

## **BIOGRAPHY – BOKANG FAKO**

Bokang Fako (she\they) is a black queer feminist activist currently based in Free State, Bloemfontein. She holds an LLB from the University of the Free State and is currently pursuing an LLM in Constitutional Law and Philosophy of Law in the same institution. She recently graduated as a 2023 fellow from the Futurelect SADC Public Leadership Program.

She is a researcher, with particular interest in gender advocacy and LGBTQIA+ issues. Bokang has worked with human rights and social justice institutions such as the Democratic Governance and Rights Unit (seconded at Pretoria High Court), the Free State Centre for Human Rights and Social Change Assistance Trust where she performed various research tasks, facilitated trainings and contributed to panel discussions.

Bokang has led in various structures as a student leader, such as Deputy President of the UFS Student Representative Council, and Secretary of the Student Parliament and recently served as Chairperson of "The Collective", an intersectional feminist think tank that she co-founded in 2019.