

# RAYNOLD RUNGANGA

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## Personal Profile

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A University of Cape Town PhD. Economics candidate who desire to be part of a dynamic educational environment that enhance my knowledge and skills as I pursue my career in research and industry/academia. Dedicated to research and teaching, with more than 5 years of experience. Searching mostly for industry, research and/ teaching positions.

## Education

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<b>University of Cape Town, Cape Town</b> <i>PhD. Economics</i>	<b>February 2021 – date</b> <i>Pending</i>
<b>University of Zimbabwe, Harare</b> <i>MSc. Economics</i>	<b>Aug 2017 – June 2019</b> <i>Merit</i>
<b>University of Zimbabwe, Harare</b> <i>BSc. Economics</i>	<b>Aug 2014 – June 2017</b> <i>First Class</i>

## Skills and Attributes

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- Excellent in Stata, R, Microsoft Office (Ms-Word, Ms-Excel, Ms-PowerPoint).
- Highly organised and detail oriented
- Ability to collaborate within and across multicultural teams.
- Strong problem-solving and critical thinking abilities
- Excellent written and verbal skills.
- Self-motivated and deadline driven
- Ability to work independently while maintaining clear communication in a remote environment

## Work Experience

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<b>University of Cape Town, School of Economics</b> <i>Teaching Assistant</i>	<b>Sept 2021 – May 2025</b> <i>Cape Town</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Undergraduate, Honours and Masters/PhD courses include Econometrics, Quantitative Methods in Economics, Mathematics for Economists, Microeconomics 11 and Macroeconomics</li></ul>	
<b>University of Cape Town, School of Economics</b> <i>Project Coordinator</i>	<b>July 2024 - Dec 2024</b> <i>Cape Town</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Undergraduate Project Coordinator for the Course: Quantitative Methods in Economics</li></ul>	
<b>Southern Africa Labour and Development Research Unit (SALDRU)</b> <i>Tutor</i>	<b>July 2023 – July 2024</b> <i>Cape Town</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Tutor for the Course: Data Wrangling with Stata - How to Manage Your Empirical Research Project</li></ul>	
<b>African Institute for Economic Development and Planning</b> <i>Training Tutor and Tutor Moderator</i>	<b>Nov 2022 – Dec 2022</b> <i>Dakar</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Tutor for the course on risk management and strategic planning</li></ul>	
<b>University of Zimbabwe</b> <i>Teaching Assistant</i>	<b>Sept 2017 – Nov 2020</b> <i>Harare</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Courses I was tutoring include undergraduate microeconomics and macroeconomics</li></ul>	

## Workshops Attended and Presentations

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- Attended the Economic Research Southern Africa "Heterogeneous Agent Macroeconomic Models Skills Workshop" instructed by Prof. Alexander Ludwig (European University Institute) at the University of Pretoria from 31 March 2025 - 2 April 2025
- Attended Stellenbosch University three day "Difference-in-Difference and Synthetic Control Workshop" instructed by Prof Scott Cunningham (Baylor University) from 10 March 2025 to 12 March 2025.
- Attended a Workshop on Applied Spatial Econometrics with R and Stata at the University of Johannesburg from 24 June 2024 to 5 July 2024.
- Attended the African Programme on Rethinking Development Economics Sponsored by the Department: Trade, Industry and Competition (dtic) from 4 September 2023 to 15 September 2023.
- Attended a Course on Advanced Panel Data Econometrics Sponsored by Economic Research Southern Africa at the University of Pretoria from 10 July 2023 to 21 July 2023.

- Presented the Post Budget Analysis Report of the Portfolio Committee for the Public Service, Labour and Social Welfare at Parliament of Zimbabwe on 7 December 2020.
- Attended Summer School on “Enhancing Academic Qualifications in Teaching and Research in Public Health” at Heidelberg University, Germany in 2019.
- Attended the Joint Facility for Electives (JFE) under the African Economic Research Consortium (AERC)’s Collaborative Masters Programme (CMAP) in Nairobi, Kenya (2018).

## Achievements and Awards

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- A Student at the SA-TIED Student Data Analytics Programme
- Awarded the Structural Transformation and Economic Growth (STEG) Research Grant
- UCT Class Medals for Microeconomics and Quantitative Methods-2022
- African Economic Research Consortium Scholarship Award-2021
- German Academic Exchange (DAAD) Scholarship Award-2017
- University of Zimbabwe Book Prize-2015 and 2017

## Publications

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- Mhaka, S; Runganga, R., 2023. Impact of Agricultural Production on Economic Growth in Zimbabwe. Managing Global Transitions, Vol 21 No 4, pp. 303-328
- Taderera, C., Runganga, R., Mhaka, S. and Mishi, S., 2021. Inflation, interest rate and economic growth nexuses in SACU countries. Academy of Accounting and Financial Studies Journal, Vol 25 No. 1, pp. 1-14.
- Mhaka, S., Runganga, R., Nyagweta, D. T., Kaseke N. and Mishi, S., 2020. Impact of Rural and Urban Electricity Access on Economic Growth in Zimbabwe. International Journal of Energy Economics and Policy, Vol. 10 No. 6, pp 427-434. doi: <https://doi.org/10.32479/ijeeep.10141>

## Hobbies

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- Travelling to new places
- Hiking mountains and Playing chess

## Professional Memberships

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- Research Associate in Policy Research in International Services and Manufacturing (PRISM)
- Member of the ECA Young Economist Network
- German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) Alumni
- African Economic Research Consortium (AERC) Alumni
- Member of the Econometric Society

## References

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Available on request