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Biography

I am currently employed by Sefako Makgatho Health Sciences University senior lecturer, Department of Human nutrition and Dietetics, specialising in Medical Food service Administration.

I was employed by the University of Limpopo (Medunsa Campus), senior lecturer, Food Service Administration, from 2008 to 2014.

I was employed by Walter Sisulu University of Technology, lecturer in Food and beverage management, and Nutrition from 2002 to 2009.

I have worked as a senior food service manager in public hospitals in Mpumalanga province from 1997 to 2002. I was employed by Sodexho hospitality caterers as a food service manager in private hospitals from 1993 to 1997.

Education

- A National Diploma (obtained in 1993) and B. Tech in Food Service management (obtained in 2000) from Tshwane University of Technology,
- An MBA degree (obtained in 2006 from MANCOSA) and
- A Doctoral Degree in Food and Beverage Management obtained from Tshwane University of Technology. Passionate, interested and actively involved in Food and Nutrition security and Food safety systems management research.

Research Activities

My passion for research in my field of study was inspired and developed when I was working in public hospitals whereby I was worried about the quality and food safety status of food provided to patients. Therefore my B-Tech research project was "The microbiological food safety status of a food service unit in a certain public hospital in Mpumalanga". My Master topic was "The Quality of Healthcare Services rendered to Patients in a certain Hospital in Mpumalanga Province" and my D-Tech research project was about "The development of a Conceptual Framework for assessing the quality of Foodservices in Public hospitals in South Africa" which covered the in-puts, transformation, and the food service outputs. To this point, I am passionate to extend my services to different communities.