

GRADUATION CEREMONY

VISION 130

Renew and Reimagine
towards 2034



EXCELLENCE



TUESDAY
16 APRIL 2024
13:30

BLOEMFONTEIN CAMPUS

Faculty of The Humanities

Diplomas, bachelor'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

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.

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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.)	1987	WA Joubert – LLD (h.c.) B Kok – DPhil (h.c.) WP Venter – DCom (h.c.)		F van Z Slabbert – DPhil (h.c.) JC Steyn – DLitt (h.c.) PA Verhoef – DTh (h.c.)
1951	NC Havenga – LLD (h.c.)		JJN Cloete – DAdmin (h.c.)		L van den Heever – LLD (h.c.) HA Wessels – LLD (h.c.)
1952	Thos Blok – DEd (h.c.) SHS Rubidge – DSc (h.c.)	1988	FC Fensham – DLitt (h.c.) JW vd Riet – DPhil (h.c.)	2005	A du P Heyns – DMed (h.c.) JJF Durand – DPhil (h.c.) JA Groenewald – DSc (h.c.)
1955	CR Swart – LLD (h.c.) CA v Niekerk – LLD (h.c.)	1989	BJ Meyer – DSc (h.c.) N van Uden – PhD (h.c.)		WH Neuser – DTh (h.c.) M Ramos – PhD (h.c.) SJ Terreblanche – DCom (h.c.)
1958	CPB Brink – LLD (h.c.) CF Visser – DEd (h.c.)	1990	MG Corbett – LLD (h.c.) JS Rabie – DLitt (h.c.)	2006	T Moss – PhD (h.c.) PV Cox – PhD (h.c.) BJ (Bannie) Britz – DArch (h.c.)
1959	DB Bosman – DLitt (h.c.) SP le Roux – DScAgric (h.c.) DF Malherbe – DLitt (h.c.)	1991	SS Brand – DCom (h.c.) JWL de Villiers – DSc (h.c.) GT Fagan – DArch (h.c.)	2007	KPD Maphalla – PhD (h.c.) D Ferreira – DSc (h.c.) JC Loock – PhD (h.c.)
1960	GH v Rooyen – MA (h.c.) SPE Boshoff – DLitt (h.c.)	1992	JH Hofmeyer – PhD (h.c.) E v Heerden – DLitt (h.c.) JP Louw – DLitt (h.c.)	2008	LTC Harms – LLD (h.c.) P Gordhan – PhD (h.c.) BBS Ngubane – PhD (h.c.)
1961	T Boydell – DPhil (h.c.)	1993	H Olivier – DSc (h.c.) JD Anderson – DMed (h.c.) RR Arndt – DSc (h.c.)	2009	AH Strydom – PhD (h.c.) M Jones – PhD (h.c.) D Tutu – DTh (h.c.)
1962	ES Botes – DEd (h.c.) PE Rousseau – DSc (h.c.)	1994	SJ Naudé – LLD (h.c.) JJ Human – DPhil (h.c.) JA Myburgh – DMed (h.c.)	2010	P Fourie – DLitt (h.c.) OG Winfrey – DEd (h.c.) RWM Frater – PhD (h.c.)
1963	EH Louw – LLD (h.c.) EN Roberts – DSc (h.c.) JGF (Kaalkop) vd Merwe – DCom (h.c.)	1995	JP vd Walt – DSc (h.c.) WA Landman – DEd (h.c.) WL Mouton – DPhil (h.c.)	2011	A Sawyer – DEd (h.c.) RJ Goldstone – LLD (h.c.) ER v Heerden – DLitt (h.c.)
1966	HF Verwoerd – DLitt et Phil (h.c.) PSZ Coetzee – DPhilTh (h.c.) PJ du Toit – DSc (h.c.)	1996	WDO Marasas – DSc (h.c.) NE Wiehahn – LLD (h.c.) AP Brink – DLitt (h.c.)	2012	M Nussbaum – DLitt (h.c.) OW Prozesky – MD (h.c.) FDJ Brand – LLD (h.c.)
1967	MS Louw – DCom (h.c.) SM Naudé – DSc (h.c.) LC Steyn – LLD (h.c.)	1997	B Hurwitz – DPhil (h.c.) FC Müller – DMed (h.c.) FM Claerhout – DPhil (h.c.)	2013	ZKG Mda – LLD (h.c.) ML Blum – PhD (h.c.) L Mulvey – DLitt (h.c.)
1968	BJ Vorster – LLD (h.c.) SJ Naudé – DCom (h.c.)	1998	AP Brink – DLitt (h.c.) B Hurwitz – DPhil (h.c.) FC Müller – DMed (h.c.)	2014	L Brahim – DPhil (h.c.) JM Samuel – DEd (h.c.) MA Oduyoye – DTh (h.c.)
1969	CW (Nellie) Swart – DPhil (h.c.) AJJ Wessels – DCom (h.c.)	1999	JJF Hefer – LLD (h.c.) S Nigam – DSc (h.c.) WL Nkuhlu – DCom (h.c.)	2015	RJ Khoza – DEcon (h.c.) TA Manuel – DEcon (h.c.) M du Preez – PhD (h.c.)
1970	GS Nienaber – DLitt (h.c.) HO Mönning – DSc (h.c.)		MA Ramphela – DPhil (h.c.) HJO van Heerden – LLD (h.c.) FJ van der Merwe – PhD (h.c.)	2016	J Samoff – DPhil (h.c.) F Haffajee – PhD (h.c.) PH Holloway – DSc (h.c.)
1971	N Diederichs – DCom (h.c.) RS Verster – DPhil (h.c.)	2000	MH Daling – DCom (h.c.) TN Liversedge – PhD (h.c.) I Mahomed – LLD (h.c.)	2017	M Botha – LLD (h.c.) BL Fanaroff – DSc (h.c.) J Mofokeng wa Makhetha – DLitt (h.c.)
1972	LW Hiemstra – DPhil (h.c.) PJ Meyer – DPhil (h.c.)	2001	BP Gilbertson – DCom (h.c.) NR Mandela – LLD (h.c.) EC Taglauer – DSc (h.c.)	2019	MB Molemela – LLD (h.c.) ZM Yacoob – LLD (h.c.) SM Pityana – DPhil (h.c.)
1975	PJ Nienaber – DLitt (h.c.) De la H de Villiers – DScAgric (h.c.) GJ Stander – DSc (h.c.)	2002	BH Meyer – PhD (h.c.) BAK Rider – LLD (h.c.) CF Slabber – PhD (h.c.)	2021	RJ van Niekerk – DLitt (h.c.) WK Byanyima – PhD (h.c.) DM Davis – LLD (h.c.)
1976	AJA Roux – DSc (h.c.) SP Botha – DSc (h.c.)	2003	JM Stetar – DEd (h.c.) EWA de Corte – DEd (h.c.) HA Serebro – DPhil (h.c.)	2022	DE Moseneke – LLD (h.c.) AL Sachs – LLD (h.c.) MJ Wingfield – DSc (h.c.)
1978	EM van Zinderen Bakker – DSc (h.c.) HB Thom – DEd (h.c.)	2004	AG Sykes – DSc (h.c.) S Badat – DPhil (h.c.) R Bringle – DPhil (h.c.)	2023	M Musk – DDiet (h.c.) A Ekwamu – DSc (h.c.) D Pepler – DSc (h.c.)
1979	FCL Bosman – DPhil (h.c.) G Cronjé – DSocSc (h.c.) CJF Human – DCom (h.c.)		J de Wet – DMus (h.c.) CF Fauconnier – DSc (h.c.) GJ Gerwel – DPhil (h.c.)	2024	PCJ Vale – PhD (h.c.) Salim Abdool Karim – PhD (h.c.) Thabo Cecil Makgoba – PhD (h.c.)
1980	G Boonzaier – DPhil (h.c.)		WD Jonker – DTh (h.c.) A Krog – DLitt (h.c.) K Mokhele – DPhil (h.c.)		
1981	PW Botha – DPhil (h.c.) B Human – DCom (h.c.)		CJC Nel (Posthumous) – PhD (h.c.) L Quayle – DMus (h.c.) T (Karel) Schoeman – DLitt (h.c.)		
1982	SG Shuttleworth – DSc (h.c.) BLS Franklin – DPhil (h.c.)		YK Seedat – DMed (h.c.) MK Seely – DSc (h.c.) C Seerveld – DPhil (h.c.)		
1983	GvN Vijoen – DEd (h.c.) L Luyt – DCom (h.c.)				
1984	SF Zaaïman – DPhil (h.c.) HS Steyn – DSc (h.c.)				
1985	FR Tomlinson – DScAgric (h.c.) JH vd Berg – DMed (h.c.)				
1986	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.)				
	S Grové – DMus (h.c.) FP Retief – DMed (h.c.) JA Stegmann – DCom (h.c.)				

Shields of Honour, Council and Chancellor's Medals

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

MESSAGE FROM VICE-CHANCELLOR AND PRINCIPAL | 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 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 Kopsie graduands. May you have continued success in all your endeavours!

Best wishes

PROF FW PETERSEN

VICE-CHANCELLOR AND PRINCIPAL | UNIVERSITY OF THE FREE STATE

Welkom by die Universiteit van die Vrystaat (UV) se gradeplegtigheid.

Vandag is voorwaar 'n spesiale dag. Min gebeurtenisse en geleenthede het soveel betekenis as 'n mens se gradeplegtigheid. Hierdie dag is net so belangrik vir diegene wat julle langs die pad ondersteun het. Baie van julle moes talle uitdagings te bowe kom tydens julle reis om vandag hier te wees. Baie van julle is die eerste in julle gesinne om hierdie mylpaal te bereik. Julle het hierdie oomblik verdien en julle kan baie trots wees daarop.

Erken en herken altyd die belangrikheid van jou prestasie waar jy van 'n student van die Universiteit van die Vrystaat (UV) beweeg na 'n UV-gegradeerde.

Gegradeerdes, julle het die eer gehad om aan 'n 120-jaar-oue instelling te studeer wat 'n prestasierekord het wat gelykstaande is aan welbekende nasionale eweknieë, soos weerspieël in die 2024 Times Higher Education World University en Impact-ranglys. Talle bewyse dui daarop dat hoër onderwys die potensiaal het om te dien. Alhoewel die missie van ons universiteit nog altyd was om julle toe te rus met kennis en vaardighede wat nodig is om 'n verskil in julle studieveld te maak, is ons ook bedag daarop dat waardes vir julle net so belangrik is om 'n verskil in julle gemeenskappe te maak.

Die UV plaas groot klem daarop om te verseker dat studente en personeel 'n voortrefflike universiteitservaring het. In ons strewe na uitnemendheid is ons trots dat ons omgewing bevorderlik is vir intellek en kennis om te floreer. As sodanig is ons waardes van uitnemendheid, innovasie en impak, aanspreeklikheid, omgee, sosiale geregtigheid en volhoubaarheid ingebed in alle aktiwiteite oor die instelling heen.

Gegradeerdes, ongeag wat julle in die toekoms aanpak, onthou om julle passie na te streef en behou die begeerte om voortdurend 'n verskil in ander se lewens te maak. Omring juisself met regte mense in regte gemeenskappe, terwyl julle welwillendheid, empatie, passie en bewustheid van werklike kwessies inskerp. As



julle die onvoltooide doelwitte van hierdie land wil aanpak en 'n beter wêreld wil skep – bou brûe, bly moreel skerpinnig, en laat julle koalises groei. Die lewe kan uitdagend wees as 'n mens op jou eie is – goeie resultate kan egter behaal word as julle as 'n groep saamwerk.

Dit is julle verantwoordelikheid om juisself in ooreenstemming te bring met diegene wat 'n gemeenskaplike saak het, die verdeeldheid te genees wat ons verdeeld hou, en om diegene wat uitgelaat is en sukkel, met julle saam te neem.

Baie geluk aan al ons Kopsie-graduandi. Mag julle voortgesette sukses in al julle ondernemings behaal!

Beste wense

PROF FW PETERSEN

VISEKANSIELIER EN PRINSIPAAL | UNIVERSITEIT VAN DIE VRYSTAAT

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 tshheheta 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 fihille 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 toha 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 tlotla 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 hlaisang phetoho le mokgwa o hlaisang melemo e meholo ka ho fetisisa. Le hoja Mishini- thomo ya yunivesithi ya rona ka dinako tsohle e bile ho le hlomella ka tsebo le bokgoni bo hlokalang ho etsa phetoho dithutong, re boela re lemoha hore dinto tsa boleng di bohlokwa ho etsa phapang metseng ya lona.

UFS e kgothaetsa haholo ho etsa bonnete ba hore baithuti le moifo ba na le bophihlelo bo hlaleletseng ka mahetla ba yunivesithi. Maikemisetsong a rona a ho hahamalla diphihlelo tse ipabolang, re motlotlo hore tikocho ya rona ke e loketseng bakeng sa ho fana ka bohlaire le tsebo ho atleha. Ka lebaka lena, makgabane a rona bakeng sa diphihlelo tse ipabolang, mehopolo e metjha le tshusumetso e ntle, boikarabelo, tlhokomelo, le toka e se nang leeme setjhabeng, le ho tswella ke dinto tse bopelatseng 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 ditabatabo tsa lona ka tsheseho, 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, kuti welobohloko, 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 bohlaire, 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 babatseheng di ka fihlellwa ka tshhebedisano le ho ba ngatana-nngwe.

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

Re thoholetsa baithuti ba Kopsies 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!

Ditakaleto tse ntle

MOPROFESARA FW PETERSEN

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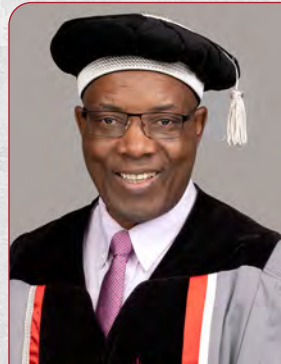
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GUEST SPEAKER

MS REFILOE HOOHLO-ZEPHYRINE



Refiloe Hooхло-Zephyrine played a pivotal role in driving forward the South African Reserve Bank's 2025 vision for financial inclusion through the successful launch of PayShap. As the driving force behind the brand and marketing strategy, she collaborated closely with banking partners to devise effective go-to market strategies that resonate with the target audience. PayShap stands as a testament to her commitment to advancing financial accessibility for lower-income individuals, aligning perfectly with the Reserve Bank's overarching vision. Before completing a master's degree in Marketing Management at the University of Westminster in the United Kingdom, she received a diploma in Marketing and Sales Management from the Cape Peninsula University of Technology and a postgraduate qualification in Account Handling from the AAA School of Advertising.

Before her involvement with PayShap, Hooхло-Zephyrine honed her strategic skills as the Strategy Manager at Pick n Pay Stores Limited. In this role, she facilitated strategic dialogues between various business entities and suppliers, fostering mutually beneficial partnerships and ensuring alignment with organisational objectives. Additionally, she spearheaded the development of customer-centric campaigns aimed at enhancing the in-store experience and driving awareness for private label products. Her innovative approaches and keen understanding of consumer behaviour contributed significantly to the company's success in a competitive retail landscape.

Outside of her professional endeavours, Hooхло-Zephyrine is deeply committed to giving back to her community and promoting educational initiatives. She serves as a board member at St Mary's School, Waverley, and the Teddy Bear Foundation

– leveraging her expertise to support initiatives aimed at empowering youth and fostering personal development. Additionally, her role as a Council member of the University of the Free State underscores her dedication to advancing higher education opportunities and promoting positive change on a broader scale. Her multifaceted contributions across various sectors highlight her unwavering commitment to driving positive change and making a lasting impact on society.



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With her thesis titled: **ANNA PETRONELLA VAN HEERDEN: A PSYCHOBIOGRAPHY OF THE FIRST AFRIKAANS FEMINIST MEDICAL PRACTITIONER**, the candidate contributes to the field of South African psychobiography of eminent women. Petronella (1887-1975) was a marginalised medical figure in South African history due to her strong feminist, socialist and anti-racist opinions. This psychobiography utilised two frameworks: Levinson's theory and Downing and Roush's Feminist Identity Development model. The findings revealed that biopsychosocial factors (e.g., her medical occupation, gender identity, feminist outlook, and intimate relationships) influenced her lifespan development. In terms of Downing and Roush's model, Petronella had an alternative 'fit' into the *Passive Acceptance* stage of the traditional female role. Petronella was embedded within the *Emanation stage*, as demonstrated in her emancipatory outlook on gender, her socialist stance, and her anti-racism. These frameworks proved useful in the psychobiographical reconstruction of Petronella's life and contributed to sketching her lifespan and gender identity development. roles, identity, and politics shaped her eminent and controversial personality.

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DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY WITH SPECIALISATION IN ENGLISH

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Mirjam Diladileni Debbie Mbango was born in 1966 in Owamboland, Namibia. She matriculated at Ongwediva High School in 1986, obtained a Higher Secondary Teachers Diploma at the University of Fort Hare, South Africa, in 1990 and later obtained a Bachelor of Technology in Education Management from Tshwane University of Technology. She graduated with a Masters of Education degree from the University of St Mark and St John, Plymouth, England. Her career as a teacher began in 1991, culminating in an appointment as Senior Education Officer for English at Grade 4 to 12. She is currently employed as lecturer at the International University of Management, in Namibia.

With her thesis titled: **A CHILD RIGHTS-BASED APPROACH TO LANGUAGE TEACHING: AN AID TO INCLUSIVE EDUCATION AND RESPONSIBLE LEARNING IN NAMIBIA**, the candidate contributes to scholarship on teacher professional development, focusing on how teachers of English as second language may present learner-centred lessons. Using a qualitative approach, Mirjam sampled 4 teachers from an education directorate in rural northern Namibia, to determine whether teachers in Namibia employ a child rights-based approach in their English second language classes. The teachers demonstrated knowledge of a learner-centred approach. However, they lacked knowledge and understanding of the Convention on the rights of the Child, and the child rights-based approach. This positively correlated with how they enacted the ICT integration policy in schools. The study argues that the Namibian English second language syllabus should reflect teaching competencies that require teachers to consider the rights of children in presenting lessons.

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DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY WITH SPECIALISATION IN GOVERNANCE AND POLITICAL TRANSFORMATION

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Rakgomo Solomon Magalefa was born in Makapanstad village, north of Hammanskraal on 9 March 1963. He obtained: BA Communication and BA Communication (Hons): NWU (Mahikeng Campus) in 2000 and 2001 respectively. Postgraduate Diploma and Master's in Governance and Political Transformation in 2012 and 2013 respectively UFS. Postgraduate Diploma: Public Management at NWU (Potchefstroom Campus) in 2017. PhD in Governance and Political Transformation: UFS in 2024. Career: SABC: News and Current Affairs: Producer/Presenter: April 1997 - May 2003; Free State Department of Education: Deputy Director: Communication and Marketing June 2003 till September 2009. Currently: Senior Bulletin Writer - SABC News, Mahikeng, North West.

With his thesis titled: **THE REASONS AND CONSEQUENCES OF POOR GOVERNANCE LEADERSHIP IN THE PUBLIC SERVICE IN SOUTH AFRICA**, the candidate offers valuable insights into the causes and repercussions of inadequate governance leadership in the context of public service. With this contribution, he identifies inefficient leadership and poor performance as factors at the intersection of the political and administrative wings of the sector that result in corruption and service delivery protests. The recommendations indicate that the public service in South Africa must be professionalised. Appointments in the public service should be done based on merit, and not on political affiliation, favours or sympathy, as these damage and obstruct the provision and delivery of quality services to the citizenry as stated in the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa. Meritocracy, and not cadre deployment, is the key to good governance in the public service in South Africa.

Supervisor: Dr T Coetzee

DOCTOR OF PSYCHOLOGY WITH SPECIALISATION IN CHILD PSYCHOLOGY

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Heleen Coetzee was born in Potchefstroom in 1977. She matriculated in 1995 at Hoërskool Schweizer. She obtained the qualifications BBK Business Communication, HED (distinction) and MA Communication studies from the former PU for CHE. In 2008, she obtained her Honours in Psychology and in 2010, her Master's in Clinical Psychology at the North-West University (Potchefstroom), both with distinction. Her career started at North-West University as a senior lecturer and coordinator of the Master's degree in Clinical Psychology. Her fields of interest are Developmental Psychology and Positive Psychology. She is currently employed as Head of Student Affairs at Akademia.

With her thesis titled: **MOTHERS' PSYCHOLOGICAL WELLBEING AND ATTACHMENT PRE- AND POSTPARTUM**, the candidate contributes to Developmental and Positive Psychology focusing on mental health. In three articles, using a scoping review (Article 1) and a mixed methods longitudinal design (articles 2 and 3), she explored the association between a group of first-time South African mothers' pre- and postpartum mental health (focusing on psychological wellbeing) and attachment. Findings indicated a lack of longitudinal, holistic and qualitative research on psychological wellbeing and maternal mental health of mothers. The empirical study indicated a decline in pre- to postpartum psychological wellbeing. An inverse association between depression and attachment was evident. However, there was a positive association between emotional and psychological wellbeing and attachment. The findings of this study are valuable in informing pro-active and preventative support and psycho-educational programmes to prepare women for the psychological challenges of the changes in their lives during and after pregnancy.

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Belinda de Villiers was born in Boksburg on 7 February 1972. She received her secondary education in Boksburg, where she matriculated at the Voortrekker High School in 1989. She obtained the degree B. Prim Ed (Primary Education) in 1993 at the University of Johannesburg, B.Ed (Educational Psychology) Hons in 1999 at the University of Johannesburg, and the degree M.Ed (Guidance and Counselling) in 2009 at the University of South Africa (UNISA). She has been in private practice since 2010.

With her thesis titled: **The Development and Evaluation of a Protocol for Psychologists to Conduct Child Sexual Abuse Evaluations in the South African Context**, the candidate made a valuable contribution to compiling an integrative and practical protocol for psychologists when investigating child sexual abuse. Psychologists play a significant role in the evaluation of cases of child sexual abuse. However, there is a lack of a uniform, comprehensive protocol to conduct such an evaluation, leading to unscientific procedures. A systematic review of international literature indicated several deficits in current models. The protocol was presented to experts in the field for peer-review feedback by utilising the Design and Development model and the Delphi method. After integrating the feedback, the final protocol was compiled in a manual. The candidate made a valuable contribution to the development of a scientific, credible method of evaluating sexual abuse. The protocol manual can be used with success in professional practice. An article on this research has already been published in a peer-reviewed journal.

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Co-Supervisor: Prof KGF Esterhuysen

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VISION130

**Renew and Reimagine
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.



EXCELLENCE



INNOVATION AND IMPACT



ACCOUNTABILITY



CARE



SOCIAL JUSTICE



SUSTAINABILITY

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

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



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