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Brief Background and Introduction

I am a reflexive practitioner-scholar with an international track record of doing impactful work with executives, skilfully, in the areas of Leadership, Strategy, Executive Coaching and Business Model Innovation. I have deep knowledge and skill with facilitating learning experiences to co-develop transition frameworks for individuals, teams and organisations.



As a guiding purpose my aim is to co-produce knowledge that has a useful function in lived experience. I am inspired to produce useful knowledge, practice and artifacts, that promote zest, excellence and wellness, in order to sustain artistic performances in the practice of Leadership, Strategy, and Business Model Innovation. The sources of inspiration and motivation for this work comes from my ongoing engagement with the “real-worlds” of executives from my work with students, clients, and my own lived-experiences.

Recent and current projects

Some of my recent projects have been:

- Serving as Interim Dean and Director of the University of Cape Town’s Graduate School of Business to see the school through a leadership crisis over an 18 month period, from June 2018 until January 2020.
- Serving as Strategy advisor and facilitator to assist UCT’s executive team plan its 2030 vision and strategy.

My current projects include the following:

- Serving as Program Director of the Executive MBA at UCT’s Graduate School of Business, to transition it to the world’s first, fully practice degree focussed on Strategy and Leadership practice. During my tenure so far this program has sustained international accreditation and rank as the best Executive MBA on the African continent and amongst the top 50 programs in the world.
- Coaching executives, helping them develop personal transition frameworks for themselves, and their executive teams, often through crisis periods.

Recent published work in Leadership, Strategy and Business Model Innovation

Contemporary media

- <https://www.dailymaverick.co.za/article/2021-02-18-business-leaders-must-seek-a-different-logic-in-a-world-thats-overdue-for-a-great-reset/>
- <https://www.dailymaverick.co.za/opinionista/2020-11-19-trump-versus-biden-emotional-intelligence-is-what-separates-the-good-leaders-from-the-bad/>
- <https://www.dailymaverick.co.za/opinionista/2018-08-02-sa-deserves-investment-in-wiser-business-leaders/>
- <https://mg.co.za/article/2019-12-07-00-mindfulness-makes-for-more-ethical-business-leadership/>
- <https://www.dailymaverick.co.za/article/2018-11-13-business-schools-can-win-the-battle-for-relevance/>

Recent International peer-reviewed journals

- Sewchurran, K., Davids, L. M., McDonogh, J., & Meyer, C. (2022). Enlarging sustainability learning through integrative thinking with a focus on cultivating virtues. *Journal of International Education in Business*.
- Goshalia, C., McDonogh, J., Mhlanga, P., & Sewchurran, K. (2021). The Puppeteer behind the scenes: Toward understanding ecosystem leadership mechanisms to grow IoT in South Africa. *The Electronic Journal of Information Systems in Developing Countries*, 87(6), e12183.
- Steyn, F., & Sewchurran, K. (2021). Towards a Grainier Understanding of How to Encourage Morally Responsible Leadership Through the Development of Phronesis: A Typology of Managerial Phronesis. *Journal of Business Ethics*, 1-23.
- Sewchurran, K., Zaina, L., & McDonogh, J. (2020). Exploring within the 'black-box' of leadership to make sense of the performative dynamics of conversation. *Leadership*, 16(2), 200-219.
- Sewchurran, K., Dekker, J., & McDonogh, J. (2019). Experiences of embedding long-term thinking in an environment of short-termism and sub-par business performance: Investing in intangibles for sustainable growth. *Journal of Business Ethics*, 157(4), 997-1041.