

GRADUATION CEREMONY

VISION 130

Renew and Reimagine
towards 2034



EXCELLENCE



FRIDAY
12 APRIL 2024
14:00

QWAQWA CAMPUS

Faculty of The Humanities

Bachelor's degrees, honours degrees, master's degrees, and doctoral degrees



UNIVERSITY OF THE FREE STATE
UNIVERSITEIT VAN DIE VRYSTAAT
YUNIVESITHI YA FREISTATA



PROGRAMME

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CONSTITUTION OF THE CONGREGATION

OFFICIAL WELCOME

MUSICAL ITEM

**CONFERRAL OF HONORARY DOCTORATE ON
ARCHBISHOP THABO MAKGOBA, PHD IN THEOLOGY (H.C.)**

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES

CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE

NATIONAL ANTHEM OF SOUTH AFRICA

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List of candidates receiving degrees, diplomas, and certificates:

Degrees, diplomas, and certificates of candidates who are unable to attend the graduation ceremony will be conferred in absentia.

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Nkosi sikelel' iAfrika

NATIONAL ANTHEM OF SOUTH AFRICA

Maluphakanyisw' uphondo lwayo,
Yizwa imithandazo yethu,
Nkosi sikelela, thina lusapho lwayo.
Morena boloka setjhaba sa heso,
O fedise dintwa le matshwenyeho,
O se boloke, O se boloke setjhaba sa heso,
Setjhaba sa South Afrika -
South Afrika.

Uit die blou van onse hemel,
Uit die diepte van ons see,
Oor ons ewige gebergtes,
Waar die kranse antwoord gee,
Sounds the call to come together,
And united we shall stand,
Let us live and strive for freedom,
In South Africa our land.

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- Please stand as the procession enters the hall
- Do not move around during the ceremony in order to take photos
- Please refrain from unacceptable actions such as whistling
- Please put your cellphone on silent so as not to disturb the proceedings
- We strive to conduct the ceremonies in a dignified manner
- Please do not leave the hall before the graduation proceedings have been concluded
- Family and friends who are unable to attend may watch the full graduation ceremonies through our livestream link at <https://livestream.ufs.ac.za>.

ABOUT THE UFS

The University of the Free State (UFS) has a proud history as one of the oldest institutions of higher education in South Africa. It opened its doors in Bloemfontein in 1904 as the Grey University College, with six students in The Humanities. Today it is a multi-campus institution, with two diverse campuses in Bloemfontein and one in Qwaqwa in the scenic Eastern Free State, accommodating more than 39 000 students in its seven faculties (Economic and Management Sciences, Education, Health Sciences, The Humanities, Law, Natural and Agricultural Sciences, Theology and Religion), with a significant number of international students and associates, and an ever-widening scope of active involvement in and contribution to its surrounding communities.

For the past 120 years, the UFS has been delivering quality graduates who have made their mark in various sectors. What sets the institution apart is its holistic student support initiatives, enabling it to achieve some of the highest success rates in the country. Delivering students who are in high demand in the global job market remains a top priority. An established network of industry partners and close collaboration with the public and private sectors, as well as a continuous process of transformation and curriculum renewal, dovetail to produce highly employable graduates.

UFS research efforts are driven by dedicated scholars, some of whom are international leaders in their fields, with industry and social impact and real-world application.

Through the principle of engaged scholarship, the UFS responds to societal needs by using its scholarly and professional expertise with an intentional public purpose and benefit.

The UFS is an institution that goes all out to provide its students and staff with an outstanding university experience. Everything the institution does is rooted in its values of excellence, innovation and impact, accountability, care, social justice, and sustainability.

The UFS aspires to be a research-led, student-centred, and regionally engaged university that contributes to development and social justice through the production of globally competitive graduates and knowledge. Our *Vision 130* is an elaboration of our strategic intent to reposition the university for 2034, when we will commemorate our 130th anniversary.

Inspiring excellence, transforming lives through quality, impact, and care.



BLOEMFONTEIN, QWAQWA AND SOUTH CAMPUSES

UFS Honorary Awards | UFS Honorary Doctorates

1950 GLP Moerdyk – DLitt (h.c.)
1951 NC Havenga – LLD (h.c.)
1952 Thos Blok – DEd (h.c.)
 SHS Rubidge – DSc (h.c.)
1955 CR Swart – LLD (h.c.)
 CA v Niekerk – LLD (h.c.)
1958 CPB Brink – LLD (h.c.)
 CF Visser – DEd (h.c.)
1959 DB Bosman – DLitt (h.c.)
 SP le Roux – DScAgric (h.c.)
 DF Malherbe – DLitt (h.c.)
 GH v Rooyen – MA (h.c.)
1960 SPE Boshoff – DLitt (h.c.)
1961 T Boydell – DPhil (h.c.)
1962 ES Botes – DEd (h.c.)
 PE Rousseau – DSc (h.c.)
1963 EH Louw – LLD (h.c.)
 EN Roberts – DSc (h.c.)
 JGF (Kaalkop) vd Merwe – DCom (h.c.)
 HF Verwoerd – DLitt et Phil (h.c.)
1966 PSZ Coetzee – DPhilTh (h.c.)
 PJ du Toit – DSc (h.c.)
 MS Louw – DCom (h.c.)
1967 SM Naudé – DSc (h.c.)
 LC Steyn – LLD (h.c.)
 BJ Vorster – LLD (h.c.)
1968 SJ Naudé – DCom (h.c.)
1969 CW (Nellie) Swart – DPhil (h.c.)
 AJJ Wessels – DCom (h.c.)
1970 GS Nienaber – DLitt (h.c.)
 HO Mönning – DSc (h.c.)
1971 N Diederichs – DCom (h.c.)
 RS Verster – DPhil (h.c.)
1972 LW Hiemstra – DPhil (h.c.)
 PJ Meyer – DPhil (h.c.)
1975 PJ Nienaber – DLitt (h.c.)
 De la H de Villiers – DScAgric (h.c.)
 GJ Stander – DSc (h.c.)
1976 AJA Roux – DSc (h.c.)
1978 SP Botha – DSc (h.c.)
 EM van Zinderen Bakker – DSc (h.c.)
 HB Thom – DEd (h.c.)
1979 FCL Bosman – DPhil (h.c.)
 G Cronjé – DSocSc (h.c.)
 CJF Human – DCom (h.c.)
1980 G Boonzaier – DPhil (h.c.)
1981 PW Botha – DPhil (h.c.)
 B Human – DCom (h.c.)
 SG Shuttleworth – DSc (h.c.)
1982 BLS Franklin – DPhil (h.c.)
 GvN Viljoen – DEd (h.c.)
1983 L Luyt – DCom (h.c.)
 SF Zaaïman – DPhil (h.c.)
1984 HS Steyn – DSc (h.c.)
 FR Tomlinson – DScAgric (h.c.)
 JH vd Berg – DMed (h.c.)
1985 L Alberts – DSc (h.c.)
 GG Cillié – DPhil (h.c.)
 SPD le Roux – DLitt (h.c.)
 A Polson – DPhilMed (h.c.)
 J du P Scholtz – DPhil (h.c.)
1986 S Grové – DMus (h.c.)
 FP Retief – DMed (h.c.)
 JA Stegmann – DCom (h.c.)

1987 WA Joubert – LLD (h.c.)
 B Kok – DPhil (h.c.)
 WP Venter – DCom (h.c.)
1988 JN Cloete – DAdmin (h.c.)
 FC Fensham – DLitt (h.c.)
 JW vd Riet – DPhil (h.c.)
1989 BJ Meyer – DSc (h.c.)
 N van Uden – PhD (h.c.)
1990 MG Corbett – LLD (h.c.)
 JS Rabie – DLitt (h.c.)
1991 SS Brand – DCom (h.c.)
 JW de Villiers – DSc (h.c.)
 GT Fagan – DArch (h.c.)
 JH Hofmeyer – PhD (h.c.)
 E v Heerden – DLitt (h.c.)
1992 JP Louw – DLitt (h.c.)
 H Olivier – DSc (h.c.)
1993 JD Anderson – DMed (h.c.)
 RR Arndt – DSc (h.c.)
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 JP vd Walt – DSc (h.c.)
1995 WA Landman – DEd (h.c.)
 WL Mouton – DPhil (h.c.)
1996 WDO Marasas – DSc (h.c.)
 NE Wiehahn – LLD (h.c.)
1997 AP Brink – DLitt (h.c.)
 B Hurwitz – DPhil (h.c.)
1998 FC Müller – DLitt (h.c.)
1999 FM Claerhout – DPhil (h.c.)
 JJF Hefer – LLD (h.c.)
 S Nigam – DSc (h.c.)
 WL Nkuhlu – DCom (h.c.)
 MA Ramphele – DPhil (h.c.)
 HJO van Heerden – LLD (h.c.)
 FJ van der Merwe – PhD (h.c.)
2000 MH Daling – DCom (h.c.)
 TN Liversedge – PhD (h.c.)
 I Mahomed – LLD (h.c.)
2001 BP Gilbertson – DCom (h.c.)
 NR Mandela – LLD (h.c.)
 EC Taglauer – DSc (h.c.)
2002 BH Meyer – PhD (h.c.)
 BAK Rider – LLD (h.c.)
 CF Slabber – PhD (h.c.)
 JM Stetar – DEd (h.c.)
2003 EWA de Corte – DEd (h.c.)
 HA Serebro – DPhil (h.c.)
 AG Sykes – DSc (h.c.)
2004 S Badat – DPhil (h.c.)
 R Bringle – DPhil (h.c.)
 J de Wet – DMus (h.c.)
 CF Fauconnier – DSc (h.c.)
 GJ Gerwel – DPhil (h.c.)
 WD Jonker – DTh (h.c.)
 A Krog – DLitt (h.c.)
 K Mokhele – DPhil (h.c.)
 CJC Nel (Posthumous) – PhD (h.c.)
 L Quayle – DMus (h.c.)
 T (Karel) Schoeman – DLitt (h.c.)
 YK Seedat – DMed (h.c.)
 MK Seely – DSc (h.c.)
 C Seerveld – DPhil (h.c.)

F van Z Slabbert – DPhil (h.c.)
 JC Steyn – DLitt (h.c.)
 PA Verhoef – DTh (h.c.)
 L van den Heever – LLD (h.c.)
 HA Wessels – LLD (h.c.)
2005 A du P Heyns – DMed (h.c.)
 JJF Durand – DPhil (h.c.)
 JA Groenewald – DSc (h.c.)
 WH Neuser – DTh (h.c.)
 M Ramos – PhD (h.c.)
 SJ Terreblanche – DCom (h.c.)
2006 T Moss – PhD (h.c.)
 PV Cox – PhD (h.c.)
2007 BJ (Bannie) Britz – DArch (h.c.)
 KPD Maphalla – PhD (h.c.)
2008 D Ferreira – DSc (h.c.)
2009 JC Look – PhD (h.c.)
 LTC Harms – LLD (h.c.)
 P Gordhan – PhD (h.c.)
 BBS Ngubane – PhD (h.c.)
 AH Strydom – PhD (h.c.)
 M Jones – PhD (h.c.)
2011 D Tutu – DTh (h.c.)
 P Fourie – DLitt (h.c.)
 OG Winfrey – DEd (h.c.)
 RWM Frater – PhD (h.c.)
 A Sawyer – DEd (h.c.)
2012 RJ Goldstone – LLD (h.c.)
 ER v Heerden – DLitt (h.c.)
 M Nussbaum – DLitt (h.c.)
 OW Prozesky – MD (h.c.)
 FDJ Brand – LLD (h.c.)
2013 ZKG Mda – DLitt (h.c.)
2014 ML Blum – PhD (h.c.)
 L Mulvey – DLitt (h.c.)
2015 L Brahimi – DPhil (h.c.)
 JM Samuel – DEd (h.c.)
 MA Oduyoye – DTh (h.c.)
 JD Sacks – DEcon (h.c.)
2016 RJ Khoza – DEcon (h.c.)
 TA Manuel – DEcon (h.c.)
 M du Preez – PhD (h.c.)
 J Samoff – DPhil (h.c.)
 F Haffajee – PhD (h.c.)
2017 PH Holloway – DSc (h.c.)
 M Botha – LLD (h.c.)
2019 BL Fanaroff – DSc (h.c.)
 J Mofokeng wa Makhetha – DLitt (h.c.)
2021 MB Molemela – LLD (h.c.)
 ZM Yacoob – LLD (h.c.)
 SM Pityana – DPhil (h.c.)
 RJ van Niekerk – DLitt (h.c.)
2022 WK Byanyima – PhD (h.c.)
 DM Davis – LLD (h.c.)
 DE Moseneke – LLD (h.c.)
 AL Sachs – LLD (h.c.)
 MJ Wingfield – DSc (h.c.)
2023 M Musk – DDiet (h.c.)
 A Ekwamu – DSc (h.c.)
 D Pepler – DSc (h.c.)
 PCJ Vale – PhD (h.c.)
2024 Salim Abdool Karim – PhD (h.c.)
 Thabo Cecil Makgoba – PhD (h.c.)

Shields of Honour, Council and Chancellor's Medals

1994 Prof FO Müller (Shield of Honour)
 RE Schoombie (Shield of Honour)
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 RE Schoombie (Chancellor's Medal)
1996 Prof S Mittman (Shield of Honour)
1997 Prof M Jansens (Shield of Honour)
1998 Prof CJC Nel (Chancellor's Medal)
 Prof C Swanepoel (Chancellor's Medal)
1999 WJ (Hansie) Cronje (Shield of Honour)
 Prof David Justice (Shield of Honour)
2000 Prof P Rosseel (Shield of Honour)
 Prof MJ Viljoen (Chancellor's Medal)
2001 Prof PC Potgieter (Chancellor's Medal)
2002 T Moss (Shield of Honour)
 Prof CD Roode (Chancellor's Medal)
2003 Prof HC Janse van Rensburg (Council Medal)

Prof SA Petersen (Shield of Honour)
 Ludo Helsen (Shield of Honour)
2008
2009 Prof JU Grobbelaar (Council Medal)
2010 Mrs AM Dippenaar (Chancellor's Medal)
2014 Dr H Verster (Chancellor's Medal)
2014 Mr JL Pretorius (Chancellor's Medal)
2016 Mr AD Osler (Chancellor's Medal)
 Ms M van der Merwe (Chancellor's Medal)
2017 Ms JS Isaacs (Chancellor's Medal)
2019 Mr JF de Villiers (Chancellor's Medal)
 Ms EM Oosthuizen (Council Medal)
2022 Dr N Pearce (Chancellor's Medal)
 Mr N Janse van Rensburg (Council Medal)
2023 Prof MG Lötter (Chancellor's Medal)
 Prof SC Brown (Council Medal)

Welcome to the graduation ceremony of the University of the Free State (UFS).

Today is a special day indeed. Few events and occasions hold as much significance as your graduation. This day is just as important for those who have supported you along the way. Many of you had to overcome a lot during your journey to get here today. Many of you are the first in your families to reach this milestone. You have earned this moment, and you should be extremely proud. Always acknowledge and recognise the significance of your achievements as you transition from being a University of the Free State (UFS) student to a UFS graduate.

Graduands, you have had the honour of studying at a 120-year-old institution that has a track record on par with well-regarded national peers, as reflected in the 2024 Times Higher Education World University and Impact Rankings. Sufficient evidence indicates that higher education has the potential to function as an agent of change and a means of serving the greater good. Although the mission of our university has always been to equip you with the knowledge and skills needed to make a difference in your field of study, we are also mindful that values are as important for you to make a difference in your communities.

The UFS places great emphasis on ensuring that students and staff have an outstanding university experience. In our pursuit of excellence, we are proud that our environment is conducive for intellect and knowledge to flourish. As such, our values of excellence, innovation and impact, accountability, care, social justice, and sustainability are embedded in all activities across the institution.

Graduands, irrespective of what you undertake in the future, remember to pursue your passion, and continuously have the desire to make a difference in the lives of others. Surround yourself with real people in real communities, while inculcating kindness, empathy, passion, and awareness of the real issues. If you want to tackle the unfinished goals of this country and create a better world – build bridges, remain morally astute, and grow your coalitions. Life can be challenging when you are on your own – however, great results can be achieved when you work as a collective.

It is up to you to align yourself with those who have a common cause, heal the divisions that keep us separated, and carry along those who have been left out and are struggling.

Congratulations to all our Kovsies graduands. May you have continued success in all your endeavours!

Best wishes

PROF FW PETERSEN

VICE-CHANCELLOR AND PRINCIPAL | UNIVERSITY OF THE FREE STATE

Re a le amohela mokiteng wa kabo ya dikgau wa University of the Free State (UFS).

Letsatsi lena ke le kgethehileng ka nnete. Ke diketsahalo tse mmalwa haholo tse bohlokwana jwalo ka ho abelwa kgau ya yunivesithi. Letsatsi lena le bohlokwana hape le ho batho ba ileng ba le tshehetsa leetong la lona. Ba bangata ba lona le ile la hlola maima a mangata leetong la lona ho fihla mona kajeno. Ba bangata ba lona ke lona ba pele malapeng a lona ho fihlella sehloholo sena sa katleho. Le fihlile motsotsong ona mme re motlotlo ka lona haholo.

Ka dinako tsohle amohelang le ho lemoha bohlokwana ba dintlha tseo le di fihleletseng ha jwale le tlaha boemong ba ho ba moithuti mona University of the Free State (UFS) ho fetela boemong ba ho ba graduate ya UFS.

Baithuti ba seng ba tla abelwa dikgau tsa yunivesithi e nang le dilemo tse 120, le bile le tlotala ya ho ithuta setheong sa thuto se nang le nalane e ntle e kgemang le bomphato ba yona ba hlomphehang naheng, jwalo ka ha ho boletswe ho 2024 Times Higher Education World University and Impact Rankings. Ho na le bopaki bo hlwellanang hodimo bo bontshang hore thuto e phahameng e na le monyetla wa ho sebetsa jwalo ka kofuto e hlphisang phetoho le mogkwa o hlphisang melemo e mehola ka ho fetisisa. Le hoja Mishini- thomo ya yunivesithi ya rona ka dinako tsohle e bile ho le hlomella ka tsebo le bokgoni bo hlokalahalang ho etsa phetoho dithutong, re boela re lemoha hore dintho tsa boleng di bohlokwana ho etsa phapang metseng ya lona.

UFS e kgothaletsa haholo ho etsa bonnete ba hore baithuti le moifo ba na le boiphihlelo bo hlaleletseng ka mahetla ba yunivesithi. Maikemisetso e rona a ho hahamella diphihlelo tse ipabolang, re motlotlo hore tikoloho ya rona ke e loketseng bakeng sa ho fana ka bohalele le tsebo ho atleha. Ka lebaka lena, makgabane a rona bakeng sa diphihlelo tse ipabolang, mehopollo e metjha le tshusumetso e ntle, boikarabelo, tlhokomelo, le toka e se nang leeme setjhabeng, le ho tswella ke dintho tse bopeletseng mesebetsing yohle ya setheo sena sa thuto.

Baithuti ba seng ba tla abelwa dikgau tsa yunivesithi, ho sa natswe hore na le tla etsa eng nakong e tiang, hopolang ho phehella ditabatabelo tsa lona ka tjheseha, mme le tswelle pele ho ba le takatso ya ho etsa phapang bophelong ba batho ba bang. Etsang hore le dikadiketswe ke batho ba sebele metseng ya sebele,



ha le ntse le ruta le ho jala mosa, kutlwebohloko, tjantjello, le temoho ya ditaba tsa sebele. Haeba le batla ho sebetsana le dipakane tse sa qetwang le ho theha lefatshe le betere – hahang marogo, dulang le le bohale, le ho theha maqhama a lona a ditshebedisano. Bophelo e ka ba bo phephetsang haeba o sebetsa o le mong – le ha ho le jwalo, diphetho tse babatsehang di ka fihlellwa ka tshebedisano le ho ba ngatana-nngwe.

Dintho di mahetleng a lona ho iphaphatha le batho ba nang le dipheo tse tshwanang, ho kwala dikgeo tse re arohanyang, le ho jara batho ba ileng ba siuwa morao le ba nang le mathata a ba sitisang.

Re thooletsa baithuti ba Kovsies kaofela ba rona ba seng ba tla abelwa dikgau tsa bona tsa yunivesithi. E se ka le ka ba le katleho e tswelang pele mekutung ya rona kaofela!

Ditakaletso tse ntle

MOPROFESARA FW PETERSEN

MOLAETSA: MOTLATSA MOKANSELIRI LE HLOOHO YA UNIVESITHI

Siyanamukela kumcimbi wokuthweswa kweziq weNyuvesthi yase-Free-State.

Namuhla wusuku oluyingqayizivele. Imibalwa kakhulu imicimbi enedumela okwedlula lo wokuthweswa kweziq. Lolu suku alubalulekile nje kuwe kuphela, kodwa esifanayo nakulabo ebebelokhu bekumisa idolu. Abanengi benu bebehalelwwe ukungoba izivunguvungu eziningi ngesikhathi nizama ukuchaba indlela enifikise lapha namuhla. Abanengi benu bangabokuqala ngqa emindenini ukufinyelela kuleli qophelo. Usuzizuzele umzuzu wenjabulo ongefanaswe, kumele uziqhenye - uzigqaje okwangempela. Hlala njalo ukutusa futhi uzincome ngeqophelo lezithukuthuku njengoba usudlula esigabeni sokuba umfundi weNyuvesi yase-Free State usudlulela ekubeni isifundiswa sayo.

Bafundi, nibe nethuba eliyingqayizivele lokufunda esikhungweni esineminyaka engama-120 nesinegama elihle uma siqhathaniswa namanye amanyuvesi angokawabo njengoba sibona ezikhungweni ezikelisa amanyuvesi okuyi-Times Higher Education World University ne-Impact Rankings - zikanyaka wezi-2024. Ubufakazi obugcwele bukhomba ukuthi imfundo ephakeme inamandla ekubeni izibuko lokuwelulela kwelinye izinga iphinde futhi ibe isizinda sempumelelo enhle. Noma sazi ukuthi inhlosonqangi yenyuvesi yethu kuhlale kuwukufukula abafundi ngolwazi oluhlabahlolile namakhono asemgagathweni ukuletha uguquko ezindimeni zemfundo, siyakuqondisa futhi nokuthi amava nawo abaluleke ngokufanayo kubafundi ukuze benze ushintsho olunomehluko emiphakathini yezwe.

INyuvesi yase-Free State ikuqikelela kakhulu ukwenza isiqiniseko sokuthi abafundi nothisha baba nesikhathi esimnandi abangasoze basikhohlwa emagcekeni enyuvesi. Emzameni yethu yokufezekisa ubuyinco, siyazigqaja ukuthi isikhungo sethu siyikhaya eliqhakambisa ulwazi nobuhlakani. Ukuqhuba kulokhu, singasho sithi, amava ethu obuyinco, uguquko nemithelela yalo, ukuzimela, ukunakekela, inhlanhlanhe, kanye nokubekelala ikusasa – kubonakala kuzo zonke izinhlelo zesikhungo.

Bafundi, noma ngabe yini ohlele ukuyenza esikhathini esizayo, ungakhohlwa ukubeka injolozela kokuthandayo, uphinde uqhubeke njalonjalo ube nentshisekelo yokwenza ushintsho ezimpilweni zabanye. Zihlanganise nabantu abaphilayo futhi abasuka ezindaweni ezinegama elihle ngesikhathi usemizamweni yokuveza ububele, uzwelo, uthando, kanye nokuqapha ngelokhozi izinkinga eziqhubekayo. Uma ngabe ufisa ukubhekana nezimfundo ezingakafezeki zaleli lizwe bese wakha indawo engcono yokuphila – yakha imivundla, ungasuki ekwenzeni kahle, bese ugcina abangani abaphusile. Impilo ingase ibe nzima uma usuyichwane lenyoka – kodwa noma kunjalo, imiphumela emihle iza mangabe uzibandakanya nabanye.

Kukuwe ukuthi ushokane nabantu abanentshisekelo efana neyakho, ulungise izimo eziqhatha abantu kuphele ubudlelwano, bese uba ihlombe lokukhalela labo abangenamlekeleli – abathwele kanzima.

Sithi halala kubo bonke abafundi bethu abazokuthweswa iziqu. Sengathi ningahlale niphumelela kukho konke enikwenzayo

Onifisela inhlanhla

USLZ. FW PETERSEN

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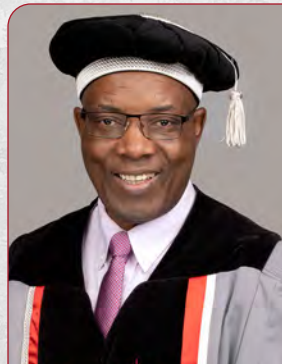
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Dr Thabo Cecil Makgoba is the Archbishop of Cape Town and Metropolitan of the Anglican Church of Southern Africa. He was born and spent his early years in Alexandra township, Johannesburg, and then – after his family was forcibly removed under apartheid laws – spent the rest of his childhood in Soweto. After his schooling at Orlando High, he graduated with a BSc at the University of the Witwatersrand, then trained as a priest at St Paul’s College in Grahamstown, where he earned a Diploma in Theology.

After ordination he served in Johannesburg, including at St Mary’s Cathedral and the Church of Christ the King in Sophiatown, and as Anglican chaplain at Wits University. During this time, he also graduated at Wits with a BA (Honours) in Applied Psychology and an MEd in Educational Psychology and lectured at Wits and at the Wits College of Education.

He was elected Bishop Suffragan of Grahamstown in 2002, as Bishop of Grahamstown in 2004, and as Archbishop of Cape Town in 2008. He serves as President of the South African Council of Churches and as Chancellor of the University of the Western Cape. He was an Adjunct Professor in the University of Cape Town’s Graduate School of Business.

Since moving to Cape Town, he has earned a PhD from the University of Cape Town. He has also received honorary doctorates from the General Theological Seminary, New York; Huron University College, Ontario; the University of the South, Tennessee; the University of the Witwatersrand; and Stellenbosch University.

He published his PhD thesis as *Workplace Spirituality in a South African Mining Context*, and a memoir, *Faith and Courage: Praying with Mandela*, in South Africa, the UK, and the USA.

He is married to Lungi Manona and they have two children, Nyakallo and Paballo. He loves walking, nature, and reading.



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link between names and
characterisation in the selected
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Supervisor: Dr M Khanyetsi

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Robert Moyo was born in Hwange, in Zimbabwe. He matriculated at Gebhuza High School in 2009. He obtained a BA (Media Studies) in 2014, BA Honours in Literature and Media Studies in 2016 and a Master of Arts in 2018 at the University of Venda, South Africa. While studying at the University of the Free State, he worked as an academic facilitator and lecturer in the English department. At present, he is a facilitator in the English department.

With his thesis titled: **DISPLACEMENT, HOME AND IDENTITY IN POST-2000 NORTH AFRICAN NARRATIVES OF IMMIGRATION**, the candidate analyses textual representations of the lived experiences of Arab and/or Muslim immigrants



from North Africa. Drawing on an eclectic choice of postcolonial approaches, Moyo argues that the continued “othering” of Arab/Muslim immigrants in Western countries jeopardises the prospect of a multicultural and borderless world implied in the neoliberal discourse of transnationalism and globalisation. His findings, which contribute to scholarship on postcolonial migration studies, extend ongoing conversations about deconstructing boundaries (physical and symbolic) and the harnessing of multiculturalism and transnationalism for a diverse multipolar world.

Supervisor: Prof R Makombe

Co-Supervisor: Prof O Nyambi

THAMBO, Saneliso

Saneliso Thambo, who was born in Bulawayo, and attended both Sizane High School and Solusi High School, in Zimbabwe obtained a Bachelor of Arts Honours in English and Communication Degree at the Midlands State University, Zimbabwe, as well as a Master of Arts in English Literature Degree at the University of Venda, South Africa. She later enrolled for Doctoral studies in the Department of English at the UFS and has worked in the department as a Learning Facilitator, Teaching Assistant and Junior Lecturer.

With her thesis titled: **NEGOTIATING ZULU IDENTITY/ZULUNESS: A CRITICAL ANALYSIS OF REPRESENTATIONS OF THE ZULU WOMAN IN SELECTED AUTO/BIOGRAPHICAL TEXTS**, the candidate contributes to scholarship on autobiographical narratives of Zulu women from KwaZulu-Natal. The study, which draws on autobiographical and feminist theories in its analysis of the selected Zulu women’s life stories, notes the distinct challenges faced by African women in rural and traditional patriarchy-dominated contexts and highlights the various ways women assert agency in difficult conditions. Saneliso’s study also unpacks the cultural landscapes that shape Zulu women’s identities and the conscious choices they make concerning marriage, education, and health. The study argues that the autobiographical narratives offer perspectives on the nature of Zulu womanhood and agencies they constituted under various social-political conditions specific to their experiences. By centring Zulu women’s narratives, the research contributes significantly to the focalisation of women’s experiences in the body of South African literary studies.

Supervisor: Prof R Makombe

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