



Name	Nkululeko Serame
DOB	26/01/1987
Nationality	South African
Player Status	Available
Playing Role	Bowling All-Rounder (Spin)
Batting Style	RH Middle Order Bat
Bowling Style	RA Off Spin
Entry Route	International Sportsperson Visa (Scotland) / Europe
Coaching Qualifications	CSA Level 2

**** Only available for Scotland, the Republic of Ireland, and Holland ****

Nkululeko Serame nicknamed “the Professor” due to his qualification as an Advocate has enjoyed plenty of cricketing success over the years through hard work, extreme determination, and dedication to the game.

The evergreen off-spinner began with high promise as a teenager, going through the ranks of his native North West Province, to representing South Africa U19s at the 2006 U19 World Cup and having a strong List A season with Kwa Zulu-Natal and Dolphins in 2006/07, followed up with a call-up to the National Academy in 2007.

A year later, Serame put his cricket on hold and pursued a law degree at the University of the Western Cape in Cape Town. His success in the Western Province Cricket Association (WPCA) and the National Universities’ tournaments culminated with South African Universities' selection and re-inclusion to the WP first-class squad.

Serame continued to graft at club level, and after graduating from his alma mater, he showed his class by taking 40 wickets in just 5 matches for Ottoman Cricket Club, propelling them to their first-ever participation to the Western Province Premier League. His real breakthrough though, came after a successful UK summer in 2016 with Harrow St Mary’s CC, in the Middlesex County League, where he collected 48 wickets at an average of 16.70.

It was upon his return to his native South Africa where he was asked by Andy Moles to join South Western Districts

Cricket for the 2016/17 season, with the former New Zealand coach having known Serame when he coached him at University. Serame bowled beautifully in the 2016 Africa T20 Cup for SWD and followed that with a second innings 4-for and Career Best 64 against Western Province in the first-class season.

His performances caught the eyes of the Cape Cobras selectors and earned him a call-up to franchise cricket via the 2016/17 Ram Slam T20 competition, where he put together tidy spells and picked up important breakthroughs under the captaincy of West Indian Kieron Pollard. He finished the 2016/17 season on a high, taking a career-best 6-73 against North West, and remained in South Africa to pursue a level III coaching certificate as well as to do some courses on Nutrition and Natural Medicines.

Seen as a natural leader Serame began the 2017/18 season as stand-in captain for Boland, leading a young group to Namibia. During the December break, he worked harder at his batting behind the scenes and followed up his match-winning 56* for Hermanus CC with some gutsy innings in first-class cricket, where he is often employed as a night watchman. He had been influential in Boland's first-class victories in the second half of the season, helping the team with tactics, and picking up wickets regularly with his guile. His 52 against Northerns in the final match of the first-class season is an indication of his determination to get all aspects of his game to be par with one another.

In 2018/19, his 20 wickets at 36.30 for Boland culminated with a return to Franchise cricket, playing 7 CSA T20 Challenge for the Cape Cobras. He bowled beautifully, taking wickets in all bar 3 games, to include a best bowling spell of 2-28 (40) with the wickets of Macques Ackermann and Sibz Makhanya. Serame enjoyed another productive season for Boland in 2019/20, taking 21 wickets at 35.04 to include 2 five-wicket hauls. He also picked up a List A 5for (5-60) against Easterns, for his 3-Day 5-for against KZN-Inland 4-days later.

Between these two South African seasons, Serame returned to the UK in 2019 to play for Wembdon in the West of England Premier League. In all cricket, he took 52 wickets at 12.12 alongside 738 runs at 32.09. Given his success, Serame is eager to return to Northern shores again in 2022. His experience as a player and coach alike (after being the head coach of SWD's Black African development program), UK performances as well as his gutsy knocks in South Africa's provincial first-class scenes make him an ideal candidate for an overseas professional.

Overseas Statistics

Team (Season)	Mts	Inns	NO	Runs	HS	Ave	Ovs	Runs	Wkts	BB	Avg
Wembdon (2019)	30	26	3	738	100*	32.09	181.3	630	52	5/11	12.12

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