

Profile



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Position:

PhD Candidate

Organization:

University of Botswana,
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Field of research:

Ecology and Natural
Resource management

Leadership Program for Emerging African Women in Science

Exploring the Role of Livestock on Natural Rangeland Productivity



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Zibanani Seletlo is a PhD candidate at the University of Botswana. Through a Jennifer Ward Oppenheimer research grant she received through Oppenheimer Generations – Research and Conservation, she is exploring the intersection between livestock management, environmental science, and machine learning. Her inspiration to pursue animal science came from her family, who are livestock farmers and she is driven to help livestock farmers with an improved understanding of natural rangeland productivity.

When she joined the AWARD Leadership Program for Emerging African Women in Science, Zibanani wanted to improve her writing, analytic, and presentation skills. “The program enhanced my proposal writing abilities, enabling me to secure funding and build strategic networks. Importantly, it has deepened my understanding of gender equity, ensuring my research is inclusive and impactful,” she says.

To younger women considering the program, Zibanani adds, “Embrace this opportunity; it will empower you to lead, innovate, and make a significant difference in science and your community.”