





ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Sincere thanks to all who have contributed to this 2017/2018 Report, particularly to those who contributed their work as researchers and provided stories and photographs.

Please visit www.ufs.ac.za/ufsresearch for publication data and an online version of the Report.

Produced by

Office of International Affairs, UFS

Editorial team

Chevon Slambee

Design, layout and production

SUN MeDIA Bloemfontein

Photographs

Office of International Affairs, UFS

www.unsplash.com

Abstract geometric lines and shapes in the background, including a large circle in the top left, a circle in the middle right, and a large arc in the bottom left, all drawn with thin, light gray lines.

INTERNATIONALISATION REPORT **2018**



01

EDITORIAL

26

SECTION 2
REPORT OF THE OFFICE FOR
INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

SECTION 1
INSTITUTIONAL NARRATION

02

CONTENTS

2018 ACADEMIC YEAR



116

SECTION 4

**SUPPORT SERVICE ENTITIES
REPORTS ON INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES**

SECTION 5

DATA ON INTERNATIONALISATION

120

SECTION 3

**FACULTY REPORTS ON
INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES**

46



The year 2018 has been exciting for internationalisation at the UFS.

The University's Council adopted the UFS 2018-2022 UFS Internationalisation Strategy, which embraces a vision of comprehensive internationalisation for the UFS. The strategy was conceptualised through a consultative process. It sets out seven goals to advance the process of internationalisation at the UFS:

- Research internationalisation
- Internationalisation of teaching and learning
- Partnerships and collaborations
- A diverse international student body
- Internationalisation at home
- Institutional reporting and developing the Office for International Affairs
- Achieve financial sustainability of internationalisation

In the year under review, the development of an internationalisation reporting system for the UFS has commenced. It is expected that internationalisation reporting will become mandatory in the near future in terms of the anticipated Policy Framework for the Internationalisation of Higher Education in South Africa. In the reporting period, a system was developed to extract information on internationally co-authored scientific publications and present it in a user-friendly way and the drafting of an internationalisation reporting architecture for the UFS was completed. This internationalisation report is one of the important elements of the new internationalisation reporting system; it aims to strengthen understanding

EDITORIAL

of the rich internationalisation initiatives and activities taking place at the UFS. It is meant to assist in catalysing them into an intentional process; which enhances the quality of education and research at the university.

The University of the Free State (UFS) is a highly internationalised university with a proud history of international engagements. In the period 2015–2018, UFS researchers co-authored 2 751 publications with 41 584 collaborating institutions. From 2017 to 2018, the UFS has increased the number of international collaborating institutions by 321 and its co-authored publications increased by 1 016. The university has approximately 50 active institutional collaborations with universities and institutions around the world. Under their umbrella, research collaboration, staff and student mobility, as well as other projects are implemented. In the year under review, 1 760 international students studied at the UFS, constituting approximately 4,4% of the student population. Approximately half of the international students hailed from neighbouring Lesotho, whereas more than 600 originated from other SADC countries (specifically from Zimbabwe and Namibia). The rest of the international student body originates from other African countries and other continents.

One of the highlights of the year was the 2018 UFS Global Leadership Summit, which brought together 250 local and international students and faculty members from more than 14 universities. In order to ensure that equal support is provided for internationalisation on all UFS campuses, the university strengthened the satellite office of the Office for International Affairs on the Qwaqwa Campus, which was established in 2017. It ensures that appropriate services are provided to international students on this campus, and that the internationalisation of research and teaching and learning can be enhanced.

The improvement of international student services is a critical prerequisite for increasing and diversifying the UFS international student body. In the year under review, emphasis was placed on creating more

effective and efficient systems for international student administration. Immigration and medical –aid information sessions for international students were conducted, and individual assistance was rendered to international students with immigration and medical –aid challenges. Furthermore, a pilot international student guide was published.

The UFS is mindful that it is not possible to create sufficient opportunities for all UFS students to participate in outgoing exchanges. Consequently, it strives to offer its students international experiences on its three campuses. The UFS internationalisation process includes a focus on Internationalisation at Home (I@H), which refers to the purposeful integration of international and intercultural dimensions into the formal and informal curriculum for all UFS students within domestic learning environments. The activities aimed at I@H provide local students with international exposure without leaving their domestic environments. The university strives to include South African students in all international student activities by structuring intersectional celebrations of cultural diversity. In the year under review, I@H activities included the establishment of an international student buddy programme, which was piloted as the ‘Wingman’ programme. Significant I@H events included a student-centred Africa Day celebration, and the first ever UFS International Cultural Diversity Festival.

Furthermore, international partnerships were strengthened, with the university focusing on establishing new collaborations in Africa and the Global South. To strengthen international partnership management, a collaboration scorecard was developed to evaluate its existing partnerships, which will allow the university to consider all aspects of internationalisation, including student mobility, staff mobility, co-authored publications, and research contracts. This novel approach will allow the university to strengthen institutional collaboration with academic staff members’ preferred collaboration partners.



This section of the report highlights selected international engagements and innovative international research activities at the UFS. The information was obtained from the UFS website and other institutional publications. Each of these engagements reflects the importance of Internationalisation for enhancing the quality and societal relevance of research and education.

SECTION 1

INSTITUTIONAL NARRATION



Pictured above: Ms Surprise Manyaiyi: Co- founder of the National Employment Portal prototype.

A WONDERFUL SURPRISE IN INDIA FOR KOVSIE LAW STUDENT

Ms Surprise Manyaiyi, a final-year LLB student at the University of the Free State, was chosen to represent South Africa on behalf of 'Start-up Safari' at a competition in India that focused on entrepreneurship, global markets, and businesses. Surprise and her team won second place for a business model they developed, called NEP (National Employment Portal), although it is still in prototype stage. This business model aims to assist businesses in attracting and locating potential employees in a short space of time.

DUTCH SCHOLAR HONOURS FACULTY OF THEOLOGY AND RELIGION WITH SPECIAL BOOK DEDICATION



Pictured above: Prof Bram van de Beek and Prof Fanie Snyman, Dean of the faculty.

On 26 February 2018 Prof Bram van de Beek, a world-renowned systematic theologian and professor emeritus at the Vrije University of Amsterdam (VU Amsterdam) in the Netherlands, dedicated his most recent volume on systematic theology to the Faculty of Theology and Religion at the UFS. The faculty invited Prof Van de Beek to conduct the Scripture reading and sermon at the faculty's official Theological Day, where Prof Van de Beek officially handed over a copy of his book to the Dean, Prof Fanie Snyman.

UFS PROFESSOR RECOGNISED AS ONE OF AFRICA'S EXCEPTIONAL YOUNG SCIENTISTS



Pictured above: Prof Abdon Atangana from the Institute for Groundwater Studies at the UFS.

Prof Abdon Atangana from the Institute for Groundwater Studies at the University of the Free State was elected by the African Academy of Sciences (AAS) as one of 25 scientists to form part of the third cohort of the AAS Affiliates Programme, which recognises exceptional young African scientists. The affiliates will be part of the AAS membership pool from 2018 to 2022, during which time they will attend various conferences, symposia, and workshops. This year's affiliates hailed from countries such as Cameroon, Egypt, Ghana, Kenya, Nigeria, Tanzania, South Africa, and Uganda.

RESEARCH FOCUS ON HIV AND TB STIGMA AMONG HEALTHCARE WORKERS



Pictured above: Dr Asta Rau, Director of CHSR&D, and Dr Michelle Engelbrecht, Deputy Director of the centre.

On 27 March 2018, UFS researchers from the Centre for Health Systems Research and Development (CHSR&D) partnered with the University of Antwerp and the Free State Department of Health to embark on a four-year internationally-funded project aimed at tackling key occupational-health issues such as HIV and TB stigma among Free State healthcare workers. The team has already developed and rolled out interventions to decrease stigma and will soon measure the impact of the training interventions.

SECOND TRIUMPH FOR YOUNG POLLUTION AND PHARMACEUTICAL RESEARCHER



Pictured above: Emmie Chiyindiko

On 12 March 2018, it was announced that Emmie Chiyindiko won the 2018 Famelab worldwide science-communication competition. Participants from around the world were given three minutes to deliver a scientific talk on their research that excelled in content and clarity. In 2017, Emmie also won the Postgraduate School's Three-Minute-Thesis competition for her master's presentation. Her research focused on the synthesis and characterisation of a series of unique metal complexes.



Pictured above: Profs David Roediger and Jonathan Hyslop

RESEARCH GROUP RETHINKS WHITE SOCIETIES IN SOUTHERN AFRICA

The International Studies Group (ISG) conducted a workshop from the 9-10 March 2018, focusing on the historical research of poor and working-class whites across Southern Africa during the twentieth century, with the goal of uncovering the wider histories of the race. Leading scholars in the field from Southern Africa, Europe, and the United States attended the workshop. Both Profs David Roediger and Jonathan Hyslop delivered keynote addresses related to the subject matter.

UFS ACQUIRES 100% SHARES IN CLINICAL RESEARCH ORGANISATION FARMOVS-PAREXEL



Pictured above: From the left are FARMOVS Managing Director, Mr Chris Sutherland; FARMOVS Associate Director, Mr HB Theron; UFS Rector and Vice-Chancellor, Prof Francis Petersen; Dr Michelle Middle; and Dr Glen Taylor.

On 7 March 2018, the University of the Free State (UFS) concluded a deal with PAREXEL International, the world's innovator in biopharmaceutical research services, to acquire 100% shares in PAREXEL's locally-based clinical research business, FARMOVS-PAREXEL. The UFS now owns the largest Phase 1 clinical research business in South Africa. FARMOVS is located on the UFS Bloemfontein Campus, where it conducts clinical research that contributes to the global pharmaceutical industry and enables marketing of affordable generic drugs in South Africa.



Pictured above: Marlese Bester, a final-year master's student in Plant Health Ecology at the UFS.

PLANT SCIENCE RESEARCHER CONTRIBUTES TO FOOD SECURITY; ONE GARDEN AT A TIME

Marlese Bester had the opportunity to represent South Africa at last year's global 2017 Youth Ag-Summit (YAS) in Brussels, Belgium, where 49 countries were represented. This summit provided Marlese with the opportunity to contribute to alleviating the worldwide problem of food security and to gain a world perspective on the topic.

PILOT OF WINGMAN PROGRAMME LAUNCHED



Social and cultural integration are at the heart of the newly launched internationalisation programme.

The University of the Free State (UFS) launched the pilot of its Wingman programme on 16 February 2018, which is jointly coordinated by the Office for International Affairs and the Student Representative Council (SRC): International Student Council. The programme aims to advance the social integration of local and international students, and to assist international students with their transition into student life and culture.



Pictured above: Prof Bram van de Beek (VU Amsterdam); Prof Fanie Snyman (Dean: Faculty of Theology and Religion, UFS); Prof Nelus Niemandt (guest speaker; Department of Science of Religion and Missiology, University of Pretoria); and Prof Mary-Anne Plaatjies-Van Huffel (guest speaker; Department of Systematic Theology and Ecclesiology, Stellenbosch University).

FACULTY OF THEOLOGY AND RELIGION HIGHLIGHTS RECONCILIATION AS BIBLICAL IMPERATIVE

The Faculty of Theology and Religion at the University of the Free State (UFS) held its annual opening and Theological Day on 1 March. International visitors were invited to the event, such as Dr Stefan Fischer from the University of Vienna (Austria) and Prof Bram van de Beek from the Free University of Amsterdam (the Netherlands). Both international guests conducted a Scripture reading and sermon that focused on reconciliation.



Pictured left: Slab with holotype of *Parapsammichnites pretzeliformis* from the Urusis Formation, Namibia. Scale bar is 1 cm. Picture was taken from Buatois et al., 2018.

PRETZEL-FORMED FOSSIL OF GREAT EVOLUTIONARY INTEREST

Prof Gerard Germs from the Department of Geology at the University of the Free State (UFS) formed part of an international team that conducted research on the evolution of the first multicellular animals and the occurrence of the Cambrian explosion. Prof Germs, and his team, authored an article that was published in the *Nature Scientific Reports* titled: 'Sediment disturbance by Ediacaran bulldozers and the roots of the Cambrian explosion'. The article focuses on trace fossil that elucidates the evolution of the first animals that appeared on Earth and lived in the sea.

JAMAICA COLLABORATION LEADS TO IKS RESEARCHER SELECTION FOR SA

The University of the Free State and the University of the West Indies have signed a collaborative agreement, based on the exchange of skills and ideas in projects around medicinal plants and natural products and their effect on various diseases, such as cancer. The project has received partial funding in terms of a joint bilateral agreement between the governments of Jamaica and South Africa. The main objective of the project is to assist Jamaica in developing an IKS policy that will strengthen community engagement in science research as well as developing capacity through exchange programmes for staff, students, and postdoctoral fellows from both institutions.



Pictured above: Prof Corli Witthuhn, Vice-Rector: Research; Dr Glen Taylor, Senior Director: Research Development; and Prof Motlalepula Matsabisa, Director of Pharmacology.

FIRST ACCREDITED ICS TRAINING IN SA PRESENTED AT UFS



Pictured above: Prof Andries Jordaan, Head of DiMTEC, with Greg Archer from the United States Forest Service, and Yong Sebastian Nyam, a DiMTEC PhD student from Cameroon.

The UFS Disaster Management Training and Education Centre for Africa (DiMTEC) and the Free State Umbrella Fire Protection Association (FSUFPA) presented the first-ever training exercise in the Free State on 11 April 2018, offering practical experience on the implementation of the Incident Command System (ICS) under simulated emergency conditions. The Exercise Coordination Team (ECT), which consisted of instructors from South Africa and the United States, conducted training at the Rooipoort Training Centre and the DiMTEC offices on the Bloemfontein Campus.

UFS AFRICA WEEK



Pictured above are the various events and initiatives that took place during the #UFSAfricaWeek.

A series of exuberant events was held on the Bloemfontein Campus to celebrate Africa Week, which took place from 22 to 25 May 2018. The UFS Debate Society officially opened the week, focusing on Collectivism and striving for a unified African identity. This was followed by the Annual Africa Day Memorial Lecture presented by Dr Rahul Rao, Senior Lecturer in Politics at the SOAS University of London. The lecture focused on colonial statues from an international perspective, by reflecting on the controversy surrounding the US Confederate statues and drawing from contemporary South African student activism. The UFS Sasol Library facilitated the launch of the book, *Voices*, by a Kenyan author named Abene Ndago. A group of students also served the community with meals in the spirit of Ubuntu. The week culminated and closed with the UFS Africa Day Commemoration Panel Discussion, which was organised by the Office for International Affairs.

CGAS AWARDS SECOND AS SCHOLARSHIP

On the 9 April 2018, Chétima Melchisedek from the University of Ottawa, Canada, has been awarded the 2018 UFS/AS Young African Scholarship. The Young African Scholar Award is an initiative by the Centre for Gender and Africa Studies at the UFS, which seeks to strengthen efforts to promote internationally-recognised African scholarship within Africa Studies. The programme provides young researchers with a platform to publish their work and to build an international network with various organisations. As part of the prize, the winner receives a three-year affiliation as research fellow with the UFS GGAS and prize money to the value of R5 000.



Pictured above: Chétima Melchisedek

UFS AND CUT JOINT SASUF RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM DISCUSSES URBANISATION



Pictured from the left are: Prof Nils Ekelund from Malmö University in Sweden; Buhleng Masake, Honours student in Spatial Planning in the Department of Urban and Regional Planning at the UFS; Per Schubert from Malmö University in Sweden; and Wanda Verster, UFS Department of Architecture.

The University of the Free State (UFS) and the Central University of Technology (CUT) recently collaborated with the Swedish University Forum (SASUF) to present a research seminar focusing on the rural/urban dynamic frequently experienced by secondary cities. Ms Wanda Verster took the lead in organising this event. Presenters included Dilip Das from CUT, who presented on sustainable urban roads and transport, as well as Prof Nils Ekelund, Head of the Department of Science, Environment and Society at Malmö University in Sweden, who presented on perceptions of the ecosystem-service concept. The event held on the 14-15 May 2018.

EDUCATION RESEARCHER TACKLES REALITIES OF FOURTH INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION



Pictured above: Dr Makeresemese Qhosola

This is in recognition of her current research, which focuses on a broad theme of accounting and its alignment to the Fourth Industrial Revolution. AERA strives to advance knowledge about education, to encourage scholarly enquiry related to education, and to promote the use of research to improve education and serve the public good. Dr. Makeresemese Qhosola from the University of the Free State (UFS) Faculty of Education was invited to the American Educational Research Association (AERA) in New York

ANOTHER FEATHER IN THE CAP FOR UFS COMMUNICATION AND MARKETING



Pictured above: Moeketsi Mogotsi

The International Association of Business Communicators (IABC) has recognised the outstanding efforts of the University of the Free State (UFS) Department of Communication and Marketing at the 2018 IABC Gold Quill Awards, held in Montreal, Canada, from 3 to 6 June 2018. The department was awarded an IABC Gold Quill Merit Award for its Website Re-launch Awareness Campaign. This achievement marks the fourth year that the UFS Communication and Marketing team has garnered IABC Gold Quill accolades. The department has received six IABC Gold Quill Awards thus far since 2014.

UFS PART OF INTERNATIONAL GENDER-RESEARCH PROJECT



Pictured above: Delegates from the three universities that attended the workshop at UEM in Mozambique.

The Centre for Gender and Africa Studies (CGAS) at the University of the Free State (UFS) has partnered with the Eduardo Mondlane University (UEM) in Mozambique, and Uppsala University in Sweden, on a five-year research project. To kick-start the project, a workshop was held at the Eduardo Mondlane University in Maputo from 29 to 30 May 2018. The Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (SIDA) funds the project, and its primary objective is to create an enabling environment for gender-sensitive research through the development of research methods and gender-study courses at UEM. Furthermore, the project aims to establish a master's programme in Gender Studies as well as PhD training workshops for the staff at UEM.

PILOT EXCHANGE PROGRAMME BETWEEN UFS AND UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN



Pictured above: Dionne van Reenen, JC van der Merwe, and Prof John Grider from the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse.

On 23 July 2018, the Institute for Reconciliation and Social Justice at the University of the Free State (UFS) reported that its partnership with the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse in the United States of America (USA) was to pilot the first Global Education student-staff exchange programme. The pilot project hosted seven students from the USA and five students from the UFS on a joint tour. The group delved into the political histories of South Africa, visiting places such as Freedom Park, the Voortrekker Museum, the Apartheid Museum, and Mandela House. They also visited the Sterkfontein Caves and the Cradle of Humankind at Maropeng. In Bloemfontein, the lecturing staff facilitated several full-day classes and dialogues, after which students were allowed to offer presentations on their insights and thoughts.



AEVGI ADVANCES NEXT-GENERATION SEQUENCING IN AFRICA



Pictured above: Prof George Armah, Noguchi Memorial Institute for Medical Research, Ghana; Prof Carl Kirkwood, Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, USA; Cornelius Hagenmeier, Director: Internationalisation, UFS; Prof Gert van Zyl, Dean: Health Sciences; Dr Martin Nyaga, Senior Lecturer in the NGS Unit; Prof Joyce Tsoka-Gwegweni, Vice-Dean: Health Sciences; Dr Glen Taylor, Senior Director: Research and Development; Prof Jeffrey Mphahlele, Vice-President, South African Medical Research Council.

The inaugural edition of the UFS Next-Generation Sequencing (NGS) Data and Bioinformatics Workshop was hosted by the UFS-NGS Unit in the UFS Faculty of Health Sciences. From 19-22 June the workshop marked a new beginning for the advancement of NGS in Africa under the auspices of the African Enteric Viruses Genome Initiative (AEVGI), funded by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. The workshop attracted over 90 participants from 15 national and international institutions, with organisations from seven different countries as well as company representatives. During the workshop, participants, through practical sessions, were equipped with knowledge on how to apply several tools of genetic data analysis.

GLOBAL LEADERSHIP SUMMIT



Pictured above: Students having robust discussions on global issues of social justice and politics as well as sharing their views on hard-hitting global issues



The University of the Free State hosted the Global Leadership Summit (GLS) which was kick-started by an exciting Africa-themed opening event where local and international students and faculty members from more than 14 universities were in attendance. GLS is a joint programme between the UFS Office of International Affairs, Student Affairs, and the Institute for Reconciliation and Social Justice. A panel discussion was led by Prof Ahmed Bawa, CEO of Universities South Africa, and Prof Danie Brand, Director: Free State Centre for Human Rights at the UFS. During these sessions, topics such as gender, inequality, and transformation were discussed. The panel consisted of various delegates, including Pura Mngolombane, Dean of Student Affairs at the UFS, Dr Vivienne Felix, Associate Director: Experiential Learning at New York University, and Prof Francis Petersen, UFS Rector and Vice-Chancellor, to name but a few. The programme also included an excursion to Kimberley and the Galeshewe Township in the Northern Cape.

Mr Jay Naidoo, founding General Secretary of the Congress of South African Trade Unions (COSATU) and cabinet minister, was one of the keynote speakers who addressed issues around indigenous knowledge, the values that can be found in it, and the role students can play.

PROF PEACOCK ELECTED PRESIDENT OF WORLD SOCIETY OF VICTIMOLOGY



Pictured above: Prof Robert Peacock

Prof Robert Peacock, Head of the Department of Criminology at the UFS, was elected as the new president of the World Society of Victimology (WSV) in Hong Kong. He is the first person from Africa to serve in this position. His term will run until 2021. WSV is a non-profit, non-governmental organisation with Special Category consultative status in the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) of the United Nations and the Council of Europe. It has been instrumental in developing and operationalising the United Nations Declaration of Basic Principles of Justice for Victims of Crime and Abuse of Power, with the aim of improving victims' access to justice, fair treatment, restitution, compensation, and support, as well as taking steps to prevent victimisation linked to the abuse of power.

#WOMENOFKOVSI: DR HÖPPENER'S RESEARCH AFFECTS ACCESS OF RURAL YOUTH TO UNIVERSITY



Pictured above: Dr Mikateko Höppener

Dr Mikateko Höppener, a Senior Researcher at the UFS, reported that she and her team of researchers, are part of the Miratho Project that investigates the multidimensional factors and dynamics which influence low-income learners' opportunities to access, participation, and success in higher education. The Miratho Project is undertaken in collaboration with the Thusanani Foundation, a youth-led, non-profit organisation. It is funded by the Economic and Social Research Council, and the UK's Department for International Development.

REPUTABLE JOURNAL CALLS FOR EDITORIAL SERVICES OF UFS RESEARCHER



Pictured above: Prof Abdon Atangana

Prof Abdon Atangana, a researcher in the UFS Institute for Groundwater Studies, acts as editor for more than 23 internationally-accredited journals of Applied Mathematics. As a result of his reputation as an editor, he was contacted by the editor-in-chief and senior publisher of Elsevier to join the editorial board of the journal Chaos, Solitons & Fractals. Prof Atangana was also appointed editor of a reputable journal published by the American Institute of Mathematical Sciences. In both journals he is the only African to serve as editor; increasing the visibility of the University of the Free State, both nationally and internationally.

HONOURING GREAT AFRICAN LEADERSHIP



Pictured above: Celebrating the legacy and leadership of the founder of the Basotho nation. From the left are: Prof Itumeleng Mosala, Prof Puleng LenkaBula, and Prof Francis Petersen, who attended the Moshoeshoe 1 memorial lecture, which was delivered by Prof Mosala.

On 14 September 2018, Prof Itumeleng Mosala delivered the fourth King Moshoeshoe memorial lecture. The Rector and Vice-Chancellor of the UFS, Prof Petersen, described the king as a model of global leadership. Prof LenkaBula shared the same sentiments, adding that the king portrayed ethical leadership, generous hospitality, and understanding of coexistence, which the youth must draw from him.

ARCHITECTURAL EXCELLENCE CELEBRATED AT RECENT SOPHIA GRAY LECTURE



Pictured above: Prof 'Ora Joubert, a leading architect and academic, delivered the 30th Sophia Gray Memorial Lecture at the UFS.

The 30th Sophia Gray memorial lecture was delivered on 30 August 2018 by internationally-recognised, award-winning Prof Ora Joubert, who gave a lecture on the revelatory experience of an observer who wanders on a pathway in and through architectural spaces. The lecturer, regarded as a highlight of South African architecture, was preceded by a lecture on the department's new PHD with Design programme, which is aimed at young MArch graduates who wish to explore creative research. The event was also accompanied by a fundraising event for the Sophia Gray Bursary Fund, which funds the department's development.



Pictured above: Global cuisines galore at the International Cultural Diversity Festival.

INTERNATIONAL CULTURAL DIVERSITY FESTIVAL BUILDS BRIDGES

In its initiative to strengthen unity in diversity, the Office of International Affairs at the University of the Free State hosted a global cuisine galore at the International Cultural Diversity Festival on 10 October 2018. The organising team leader, Bonolo Makhalemele, pointed out that despite the differences in diversity, there are similarities that can be celebrated. The event was an infusion of food, fashion, dance, music, as well as arts and crafts from different countries.

UFS SCHOOL OF NURSING GETS FUNDING FOR MENTAL-HEALTH PROJECT



Pictured above: Ronelle Jansen received research funding to provide adolescents with improved access to mental-health services and care.

Ronelle Jansen and her team from the School of Nursing at the University of the Free State have received Erasmus+ Capacity development funding. The project is aimed at providing adolescents with improved access to mental-health services and care in primary healthcare settings. Ronelle is hopeful that a mobile and user- friendly application will help nurses with early identification of mental-health problems, thereby improving the adolescent mental-healthcare and training competency of primary-health workers. The programme is a three-year project in which the university will collaborate with nine other universities.



Pictured above: Abe Bailey victor, Nkahiseng Ralepeli, and Prof Francis Petersen, Rector of the UFS.

ABE BAILEY BURSARY VICTOR: NKAHISENG RALEPELI PREPARES TO TOUR THE UK

Nkahiseng Ralepeli, an Abe Bailey Travel Bursary winner and final-year Law student at the University of the Free State, was selected together with 16 students from other universities to travel to the UK for a tour aimed at leadership development. In the past, he represented the university on various international debate platforms and will now represent the university on the Abe Bailey Travel Bursary tour.



Pictured above: At the International Colloquium on Researching well-being, agency and structural inequalities, were from the left: Prof Melanie Walker, Dr Emily Henderson (University of Warwick, UK), and Prof Thierry Luescher (Human Sciences Research Council).

INTERNATIONAL COLLOQUIUM ON RESEARCHING INEQUALITIES IN HIGHER EDUCATION

The International Colloquium on Researching well-being, agency, and structural inequalities: comparative perspectives, was attended by researchers from the University of the Free State, University of Minnesota, Lancaster University, University College London, and University of the Western Cape. This colloquium, which was held on 19 September 2018, included deliberations by students on matters pertaining to marginalisation, decolonisation, inclusion, and enhancing capabilities in education.

UFS BRICS-PLUS TACKLES GLOBAL CHALLENGES



Pictured above: Dr Thulisile Mphambukeli (UFS), Dr Fidelia Dake (University of Ghana), and Dr Victor Okorie (UFS).

The BRICS PLUS conference was attended by social scientists, engineers, and clinicians from universities, research institutions, and non-governmental organisations in South Africa, Russia, India, Ghana, Nigeria, and Zimbabwe. The conference was on food insecurity around the world and the lack of access to clean water and sanitation. The deliberations went further into food-related human suffering, and at the end of the conference, the attendees agreed on policy recommendations to better the current state of affairs related to the topics.

RESEARCHERS TO REPRESENT UFS AT BRICS SUMMIT



Pictured right: From the left: Dr Thulisile Mphambukeli, leader of the BRICS research team that is exploring the political economy of water and food security, and her research partner, Dr Victor Okorie.

In May 2018, BRICS held their 10th Annual BRICS Summit in Johannesburg. Dr Thulisile Mphambukeli, leader of the University of the Free State (UFS) research team, together with Dr Victor Okorie from the Department of Urban and Regional Planning, and in collaboration with Prof Lere Amusan of North-West University, ensured that water and food security is a prominent feature on the agenda. Deliberations on a project titled: 'Exploring the political economy of water and food security nexus in BRICS and Africa' will debut at the National Institute for the Humanities and Social Sciences BRICS Think Tank Forum. The members of the forum regard water and food security as paramount in Africa.

INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP ON HOUSING



Pictured above: Back row, from the left: Prof Danie Brand (Director of the Free State Centre for Human Rights), workshop co-organiser Helen Carr (Kent University), and Ellen Maphalane (home owner), with workshop participants during a visit to Ms Maphalane's home, an example of alternatively constructed housing in Bloemfontein.

During a workshop held at the University of the Free State on 28 October 2018, participants deliberated on what a home should be and on how to establish housing that will be sustainable and inclusive in 21st century cities. The participants met for a follow-up workshop at Kent University in the UK in February 2019 and will meet again in June 2019 at Belo Horizonte in Brazil.

SECURITY IN AFRICA AND THE OUTSIDE WORLD

On 29 May 2018, the Faculty of the Humanities was represented by Prof Hussein Solomon at a seminar hosted at the Osaka University. The seminar deliberated on matters concerning the Southern African Centre for Collaboration on Peace and Security (SACCPS): A collaboration between the University of the Free State (UFS, South Africa) and the Osaka School of International Public Policy (OSIPP), Osaka University. The presentations at the seminar were on peace and security in Africa.

GLOBAL EDUCATION EXPERIENCES: HIGH-IMPACT PRACTICES – UNIVERSITY OF THE FREE STATE AND UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-LA CROSSE EXCHANGE

Dionne van Reenen and JC van der Merwe from the University of the Free State and Prof John Grider from the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse (UWL, USA) came up with a programme in which students would play an active role in their learning processes and also be part of the co-constituted knowledge that emerges from a diverse group. The programme anticipated that students from the University of the Free State will work in conjunction with students from the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse, who will take the course for credits at their own institution. Students will learn from each other and participate in a highly student-driven learning environment that compares the segregationist histories of the United States and South Africa.

VISIT FROM PROF MARIA POMIANOWSKA, RECTOR OF ACADEMY OF MUSIC IN KRAKOW, POLAND

The Odeion School of Music had a visit from Prof Maria Pomianowska from the Academy of Music in Krakow, Poland, who works on a five-continent project on music. Prof Pomianowska proposed that the Odeion be included in the Krakow initiative. Some of the initiatives and programmes will be incorporated as the cooperation project matures. In the meantime, the focus is on the immediate programmes, such as the 2018 Poland Independence Event, where a delegation from the UFS was present. An academic exchange is also anticipated to take place in 2019.

GLOBAL INITIATIVE SYMPOSIUM, TAIWAN



Pictured above: Mr Siphiwo Deke and other attendees at the Global Initiatives Symposium, Taiwan.

With the assistance of the Dean: Student Affairs and the Office of International Affairs, Siphiwo Deke, a student at the University of the Free State, attended, a symposium on Artificial Intelligence and Platform Economy on 27 July 2019. From the 15 groups that attended the symposium, Deke's group won second prize.





UFS SOUTH CAMPUS

For the 2018 academic year, the South Campus established an international presence in terms of strengthening its capacity - building initiatives, academic conference attendance and networking events, international funding applications, and postgraduate visits by students from the African continent.

In terms of capacity building, Ms Annah Mahoko attended the Blackboard World Conference in Orlando in the United States to investigate the newest attributes of Blackboard and Bb Ultra and aspects regarding universal access to education. The successful outcome was that the UFS South Campus changed over to Bb Ultra in the beginning of 2019, as it offered enormous benefits for students that would enhance their overall learning experience.

Furthermore, Ms Tshego Setilo attended the Student in Transition conference in Indianapolis, Indiana, to investigate the latest support mechanisms for students in the Access programme when students move into mainstream studies and Extended programmes. The goal was to have a gateway programme specifically designed for subregion students, in order to support the transition when they move to either the BFN or QQ campuses.

With regard to academic conferences and networking events, several UFS staff members based at the South Campus attended international conferences to present papers and to network with international scholars. The following papers were presented internationally:



- De Wet, Corene. 2018. Workplace bullying in schools: a socio-cultural perspective. International Conference on Business, Education, Social Sciences and Technology (ICBST), Mercure Hotel, Tempelhof, Berlin, Germany, 13-15 September 2018.
- Jacobs, Lynette. 2018. Reflecting on a university partnership project in underprivileged South African schools. Education in Modern Society. XVI Annual International Conference of the Bulgarian Comparative Education Society (BCES). Varna, Bulgaria, 11-15 June 2018.
- Kruger, Erika and Jacobs, Lynette. 2018. Are we taking care of our teachers? Are they taking care of themselves? Designing Teacher Education and Professional Development for the 21st century. ATEE Spring Conference 2018. University of Bialystok, Bialystok, Poland, 7-9 June 2018.
- Jacobs, Lynette. 2018. The role of education law in teacher education and education sciences in South Africa - a pedagogical perspective from Open Distance Learning. Designing Teacher Education and Professional Development for the 21st century. ATEE Spring Conference 2018. University of Bialystok, Bialystok, Poland, 7-9 June 2018.
- Kruger, Erika. 2018. A Grounded Theory of ECD Principals' Self-Care and Workplace Wellness Promotion Practices. Education in Modern Society, XVI Annual International Conference of the Bulgarian Comparative Education Society (BCES). Varna, Bulgaria, 11-15 June 2018.
- Stott, AE 2018. Physical sciences teachers' beliefs about technology for teaching and factors influencing their uptake of a specific technology. 26th SAAMRMSTE Conference. Gaborone, Botswana

Moreover, under the leadership of Prof Daniella Coetzee, the 2018 South African Nadeosa Conference hosted in Pretoria was combined with the international DEASA conference to strengthen networking at national and regional levels. A large number of South Campus colleagues attended the conference, and presented their research. It was also an opportunity to engage with peers from the Southern Africa region.

In relation to international funding proposals, the UFS South Campus was involved in two funding proposal writing opportunities. Firstly, the support offered to the iKUDU project proposal led by the Office for International Affairs which focused on using Collaborative Online International Learning (COIL) methodologies to enhance the internationalisation of the curriculum through virtual exchanges. Secondly, a second funding proposal for DILSA: Digital Literacy in South Africa, was conceptualised. Towards this, three staff members, namely Glynis Jaeschke, Angela Stott, and Lynette Jacobs, visited a variety of education institutions in Flanders, Belgium from 19 to 23 November 2018. The visit included a FabLab in Antwerp, the Sint-Rita (Didakta School) in Sint-Truiden, the Vives Teacher Education College in Torhout, and the Sint-Jozef Sint-Pieter iPad School in Blankenberge. The project application is expected to be completed in 2019.

In respect of visits by international postgraduate students, the South Campus extended an invitation for writing dyads during the months of April, June, and November 2018, to postgraduate students registered through the Faculty of Education and supervised by colleagues on the South Campus. This resulted in students from Lesotho, Ethiopia, China, Zimbabwe, and Uganda attending the writing dyads and visiting the South Campus.

QWAQWA CAMPUS

YOUNG RESEARCHER TO JET OUT TO UK



Pictured above: Mamosa Ngcala

Mamosa Ngcala, a master's student in Science (Botany), won the 3-Minute thesis competition for graduates as part of the 'Sorghum in the 21st Century' international conference held in Cape Town, adding to the growing research profile of the Qwaqwa Campus. Mamosa visited Durham University on 31 July 2018, where she conducted research under the mentorship of Dr Steve Chivasa, co-researcher in the Department of Biosciences at the renowned Durham University. Her research focused on climate change and food security.

QWAQWA CAMPUS WELCOMES INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS



SRC President, Masopha Hlalele, with ISC Executive Committee members: Tapiwanashe Mashamba (Deputy Chairperson), Jennifer Ashafa (Chairperson), Mamokete Mokhatla (Secretary), and Kanego Mokgosi (Qwaqwa Campus: Office for International Affairs).

The International Student Council (ISC), in collaboration with the Office for International Affairs (OIA), hosted a welcoming event for international students on the Qwaqwa Campus. The aim was not only to recognise and celebrate the diversity on campus, but also to promote social integration between local students and those from the region and beyond. The international students hailed from the Southern African Development Community (SADC) region, Cameroon, Ethiopia, Kenya, Nigeria, Ghana, as well as India.



UFS / University of Venda / Appalachian State University / Colorado State University / University of Montana, with a focus on mountain research

This doctoral university staff Development project receives funding of R4 477 000 from the DHET. It focuses on the training of 10 selected PhD candidates who are staff members at the two partner universities, predominantly from designated groups. They will be co-supervised by experts at three United States (US) universities, namely: the University of Colorado, Montana State University, and Appalachian State University. All these US partner universities, which are also located in mountainous areas, will mainly offer their services in kind. Participants who will benefit from this project have already been successfully selected, interviewed, and notified of their success.

Dr Vincent Clarke: Director of the ARU on the Qwaqwa Campus, recently secured a collaboration with the University of Vienna on worldwide efforts to collect samples of the grass *Deschampsia Cespitosa*. The grass is considered to be naturalised in Southern Africa and is only found in the Maloti- Drakensberg. The University of Vienna has assured collaboration and co-authorship on outputs pertaining to this project.

EFFECTIVE AND EFFICIENT PHD SUPERVISION

On 7 March 2018, the Afromontane Research Unit and the Office for International Affairs hosted a presentation on Effective and Efficient PhD Supervision. The presentation was done by Dr Claudius van de Vijver from Wageningen University, the Netherlands. The workshop focused on the challenges that scientists are confronted with when supervising PhD candidates, and how these challenges could be addressed.

LESOTHO HIGHLANDS COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH PROGRAMME

The Afromonante Research Unit (ARU), based on the UFS Qwaqwa Campus, approached the Lesotho Highlands Water Project (LHWC) regarding possible bursaries for students on the Qwaqwa Campus. The LHWC was impressed with the ARU's presentation but was of the opinion that their research needs were a bit more profound than the ARU could offer. Therefore, they invited the University of the Free State as a whole to be part of the collaboration. Further presentations were made and the LHWC is hopeful that this collaboration will assist in finding research-based solutions to the problems they face in phase two of the project.

PARTNERSHIP DEVELOPMENT ON THE QWAQWA CAMPUS

LUPANE STATE UNIVERSITY

The relationship between Lupane State University and the Department of Education started in 2011. The basis of the collaboration centred on organising annual conferences. For the 2018 academic year, Zimbabwe was earmarked to host the conference. Together with universities in Africa, a new- found journal (African Journal of Education in Rural Contexts) was established, with its first issue due in April 2009.



STRATEGIC

1.1 UNIVERSITY INTERNATIONALISATION STRATEGY

The OIA coordinated the drafting of the 2018–2022 UFS internationalisation strategy. A workshop was held on 5 June 2018 in Council Chambers. Members of Rectorate, Deans, and other internal stakeholders familiarised themselves with the Policy Framework for the Internationalisation of Higher Education in South Africa and deliberated on the draft Internationalisation Strategy for the UFS. The document is anchored in the 2017 Integrated Transformation Plan and the 2018–2022 UFS Strategic Plan. It anticipates the Policy Framework for Internationalisation of Higher Education in South Africa, which is expected to be promulgated soon. It was approved by Council following the completion of the inclusive drafting process.

1.2 DEVELOPMENT OF AN INTERNATIONALISATION REPORTING SYSTEM

The OIA is leading the development of a reporting system for internationalisation at the UFS. It is anticipated that internationalisation reporting will become mandatory in terms of the anticipated Policy Framework for the Internationalisation of Higher Education in South Africa. In the reporting period, a system was developed to extract information on internationally co-authored scientific publications and present it in a user-friendly way; the drafting of a reporting architecture for the UFS has commenced. The UFS is advanced in preparing itself for the new paradigm; it has prepared a pilot internationalisation report for the 2017 academic year.

SECTION 2

REPORT OF THE OFFICE FOR INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS (OIA)

1.3 RESEARCH INFORMATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (RIMS)

The purpose of integrating the international co-operation agreements into RIMS is to ensure that all UFS agreements are centrally located in one system. The process of integrating all the international collaboration agreements into the RIMS system was completed in the reporting period.

1.4 SCIVAL AND SCOPUS DATABASES

These online databases are analytical tools used to measure research performance, provide research landscape analysis, accelerate collaboration, and can be used to retain/hire best-in-class researchers, among others. The OIA obtained access to these platforms, which are now effective tools to enhance briefing notes, amplify project proposals for international funding, and inform overall international collaboration.

1.5 PILOT INTERNATIONAL STUDENT GUIDE

The OIA has compiled a pilot International Student Guide, which will serve as a comprehensive information resource to assist international students and support their recruitment.

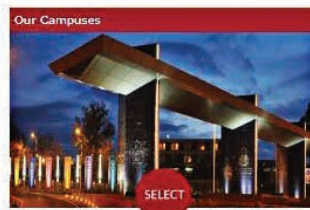
1.6. OIA WEBSITE

The OIA has concluded the first phase in the redesign of its webpage V.01. Phase two is expected to commence in January 2019.

Support Services University of the Free State UFS Home / International Affairs Home Welcome to the UFS



Welcome to the University of the Free State (UFS). It is exciting that you have chosen to study here, and we trust that you will have an academically fulfilling experience at our university. The UFS is 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. Internationalisation is very important to our university. We value the contribution of our international students to intellectual diversity at the UFS. The intellectual cross-fertilisation between students from different backgrounds provides opportunities for the acquisition of international and intercultural competencies by all students, and results in enhanced employability of our graduates.



1.7. USDP ACADEMIC LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP

The OIA representative on the Qwaqwa Campus, Mr Kanego Mokgosi, supported the hosting of the USDP Academic Leadership Workshop on the Qwaqwa Campus, which took place from 21st to 23 November 2018. The leadership seminar was aimed at providing the foundation for leadership development to USDP scholars. This means that USDP scholars were workshopped on taking charge of their research journeys by applying certain principles of leadership.

1.8. DEPARTMENT OF HOME AFFAIRS INFORMATION SESSION

On 19 September 2018, the OIA coordinated a visit by Mr. Phindiwe Mbhele, Director: Corporate Accounts from the Department of Home Affairs, who facilitated an information session concerning updates in the Immigration Regulation. This initiative is aimed at educating the UFS community concerning the immigration regulation and ensuring overall compliance with legislation.

1.9. VISITORS REGISTER

As part of Immigration regulation compliance, the UFS has to report all international visitors on campus. The OIA is leading the development of suitable system.

INTERNATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS AND COLLABORATIONS

2.1 BRAZIL – UFS COLLABORATION

The Vice-Rector: Research and the Director: Internationalisation visited Brazil from 12 April 2018 to 20 April 2018 to strengthen the UFS footprint in this country. They participated in the Conference of the Brazilian Association for International Education (FABUI) in Rio de Janeiro. Furthermore, the University of São Paulo and the School of Public Health in Rio de Janeiro were visited. The universities had been identified on the basis of existing research collaboration. In the course of the engagement, various new collaborations were established, including a linkage with the Federal Rural University of Rio de Janeiro.



2.2 WAGENINGEN UNIVERSITY

PhD specialist, Dr Claudius van de Vijver from Wageningen University, visited the UFS from 5 to 10 March 2018 to support the development of the UFS PhD programme, and to expand academic collaboration. The core outcome of the visit was a peer review of the UFS PhD programme, with recommendations for improvements. He conducted PhD training seminars hosted by the Afromontane Research Unit (ARU) and the Postgraduate School on the Qwaqwa and Bloemfontein campuses. New collaborative initiatives in the ARU and the Department of Soil, Crop and Climate Sciences in the Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences, the ARU, and other academic departments resulted from the visit.



2.3 FULDA UNIVERSITY, GERMANY

Fulda University in Germany and the UFS have embarked on a new student exchange in the Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences. The exchange students from Fulda will pay a R7 000 international student administration levy, which will be ring-fenced to support UFS students participating in exchanges to this partner university. This model may be expanded to other partnerships to support outbound mobility and partnership development.

2.4 FREE UNIVERSITY OF AMSTERDAM, THE NETHERLANDS



The OIA successfully secured three scholarship opportunities for students to attend a summer school at the Vrije University Amsterdam in June/July 2018. Two students were from the Department of Urban and Regional Planning, and the other one was from the Faculty of the Humanities. The students had the opportunity to attend a two-week summer school made possible by the cooperation agreement with VU, which provides three opportunities for summer school or one opportunity for a semester programme.

Pictured above: Thato Maila and Latoya Mwanda (at the back).

2.5 RHIZO DELEGATION

The OIA supported the visit by a delegation from RHIZO College in Belgium to the School of Nursing. The visit was part of the staff and student exchange programme under the ambit of the co-operation agreement. The delegation visited the Bloemfontein Campus from 19 February to 9 March 2018. Prof Liselotte van Ooteghem was the leader of the delegation, which consisted of two students. The purpose visit was twofold – to entrench and concretise the cooperation and to expose RHIZO students to our facilities and learning models. The delegation visited Bloemshelter, Sunflower House, and Trompsburg; this was part of their study tour. The School of Nursing is working on developing

staff-exchange cooperation with the college. In return, the UFS managed to send two students from the School of Nursing to RHIZO from 8 January until 2 February 2018.

2.6 AKITA UNIVERSITY (JAPAN)

The OIA supported a visit by a delegation from Akita University in Japan, led by Prof Nagawa, to the Qwaqwa Campus on 9 March 2018. The purpose of the visit was to look at the possibility of expanding collaboration to include community stakeholders, such as surrounding schools and NGOs within the Qwaqwa area.

2.7. NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, ZIMBABWE

A delegation led by the Rector, Prof Francis Petersen, visited the National University of Science and Technology in Zimbabwe (NUST) on 26 April 2018. The parties agreed that a collaboration would be initiated and that a NUST delegation would visit the UFS later in 2018.



2.8 KOREA INSTITUTE OF ORIENTAL MEDICINE (KIOM) IN SOUTH KOREA

The OIA supported the Department of Pharmacology in hosting a delegation from KIOM. The meeting was a result of a bilateral meeting which took place at DST earlier this year. The objective of the meeting was to collaborate on a potential project for which funding will be made available from the pharmacology academic discipline.

The team is currently working on a project concept note and will reciprocate with a follow-up visit in September.



2.9 UNITED NATIONS UNIVERSITY, BONN, GERMANY

The OIA's Qwaqwa office, together with the ARU, hosted Dr Joerg Szarzynski from Global Mountain Safeguard Research and Prof Andries Jordaan (DIMTEC) on 26 February 2018.

2.10 UNIVERSITY OF NAMIBIA



The Director of the OIA, together with the Dean of Natural and Agriculture Sciences and the Director: Contracts and Innovation, visited the University of Namibia on 19 February 2018. The purpose of the engagement was to conceptualise activities under the umbrella of the Memorandum of Understanding, which had been signed in 2017. It was agreed to implement a collaborative workshop focusing on collaboration in Agriculture later in the year.

2.11 VISIT TO KIOM AND UST BY PHARMACOLOGY, RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT, AND OIA



UFS delegation: Prof Motlalepula Matsabisa, Dr Glen Taylor, and Mr Zenzele Mdletshe.

The visit by the UFS delegation was reciprocal in nature and in response to KIOM's first visit to the UFS on 22 April 2018. The objective of the meeting which was held from 27 October to 1 November 2018, was to strengthen collaboration with the Korea Institute of Oriental Medicine (KIOM) as well as establishing cooperation with the University of Science and Technology (UST), which is a parent to the KIOM institute. The UST is seen by the UFS as an entry point to Korea and Asia. The UFS delegation met with the President and Deputy President of KIOM and agreed to pursue the possibility of opening the Herbal Medicine Research Centre in South Africa, with the UFS as a collaboration partner. The UST also invites UFS students to apply for the fully paid short-term mobility programme that takes place every year and which is open to international students. The duration of the programme is two months.

2.12 SHANDONG JIANZHU UNIVERSITY (SJU) IN CHINA

The main objective of the visit was to establish co-operation between the Shandong Jianshu University and the UFS in the field of engineering, particularly relating to scientific research and student/lecturer exchange. The UFS delegation was represented by the Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences, as well as the International Office and the Department of Engineering. During the meeting, it was agreed that the OIA would facilitate the linking of academics and that the HOD of Engineering at the UFS would arrange a trip to China in 2019 for the purpose of exploring areas of cooperation before a formal agreement would be contemplated.

THE SJU DELEGATION CONSISTED OF:

- Prof Jin Fengxiang, President, Shandong Jianshu University
- Prof Zhang Zhigang, Director: Science and Technology Administration, Shandong Jianshu University
- Prof Wu Daoji, Dean of School of Municipal and Environmental Engineering, Shandong Jianshu University
- Prof Li Xiuling, Deputy Dean of School of Civil Engineering, Shandong Jianshu University
- Prof Chen Baoming, Director of the Office of International Exchanges and Cooperation, Shandong Jianshu University

2.13 MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE UNIVERSITY OF THE FREE STATE, THE SPANISH NATIONAL RESEARCH COUNCIL (CSIC), AND THE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE DUBLIN (UCD), NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF IRELAND

The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding is to establish an institutional linkage for research, education co-operation, and assistance. It was agreed that the CSIC has to foster, coordinate, develop, and promote scientific and technological multidisciplinary research in order to contribute to the general knowledge and to economic, social, and cultural development. The UFS has to be a researched, student-centred, and regionally-engaged university that contributes to development and social justice through the production of globally competitive graduates and knowledge. The UCD is to advance knowledge, pursue truth, and foster learning in an atmosphere of discovery, creativity, and innovation and to be a leading international research-intensive university.

2.14 STUDENT AND STAFF EXCHANGES WITH APPALACHIAN STATE UNIVERSITY

Presently, the UFS has an active student exchange with the Appalachian State University (AppState) in the United States. The first agreement was signed in 2011 for a period of five years. Before the agreement could expire, the Provost of AppState visited the UFS in October, which culminated in the signing of the new agreement. The new agreement will expire in 2021. The collaboration is characterised by student exchange and academic staff exchange. The University of the Free State hosted two students from AppState since 2015, while AppState reciprocated by hosting two of our students in the first semester of 2018.

HOSTED	UFS	APPSTATE
2015	0	
2016	1	0
2017	1	0
2018	0	2

AppState hosted one academic staff member from the Faculty of Education on the staff-exchange programme. Dr Juliet Ramohai went on the exchange programme at AppState in the first semester of 2017. In the same year, the Faculty of Education hosted Prof Billy Peacock and Prof Brian Raichle.

2.15 PROJECT FOR INTERNATIONALISING TEACHING AND RESEARCH FOR SOCIAL ENGAGEMENT AND SOCIAL JUSTICE WITH LINNAEUS UNIVERSITY IN SWEDEN

The project will initiate a partnership between two universities, namely the University of the Free State (UFS) and Linnaeus University (LNU) in Sweden. The partnership draws on a common core focus of social justice and applied scholarship for social engagement and sustainable development at institutional level. The partnership will be based around a set of internationalised collaborations in teaching, research, and social engagement between the two universities. The project will involve staff, students, and early career researchers of the Higher Education and Human Development (HEHD) group at the UFS and the Peace and Development Work Programme (Freds- och utvecklingsarbete- FRU) at LNU. The project is based on the immediate needs of research training for postgraduate students and early-career researchers. In carrying out an exchange, there will be an opportunity to actively draw in other units at both universities.

2.16 MEMORANA OF UNDERSTANDING/COLLABORATION AGREEMENTS

In the year under review the UFS entered into the following new memorando of understanding/ Collaboration Agreement

- HAWK University in Germany (institutional)
 - VIVES University College in Belgium (departmental level with Theology, KUL, and School of Nursing)
 - Ostwestfalen-Lippe University of Applied Sciences (HSOWL) in Germany
 - University of Wisconsin La-Crosse in USA of Hasselt – Belgium
 - Paray School of Nursing – Lesotho
 - United Nations University – Germany
- Renewals:
- University of Bremen (Germany)
 - Amsterdam University of Sciences (the Netherlands)
 - Addendum with Czech University of Life Sciences
 - Osaka University (Japan)

3. INTERNATIONALISATION AT HOME

3.1 INTERNATIONAL EVENING

The OIA hosted an international evening on 13 May 2018. International students provided some typical meals from their home countries, which they shared with local students. They also shared the history and origins of the dishes. This event was part of fostering cultural exchange between local and international students on cuisines and their cultural significance



3.2 INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ASSOCIATION (ISA) PICNIC



The OIA collaborated with ISA to host this informal discussion forum on 19 May 2018 at Mooi Meisiesfontein, Bloemfontein Campus. This dialogue session was held with the intention of providing a platform for international students to engage on topical issues, including cultural diversity, adapting to the Bloemfontein and UFS culture, language and cultural barriers. The function contributed to social cohesion within the international student body.



3.3 MEAL IN A JAR

The OIA collaborated with the SRC: International Student Council, Noble Morgan (Pty) LTD, FoodZone, ISA, Zimsa, and House Kestell on this community-engagement initiative, which was implemented on 25 May 2018 (Africa Day). The collaborators visited Heide Primary School with food jars they had prepared in order to give back to the less fortunate. The day was also aimed at promoting interaction and unity as a way of celebrating Africa Day. The scholars assembled in the hall during lunchtime for activities including hand painting, dancing and singing, after which lunch was served. The food in a jar contained rice, potatoes, mixed vegetables, as well as mince. The idea around the jars was that the pupils would keep them after the event to remind them of Africa Day.

3.4 2018 AFRICA DAY COMMEMORATION

The OIA, together with UFS stakeholders, coordinated a student-focused Africa Day commemoration on 25 May 2018 in the Reitz Hall. The Rector, Prof Francis Petersen, participated in a panel discussion on current issues relating to Africa. The Director of the Office for International Affairs, Cornelius Hagenmeier; the Acting Director for Central African Studies, Dr Cawood; the Acting Director of the Institute for Reconciliation and Social Justice, Mr JC van der Merwe; the founder of the NGO, Embrace-A-Sister, Ms Pumla Mgobhozi; Attorney of the High Court of South Africa and Consulting Strategist, Richard Chemaly; and the Chief Whip of the ANC (Free State legislature), Phiwe Mathe, contributed to the discussion which was facilitated by Mr Bhukumusa Zikhali. Artistic contributions from UFS artists rounded off the programme for this diversity celebration.



3.5. INTERNATIONAL STUDENT BUDDY PROGRAMME PILOT



The University of the Free State (UFS) launched the pilot of its 'Wingman' international student buddy programme on the Bloemfontein Campus on 16 February 2018. The programme, which is jointly coordinated by the Office for International Affairs (OIA) and the Student Representative Council (SRC): International Student Council, aims to advance the social integration of local and international students.

35 students from the UFS Bloemfontein Campus – the 'Wingmen' – and international incoming semester-exchange students participate in this. The new programme assists international students with their transition into UFS student life and culture. It advances their successful integration into all spheres of the campus and the surrounding local communities. It connects local and international students through meaningful friendship, nurtures their academic, social, and cultural integration at the UFS, and is at the heart of the UFS internationalisation at home mandate. The OIA monitors and evaluates the pilot carefully.

3.6. CULTURAL AWARENESS TRAINING FOR EXCHANGE STUDENTS

On 8 February 2018, the OIA hosted cultural awareness training with all incoming exchange students. The purpose of the meeting was to provide the exchange students with a toolkit, focusing on 'sensitivity to different cultures and beliefs'. Furthermore, the students were given an opportunity to ask clarity-seeking questions to clarify uncertainties relating to culture.



4. REGISTRATION, ORIENTATION, AND WELCOMING OF INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

4.1 INTERNATIONAL STUDENT REGISTRATION

In the first semester of 2018, the UFS registered more than 1 640 international students (to date) on the Bloemfontein Campus, including doctoral and masters' students. Additionally, 88 post-docs were registered. The students were supported with advice on medical aid and immigration. The OIA coordinated the presence of ABSA brokers and Momentum medical aid at the registration venue, making information on medical aid accessible to registering students.



4.2 IMPROVED SERVICE LEVEL FOR INTERNATIONAL QWAQWA STUDENTS

The OIA's satellite office on the Qwaqwa Campus has coordinated the pre-registration of all international students for the first time in the first semester of 2018. The continuous presence of the OIA on the campus resulted in a significant improvement of international student services on this campus.

4.3 INTERNATIONAL STUDENT WELCOME FUNCTION: BLOEMFONTEIN

On 2 March 2018, the OIA, in collaboration with the SRC: International Student Council and the International Student Association, hosted a welcome function for all first-entering international students on the Bloemfontein and South campuses. The Director of the OIA, Cornelius Hagenmeier, and the Dean of Student Affairs, Pura Mgolombane, emphasised in their welcome addresses the importance of integrating international and local students. Throughout the evening, the students enjoyed various performances from fellow students; they also took part in interactive games while feasting on a variety of South African cuisines. The function ended with an opportunity for social interaction.

4.4 INTERNATIONAL STUDENT WELCOME FUNCTION: QWAQWA CAMPUS

On 22 February 2018, the Qwaqwa Campus of the University of the Free State hosted its international student welcome function. The university received new and returning international students at the Qwaqwa Campus for the new academic year.



5. PROVISION OF INFORMATION ON INTERNATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

5.1 FULBRIGHT INFORMATION

The OIA coordinated two Fulbright information sessions for the UFS. Both were conducted by Ms Matshaba Mothiane and Ms Claire Powell from the United States Consulate to South Africa. The purpose of the sessions was to invite and encourage academics and students to respond to the call.

QWAQWA CAMPUS: The first information-sharing event took place on the Qwaqwa Campus on 26 February 2018. The engagement was divided into two parts: One session for students and the other for staff. This engagement was specifically important to support internationalisation on the Qwaqwa Campus.

BLOEMFONTEIN CAMPUS: On 27 February 2018, a similar information-sharing event took place on the Bloemfontein Campus.

As a result of the engagements, academics and students on both campuses applied for Fulbright opportunities. Mr Lucas du Plooy was the successful recipient of the Fulbright scholarship.



Pictured above: Ms Matshaba Mothiane from the United States Consulate to South Africa

5.2 VISIT TO DST – HORIZON 2020

OIA staff member Mr Mdletshe and Mrs Moiketsi visited the Department of Science and Technology in Pretoria on 23 March 2018 to source information about the EU Funding Framework Horizon 2020. The purpose of the meeting was to get a broader understanding of the Horizon 2020 programme, to learn about available funding opportunities, as well as the funding criteria. Horizon 2020 is handled by the Directorate: Research Development, in collaboration with the OIA.

5.3 RESEARCH AFRICA

On 13 March 2018, representatives of Research Africa, a company which provides online information about sponsors of African science and development research-funding programmes, visited the UFS. In an exploratory meeting, the effectiveness of the data sources provided by Research Africa were evaluated. The DRD and the OIA evaluated the session together and shared their assessment with other internal stakeholders.

6.1 BRANDING, MARKETING, AND STUDENT RECRUITMENT



The OIA supported a marketing and recruitment drive to Zimbabwe, which was coordinated by the Directorate: Student Recruitment Services. The team attended the 59th Zimbabwe International Trade Fair as scholastic exhibitors. The ZITF attracts nearly 700 local and international multi-sectoral exhibitors and over 55 000 exhibition visitors. At the ZITF, the UFS was able to share information on its undergraduate and postgraduate programmes with prospective applicants. The exposition was held on the 24-28 April 2018.

The visit included a postgraduate information-sharing event hosted by the UFS Postgraduate School, and a networking dinner where the Rector and Vice-Chancellor, Professor Francis Petersen, addressed school principals, alumni, current students, and prospective students. The OIA rendered specialised support in terms of immigration-related queries that would assist students with successful visa applications to study at the UFS.

7. STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

Through the International Education Association of South Africa (IEASA), the UFS engages with other universities in the South African higher-education system on strategic matters relating to internationalisation. The Director: Internationalisation, Cornelius Hagenmeier, serves as a member of the organisations executive. In the reporting period, engagement through IEASA resulted in the resolution of pertinent visa challenges experienced by exchange students at the UFS.

8. STRATEGIC PROJECTS

THE OIA PROVIDED SPECIALISED ASSISTANCE WITH THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL PROJECTS/AND OR APPLICATIONS:

8.1. GLOBAL LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

The 2018 Global Leadership Summit took place from 8 to 15 July 2018 on the Bloemfontein Campus of the University of the Free State (UFS). This exciting Africa-themed event brought 250 local and international students and faculty members from more than 14 universities together. The summit was an intersectional programme organised by the Office for International Affairs, Student Affairs, and the Institute for Reconciliation and Social Justice. The summit structure consisted of panel discussions, robust engagements, and social-responsibility excursions and activities. The primary focus was on critical thinking and on modalities capable of developing students to function effectively in an increasingly interdependent and complex world, while building capacity in intercultural competencies. The Office for International Affairs coordinated the logistics of this major event.

8.2 DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING (DHET)- US-SA HIGHER EDUCATION NETWORK – UNIVERSITY CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME: GLOBAL HEALTH

The UFS obtained R4 477 000 funding from DHET for a doctoral staff-development project which is implemented in partnership with the University of Venda and the University of Virginia. Co-supervision and academic mobility of PhD candidates and supervisors are core elements of the programme. In the reporting period, the implementation of the programme was prepared in collaboration with the University of Virginia.



8.3 SOUTH AFRICA-SWEDEN UNIVERSITY FORUM

The UFS is a member of the South Africa-Sweden University Forum (SASUF), which is a collaboration of 30 universities in Sweden and South Africa, together with embassies, civil-society organisations, funding agencies, and ministries in both countries, of which CUT and the UFS are partners. Wanda Verster from the UFS Department of Architecture academically chaired the SASIUF research stream 'Urbanisation in the 21st Century'. Other themes during the research week included 'Climate Change, Natural Resources and Sustainability'; 'Transforming Higher Education Curricula'; 'Social Transformation Through Change'; 'Understanding the Burden of Disease'; and 'Digital Technologies, Big Data and Cybersecurity'. One of SASUF's main goals is to connect researchers with funding agencies, industry, ministries, and society in working towards the Sustainable Development Goals. A delegation from the UFS comprising 10 researchers, participated in the SASUF research week's main event, which was held on 17 and 18 May 2018 in Pretoria. In May 2018, SASUF, in cooperation with the Department of Higher Education and Training, announced that they will be able to fund 20 projects for collaboration between the two countries.



Pictured above Ms. Wanda Verster presents her work stream to the plenary at the SASUF Research Week.

8.4 SASUF: SEMINAR 'THE RURAL-URBAN DYNAMIC'

The UFS co-hosted a research seminar with the Central University of Technology (CUT) titled *The rural-urban dynamic*, which was a side event to the South Africa-Sweden University Forum (SASUF) research week. The event took place on 14 and 15 May 2018. The seminar was a side event at the stream 'Urbanisation in the 21st Century' of SASUF.



Prof Nils Ekelund from Malmö University in Sweden; Buhleleng Masake, Honours student in Spatial Planning in the Department of Urban and Regional Planning at the UFS; Per Schubert from Malmö University in Sweden; and Wanda Verster, UFS Department of Architecture.

8.5 NEXT GENERATION SEQUENCING (NGS) AND ANALYSIS – DATA AND BIOINFORMATICS WORKSHOP

The inaugural edition of the University of the Free State (UFS) Next-Generation Sequencing (NGS) Data and Bioinformatics Workshop, hosted by the UFS-NGS Unit in the UFS Faculty of Health Sciences, was held on the Bloemfontein Campus from 19 to 22 June 2018. It marked a new beginning for the advancement of NGS in Africa under the auspices of the African Enteric Viruses Genome Initiative (AEVGI). The AEVGI will generate rotavirus genomes at the UFS-NGS Unit to investigate the long-term effects of the introduction of the monovalent RV1 vaccine in three African countries – Ghana, Malawi, and South Africa. The workshop attracted over 90 participants from 15 national and international institutions, with organisations from seven different countries as well as company representatives attending the event. The funding was secured through an award from the Bill and Melinda Gates foundation to the principal investigator, Dr Martin Nyaga, and sub-awards to co-investigators, Dr Khuzwayo Jere, Dr Francis Dennis, and Dr Valentine Ndze. The Office for International Affairs effectively co-ordinated the opening and networking reception for this event, which contributed to the overall success of the workshop.



8.6. BELGIAN–SOUTH AFRICAN JOINT COOPERATION

A joint cooperation project between Belgium and South Africa, titled the *VLIRUOS Joint project: 'Supporting Community Health Workers through Interprofessional learning' with VIVES as promotor North and UNIVEN as promotor South* has been approved.

8.7. IKUDU WORKSHOP HOSTED BY THE CENTRE FOR TEACHING AND LEARNING AND THE OFFICE FOR INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

On 15 November 2018, the Centre for Teaching and Learning and the Office for International Affairs hosted Dr Jon Rubin, a leading COIL expert, for an introductory workshop focusing on

Collaborative Online International Learning (COIL) methodologies. Since COIL is a new concept for the UFS, the workshop focused on outlining principles and good practices for COIL within the context of a research-led university. The rationale behind the COIL workshop was to inform the UFS community on its uses, and how it can be aligned with internationalisation of the curriculum, which is an integral part of the UFS Transformation Plan. The workshop also laid the foundation for the iKUDU Erasmus+ project application, which was led by the Office for International Affairs. The focus of the iKUDU project is to use COIL methodologies to enhance the internationalisation of the curriculum, using online/virtual exchanges.

9. OFFICE DEVELOPMENT

9.1 EAIE ACADEMY

Mr Zenzele Mdletshe participated in the EAIE Academy in Prague, Czech Republic, in April 2018, where he undertook specialised studies relating to strategic partnerships and short-learning programmes. The purpose of the workshop was to capacitate the international partnership portfolio through the development of international strategic partnerships and short-learning programmes. The visit inspired the development of the partnership scorecard, which will be the tool to identify potential strategic partners. The programme was over four days, and between the sessions, Mr Mdletshe visited our partner university – the Czech University of Life Sciences. The engagement strengthened the bilateral relationship we have with them. The visit to the Czech University of Life Sciences has resulted in the UFS being offered one mobility exchange with subsidised accommodation.

Mr Kangeo Mokgosi participated in the EAIE Academy in Bilbao, Spain, which took place from 19 to 23 November 2018. He attended a specialised workshop titled: 'How to manage an International Office', where he learned about tools to manage a modern-day international

office. This was particularly useful, since Mr Mokgosi is establishing the international satellite office on the Qwaqwa Campus.



9.2 GATEWAY SMS

The OIA has been granted access to use SMS gateway. This one-stop-shop SMS service allows the office to instantaneously communicate urgent messages and promote upcoming events with all its international students.

9.3 INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ADMINISTRATION PROCESS DOCUMENT

A process document that provides a step-by-step guide on specialised international student administration processes was compiled.

9.4 UFS NOMINATION WINDOW

The office designed and populated a student exchange data sheet for 2017/2018. This data sheet is a synopsis of the UFS data where only information relevant to incoming exchange students is shared with the partners. The information includes general UFS information; contact details of the office responsible for exchange students and partnership; academic calendar; prospectus; information on accommodation; immigration; medical aid; financial obligation; as well as the nomination and application procedure. This data sheet effectively streamlines and assists the identification and registration of exchange students.

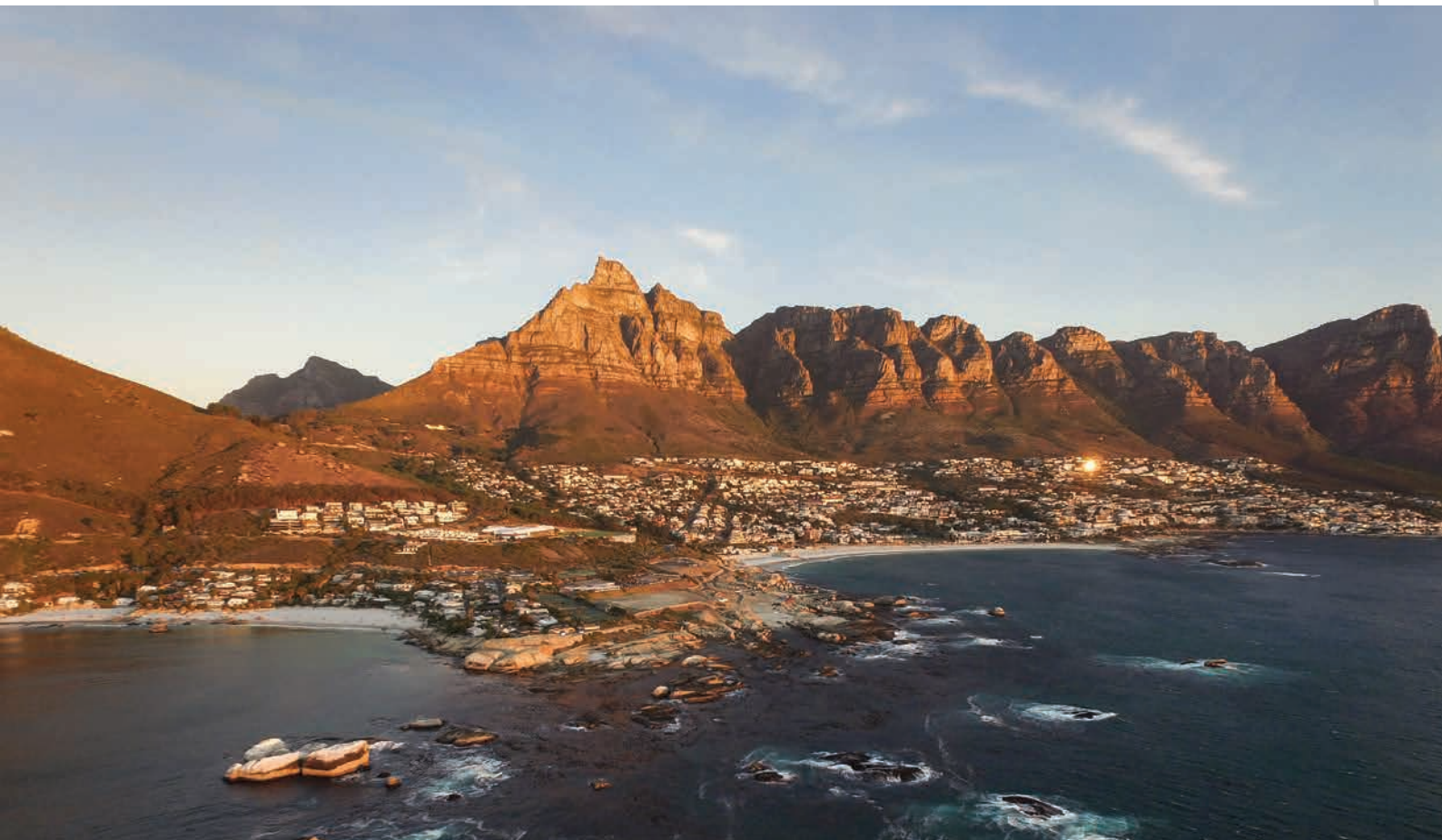
9.5 BENCHMARKING OF APPLICATION DEADLINE FOR INCOMING EXCHANGE STUDENTS

This was necessitated by a request from partners that the UFS should reconsider the closing date of 31 August 2018 for the first semester 2019 applications of international students. Resulting from the benchmarking exercise, the following

recommendation was made: “the date for submission of application forms of incoming exchange students at the UFS vary from the full degree-seeking students; as this would be in line with best practise at most of the South African Higher Education Institutions. A submission date of 31 October would be highly recommended as it is better suited to the academic calendars of our partner universities.” This recommendation was approved by the Registrars’ office and communicated to all partners.

9.6 BENCHMARKING VISIT TO NELSON MANDELA UNIVERSITY (NMU)

The Senior Officer: International Student Administration visited the Office for International Education at Nelson Mandela University on 7 March 2018. She met with Dr Nico Jooste, the Director of the Office for International Education, as well as his staff members to benchmark marketing, ICT, applications, admissions, registration, immigration, medical aid, as well as the financial processes. The report from the visit informed the development of administrative processes at the OIA.





9.7 BENCHMARKING THE SELF-FUNDING MODEL FOR INTERNATIONALISATION WITH NMU

The Senior Director: Internationalisation at the Nelson Mandela University visited the UFS on 22 May 2018 to introduce the self-funding model for an international office, which has been successfully introduced at NMU, to the Rector and other internal stakeholders. The UFS decided to dispatch a delegation to NMU to consider which aspect of the model may be suitable for implementation at the UFS. Later in the year, the VR Research and internationalisation Prof Corli Withuhn, the Director of the OIA Cornelius Hagenmeier and the Acting Register Systems and Administration Anban Naidoo visited NMU for this purpose.

10. PUBLICATIONS BY STAFF MEMBERS

CCA Hagenmeier (2018). International Higher Education Partnerships in the Developing World. Published in: Encyclopaedia of International Higher Education Systems and Institutions. (doi:10.1007/978-94-017-9553-1_279-1) (Internet Reference: <http://www.springer.com/gp/book/9789401789042>)

11. INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE

11.1 FAUBAI CONFERENCE 2018

Prof Corli Witthuhn, Vice-Rector: Research and Internationalisation, and Cornelius Hagenmeier, Director: Internationalisation, attended the 30th Annual Conference of FAUBAI 2018 – the Brazilian Association for International Education, which was held from 14 April to 8 April 2018 in Rio de Janeiro. This engagement was part of the endeavours by the UFS to strengthen its collaboration in the Global South. As a result, new linkages were established to provide opportunities for UFS academics.

11.2 THE EAIE CONFERENCE AND EXHIBITION

The European Association for International Education (EAIE) advances internationalisation in Europe. At its annual conference hosted in Geneva, it continued with its aim to academically engage with internationalisation; in addition an exhibition where European and global universities and other stakeholders in the higher-education sector could present themselves with a view to enhance partnerships. The Director of the Office of International Affairs, Mr Cornelius Hagenmeier, attended this conference.

11.3 SANORD 2018

Mr Cornelius Hagenmeier attended the SANORD conference, which took place from 15 to 17 August 2018. SANORD furthers multilateral academic cooperation between the Southern African and Nordic regions and strengthens the capacity of all member institutions to address new local and global challenges of innovation and development. The leadership of member institutions meets annually for discussion and planning of joint endeavours.

12. CONFERENCE PAPERS BY STAFF MEMBERS

C Witthuhn and CCA Hagenmeier. Presentation at the 30th FAUBAI Conference 2018 (14 to 18 April 2018) in Rio de Janeiro: Sustainable Collaboration: Balancing Diversification of Knowledge Paradigms, Academic Freedom and Partner Loyalty in the South African Postcolonial University'

13. GRADUATE CAREER GUIDE

The IOA was given an opportunity to write an article in the university's Graduate Career Guide, explaining the relevance and importance of internationalisation in relation to employability.



SECTION 3

FACULTY REPORTS ON INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES

3.1. FACULTY OF THEOLOGY AND RELIGION

<p>Official international delegation visitsz</p>	<p>DEPARTMENT OF CONSTRUCTIVE AND HISTORICAL THEOLOGY:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The department maintained ongoing and regular contact with Prof Eddy van den Borgh from Vrije University, Amsterdam, the Netherlands in order to maintain the strong collaborative relationship. ○ Emeritus Prof B van de Beek from Vrije University, Amsterdam, the Netherlands visited the university. ○ Prof Michael Welker from Heidelberg, Germany visited the department and extended an Invitation to Dr H v d Westhuizen to visit Heidelberg as guest of Prof Welker. <p>DEPARTMENT OF PRACTICAL AND MISSIONAL THEOLOGY:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Prof Bram van de Beek, Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam. Theological day 19 February 2018, FAD 21-02-2018; Discussion of his book, <i>Mij Vader Uw Vader</i>. ○ Prof Chris Hermans, Radboud University, Nijmegen. Appointed as Professor Extraordinary, doctoral workshop 13-15 February 2018. <p>DEPARTMENT OF OLD AND NEW TESTAMENT:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Dr Stefan Fischer from the Evangelical-Theological Faculty at the University of Vienna offered guest lectures in Old Testament to students in the faculty (February 2018). ○ Prof Nancy Declaisse-Walford and Dr Steve Declaisse-Walford from McAfee School of Theology in Atlanta, Georgia, offered guest lectures in the faculty (9-11 Apr 2018). ○ Prof Nancy Declaisse-Walford and Dr Steve Declaisse-Walford from McAfee School of Theology in Atlanta, Georgia attended the conference 'Unheard voices in the Bible' (11 Apr 2018). ○ Dr Matthijs den Dulk: Radboud University, Nijmegen; ○ Dr Albert Hogeterp: the Netherlands; Dr Torsten Jantsch: University of Munich; and Prof Jan van der Watt: Radboud University, Nijmegen, visited the faculty for the International Colloquium for the Study of the New Testament (Bloemfontein, 4 June 2018). ○ Prof Werner Kelber from the USA had a guest lecture on orality in the faculty.
<p>Partnership engagements (Student and staff mobility)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ MoUs with Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam and Justo Mwale University, Lusaka. ○ Strengthening collaboration with the Network for African Congregational Theology (NetACT) ○ Strengthening collaboration with the Network for African Congregational Theology (NetACT) ○ Prof JA van den Berg completed a second PhD degree in the School of Historical and Philosophical Inquiry, University of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia. ○ Prof DF Tolmie visited the Radboud University in Nijmegen, where he acted as external examiner for a PhD in New Testament. ○ Dr L Sutton and students in the Department of Old and New Testament participated in an international book project with Nancy L Declaisse-Walford, Professor of Old Testament and Biblical Languages at McAfee School of Theology in Atlanta, Georgia, for a new Feminist Commentary on the Psalms by Liturgical Press in Minnesota. This commentary will be published in 2019.

International academic engagements

DEPARTMENT OF PRACTICAL AND MISSIONAL THEOLOGY:

- Prof P Verster: Attended conference 25–28 June 2018 in Florence, Italy. Theme of paper: *The challenge of poverty in informal settlements in Mangaung South Africa and possible interventions from the Christian Church*.
- Prof WJ Schoeman: April 2018: Visiting lecturer at Radboud University, Nijmegen. ICERT conference 13–15 June 2018 in Helsinki, Finland. Paper: *Shifting trends within the South African religious landscape after 1994 – developing a relevant research agenda*.

DEPARTMENT OF OLD AND NEW TESTAMENT:

- The Department of Old and New Testament Studies hosted the bi-annual conference of the International Colloquium for the Study of the New Testament on 4 June 2018 in Bloemfontein. The theme of the conference was 'God in the New Testament'.
- In August 2017, the Faculty of Theology and Yale Divinity School jointly hosted a conference on apocalyptic literature and mysticism. The papers read at this conference were published in September 2018 by one of the leading publishers in theology, De Gruyter in Germany. The book is titled *Apocalypticism and mysticism in ancient Judaism and early Christianity* (eds. A Yabro Collins, John J Collins, and Pieter GR de Villiers), and appeared in the Ekstasis series.
- The Department of Old and New Testament organised an international conference on the theme 'Unheard voices in the Bible', at the faculty. This conference focused on the 'unheard voices' in the Bible and in our contemporary world. The 'unheard voices' are those which society ignores, oppresses, neglects, discriminates against, or throws away. International guest scholars Prof Nancy Declaisse-Walford and Dr Steve Declaisse-Walford from McAfee School of Theology in Atlanta, Georgia (USA) visited the conference.
- Prof DF Tolmie read papers at the following international conferences: A conference on the theme 'Unheard voices in the Bible' (Bloemfontein, 11 April 2018), the International Colloquium for the Study of the New Testament (Bloemfontein, 4 June 2018), and the international meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature (3 August 2018, Helsinki). He recently also became a member of the International Colloquium Oecumenicum Paulinum that meets every two years in Rome, and thus attended his first meeting in this regard from 4 to 7 September 2018.
- Prof SD Snyman attended the handing over of a Festschrift at the 25-year jubilee of Prof Eric Peels of the University of Apeldoorn, the Netherlands. Prof Peels is also a research fellow at our university. Prof Snyman made a contribution to this Festschrift (January 2018). Prof Snyman attended a joint meeting of the Old Testament societies of the Netherlands and Belgium, the UK, and South Africa at the University of Groningen. The theme was 'Violence in the Hebrew Bible: Between text and reception.' (Aug 2018).
- Dr L Sutton read a paper at the conference on the theme 'Unheard voices in the Bible' (Bloemfontein, 11 April 2018). Dr Sutton attended a conference on the Minor Prophets at Tyndale House, University of Cambridge, United Kingdom (Jun 2018). Dr Sutton attended a joint meeting of the Old Testament societies of the Netherlands and Belgium, the UK, and South Africa at the University of Groningen. The theme was 'Violence in the Hebrew Bible: Between text and reception' (Aug 2018). Dr Sutton was invited to read a paper at the annual conference of the Society of Biblical Literature in Denver, Colorado. (Nov 2018).

Strategic perspectives

- Strengthening co-operation with NetACT.

3.2. FACULTY OF NATURAL AND AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES (NAS)

3.2.1. CENTRE OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT:

International academic engagements
(international conference attendances, international scientific visits)

Prof Anthony Turton has been awarded a Royal Bank of Canada (RBC) Research Centre Fellowship to the Water Institute at the University of Waterloo.

Dr Olusola (Shola) Oloade visited the Life and Earth Sciences Institute (including Health and Agriculture), one of the institutes of the Pan African University hosted by the University of Ibadan in Nigeria and funded by the African Development Bank. Dr Oloade has been appointed by the institute as one of the team members supervising a PhD student in Environmental Management, with a thesis titled *Modelling the effects of climate and land use changes on hydrological ecosystem services in Pra River basin of Ghana*.



3.2.2. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS:

<p>International academic engagements (international conference attendances, international scientific visits)</p>	<p>Prof Ashok Chapagain was appointed as Senior Professor in the Department of Agricultural Economics at the University of the Free State in October 2018. He left the Water Footprint Network (the Netherlands) where he worked in the capacity of Science Director. He is also acting as a member of the Supervisory Board of the Water Footprint Network.</p> <p>Dr Henry Jordaan attended the 23rd International Commission on Irrigation and Drainage (ICID) Congress in Mexico City from 8 to 14 October 2017. He presented a paper, 'Management Practices and the Water Footprint of Irrigated Sugarcane Production in South Africa', based on the research of his master's degree student, Mr Adetoso Adetoro – who could not attend.</p> <p>Prof Bennie Grové and Dr Nicky Matthews attended the course, 'Basic and Advanced Course on Modelling and Optimisation with GAMS' hosted by GAMS Software GmbH during November 2017 in Weisenheim am Berg, Germany. The course discussed basic issues, such as the use of conditionals to affect model statements/ behaviour and the generation of report files and moved to advanced topics such as solving large and difficult problems.</p> <p>Dr Brad Ridoutt from CSIRO in Australia is one of the department's affiliated researchers and annually publishes a number of articles under the department's name.</p> <p>Dr Yonas Bahta and Dr Abiodun Ogundeji attended the International Association of Agricultural Economics 30th Triennial Conference on 'New Landscapes and New Mandates for Agriculture' at Canada's West Coast in beautiful Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada from 28 July to 2 August 2018. Poster paper presented: Nexus between homestead food garden programme and land ownership in South Africa: Implication on the income of vegetable farmers (Bahta, YT and Enoch Owusu-Sekyere).</p> <p>Dr Yonas Bahta attended the African Economic Research Consortium (AERC), AREC-BMGF and 'Agriculture and Food Policy Analysis for Nutrition' workshop from 30 May to 7 June 2018, back to back with the biannual research workshop in Port Louis, Mauritius. Paper presented: Impact of Agricultural and Food Policy Intervention on Nutrition Outcome among Rural Households in South Africa and Lesotho: The case of Homestead Food Garden programmes (Bahta, YT and Enoch, OS).</p> <p>Dr Frikkie Maré and Mr Walter van Niekerk is part of the international agri-benchmark network and attended the annual conference in Galway, Ireland, during June 2017.</p> <p>Dr Frikkie Maré was part of a group, including Prof Danie Vermeulen, Ms Elzmarie Oosthuizen, Prof Frikkie Neser, and Dr Johan van Niekerk, that visited the University of Namibia during July to discuss future collaboration.</p> <p>Dr Frikkie Maré serves as a council member on the council of the International Farm Management Association (IFMA).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms Farida Badu-Gyan was selected for a fellowship under the OKP Scholarship Programme set up by the Netherlands Ministry of Development Cooperation for a short course on Research Methods and Skills at Maastricht School of Management, which took place from 3 September 2018 to 22 November 2018.
--	--

3.2.3. DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING SCIENCES:

International academic engagements (international conference attendances, international scientific visits)	Mr Louis Lagrange received the 'International Legend in Energy' award from the American Association of Energy Engineering in Charlotte, USA, in October 2018. He also co-presented a five-day Certified Energy Manager (CEM) course in Sri Lanka in May 2018.
---	---

3.2.4. DEPARTMENT OF URBAN AND REGIONAL PLANNING:

International academic engagements (international conference attendances, international scientific visits)	<p>Dr Thulisile Mphambukeli was invited to present her work at the Brazil, Russia, India, China, and South Africa (BRICS) Academic Forum in Sandton. Following her attendance of the 2nd Urban African Planning Conference in Lisbon last year, Prof Verna Nel was invited to submit two chapters (co-authored with PhD candidate, Mr Martin Lewis) for a forthcoming book.</p> <p>The SAPER (South Africa Planning Education Research) team, consisting of Mr Stuart Denoon-Stevens, Prof Verna Nel, Ms Rouve Bingle, Ms Mischka Jacobus, and Mr Martin Lewis, had a fruitful writing retreat with the University of Birmingham colleagues in Milton Keynes in June. Several policy briefs have already been published and a number of papers will follow.</p>
---	---

3.2.5. DEPARTMENT OF ZOOLOGY AND ENTOMOLOGY

International academic engagements (international conference attendances, international scientific visits)	Mr Gerhard de Jager received a prestigious award from the Parasitological Society of Southern Africa for his MSc dissertation. He was awarded the Junior WO Neitz Medal from PARSA for the best MSc in 2018 in the field of parasitology. The title of his MSc – 'Assessment of Trichodina heterodontata Duncan, 1977 (Ciliophora: Peritrichia) using molecular and morphological taxonomy'. Supervisor: Prof L Basson, co-supervisor Prof JG van As.
---	---

3.2.6. DISASTER MANAGEMENT TRAINING AND EDUCATION CENTRE (DIMTEC)

International academic engagements (international conference attendances, international scientific visits)	Prof Andries Jordaan was invited to the Faculty of Environmental Science and Engineering of at Babes-Bolyai University Cluj-Napoca in August.
---	---

3.2.7. CENTRE OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

International academic engagements (international conference attendances, international scientific visits)	<p>CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dr Shola Ololade presented a paper on Water-energy-food nexus: a dynamic approach to security and sustainable development as keynote speaker at the first International Conference organised by the Centre for Research, Innovation and Development in Ado Ekiti, Nigeria. Prof Antony Turton presented a paper on Big-picture impacts of human activities on water systems, as keynote speaker at the Burdekin Water Forum in Ayr, Australia. Ms Carina Coetzer co-presented a paper on using flight initiation distances of waterbirds for bird management at the Barberspan Bird Sanctuary in South Africa at the 41st Annual Meeting of the Waterbird Society in Reykjavik in Iceland.
---	--

3.2.8. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS

<p>International research collaborations, including co-authored papers</p>	<p>INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH COLLABORATIONS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A number of students and academic staff published ISI journal articles, with Emmanuel Donkor and Victor Owusu from the Department of Agricultural Economics, Agribusiness and Extension, Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology, Ghana, and Stephen Onakuse from the Department of Food Business and Development, University College Cork, Ireland. <p>CO-AUTHORED PAPERS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Bahta, YT, Enoch, OS, Donkor, Emmanuel, Boipelo, TE (2018). The impact of the homestead food garden programme on food security in South Africa. Food Security, 10(1):95-110. DOI: 10.1007/s12571-017-0756-1 ○ Donkor, E, Matthews, N, and Ogundejji, AA (2018). Efficiency of rice farming in Ghana: Policy implications for rice sector development. African Development Review, 30(2): 149-161. https://doi.org/10.1111/1467-8268.12320. UFS-031345 ○ Ogundejji, AA, Donkor, E, Motsoari, C, and Onakuse, S. Impact of access to credit on farm income: implications for rural agricultural development in Lesotho. 2018 – Agrekon, 57:2, 152-166, https://doi.org/10.1080/03031853.2018.1483251 ○ Donkor E, Owusu, V, Owusu-Sekyere, E, and Ogundejim, AA. The Adoption of Farm Innovations among Rice Producers in Northern Ghana: Implications for Sustainable Rice Supply. Agriculture 2018, 8(121): 1-13.
---	--

3.2.9. DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE AND INFORMATICS

<p>International academic engagements (international conference attendances, international scientific visits) Conference attendance:</p>	<p>Prof Pieter Blignaut presented a paper at ETRA 2018 in Warsaw, Poland (ETRA: Eye Tracking research and Applications).</p> <p>Mr Ronnie Brown presented a paper at ICESPM 2018 in Vienna, Austria (ICESPM: International Conference on Enterprise Systems and Performance Management).</p> <p>One of the master's students, Pauline Phoobane, presented a full paper at the "2018 International Conference on Advances in Big Data, Computing and Data Communication Systems" that was held in Durban.</p> <p>Dr Ruth Wario presented a paper at the "International Conference on Human-Computer Interaction (HCI)" that was held in Las Vegas, USA.</p>
<p>International research collaborations, including co-authored papers International research collaborations:</p>	<p>Dr Eduan Kotzé is working with Prof Walter Daelemans at the Computational Linguistic & Psycholinguistics (CLIPS) Research at the University of Antwerp Belgium. They are jointly working on a research project investigating methods and algorithms to automatically detect abusive language online.</p> <p>Prof. Pieter Blignaut is working with K Holmquist from the University of Regensburg in Germany on a project to measure smallest movements that eye trackers can pick up.</p>

Co-authored papers	<p>Dr Eduan Kotzé was a co-author on a technical report investigating cross-domain perspectives on online hate speech, in collaboration with the University of Antwerp, the University of Hildesheim, the University of Leuven and the University of Munich.</p> <p>Dr Ruth Wario was a co-author of a paper presented at the “2018 International Conference on Advances in Big Data, Computing and Data Communication Systems” that was held in Durban. Dr Ruth Wario was also a co-author of two papers presented at the IST-Africa 2018 conference that was held in Botswana.</p>
Co-authored papers	<p>Prof Pieter Blignaut, together with the Humanities Laboratory of Lund University in Sweden submitted an application for funding to enhance the usage of eye-tracking in classrooms.</p>
International funding	<p>The Department of Computer Science and Informatics hosted a visiting student from the Hochschule Ostwestfalen-Lippe University of Applied Sciences in Germany for three months. She was part of the IT-Agriculture joint venture in Applied Informatics.</p>
International staff and student mobility	<p>The Department of Computer Science and Informatics hosted a visiting student from the Hochschule Ostwestfalen-Lippe University of Applied Sciences in Germany for three months. She was part of the IT-Agriculture joint venture in Applied Informatics.</p>
New/pending international agreements / informal collaborations	<p>The department will continue to strengthen its International research collaborations.</p>

3.2.10. DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER SCIENCE

International academic engagements (international conference attendances, international scientific visits)	<p>CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE:</p> <p>Dr Jana Vermaas and Miss Carien Denner presented at the Wessex Institute International Conference on Waste Management in Seville, Spain. (The research covered recycling behaviour of bars and eateries in central South Africa.)</p> <p>Prof Hester Steyn was Chair for the Consumer and Sustainable Development committee of the International Federation for Home Economics (IFHE), which held a workshop of the IFHE at the Council meeting of the IFHE in Khartoum, Sudan in March 2018.</p>
---	---

3.2.11. DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING SCIENCES

International academic engagements (international conference attendances, international scientific visits):	<p>CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE:</p> <p>Dr Jacques Maritz and Mr Louis Lagrange attended the World Energy Engineers Conference in Charlotte, USA, from 16 to 19 Oct 2018. Mr Lagrange presented a lecture: The effect of short-term fluctuations on Point of Use energy costs on the South African agricultural economy.</p>
--	--

3.2.12. DEPARTMENT OF GENETICS

International official delegation visits (incoming)	<p>Prof Trudy Turner from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee visited the department in July. Prof Turner is also an affiliated Professor in the Department of Genetics. On this occasion she was accompanied by a PhD student Ms Algia Lewis.</p> <p>In October, the department hosted Dr Frank Jacobs from Natural History museum in Vienna. Dr Jacobs is also editor of the Elsevier journal mammalian Biology & he presented several guest lectures while at UFS</p> <p>On 23 August 2018, the Department of Genetics hosted a one-day visit for Mr Stefan Kutranov from Promega in the UK. The purpose of the visit was to assist DNA as well as giving a presentation to the department regarding the latest global trends in human forensic genetics.</p>
International staff and student mobility	<p>Dr Gerda Marx (staff) was elected to serve on the Scientific Programme Organising Committee for the International Congress of Endocrinology in Cape Town from 1 to 4 December 2018. For this task, she joined a group of 14 international and two South African representatives.</p>
Pending international agreements/informal collaborations	<p>Miss Anita Dube (PhD student) – National University of Science and Technology, Bulawayo, Zimbabwe</p> <p>Miss Bupe Kapaman (PhD student) – Evelyn Hone College, Zambia</p>
International academic engagements (international conference attendances, international scientific visits)	<p>CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE:</p> <p>Annual Meeting and conference of the European Association for the Study of Diabetes (EASD), Lisbon, Portugal. Dr Gerda Marx was sponsored to attend the meeting of the Society for Endocrinology, Metabolism and Diabetes of South Africa (SEMDSA).</p> <p>6th Annual Conference of the African Society of Forensic Medicine (ASFM), South Africa. Paper presented by Wessels, L, Ehlers, K and Brink, S; plus keynote address by Dr Ehlers.</p>
International research collaborations, including co-authored papers	<p>Five papers published by the department also involved international co-authors.</p> <p>ACTIVE INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATIONS ARE AS FOLLOWS:</p> <p>Prof Trudy Turner from the University of Wisconsin Milwaukee, USA.</p> <p>Ms Mirjam Minker, Leipzig University, Germany. (EUROSA PhD student).</p> <p>Prof Sahar Ahmed, National Research Centre, Giza, Egypt.</p> <p>Dr Romulus Abila and Mr James Barasa, Kenya (Maasai Mara University and University of Eldoret).</p>

3.2.13 DEPARTMENT OF PLANT SCIENCES

International official delegation visits (incoming)	<p>Dr WHP Boshoff hosted a PhD student, J Zhang. The student visited the UFS to characterise stem-rust resistant lines for her studies at the Plant Breeding Institute (Cobbitty), School of Life and Environmental Sciences at the University of Sydney, Australia.</p> <p>Dr WHP Boshoff hosted Dr H Li at the UFS and held discussions on current collaboration and progress as well as areas of future collaboration. Dr Li is from the Institute of Genetics and Developmental Biology, Chinese Academy of Sciences, Beijing, China.</p>
International staff and student mobility	<p>STUDENT MOBILITY: OUTGOING STUDENT MOBILITY:</p> <p>Dr Sandy Steenhuisen and her master's student, Mr Lehlohonolo Adams, attended a workshop presented by an international researcher, Christophe Baltzinger, PhD, Dr Hab, Forest ecologist at Irstea in France: Msweli, L, Baltzinger, C, and Downs C. 2018. Exotic seed dispersal by large mammals. Workshop on Seed Dispersal by Native Ungulates from Southern Africa, Friday, 20 July 2018, School of Life Sciences, University of KwaZulu-Natal, Pietermaritzburg.</p> <p>Dr Rudo Ngara's students, Mr Tatenda Goche (PhD) and Ms Mamosa Ngcala (MSc), spent six weeks at Durham University, UK, from 1 August to 12 September 2018, conducting their research work. The visit was funded by both the Royal Society and the National Research Foundation.</p> <p>Dr Ansori Maree (Postdoc) attended the NOVA course in plant phenotyping and -omics data course, 11-15 June 2018, at the Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences (SLU), Alnarp. It was part of the NRF / STINT Science and Technology research collaboration with Prof Erik Andreasson (SLU), Mr Flip Steyn (ARC-VOP), and Dr Lerato Matsaunyane (ARC-VOP).</p> <p>Dr Angeline van Biljon undertook a research visit to the Nanjing Agricultural University in China from 16 June to 20 July 2018. During her five-week visit, she spent time in the wheat and physiological laboratory of Prof Dong Jiang in Nanjing, learning new laboratory techniques. She also gave lectures to postgraduate students. The visit was made possible by the collaboration between Prof Dong Jiang from the College of Agriculture at the Nanjing Agricultural University, China; Prof Perry Ng from the Department of Food Science and Human Nutrition at Michigan State University, USA; and Prof Maryke Labuschagne, SARCHI Chair from the University of the Free State.</p>
Pending international agreements/informal collaborations	<p>The department mostly has informal collaboration without any written agreements.</p> <p>Dr Lize Joubert is continuing her research collaboration with Prof Beverley Glover from the Department of Plant Sciences at the University of Cambridge on two projects concerning floral evolution and development.</p> <p>Lisa Rothmann: Prof Emerson del Ponte, Departamento de Fitopatologia of the Federal University of Viçosa (UFV), Brazil. (Epidemiological modelling).</p>
International funding	<p>Dr Rudo Ngara still holds her Royal Society Newton Advanced Fellowship, 2016-2019.</p>

<p>International academic engagements (international conference attendances, international scientific visits)</p>	<p>CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE:</p> <p>11th International Congress of Plant Pathology: Plant Health in a Global Economy, 29 July–3 August 2018, Heyns Convention Centre, Boston, USA. (three poster presentations authored and co-authored by Prof NW McLaren; Ms LA Rothmann; Ms MC Bester).</p> <p>Sorghum in the 21st Century Global Conference, Century City Convention Centre, Cape Town, 9–12 April 2018 (one oral presentation by Prof NW McLaren and co-authored by Ms LA Rothmann and Ms MC Bester; one poster presentation by Ms LA Rothmann, co-authored by Prof NW McLaren).</p> <p>Prof McLaren co-chaired Scientific Programme (local organising committee) for the Sorghum in the 21st Century Global Conference in Cape Town, 9–12 April 2018.</p> <p>Ms Lisa Rothmann chaired the Student Chapter for the Sorghum in the 21st Century Global Conference in Cape Town, 9–12 April 2018.</p> <p>Dr WHP Boshoff visited the Institute of Genetics and Developmental Biology, Chinese Academy of Sciences, regarding joint research on transferring rust resistance from <i>Thinopyrum ponticum</i> to bread wheat, 30 March to 5 April 2018.</p> <p>Prof ZAP Pretorius, Prof L Herselman, Prof B Visser, Dr WHP Boshoff and their students, Mr HD Castelyn and Mr M Chemonges, attended the 9th BGRI in Marrakech–Morocco, 14–18 April 2018.</p> <p>Prof ZAP Pretorius, Prof L Herselman, Prof B Visser, Dr WHP Boshoff and their students, Dr A Maré, Mr HD Castelyn, and Ms R Labuschagne, attended the 15th ICRPMC in the Kruger National Park, SA, from 23 to 27 September 2018.</p> <p>Dr Rudo Ngara spent two months at Durham University, from 1 May to 1 July 2018. The visit was funded by the Royal Society.</p> <p>Dr Rudo Ngara’s students, Mr Tatenda Goche (PhD) and Ms Mamosa Ngcala (MSc), attended the Sorghum in the 21st Century Conference, Cape Town, 9–12 April 2018, where Ms Ngcala competed in the Three Minute thesis competition and won the first prize.</p>
<p>International research collaborations, including co-authored papers</p>	<p>A total of five research publications, which are all recorded on the RIMS database.</p>

3.2.14. DEPARTMENT OF QUANTITY SURVEYING AND CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT

International academic engagements (international conference attendances, international scientific visits)	<p>CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE:</p> <p>Prof Kahilu Kajimo-Shakantu and her PhD candidate, Xhala Cameron, attended the International Conference on Infrastructure Development and Investment Strategies for Africa in Livingstone, Zambia, and co-presented a paper on Multifaceted Financing Constraints in Public Infrastructure Investment and Development in July 2018.</p> <p>Dr Akintayo Opawole, a Postdoc fellow, attended and presented a paper at the International Conference on Education, Development, and Innovation, at Methodist University College, Accra, Ghana, in August 2018.</p> <p>Dr Akintayo Opawole, Prof Kahilu Kajimo-Shakantu, and Prof GO Jagboro co-authored a paper which was presented at the 10th South African Council for the Quantity Surveying Profession (SACQSP) International Research Conference, themed The Quantity Surveying Profession and the 4th Industrial Revolution, held in Johannesburg in September 2018.</p> <p>Mr Hendri du Plessis and Mr Pierre Oosthuizen co-authored and presented a paper on A South African perspective on construction contract management at the 9th International Conference on Engineering, Project, and Production Management (EPPM2018) in Cape Town, in September 2018.</p>
International research collaborations, including co-authored papers	<p>CO-AUTHORED PAPERS:</p> <p>Dr Akintayo Opawole co-authored a paper on Cost and time implications of resuscitation of abandoned projects: a case study of educational institutional buildings with Alao, O Oluwaseyi and Jagboro, G Onajite for the Journal of Financial Management of Property and Construction. Mr Alao, O Oluwaseyi and Prof Jagboro, G Onajite are affiliated with Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife, Nigeria.</p> <p>Prof Kahilu Kajimo-Shakantu and Dr Akintayo Opawole co-authored a paper on Critical performance factors of public sector organisation in concession-based PPP projects with Jagboro, G Onajite and Olojede B Olufunso, for Property Management. Ms Olojede B Olufunso and Prof Jagboro, G Onajite are affiliated with Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife, Nigeria.</p>

3.2.15. DEPARTMENT OF URBAN AND REGIONAL PLANNING

International staff and student mobility	<p>PhD candidate, Ms Rouve Bingle, and Prof Verna Nel attended the International Geographical Union (IGU) conference on Geography of Governance in Lisbon in September. Prof Nel has been invited to submit a chapter for a book based on the presentations.</p> <p>Dr Suzanne Speak from Newcastle University in the United Kingdom facilitated a workshop for the registered PhD and research master's students.</p> <p>Professor Innocent Chiriza from the University of Zimbabwe facilitated a workshop for the mini-dissertation students.</p>
---	---

International funding	<p>In January 2018, Dr Thuli Mphambukeli was awarded an individual research grant by the Social Science Research Council: African Peacebuilding Network (APN).</p> <p>Dr Thuli Mphambukeli was awarded an African Pathways Programme (APP)/BRICS Teaching and Research Mobility Grant in October 2018. The purpose of the grant was to invite scholars from BRICS countries to attend the BRICS-PLUS Research Conference.</p> <p>Dr Mphambukeli was also awarded a Herrenhausen Conference Travel Grant by the Volkswagen Foundation, and presented her work at Hanover, Germany.</p> <p>The World Academy of Sciences (TWAS) and Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG) awarded Dr Mphambukeli an exchange grant to spend two months (November 2017–January 2018) at the University of Konstanz in Germany. She was hosted by Professor Doctor Thomas Kirsch.</p> <p>Following a South African–Sweden University Forum event held in May, funding has been approved for a research project that includes researchers from the University of Venda, the University of Johannesburg, Prof Verna Nel, and participants from Swedish universities.</p>
------------------------------	--

3.2.16. DEPARTMENT OF ZOOLOGY AND ENTOMOLOGY

International academic engagements (international conference attendances, international scientific visits)	<p>CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE:</p> <p>The Parasitological Society of Southern Africa hosted the Third International Congress on Parasites of Wildlife in the Kruger National Park. Three oral presentations were delivered by staff and postgraduate students:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Prof Liesl van As, Prof Linda Basson, and Prof Jo van As delivered a presentation on: 'Ciliophorans collected from a wide variety of hosts from the Okavango system, Botswana'. ○ Prof Jo van As and Prof Liesl van As delivered a presentation on: 'The disjunct distribution of branchiuran fish parasites'. ○ L Bopheka, Prof Liesl van As, and Prof Jo van As delivered a paper on: 'First record of a Trypanosoma species in Austrogalnis sclateri (Boulenger, 1901) from Sterkfontein Dam, South Africa'. <p>Prof Aliza le Roux gave an oral presentation at the International Mammalogical Conference in Perth on 'The sensory world of a large-eared canid'.</p> <p>Miss PM Mosolloane (MSc) presented a poster at the 28th Annual meeting of the Society of Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry (SETAC) in Rome, Italy from 13 to 17 May 2018. The title of the poster is 'Rapid detection of E. coli in wastewater effluent and impact of effluent discharge on riparian macroinvertebrate diversity'.</p> <p>Miss NWK Nyoka (MSc) presented a poster at the 28th Annual meeting of the Society of Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry (SETAC) in Rome, Italy from 13 to 17 May 2018. The title of the poster is: 'The influence of biochar on the toxic effects of imidacloprid to the lifecycle parameters of Eisenia fetida'.</p>
---	---

International research collaborations, including co-authored papers

Prof Linda Basson collaborated with scientists from the University of Tasmania (Australia), Institute of Veterinary Research and Development (Vietnam), and Aarhus University (Denmark) on trichodinid parasites from marine fish.

Prof Linda Basson co-authored a paper for Parasitology with M Dang, L Bach, C Sonne, R Nørregaard, and B Nowak on Trichodinid infections in internal organs of shorthorn sculpin (*Myoxocephalus scorpius*) collected around an industrial harbour in Nuuk, Greenland.

Prof Charles Haddad is currently collaborating with the following four groups:

- Prof Stano Pekár (Masaryk University, Czech Republic) on spider venoms and predatory specialisation.
- Dr Wanda Wesolowska (University of Wrocław, Poland) and Dr Galina Azarkina (Russian Academy of Sciences, Russia) on the taxonomy of South African jumping spiders (Salticidae).
- Drs Jiri Kral and Franticek Stahlavsky (Charles University, Czech Republic) on the karyology of South African arachnids.
- Dr Martín Ramírez (Museo Argentino de Ciencias Naturales, Argentina) on the systematics of intertidal spiders of the family Anyphaenidae.
- Prof Charles Haddad co-authored a paper for Zootaxa with C Kropf, T Blick, AD Brescovit, M Chatzaki, N Duperré, D Gloor, MS Harvey, P Jäger, YM Marusik, H Ono, CA Rheims, and W Nentwig on 'How not to delimit taxa: A critique on a recently proposed 'pragmatic classification' of jumping spiders (Arthropoda: Arachnida: Araneae: Salticidae)'.

Prof Charles Haddad co-authored the following papers:

- For Molecular Ecology with S Pekár, O Bočánek, O Michálek, L Petráková, O Šedo, and Z Zdráhal on 'Venom gland size and venom composition – essential trophic adaptations of venomous predators: the case study using spiders'.
- For Comparative Cytogenetic with F Šťáhlavský, P Just, V Opatova, and LN Lotz on 'Molecular technique reveals high variability of 18S rDNA distribution in harvestmen (Opiliones, Phalangidae) from South Africa'.
- For African Invertebrates with CX Wang and SQ Li, on 'A new species of the spider genus Cangoderces (Araneae, Telemidae) from South Africa'.

Prof Charles Haddad co-authored a paper with W Wesolowska on 'Further additions to the jumping spider fauna of South Africa (Araneae: Salticidae)'.

Dr P Vouna Otomo co-authored a paper for Annales Zoologici, Warszawa with P Diale Dioh Lobe and J Filser on 'Avoidance behaviour of Enchytraeus albidus (Oligochaeta) after exposure to AgNPs and AgNO₃ at constant and fluctuating temperature' for the European Journal of Soil Biology. P Diale Dioh Lobe and J Filser are affiliated with the University of Bremen in Germany.

Prof Aliza le Roux has signed an agreement with the University of Minnesota on the Snapshot South Africa project. They have donated camera traps for a camera-trap grid to be set up in Golden Gate Highlands National Park as part of a larger study in which they are comparing herbivore movements in National Parks with and without lions. This collaboration is ongoing and involves citizen scientists in the analysis of photographs through an online platform hosted by Zooniverse.

Prof Aliza le Roux was invited to act as mentor for the incoming Africa Science Leadership Programme fellows (a multi-national, competitive leadership programme funded by the Bosch Institute and run by researchers at the University of Pretoria).

3.2.17. DISASTER MANAGEMENT TRAINING AND EDUCATION CENTRE (DIMTEC)

International staff and student mobility	<p>Prof Andries Jordaan collaborates with the following Institutions and also attended the academic forums listed below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ African Society for Forensic Medicine (ASFM). 7th ASFM Annual Conference, Dakar, Senegal, 7–10 March 2018. ○ GlobeDrought Project, 1st Stakeholder Workshop, 3–4 May 2018 UN Campus, Bonn, Germany. ○ Erasmus and International Credit Mobility exchange academic staff (STA). International Relations Office of the National University of Public Service. Budapest, Hungary, 5–19 May 2018. ○ ELSSEDIMA International Conference, Scientific Committee member and Plenary Paper presentation, Cluj Napoca, Romania, 17–19 May 2018. ○ United Nations University – Institute for Environment and Human Security (UNU-EHS) delegation visit to the University of the Free State, South Africa, to UNU-EHS, 16–20 July 2018. <p>Dr Alice Ncube, Dr JA Belle, and O Kunguma will attend the ERASMUS Exchange Programme and International Lecture Week in Budapest, Hungary from 26 November to 7 December 2018.</p> <p>Germie van Coppenhagen attended the ERASMUS Exchange Administrative Arrangements at the University of Lubjana, Slovenia and the National University of Public Service in Budapest, Hungary in September 2018.</p>
International research collaborations	<p>EVIDENZ Research Project, in collaboration with United Nations University, University of Bonn, Ukraine Satellite Agency, funded by European Satellite Agency. Eight international scientists visited South Africa for workshops with DIMTEC and leading government agencies. 4–8 June 2018.</p> <p>Development of master's degree module in Mass Casualty Management in collaboration with International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) in 2018/19.</p>

3.2.18. DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS

DEPARTMENT MEDICAL PHYSICS

International Collaboration	<p>DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAL PHYSICS: DR F DU PLESSIS / DR W SHAW</p> <p>A standing Cooperation Agreement between Stichting Maastricht Radiation Oncology and the Departments of Medical Physics and Oncology.</p> <p>A data-sharing and collaboration agreement with the University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Centre.</p> <p>A research collaboration with the Klinik für RadioOnkologie und Strahlentherapie, Universitätsklinikum, Heidelberg, Germany.</p>
------------------------------------	---

EVIDENZ Research Project, in collaboration with United Nations University, University of Bonn, Ukraine Satellite Agency, funded by European Satellite Agency. Eight international scientists visited South Africa for workshops with DiMTEC and leading government agencies. 4–8 June 2018.

Development of master's degree module in Mass Casualty Management in collaboration with International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) in 2018/19.

Master's Degree module in Mass Casualty Management in collaboration with International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) in 2018/19.

DEPARTMENT MEDICAL PHYSICS: DR F DU PLESSIS / DR W SHAW

A standing Cooperation Agreement between Stichting Maastricht Radiation Oncology and the Departments of Medical Physics and Oncology.

A data-sharing and collaboration agreement with the University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Centre.

A research collaboration with the Klinik für RadioOnkologie und Strahlentherapie, Universitätsklinikum, Heidelberg, Germany.

COLLABORATION WITH THE ASTROPHYSICS GROUP AT APPALACHIAN STATE UNIVERSITY

Mr Piet Meintjes established solid collaboration with the astrophysics group at Appalachian State University in Boone, North Carolina. It will involve significant support in building scientific instrumentation related to astrophysics.

COLLABORATION CONCERNING THE SOUTHERN AFRICAN LARGE TELESCOPE (SALT)

Institutions from the US are deeply involved with the Southern African Large Telescope (SALT). Staff from the Department of Physics are involved with multi-wavelength and multi-messenger observations involving the Boyden 1,5-m telescope and SALT, among many other instruments. Some of this work was published in Nature last year.

3.3 FACULTY OF THE HUMANITIES

3.3.1. DEPARTMENT OF AFRICAN LANGUAGES

International academic engagements (conference attendances, scientific visits – outgoing)	Lecturer(s): Dr EN Maletse, presented a paper entitled: 'The role of the deficient verb [ka] in Sesotho negative sentence' at the 49th Annual Conference on African Languages that was held at Michigan State University from 22 to the 24 March 2018.
--	--

3.3.2. DEPARTMENT OF AFRIKAANS AND DUTCH, GERMAN AND FRENCH

International academic engagements (conference attendances, scientific visits – outgoing)	<p>- Dr C van den Berg attended the 2018 American Comparative Literature Association (ACLA) conference in Los Angeles, USA (29 March-1st April) to present the paper <i>Minor Literatures and the Politics of Difficult Pasts</i>.</p> <p>-Dr C van den Berg presented a paper at the international conference on 'Recognition, Reparation, Reconciliation' at Stellenbosch University (5-9 December): <i>(Un) translatability and/of trauma: Elfriede Jelinek and 'Die Kinder der Toten'</i>.</p> <p>Prof N Morgan attended the following international engagements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Bassano del Grappa, Italy, from 16 to 20 July 2018. <p><i>Congreso Internacional 'Traducción y sostenibilidad cultural'</i> in Salamanca, Spain, from 28 to 30 November 2018, where she presented the following paper:</p> <p><i>De La fille des Boers à La fille à soldats, ou comment retrouver l'histoire perdue de la Guerre des Boers par la traduction française dun roman historique afrikaans.</i></p> <p>Two collaborators from Leipzig University, Nancy Retzlaff and Sarah Berkemer, with whom Ms Strauss is working on a project of syntax trees and grammar alignment, visited Bloemfontein in May 2018. Mss Strauss, Retzlaff, and Berkemer travelled to Cape Town to present at a seminar held by the Department of Statistics.</p> <p>Ms Trudi Strauss attended the TBI Vienna Winter seminar for Bioinformatics in Bled, Slovenia in February 2018. She presented her project concerned with 'Word Frequency Distributions Across Languages'. She was awarded an NRF KIC grant to fund this visit.</p> <p>Prof Van Niekerk delivered a paper, 'Nederland(s) spreken in Zuid-Afrika: project: Angelique van Niekerk (UV) en Nerina Bosman (UP) in samewerking met de NTU' (<i>Speaking Dutch, project: Angelique van Niekerk (UFS) and Nerina Bosman (UP) in collaboration with the Dutch Language Union</i>) a presentation as part of a panel discussion on initiatives for mutual language acquisition, 20th Colloquium Neerlandicum, 27 August-30 August, Leuven, Belgium.</p> <p>Ms Carla Ellis did a poster presentation at the international Sociolinguistics Symposium 22, held at the University of Auckland, New Zealand, 27-30 June 2018.</p>
--	---

International visits	<p>Dr M Smit visited Poëziecentrum University in Ghent, Belgium on 7 April 2018.</p> <p>In July 2018, Ms Strauss attended a training seminar at the Goethe Institut Schwäbisch Hall, Germany. The focus of the training was 'Methodology and Didactics in German teaching for Adults'. This visit was funded by the Goethe Institut.</p> <p>The department acted as co-hosts for students from the Netherlands who visited SA as part of the Jongeren Project.</p> <p>Mr Albertus Barkhuizen visited France for three months to do research for his PhD.</p> <p>Miss Alison Stander visited the Netherlands for six months while doing research for her PhD.</p>
International staff and student mobility	<p>In 2018, nine candidates passed the CNaVT (Certificaat Nederlands als Vreemde Taal/Certificate in Dutch as Foreign Language) examination. This certificate is internationally recognised as a proof of language ability in Dutch in the Netherlands and Belgium. The certificate is part of the AFNK 2 module offered by Prof A van Niekerk. The UFS is approved as an institution to enrol students for this exam.</p> <p>An online course for learning to speak Afrikaans was launched at the end of 2017. In 2018, seven people from all over the world enrolled for this online course. On campus, several international students and staff members enrolled for the contact-based 'Gesellig Afrikaans' course to learn Afrikaans as foreign language.</p> <p>A French SLP (contact-based) is presented on campus for people with no knowledge of French.</p>
Books or Chapters in Books	<p>Prof N Morgan is currently preparing the French translation of François Smith's historical novel <i>Kamphoer</i> for the French publisher, Actes Sud. The publication date is 2019.</p> <p>Prof Van Niekerk contributed by writing a chapter on Pragmatiek (<i>Pragmatics</i>). In: <i>Kontemporêre Afrikaanse Taalkunde</i> (ed. Carstens, WAM and Bosman, N). Pretoria: Van Schaik Publishers: 329-364. ISSN: 978 06 27 03437 4.</p>
Pending international agreements/informal collaborations	<p>During Prof Van Niekerk's visit to Leuven, she met with delegates from the Dutch Language Union and they expressed interest and willingness to partake in and fund the development of an online Dutch course for Afrikaans-speaking people. An official application for funding was submitted to the Language Union by the end of November 2018.</p>
Other academic achievements (e.g. editorships, election on academic association or union)	<p>Profs Van Niekerk and Van Coller (research associate in department) act as co-editors of a book as tribute to JC Steyn.</p>

3.3.3. DEPARTMENT OF ART HISTORY AND IMAGE

STUDIES

International staff and student mobility	<p>Film Hons student, Mpendulo (Troy) Myeni, is currently on a six-month study exchange at the University of Groningen, where he is enrolled for three MA courses in addition to finishing his Hons mini-thesis under the joint supervision of Prof Annie vd Oever and our department.</p> <p>Prof Annie van den Oever (University of Groningen) presented a series of lectures (18-25 April 2018) in Film and Visual Media. She continues to be involved in the development of the programme.</p> <p>Mr Martin Rossouw continued his (what is planned to be a) joint PhD degree between the University of Groningen and the UFS. This is under the joint supervision of Prof Liesbeth Korthals-Altes (Professor of General Literature, University of Groningen), Prof Annie van den Oever (Associate Professor in Arts, Culture and Media/Film, University of Groningen), and Prof Suzanne Human (Associate Professor in Art History and Image Studies, UFS). His PhD defence date in Groningen is set for 28 March 2019.</p> <p>Dr Francis Halsall continues his affiliation as research fellow in the department. He is Co-Director of the master's programmes: Art in the Contemporary at the National College of Art and Design in Dublin, Ireland.</p>
New international agreements	<p>Prof Suzanne Human is currently leading the finalisation of a contract for a joint PhD in Film and Visual Media (student: Martin Rossouw) between the Universities of Groningen and the Free State.</p>
Pending international agreements/informal collaborations	<p>Planned peer-review workshop headed by Prof Van den Oever is still pending.</p> <p>Our planned recruitment of a postdoctoral researcher (Nikita Matthias – see 2017) did not turn out as we hoped. We are, however, considering recruiting an international postdoctoral researcher in 2019, who will be expected to do research strictly dedicated to our ongoing Willem Boshoff Digital Arts Archive.</p>
International visitors (incoming)	<p>Prof Julian Hanich (Associate Professor in Film Studies, University of Groningen) presented a public lecture, 'On Laughter in the Cinema', coupled with a film screening, which was hosted by the department on 5 Nov 2018. https://www.ufs.ac.za/templates/archive.aspx?news=10719&cat=1</p> <p>Lecture series presented by Prof Van den Oever (University of Groningen), as noted above, 18-25 April 2018.</p>
International academic engagements (conference attendances, scientific visits – outgoing)	<p>Martin Rossouw presented a paper at the 2018 NECS Conference (European Network for Cinema and Media Studies) in Amsterdam (27-29 June 2018). His presentation was titled: The 'Randomizing Rituals' of Terrence Malick: Improvisational Filmmaking Practices as Ethical Tactics.</p>

3.3.4. CENTRE FOR GENDER AND AFRICA STUDIES

<p>International academic engagements (conference attendances, scientific visits – outgoing)</p>	<p>Fieldwork for Newton Advanced Fellowship: Dr S Cawood and Dr Jonathan Fisher</p> <p>Uganda, 22–31 January as part of Newton Advanced Fellowship research with Dr Jonathan Fisher (Department of International Development, University of Birmingham).</p> <p>Fieldwork for Newton Advanced Fellowship: Dr S Cawood and Dr Jonathan Fisher</p> <p>Uganda, 17–31 August, as part of Newton Advanced Fellowship research with Dr Jonathan Fisher (Department of International Development, University of Birmingham).</p> <p>Workshop presentation: Dr S Cawood and Dr Jonathan Fisher,</p> <p>‘Memory, space and power in post-liberation Uganda’ workshop held in Kampala, Uganda, on 29 August as part of Newton Advanced Fellowship research with Dr Jonathan Fisher (Department of International Development, University of Birmingham)</p> <p>Presentation: <i>Memorialising struggle in post-liberation Africa</i>.</p> <p>Conference paper: Dr S Cawood and Dr Jonathan Fisher,</p> <p>ASAUUK conference at the University of Birmingham, 11–13 September, as part of Newton Advanced Fellowship research with Dr Jonathan Fisher (Department of International Development, University of Birmingham)</p> <p>Presentation: <i>Memorialising struggle: Dynamics of memory, space and power in post-liberation Africa</i>.</p> <p>Workshop presentation: Dr S Cawood</p> <p>‘African Studies and the challenges of de- and re-centring knowledge’ workshop on 2 November at Aarhus University, Denmark</p> <p>Presentation: <i>Decolonising knowledge: Africa Studies and the pluriverse</i>.</p> <p>Public lecture: Dr S Cawood</p> <p>Nordic Africa Institute at the Uppsala University, Sweden, on 6 November</p> <p>Presentation: <i>Gendered (in)securities and the memorialisation of struggle in post-liberation Africa</i>.</p>
<p>International visits</p>	<p>Dr S Cawood embarked on the following international visits:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Uganda 22–31 January 2018, and 17 to 31 August 2018. ● University of Birmingham, UK, 11–13 September 2018. ● Aarhus University in Denmark, 1–4 November 2018. ● Nordic Africa Institute, Uppsala University, Sweden, 5–6 November 2018

International Visitors	Visitor: Prof Peter Limb
	Institution: Michigan State University, USA
	Reason for visit: To give lecture in CGAS seminar series
	Visitor: Yumiko Kiuchi (master's student in Development)
	Institution: York University, Canada
	Reason for visit: To do fieldwork for master's dissertation on IKS, give lecture in CGAS seminar series

3.3.5. CENTRE FOR HEALTH SYSTEMS RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

International academic engagements (conference attendances, scientific visits – outgoing)	Lecturer(s): Drs M Engelbrecht and G Kigozi embarked on a scientific visit to the University of Antwerp, Belgium. The reason for the visit was to strengthen collaboration on the HIV- and TB-Stigma project and discuss new research projects for future collaboration.
	CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE
	Lecturer(s): Kigozi, NG, and Engelbrecht, MC attended the 49th Union World Conference on Lung Health, the Hague, the Netherlands from the 24-27 October 2018. They delivered a presentation: <i>Yield of active tuberculosis case finding in a high burden district of South Africa</i> . Lecturer: Rau, AHM, attended the Unspoken, Unseen, and Unheard of: Unexplored Realities in Qualitative Research., European Sociological Association (ESA) mid-term conference of the Qualitative Research Network RN20, that took place from 6 – to 8 September 2018, in St.Gallen, Switzerland. The following presentation was delivered: <i>Mining the metaphor: Unearthing the concealed in participant narratives</i> .
International visitors	The department received an internal visit from Nina Sommerland Institution: University of Antwerp, Belgium Reason for visit: Collaboration on the HIV- and TB-Stigma project.

International research collaborations, including co-authored papers

Lecturer(s): Dr Asta Rau (with Prof JK Coetzee of Sociology)

Achievement: Is co-editing a second Special Edition of the IBSS-listed international journal: *Qualitative Sociology Review*.

Lecturer(s): Rau A, Elliker, F, and Coetzee, JK

Title of chapter: 'Data Collection for Analysing Discourses, Chapter 19

Title of book: *SAGE Handbook of Qualitative Data Collection*

Place of publication: California, USA

Publisher: SAGE Publications Inc.

Lecturer(s): Heunis JC, Sofola O, and Samson K

Title of chapter: 'Prevention and control of tuberculosis in Africa', Chapter 10

Title of book: *Public health in Africa*

Place of publication: Nigeria

Publisher: Centre for Epidemiology and Health Development

Lecturer(s): Janse van Rensburg A, Petersen I, Wouters E, Engelbrecht MC, Kigozi GN, Fourie P, Van Rensburg HCJ, and Bracke P. 2018. State and non-state mental health service collaboration in a South African district: a mixed methods study. *Health Policy and Planning*, 33(4):516–527. <https://doi.org/10.1093/heapol/czy017>.

Lecturer(s): Howell EM, Kigozi NG, and Heunis JC. 2018. Community-based directly observed treatment for TB patients to improve HIV services: a cross-sectional study in a South African province. *BMC Health Services Research*, 18:255. <https://doi.org/10.1186/s12913-018-3074-1>.

Lecturer(s): Rau A, Wouters E, Engelbrecht M, Masquillier C, Uebel K, Kigozi G, Sommerland N, Janse van Rensburg, A. Towards a health-enabling working environment – developing and testing interventions to decrease HIV and TB Stigma among healthcare workers in the Free State, South Africa: study protocol for a randomised controlled trial. *Trials*, 19:351. <https://doi.org/10.1186/s13063-018-2713-5>.

Lecturer(s): Masquillier C, Wouters E, Sommerland N, Rau A, Engelbrecht M, Kigozi G, Janse van Rensburg A. Fighting stigma, promoting care: a study on the use of occupationally-based HIV services in the Free State Province of South Africa. *AIDS Care*, 30 (supplement 2): 16–23. <https://doi.org/10.1080/09540121.2018.1468010>.

Lecturer(s): Janse van Rensburg A, Khan R, Wouters E, Van Rensburg D, Fourie P, and Bracke P. 2018. At the coalface of collaborative mental health care: A qualitative study of governance and power in district level service provision in South Africa. *International Journal of Health Planning and Management* (Online Version of Record before inclusion in an issue: <https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/10991751/0/0>).

Lecturer(s): Heggenstaller A K, Rau A, Coetzee J K, Ryen A, and Smit R. 2018. Reflecting on female beauty: cosmetic surgery and (dis)empowerment. *Qualitative Sociology Review* 14(4): 48–65. DOI: <http://dx.doi.org/10.18778/1733-8077.14.4.04>.

**International research
collaborations, including
co-authored papers**

Lecturer(s): Chikondo N, Rau A, Coetzee J K, Ryen A, Elliker F, and Young-Hauser A.
2018. A shock to the system: HIV among older African women in Zimbabwe. Qualitative
Sociology Review 14(4): 138-152. DOI: <http://dx.doi.org/10.18778/1733-8077.14.4.09>.

Lecturer(s): Heggenstaller A K, Rau A, Coetzee J K, Smit R, and Ryen A.
2018. Beauty and the cosmetic secret. Qualitative Sociology Review 14(4):
66-84. DOI: <http://dx.doi.org/10.18778/1733-8077.14.4.05>.

Lecturer(s): Heggenstaller A K, Rau A, Coetzee J K, Smit R, and Ryen A.
2018. Beauty and the cosmetic secret. Qualitative Sociology Review 14(4):
66-84. DOI: <http://dx.doi.org/10.18778/1733-8077.14.4.05>.

Lecturer(s): Janse van Rensburg A, Wouters E, Fourie P, Van Rensburg D,
and Bracke P. Collaborative mental health care in the bureaucratic field of
post-apartheid South Africa. Health Sociology Review, 27(3), 2018



3.3.6. DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATION SCIENCE

International academic engagements (conference attendances, scientific visits – outgoing)	<p>Title of Conference: 11th Euromed Academy of Business Conference</p> <p>Date: 12-14 September 2018</p> <p>International Conference: University of Valletta, Valletta, Malta.</p> <p>Lecturer(s): Dr L de Lange and Dr D Mulder</p> <p>Title of paper: A leadership communication value chain model.</p>
	<p>Title of Conference: 11th Euromed Academy of Business Conference</p> <p>Date: 12-14 September 2018</p> <p>International Conference: University of Valletta, Valletta, Malta.</p> <p>Attendee: Prof M Rivera: A Mindful Society: From Curiosity to Compassion. University of Toronto. 25-29 May 2018.</p>
	<p>Panellist: Prof M Rivera: Panellist, La Casita Encuentro (Reunion): A Public Dialogue on the Past, Present, and Future of a Community Institution. Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration, Samuel Proctor Oral History Programme, University of Florida, October 2018, Gainesville, Florida USA.</p>
	<p>Mrs R Engelbrecht</p> <p>Using flip-the-classroom as a crisis response strategy: A South African case study</p>
	<p>National Communication Association</p> <p>Salt Lake City, America</p> <p>8-11 November 2018</p>
	<p>Prof Ian Glenn, attended SMAANZ (Sports Management Association of Australia and New Zealand) conference in Adelaide and presented paper on African soccer, neo-liberalism, and sports viewership in Africa.</p>
	<p>D Breshears (8-11 November 2018). South African transracially adoptive parents' attitudes towards cultural and racial socialisation of their adoptive children. Paper presented at the National Communication Association Convention, Salt Lake City.</p>

International Visits

Lecturer(s): Zubeida Jaffer, was an interport lecturer for a semester at sea wherein she participated in 14 classes on board the ship and delivered a major lecture to 250 students and faculty aboard the ship.

Institution: Floating University

Place: Mauritius to South Africa

Date: 11–18 March

Mrs R Engelbrecht met with Brandi N Frisby, PhD, regarding Instructional Communication at the University of Kentucky. She met with the following academic on her visit: H Lester Reynolds, Associate Professor, School of Information Science, Endowed Professor of Engineering, Director, Graduate Certificate in Instructional Communication, Presentation U! Faculty Adviser

Instructional Communication and Research

College of Communication and Information

Prof Ian Glenn, undertook a research trip to Australia in November 2018 for work in Sydney with Dr Gavin Watkins on South African township art and journalism.

Prof Ian Glenn from Holland, worked at Rijksmuseum on Gordon illustrations and consulted with Naturalis staff on the Leiden Bloubok.

Prof Ian Glenn undertook a research trip to France and Holland in October and November. Prof Glen consulted with staff at the Paris Natural History Museum (MNHN) on the history of the Paris Bloubok, work at National Archives and National Library. He also met with Prof Jean Jamin and Prof Francois-Xavier Fauvelle on a project on Levaillant and the history of French anthropology.



3.3.7. DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINOLOGY

International academic engagements (conference attendances, scientific visits – outgoing)	<p>Prof R Peacock attended the following international engagements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Attended the 16th International Symposium of the World Society of Victimology from 10 to 14 June 2018 in Hong Kong, China. His presentation focus was on: A restorative appraisal of heteronormativity in the 'normalisation' of the victimisation of the LGBTI+ community. ○ Visited the City University of Hong Kong, China on 8 June, where he delivered a lecture titled: Children in cages: Incarceration, identity and the Victimology of State Crime. ○ Visited Catholic University of Pernambuco (Recife, Brazil), on 16 October 2018, where he delivered a lecture titled: LGBTI+ fobia and the Criminal Justice System for the Postgraduate Law programme). He also delivered a lecture on 'Decolonising Research Methodology and Victimisation with specific reference to the phenomenon of children deprived of their liberty' on 17 October 2018. ○ Visited the National Law Faculty, Rio de Janeiro on the 23 October where he delivered a lecture on Decolonising Victimology <p>CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE</p> <p>Lecturer: Prof R Peacock</p> <p>Topic: Keynote address: Emerging victimisation patterns: A critical appraisal of conceptual theoretical frameworks with reference to the uniqueness of local context, generalisability and praxis in a globalised world.</p> <p>Institution: IX Annual Conference of the Victimology Society of Serbia. New and old forms of victimisation: Challenges for Victimology theory and practice. Belgrade, Serbia</p> <p>Date: 29–30 November.</p>
Other academic achievements (e.g. editorships, election on academic association or union):	<p>Lecturer: Prof R Peacock</p> <p>Elected as President of the World Society of Victimology. The World Society of Victimology is a non-profit, nongovernmental organisation with Special Category consultative status in the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) of the United Nations and the Council of Europe.</p> <p>Place: Hong Kong</p> <p>Date: 2018–2021</p>
Community engagement (e.g. Service on a board, any voluntary community engagement – not necessarily related to the university):	<p>Lecturer</p> <p>Prof Robert Peacock</p> <p>board member: <i>Just Detention International</i> (Los Angeles and South Africa)</p>

3.3.8. DEPARTMENT OF DRAMA AND THEATRE ARTS

International Studies	Lecturer: Mr Obakeng Kgwasi
	Topic: Special study leave to complete PhD at Ambrose Alli University, Nigeria. University of the Free State, 1961-2012.
	Institution: Department of Drama and Theatre Arts (UFS)
	Place: Bloemfontein
	Date: February 2018 to 2021
	Lecturer: Mr Dion van Niekerk, Charl Henning, and Erik Strydom
	Topic: Attended an international Summer school in Physical Theatre and Movement.
	Institution: IUGTE International lab and Conference
	Place: Leitrang bei Leibnitz, Austria
	Date: 28 June to 7 July 2018
	MA student MQ yeni continues his Media Studies at the University of Groningen in the Netherlands under the supervision of Prof Van den Oever (Associate Professor in Arts, Culture and Media/Film, University of Groningen). He is expected to complete his studies in 2019.

3.3.9. DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

International Journal articles published/ accepted for publication	Lecturer(s): Ewa Glapka
	Title of article: 'Lost in translation. The (in)visible bodies of Muslim women. A response article'
	Journal: International Journal of Women's Studies Year:2018 Vol: 19 Issue: 2 pp: 215-229.
	Accredited:Yes
	International Books or Chapters in Books
	Lecturer(s): Ewa Glapka
	Title of chapter: 'Gender in transition - masculinities in media consumption'
	Title of book: Gender under Construction. Femininities and Masculinities in Context.
	Place of publication: The Netherlands
	Publisher: Brill
	Lecturer(s): Ruby Magosvongwe (Research Fellow)
	Title of chapter: 'Re-discoursing Jurisprudence for Africa in the 21st Century: Re-centering Africa's Memory and Re-memory through Orature and African-authored Literary Arts'
	Title of book: Social and Legal Theory in the Age of Decoloniality: Towards an African Jurisprudence in the 21st Century.
	Place of publication: Cameroon
	Publisher: Laanga Publishing (forthcoming mid-May 2018).

3.3.10. DEPARTMENT OF FINE ARTS

International activities and engagements	<p>Prof Willem Boshoff:</p> <p>Had a month-long residency at the Yorkshire Sculpture Park in England sponsored by the Villa Trust. The residency enabled him to study the nature and layout of the park, which is one of the largest sculpture parks in the world. It was resolved that he would build WORD WOES, a sculptural wall, in the Yorkshire Sculpture Park before the end of 2019, as well as have a solo exhibition of smaller prints and small sculptures in the Yorkshire Sculpture Park main building in the spring of 2019 (June).</p> <p>Exhibition of 15 sculptures from his BLIND ALPHABET PROJECT at Powers of Emotion, Centre Pompidou, Paris (Exhibition curated by the Leridon Foundation, Sept).</p> <p>Guest speaker at the Centre Pompidou, Paris (Sept).</p> <p>Participated in the Don Quixote project with Lithography prints, culminating in a portfolio (Managed by Francis van der Riet from the Atelier Le Grande Village studios, Charente-Limousine, France, Oct).</p> <p>Adelheid von Maltitz</p> <p>Selected as finalist to exhibit in the international art competition and exhibition titled Barclays L'Atelier (Final exhibition, Absa gallery, Johannesburg, June).</p>
---	---

3.3.11. DEPARTMENT OF GREEK, LATIN AND CLASSICAL STUDIES

International visits	<p>Dr Thomas Kraus visited the Department of Greek, Latin and Classical Studies from 26 to 30 June 2018. He is a Research Fellow in our department and partly affiliated with the University of Zurich (Switzerland). During 2016 and 2017, Dr Kraus was the MA supervisor of Wynand Bezuidenhout. Wynand completed his dissertation with the title <i>Arms, armour and siege craft of the Graeco-Roman world between 2000 BC and AD 200: the use and translation of terminology</i> at the beginning of 2018 and Dr Kraus came to attend the graduation ceremony. During his visit, Dr Kraus also participated in an Academic Discussion jointly presented by the Departments of Greek, Latin and Classical Studies, and Old and New Testament Studies. He also delivered two papers: i) <i>Simon Peter – the use of canonical and non-canonical accounts and texts</i>; and, ii) <i>Literacy – Conclusions from the papyri and other objects from the Graeco-Roman world</i>.</p>
-----------------------------	---

3.3.12. DEPARTMENT OF HEBREW

International BOOKS or CHAPTERS IN BOOKS	<p>Lecturer: Jacobus A Naudé</p> <p>Title of chapter: History of translation knowledge of monotheistic religions with written tradition</p> <p>Title of book: <i>A History of Modern Translation Knowledge. Sources, concepts, effects</i>, edited by Lieven D'hulst and Yves Gambier.</p> <p>Place of publication: Amsterdam</p> <p>Publisher: John Benjamins. DOI: 10.1075/btl.142.54nau.</p>
	<p>Lecturers: Jacobus A Naudé and Cynthia L Miller-Naudé</p> <p>Title of chapter: Alterity, Orality and Performance in Bible Translation</p> <p>Title of book: <i>Key Cultural Texts in Translation</i>, edited by Kirsten Malmkjar, Adrian Serbian and Fransiska Louwagie, 299–313.</p> <p>Place of publication: Amsterdam</p> <p>Publisher: Benjamins.</p>
	<p>Lecturers: Jacobus A Naudé and Cynthia L Miller-Naudé</p> <p>Title of chapter: Sacred Writings</p> <p>Title of book: <i>The Routledge Handbook of Literary Translation</i>, edited by Kelly Washbourne and Ben van Wyke.</p> <p>Place of publication: London</p> <p>Publisher: Routledge.</p>
	<p>Lecturers: Jacobus A Naudé and Cynthia L Miller-Naudé</p> <p>Title of chapter: Sacred Writings and Their Translations as Complex Phenomena: The Book of Ben Sira in the Septuagint as a Case in Point</p> <p>Title of book: <i>Complexity Thinking in Translation Studies: Methodological Studies</i>, edited by Kobus Marais and Reine Meylaerts.</p> <p>Place of publication: London</p> <p>Publisher: Routledge.</p>
	<p>Lecturer(s): JA Naudé, CL Miller-Naudé, and DJ Wilson</p> <p>Title of chapter: The Negative Existential Cycle in Ancient Hebrew [chapter submitted]</p> <p>Title of book: <i>The Negative Existential Cycle from a Historical-Comparative Perspective</i>, edited by Ljuba Veselinova and Arja Hamari.</p> <p>Place of publication: Berlin</p> <p>Publisher: Language Science Press</p>
	<p>Lecturer: KD Chau (co-editor of volume)</p> <p>Title of book: <i>Inner Biblical Allusion in the Poetry of Wisdom and Psalms</i> (The Library of Hebrew Bible/Old Testament Studies).</p> <p>Place of publication: London</p> <p>Publisher: T & T Clark/ Bloomsbury</p>
	<p>Lecturer: KD Chau</p> <p>Title of chapter: The Poetry of Creation and Victory in the Psalms</p> <p>Title of book: <i>Inner Biblical Allusion in the Poetry of Wisdom and Psalms</i> (The Library of Hebrew Bible/Old Testament Studies).</p> <p>Place of publication: London</p> <p>Publisher: T & T Clark/ Bloomsbury.</p>

**International academic
engagements
(conference
attendances, scientific
visits – outgoing)**

Lecturer(s): TJ Makutoane

Title of paper: 'Bible Translation, an agent of change: The translation of *Forgiveness: Power and Puzzles* into Sesotho'.

Title of Conference: Association of Translation Studies in Africa.

Date: 25 May 2018

International conference held at Stellenbosch University

Lecturer(s): JA Naudé, CL Miller-Naudé, and J Obono

Title of paper: 'Alterity and cultural dimension of Bible.

Translation: Towards a Theoretical Framework'.

Title of Conference: Association of Translation Studies in Africa.

Date: 25 May 2018

International conference held at Stellenbosch University

Lecturers: Cynthia L Miller-Naudé and Jacobus A Naudé

Title of paper: 'The Syriac Contribution to Understanding Rare Lexemes in the Greek of Ben Sira'.

Title of conference: International Syriac Language Project at the Society of Biblical Literature annual meeting. Denver, Colorado (USA).

Lecturers: Jacobus A Naudé and Cynthia L Miller-Naudé

Title of paper: 'Methodological Considerations in the Identification and Metaphorical Interpretation of Plants and Plant Products'.

Title of Conference: Metaphor Theory and the Hebrew Bible section at the Society of Biblical Literature annual meeting. Denver, Colorado (USA).

Lecturers: Cynthia L Miller-Naudé, Jacobus A Naudé, and Tshokolo J Makutoane

Title of paper: 'What Do We Actually Translate in Representing Orality? A New Approach Using Complexity Theory and Semiotics' (Invited lecture)

Title of conference: Oral Bible Translation Conference. Richmond, Virginia (USA).

Lecturer: Kevin D Chau

Title of paper: 'The Art of Metaphor in the Poetry of the Song of Moses'

Title of conference: Society of Biblical Literature annual meeting. Denver, Colorado (USA).

Other academic achievements (e.g. editorships, election on academic association or union):	Lecturers: Cynthia L Miller-Naudé and Jacobus A Naudé Achievement: editors of the series Linguistic Studies in Ancient West Semitic, published by Penn State University Press (USA)
	Lecturer(s): Jacobus A Naudé Achievement: As co-chair of the Linguistics and Biblical Hebrew seminar of the Society of Biblical Literature (USA), set up the call for papers and vetted the proposals received for the 2018 meeting
	Lecturer(s): Jacobus A Naudé Achievement: member of advisory board of the National Association of Professors of Hebrew (USA)
	Lecturer(s): Cynthia Miller-Naudé Achievement: Editorial board of <i>The Bible Translator</i> (journal)
	Lecturer(s): Jacobus A Naudé Achievement: Editorial board of <i>The Bible Translator</i> (journal)
	Lecturers: Cynthia L Miller-Naudé and Jacobus A Naudé Achievement: consultant translation checking of the Dinka Cam translation of Ecclesiastes, Ezekiel
	Lecturer(s): Jacobus A Naudé Achievement: Editorial board of <i>Folia Orientalia</i> (journal)
	Lecturer(s): Kevin D Chau Achievement: As co-chair of the section of Biblical Hebrew Poetry of the Society of Biblical Literature (Annual Meeting), set up the call for papers and vetted the proposals received for the 2018 meeting
	Lecturer(s): Kevin D Chau Achievement: As a steering committee member of the Ethnic Chinese Biblical Colloquium, set up the colloquium for the 2018 meeting at the 2018 SBL Annual Meeting

3.3.13. DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

International academic engagements (conference attendances, scientific visits – outgoing)	Lecturer: Dr J McDonald
	Title of paper: 'Land, labour and migration in Qwaqwa, South Africa: Past legacies and present challenges'
	Reason for visit: The visit was in order to build ties between Appalachian State University and the Qwaqwa Campus. Appalachian State will be providing supervision and other support in the University Staff Development Programme.
	Date: 6 September 2018
	Lecturer(s): M Oelofse, J-A Stemmet, and C Twala
	Title of Conference: Annual Osaka University (Japan) and University of the Free State Conference: <i>Quo Vadis South Africa & Africa</i>
	Place: UFS, Bloemfontein Date: 12-13 February 2018

International visitors	<p>Visitor: Prof John Aerni-Flessner Institution: University of Michigan, USA Reason of visit: Seminar presentation, title of paper: 'Dreams for Lesotho: development and visions for the future of Lesotho's independence, 1966-1975'. Date of visit: 5 March 2018, Bloemfontein Campus and 9 March 2018, Qwaqwa Campus</p> <p>Visitor: Dr Chris Konz Institution: Tufts University, USA Reason of visit: Seminar presentation, title of paper: '(Un) cultivating the Disease of Maize: an Environmental History of Pellagra in Lesotho, c. 1933-67'. Date of visit: 9 April 2018</p> <p>Visitor: Dr Munyaradzi Mushonga Institution: National University of Lesotho Reason of visit: Seminar presentation at the Bloemfontein Campus, titled: 'Power and resistance: Struggles over Organisational Restructuring at the National University of Lesotho (NUL) in the 21st century'. Date of visit: 23 May 2018</p> <p>Visitor: Emeritus Prof Peter Limb Institution: Michigan State University (USA) Reason of visit: Paper presented at Qwaqwa Campus, titled: 'Who was 'Nothing Tobacco'? Qwaqwa and the wider Thabo Mofutsanyana Region in early liberation movement history and politics' Date of visit: 25 June 2018</p> <p>Visitors: Professors Bill Worger and Nancy Clark Institution: University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA), (USA) Reason of visit: International network and collaboration Date of visit: 13 September 2018</p>
International visits	<p>Lecturer: Dr C Twala Institution: University of Ghana, Legon, Ghana Reason of visit: Research Date: 23 July-8 September 2018</p> <p>Lecturer: Prof A Wessels Institution: State Library of Tasmania, Hobart; Australian Defence Academy, Canberra; Library/ Archive of the Australian War Memorial, Canberra; State Library of New South Wales, Sydney Reason of visit: Research Date: 16 October-1 December 2018</p>
International staff mobility	<p>Dr J McDonald is involved with the project called 'Livingstone's Manuscripts in Zambia' which falls under the Livingstone Online project, an international, collaborative project based at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, USA.</p>

3.3.14. DEPARTMENT OF LINGUISTICS AND LANGUAGE PRACTICE

International academic
engagements
(conference
attendances, scientific
visits – outgoing)

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

Lecturer: Ms Marlie van Rooyen

Title of Conference: 4th International Conference on Non-Professional Interpreting and Translation
Paper delivered: 'The borders of non-professional translation: The case of translation in community radio news in South Africa'.

Place: Stellenbosch, South Africa

Date: 22–24 May 2018

Mrs X Jansen van Vuuren presented at the international conference on Non-Professional Translation and Interpreting at Stellenbosch University, 22–24 May 2018. The title of her talk was: 'The place and purpose of non-professional interpreting in animal welfare: a comparative study into views on non-professional interpreting'.

INTERNATIONAL (AFRICAN) CONFERENCE

Lecturer: Ms Marlie van Rooyen

Title of Conference: First Conference of the Association of Translation Studies in Africa.

Paper delivered: 'Tracing convergence in the translation of community radio news in South Africa.

Place: Stellenbosch, South Africa

Date: 25–26 May 2018

Mrs X Jansen van Vuuren presented at the international Association of Translators in Africa conference in Stellenbosch, 25–26 May 2018. The title of the talk was: 'Non-professional interpreting and animal welfare: an ecosemiotics study of interaction'.

K Riedel presented *From argument to adjunct in the Bantu languages* at the 20th International Congress of Linguists (ICL20), 1–6 July 2018, Cape Town, South Africa

K Riedel. *Decolonising and transforming linguistics in South Africa: taking stock and charting the way forward*. Workshop on Language and the (De)Colonisation of the African Coast. Department of Applied Language Studies at Nelson Mandela University and the Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology (Halle/Saale), 1–2 October 2018, Port Elizabeth, South Africa – joint presentation with Mark de Vos (Rhodes).

K Riedel. *Animacy in Bantu syntax*. 9th World Congress of African Linguistics (WOCAL9). 25–28 August 2018, Mohammed V University of Rabat, Rabat, Morocco.

Mr Monnapula Molefe presented at the international Association of Translators in Africa conference in Stellenbosch, 25–26 May 2018. The title of the talk was: 'Bridging a service delivery gap communally'.

K Marais, University of Bayreuth, External assessor and jury member for PhD: July 2018

K Marais, Reviewer for the 6th IATIS Conference in Hong Kong

K Marais, Member of the scientific committee for the fourth international Non-Professional Interpreter and Translation Conference (NPIT4), 22–24 May 2018, Stellenbosch University.

K Marais, Chair of academic committee for the First official conference of the Association for Translation Studies in Africa, Stellenbosch, 25–26 May 2018.

	<p>K Marais, Constraints in the emergence of communicative practice, invited speaker at International Workshop on Important Research Problems in Intermediality, Vaxjo, Sweden, 29-31 October</p> <p>K Marais, Semiotranslating development, 6th IATIS Conference in Hong Kong, 3-6 July.</p> <p>K Marais, Incomplete culture: Translation as biosemiotic work, 18th Gatherings in Biosemiotics in San Francisco, 17-20 June.</p> <p>K Marais, Constraints in translation: Exploring aspects of complexity, 1st ATSA Conference in Stellenbosch, 25-26 May.</p> <p>K Marais, Tom, Dick and Harry, as well as Fido and Puss in Boots are all translators: The implications of a Peircean conceptualisation of translation for professionalism in translation studies, 4th NPIT Conference in Stellenbosch, 22-24 May.</p>
International visitors (incoming)	<p>International visitor invited by lecturer, Ms Marlie van Rooyen</p> <p>Visitor: Dr Wine Tesseur</p> <p>Institution: University of Reading, United Kingdom</p> <p>Research seminar: 'Translation Studies and non-governmental organisations'</p> <p>Lecture for third-year Language Practice students on Research Methodology</p> <p>Meeting with BAHons (Language Practice) students on research projects</p> <p>Technical skills transfer (assistance in terms of research methodology and analysis in translation studies) to PhD student and NRF Thuthuka holder, Marlie van Rooyen</p> <p>Date of visit: 15-18 May 2018</p> <p>Dr Riedel</p> <p>Prof Lee Bickmore (University at Albany) visited K Riedel/DLLP in July 2018 to work on the analysis of Sesotho tone and presented lectures at the departmental winter research week.</p>

Journal articles published / accepted for publication	<p>Journal article published</p> <p>Lecturer(s): Ms Marlie van Rooyen</p> <p>Title of article: Investigating translation flows: Community radio news in South Africa</p> <p>Journal: <i>Across Languages and Cultures</i></p> <p>Special edition: 'Methods in news translation'</p> <p>Year: 2018</p> <p>Vol: 19</p> <p>Issue: 2</p> <p>pp: 259–278</p> <p>Accredited: Yes</p> <p>K Marais, A (bio)semiotic theory of translation: The emergence of social-cultural reality. New York: Routledge.</p> <p>K Marais, Complexity thinking in translation studies: Methodological considerations. New York: Routledge (with R Meylaerts as co-editor)</p> <p>K Marais, Translation and development, in J Evans and F Fernández, <i>Routledge Handbook of Translation and Politics</i>, New York: Routledge. pp. 95–109.</p> <p>K Marais, An intersemiotic approach to translation: Leonard Cohen in Afrikaans, <i>Literator</i> (ISI) (with S Opperman as first and M van Rooyen as third author).</p> <p>K Marais, What does development stand for? A socio-semiotic conceptualisation, <i>Social Semiotics</i>, 14 pp. DOI: 10.1080/10350330.2017.1392129 (ISI)</p> <p>K Marais, Translating the university: Exploring indexicality in intersemiotic translation. CASA: Cadernos de Semiótica Aplicada (Qualis A2) Intermidialidade, transposição e adaptação intersemióticas. (Forthcoming)</p> <p>K Marais, Robinson, D. 2017. Semiotranslating Peirce. Tartu, University of Tartu Library, 254 pp. Target (Forthcoming)</p>
Book chapter published / accepted	<p>Book chapter accepted</p> <p>Lecturer(s): Ms Marlie van Rooyen</p> <p>Title of Chapter: Tracing Convergence in the Translation of Community Radio News</p> <p>Title of edited volume: Multilingualism and journalism in the era of convergence (Chapter 8)</p> <p>Editors: Lucile Davier (University of Ottawa/University of Geneva) and Kyle Conway (University of Ottawa)</p> <p>Year: 2019</p> <p>Publisher: John Benjamins Publishing Company</p>

3.3.15. ODEION SCHOOL OF MUSIC

Journal Articles Published/Accepted for publication	<p>Lecturer(s): Prof Martina Viljoen and Prof Nicol Viljoen</p> <p>Title of article: Amadeus: A Vision of Musical Genius</p> <p>Journal: <i>International Review of the Aesthetics and Sociology of Music</i></p> <p>Year: 2018 Vol: 49, Issue: 1 pp:</p> <p>Accredited: Yes</p>
International visits	<p>-Lecturer(s): Dr Matildie Thom Wium</p> <p>Institution: King's College London. Discussed own book project with mentor and conducted research in libraries.</p> <p>Place: London</p> <p>Date: 5–9 March 2018</p> <p>Who: Dr Matildie Thom Wium</p> <p>Topic: Workshop about new book project presented by Prof James Davies of UC Berkeley</p> <p>Institution: King's College London</p> <p>Place: London</p> <p>Date: 8 March 2018</p>
OTHER ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS (eg. editorships, election on academic association or union):	<p>Lecturer(s): Ms Danré Strydom</p> <p>Achievement: Selected as continental chair for the International Clarinet Association. Three-year period</p>

3.3.16. ODEION STRING QUARTET

International Workshops	<p>Lecturer(s): Sharon de Kock, Dr Eduardo Carpinteyro, and Dr Saul Rodriguez</p> <p>Topic: A Career in Music</p> <p>Institution: Facultad de Artes (BUAP Universidad)</p> <p>Place: Puebla, Mexico</p> <p>Date: 3 April 2018</p>
--------------------------------	---

International visits	<p>Lecturer(s): Sharon de Kock</p> <p>Institution: BUAP University</p> <p>Place: Puebla, Mexico</p> <p>Date: 2-6 and 9 April 2018 (23 hours of teaching students and chamber music groups)</p> <p>Lecturer: Sharon de Kock</p> <p>Institution: Conservatorio de Musica Profr. Bandelio Serafin Sosa</p> <p>Place: Zacatlan, Mexico</p> <p>Date: 10-12 April 2018 (12 hours of teaching students)</p>
Other international matters	<p>Concerts:</p> <p>6 April 2018:</p> <p>Facultad de Artes (BUAP) Puebla, Mexico</p> <p>Auditorio del Edificio Multiaulas</p> <p>Concert with Dr Eduardo Carpinteyro and Abraham Morales Rodriguez</p> <p>Programme: Beethoven Trio Op 1 no 1 in E-flat Major (30 min) and Schubert Trio Op 99 in B-flat Major (50 min).</p> <p>12 April 2018:</p> <p>Concert in Casa de la Cultura Zacatlan, Mexico</p> <p>Sharon de Kock, Virginia Villanova, and Luis Marin Luna.</p> <p>Programme: La Paloma (Yradier), Hungarian Dance (Brahms), Sonata no 3-Allegro (Handel) and Czardas (Monti). (20 min)</p>

3.3.17. OFFICE OF THE DEAN: FACULTY OF THE HUMANITIES

International academic engagements (conference attendances, scientific visits – outgoing)	<p>Lecturer: Prof H Hudson</p> <p>Title of paper: A (Wo)man for all seasons: Amos Tutuola and the Gendering of Peace in Africa.</p> <p>Title of conference: Claude Ake Keynote Address</p> <p>Place: Uppsala University, Uppsala, Sweden</p> <p>Date: 21 November 2018</p>
	<p>Lecturer: Prof H Hudson</p> <p>Title of paper: Managing External Expectations – Perspectives on SA foreign policy and the role of SA on the UN Security Council.</p> <p>Title of conference: Invited to speak to the Africa Department and UN Policy Office of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs</p> <p>Place: Stockholm, Sweden</p> <p>Date: 8 November 2018</p>
	<p>Lecturer: Prof H Hudson</p> <p>Title of paper: The African Studies Knowledge Project.</p> <p>Title of conference: Workshop on 'Uses of the Past'</p> <p>Place: Aarhus University, Aarhus, Denmark</p> <p>Date: 2 November 2018</p>
	<p>Lecturer: Prof H Hudson</p> <p>Title of paper: Progress and challenges related to the implementation of the WPS agenda in the AU Peace and Security Architecture.</p> <p>Title of conference: Round-table panel on African Union for the Future and Security Financing.</p> <p>Place: Swedish Institute of International Affairs, Stockholm, Sweden</p> <p>Date: 25 October 2018</p>
	<p>Lecturer: Prof H Hudson</p> <p>Title of paper: Gender, Peacebuilding and Conflict Analysis.</p> <p>Title of conference: Lecture to students in the Department of Peace and Conflict Research</p> <p>Place: Uppsala University, Uppsala, Sweden</p> <p>Date: 18 October 2018</p>
	<p>Lecturer: Prof H Hudson</p> <p>Title of paper: Metageographies, Masks and Matter: Feminist Perspectives on Posthuman Peacebuilding in Africa.</p> <p>Title of conference: Nordic Africa Institute Seminar Series</p> <p>Place: Nordic Africa Institute, Uppsala, Sweden</p> <p>Date: 2 October 2018</p>
	<p>Lecturer: Prof H Hudson</p> <p>Title of paper: <i>Framing convincing proposals, topics and research questions.</i></p> <p>Title of conference: Proposal Development Workshop, hosted by The African Peacebuilding Network (APN) of the Social Science Research Council (SSRC), in collaboration with the Centre for Conflict Management (CCM), University of Rwanda</p> <p>Place: Kigali, Rwanda</p> <p>Date: 18–19 June 2018</p>

International Visits	Lecturer: Heidi Hudson
	Institution: Social Science Research Council
	Purpose: Attending Board Meeting of African Peacebuilding Network and reviewing grant applications
	Place: New York, USA
	Date: 3-4 May 2018

3.3.18. DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY

International academic engagements (conference attendances, scientific visits – outgoing)	Lecturer: Prof Pieter Duvenage
	14 to 21 July, presented a series of lectures on the philosophy of Aristotle on invitation at The Talking Table, Lesvos, Greece
	Lecturer: Prof Johann Rossouw
	7-8 July, presented a paper on hesychasm and artistic creativity at the international Palamas seminar, Veroia, Greece
	Extraordinary professor: Prof Bert Olivier
International visits	Underground Culture in Longo's Johnny Mnemonic A Rancièrian analysis. Paper presented at International KISMIF Conference, Porto, Portugal, 4-7 July 2018.
	AI and being human: What is the difference? Paper presented at 10th International Conference on Beyond Humanism – Cultures of the Posthuman, at the University of Lower Silesia, Wroclaw, Poland, 18-21 July 2018.
	Lecturer: Prof Johann Rossouw
	Visited Christ College, Oxford University from 2 to 9 June 2018 on invitation of Prof Graham Ward, Regius Professor of Divinity to present two guest lectures on his current work in progress and discuss future collaboration with Prof Ward
International visitors	Lecturer: Prof Pieter Duvenage
	Hosted Dr Ad Verbrugge, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam for a series of guest lectures and seminars in the Department of Philosophy between 15 and 29 March
	Lecturer: Prof Johann Rossouw
	Hosted Dr Peter Leithart, Theopolis Institute, Birmingham, USA for two guest lectures in the Department of Philosophy, 25 and 26 October
International publications International staff and student mobility	Extraordinary professor: Prof Bert Olivier
	The photograph, the sign(ification) and the myth: The psychopolitics of liberation. <i>Psychotherapy and Politics International</i> , 2018 (February), pp. 1-8 (https://doi.org/10.1002/ppi.1451).
	Patho-analysis of the capitalist subject. <i>Psychotherapy and Politics International</i> , September 2018, pp. 1-17. (Article DOI: 10.1002/ppi.1467)
	Lecturer: Prof Johann Rossouw
	Bernard Stiegler's theology of writing and the disorientation of Western modernity, forthcoming in <i>Telos</i> , Winter 2018, Candor, New York (ISSN 0090-6514)

3.3.19. DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL STUDIES AND GOVERNANCE

International academic engagements (conference attendances, scientific visits – outgoing)	<p>Lecturer(s): Dr Anneli Botha</p> <p>Title of paper: Negotiations with al-Shabaab in Somalia</p> <p>Institution: Conference jointly hosted by the Department of Political Studies and Governance and the Centre for Africa Studies, University of the Free State, and the Osaka School of International Public Policy, Osaka University</p> <p>Date: 12-13 February 2018</p> <p>Place: Bloemfontein</p>
	<p>Lecturer(s): Prof Neethling</p> <p>Title of paper: South Africa and Africa: Between Promise and Peril</p> <p>Institution: Conference jointly hosted by the Department of Political Studies and Governance, University of the Free State, Osaka School for International Public Policy, and the Southern African Centre for Collaboration in Peace and Security Studies</p> <p>Date: 11-12 February 2018</p> <p>Place: Bloemfontein</p>
	<p>Lecturer(s): Dr Anneli Botha</p> <p>Title of paper: Defence and law enforcement personnel in CVE</p> <p>Title of Conference: Lessons learned in Countering Violent Extremism (CVE) Alumni Symposium</p> <p>Date: 5-8 March 2018</p> <p>Place: Rabat, Morocco</p>
	<p>Lecturer(s): Dr Anneli Botha</p> <p>Title of paper: Youth versus adult radicalisation in Somalia</p> <p>Title of Conference: Regional Expert Group Meeting for East African Countries on Prevention of Violence Against Children on the Move Measures to protect children from recruitment and exploitation by terrorist and violent extremist groups (UNODC)</p> <p>Date: 22-24 October 2018</p> <p>Place: Vienna, Austria</p>
	<p>Lecturer(s): Dr Ina Gouws</p> <p>Title of paper: Nationalism, populism, polarisations</p> <p>Title of Conference: Conference jointly hosted by the Department of Political Studies and Governance and the Centre for Africa Studies, University of the Free State, and the Osaka School of International Public Policy, Osaka University</p> <p>Date: 12-13 February 2018</p> <p>Place: Bloemfontein</p>
	<p>Lecturer(s): Bianca Naude</p>

International visits	<p>Lecturer: Dr Anneli Botha</p> <p>Institution: United Nations Development Programme</p> <p>Place: Addis Ababa, Ethiopia</p> <p>Date: 18-19 June 2018</p>
International visitors	<p>Visitor(s): Prof Virgil Hawkins</p> <p>Institution: Osaka University, Japan</p> <p>Reason of visit: Attendance of Workshop</p> <p>Date of visit: 11-14 February 2018</p> <p>Visitor(s): Prof Thomas Mandrup</p> <p>Institution: Swedish Defence College</p> <p>Reason of visit: Attendance of Workshop</p> <p>Date of visit: 12-13 February 2018</p>



International research collaborations, including co-authored papers

Books or Chapters in Books

Lecturer(s): Prof Theo Neethling

Title of chapter: South Africa and maritime security: Interests, objectives, policies and challenges, in Hensel, H and Gupta, A (eds.)

Title of book: *Naval Powers in the Indian Ocean and Western Pacific*

Place of publication: Routledge: New York

Lecturer(s): Prof Hussein Solomon (with Prof Stephen Emerson from the National Defence University in Washington, DC)

Title of book: *African security in the 21st century: Challenges and opportunities*

Place of publication: Manchester, England

Publisher: Manchester University Press

Research reports published

Lecturer(s): Dr Anneli Botha

Title of report: Portfolio of expert briefing papers on peace and reconciliation in Somalia (Al-Shabaab Attitudes Towards Negotiations)

Institution: United Nations Assistance Mission in Somalia (UNSOM)

Place: Mogadishu, Somalia

Date: 13 February 2018

Published: Michael Keating and Matt Waldman (Editors). War and Peace in Somalia: National Grievances, Local Conflict and Al-Shabaab. Oxford University Press (March 1, 2019)

Lecturer(s): Prof Hussein Solomon

Title of report: The case for Senegalese exceptionalism

Institution: Research on Islam and Muslims in Africa

Place: Jerusalem, Israel

Date: April 2018

Published: Online

International Collaborations:

The Department of Political Studies and Governance have international agreements with Osaka University in Japan, Jawaharlal Nehru University in India, and most recently with Haifa University in Israel. Regarding the latter, Dr Glen Segell from Haifa University spent three weeks in the department in September 2018 and presented a lecture titled 'Turmoil in Syria' on 20 September 2018. He also engaged with students, and together with Prof Hussein Solomon and Dr Moshe Terdman of Haifa University, co-edited an 800-page book titled *Research on Islam and Muslims in Africa*, published by Amazon in October 2018. Meanwhile, Prof Virgil Hawkins of Osaka University is co-supervising one PhD in our department.

NEW AND CURRENT RESEARCH	<p>Lecturer(s): Dr Anneli Botha</p> <p>Topic: Experiences in the Kenyan criminal justice system and rates of violent extremism</p> <p>Nature of research or project: Empirical research (field work phase was completed end October 2018).</p> <p>Lecturer(s): Dr Anneli Botha</p> <p>Topic: Analysis of counterterrorism efforts in Cameroon, Kenya, Tanzania, Tunisia, and Uganda</p> <p>Nature of research or project: Desk-top research</p>
OTHER ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS (eg. editorships, election on academic association or union):	<p>Lecturer(s): Prof Theo Neethling</p> <p>Programme Council for Conference, <i>Asymmetric conflicts and hybrid wars in the 21st century</i>, hosted in Ostrowiec Świętokrzyski by the Department of National Security at the College of Business and Entrepreneurship, Poland, 23–25 May 2018</p>

3.3.20. DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY

International academic engagements (conference attendances, scientific visits – outgoing)	<p>● Lecturer: Naudé, L.</p> <p>Title of poster session: Content and context in South African adolescents' identity development.</p> <p>Title of Conference: Society for the study of emerging adulthood: Thematic Conference: Self and Identity in Emerging Adulthood, Romania.</p> <p>Date: 17–19 May 2018</p> <p>● Lecturer: Naudé, L.</p> <p>Title of poster session: Views of the future: Perspectives from the 'born free' generation of South African emerging adults.</p> <p>Title of Conference: Society for the study of Emerging Adulthood: Thematic Conference: Self and Identity in Emerging Adulthood, Romania.</p>
International research collaborations, including co-authored papers	<p>● Adams, BG, Naudé, L, Nel, JA, Van de Vijver, FJR, Laher, S, Louw, J, and Tadi, F (2018). When there are only minorities: Identity and intergroup orientation of emerging adults in four South African ethnocultural groups. <i>Emerging Adulthood</i>, 6(1), 7–16. doi: 10.1177/2167696817752755</p>

3.3.21. DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK

International staff and student mobility	<p>Dr RP Reyneke – A Restorative Approach to Address Cyberbullying. Association for Teacher Education in Europe spring conference. 7-8 June 2018. University of Bialystok, Poland.</p> <p>Dr RP Reyneke – Policies and measures to prevent and alleviate education poverty and enhance education inclusion in South Africa. National Research University Higher School of Economics, Moscow, Russia. 11 Myasnitskaya Ulitsa, Room 518. 13 November 2018.</p> <p>Ms Merlene Esau – Extension of Linnaeus Palme Partnership between Department of Social Work, University of the Free State, South Africa and Jönköping University, Sweden. Ms Esau visited the School of Health and Welfare, Jönköping University, Sweden from 30 April to 24 May 2018.</p> <p>Sweden: Extension of Linnaeus Palme Partnership between Department of Social Work, University of the Free State, South Africa and Jönköping University, Sweden. In the first semester, two Swedish students registered for first- and second-year Social Work modules at the Department of Social Work, UFS.</p>
Books or Chapters in Books	<p>Lecturer(s): Asta Rau, Florian Elliker, and Jan K Coetzee</p> <p>Title of chapter: Collecting Data for Analysing Discourses</p> <p>Title of book: <i>The SAGE Handbook of Qualitative Data Collection</i></p> <p>Place of publication: London</p> <p>Publisher: Sage</p>



3.3.22. DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY

International academic engagements (conference attendances, scientific visits – outgoing)	<p>Lecturer – Dr Katinka de Wet</p> <p>Title of paper: Through the Lens of Bourdieu: The Evolution of Responses to HIV and AIDS in South Africa</p> <p>Title of Conference: International Sociological Conference</p> <p>Date: 14–21 July 2018</p> <p>Place: Toronto, Canada</p> <p>Lecturer: Dr Katinka de Wet</p> <p>Title of paper: Reversing Re-Engineering: The Failure of the Community Health Worker programme in the Free State province, South Africa</p> <p>Title of Conference: International Sociological Conference, Toronto, Canada</p> <p>Date: 14–21 July 2018</p> <p>Place: Toronto, Canada</p> <p>– Lecturer: Prof A Pelser and Dr K de Wet</p> <p>Title of paper: The impact of social media use on the academic performance of undergraduate students at the University of the Free State, South Africa</p> <p>Title of Conference: International Conference of the World Education Research Association</p> <p>Date: 2–5 August 2018</p> <p>Place: Cape Town: South Africa</p> <p>Lecturer: Prof A Pelser (with Stols G [UP]; Ferreira R [UP], Van der Merwe, A [UP])</p> <p>Title of paper: Mathematics teachers' use of an online platform in resource-constrained communities.</p> <p>Title of conference: International Conference of the World Education Research Association</p> <p>Date: 2–5 August 2018</p> <p>Place: Cape Town: South Africa</p>
International visits	<p>Lecturer: Dr SZ Matebesi</p> <p>Institution: Centre for Social Responsibility in Mining, University of Queensland</p> <p>Place: Brisbane, Australia</p> <p>Date: 3 June–3 August 2018</p>

International research collaboration (Book chapter)	<p>Murye AF and Pelser AJ. 2018. Commercial harvesting of marula (<i>sclerocarya birrea</i>) in Swaziland: A quest for sustainability. In Şen, B and Grillo, O (eds.). <i>Selected Studies in Biodiversity</i>. London: IntechOpen, pp. 303-317 (ISBN 978-1-78923-233-5).</p> <p>Lecturer: Emmanuel Mayeza</p> <p>Title of chapter: Ethical Research and the Policing of Masculinity: Experiences of a Male Researcher Doing Ethnography with Young School Children.</p> <p>Title of book: <i>The Palgrave Handbook of Ethics in Critical Research</i>.</p> <p>Place of publication: Cham, Switzerland</p> <p>Publisher: Palgrave Macmillan</p>
---	---

3.3.23. DEPARTMENT OF SOUTH AFRICAN SIGN LANGUAGE

Pending international agreements / informal collaborations	Conclusion of Joint Wallonia/South African NRF project with the University of Namur, Wallonia, Belgium during November 2018
International academic engagements (conference attendances, scientific visits – outgoing)	Staff members attended international conferences in Turkey and Cape Town and participated in the International Workshop on Language Diversity held in Clarens during May 2018.
International visitors (incoming)	Dr Jeroen Darqueness and Laurence Meurant from the University of Namur (Wallonia, Belgium) visited the Department during May 2018

3.3.24. UNIT FOR LANGUAGE FACILITATION AND EMPOWERMENT

Pending international agreements / informal collaborations	<p>Conclusion of Joint Wallonia/South African NRF project with the University of Namur, Wallonia, Belgium</p> <p>Conclusion of Joint Wallonia/South African NRF project with the University of Namur, Wallonia, Belgium during November 2018</p>
International academic engagements (conference attendances, scientific visits – outgoing)	Staff members attended international conferences in Australia, New Zealand, Spain, Turkey, and Cape Town and participated in the International Workshop on Language Diversity held in Clarens during May 2018. International Symposium on Language Diversity in Belgium to be attended by two staff members in November 2018
International research collaborations, including co-authored papers	With University of Namur and University of Antwerp (Belgium) and University of Southern Queensland (Australia)
International visitors (incoming)	Dr Jeroen Darqueness and Laurence Meurant from the University of Namur (Wallonia, Belgium) visited the unit during May 2018. Prof Charles Pfukwa from the Bindura University of Science Education, Zimbabwe, visited the unit during September 2018

3.4. FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCES

3.4.1. OFFICE OF THE DEAN

International academic engagements (international conference attendances, international scientific visits)	<p>PROF GJ VAN ZYL</p> <p>CONFERENCES ATTENDED:</p> <p>Sessional Chair: Ottawa Conference, Abu Dhabi, UAE: March 2018.</p> <p>Sessional Chair: SAAHE 15th International Conference, Durban: June 2018.</p> <p>Sessional Chair: The Network Conference, Limerick – Towards Unity for Health, Ireland: August 2018.</p> <p>Inaugural Fellow: AMEE Conference, Basel, Switzerland: August 2018.</p> <p>Publication</p> <p>Article: Nel, CPG, Labuschagne, MJ, and Van Zyl, GJ. Why is Research Needed on Simulation to Enhance Plastic Surgery Education and Training. <i>International Journal for Cross-Disciplinary Subjects in Education</i>, Volume 1, Issue 1, March 2018.</p>
International official delegation visits (outgoing) Incoming:	<p>Prof C Witthuhn, Prof GJ van Zyl, and Mr JL du Preez</p> <p>Visit to Prof C Happi, ACEGID, Redeemer's University, Ede, Osun State, Nigeria</p> <p>30 September 2018 – 4 October 2018</p> <p>Attendance of sessions with international visitor</p> <p>Attended sessions presented by Professor Cees van der Vleuten from Maastricht University, the Netherlands, 2 July 2018.</p>

3.4.2. DIVISION HEALTH SCIENCES EDUCATION

International academic engagements (international conference attendances, international scientific visits)	<p>2018: AMEE: Porter, DC, Bezuidenhout, J, Du Toit, RS, Adefuye, AO*. 2018. <i>Outcomes and contents of a CPD programme to address the surgical skills needs of rural general practitioners</i>. AMEE conference. 25-29 August. Basel, Switzerland. Paper presented.</p>
	<p>2018: THE NETWORK, Ireland:</p> <p>Coetzee, LS*, Janse van Vuuren, EC, Adefuye, AO. 2018. <i>Patient care: the primary motivator of research in health care academics</i> (A-1284). The 2018 Community Empowerment of Health, Network: TUFH Annual Meeting, presented by the Network: Towards Unity for Health (TUFH). 17-19 August, Limerick, Ireland – Poster Presentation</p> <p>Coetzee, LS*, Janse van Vuuren, EC, Adefuye, AO. 2018. <i>Stakeholder engagement and community-based research</i> (A-1285). The 2018 Community Empowerment of Health, Network: TUFH Annual Meeting, presented by the Network: Towards Unity for Health (TUFH). 17-19 August, Limerick, Ireland – Poster Presentation</p>

International research collaborations, including co-authored papers	<p>Adefuye, AO, Adeola, HA, Bezuidenhout, J. 2018. Medical education units (MEUs): a necessity for quality assurance in health profession education in Nigeria. <i>African Journal of Health Professions Education</i>.</p> <p>DOI:10.7196/AJHPE. 2018. v10i1.966.</p> <p>Adeola, HA, Adefuye, AO, Soyele, O, Butali, A. 2018. The dentist-scientist career pathway in Africa: opportunities and obstacles. <i>Korean Journal of Medical Education</i>. 30(3):189-198. (ISSN 2005-7288).</p> <p>Eksteen, M, Swart, SB, Reitsma, G, Fourie, E. 2018. Team-Based Learning Experiences of Fourth-Year Pharmacy Students in a South African University. <i>American Journal of Pharmaceutical Education</i>. 82 (1), Article 6167. (PhD candidate)</p> <p>Nel, CPG, Labuschagne, MJ, Van Zyl, GJ. 2018. Why is research needed on simulation to enhance plastic surgery education and training? <i>International Journal for Cross-Disciplinary Subjects in Education (IJCDSE)</i>, Vol. 9 (1) March. (ISSN 2042-6364). (PhD candidate)</p>
--	---

3.4.3. DIVISION STUDENT LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT

International academic engagements (international conference attendances, international scientific visits)	<p>INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE BY DR MPHO JAMA</p> <p>Invited a keynote speaker: Diversity in an era of polarisation research colloquium.</p> <p>Country: Amsterdam, the Netherlands.</p> <p>Date; 1-2 February 2018.</p> <p>Publication</p> <p>Article: Jama, MP. 2018. Maximising the First-Year Experience through the Incorporation of Generic Skills in a Medical Curriculum at the University of the Free State.</p>
International official delegation visits (incoming)	Dr Mpho Jama and Ms N Tlalajo attended presentations by Professor Cees van der Vleuten from the Netherlands on 2 July 2018.
International research collaborations, including co-authored papers	<p>Dr Mpho P Jama</p> <p>Initiation of collaboration</p> <p>Initiated a collaboration with Professor Melanie Carter, a specialist in student retention, from Howard University, Washington, DC as part of the Fulbright Specialist Programme.</p>
Strategic perspectives	<p>Strategic perspectives for 2019</p> <p>Arrangements for the above collaboration will continue in 2019</p> <p>Application for NRF Thuthuka Funding and include collaborations with UCLA (University of California Los Angeles and VU (Vrije Universiteit in the Netherlands)</p>
Implications	<p>Consult the UFS International Office to determine procedures and processes for the Fulbright Specialist Programme</p> <p>Consult the UFS International Office to identify the collaboration with VU and other existing collaborations.</p>
Consultations	<p>Ms N Tlalajoe</p> <p>Consulted with Professor Cees van der Vleuten from the Netherlands regarding Delphi technique for her PhD study.</p>

3.4.4. SCHOOL FOR ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONS

<p>International academic engagements (international conference attendances, international scientific visits)</p>	<p>INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ATTENDED AND PRESENTED AT:</p> <p>NUTRITION AND DIETETICS:</p> <p>Walsh CM, Du Toit E, Vd Berg L, Meko L, Cronje M, Robb L, Nel MM, and Lategan R. 2018. Food security and anthropometry of preschool learners in South Africa: Impact of a school feeding programme. Oral presentation presented at the 5th International Conference on Nutrition and Growth, 1-3 March 2018, Paris, France.</p> <p>VL van den Berg, I Leyll, J Raubenheimer. 2018. Lifestyle and environmental risk factors associated with overweight/obesity in women in a rural farming community, central South Africa. Poster presented at the 7th Asian Congress of Dietetics, 6-8 July 2018, Hong Kong.</p> <p>VL van den Berg, E du Toit, M Mokhele, J Raubenheimer. 2018. Type 2 diabetes out-patient care in Lesotho: a revolving door? Poster presentation at the 18th International Congress on Endocrinology, Cape Town, 4 Dec 2018, Cape Town, SA.</p> <p>E du Toit, R Lategan-Potgieter, C van Rooyen. Investigating the use of cellular technology for a weight-loss application in a low socio-economic area in South Africa. Oral presentation at the 18th International Congress on Endocrinology, Cape Town, 4 Dec 2018, Cape Town, SA.</p> <p>E du Toit, L van der Merwe. 2018. Workshop on teaching tools for diabetes education. Oral presentation at the 18th International Congress on Endocrinology, Cape Town, 4 Dec 2018, Cape Town, SA.</p> <p>C Walsh attended the South Africa Sweden University Forum, 14-18 May 2018, University of Pretoria.</p>
<p>International research collaborations, including co-authored papers</p>	<p>ARTICLE WITH INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH COLLABORATORS:</p> <p>NUTRITION AND DIETETICS:</p> <p>Ekoru K, Young EH, Dillon DG, Gurdasani D, Stehouwer N, Faurholt-Jepsen D, Levitt NS, Crowther NJ, Nyirenda M, Njelekela M, Ramaiya K, Nyan O, Adewole OO, Anastos K, Azzoni L, Boom WH, Compostella C, Dave JA, Dawood H, Erikstrup C, Fourie CM, Friis H, Kruger A, Idoko JA, Longenecker CT, Maher D, Mbondi S, Mukaya JE, Mutimura E, Ndhlovu CE, Nzou C, Praygod G, Pefura Yone EW, Pujades-Rodriguez M, Range N, Sani MU, Sanusi M, Schutte AE, Sliwa K, Tien PC, Vorster EH, Walsh C, Zinyama R, Gareta D, Mashili F, Sobngwi E, Adebamowo C, Kamali A, Seeley J, Smeeth L, Pillay D, Motala AA, Kaleebu P, Sandhu MS, on behalf of the African Partnership for Chronic Disease Research (APCDR). 2018. HIV treatment is associated with a twofold higher probability of raised triglycerides: Pooled Analyses in 21 023 individuals in Sub-Saharan Africa. <i>Global Health, Epidemiology and Genomics</i>, 3, e7, p.1-13. doi:10.1017/ghg.2018.7. Available from: https://doi.org/10.1017/ghg.2018.7.</p>

3.4.5. SCHOOL OF BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES

International official delegation visits (incoming)	<p>Dr Jan Pertijs, Global GMO Quality Control Manager of Limagrain, the Netherlands, visited the GMO Testing Facility in the Human Molecular Biology Unit on 19 June 2018. The purpose of the visit was to inspect the GMO Testing Facility and determine whether it could provide a service for Limagrain with respect to GM testing in South Africa. The visit also included exchange of international developments in GM detection.</p> <p>Dr Lars Fichtner of Eurofins GeneScan, Freiburg, Germany, visited the GMO Testing Facility in the Human Molecular biology Unit on 9 November 2018. The purpose of the visit was to establish the collaboration between the two institutions with regard to GM detection for food authenticity testing.</p>
International academic engagements (international conference attendances, international scientific visits)	<p>CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE:</p> <p>Dr A Vorster presented research results at the 3rd Nursing World Conference held in Rome, Italy from 17 to 19 September 2018.</p> <p>Mr B Abrahams attended the 30th ENA Symposium between 13 and 16 November 2018 in Dublin, Ireland. The symposium is organised by the European organisation for research and treatment of cancer, the National Cancer Institute (USA) and the American Association of Cancer Research. This event discussed the latest developments in molecular targets and cancer therapeutics.</p> <p>Dr AM Gerber presented research results at the 2018 International Conference on Education Technology Management in Barcelona, Spain, from 19 to 21 December 2018. The title of the presentation is <i>A comparison between second-year medical and second-year allied health students, self-reported alcohol and substance use, and academic performance at a South African Health Sciences faculty</i>.</p> <p>Prof CD Viljoen (Human Molecular Biology Unit) attended the Training Workshop on Practical aspects for regulatory GMO control implementation, organised by the Joint Research Centre (JRC) of the European Commission in Geel, Belgium from 6 to 8 March 2018.</p> <p>Prof CD Viljoen (Human Molecular Biology Unit) presented a paper on the 'Status of GM detection in the Southern African Network for GM Detection Laboratories (SANGL)' at the Third International Workshop on Harmonisation of GMO detection and analysis for African countries, organised by the Joint Research Centre (JRC) of the European Commission in Ispra, Italy from 2 to 3 October 2018.</p> <p>INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC VISITS</p> <p>Ms R van Zyl visited the Department of Anatomy at the University College Dublin (UCD) in Ireland for four weeks in May 2018. She had exposure to techniques and methods used for blended learning and computer-based learning, various imaging modalities in Anatomy, and exposure to new technical skills (for example the Genelyn embalming technique).</p>

International research collaborations, including co-authored papers	<p>Dr A Vorster serves as UFS Faculty Adviser for <i>IMPULSE</i>, an undergraduate, international and inter-institutional journal for neuroscience publications. The UFS <i>IMPULSE</i> site is one of 37 peer-review sites worldwide that has been established since 2010. Student research manuscripts are submitted and distributed from the Appalachian State University in the US to associate editors and their student reviewers at institutions around the world, who then participate in the peer-reviewing process according to specific guidelines and standards. Twenty-two medical students ranging from second- to fifth-year students form part of the UFS <i>IMPULSE</i> team.</p> <p>Research collaboration between Dr AM Gerber, Mr R Botes, and Prof E Busken from the Department of Epidemiology, University of Groningen, University Medical Centre Groningen, Groningen, the Netherlands on the Quality of Life research project continued in 2018. This resulted in a co-authored publication in the journal <i>Patient Preference and Adherence</i>. Title of the article: 'Functioning and quality of life in Dutch oldest old with diverse levels of dependency'.</p> <p>Prof CD Viljoen (GMO Unit) was appointed as technical adviser to the MCP ICLT (Multi-Country Project to Strengthen Institutional Capacities on LMO Testing in Support of National Decision-Making comprising laboratories in Angola, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Lesotho, Madagascar, Malawi, and Mozambique) funded by the United Nations Environment Programme and coordinated by RAEIN-Africa until 2021.</p> <p>There is ongoing research collaboration between the GMO Testing Facility, GMO Unit and Eurofins GeneScan, Freiburg, Germany, on Molecular diagnostics with special emphasis on food authenticity.</p> <p>There is ongoing research collaboration between Prof CD Viljoen, GMO Unit, and Prof Gretta Abou-Sleymane, Department of Laboratory Science and Technology, American University of Science and Technology, Achrafieh, Lebanon.</p>
Strategic perspectives	<p>Application for NRF NCBR South Africa Poland collaborative funding with Prof Montowska at the Poznan University of Life Sciences, Poland, and Prof Viljoen and Ms Sreenivasan Tantuan (Human Molecular Biology Unit).</p>
Consultations undertaken	<p>Mr B Abrahams applied for the Knowledge, Interchange and Collaboration (KIC) travel grant. If successful, he will have the opportunity to work with Dr Kevin Lam. Dr Lam currently holds a Reader position in Medicinal Chemistry at the University of Greenwich in the UK. His research group is currently studying the syntheses of a variety of biologically active molecules with important pharmacological properties. They are particularly interested in Tyrosine Kinase Inhibitors (TKIs). Tyrosine kinase inhibitors are one of the anticancer compounds that Mr Abrahams is using in his PhD research project.</p>

3.4.6. SCHOOL OF PATHOLOGY

International official delegation visits (incoming)	INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC VISITS ANATOMICAL PATHOLOGY: Prof Mary Leader, Professor of Pathology/Consultant Histopathologist at the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland (RCSI) and Beaumont Hospital, Dublin, Ireland visited the Department of Anatomical Pathology on 20 August 2018. She presented a talk and slide seminar on soft tissue sarcomas and also held an interactive session with the registrars. Virology: Professor Ali Mirazimi, Karolinska Institute, Stockholm, Sweden visited the Division of Virology from 29 to 31 October 2018. Project title: Diagnostic tools and therapeutic monoclonal antibodies against Crimean-Congo haemorrhagic fever. The visit was funded by the NRF STINT SA Sweden collaboration. Professor Philippa Matthews, University of Oxford, United Kingdom, visited the Division of Virology from 11 to 13 July and from 29 to 31 October 2018. The visits were funded by a Wellcome Trust Clinical Fellowship. Two representatives from the School of Pathology (Prof J Goedhals and Dr J Naicker), together with the Director (Mr Cornelius Hagenmeier) and staff of the UFS Office of Internationalisation, received a delegation from the Ghent University on 4 October 2018. Prof Guido van Huylenbroeck (Director of Internationalisation) and his delegation engaged us in discussions around existing and potential future academic collaborations between the two universities.
Pending international agreements	Prof FJ Burt (Division of Virology) submitted an application for funding to collaborate with Tunisia. Discussions are currently underway with regard to collaboration with Mozambique.



International academic engagements (international conference attendances, international scientific visits)

CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE:

ANATOMICAL PATHOLOGY:

Dr G van der Westhuizen attended the 30th European Congress of Pathology from 8 to 12 September 2018 in Bilbao, Spain.

Dr C Esterhuysen attended the XXXII Congress of the International Academy of Pathology from 14 to 18 October 2018 in Jordan.

VIROLOGY:

Prof FJ Burt (Division of Virology) attended the One Health Congress, Saskatoon, Canada from 22 to 25 June 2018. Prof Burt co-chaired a session and presented an oral paper titled 'Recombinant techniques to address the challenges of development of diagnosis and surveillance of emerging zoonotic diseases'.

Prof FJ Burt and Ms E Bonnet (Division of Virology) attended the 3rd Tofo Advanced Study Week on Emerging and Re-Emerging viruses, Tofo, Mozambique from 2 to 6 September 2018. Prof Burt co-chaired a session and presented an oral paper titled 'Crimean-Congo haemorrhagic fever: an emerging virus and recombinant techniques to address the challenges in development of assays for diagnosis and surveillance', and Ms Bonnet presented an oral paper titled 'Development of recombinase polymerase assay for flaviviruses'.

Dr MD Morobadi (Division of Virology) attended the European AIDS Clinical Society HIV Summer School 2018 in Montpellier, France from 30 August to 3 September 2018. Dr Morobadi presented a poster titled 'The state of HIV in South Africa'.

Dr D Goedhals and Mr PA Bester (Division of Virology) attended the 27th International Workshop on HIV drug resistance and treatment strategies in Johannesburg, South Africa from 22 to 23 October 2018. Mr Bester presented an oral paper titled 'PhyloPi: an affordable, purpose-built phylogenetic pipeline for the HIV drug resistance testing facility'.

1-4 Dec 2018: Dr TJ Naicker attended the 18th International Congress of Endocrinology, 53rd SEMDSA Congress, and presented a poster titled:

'Erroneous Assessment of Calcaemic status using Electrolyte-balanced Heparinised Capillary tubes'.

International research collaborations, including co-authored papers

COLLABORATIONS:

Prof FJ Burt (Division of Virology) has ongoing collaborations with: Professor A Mirazimi, Karolinski Institute, Stockholm Sweden and Dr Klas Ola Blixt, University of Denmark

- Dr Yee Ju Tan, University of Singapore
- Prof Suresh Mahalingham, Griffith University, Australia
- Dr Mark Heise, University of North Carolina, US

The Division of Virology has an ongoing collaboration with Dr Philippa Matthews from Oxford University, including a multi-centre study into hepatitis B virus. Dr Matthews has been awarded a Wellcome Trust Clinical Fellowship which will fund the project. The principal investigator for Bloemfontein is Dr Dominique Goedhals and the team includes Dr Molefi Daniel Morobadi, Dr Sabeedah Vawda, Mr Armand Bester, and Dr Cloete van Vuuren (Department of Internal Medicine).

The Division of Virology co-authored the following papers (3)

Fritzen A, Risinger C, Korukluoglu G, Christova I, Hitzeroth AC, Viljoen N, Burt FJ, Mirazimi A, and Blixt O. Epitope-mapping of the glycoprotein from Crimean Congo haemorrhagic fever virus using a microarray approach. PLoS Negl Trop Dis 2018;12(7): e0006598. <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pntd.0006598>

Mokaya J, McNaughton AL, Hadley MJ, Beloukas A, Geretti AM, Goedhals D, Matthews PC. A systematic review of hepatitis B virus (HBV) drug and vaccine escape mutations in Africa: A call for urgent action". PLoS Negl Trop Dis 2018;12(8):e0006629

Murray LW, Satti I, Meyerowitz J, Jones M, Willberg CB, Ussher JE, Goedhals D, Hurst J, Phillips RE, McShane H, Vuuren CV, Frater J. Human immunodeficiency virus impairs Th1 and Th17 Mycobacterium tuberculosis-specific T-cell responses". J Infect Dis 2018;217(11):1782-1792

The Division of Human Genetics collaborates and contributes towards the Canadian Komen research foundation, on familial breast and ovarian cancer by screening for mutations in the medium- to high- breast cancer susceptibility genes.

UFS Researchers:

NC vd Merwe and J Oosthuizen

Canadian collaborators:

Prof WD Foulkes, Professor in the Departments of Medicine, Oncology, and Human Genetics at the McGill University in Montreal, Canada.

Dr George Chong, Co-Director, Molecular Diagnostics Laboratory, Sir Mortimer B Davis, Jewish General Hospital, Montreal, Canada.

Two collaborative research articles have been prepared and submitted for publication (Familial Cancer and Clinical Genetics). Is awaiting outcome:

1) The contribution of large genomic rearrangements in BRCA1 and BRCA2 to South African familial breast cancer. Authors: NC van der Merwe, M Theron, J Oosthuizen, G Chong, WD Foulkes

2) BRCA-related breast and ovarian cancer in the South African Indian population.

Authors: HMVE Combrink, J Oosthuizen, B Visser, N Chabilal, I Buccamazza, G Chong, WD Foulkes, NC van der Merwe.

Strategic Perspectives	<p>The following strategic objectives have been identified by the department:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Identify specific academic international student exchange opportunities in the Faculty of Health Sciences. ○ Identify specific international collaborative research opportunities. ○ Identify potential financial sources for international collaboration. ○ Include a research culture and interconnectedness into student curricula.
Implications	<p>ANATOMICAL PATHOLOGY:</p> <p>Increase in international student exchange.</p> <p>Identification of collaborative interest in research niche areas.</p> <p>Revise/adapt curricula with the focus on a research culture.</p> <p>VIROLOGY:</p> <p>International collaborations have provided opportunities for student and postdoctoral mobility between Sweden and South Africa.</p>
Recommendations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Propose Internationalisation activities to promote research outputs. ○ Establish an open database for all relevant projects in the School of Nursing and record activities and update progress. ○ Identify key role players to drive the various collaborations. ○ Identify funding for projects. ○ Strategise human resources. ○ Determine student/staff selection criteria/policy.

3.4.7. SCHOOL OF CLINICAL MEDICINE

3.4.7.1 DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAL PHYSICS

International conference on Radiation Protection in Medicine	<p>Mr Modise Mongane</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Attended International Conference on Radiation Protection in Medicine: Achieving Change in Practice; Vienna, Austria, 11–15 December 2017. Conference ID: 50820 (CN-255)
International experts visiting the department	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ (i) Department of Medical Physics ○ International /national experts who visited the department: ○ Prof Michael Ljungberg and Dr Johann Gustafsson (Lund University) visited the department during 13–17 August for a workshop on the Lundadose Monte Carlo code for internal patient dosimetry using isotopes. ○ Prof Lawrence Court (Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center) also paid a visit to the diagnostic imaging group and discussed radiomics for cancer imaging and response analysis.

3.4.7.2 DEPARTMENT OF PAEDIATRICS AND CHILD HEALTH

International Congresses attended:	Prof Brown Prof Brown: Africa PCR 2017, SAHeart 2017 SA. Prof Brown: 11th IPC Milan.
International Publications	Prof Brown: 4 International, 1 letter, 1 published conference abstract.
International Congresses	Dr L Solomon: 9th Congress of the World, 8-14 June 2018, Federation of Paediatric Intensive and Critical Care Societies, Singapore.
International visitors to department	International / national experts who visited department Dr Adèle Greyling: Visiting Electrophysiologist / Paediatric Cardiologist Electrophysiology lectured on ECGs on 8 August 2018.

3.4.7.3 DEPARTMENT OF PHARMACOLOGY

International Congresses	Prof Matsabisa attended the South Korea/ South Africa Joint Science and Technology workshop on 18 November in Pretoria.
International Experts visited the department	International / national experts who visited department Experts from Kingston, Jamaica will visited the department on 6 December.
Important Congresses attended by Members	Important congresses attended by members Dr Chika Chukwuma and Mr Teboho Mooko, postdoctoral and MSc students in Pharmacology, won the awards in the young Ethnopharmacologist competitions for best scientific oral presentation and best poster presentation, respectively, at the International Society of Ethnopharmacology (ISE) and the Society for Ethnopharmacology (SFE) – 2018. The 18th International Congress of ISE 2018 jointly held with the 5th SFE in Dhaka, Bangladesh, 13-15 January. The congress was hosted by the Department of Pharmacy, Faculty of Pharmacy at the University of Dhaka, Bangladesh. This was a great achievement for Chika and Teboho in a very competitive competition.
	Prof Matsabisa attended a conference in Kingston, Jamaica.
International Visitors (incoming)	Prof Matsabisa hosted a group of visitors from South Korea for a week-long visit.

3.4.7.4 DEPARTMENT OF OTORHINOLARYNGOLOGY

International experts who visited the department	International / national experts who visited department Prof Klaus Vogt from the University of Latvia visited the Department of Otorhinolaryngology on 19 September to conduct training on rhinomanometry and donate a rhinomanometer to the department.
---	---

3.4.8 SCHOOL OF NURSING

International official delegation visits (incoming)	<p>RHIZO University, Kortrijk, Belgium: A delegation of seven lecturers visited the UFS from 18 February to 10 March 2018 to explore clinical placement opportunities and student as well as staff exchange possibilities. The delegation was hosted by Prof Francis for a meet and greet.</p> <p>H Morgan was invited to take part and facilitate Occupational Health student placements.</p> <p>(I Seale, A Joubert, M Wilke, and C Spies)</p>
International staff and student mobility	<p>Jönköping University, Sweden (M Lindroth and L Weissova): The School of Nursing hosted five exchange students (Pierre Dahlgren, Samuel Larsson, Fanny Martinsson, Caroline Brändström, and Ludwig Simmeborn) from Jönköping University during the second semester for an academic exchange.</p> <p>(I Venter, I Seale, and A Fichardt)</p> <p>RHIZO University, Kortrijk, Belgium (S Soenen): Two students (L du Toit and C Roberts) from the UFS visited RHIZO for three weeks on a clinical exchange from 7 January 2018 to 2 February 2018.</p> <p>(I Seale, A Fichardt, and M Mulder)</p> <p>RHIZO University, Kortrijk, Belgium: Four exchange students visited the UFS from 18 February to 10 March 2018 and were placed at Bloemshelter, Beaudene, Trompsburg, and Sunflower House.</p> <p>(I Seale)</p>
New international agreements	<p>RHIZO University, Kortrijk, Belgium</p> <p>Paray Nursing School, Lesotho</p>
Pending international agreements	<p>VIVES University, Kortrijk, Belgium</p> <p>Michigan University, USA</p>
International academic engagements (international conference attendances, international scientific visits)	<p>CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE:</p> <p>Prof Y Botma attended the INT'I Conference for Academic Disciplines, 21-29 July 2018, Budapest.</p> <p>Dr A Fichardt attended the WCET Ethnocentric Challenges in Nursing Care, 13-20 April 2018, Kuala Lumpur/Malaysia.</p> <p>Mrs AC Jacobs attended the network towards Unity for Health (TUFH), 16-20 August 2018, Limerick, Ireland.</p> <p>Mrs R Jansen attended the International Conference on Communication in Healthcare, 30 August 2018-5 September 2018, Porto, Portugal.</p> <p>Mr LJ Mogakwe attended the STTI Leadership Connection, 15-18 September 2018, Indianapolis, USA.</p> <p>Mrs N Olivier attended the IIWCC Course and Symposium, 5-13 February 2018, Abu Dhabi.</p> <p>Mrs M Pienaar attended the International Conference on Communication in Healthcare, 30 August 2018-5 September 2018, Porto, Portugal.</p> <p>Dr M Reid attended the International Conference on Communication in Healthcare, 30 August 2018-5 September 2018, Porto, Portugal.</p> <p>Mrs A Welman attended the Mount Royal University Symposium and Workshop, 8-10 November 2018, Calgary, Canada.</p>

International research collaborations, including co-authored papers

University of Virginia, USA (Siddhartha Pailla): Draft article prepared: Enhancing the Digital Divide in an Inclusive Communication System. Responsible person(s): I Seale and K Venter.

MEGA Erasmus Mundus, three-year project – Building capacity by implementing mhGAP mobile intervention in SADC countries, UFS with a range of other universities: Turku, Riga, Hamburg, Pretoria, UFS, Cape Town, Lusaka, Zambia, Stellenbosch. The purpose of the project is to scale up mobile services for mental disorders in children and adolescents in SADC countries and to implement a mobile application targeted at primary health-care workers who are dealing with children and adolescent depression. Responsible person: R Jansen.

Vives University, Belgium, VLIRUOS Joint project (E Denys): Learning community with South African and Belgian actors who are performing research on the topic of community health with the focus on health-care workers. Responsible person(s): M Wilke, I Seale.

Michigan University, USA (S Lee): Research project with the title: Conditional approval for a Validity and reliability testing of a Sesotho literacy test. Responsible person: M Reid.

Hertfordshire University, UK (Pieter Nel): Agreed to take part in the data analysis of a PhD research: simultaneous concept analysis. Responsible person: A Welman.

University of Botswana (Y Mashalla: Interested in developing an academic collaboration with the School of Nursing, UFS. Responsible person (s): G Van Zyl, M Mulder.

Authored papers: Total= 11

Letsie, TM. 2017. Antecedents of entrepreneurship practice among public hospital unit nurse managers. *International Journal of Africa Nursing Sciences*, 7 (2017) 126–135.

Nyoni, CN and Botma, Y. 2017. Aligning summative clinical assessments with competence-based curriculum: The experience of Midwifery educators in Lesotho. *International Journal of Africa Nursing Sciences*, 7: 11–17.

Rossouw, S, Heyns, T, and Botma, Y. 2018. Towards a conceptual framework to guide the education of paediatric nursing. *Gender & Behaviour*, 16(1), June 2018, 10686–10699.

Hugo, L, Botma, Y, and Raubenheimer, JE. 2018. Monitoring preceptors' supportive role: A measuring instrument for increased accountability. *Nurse Education Today*, 67 (2018) 83–89.

Mpeli, MR. 2018. Strategies for Integrating Cultural Values in Ethics Education for Nurses. *Global Journal of Health Science*, Vol. 10, No. 7; 2018.

Nyoni, CN and Botma, Y. 2018. Sustaining a newly implemented competence-based midwifery programme in Lesotho: Emerging issues. *Midwifery*, 59 (2018) 115–117.

Reid, M, Walsh, C, Raubenheimer, J, Bradshaw, T, Pienaar, M, Hassan, C, Nyoni, C, and Le Roux, M. 2018. Development of a health dialogue model for patients with diabetes: A complex intervention in a low-/middle income country. *International Journal of Africa Nursing Sciences*, 8 (2018) 122–131.

Roets, L and Botma, Y. 2018. Challenges and opportunities nurses experienced to turn conference presentations into journal articles. *International Journal of Africa Nursing Sciences*, 9 (2018) 9–13.

Roets, L, Chelagatb, D, and Joubert, A. 2018. Strategies to improve postnatal care in Kenya: A qualitative study. *International Journal of Africa Nursing Sciences*, 9 (2018) 62–67.

Steyn, A. 2018. A student midwife's perspective from South Africa. *Midwifery*, 65 (2018) 91.

Van Jaarsveldt, DE and Joubert, A. 2018. Short-learning programme provisioning in nursing: An evaluative case study. *International Journal of Africa Nursing Sciences*, 9 (2018) 87–91.

Strategic perspectives	<p>The department identified the following strategic objectives related to internationalisation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Identify specific academic international student exchange opportunities in the School of Nursing, UFS. ○ Identify specific international collaborative research opportunities. ○ Identify potential financial sources for international collaboration. ○ Include a research culture and interconnectedness into student curricula.
Consultations undertaken	<p>Jönköping, Sweden (L Weissova and M Lindroth): In consultation to apply for funding for outgoing students and staff through the Linnaeus Palme International Exchange Programme: Application will be prepared during 2018 assisted by CS. Slambee from the OIA. Responsible person(s): L Hugo and I Seale.</p> <p>Appalachian State University, USA (Kathleen Rayman): Collaboration was on hold since the beginning of 2017. App State indicated that they are now ready to collaborate with School of Nursing, UFS. An invitation email was sent to them to invite collaboration discussions. Responsible person: I Seale.</p> <p>Hadassah Nursing School, Jerusalem (M Rom): A visit to Hadassah Nursing School during August 2018 earmarked to explore collaboration opportunities. Responsible person: I Seale.</p> <p><i>Collaboration with the Office for International Affairs:</i> to identify selection criteria and secure their involvement in the interviews for student exchanges to Belgium during 2019. Responsible person(s): I Seale, M Mulder, A Fichardt, M Mpeli, and M Setlogelo.</p>
Implications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Increase in international student exchange. ○ Identification of collaborative interest in research niche areas. ○ Revise/adapt curricula with the focus on a research culture.
Recommendations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Propose Internationalisation activities to promote research outputs. ○ Identify funding for research projects. ○ Enhance the existing open database for all relevant internationalisation projects in the School of Nursing. ○ Create a portfolio on the Management Committee of the School of Nursing for Internationalisation or pair it with an existing portfolio. ○ Identify key role players to drive the various collaborations. ○ Strategise the human resources for 2019.

3.4.9. SCHOOL OF APPLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONS

DEPARTMENT OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

International staff and student mobility	<p>Visit from Prof Roseann C Schaaf, PhD, OTR/L, FAOTA, is Professor and Chair, Department of Occupational Therapy, Jefferson School of Health Professions, and Faculty, Farber Institute for Neurosciences, Thomas Jefferson University, Philadelphia, PA; roseann.schaaf@jefferson.edu</p> <p>She presented a two-day workshop to staff, clinicians, and students on Data-Driven Decision-making and Goal-Attainment Scale</p> <p>Elize Janse van Rensburg: Member of the Scientific Committee for the International Sensory Integration Congress (ISIC) in Cape Town, 2018</p> <p>Annamarie van Jaarsveld: Chair of the Scientific Committee for the International Sensory Integration Congress (ISIC) in Cape Town, 2018</p> <p>Tania Rauch van der Merwe: Served as member of Scientific Committee for World Federation of Occupational Therapists International Congress, 2018 and served as Chair of Education Committee for World Federation of Occupational Therapists International Congress, 2018.</p>
Pending international agreements	<p>University of Sydney initiated project focusing on Understanding of aged care – a global learning experience, has been running for the past year. A previous staff member has initially represented the UFS and assisted to create a case study that has been piloted by UFS, USyd and the University of Southampton. Next year OT students from Karolinska Institutet (Sweden) will also be involved. We are communicating with an affiliated lecturer, Dr Sanet du Toit, who is faculty member at University of Sydney, for future collaborations</p>



International academic engagements (international conference attendances, international scientific visits)	<p>Seven staff members presented oral papers and posters at the 17th World Federation of Occupational Therapists International Conference in Cape Town, 21–25 May 2018. These being:</p> <p>Rialda Hattingh:</p> <p>Understanding the impact of secondary homelessness: A narrative from South-Africa.</p> <p>Peer-Assisted Learning during undergraduate fieldwork education: evidence of Fink's theory of significant learning (Co-presented with B Luwes).</p> <p>Secondary Homelessness: A Sense of Lost Belonging (Guided poster co-presented with S Venter).</p> <p>Considerations for successful implementation of Peer-Assisted Learning during undergraduate fieldwork education at higher education institutes in developing countries: tutees' perspective (Poster).</p> <p>Elize Janse van Rensburg: delivered an oral presentation: titled: Computerised assessment of eye tracking to enhance clinical observations in occupational therapy</p> <p>Marieta Visser and pre-grad students: Oral paper titled: Toward transforming early childhood education in SA: Expanding occupational therapy practice for collaborative, population-based impact</p> <p>Monique Strauss and pre-grad students: Oral paper titled: Towards an emotional regulation scale for adolescents</p> <p>Mia Vermaak and pre-grad students: Oral paper titled: 'Dialysis completely controls your life': The occupational performance and participation of chronic haemodialysis receivers in SA</p> <p>Annamarie van Jaarsveld: Oral paper titled: Back to Urth playgrounds: Addressing sensory needs of children in deprived settings</p> <p>Mia Vermaak and pre-grad students: Oral paper entitled: '<i>Dialysis completely controls your life</i>': <i>The occupational performance and participation of chronic haemodialysis receivers in SA</i></p> <p>Annamarie van Jaarsveld: Oral paper entitled: <i>Back to Urth playgrounds: Addressing sensory needs of children in deprived settings</i></p> <p>Tania Rauch van der Merwe (Oral Papers / Replies in Discussions):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Patterns of Inclusion and Exclusion: Panopticism and technologies of power in occupational therapy curriculum</i> ○ Reply: WFOT Minimum Standards, Revised (2016) ○ University of the Free State, Community Based Occupational Therapy Practice: CBE, SL and IPE
International research collaborations, including co-authored papers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Collaborations with Roseann C Schaaf, PhD, OTR/L, FAOTA, is Professor and Chair, Department of Occupational Therapy, Jefferson School of Health Professions ○ Annamarie van Jaarsveld is leading an international SI project to standardise a Sensory Integration test for children within a South African context
Strategic perspectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ We have a newly graduated PhD in 2018. We are aiming to explore Post-doc applications for 2019 ○ We are also looking forward to exploring research association with Prof Schaaf

3.5. FACULTY OF ECONOMIC AND MANAGEMENT SCIENCES

International official delegation visits (incoming)

Dr HA Koloba was invited as a guest lecturer at Bremen University (17 June to 6 July 2018). He taught Strategic Management at their Summer School. Details of the engagement is as follows:

Visitor: Prof T Knedlik

Institution: Fulda University of Applied Sciences

Reason of visit: Finalising exchange agreement

Date of visit: 31 August 2018



International partnership engagements (staff and student mobility)	<p>Student mobility – outgoing student mobility:</p> <p>Incoming student mobility:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ First semester: 11 students ○ Second-semester incoming ○ 14 students ○ Outgoing student mobility ○ 5 students studied at the University of Bremen during the first semester. <p>Outgoing staff mobility: Guest lecturing</p> <p>Dr Carla Sharp</p> <p>University of Houston: Research Collaboration – NIH-funded research project</p> <p>Dr Peter Westoby – Queensland University of Technology, Australia: Research collaboration with CDS on Community Development</p> <p>Dr Keith Armstrong – School of Design, Faculty of Creative Industries, Queensland University of Technology: Research and community development</p> <p>Nidhi Supramanyam – Cornell University (PhD) student</p> <p>Dr Jenny Brown (University of Cincinnati) – Gates Foundation Project</p> <p>Dr Jessica Sales (Emory University) – Gates Foundation Project</p> <p>Prof Etienne Nel – University of Otago – various projects</p> <p>Glasgow Caledonian University (Scotland) – various meetings attended by Dr Van Rooyen and Mr Ellis from the UFS. Other partners: University of Alicante (Spain); University of Reykjavik (Iceland); Social Innovation Exchange (England); University College of Southeast Norway (Norway); Roskilde University (Denmark)</p> <p>Two PhD students from Australia on short visit</p> <p>Flanders delegation meeting in Pretoria attended by Dr Anita Venter</p> <p>Helena van Zyl – University of Turin, Turin, Italy: 29 Jan–2 Feb 2018</p> <p>Lecturer: Lues, L</p> <p>Achievement: Elected to serve on the Editorial board of the African Journal of Public Sector Development and Governance. Issued by the National School of Government</p> <p>Outgoing staff mobility:</p> <p>Dr Arno van Niekerk – University of Salzburg</p> <p>Dr Sevias Guvuriro – University of Bremen</p> <p>Dr Johan Coetzee – University of Salzburg</p> <p>Outgoing staff mobility</p> <p>Maria Kristalova – University of Bremen – three presentations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Prof Manuela Ender – Salzburg University – Financial Economics lectures
International funding	<p>Pending EU-funded project:</p>

Academic engagements

CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE:

Lecturer: Deidre van Rooyen
Institution: University of Namibia
Place: Windhoek
Date: 5 July 2018

Lecturer: Deidre van Rooyen
Institution: University of Lesotho
Place: Maseru
Date: 13 July 2018

Lecturer(s): Mark Napier
Title of presentation: Housing careers and job careers – understanding the mismatch between place of home and work in the Gauteng City Region
Title of Conference: Housing and Labour Network Workshop – International Labour Organisation and Oxford Brookes University
Place: Maputo, Mozambique
Date: 14–15 May 2018
International or national: International

Lecturer: Deidre van Rooyen
Purpose: Global Network for University–Social Innovation Interaction. Three projects building the network: Latin American Social Innovation Network, South–East Asian Social Innovation Network and Common Good First
Institution: European Commission's Erasmus+ Programme, Capacity Building in Higher Education
Place: Scotland House, European Union Headquarters, Brussels, Belgium
Date: 6–7 September 2018

Lecturer(s): Deidre van Rooyen and Bulelani Silangwe
Title of paper: Hybrid social entrepreneurial organisations as institutions, Eastern Cape South Africa
Title of Conference: Social Enterprise World Forum Academic Symposium: *Advancing Social Enterprise Research, Teaching and Engagement*,
Place: Glasgow Caledonian University, Glasgow, Scotland
Date: 10–11 September 2018
International or national: International

Lecturer(s): Deidre van Rooyen
Title of Conference: Social Enterprise World Forum
Place: Edinburgh, Scotland
Date: 13–15 September 2018
International or national: International
Six periods (11 days) – two staff members

Helena van Zyl – Ceeman Conference, Prague, Sept 2018

Liesel Massyn – Ceeman Conference, Prague, Sept 2018, also delivered a poster presentation

Liesel Massyn – Delivered a paper in Adelaide, Australia, 17–19 April 2018

Celeste Champer and Sevias Guvuriro – Oxford attended

Johan Coetzee – IISES – London – paper presented

Academic engagements:

- Round-table discussion on the book: Peace leadership: Self-Transformation to Peace together with Dr Andrew Campbell (Institute of Peace and Ethics in Nebraska), Ciara Callagher (Oslo Peace Institute), and Martha Harunavamwe (University of the Free State). This was part of the International Leadership Association Conference in West Palm Beach, October 2018.
- Meet-the-author reception based on the book: Peace leadership: Self-Transformation to Peace together with Dr Andrew Campbell (Institute of Peace and Ethics in Nebraska), Ciara Callagher (Oslo Peace Institute), and Martha Harunavamwe (University of the Free State). This was part of the International Leadership Association Conference in West Palm Beach, October 2018.

-Research collaborations

- Visit Prof Adrienne Castellon from the Trinity Western University to discuss the launch of our book (see above) in Vancouver as well as discussions on the content of our follow-up book.

Publish a book: Peace leadership: Self-Transformation to Peace together with the following people:

Dr Andrew Campbell (Institute of Peace and Ethics in Nebraska, Ciara Callagher (Oslo Peace Institute in Oslo, Prof Adrienne Castellon (Trinity Western University in Vancouver, Dr Erich Schellhammer (Royal Roads University in Vancouver, Dr Carol Dalglish (Awaken Mozambique in Mozambique).

- Marike v Wyk

47th Annual European Marketing Academy conference; Strathclyde University, Glasgow, UK
Paper: Perceived cost and Smartwatch use-intentions: Positive and / negative valence?
Dean's Office

Lecturer(s): P Burger

Title of paper: Getting it right: a new economy for South Africa

Title of Conference: International Conference on Sustainable Development

Place: Columbia University, New York

Date: 26 September 2018

Title of Conference: IASIA Conference

Place: Lima, Peru

Date: 23–26 July 2018

Lecturer(s): H J Kroukamp (co-presenters Profs Van Jaarsveldt and De Vries – UNISA and Radboud University

Title of paper: Student protests in South African: calls to decolonise science and the wider implications for Public

Administration education.

Title of Conference: IASIA Conference

Place: Lima, Peru

Date: 23–26 July 2018



Research collaborations

ONE RESEARCH PUBLICATION

Lecturer(s): Westoby P

Title of article: Community development's response to 'sham' right-wing nativist populism – contributions to a 'Thinkery', New Community.

Journal: *Journal of Housing and the Built Environment* (Accepted)

Year: 2018 Vol: No/Issue pp.

Accredited: Yes (IBSS)

Lecturer(s): Westoby P

Title of article: Carbon-trading, oil extraction and 'different' forms of community development in Uganda'

Journal: *Pacific Journal of Community Development*

Year: 2018 Vol: No/Issue 3pp. 5 – 17

Accredited: Yes (IBSS)

Lecturer(s): Westoby, P

Title of article: 'Shrivelling souls [of a white nation]: Australia, asylum seeking and development aid',

Journal: *New Community*

Year: 2018 Vol: No/Issue pp.

Accredited:

Lecturer(s): Marais, L, Haslam McKenzie, F, Deacon, L, Nel, E, Van Rooyen, D, and Cloete, J.

Title of article: The changing nature of mining towns: Reflections from Australia, Canada, and South Africa

Journal: *Land Use Policy*

Year: 2018 Vol: No/Issue, pp.

Accredited: Yes or No: YES

Lecturer(s): Sharp, C, Penner, F, Marais, L, Skinner, D.

Title of article: School connectedness as psychological resilience factor in children affected by HIV/AIDS.

Journal: *AIDS Care*

Year: 2019 Vol: No/Issue, pp.

Accredited: Yes

Lecturers: Brown, JL, Sales, JM, Sharp, C, Cloete, J, Lenka, M, Rani, K, Marime, P, Ditlhare, I, Moqolo, R, Peterson, D, and Marais, L.

Title of article: Cultural consensus modelling to understand the reproductive health needs of South African adolescent girls

Journal: *South African Journal of Child Health*

Year: 2018 Vol 12 (2 Supplement 1), pp. S40-S43.

Accredited: Yes

Journal: *Urbani Izziv* (accepted).

BOOKS

Lecturer: Westoby, Peter

Title of book: Companion to Community Development Research

Place of publication: UK, Surrey

Publisher: Routledge

Lecturer: Westoby, Peter

Title of book: Participatory Development Practice, Using
Traditional and Contemporary Frameworks

Place of publication: UK

Publisher: Ruby

NEW AND CURRENT RESEARCH

Lecturer: Lues, L.

Topic: Leading self towards peace building and sustainable democracy

Nature of research or project: In this book project, the nature and meaning of leading self (self-awareness including emotional awareness, accurate self-assessment and self-confidence; self-management including emotional self-control, transparency, adaptability, achievement, initiative, and optimism), will be the focus. Case studies of peace leaders who demonstrated self-awareness and self-management, will be focused on. The aim is to develop a model of leading self towards peace building and sustainable democracy.

Editors: Prof Ebben van Zyl (UFS) and Dr Barbara Schellhammer (Munich School of Business) and Prof Liezel Lues

Dean's Office

Lecturer(s): HJ Kroukamp (co-authored with Profs Van Jaarsveldt and De Vries – UNISA and Radboud University

Title of article: South African students call to decolonise science: implications for international standards, curriculum development, and Public Administration education.

Journal: Teaching Public Administration

Year: 2018 Vol: 1 No/Issue: 1 pp. 1-19

Accredited: Yes

Lecturer(s): Sanell Morgan, Elizabeth C Janse van Vuuren, Frederik F Coetzee

Title of article: Tendinopathy: An International E-Delphi Perspective

Journal: South African Journal for Research in Sport, Physical
Education and Recreation, ISBN: 0379-9069

Year: 2018 Vol: 40 No/Issue 2 pp. online

Accredited: Yes

3.6. FACULTY OF LAW

International Partnership Engagements (staff and student mobility)	<p>STUDENT MOBILITY: OUTGOING STUDENT MOBILITY:</p> <p>Four students from the faculty, both undergraduate and postgraduate, participated in the 25th annual Willem C Vis Moot Court Competition in Vienna. This competition was initiated by former secretaries of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law. The team was accompanied by two coaches, Prof Elizabeth Snyman-Van Deventer and Dr Manie Moolman, both from the Faculty of Law.</p> <p>OUTGOING STAFF MOBILITY: GUEST LECTURING</p> <p>Mr Albert Nel, lecturer in the Faculty of Law, is enrolled for a PhD in International Criminal Law Theory at the University of Birmingham under the supervision of Prof Robert Cryer and Dr Bosko Tripkovic.</p> <p>Ms Laetitia Fourie is currently busy with her PhD at the University of Leiden under the supervision of Prof Barentsen and Prof Boot. She writes on reasonable accommodation for employees with disabilities.</p>
Academic engagements	<p>CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE:</p> <p>Prof John Mubangizi delivered a paper at the 8th International Multidisciplinary Conference, Nairobi, Kenya (June 2018).</p> <p>Prof Mubangizi also delivered a paper at the 6th International Conference on Sustainable Development, Rome, Italy (September 2018).</p> <p>Prof Mubangizi attended the 2018 International Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting, Doha, Qatar (November 2018).</p> <p>Dr Rika van Zyl visited the University of Edinburgh, Scotland, to engage with scholars on the Scottish <i>jus quaesitum tertio</i> (similar to our <i>stipulatio alteri</i>). She also delivered a paper on 'The Problems with the Amendment of a Living Trust in South Africa' at the ICPIIL International Conference on Private International Law in Wembley in England. This took place in October 2018.</p>
Membership of international organisations:	<p>Dr Jacques Matthee is member of the following international organisations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● World Society of Mixed Jurisdiction Jurists. ● International Commission on Legal Pluralism. ● The International Union of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences. ● Gesellschaft für Afrikanisches Recht e.V. (African Law Association). <p>Mr Pieter Brits is a member of ATRIP – International Association for the Advancement of Teaching and Research in Intellectual Property.</p> <p>Dr Jo-Mari Visser and Mr Khanya Motshabi are members of the Legal Writing Institute (United States).</p> <p>Mr Khanya Motshabi is a fellow at the 21st Century Trust, London, United Kingdom and the Fulbright Programme, United States of America.</p> <p>Mr Khanya Motshabi is a member of the Constitutional Law Doctrinal Study Group, International Association of Law Schools.</p>





4.1 HOUSING AND RESIDENCE AFFAIRS

For the 2018 academic period, 214 international students were allocated to residences, which represents 3,7% of the total number of students in residences. It is known from available data that of the 3,7 % only two international students (one from Lesotho and one from Namibia) out of a possible 950 beds are staying in off-campus accredited accommodation. Three of the 'big service providers' in terms of the number of beds, Affkampus, Unilofts, and CampusKey did not provide any student data.

Two major challenges encountered by Housing and Residence Affairs worth mentioning, is that firstly, students from Lesotho and especially from Zimbabwe experienced significant delays in securing study visas, which meant that the students could not confirm completion of their registration. Accommodation can only be reserved for a certain period of time until notice is received that a particular student is no longer returning. This contributed to significant challenges with accommodation placements. The second challenge related to the prepayment required for registration, which included an allocation for residence fees. This caused the prepayment to be very high, which resulted in a number of cancellations, as some students could not afford the payment. It is assumed that some of these students ended up in unaccredited off-campus accommodation which is not endorsed by the university.

SECTION 4

SUPPORT SERVICE ENTITIES REPORTS ON INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES

Housing and Residence Affairs offers a variety of accommodation categories, including residences, student flats, student rooms, and residential units. The placement of students in these accommodation is based on nationality and level of study. The Housing and Residence division strives to place students in such a way that the rich diversity of the UFS student population is enhanced.

4.2 POSTGRADUATE SCHOOL

The Postgraduate School of the University of the Free has an extensive Research Capacity Development programme which it provides to all registered postgraduate students free of charge. With the realisation that the majority of our postgraduate are not residents on campus or even in some cases in the country, the Postgraduate School runs a series of workshops/courses in neighbouring countries for students registered for their Masters and Doctoral studies. It was for this purpose that the Postgraduate School ran successful workshops in Lesotho, Namibia and Zimbabwe in 2018. To our knowledge, the UFS is the only university that offers such support to their international students in South Africa. The workshops were well attended and these will be continued with in the future as long as the funding allows.

4.3 INSTITUTIONAL ADVANCEMENT

Funding: International funding secured by UFS staff for projects not aimed at internationalisation.

SOURCE	AMOUNT	PURPOSE	UFS CONTACT PERSON
Kresge Foundation (US)	R1,86 million	IA Development	Annamia van den Heever
Kresge Foundation (US)	R1,24 million	Siyaphumelela (CTL)	Francois Strydom
Moshal Scholarship Programme (UK)	R2,4 million	Bursaries	Annamia van den Heever
Various	R100 000	Save the Giraffes	Francois Deacon

ACADEMIC ENGAGEMENTS:

Ms Annamia van den Heever (Director: Institutional Advancement) attended the CASE Europe Conference in Edinburgh in August 2018.

ALUMNI DATA: OUTSIDE SOUTH AFRICA AS EXTRACTED FROM DEVMAN CUSTOMER RELATIONS SYSTEM

COUNTRY	NUMBER OF ALUMNI	PERCENTAGE OF ALUMNI
Lesotho	2 150	1,91
Namibia	635	0,57
Zimbabwe	206	0,18
Botswana	136	0,12
Kenya	82	0,07

Zambia	66	0,06
Swaziland	48	0,04
United Kingdom	39	0,03
Australia	24	0,02
Canada	24	0,02

4.4 STUDENT AFFAIRS

Mrs. Rene Pelser and Mrs. Dulcie Malimabe (Qwaqwa), together with a group of five students, attended the University Leadership symposium that took place from 1 to 7 August 2018 in Bangkok, Thailand. The key focus area was social development and instilling a sense of social responsibility by using knowledge and leadership skills to impact communities in need. Additionally, the 17 sustainable development goals were also a focus area, in respect of eradicating hunger, reducing inequalities, improving clean water and sanitation, quality education, and building sustainable cities and communities the world over.





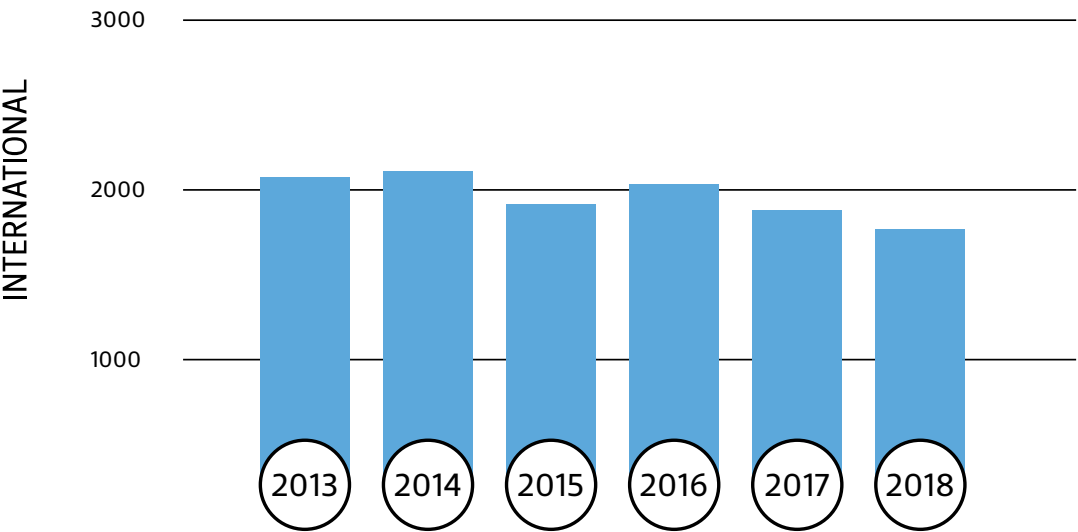


SECTION 5

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT DATA

SECTION 5: INTERNATIONAL STUDENT DATA

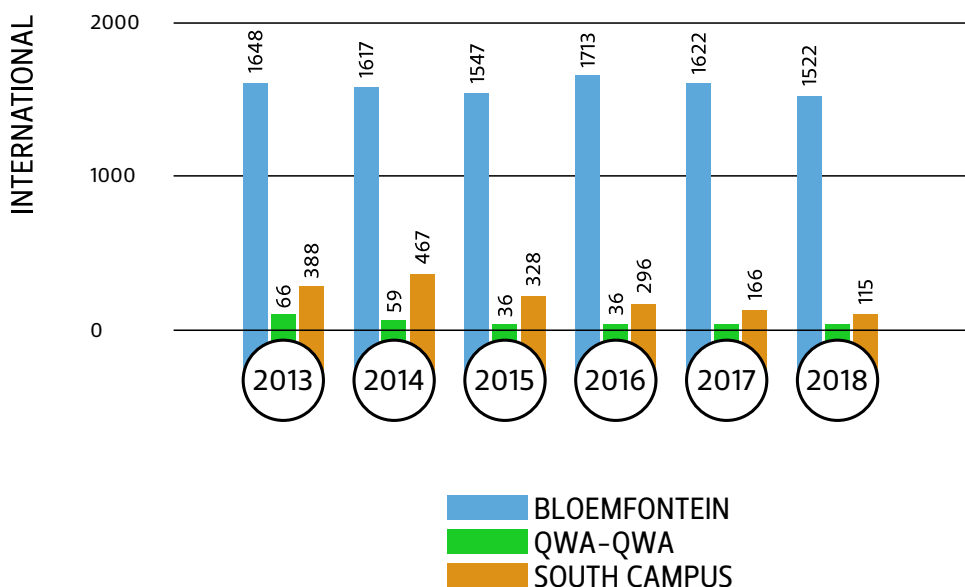
5.1 TOTAL NUMBER OF INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS: THIS GRAPH INDICATES THAT THE UFS REGISTERED 1 754 INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS FOR THE 2018 ACADEMIC YEAR.



INTERNATIONAL	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
	2102	2143	1911	2045	1900	1754

5.1.2 INTERNATIONAL STUDENT REGISTRATION PER CAMPUS

The table below depicts international students registration per campus. In 2018 there were 1 522 on the Bloemfontein Campus, 71 on the Qwaqwa Campus, and 161 on the South Campus. Total registration at the UFS for 2018 across campuses is 1 754.



5.1.3 INTERNATIONAL STUDENT REGISTRATIONS PER FACULTY. STUDY LEVEL AND COUNTRY

The table below indicates the international student registration per faculty, study level, and country

R5. Registrations by Faculty	Number of international students
FACULTY > QUALIFICATION_LVL > NATIONAL_DESCR > CAMPUS_NAME > ENTRANCE GRP	2018
	STUDENT
HEALTH SCIENCE	84
DOCTORAL	15
Ghana	1
Kenya	2
Lesotho	3
Nigeria	2
Zimbabwe	5

Zambia	1
India	1
MASTERS	21
Botswana	1
Lesotho	6
Congo	1
Nigeria	2
India	1
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	3
Zimbabwe	5
Namibia	2
POSTGRAD < HONS	2
Lesotho	2
OCCASIONAL	2
Congo	1
Sudan	1
UGRD	44
NATURAL AND AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES	457
DOCTORAL	113
Botswana	1
China	1
Cameroon	3
Ethiopia	9
Angola	1
Kenya	4
India	2
Lesotho	10
Namibia	10
Sudan	6
Mozambique	1
Malawi	2
Zambia	3
Uganda	3
Zimbabwe	32

Nigeria	11
Swaziland	2
Ghana	5
Germany	3
Spain	1
Pakistan	1
Egypt	1
Gabon	1
HONOURS	49
Lesotho	17
Namibia	13
Swaziland	1
Zimbabwe	12
Nigeria	1
Kenya	3
Republic of Korea	2
MASTERS	125
Germany	1
Lesotho	45
Kenya	1
Namibia	37
Malawi	3
Swaziland	3
Zambia	6
Zimbabwe	17
Nigeria	3
Uganda	2
Rwanda	1
Mozambique	1
Sudan	2
Netherlands	2
Afghanistan	1

OCCASIONAL	21
Lesotho	16
Nigeria	1
Namibia	1
Mozambique	1
POSTGRAD < HONS	12
Swaziland	2
Zimbabwe	2
Lesotho	3
Namibia	5
UGRD	137
Botswana	5
Zimbabwe	18
Zambia	1
Cuba	1
ECONOMIC AND MANAGEMENT SCIENCES	445
DOCTORAL	33
Nigeria	1
Lesotho	16
Ethiopia	1
Zimbabwe	6
Ghana	1
Netherlands	2
Cameroon	1
Malawi	1
Namibia	15
Swaziland	2
Nigeria	1
Uganda	1
OCCASIONAL	26
Lesotho	4
Germany	16
Zimbabwe	2
Austria	2

UGRD	265
Botswana	2
China	3
Lesotho	178
Namibia	8
Ghana	1
Swaziland	5
Uganda	2
Zimbabwe	51
Zambia	1
Taiwan	2
Malawi	2
Nigeria	3
Cameroon	2
United Republic of Tanzania	1
India	1
Kenya	1
Cuba	1
Bangladesh	1
POSTGRAD < HONS	31
Lesotho	26
France	1
Uganda	1
Zimbabwe	2
Swaziland	1
THEOLOGY AND RELIGION	25
DOCTORAL	14
Burkina Faso	1
United States of America	1
Lesotho	1
Zambia	3
Côte d'Ivoire	1
Australia	2
Australia and Oceania countries	2

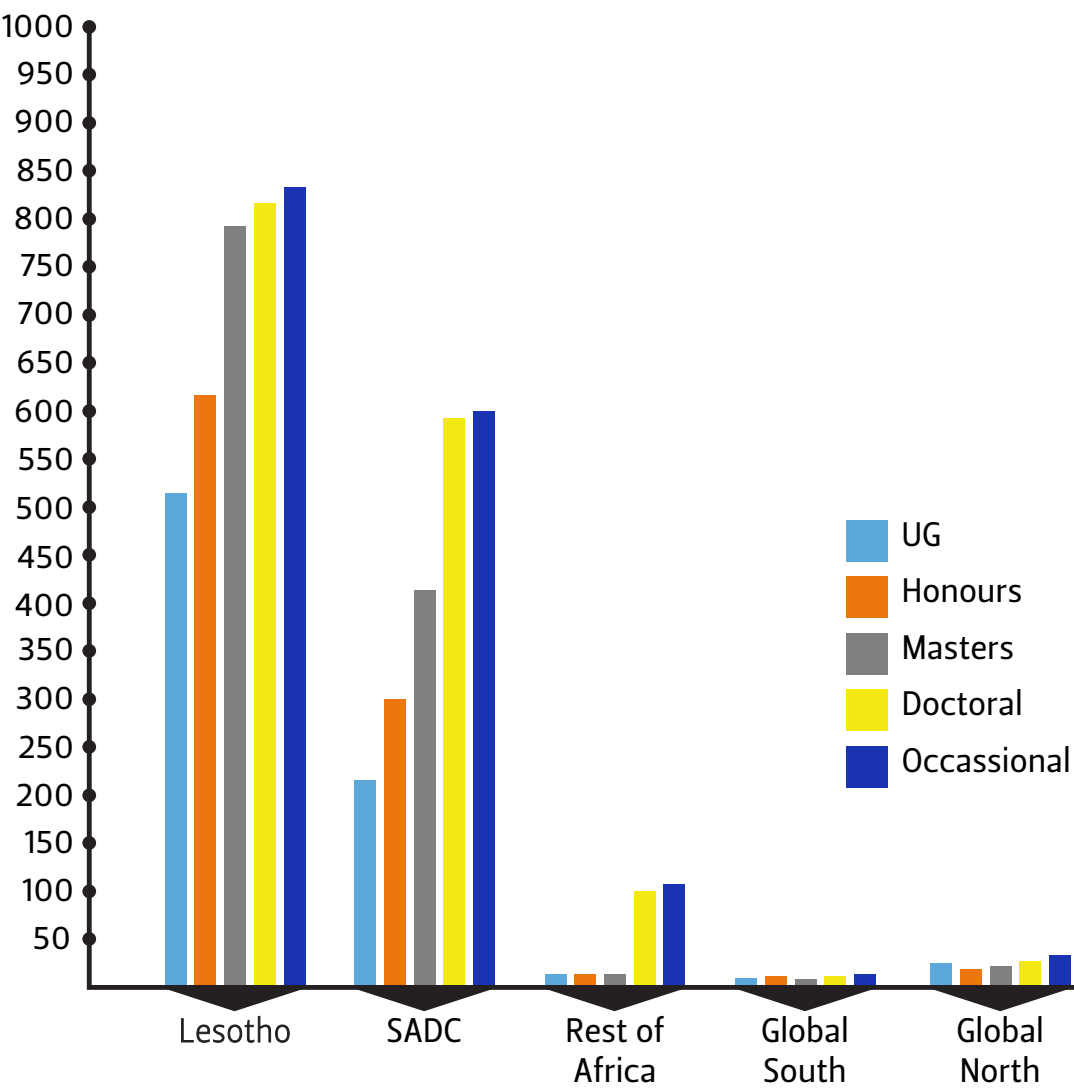
Zimbabwe	1
Cameroon	1
Botswana	1
HONOURS	1
Lesotho	1
MASTERS	8
Zambia	2
Zimbabwe	1
United States of America	1
Angola	1
Australia	1
Australia and Oceania countries	1
Papua New Guinea	1
UGRD	2
Lesotho	2
THE HUMANITIES	292
DOCTORAL	60
Cameroon	1
Lesotho	3
Namibia	1
United States of America	4
Zimbabwe	35
Sweden	1
Israel	1
Kenya	2
Zambia	3
Democratic Republic of the Congo	2
Ghana	1
Botswana	2
Malawi	1
Ireland	1
Mozambique	1
Belgium	1

HONOURS	16
Lesotho	5
Namibia	1
Zimbabwe	2
United States of America	5
Zambia	1
Swaziland	1
Ghana	1
MASTERS	24
Lesotho	9
Namibia	4
United States of America	2
Zimbabwe	6
Malawi	2
United Republic of Tanzania	1
OCCASIONAL	15
Germany	3
The Netherlands	4
France	2
United States of America	2
Zimbabwe	1
Sudan	1
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	1
POSTGRAD < HONS	1
Lesotho	1
UGRD	176
EDUCATION	289
DOCTORAL	85
Lesotho	29
Ghana	2
Swaziland	1
Zimbabwe	38
Namibia	4
United Republic of Tanzania	1

Pakistan	1
Nigeria	3
Ethiopia	1
Uganda	4
Malawi	1
HONOURS	4
Lesotho	3
Ghana	1
MASTERS	59
Lesotho	55
Namibia	2
Zimbabwe	1
China	1
POSTGRAD < HONS	7
Lesotho	6
Namibia	1
UGRD	134
Lesotho	112
Namibia	2
Botswana	1
Swaziland	1
Zimbabwe	11
Ghana	4
Mozambique	1
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	1
LAW	162
DOCTORAL	2
Nigeria	1
Zimbabwe	1
MASTERS	22
Lesotho	20
Zimbabwe	1
Zambia	1

POSTGRAD < HONS	57
Botswana	5
Zimbabwe	17
Lesotho	21
Namibia	10
Swaziland	4
UGRD	81
Lesotho	19
Namibia	19
Botswana	1
Zimbabwe	37
Angola	1
Democratic Republic of the Congo	1
Malawi	2
Canada	1
TOTAL	1 754

5.1.4 INTERNATIONAL STUDENT BY GEOGRAPHIC ORIGIN AND LEVEL OF STUDY



The above graph depicts the overall origin of international students at the UFS. This data is based on the first semester 2018

5.2 DATA RELATING TO INCOMING AND OUTGOING EXCHANGE STUDENTS

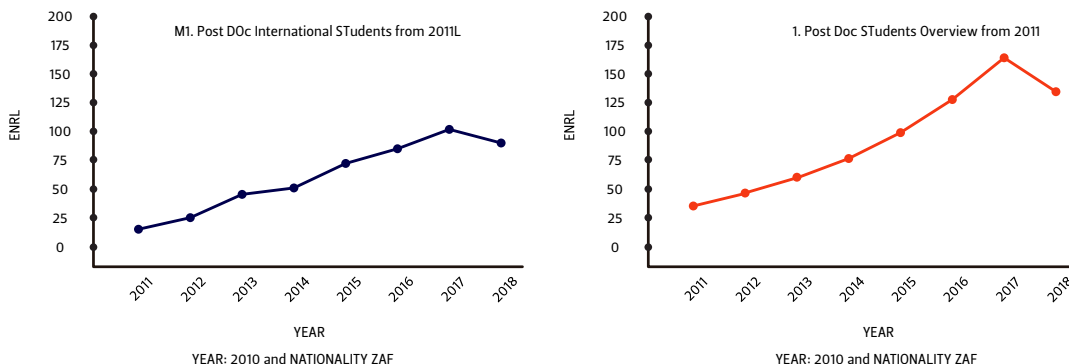
5.2.1 OUTBOUND STUDENTS IN 2018 (INFORMATION WILL BE PRESENTED IN TABULATED FORMAT)

- School of Nursing to RHIZO College in Belgium: four undergraduate students
- Economic and Management Sciences to University of Bremen: five undergraduate students
- Architecture to Appalachian State University in USA: two undergraduate students
- Urban and Regional Planning to Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam: two undergraduates (Summer School)
- Faculty of Law to Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam: one undergraduate (Summer School)

5.2.2 INCOMING EXCHANGE STUDENTS IN 2018

PARTNER UNIVERSITY	FIRST SEMESTER NUMBER OF STUDENTS RECEIVED	SECOND SEMESTER NUMBER OF STUDENTS RECEIVED	NUMBER OF POSTGRADUATE STUDENTS	NUMBER OF UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS
University of Bremen	6	5	5	6
Amsterdam University of Applied Sciences	2	1	-	3
Sciences Po Bordeaux (each student was there for two semesters)	1	1	-	2
Jönköping University	2	5	-	7
University of Groningen	1	2	-	3
Kufstein University	-	3	-	3
Fulda University of Applied Sciences	1	1	-	2
University of Rennes	1	-	1	-
University of Passau	-	2	-	2
UNIBS	-	1		1
Appalachian State University	1	-	-	1
Radboud University	1	-	1	-
VU Amsterdam	1	2		3
TOTAL			7	33

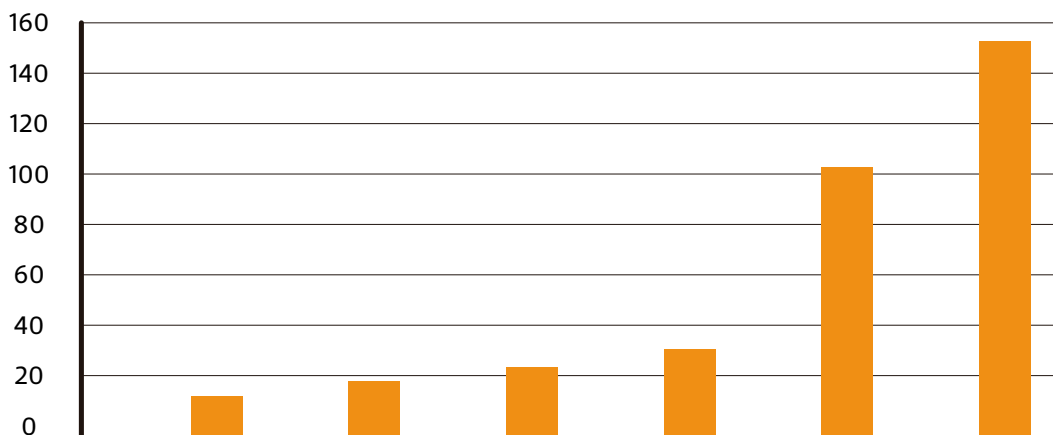
5.3 DATA RELATING TO POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWS



The number of postdocs registered in 2018 has declined, because some postdocs have completed their tenure, and others acquired permanent residence.

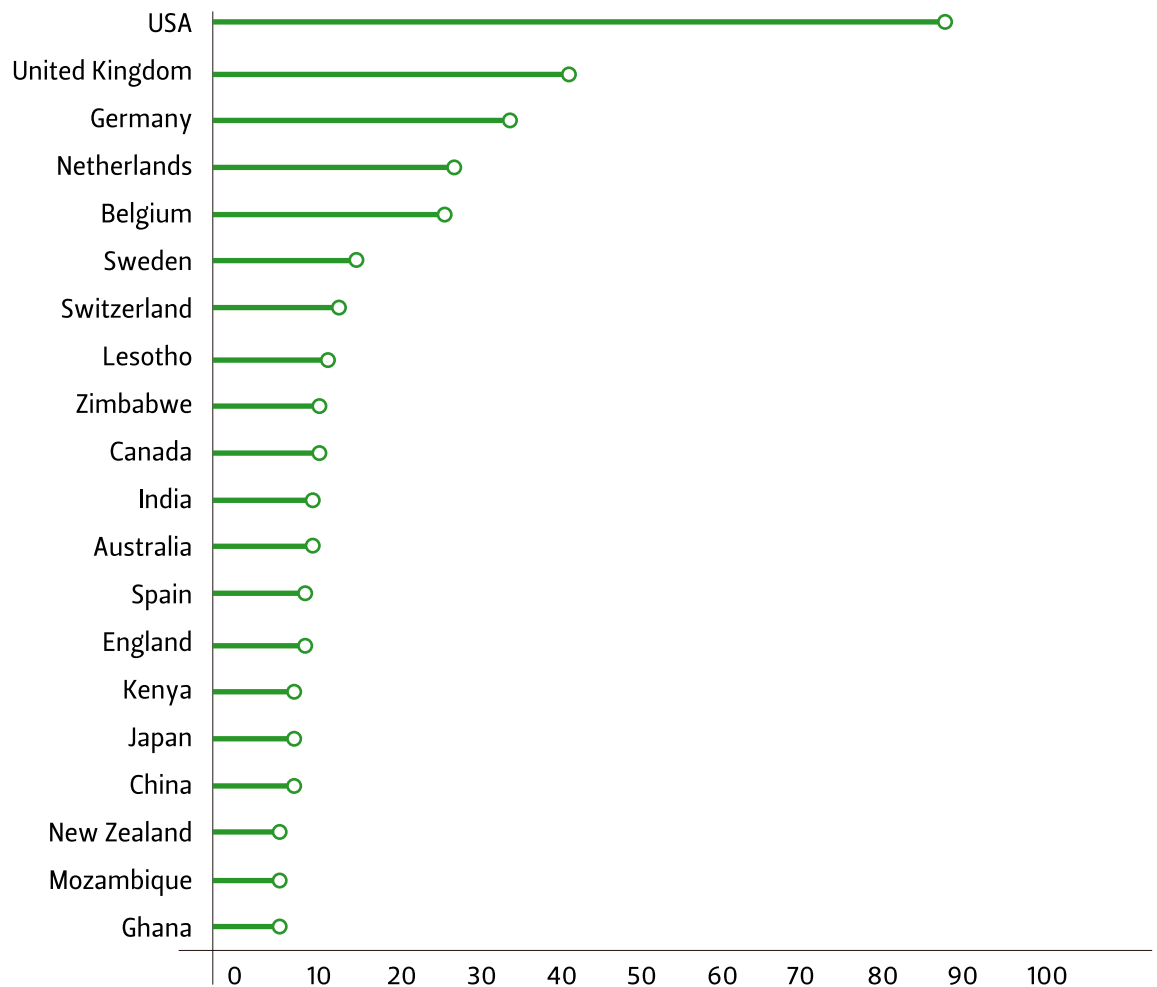
5.4 RESEARCH AND INNOVATION CONTRACTS

5.4.1 TYPES OF INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION AGREEMENTS(2014-2018)



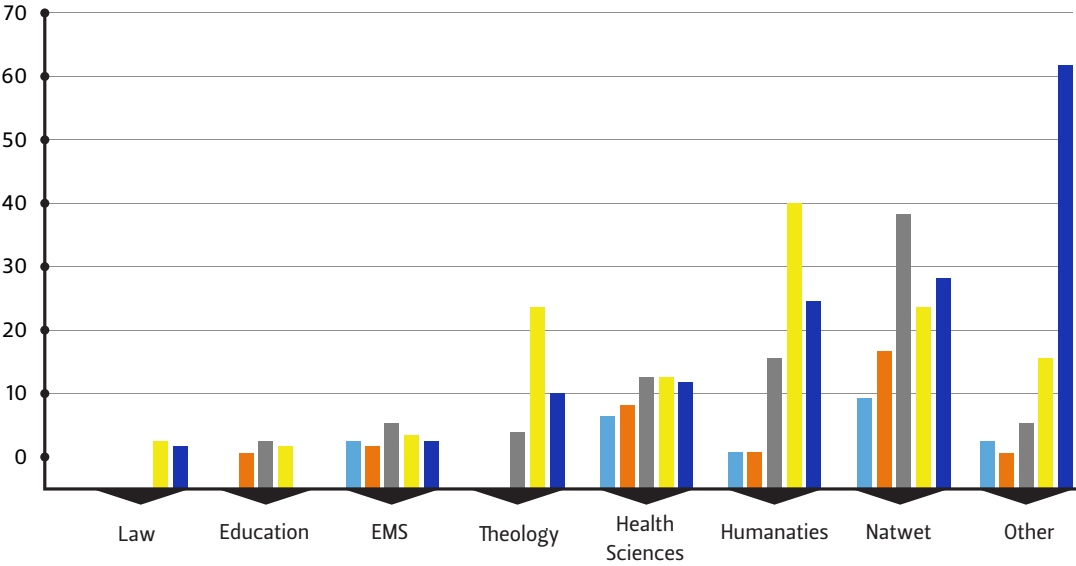
The above graph depicts a trend that research fellows are from abroad, which is good indication that the UFS is able to attract brilliant minds from across the globe. It also shows that an improvement in the other research agreements is needed. 4.4. (b) Contracts and Innovation: Research related to contracts at UFS

5.4.2 INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION AGREEMENTS: THE TOP 20 INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATING COUNTRIES



The above graph depicts the top five countries where collaboration with the UFS is the strongest. The US, UK, Germany, The Netherlands, and Belgium sets the tone. Special attention must be paid to strengthening collaboration with more African countries as per the priority areas outlined in the National Policy Framework on the Internationalisation of Higher Education in South Africa.

5.4.3 INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION AGREEMENTS PER FACULTY



	2014	0	0	3	0	7	1	9	3
	2015	0	1	2	0	9	1	17	1
	2016	0	3	6	6	13	16	38	6
	2017	3	2	4	24	13	40	24	16
	2018	2	0	3	10	12	25	18	62

The above graph depicts the research contracts and the international collaborations for the period 2014 to 2018, which illustrates a steady increase.

5.5 RESEARCH COLLABORATION

Region totals	Collaborating Institutions	Co-authored publications	Percentage	Comment
Worldwide	616	786	100%	Takes into all universities including SA universities
Africa	153	1559	56%	SA and African universities
Asia Pacific	288	542	19%	
Europe	633	990	36%	
Middle East	84	296	11%	
North America	373	466	17%	
South America	85	72	3%	

5.5.1 CO-AUTHORED SCIENTIFIC PUBLICATIONS

Region totals	Collaborating Institutions	Co-authored publications
Argentina	13	12
Australia	51	169
Austria	17	102
Bangladesh	1	1
Armenia	2	52
Barbados	1	1
Belgium	15	144
Botswana	2	8
Brazil	39	41
Brunei Darussalam	1	1
Bulgaria	3	6
Cameroon	6	15
Canada	41	108
Sri Lanka	2	3
Chile	9	8
China	45	48
Taiwan	8	16
Colombia	5	6
Democratic Republic Congo	1	1

Region totals	Collaborating Institutions	Co-authored publications
Croatia	6	12
Cyprus	2	1
Czech Republic	15	50
Benin	1	2
Denmark	5	31
Ecuador	4	4
Ethiopia	7	21
Estonia	1	3
Finland	8	40
Russian Federation	27	92
France	69	120
Georgia	1	1
Gambia	1	3
Palestine	1	6
Germany	89	202
Ghana	5	30
Greece	5	9
Hong Kong	3	10
Hungary	8	13

The information above has been extracted from SCIVAL database on 7 March 2019

5.5.2 REGIONAL BREAKDOWN OF COLLABORATING INSTITUTIONS FOR THE UFS

Region totals	Collaborating Institutions	Co-authored publications
Iceland	1	8
India	67	197
Indonesia	1	1
Iran	15	27
Iraq	1	5
Ireland	9	75
Israel	14	67
Italy	59	70
Côte d'Ivoire	1	2
Jamaica	1	1
Japan	43	65
Jordan	1	2
Kenya	18	43
South Korea	15	63
Kuwait	1	1
Lebanon	1	6
Lesotho	1	5
Latvia	1	1
Lithuania	2	4
Luxembourg	1	1
Malawi	2	5
Malaysia	6	22
Mauritius	2	5
Mexico	24	34
Mongolia	2	2
Morocco	8	9
Mozambique	2	7
Oman	1	1
Namibia	2	65
The Netherlands	22	149
New Zealand	12	25
Nigeria	22	58
Russian Federation	27	92
Norway	5	42
Pakistan	5	3
Panama	1	1
Peru	3	3
Philippines	3	2
Poland	30	87

Region totals	Collaborating Institutions	Co-authored publications
Portugal	9	23
Puerto Rico	1	2
Qatar	5	41
Romania	3	4
Rwanda	1	3
Saudi Arabia	9	54
Senegal	2	2
Serbia	4	22
Singapore	4	4
Slovakia	2	5
Vietnam	1	1
Slovenia	5	12
South Africa	35	1 297
Zimbabwe	5	39
Spain	46	85
Sudan	1	34
Swaziland	1	2
Sweden	18	108
Switzerland	14	54
Thailand	7	16
Togo	1	1
United Arab Emirates	4	5
Tunisia	2	3
Turkey	26	63
Uganda	5	12
Ukraine	6	11
Macedonia	1	1
Egypt	12	20
United Kingdom	111	264
Tanzania	5	11
United States	295	372
Virgin Islands (US)	1	1
Uruguay	2	6
Uzbekistan	1	1
Venezuela	3	2
Zambia	2	3

The information above has been extracted from SCIVAL database on 15 March 2019

* Disclaimer: All information stated in the report is correct at the time of the printing and is subject to change without notice

CONTACT DETAILS

Please visit www.ufs.ac.za/ufsresearch for publication data and an online version of the Report.

Produced by

Office of International Affairs, UFS

Editorial team

Chevon Slambee

Design, layout and production

SUN MeDIA Bloemfontein

Photographs

Office of International Affairs, UFS

www.unsplash.com

+27 51 401 3403

internationalenquiries@ufs.ac.za

www.ufs.ac.za