



Once's Research Solutions (ORS) Annual Report 2022-2023

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Introduction

ORS is an upcoming and fast-growing research consultancy company that focuses on copy editing (language and structure editing) and research coaching (research content advice). From December 2022 to December 2023, we have had exciting and challenging experiences. We have responded to our challenges vigorously, and grown spontaneously! We have worked on 37 research projects, composed of: 1 Post PhD research journal, 12 PhDs, and 24 Master's. We have enjoyed learning from a diversity of research topics emerging from fields of studies that some were new to us, thus: Radiography, Governance, Business, and Finance. While it was for the first time, the second highest number (6) of the projects that we worked on was Radiography. The number of clients from our other new fields in which we worked are: Governance/public management and allied fields (3), Business and Finance (3). We have also continued to work on projects from the fields that we have copy-edited and consulted for since the past more than 6 years. These are: Social Work, with highest number of our clients (8), Migration and Displacement (5), Educational Psychology and allied fields (4), Sociology (4), Psychology (3), and Public Health (1).

New Stuff at ORS?

1. We have launched our growing website! <https://onces.online/>
2. We have presented our work in a Gauteng provincial conference!
3. We have earned clients from new institutions!
4. This is our first report since our founding!

Our Approach

At ORS, we take a collaborative approach to consulting. We work closely with our clients to understand their needs and develop solutions that are tailored to their unique challenges. Our approach is transparent, results-driven, and designed to help researchers succeed.

Our 2022-2023 Work Overview

In several ways, 2022-2023 was a successful year for ORS and we are greatly appreciative of our client network that keeps growing, intrinsically and heavily through references mostly by our satisfied former clients, friends, and students' supervisors. We are pleased that through our networks we have worked with Master's students, Doctoral researchers, and seasoned researchers who most of them are working – and some hold higher offices – in several African and European countries including Zimbabwe, Zambia, Malawi, Tanzania, Kenya, South Africa, Spain, and Germany.

In 2023-2022, the pull of our African clients is from almost all major South African higher education institutions, as detailed in table 1 below. We have also managed to secure consultations and copy-editing work from Doctoral researchers registered in Europe's following institutions: Osnabrück University (Germany), Philipps-Universität Marburg (Germany), and Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona (Spain) (table 1 below).

Table 1: Overview of ORS' December 2022 to December 2023 clients and sources

Degree Program	Field of study	Institution	ORS' Work
Publication journal manuscript			
Journal manuscript	Public Health	University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa (SA)	Copy-editing
PhDs			
PhD	Social Work	University of the Witwatersrand, SA	Copy-editing
PhD	Migration and Displacement	University of the Witwatersrand, SA	Consultation
PhD	Migration and Displacement	University of the Witwatersrand, SA	Copy-editing
PhD	Educational Leadership and Policy Studies	University of the Witwatersrand, SA	Copy-editing
PhD	Migration and Displacement	University of the Witwatersrand, SA	Copy-editing
PhD	Educational Psychology	University of Johannesburg, SA	Copy-editing and consultation
PhD	Migration and Displacement	University of Free State, SA	Consultation
PhD	Migration and Displacement	University of Western Cape, SA	Copy-editing and consultation
PhD	Sociology	University of South Africa, SA	Copy-editing and consultation
PhD	Sociology	Osnabruck, Germany	Consultation
PhD	Sociology	Philipps-Universität Marburg, Germany	Copy-editing and consultation
PhD	Sociology	Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Spain	Copy-editing and consultation
Master's			
Master's	Psychology	University of the Witwatersrand, SA	Copy-editing
Master's	Social Work	University of the Witwatersrand, SA	Copy-editing
Master's	Management in the field of Governance	University of the Witwatersrand, SA	Copy-editing
Master's	Psychology	University of the Witwatersrand, SA	Copy-editing and consultation
Master's	Educational Psychology	University of the Witwatersrand, SA	Copy-editing
Master's	Imaging and Radiation Sciences	University of Johannesburg, SA	Copy-editing
Master's	Health Sciences Medical Imaging and Radiation Sciences	University of Johannesburg, SA	Copy-editing
Master's	Nuclear Medicine Technology	University of Johannesburg, SA	Copy-editing

Master's	Medical Imaging and Radiation Sciences	University of Johannesburg, SA	Copy-editing
Master's	Health Sciences Medical Imaging and Radiation Sciences	University of Johannesburg, SA	Copy-editing
Master's	Social Work	University of South Africa, SA	Copy-editing
Master's	Social Work	University of South Africa, SA	Copy-editing
Master's	Public Administration	University of South Africa, SA	Copy-editing
Master's	Public Management	University of Pretoria, SA	Copy-editing
Master's	Business Administration	Gordon Institute of Business Science, University of Pretoria (SA)	Consultation
Master's	MPhil in Development Finance	Stellenbosch Business School, SA	Consultation
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Master's	Social Work	South African College of Applied Psychology, SA	Copy-editing
Master's	Social Work	South African College of Applied Psychology, SA	Copy-editing
Master's	Educational Psychology	University of KwaZulu-Natal, SA	Copy-editing
Master's	Health Sciences in Radiography	Durban University of Technology, SA	Copy-editing
Master's	Social Work	University of Cape Town, SA	Copy-editing and consultation
Master's	Psychology	Sefako Makgatho Health Sciences University, SA	Copy-editing
Master's	Social Work	North-West University, SA	Copy-editing

By degree programme, the totals of our copy-editing and consultancy for the past 12 months are:

Table 2: Summary of clients' degree programmes

Post PhD	1
PhD	12
Master's	24
Total	37

Thus, based on our observations of the previous years, we have seen a more than double increase in our PhD copy-editing and consultation (table 2). Another interesting trend that we have observed this year is the diversity of the institutions (table 3) and study areas (table 4) that our clients emerged from:

Table 3: Number of clients per institution

Institution	Number of students per degree programme		Total students
	<i>Master's</i>	<i>PhD</i>	
University of the Witwatersrand, SA	5	6 (+ 1 Post PhD)	11
University of Johannesburg, SA	5	1	6
University of Free State, SA	-	1	1
University of Western Cape, SA	-	1	1
University of South Africa, SA	3	1	4
University of Pretoria, SA	2	-	2
Stellenbosch Business School, SA	2	-	2
South African College of Applied Psychology, SA	2	-	2
University of KwaZulu-Natal, SA	1	-	1
Durban University of Technology, SA	1	-	1
University of Cape Town, SA	1	-	1
Sefako Makgatho Health Sciences University, SA	1	-	1
North-West University, SA	1	-	1
Osnabruck, Germany	-	1	1
Philipps-Universität Marburg, Germany	-	1	1
Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Spain	-	1	1
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The University of the Witwatersrand (SA) has been our best source of clients for the past 12 months, while we also have a few institutions from which we earned our clients for the first time. Excitedly, we have learnt so much this year from the diversity of the field of studies, and new research topics that we have and continue to work on. Many new courses emerged from

the fields associated with Radiography, Governance, Business, and Finance. This has surely grown our excitement and kept us well-explorative to learn and understand different scientific concepts, ideologies, names, and theories. See the full list of the diversity in the fields of studies from which we have copy-edited and consulted for in table 4 below:

Table 4: Number of clients per field of study

Study area	Number of students/projects (Master's and PhDs)
Public health	1
Social Work	8
Migration and Displacement	5
Educational Psychology and allied fields	4
Sociology	4
Psychology	3
Public management and allied fields	3
Radiography and allied fields	6
Business and finance	3
Total	37

Indeed, this was an explorative and exciting period for us. We have been challenged, and we responded vigorously!

Other ORS success in 2022-2023!

Our other successes include presenting our work on copy-editing and research coaching in South Africa, Gauteng's 1st Radiation Sciences Conference that was held in 28-29 September 2023. Our work titled, "Scientific writing is KEY!" was welcome and appreciated at the conference.

Announcement!

In the beginning of 2024, we are excitedly being officially joined by one of the top South Africa's Radiographers as a research consultant/coach and copy-editor.

Conclusion

In the upcoming year stretching from December 2023 to December 2024, we look forward to continued work and expanding our network to impact and motivate more Master's students, and Doctoral researchers across the world!

We are addicted to scientific excellence

We leave you with some of our reviews that you can find on our home page: <https://onces.online/> and below is one of our Five Star Google Reviews:

Oncemore does his proofreading very thoroughly and his comments and corrections are very clear and understandable. You can tell from his responses that he is a well read scholar with years of intellectual experience and he encouraged me to think more critically. Most importantly, he has excellent time management. He gets the work done on time as agreed/promised. All I can say is thank you for your services you are a miracle worker. Highly recommend Oncemore!

- **Sasha Mutano**

We wish you a fantastic ending of 2023 and a fabulous 2024!

Looking forward to working with you on your research adventures...