

# SIMBARASHE ZINGONI

UCT GRADUATE | INVESTMENT BANKER



## SUMMARY

Simba is currently working at Woodbridge International as an Associate Closer after completing his Honors in Economic Analysis of Financial Markets and Bachelor of Commerce degree, specializing in Economics and Finance at the University of Cape Town.

As a well-rounded individual, Simba aims to find himself achieving among or beyond other visionaries. This bold ambition of his can be attested by his strong entrepreneurial spirit, which has grown alongside his balance of academic, sport and service accolades.

## HOBBIES

- **Tennis** – Played Western Province in Junior School and early High School.
- **Rugby** – Played 2nd Team in matric and internal league at UCT for CVU Vikings in 2015 and captained the side in 2016.
- **Modeling** – Currently with 20 Management and has featured for SportsScene, Greencross, and a number of runway shows.

## INFO & CONTACT DETAILS

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## EDUCATION

### South African College School

Jan 2010 - Nov 2014

- A+ Matriculation with 6A's
- Academic Colours (Full Blues), School Prefect, Head of Entrepreneurship Portfolio, House Captain & First Team Tennis Captain

### University of Cape Town

Feb 2015 - June 2021

- Bachelor of Commerce: Majoring in Economics and Finance
- Honors in Economic Analysis of Financial Markets

### Imperial College London - Entrepreneurial Smart Camp

June 2018 - July 2018

- Offers students insights from industry leaders, a global network through intensive teamwork and thorough business development skills

## LEADERSHIP & PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### SOSA Investments (Pty) Ltd

Managing Partner | July 2016 - July 2017

- SOSA Investments was a renewable energy company, which focused on low cost solar lighting ([https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wtEj\\_qyBL\\_4](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wtEj_qyBL_4))

### The Litoro Foundation

Director | July 2017 - Present

- Former Vice President and Fundraising Manager

### Benchmark International

Transaction Analyst | Jan 2020 - April 2020

- Benchmark International is a global business that facilitates the merger & acquisition of middle market and lower middle market businesses.

### Woodbridge International

Analyst | Nov 2020 - March 2022 & Associate | April 2022- Present

- Woodbridge International is an American Sell-Side M&A firm that specialises in small-middle market transactions
- Closed 20 deals with a total market cap of \$278M (-R5.2B)
- Appointed Cape Town Closing Team Lead in April 2022

## AWARDS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- **University of Cape Town Commerce Entrance Scholarship:** Received in first year based on final matric results.
- **Teen Entrepreneur South Africa Fellowship:** Awarded to a South African student who has displayed profound entrepreneurial spirit and business ingenuity.
- **South African College School Awards:** Tokkie Smith Trophy for Interhouse 7s (2014), Sports' Captain Pennant for Tennis (2014), General Merit for Academics (2014)