



GRADUATION CEREMONY

QWAQWA CAMPUS

FRIDAY 14 APRIL 2023

09:00

VISION130
*Renew and Reimagine
towards 2034*

Faculty of The Humanities

Bachelor's degrees, honours degrees, and doctoral degrees



UNIVERSITY OF THE FREE STATE
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PROGRAMME

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CONSTITUTION OF THE CONGREGATION

OFFICIAL WELCOME

MUSICAL ITEM

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES

CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE

NATIONAL ANTHEM OF SOUTH AFRICA

DISSOLUTION OF THE CONGREGATION

PLEASE NOTE

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.

An* next to a name indicates that the degree, diploma, or certificate is awarded with distinction.

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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.

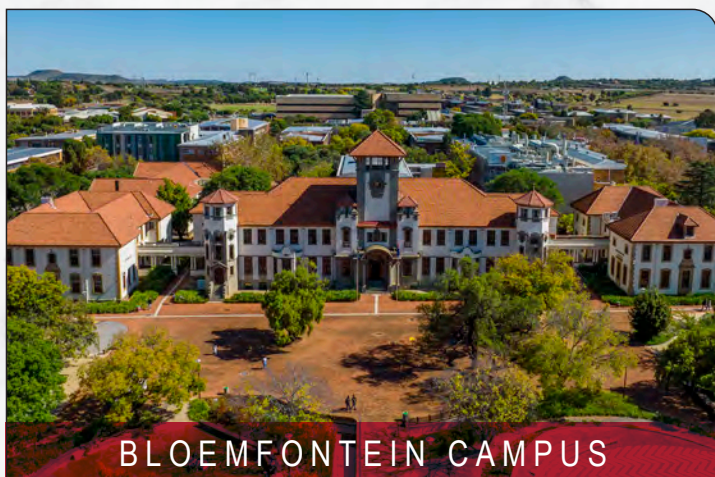
Uit die blou van onse hemel,
Uit die diepte van ons see,
Oor ons ewige gebergtes,
Waar die kranse antwoord gee,
Sounds the call to come together,
And united we shall stand,
Let us live and strive for freedom,
In South Africa our land.

In order to maintain the dignity of the ceremony, you are requested to take note of the following:

- 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>.

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

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 40 000 students in its seven faculties (Economic and Management Sciences, Education, Health Sciences, the Humanities, Law, Natural and Agricultural Sciences, Theology and Religion), with an increasing number of international students and associates, and an ever-widening scope of active involvement in and contribution to its surrounding communities.

For the past 119 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.

DEVELOPMENT OF THE UFS CREST OVER MORE THAN A CENTURY



1904

Up to 1935, the same coat of arms was used as the Grey College School.



1935

By 1935, with the name change to University College of the Orange Free State, the coat of arms fell into disuse, especially among students.



1947

In 1947, an agreement between management and students led to the new motto *Per Fidem ad Sapientiam* (Through faith to wisdom).



1950

In 1952, it was changed to *In Deo Sapientiae Lux* (In God is the light of wisdom). The traditional orange, white and blue, linking the UFS to the South African national colours, changed in the late 1990s.

The orange was replaced by cherry red.



2011

The academic brand - the historic University of the Free State crest that has been the symbol of the university since 1952, has evolved to embrace the aesthetic expectations of the stakeholders.

The shape of the traditional academic shield has been simplified and contemporised. Much of the symbolism of the crest remains intact, acknowledging the location of the UFS brand as one of the country's premier institutions of higher education, with a proud history of academic excellence and an ever-evolving, vibrant culture.

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Honorary Awards | Honorary Doctorates

1950	GLP Moerdyk – DLitt (h.c.)	1987	JA Stegmann – DCom (h.c.)		MK Seely – DSc (h.c.)
1951	NC Havenga – LLD (h.c.)		WA Joubert – LLD (h.c.)		C Seerveld – DPhil (h.c.)
1952	Thos Blok – DEd (h.c.)		B Kok – DPhil (h.c.)		F van Z Slabbert – DPhil (h.c.)
	SHS Rubidge – DSc (h.c.)		WP Venter – DCom (h.c.)		JC Steyn – DLitt (h.c.)
1955	CR Swart – LLD (h.c.)	1988	JJN Cloete – DAdmin (h.c.)		PA Verhoef – DTh (h.c.)
	CA v Niekerk – LLD (h.c.)		FC Fensham – DLitt (h.c.)		L van den Heever – LLD (h.c.)
1958	CPB Brink – LLD (h.c.)		JW vd Riet – DPhil (h.c.)		HA Wessels – LLD (h.c.)
	CF Visser – DEd (h.c.)	1989	BJ Meyer – DSc (h.c.)	2005	A du P Heyns – DMed (h.c.)
1959	DB Bosman – DLitt (h.c.)		N van Uden – PhD (h.c.)		JJF Durand – DPhil (h.c.)
	SP le Roux – DScAgric (h.c.)	1990	MG Corbett – LLD (h.c.)		JA Groenewald – DSc (h.c.)
	DF Malherbe – DLitt (h.c.)		JS Rabie – DLitt (h.c.)		WH Neuser – DTh (h.c.)
	GH v Rooyen – MA (h.c.)	1991	SS Brand – DCom (h.c.)		M Ramos – PhD (h.c.)
1960	SPE Boshoff – DLitt (h.c.)		JWL de Villiers – DSc (h.c.)		SJ Terreblanche – DCom (h.c.)
1961	T Boydell – DPhil (h.c.)		GT Fagan – DArch (h.c.)	2006	T Moss – PhD (h.c.)
1962	ES Botes – DEd (h.c.)		JH Hofmeyer – PhD (h.c.)		PV Cox – PhD (h.c.)
	PE Rousseau – DSc (h.c.)		E v Heerden – DLitt (h.c.)	2007	BJ (Bannie) Britz – DArch (h.c.)
1963	EH Louw – LLD (h.c.)	1992	JP Louw – DLitt (h.c.)		KPD Maphalla – PhD (h.c.)
	EN Roberts – DSc (h.c.)		H Olivier – DSc (h.c.)	2008	D Ferreira – DSc (h.c.)
	JGF (Kaalkop) vd Merwe – DCom (h.c.)	1993	JD Anderson – DMed (h.c.)	2009	JC Loock – PhD (h.c.)
	HF Verwoerd – DLitt et Phil (h.c.)		RR Arndt – DSc (h.c.)		LTC Harms – LLD (h.c.)
1966	PSZ Coetzee – DPhilTh (h.c.)		SJ Naudé – LLD (h.c.)	2010	P Gordhan – PhD (h.c.)
	PJ du Toit – DSc (h.c.)	1994	JJ Human – DPhil (h.c.)		BBS Ngubane – PhD (h.c.)
	MS Louw – DCom (h.c.)		JA Myburgh – DMed (h.c.)		AH Strydom – PhD (h.c.)
1967	SM Naudé – DSc (h.c.)		JP vd Walt – DSc (h.c.)	2011	M Jones – PhD (h.c.)
	LC Steyn – LLD (h.c.)	1995	WA Landman – DEd (h.c.)		D Tutu – DTh (h.c.)
	BJ Vorster – LLD (h.c.)		WL Mouton – DPhil (h.c.)		P Fourie – DLitt (h.c.)
1968	SJ Naudé – DCom (h.c.)	1996	WDO Marasas – DSc (h.c.)		OG Winfrey – DEd (h.c.)
1969	CW (Nellie) Swart – DPhil (h.c.)		NE Wiehahn – LLD (h.c.)		RWM Frater – PhD (h.c.)
	AJJ Wessels – DCom (h.c.)	1997	AP Brink – DLitt (h.c.)		A Sawyer – DEd (h.c.)
1970	GS Nienaber – DLitt (h.c.)		B Hurwitz – DPhil (h.c.)	2012	RJ Goldstone – LLD (h.c.)
	HO Mönning – DSc (h.c.)	1998	FC Müller – DMed (h.c.)		ER v Heerden – DLitt (h.c.)
1971	N Diederichs – DCom (h.c.)		FM Claerhout – DPhil (h.c.)		M Nussbaum – DLitt (h.c.)
	RS Verster – DPhil (h.c.)	1999	JJF Hefer – LLD (h.c.)		OW Prozesky – MD (h.c.)
1972	LW Hiemstra – DPhil (h.c.)		S Nigam – DSc (h.c.)		FDJ Brand – LLD (h.c.)
	PJ Meyer – DPhil (h.c.)		WL Nkuhlu – DCom (h.c.)	2013	ZKG Mda – DLitt (h.c.)
1975	PJ Nienaber – DLitt (h.c.)		MA Ramphela – DPhil (h.c.)	2014	ML Blum – PhD (h.c.)
	De la H de Villiers – DScAgric (h.c.)		HJO van Heerden – LLD (h.c.)		L Mulvey – DLitt (h.c.)
	GJ Stander – DSc (h.c.)		FJ van der Merwe – PhD (h.c.)	2015	L Brahimi – DPhil (h.c.)
1976	AJA Roux – DSc (h.c.)	2000	MH Daling – DCom (h.c.)		JM Samuel – DEd (h.c.)
1978	SP Botha – DSc (h.c.)		TN Liversedge – PhD (h.c.)		MA Oduyoye – DTh (h.c.)
	EM van Zinderen Bakker – DSc (h.c.)		I Mahomed – LLD (h.c.)		JD Sacks – DEcon (h.c.)
1979	HB Thom – DEd (h.c.)	2001	BP Gilbertson – DCom (h.c.)	2016	RJ Khoza – DEcon (h.c.)
	FCL Bosman – DPhil (h.c.)		NR Mandela – LLD (h.c.)		TA Manuel – DEcon (h.c.)
	G Cronjé – DSocSc (h.c.)		EC Taglauer – DSc (h.c.)		M du Preez – PhD (h.c.)
	CJF Human – DCom (h.c.)	2002	BH Meyer – PhD (h.c.)		J Samoff – DPhil (h.c.)
1980	G Boonzaier – DPhil (h.c.)		BAK Rider – LLD (h.c.)		F Haffajee – PhD (h.c.)
1981	PW Botha – DPhil (h.c.)		CF Slabber – PhD (h.c.)	2017	PH Holloway – DSc (h.c.)
	B Human – DCom (h.c.)		JM Stetar – DEd (h.c.)		M Botha – LLD (h.c.)
	SG Shuttleworth – DSc (h.c.)	2003	EWA de Corte – DEd (h.c.)	2019	BL Fanaroff – DSc (h.c.)
1982	BLS Franklin – DPhil (h.c.)		HA Serebro – DPhil (h.c.)		J Mofokeng wa Makhetha – DLitt (h.c.)
	GvN Viljoen – DEd (h.c.)		AG Sykes – DSc (h.c.)		MB Molemela – LLD (h.c.)
1983	L Luyt – DCom (h.c.)	2004	S Badat – DPhil (h.c.)	2021	ZM Yacoob – LLD (h.c.)
	SF Zaaïman – DPhil (h.c.)		R Bringle – DPhil (h.c.)		SM Pityana – DPhil (h.c.)
1984	HS Steyn – DSc (h.c.)		J de Wet – DMus (h.c.)		RJ van Niekerk – DLitt (h.c.)
	FR Tomlinson – DScAgric (h.c.)		CF Fauconnier – DSc (h.c.)	2022	WK Byanyima – PhD (h.c.)
	JH vd Berg – DMed (h.c.)		GJ Gerwel – DPhil (h.c.)		DM Davis – LLD (h.c.)
1985	L Alberts – DSc (h.c.)		WD Jonker – DTh (h.c.)		DE Moseneke – LLD (h.c.)
	GG Cillié – DPhil (h.c.)		A Krog – DLitt (h.c.)		AL Sachs – LLD (h.c.)
	SPD le Roux – DLitt (h.c.)		K Mokhele – DPhil (h.c.)		MJ Wingfield – DSc (h.c.)
	A Polson – DPhilMed (h.c.)		CJC Nel (Postuum) – PhD (h.c.)	2023	M Musk – DDiet (h.c.)
	J du P Scholtz – DPhil (h.c.)		L Quayle – DMus (h.c.)		A Ekwamu – DSc (h.c.)
1986	S Grové – DMus (h.c.)		T (Karel) Schoeman – DLitt (h.c.)		D Pepler – DSc (h.c.)
	FP Retief – DMed (h.c.)		YK Seedat – DMed (h.c.)		PCJ Vale – PhD (h.c.)

Shields of Honour, Council and Chancellor's Medals

1994	Prof FO Müller (Shield of Honour)	2008	Prof SA Petersen (Shield of Honour)
	RE Schoombie (Shield of Honour)	2009	Ludo Helsen (Shield of Honour)
1995	Prof FO Müller (Chancellor's Medal)	2010	Prof JU Grobbelaar (Council Medal)
	RE Schoombie (Chancellor's Medal)	2014	Mrs AM Dippenaar (Chancellor's Medal)
1996	Prof S Mittman (Shield of Honour)	2014	Dr H Verster (Chancellor's Medal)
1997	Prof M Jansens (Shield of Honour)	2014	Mr JL Pretorius (Chancellor's Medal)
1998	Prof CJC Nel (Chancellor's Medal)	2016	Mr AD Osler (Chancellor's Medal)
	Prof C Swanepoel (Chancellor's Medal)		Ms M van der Merwe (Chancellor's Medal)
1999	WJ (Hansie) Cronje (Shield of Honour)	2017	Ms JS Isaacs (Chancellor's Medal)
	Prof David Justice (Shield of Honour)	2019	Mr JF de Villiers (Chancellor's Medal)
2000	Prof P Rosseel (Shield of Honour)		Ms EM Oosthuizen (Council Medal)
	Prof MJ Viljoen (Chancellor's Medal)	2022	Dr N Pearce (Chancellor's Medal)
2001	Prof PC Potgieter (Chancellor's Medal)		Mr N Janse van Rensburg (Council Medal)
2002	T Moss (Shield of Honour)	2023	Prof MG Lötter (Chancellor's Medal)
	Prof CD Roode (Chancellor's Medal)		Prof SC Brown (Council Medal)
2003	Prof HC Janse van Rensburg (Council Medal)		

MESSAGE FROM THE RECTOR AND VICE-CHANCELLOR | PROF FW PETERSEN

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 an institution that commands a track record that is on par with well-regarded national peers, as reflected in the 2023 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 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 if you are on your own – however, great results can be achieved if 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 graduands. May you have continued success in all your endeavours!

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

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

Ka dinako tsohle amohelang le ho lemoha bohlokwa ba dintlha tseo le di fihleletseng ha jwale le tlhola 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, le bile le tlhola 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 boletse ho 2023 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 hlhisang phetoho le mokgwa o hlhisang melemo e meholo ka ho fetisisa. Le hoja mishini ya yunivesithi ya rona ka dinako tsohle e bile ho le hlomella ka tsebo le bokgoni bo hlokalalang ho etsa phetoho dithutong, re boela re lemoha hore dintho tsa boleng di bohlokwa 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. Maikemisetsong a rona ke ho hahamalla diphihlelo tse ipabolang, re motlotlo hore tikoloho ya rona ke e loketseng bakeng sa fana ka bohlahele le tsebo ho atleha. Ka labaka 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 bopeletsweng 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 tlang, hopolang ho phehella ditabatabelo tsa lona ka



ijheseho, 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 ntshe le ruta le ho jala mosa, kutlwelobohloko, tjanjello, le temoho ya ditaba tsa sebele. Haeba le batla ho sebetsana le dipakane tse sa qetwang le ho theha lefatsho le betere – hahang marogo, dulang le le bohlahele, le ho theha maqhama a lona a ditshebedisano. Bophelo e ka ba ho phephetsang haeba o sebetsa o le mong – le ha ho le jwalo, diphetho tse babatsehlang di ka fihlellwa ka tsehebedisano le ho ba ngatana-ningwe.

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 mora le ba nang le mathata a ba sitisang.

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

Siyanamukela emcimbini wokwethweswa kweziqo weNyuvesthi yase-Free-State.

Namuhla usuku olungeke lwakhohlakala. Mincane kakhulu imicimbi enedumela okudlula lo wokwethweswa iziqu. Alubalulekile kunina kuphela lolu suku, kodwa nakulabo ebebewa bevuka nani. Abaningi benu bebehlahelwe ukubhekana nengwadla ukuze bafike kulesi siphetho sanamuhla. Abaningi benu abokuqala ngqa emindenini yabo ukufinyelela kulesi sigaba sempilo. Niwujululeke lo mzuzu ngakho kumele nijabule ngendlela engefaniswe. Hlala njalonzalo ukutusa futhi ukubonga ukubaluleka kokuphumelela kwakho njengoba ukhula usuka ekubeni umfundi weNyuvesi yase-Free State udlulela ekubeni isifundiswa sayo.

Bafundi, nibe nethuba eliyinqayizivele lokufunda esikhungweni semfundo ephakeme esizishaya isifuba ngerekhodi elihamba phambili uma liqhathaniswa nelozakwabo ezingeni lezwe njengoba kugqamile ezikhungweni ezimbili ezikala ukuthuthuka kwamanyuvesi okuyi-Times Higher Education World University kanye ne-Impact Rankings. Ubufakazi obuphathekayo bukhomba ukuthi imfundo ephakeme inethonya lokusebenza njengesikhali soguquko nanjengentuba yokusimama njalonzalo. Noma sazi ukuthi inhlosonqangi yenyuvesi yethu ukukugixabeza ngolwazi namakhono adingekayo ukwenza ushintsho emkhakheni wakho wemfundo, kodwa asikushayi indiva ukuthi amava nobuqotho kusabalulekile nakho ekutheni nenze ushintsho nasemiphakathini yenu.

INyuvesi yase-Free State ikwenza ngobuyoninco ukuthi iqinisekise ukuthi abafundi nabasebenzi banomaka ongesuswe ezinhlizweni zabo wokuthi iyini inyuvesi. Entshisekelweni yethu yobuyoninco, siyaziqhanya ekutheni isikhungo sethu siyinkundla efanelekile ukuthi kusimame ulwazi nobunjulab'chopho. Lokho kusitshela ukuthi, amava obuyoninco bethu, ukuthuthuka ngolwazi lwesimanjemanje nomthelela walo, ukungabalekeli amaphutha, ukubekezelelana, ukungakethi iphela emasini, kanye nokucabangela isizukulwane esilandelayo kusezimpandeni zazo zonke izinhlelo zenyuvesi ezikhona.

Bafundi, noma ngabe yini ozozibandakanya nayo engomusweni/ekusaseni, ungakhohlwa ukuthi inhliziyi yakho ilele kuphi, ungalinge ulahlekelwe unembeza wokuletha uguquko ezimpilweni zabanye. Zibandakanye nabantu abahluzile futhi abaphuma emiphakathini ephilayo, ithi ukwenza lokho ube nobuntu, uzwele, ukubekezela, uphinde uhlolisise ukuthi yini ekhungathe umphakathi. Uma ufuna ukufezekisa amaphupho aleli izwe ulenze libe izwe elingcono – centa indlela yakho, ungabheki emuva futhi ungalutheki, bese usondeza izingcithab'chopho eduze. Impilo ingase ibe umqansa uma uyinkomo edla yodwa – kodwa nasi isisombululo, okuningi kungaphumelela uma uqonda ukuthi injobo ithungelwa ebandla.

Kukuwe ukuthi uzimatanise nabantu abahlelekile, bese ulwisana nokuxabana okwenza bagcine abantu bengasabhekani, bese welula isandla kulabo abakhishwa inyumbazane nabaphila ngonkosi sikelela.

Sithi halala kubo bonke abazothwesa iziqu!
Sengathi ningahlale niphumelela nanoma yikuphi lapho nihamba khona!

VISION130

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towards 2034*

The University of the Free State (UFS) aims to continue growing and extending its influence and impact locally, regionally, and globally. Vision 130 is an elaboration of our strategic intent to reposition the institution for 2034, when the university will commemorate its 130th anniversary. It reflects our ambition to be a university with a consistent outward focus, and to be profound in what we deliver – building on past achievements, while constantly transforming ourselves in order to stay relevant within the dynamic and ever-changing international higher education sphere.

VISION

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.

MISSION

The university's ultimate goal is to impart and generate new knowledge that impactfully supports societal development.

VALUES

The UFS subscribes to a set of values, explicated below, which shape and inform our culture and provide a framework for our actions and decisions.

Our values are realised through the conduct of the wider university community:

excellence, innovation and impact, accountability, care, social justice, and sustainability.

OFFICE-BEARERS



CHANCELLOR
 Prof BF Mohale
 Professor of Practice (JBS)



**RECTOR AND
 VICE-CHANCELLOR**
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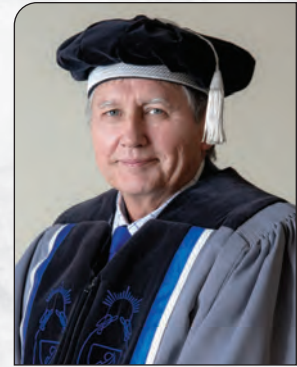
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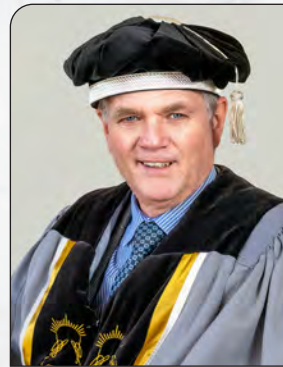
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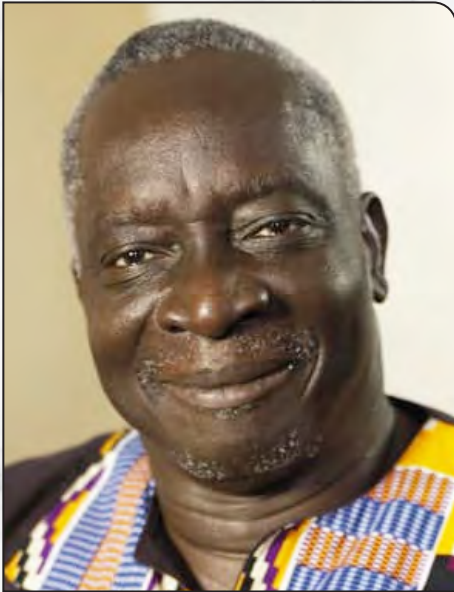


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Prof Adipala Ekwamu, a crop scientist by training, is a renowned academic with extensive experience in agricultural research and education. He obtained his BSc (1976) and MSc (1980) in Agriculture from Makerere University, Uganda, and a PhD in Plant Pathology from the Ohio State University in the USA in 1992. He had a long and distinguished career at Makerere University from 1980 to 2003, rising to the position of full Professor.

During his tenure at Makerere University, Prof Ekwamu made significant contributions to the institution, serving in various capacities and playing a leading role in strategic planning processes. He was instrumental in setting up the university-wide competitive grant system for the support of research and student scholarship programmes. He also founded the *MUARIK Journal* for the publication of research findings generated by the university.

In addition to his work at Makerere University, Prof Ekwamu has made significant contributions to agricultural research and education in Africa. In 1993, he founded the African Crop Science Society and the *African Crop Science Journal*, and in 2014 he founded the *African Journal of Rural Development*, a leading journal in Africa even today. He also served on several national committees, and in Uganda he spearheaded the reform of its agricultural research system, leading to the formation of the Uganda National Agricultural Research Organisation (NARO). He has served on several international committees, including the Advisory Committee of the International Foundation for Science.

Prof Ekwamu served as the Executive Secretary of the Regional Universities Forum for Capacity Building in Agriculture (RUFORUM). During his 18-year tenure, he transformed RUFORUM from a member-based organisation comprising 10 universities in five countries (Kenya, Malawi, Mozambique, Uganda, and Zimbabwe) into a network of 163 universities in 40 African countries. He supported the training of 2 500 master's and 670 PhD students and turned RUFORUM into a leading voice for higher education in Africa. Prof Ekwamu is a strong advocate for human capital development in Africa. Recognising that this is pivotal for development in Africa, he has promoted and supported rural transformation and innovative solutions to spur economic development on the continent. He championed collaboration between African universities and African governments, and through RUFORUM helped found the Committee of 10 African Heads of State and Governments Championing Education, Science, Technology, and Innovation (C10). He has mobilised close to one billion US dollars for higher education in Africa.



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Nonki Sylvia Motahane was born in Pietermaritzburg on 19 June 1988. She matriculated at Moteka High School, Qwaqwa, in 2005. She obtained her Bachelor of Arts in 2011, a postgraduate certificate in Education in 2012, Honors in English in 2016 and a Master's degree in 2018 from the University of the Free State. She worked as a teacher in Tshidiso-Xolani in Tweeling from 2013 to 2015. She was appointed in the Department of English, Qwaqwa campus as a tutor in 2016, as a teaching assistant in 2017 and subsequently as a lecturer in the English Department.

With her thesis titled, **MIGRANTS, MIGRATION AND MIGRANCY: MIGRANT EXPERIENCES OF SOUTH AFRICA IN CONTEMPORARY AFRICAN LITERATURE**, the candidate contributes to our understanding of migrant experiences of South Africa as reflected in contemporary African literature. With this contribution, she attempts to reveal how imaginative literature unsettle and extend epistemological sites of knowing and re-knowing the migrant experience in South Africa. The results of this investigation serve as an indication of the value this type of intervention holds for the attempt to find a solution to the question of how and where we know South Africa as a migrant space, a space that simultaneously includes and excludes, rejects and accepts, inspire and deter belonging.

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Mveli Stephen Nhlapo was born on 17 August 1968 in Bohlokong Township in Bethlehem, Free State Province of South Africa. He matriculated at Tiisetsang High School in Bethlehem in 1991 and later graduated with a B.A (Ed.) degree in 1997, B.A Hons in Geography in 1998 and a Master of Arts in Tourism Development and Planning 2001 at the University of the North (Qwaqwa Campus). His career in tourism development, environment and waste management began in 2003 in Qwaqwa where he has worked as the manager tourism in the department of local economic development in the Maluti –a- Phofung Local Municipality. Presently, he is the manager of the Environment and Waste Management Department in the same municipality.

With his thesis titled, **TOWARDS AN INTEGRATED MUNICIPAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING TOOL FOR THE THABO MOFUTSANYANA DISTRICT OF SOUTH AFRICA**, the candidate contributes to scholarship on environmental management by applying municipal planning tools in the Thabo Mofutsanyana District, where he examined their effectiveness in environmental protection. A qualitative research design was adopted in the analysis of thirty-two municipal planning tools, including seven integrated development plans, seven spatial development frameworks, six environmental management plans, seven integrated waste management plans and five tourism sector plans. Additional information was obtained from sixteen officials who participated in a focus group discussion and interviews, as well as field observations. The findings revealed that the Integrated Development Plans of local municipalities in the district do not match the requirements of the Municipal Systems Act 32 of 2000 (MSA) and the National Environmental Management Act 107 of 1998 (NEMA). The results also show that environmental plans are not integrated into the municipal planning practices in the district. There is a lack of consistent alignment between municipal planning tools and the Integrated Development Plans of the municipalities. The study concludes that environmental challenges in the Thabo Mofutsanyana District Municipality are the result of information gaps and deficiencies in municipal planning tools. Hence, the environmental degradation prevailing in local municipalities in the Thabo Mofutsanyana District calls for an alternative planning tool, the Integrated Municipal Environmental Planning Tool, whose adoption can ensure that environmental plans are embedded into the development planning structures and guidelines of these municipalities.

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YOKE PATTERNS

Yoke pattern for the Chancellor and Vice-Chancellor



This Seanamarena pattern is an interpretation of a design used exclusively for the king and chiefs – which means 'to swear by the king'. This blanket has the highest status of all Basotho blankets.

Yoke pattern for the Chairperson of the Council



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Yoke pattern for the Vice-Rector




This Seanamarena Poone design symbolises good crops, wealth, and fertility. The Poone is given as a present to honour an important visitor.

Yoke pattern for Registrar



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