

# Patrick Rimbault Professional Structural Engineering Technologist

Bachelor of Engineering Technology Honours - Structural Engineering (UNISA)

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#### About

Patrick Rimbault is an ECSA registered professional structural engineering technologist currently working for structural, civil and facade engineering consultancy NJV Consulting. He is based in Cape Town, South Africa where he works on built environment projects locally and nationally.

As an engineer, Patrick uses his architectural and geometric knowledge to realize complex designs at many scales and in many project typologies. Finding engineering interesting at all scales, he is as comfortable working on small details on high-end residential projects as he is on industrial builds with large structural elements. Hee often combines his knowledge of structures with his good computer literacy and programming skill-set to unpack and define complex geometric forms. He has a deep interest in the built environment and the socio-economic impact it has on the people who use it as well as a concern for the sustainability and environmental impacts of his projects.

#### Skillset \*

1 = Novice | 2 = Advanced Beginner | 3 = Competent | 4 = Proficient | 5 = Expert

| Communication       | 3 | Conceptual Design  | 2 | Analysis / FEA    | 4 | Management Skills    | 2 |
|---------------------|---|--------------------|---|-------------------|---|----------------------|---|
| Steel Design        | 4 | Concrete Design    | 4 | Timber Design     | 2 | Masonry Design       | 2 |
| Glass Design        | 2 | Aluminium Design   | 3 | AutoCAD           | 3 | Revit + Dynamo       | 3 |
| Rhino + Grasshopper | 4 | Python Programming | 2 | Construction Docs | 3 | Commercial Awareness | 3 |

#### **Formal Education**

2021 – 2022 Bachelor of Engineering Technology Honours – Structural Engineering (awaiting Autumn 2023 graduation)

**University of South Africa** 

2016 – 2018 Bachelor of Technology : Civil Engineering : Structural Cum Laude

**Durban University of Technology** 

2011 - 2014 National Diploma: Civil Engineering

**Durban University of Technology** 

1998 - 2009 Matriculation : Bachelor's Pass

St. Henry's Marist Brothers' College, Durban

1992 born in Durban, South Africa

## **Employment**

Since 2017 NJV Consulting (formerly Linda Ness & Associates)

**Structural Engineering Technologist** 

2013 - 2016 Bosch Projects

Structural Engineering Technician

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### **Professional Memberships**

PrTech Engineering Council of South Africa (ECSA)

Graduate The Institution of Structural Engineers (IStructE)

Graduate International Association for Shell and Spatial Structures (IASS)

Graduate The Institute of Professional Engineering Technologists (IPET)

#### **Awards & Certificates**

2022 SAISC Steel Awards 2022 winning team for Babanango (Tubular and KZN Region categories)

South African Institute of Steel Construction

2019 Certificate in Structural Behaviour

The Institution of Structural Engineers

2018 Top Young Achiever Award

The Southern African Institute of Steel Construction

#### **Formal Research**

2022 Long term prediction of the compressive and split tensile strengths behaviour of an improved pozzolan

based concrete using artificial neural networks.

**Honours degree dissertation (Unpublished)** 

## Selected Projects ('Since' indicates projects in progress)

#### **Employed at NJV Consulting**

| Since 2021  | Joostenberg Warehouse Development   | Cape Town, South Africa    | Lead Design Engineer  |  |
|-------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|--|
| Since 2022  | Cape Town Station Cladding          | Cape Town, South Africa    | Facade Engineer       |  |
| Since 2022  | Aquatic Centre Structures           | Cape Town, South Africa    | Lead Design Engineer  |  |
| Since 2022  | Lanxess Groundwater Treatment Plant | Durban, South Africa       | Design Engineer       |  |
| 2022 – 2023 | Gateway Lift Shaft Glass Structure  | Umhlanga, South Africa     | Glass Facade Engineer |  |
| 2022        | Kent Residential Cladding           | Durban, South Africa       | Facade Engineer       |  |
| 2022        | Ocean's Retail Cladding             | Umhlanga, South Africa     | Facade Engineer       |  |
| 2022        | UCT Design School Cladding          | Cape Town, South Africa    | Facade Engineer       |  |
| 2019 - 2021 | Mpact Warehouse Development         | Durban, South Africa       | Design Engineer       |  |
| 2019 - 2022 | Babanango Tented Camp Lodge         | Babanango, South Africa    | Lead Design Engineer  |  |
| 2020        | Hullett's Sugar Store Refurbishment | Durban, South Africa       | Design Engineer       |  |
| 2019        | Distell Facade                      | Stellenbosch, South Africa | Lead Design Engineer  |  |
| 2019        | Dube Tradeport Warehouse Scheme     | Durban, South Africa       | Design Engineer       |  |
| 2019        | House Weigand Folded Cor-Ten Roof   | Ballito, South Africa      | Design Engineer       |  |
| 2019        | Ridge 8 Development                 | Umhlanga, South Africa     | Foundation Design     |  |
| 2017 – 2019 | DCC Mayville Arches Geometry        | Durban, South Africa       | Geometry Development  |  |
| 2019        | DCC Mayville Facades                | Durban, South Africa       | Design Engineer       |  |
| 2019        | Flight of Swallows Sculpture        | Douglas, Isle of Man       | Geometry Development  |  |
| 2017 - 2019 | Sibaya Signature Gatehouse          | Umhlanga, South Africa     | Lead Design Engineer  |  |

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| 2017 - 2019 | Rivertown Beerhall Restoration      | Durban, South Africa   | Lead Design Engineer  |
|-------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| 2018 - 2019 | GO! Durban BRT Structures           | Durban, South Africa   | Lead Design Engineer  |
| 2018 - 2019 | Ridge 7 Development                 | Umhlanga, South Africa | Design Engineer       |
| 2017 - 2018 | Coral Point Residential Development | Umhlanga, South Africa | Site Engineer         |
| 2018        | Suncoast Casino Glass Roof          | Durban, South Africa   | Glass Facade Engineer |
| 2018        | Ocean Dunes Development Facades     | Umhlanga, South Africa | Design Engineer       |
| 2018        | Heineken Mozambique Brewery         | Maputo, Mozambique     | Design Engineer       |

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#### **Employed at Bosch Projects**

| 2016        | SAPPI Stanger Factory Upgrades        | Stanger, South Africa       | Lead Design Engineer |
|-------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|
| 2016        | McCord's Hospital Upgrades            | Durban, South Africa        | Lead Design Engineer |
| 2015 – 2016 | Transnet Port Control Tower Upgrades  | Richard's Bay, South Africa | Resident Engineer    |
| 2014 - 2015 | Sumitomo Tyre Factory Extensions      | Ladysmith, South Africa     | Design Engineer      |
| 2014 – 2015 | SABT Harbour Bulk Handling Facilities | Durban, South Africa        | Design Engineer      |

## \* Skillset Level Explainers

Lester, S., 2005. Novice to expert: The Dreyfus model of skill acquisition. Available from http://devmts.org.uk/dreyfus.pdf.

|                        | Novice   | Advanced<br>Beginner  | Competent   | Proficient   | Expert   |
|------------------------|--|---|---|--|--|
| Knowledge              | Has minimal or<br>textbook knowledge<br>without connecting it to<br>practice | Has basic knowledge of key aspects of the practice  | Has good working and<br>background knowledge<br>of area of practice         | Depth of understanding of discipline and area of practice  | Authoritative<br>knowledge of discipline<br>and deep tacit<br>understanding across<br>area of practice       |
| Standard of<br>Work    | Unlikely to be<br>satisfactory unless<br>closely supervised                  | Straightforward tasks<br>are likely to be done to<br>an acceptable standard                               | Results can be<br>achieved for open<br>tasks, though may lack<br>refinement | Fully acceptable<br>standard achieved<br>routinely, results are<br>also achieved for open<br>tasks | Excellence achieved with relative ease   |
| Autonomy               | Needs close supervisor or guidance   | Is able to achieve<br>some steps using own<br>judgement, but needs<br>supervision for the<br>overall task | Is able to achieve most<br>tasks using own<br>judgement                     | Able to take full responsibility for own work (and that of others where applicable)                | Able to take<br>responsibility for going<br>beyond existing<br>standards and creating<br>own interpretations |
| Coping with complexity | Has little or no idea of how to deal with complexity                         | Appreciates complex situations, but is only able to achieve partial resolution                            | Copes with complex situations through deliberate analysis and planning      | Deals with complex situations holistically, confident decision-making                              | Holistic grasp of complex situations, moves between intuitive and analytical approaches with ease            |
| Perception of context  | Tends to look at actions in isolation  | Sees actions as a series of steps   | Sees actions at least partly in terms of longer-term goals                  | Sees the overall picture<br>and how individual<br>actions fit within it                            | Sees overall picture<br>and alternative<br>approaches, has vision<br>of what may be<br>possible              |