Ziyanda Maseko

COPYWRITER | DIGITAL STORYTELLER

Cape Town, South Africa



PROFILE

Strategic Copywriter with 15+ years of experience creating clear, engaging, and accessible content across global brands and sectors. I specialize in turning complex ideas into accessible narratives that deliver results, whether through long-form reports, SEO content, email campaigns, or branded storytelling. Known for my sharp editorial eye, strong research skills, and ability to work independently or lead collaborative creative projects.

SKILLS

- Content Strategy & Copywriting
- SEO, Blogging & Social Media
- Web Content & UX Writing
- B2B Marketing & Customer Journeys
- Google Ads & Email Marketing
- Project Management

CERTIFICATIONS

Google Ads Search – Google Skillshop

Email Marketing – HubSpot Academy

WORK EXPERIENCE

Ghostwriter (Freelance) Jun 2024 - Present

- Writing articles, ebooks, and thought leadership pieces published under client bylines to generate views and increase engagement.
- Adapting tone of voice to match brand personas across platforms.
- Collaborating with clients to refine messaging and optimize for SEO, readability, and performance.

Skylum Software | Remote (Kyiv HQ) Copywriter (Contract) Jun 2023 – Jun 2024

- Boosted engagement and conversions for Luminar Neo photo editor via data-led email campaigns.
- Created SEO-optimised web copy and high-performing blog posts.
- Strengthened brand voice across social media and community channels

TOA Global | Remote (Cape Town, South Africa) Senior Copywriter (Contract) Aug 2022 – Apr 2023

- Enhanced audience comprehension of complex financial topics by creating clear and accessible content across multiple platforms.
- Shaped strategy and content for major product launches.
- Collaborated across departments to drive adoption and reach KPIs.

Career Karma | Remote (California, USA)

SEO Copywriter (freelance) Aug 2022 – Dec 2022

- Created curriculum-aligned content for Latin American schools.
- Strategically incorporated UN SDGs into lesson plans to promote global citizenship.

The Content Station | Remote (Cape Town, South Africa)

Content Developer (freelance)

Apr 2022 – Jun 2022

- Wrote actionable career guidance content.
- Boosted organic traffic through SEO optimisation and performance analysis.

Pixelogic Media | Remote (Cape Town, South Africa)

Editor (contract)

Feb 2022 – Aug 2022

- Edited film and TV scripts for Netflix, Prime, Disney, etc.
- Ensured cultural relevance and tonal consistency.

One to One Children's Fund | Remote (Cape Town, South Africa)

Creative Copywriter (freelance)

Jan 2022 – Jun 2022

• Developed fundraising copy and implemented a multi-channel content strategy that effectively increased donor engagement.

Apollo English | Ha Noi, Viet Nam English Teacher Jan 2021 – Jan 2022

- Delivered engaging lessons for diverse learners using multimedia tools.
- Adapted curricula to accommodate varying proficiency levels, resulting in improved student performance.

SmartOSC | Ha Noi, Viet Nam Content Marketing Executive Mar 2020 – Nov 2020

- Led content strategy and drove e-commerce growth through strategic content marketing initiatives and campaigns.
- Managed the company's blog and content calendar and created case studies, white papers, and sales content.

Global English School | Matsusaka, Japan English Teacher

Jul 2019 – Dec 2019

- Facilitated immersive English classes for diverse students using digital tools.
- Customized lesson materials and activities for students of all ages (from Pre-K to industry professionals)

News and Entertainment Journalist (Freelance) Dec 2009 – Jan 2018

- Reported on socio-political issues for media outlets and NGOs, including collaborations with UNFPA and others for awareness campaigns
- Covered a wide range of topics within news and entertainment, such as celebrity news, movie reviews, music events, television, theater, and more.

Education

Rhodes University 2017–2018 BA (Hons) English Literary Studies

Rhodes University 2015–2017 BA English & Psychology

Limkokwing University 2011–2014 Associate's Degree in Journalism, Media & Comms