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**PROFESSOR FRANCIS PETERSEN,**

**Rector and Vice-Chancellor at the University of the Free State.**

**A**t the University of the Free State (UFS), we inspire excellence and transform lives. This is what we stand for, and what we believe in.

My vision is ...

to cultivate a university that embraces diversity, inclusivity, and academic excellence. I want you to feel welcome and safe when you enter our learning and living space – a place where you can realise your social and academic dreams. We offer you an experience that provides a balanced foundation for whatever the future demands, ranging from academics, to sport, art, cultural activities, and a range of student associations to choose from.

**WE HAVE GROWN...** into a recognised university since 1904, with scholars who influence local and global growth. Our alumni excel in business, sports, arts, culture, and in many other areas. You too, can develop and expand your potential within our seven faculties, covering the entire range from undergraduate degrees and diplomas, to doctoral and postdoctoral degrees.

Meet and learn...

from some of the finest academic intellectuals, while improving your skills with the help of our Centre for Teaching and Learning – including tutorials and academic writing services. Many other services offered by our Student Affairs, such as student leadership development programmes, career services, student health and wellness programmes, and student counselling, will make your time with us memorable.

**OUR SCHOLARS...** thrive with our support. Our number of researchers with ratings from the National Research Foundation (NRF) almost doubled in the past few years. We have structured programmes that help selected scholars on their pathway to professorship – you can become one of them.

First-year students...

are welcomed through our Gateway First-Year Orientation Programme. We will help you find your way around campus, make sure you are registered, refer you to academic advising, career counselling, and other support services on campus.

**COME AND ENJOY...** a supportive, caring, enjoyable, and intellectually invigorating environment where academic excellence and human embrace are at the core of what we do. We have great goals and aspirations for your success as a future graduate, trailblazer, and leader in the world.

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**Prof Francis Petersen**  
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