL Africa
- Jan 2017 – April 2017 Junior researcher, Economics of Tobacco Control Project, University of Cape Town
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WORKING PAPERS

1. Bhorat, H., Allen, C.S., Hill, R. & Rooney, C. 2019. Employment creation potential, labor skills requirements, and skill gaps for young people: A methodological framework. Brookings AGI Working Paper, No. 25. Brookings Institute.
 2. Allen, C.S., Bhorat, H., Hill, R., Rooney, C. & Steenkamp, F. 2019. Building economic complexity in the South African fibrous plant economy. Working Paper: DPRU DSI-NRF CoP/WP20190. Development Policy Research Unit.
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CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

1. Brookings AGI Industries Without Smokestacks Workshop (June 2020) Remote. Industries Without Smokestacks Workshop. Discussant.
 2. Annual Young Scientist (ASSAf) Conference (September 2018) Pretoria, South Africa. State Capture and the Economics of Corruption: the Case of Transnet. Presenter.
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UPCOMING AND ONGOING WORK

1. Bhorat, H., Allen, C.S., Hill, R. & Rooney, C. Employment creation potential, labour skills requirements and skill gaps for young people: a South African case study. Ongoing Brookings AGI working Paper.
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2. Borat, H., Allen, C.S. and Asmal, Z. Growth, structural transformation, and income inequality in developing countries: a descriptive overview of the evidence. Forthcoming Commission on Global Economic Transformation (CGET) working paper.
 3. Borat, H., Stanwix, B., Thornton, A. and Allen, C.S. State capture and the economics of corruption: the case of Transnet. Ongoing Development Policy Research Unit paper.
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UNPUBLISHED PAPERS AND RESEARCH REPORTS

1. Borat, H., Allen, C.S. & Oosthuizen, M. 2019. A framework for analysing labour demand. Unpublished research report for Mercy Corps.
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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Economic complexity, Micro econometrics, and firm-level analysis

FURTHER TRAINING

1. Introduction to Economic Complexity (2019) Development Policy Research Unit Workshop, University of Cape Town.
 2. Evaluating Social Programmes (2019) J-PAL Africa Training Course, University of Cape Town.
 3. Introduction to Python for Economists (2019) School of Economics Short Course, University of Cape Town.
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SKILLS

Stata; Python; LaTeX
