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Vaal University of Technology

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## HISTORIC OVERVIEW

In the 44 years of its existence, first as a College of Advanced Technical Education (1966 - 1979) then as Vaal Triangle Technikon (1979 - 2003), Vaal University of Technology has grown in stature as a higher education institution, drawing students from all over the country. It is one of the largest residential Universities of Technology, with about 17 000 students. This position enables it to make a substantial contribution to the development of human resources in the region and country.

The campus boasts excellent facilities conducive to learning, research, recreation and sport, art and culture, and community engagement. Lecture halls, laboratories, a number of auditoriums and offices are situated on 4.6 hectares. Three satellite campuses extend the services of the University, at Secunda, Ekurhuleni and Uppington. An extension to the main campus is located in Sebokeng on the old campus of Vista University. Besides the four faculties, various departments serve the students, catering for their various needs.

It is physically located some 68km South of Johannesburg in the small town of Vanderbijlpark, on the banks of the Vaal River – one of the largest rivers in South Africa.

Relevant industries with which VUT has partnered include: Steel, Mining, Petrochemical, Agriculture, Tourism, Power Generation, Water and Waste Water Management, Manufacturing, Retail and Services.

The Centres of Excellence in Research and Innovation are:

- Centre for Renewable Energy and Water;
- Centre for Alternative Energy; and
- Centre for Sustainable Livelihoods.

**A brief look at the past will serve to highlight some significant developments in the history of the VUT:**

### 1966

The Vaal Triangle College for Advanced Technical Education, established according to the Advanced Technical Education Act No 40, opened its doors to the community with its first Principal appointed being Mr CAJ

Bornman. The College at that point in time had 189 engineering students, 15 members of staff and hostel accommodation for 60 students. The College was one of six Colleges of Advanced Technical Education (CATEs) established in South Africa during the 1960s to train apprentices as part of manufacturing development after World War II.

### 1967

The then Minister of Education, Arts and Science, the Honourable Jan de Klerk, inaugurated the College on 22 September 1967.

### 1971

Dr Isak Steyl was appointed as the Director of the Institution.

### 1975

The construction of new buildings commenced, providing students with a new library, gymnasium, laboratories, lecture halls and a new wing for the Department of Commerce and Management. The College was thus able to double its student intake and to expand the curriculum.

### 1978

Student enrolment reached the 3 000 mark, Staff totalled 137.

### 1979

Colleges were renamed Technikons in accordance with the Advanced Technical Amendment Act no 43. As a consequence, The Vaal Triangle College for Advanced Technical Education became known as the Vaal Triangle Technikon.

### 1981

The Vaal Triangle Technikon continued to expand. An additional hostel opened its doors and it accommodated 140 more students.

### 1984

The introduced Laureatus qualification (equivalent to PhD) and in the same year a Department of Educational Technology was established.

### 1986

The Gold Fields Library was completed and finally the Technikon boasted a library which satisfied the needs of students and staff. African students were admitted to the Vaal Triangle Technikon for the first time in 1986. This transformation was championed by Dr Isak Steyl.

### 1987

The Vaal Triangle Technikon established its first satellite campus in Secunda. The campus offered part-time classes in Safety Management and Electrical Engineering. Student numbers reached 6 000.

### 1991

Dr Isak Steyl retired from the Vaal Triangle Technikon after 20 years of service. Prof Attie Buitendacht joined the Vaal Triangle Technikon as the Rector.

### 1992

Dr Peter du Plessis joined the Vaal Triangle Technikon as the Rector. The demographic profile of students at the Technikon changed as more Black students continued to register for further studies. Out of 8000 registered students, 75% were White while 25% were Black.

### 1995

The Vaal Triangle Technikon established two additional satellite campuses in Upington called the Northern Cape Satellite Campus, majoring in Agricultural- and Tourism Management and the Ekurhuleni Satellite Campus, majoring in ICT. Prof Piet Swanepoel was appointed as the Acting Rector of the Vaal Triangle Technikon. The Vaal Triangle Technikon awarded the first B-Tech degree.

### 1996

Prof A T Mokadi joined Vaal Triangle Technikon as Vice-Chancellor & Rector. Mr Mosima "Tokyo" Sexwale was inaugurated as the first Chancellor of the Vaal Triangle Technikon. The first Master's Degree – Magister Technologiae in Electrical Engineering was awarded. The Convocation of the Vaal Triangle Technikon was formally established.

### 1997

Student enrolment reached its highest level with 14 627

registering. Of the overall student population, 63.4% were Black students. The Vaal Triangle Technikon awarded the first Doctorates in the Faculty of Applied and Computer Sciences and the Faculty of Management Sciences.

### 1998

The Research Directorate at the Vaal Triangle Technikon, was established to develop a research culture among academic staff and students.

### 1999

Prof Theo Shippy was appointed by the Minister of Education as an Interim Vice-Chancellor and Rector.

The transformation of the institution was marked when the language policy was changed from Afrikaans to English as the official language of instruction and communication. The first Doctorates were awarded in the Faculty of Applied and Computer Sciences and the Faculty of Management Sciences.

### 2000

The Vaal Triangle Technikon's students traditionally found a voice through Radio Trittech. The Vaal Triangle Technikon established an international office to actively engage in exchange partnerships and create ties with a number of tertiary institutions abroad.

### 2001

A Technology Station for Composite Materials was established to assist the composite industry in product development and the use of state-of-the-art technology.

### 2002

On 6 September the first-ever Honorary Doctorate in Humanities was awarded to Archbishop Emeritus Desmond Tutu, and the unveiling of the hall, henceforth to be known as the Desmond Tutu Great Hall, took place.

### 2003

The Desmond Tutu Lecture Series was instituted. The Inaugural Address was given by Judge Albert "Albie" Sachs of the Constitutional Court. The second address in the series was presented by Dr Clem Sunter, Chairman of the Anglo American Chairman's Fund.

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### 2004

In terms of the National Plan for Higher Education (2001), the Vaal Triangle Technikon officially became the “Vaal University of Technology”.

### 2005

VUT awarded Honorary Doctorates to the following recipients:

An Extraordinary Professorship to Prof Martin Hinoul (Business Development Manager: K U Leuven Research & Development), Legal Studies to Adv Pansy Dikeledi Faith Tlakula, CEO: Independent Electoral Commission of SA (IEC) and Sport Management to Dr Molefi Oliphant (SAFA).

### 2007

Prof Irene Moutlana joined VUT as its first woman Vice-Chancellor and Principal. This signified a landmark appointment in the history of the University but also in the history of the country. Her first five-year infrastructure plan included the following:

The development of a new Faculty of Engineering Building; New lecture theatres to seat 3000 students; A Teaching and Learning Centre and laboratories for both Engineering and the Faculty of Applied and Computer Sciences; Disability Unit and African Languages Centre; Expansion of residential accommodation both on the main campus in Vanderbijlpark (400-bed) and in Sebokeng (300-bed) at the Educity Campus; and The development of a New Faculty of Education in Sebokeng.

### 2008

The Next Generation of Scholars Programme was developed and implemented as part of the University's commitment to develop research and build future Black academics for the University and the nation.

### 2009

VUT Management, under the leadership of Prof Irene Moutlana, the Vice-Chancellor & Principal, engaged in the process of crafting a new vision and mission to ensure that VUT aligned itself to its new status as a University of Technology. Through various debates and discussions,

the Vision, Mission and strategic direction were developed for the institution. The strategic direction is centered on Core Activities; Clients; Financial Security and VUT Culture. Research and Innovation Areas were identified, namely:

- Alternative Energy with a focus on Fuel Cell Technology;
- Renewable Energy and Water;
- Sustainable Livelihoods;
- Materials and Mineral Technology;
- Innovation Product Development and Advanced Manufacturing Technology;
- High Voltage Studies;
- Plant Molecular Genetics and Biotechnology; and
- Centre for entrepreneurship.

Prof Gordon Zide, Deputy Vice-Chancellor:

Governance and Operations, initiated the VUT Integrated Transformation Plan (2009-2015), which led to the establishment of the Social Justice and Transformation Unit. The VUT Integrated Transformation Plan (2009-2015) was approved by the VUT Council on 16 September 2010.

The Vaal University of Technology was awarded a tender by the Public Administration Leadership and Management Academy (PALAMA) to offer Post Graduate Certificate in Executive Leadership programme to the senior managers at the National Government Departments.

### 2010

The National Department of Communications donated studio equipment valued at R2.4m to the VUT FM. The new VUT FM studios at the VUT Isak Steyl Stadium were unveiled by the Vice-Chancellor and Principal, Prof Irene Moutlana on 17 November 2010. VUT inaugurated its first female Chancellor, Adv Faith Dikeledi Pansy Tlakula, and Chairperson of the Independent Electoral Commission of South Africa (IEC).

### 2011

VUT became the first UoT to host the National Footwear and Leather Cluster (NFLC) and signed a Memorandum of Understanding in India with The Footwear Develop-

ment Institute of India. The GW Block 3 500-seater auditorium building was unveiled by Prof Hlengiwe Buhle Mkhize, the then Deputy Minister of Higher Education and Training at the Vanderbijlpark campus on 22 July 2011.

VUT awarded Honorary Doctorates to the following recipients: Faculty of Human Sciences to Dr Hugh Masekela (South African music icon) and Faculty of Applied and Computer Sciences to Dr Manfred Johannes, (President of the South African Institute of Non-Destructive Testing and a long-term friend of the University's departments of Physics and Non-Destructive Testing).

### 2012

VUT launched the first Science and Technology Park with a regional focus; the Southern Gauteng Science and Technology Park situated in Sebokeng. The launch of the Science Park, as it is colloquially known, was officially presided over by the Honourable Minister of Science and Technology, Ms Naledi Pandor.

The VUT Science and Technology Park, is one of three in South Africa that has membership to the International Science Park Association. In fulfilling its strategic objectives, the Science and Technology Park created the Technology Transfer and Innovation (TTI) unit which is the planned bridge between the VUT, Industry, Commerce and the Community. The unit empowers VUT to engage in partnership models in the Southern Gauteng region. Examples of these and associated projects are:

- Revision of Science Park Strategy informed by the integrated development of the district and the National Development Plan (NDP);
- Expansion of the Sedichem Incubator into an Agricultural and Natural Products Platform;
- Funding of R34-million from the Industrial Development Corporation (IDC) to establish a Traditional Medicines Platform;
- The Short Learning Programme Unit established a partnership with the Local Government Seta to promote training and development in the Municipal Sector;
- Launching of the National Footwear and Leatherwear Cluster and the Shoe and Innovation Centre;

- Collaborating with High Voltage Technology (Pty) LTD to supply a novel anti-perch device to Eskom over a three-year period; and
- Establishing the regional Corporate Social Investment Forum and the Agricultural Forum.
- In addition, numerous entrepreneurs and companies were supported in product development in collaboration with the IDC and the Department of Trade & Industry (DTI).
- The state-of-the-art facility trains technicians from disadvantaged communities in the fields of energy, electricity and maintenance of automated systems. It is a true Access to Education Programme which VUT is wholeheartedly committed to.
- VUT and IDC Signed MoU to launch the Dithhare traditional medicine project.

The Vaal University of Technology, in collaboration with the French Ministry of Education and Schneider Electric South Africa, launched a unique educational facility called the French South African Schneider Electric Education Centre (F'SASEC). In the same year, VUT signed a memorandum of understanding with De Beers Group and launched the Khula Weekend School (KWS) which aims to assist Grade 10-12 learners obtain university passes at the Vanderbijlpark campus.

Since 2012, Anglo American has been contributing R1-million to the Centre for Innovation and Entrepreneurship under Drs Biki Pitso and Johannes Lebusa to train township and VUT start-ups and existing businesses in entrepreneurship.

VUT as a University of Technology was the first amongst the UoT's to institute a compulsory inaugural address for new nominated and approved professors. The following professors delivered their inaugural addresses, namely:

- Prof Ochieng Aoyi (Chemical Engineering and the Technology Politics);
- Prof Angelo Nicolaidis (Behavioural Ethics in Modern Business);
- Prof Bobby Eliazer Naidoo (Social and Technical



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Ingenuity – A Solution to Waste Water);

- Prof Boy Raymond Mabuza (Development of NDT in South Africa – Problems and vicissitudes of applying new NDT research);
- Prof Thiri Padayachee (Microbial Enzymes and their impact on the sustainable growth of industrial Biotechnology);
- Prof Maurice Ndege (Transboundary Water Management– Man's Greatest Dilemma);
- Prof Christienna Maria van der Bank (Boundaries of Freedom of the Press in South African Law);
- Prof Ntokozo Mthembu (A philosophical approach to the concept and practice of Technological Innovation).

All the topics were closely aligned to the country's national and global needs.

### 2014

Evolution of the VUT Southern Gauteng Science and Technology Park into a new business model for the University. (a) VUT made its E-Skills Hubs in Southern Gauteng and the Northern Cape fully operational. (b) The E-Skills Hubs focus on training in basic e-literacy for the masses. (c) SASOL continues to invest in developments of the VUT through the focused Entrepreneurship Programme offered at the Science Park to service unemployed matriculants of the Vaal Triangle. This model was focused on the skills development and artisanship.

The first Doctorate qualifications in Marketing were awarded in the Faculty of Management Sciences.

### 2015

VUT hosted the first-ever International Conference, the Entrepreneurial Education Conference in South Africa under the banner of the South African Technology Network (SATN). VUT was the first University to be nominated by the Dr Bomo Edith Edna Molewa, Minister of Environmental Affairs to establish pilot Electronic-Waste or E-Waste Project for the region.

New qualifications were approved for the VUT as part of enhancing the development of the University in addressing Scarce and Critical Skills needs in the country. All UoTs were afforded the right to use the same nomenclature as traditional universities namely; Bachelor's,

Master's and Doctorates of Philosophy, thus giving our students international recognition.

The Public Administration Leadership and Management Academy's (PALAMA) partnership with VUT came to an end after graduating 367 staff members in Post Graduate Certificate in Executive Leadership from 2009 to 2015.

### 2016

VUT was declared the best University in SA in Human Resource Standards alignment by the SA Board for People Practices. This award was received by Dr Pierre André Joubert, Head of Department: Human Resource Management.

VUT hosted the second group of inaugural addresses for professors, namely:

- Prof Collins Miruka (Scaling up the Safari Suit: imperatives of dress innovation in Kenya);
- Prof Roy Dhurup (Unravelling conundrums in corporate social responsibility from a sports marketing perspective);
- Prof Christo Pienaar (Energy, Energy, Energy and VUT); and
- Prof Ezekiel Dikio (A determination for visibility from the invisible: The emergence of carbon).

All the topics were closely aligned with the national and global needs. These also served as good marketing for the VUT.

The following Honorary Doctorates were conferred during the September Graduation Ceremonies:

- The Honourable Minister Bomo Edith Edna Molewa, Minister of Environmental Affairs, received an Honorary Doctorate of Applied Sciences degree for her contribution to the field as well as in the field of Humanities in general;
- Dr Tim Tebeila, business mogul and CEO of Sekoko Resources, was awarded with an Honorary Doctorate in Business from the Faculty of Management Sciences for his contribution to the field of Business and Entrepreneurship;
- Dr Imtiaz Ismail Sooliman, Founder, Director



and Chairman of Gift of the Givers, received an Honorary Doctorate in Humanities from the Faculty of Human Sciences in recognition of his outstanding contribution in the field of Humanities.

- Mr Jaywant B Irkhede received an Honorary Doctorate for his contribution to the field of Arts and Design from the Faculty of Human Sciences.
- Archbishop Billy Patric Ramokoka from the St John's Apostolic Church of Prophecy, received a Special Award on behalf of Her Eminence, the late Mme Christina Makotudi Nku from the Faculty of Human Sciences. Ms Nku was awarded posthumously in the light of the valuable contributions she has made locally and across the borders of South Africa, for her outstanding and sustained contribution to community education.

### CHANCELLOR ( Vacant)



#### CHAIRPERSON OF COUNCIL

**Cllr S M Mofokeng :**  
BCom Hons (NWU), National  
Diploma (VUT), NTC 4  
(Technisa)



#### VICE-CHANCELLOR AND PRINCIPAL

**Prof I N Moutlana:**  
DEd (Harvard University, USA);  
MEd (Harvard University, USA);  
BEd (Unisa); BA UED (UNIN)



#### DEPUTY VICE- CHANCELLOR : ACADEMIC AND RESEARCH

**Prof K P Dzvimbo:**  
PhD (Wisconsin-Madison, USA);  
M. Ed (Ahmadu Bello Univer-  
sity, Nigeria); Dip. Ed., B. A.  
(Fourah Bay College-University  
of Sierra Leone)



#### REGISTRAR

**Dr T D Mokoena:**  
PhD (NWU), MCom, BComHons,  
BCom (Vista); PGD: Business  
Administration (Wales); PGD in  
Management  
(Corporate Governance)  
(Monash); STD



#### Acting DEPUTY VICE- CHANCELLOR : GOVERNANCE AND OPERATIONAL TRANSFORMATION

**Dr R L Martin:**  
hD (UP); MBA (BSN); B Admin  
(UNISA); PG Dip Soc Dev, Plan  
& Mngt (Swansea, Wales); DPLR  
(UNISA, SBL); MAP (WITS B.S);  
Adv Lab Law (UNISA Tax & Bus  
Centre); DIP SOC WORK (UWC)



#### CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

**Mr L Coetzee:**  
MCom (UJ); CA (Z), AGA (SA);  
BCompt Hons (UNISA);  
BCompt (UNISA); BEd (UZ)





**EXECUTIVE DEAN :  
APPLIED AND COMPUTER  
SCIENCES**

**Prof B R Mabuza:**

PhD: Physics (Unisa); MSc:  
Nuclear Physics (UN); BScHons:  
Physics (Unisa); BSc (UNIN),  
HDip.Ed (Wits)



**EXECUTIVE DEAN : HUMAN  
SCIENCES**

**Prof C M van der Bank:**

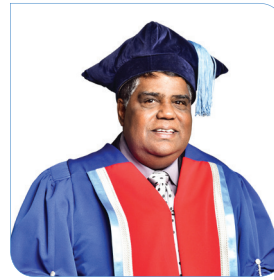
LLD (PUCHE); LLM (Unisa); LLB  
(Unisa); BProc (Unisa);  
BA (UP) (Cum Laude)



**EXECUTIVE DEAN :  
ENGINEERING AND  
TECHNOLOGY**

**Prof M M Ndege:**

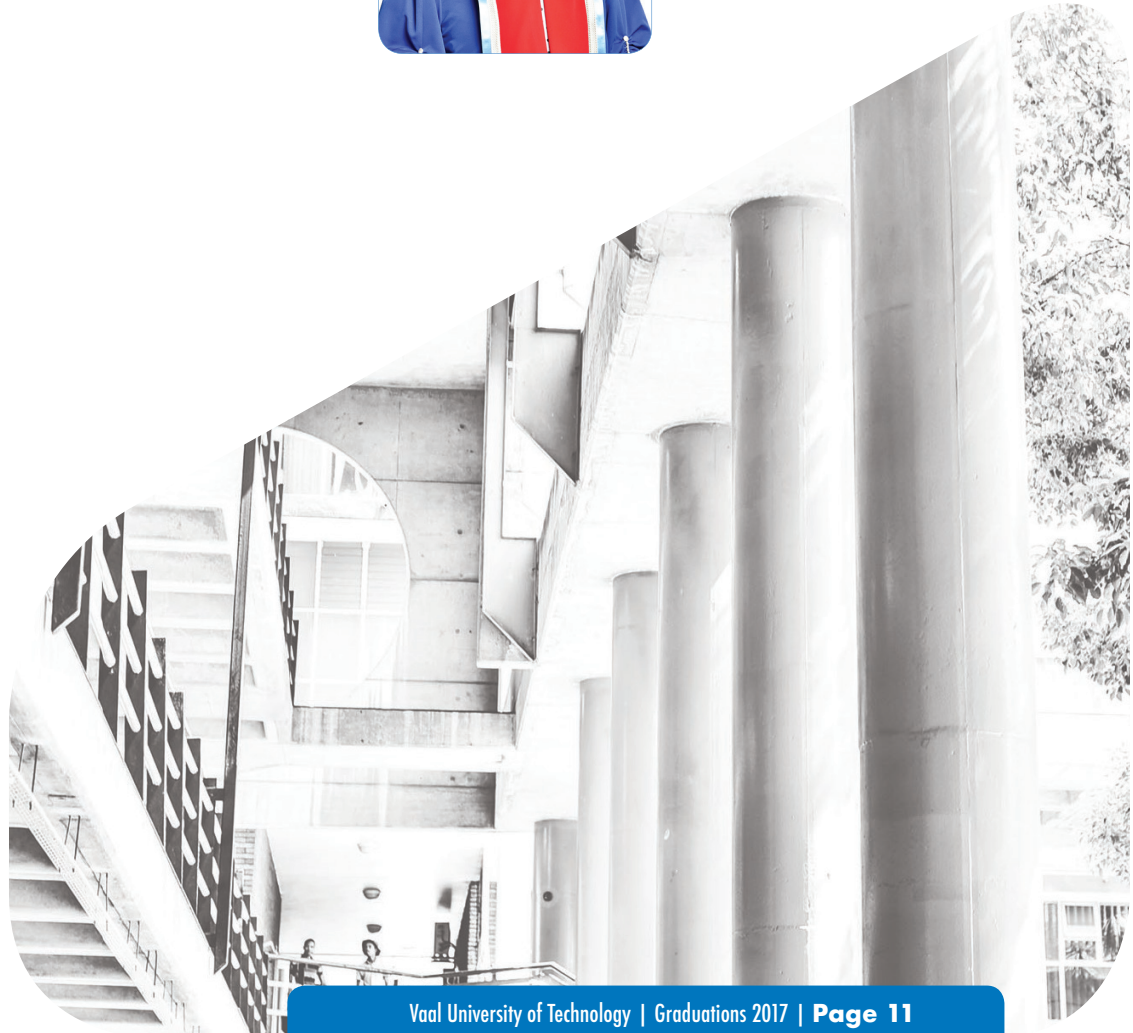
PhD (NTU); MSc (UK);MBA  
(TUT); REng (K); MIE (K); BIE (B)



**EXECUTIVE DEAN :  
MANAGEMENT SCIENCES**

**Prof M Dhurup:**

PhD (PUCHE); M Com (Vista);  
BCom Hons (Unisa); BEd (UDW);  
UHDE (UDW); BCom (UDW)





### VICE-CHANCELLOR AND PRINCIPAL

**Prof I N Moutlana**

Congratulations on your momentous achievement. You are now well equipped to enter the gates of the world of work. As the Vice Chancellor and Principal of the University, I am extremely proud of you. Your parents are proud of you, Your lecturers are proud of you. You now need to show society and your community what you have to offer. It is your responsibility and duty to change the world and make it a better place for us all.

Remember, graduation means that you have to lose your old status of being disadvantaged because, through your qualifications, you have been thrown a life line – use it to the best of your abilities. Perhaps the “poor” may still remain with you.

Graduations, like Universities, are an expression of human aspirations, a monument to faith in human possibility. In acquiring new qualifications, these new successes will make certain demands on you – you will be called upon to help your communities in crafting and developing new visions, new ways of life for a future SA. You have a responsibility to demonstrate your ability, your competencies and your leadership in building a brighter and stronger South African Nation.

Of all the values you may cherish and treasure, integrity is the greatest. Thus if you consistently act with honesty, trust worthiness and set a good example, you won't go

wrong. You will succeed in gaining the respect of your colleagues and more importantly, you will respect yourself. Take to heart these important rules of engagement for your life hereafter:

- Find your passion and nurture it;
- Believe in yourself;
- Do not let others define who you are;
- Dream big;
- Take action and get in the game;
- Be bold and courageous; and
- Never give up.

As Hubert Humphrey states:

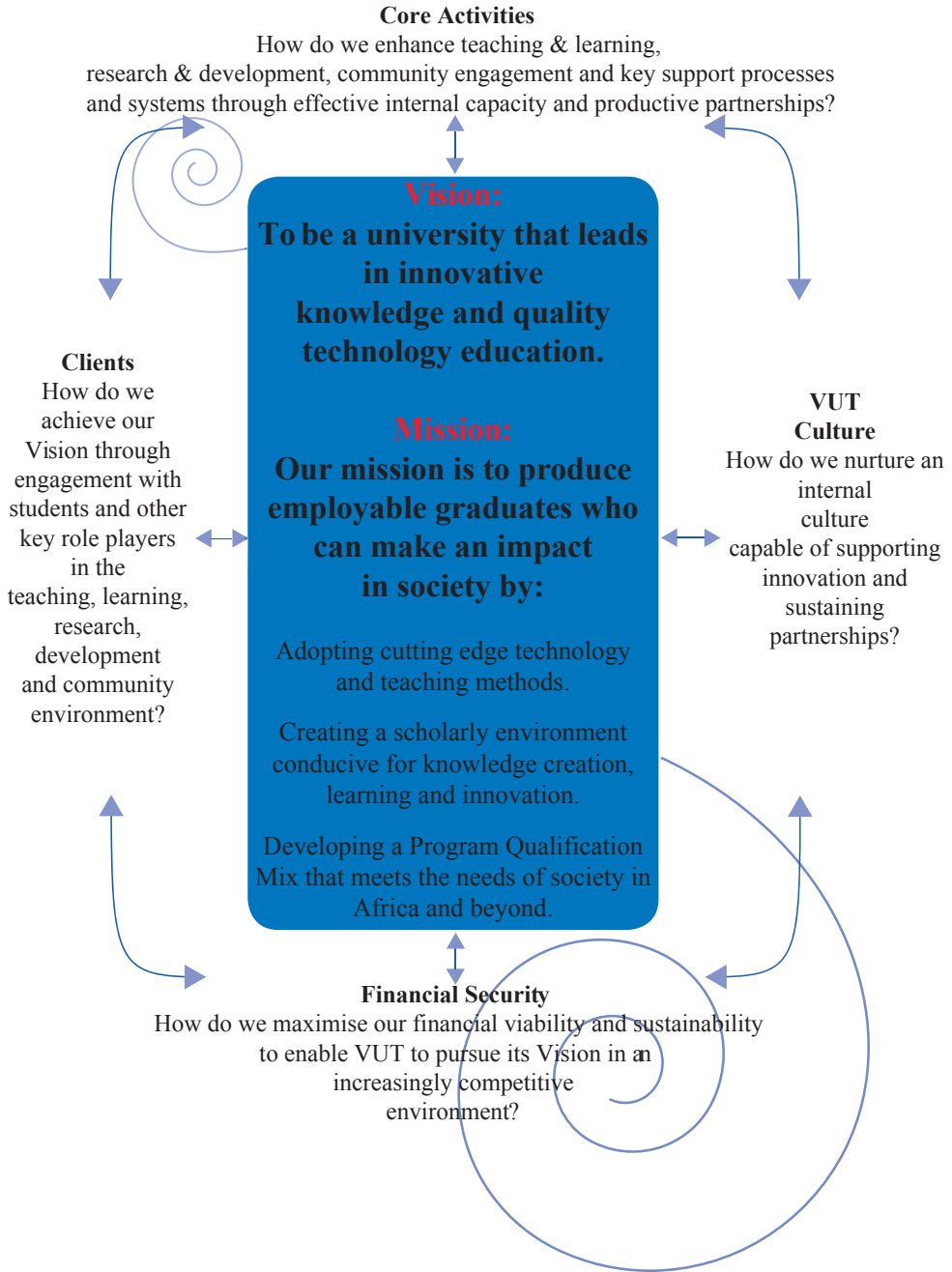
“...The soundest and most productive investment a nation can make is in the education of its people”. He goes on to say “I have never heard of a nation that went bankrupt in investing in education. I've never heard of a community that has become insolvent by investing in education. However, I have heard of States and civilizations that have become doormat, obsolete, non-productive and insolvent because they failed to take care of their human resources by investing in education”.

Thank you.

**Professor I N Moutlana**



# Strategic Direction



The Academic Procession enters the Desmond Tutu Great Hall

The Vice-Chancellor and Principal Constitutes the Congregation

### **PRAYER AND WELCOME**

### **ADDRESS FROM GUEST SPEAKER**

### **PRESENTATION OF GRADUANDS**

Executive Dean: Faculty of Applied and Computer Sciences

### **CHORAL ITEM**

Vaal University of Technology Choir

### **CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE TO STUDENTS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

Vice-Chancellor and Principal

### **NATIONAL ANTHEM**

*The Vice-Chancellor and Principal Dissolves the Congregation*

*The Academic Procession leaves the hall, followed by Guests  
and Graduates*

The congregation is requested to rise and remain standing when the academic procession enters and leaves the hall.





*Nkosi sikelel' Afrika  
Maluphakanyisw' uphondo lwayo,  
Yizwa imithandazo yethu,  
Nkosi sikelela, thina lusapho lwayo.*

*Morena boloka setjhaba sa heso,  
O fedise dintwa le matshwenyeho,  
O se boloke, O se boloke setjhaba sa heso,  
Setjhaba sa South Afrika - South Afrika.*

*Uit die blou van onse hemel,  
Uit die diepte van ons see,  
Oor ons ewige gebergtes,  
Waar die kranse antwoord gee,*

*Sounds the call to come together,  
And united we shall stand,*

*Let us live and strive for freedom,  
In South Africa our land.*





## General Announcements

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

- The congregation is requested to rise and remain standing when the academic procession enters and leaves the hall.
- Do not move around during the ceremony in order to take photographs.
- Please refrain from unacceptable actions such as whistling.
- Please switch off your cellphone.
- We strive to conduct the ceremonies in a dignified manner. Please do not leave the hall before the graduation proceedings have been concluded.
- Qualifications of candidates who are unable to attend the graduation ceremony will be conferred in absentia.

## FACULTY OF APPLIED AND COMPUTER SCIENCES

Faculty Colour: Buttercup Yellow

## FACULTY OF ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY

Faculty Colour: Beetle Green

## FACULTY OF HUMAN SCIENCES

Faculty Colour: Union Jack Red

## FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT SCIENCES

Faculty Colour: Adonis Blue

<b>Certificate</b>	- Black gown with a black mortarboard.
<b>National Diploma</b>	- Black gown with hood in faculty colour, with a black mortarboard.
<b>National higher Diploma</b>	- Black gown with hood in faculty colour and a white stripe in the inner back line, with a black mortarboard.
<b>Post Graduate Diploma in Higher Education</b>	- Black gown with hood in faculty colour with white ribbon on neckline, trimmed with turquoise ribbon in center neckline, with a black mortarboard.
<b>Baccalaureus Technologiae Degree</b>	- Steward blue gown and Oxford style hood with faculty colour circumference band along the cowl, with a steward blue mortarboard.
<b>Magister Technologiae Degree</b>	- Steward blue gown and Oxford style hood with faculty colour circumference band and white stripe along the cowl, with a steward blue mortarboard.
<b>Doctor Technologiae Degree</b>	- Long pointed sleeve gown Cambridge style in Union Jack Red – sleeves caught up with gold cord and button, with steward facings and a full Oxford style hood made and lined in faculty colour, edged with 80mm steward blue band, and a red Pretoria style hat in Union Jack red with gold tassel.

### CUM LAUDE (with honours)

This is awarded to a candidate who:

Passes all the subjects of the qualification at the first attempt;

Obtains an average of 75% and higher in all the subjects of the qualification, including the final-level subjects.

Cum Laude achievers are marked with \*

### MAGNA CUM LAUDE (with highest honours)

It is the highest academic award given to a postgraduate candidate who:

Obtains an average of 85% and higher.

Magna Cum Laude achievers are marked with \*\*

**National Diploma : Biomedical Technology**

**(M+3)**

**CUM LAUDE\***

SITOLE Sandra\*

ADEBONOJO Aishat Abidemi  
 BISUMBUKA Kabongo Judith  
 BLAAI Nonkululeko  
 BOTA Queen Kelebogile  
 CEKWANE Ofentse Primrose  
 CHILOANE Theetsang Bracley  
 CHOMA Prudence Mamorake  
 DHLOMO Sobahini Samuel  
 DIMO Makhojane Elizabeth  
 GUMBI Silindile Princess  
 HAKAMELA Nikiwe Gift  
 HLAKOANA Tshepang Tshepiso Marletia  
 KHOZA Monene Tebogo  
 KHOZA Suzan  
 KHOZA Thobile Mueriel  
 KHUMALA Douglas  
 KHUNOU Olebogeng Merriam Mmaletau  
 KOITSIOE Lerato Betty  
 KUBHEKA Wendy Pearl Mbali  
 KUPA Manoko Andronicca Audrette  
 LIFUWA Tshedza Clerance  
 MABUNDA Hlayisani Precious  
 MADIOPE Boitemogelo Experience  
 MAHLAKE Eustance Lebo  
 MAHLULO Nothemba  
 MAILA Kgaogelo Mphengwa  
 MAILA Komphang Basegang Eveylen  
 MAJORO Retshidisitsoe Portia  
 MAKEKE Thabo Enos  
 MALAHLELA Tefelo Mpho  
 MALEKA Nthabiseng Patricia  
 MALINDI Sanele Danboy  
 MANZI Noxolo Gay  
 MAPHOSA Thulane  
 MASANGO Petronella Nelisiwe  
 MASHABA Kgakanego Christinah  
 MASHABA Marvis Bongsi  
 MASHATOLA Maria  
 MASHIYI Sanelisiwe  
 MASHOEU Keabetsoe Precious  
 MASHUNE Claudie Vuyani  
 MASILELA Mmaletsatsi Bridget  
 MASILO Lesego  
 MATORO Lindelani Shirley  
 MATSEPE Tsholorelo Ivy  
 MAZIBUKO Thandekile Vinolia  
 MBOSHANE Nonkululeko  
 MEKGOE Manti Gugulethu  
 MELAMU Thato  
 METHULA Nompumelelo Jennifer Emmerentia  
 MHLABANE Gcebile Diana Kwasa

MHLAMBE Sizakele Maria  
 MNISI Martha Karabo  
 MOFOKENG Dinkeng Sanna  
 MOFOKENG Habio Suzan  
 MOGAMISI Kagiso  
 MOHLABI Puseletso  
 MOKGOTHO Tebogo Timothy  
 MOLETE Mamiki Tlaleng Melissa  
 MOLETSANE Dimakatso Innocentia  
 MOREMI Antly Kahlego  
 MOROALELA Daphney Mosetsanagape  
 MOTSIENYANA Nomalanga Elsie  
 MPHONGOA Teboho Innocent  
 MTHEMBU Thembi Mayvis  
 MTIMKULU Mathabo  
 MUGUBI Muneiwa Laura  
 NDABA Jabulile Kate  
 NDLOVU Irvin  
 NEMADANDILA Mishumo  
 NGWARATI Rejoice Mary  
 NKOSI Mangaliso Luyanda  
 NYAMANGARA Ruvimbo  
 OJELEYE Oluwatosin Olayinka  
 PHENYANE Bonga Borris  
 PHOTOLO Barbara Masabata  
 QWABE Success Theophillus  
 RABALOI Nicola Tshepiso  
 RADEBE Dumisani Patrick  
 RAMAFEMO Refilwe Moyahabo Mercy  
 RAMAREMELA Mosibudi Patience  
 RAMASODI Katlego Bridget  
 RAMOGALE Lehlogonolo Ntsae  
 RAMOGAMA Rejoice Kgalalelo  
 RAMOHAPI Monica Lebohang  
 RATHABA Felicia Lebohang  
 SAWULE Nontembiso  
 SEDUMA Cynthia  
 SEFA Nokuthula Noxolo  
 SEKHOSANA Lindiwe Beauty  
 SENATLE Palesa  
 SHUNGUBE Roxette Lindokuhle  
 SIBANYONI Phindile Pearl  
 SKOSANA Skhumbuzo  
 TSHIKOVHI Khodani  
 TSHIKUKUVHE Wavhudi Betty  
 TSOSANE Makoena Betty  
 TSOTETSI Katleho Kabelo  
 YANTA Ipeleng Nelly Sharodene  
 ZIM Mafusi Princess



**National Diploma : Biotechnology**

**(M+3)**

**CUM LAUDE\***

AZIBUIKE Udochi Felicia\*

CHAKA Grace  
HLOELE Rethabile  
JILONGO Tsakani Hazel  
KALIKO Shirley Refiloe  
KGOBE Glodia  
KGOBE Palesa  
LEKALAKALA Mabjaneng Lerato  
LEPHIRI Thelma Puseletso  
MACHEKE Ntshembo Chris  
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MAHLAKO Kabelo Agnes  
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MATOME Clerance Poeletso  
MAUNGEDZO Maada  
MOCHEUDI Mabatho Linky  
MOENG Mathome Onismus  
MOFOKENG Marriam Refiloe  
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MOLOI Palesa Whitney  
MONTIEDI Galeome  
MOTHABE Nthabeleng Caroline  
MOTHELO Tebogo Mita

MOTISI Thabang Michael  
MPONGOSE Nompumelelo Lisa  
MTSHWENI Koko Stephina Nompumelelo  
MUDAU Arikonisaho  
MUNKANA fayoti Angele  
MUROVHI Fhulufhelo Veronica  
MVUMBI Salem Clemence  
NEMUSHUNGWA Prince  
NENGWENANI Fulufhelo  
NKHI Mpho Gladys  
NKUNA Judith  
NTJA Setungwana  
PHALADI Mmatisetso Prudence  
PITSI Valencia Dieketseng  
RASEOBI Refiloe Portia  
SANGWENI Ayanda Philadepher  
SEGOTE Letlhogonolo  
SIKHAKHANE Maria Nomusa  
TATNOU Joseph Benjamin  
TSHITHUKHE Livhuwani Patricia  
TSOTETSI Lerato Karabelo  
XABA Lillian Xola  
ZITHA Linda Exellent

**National Higher Diploma : Community Nursing**

**(M+3)**

LANGA Agrineth  
MACHAILOE Mosaledi Mitta  
MADIDA Cynthia  
MADIGAGE Mahlatse Fortune  
MAKHETHA Mama Rahab  
MOFAMERE Tshepang Wilson  
MOLLO Tsendi Tryphina

MONGWE Alugumi Patience Rachel  
MOSIA Elizabeth Pulane  
NKOSI Anna  
NTULI Thabile Josephina  
SENOSI Barbara Nompumelelo  
SEOTJIE Christina Dipuo  
ZWANE Rebecca Thandi

**Baccalaureus Technologiae : Biomedical Technology**

**(M+4)**

ADENIRAN Dorcas Oluwaseun Taiwo  
 DE NUZZO Mirko Antonio  
 DLAMINI Khululiwe  
 GAZIDE Mbali  
 GOVUZELA Mamiki  
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 JELLE Betty Mmatsatsi  
 KLINKERT Felice  
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 MAMPURU Loraine Mmakgabo  
 MATAMBA Patricia Avhatakali  
 MATIKANE Mampho Bridget  
 MATUKANE Alucia Nkateko  
 MAZIBUKO Sabelwe Xola

MKWANAZI Matshediso Patricia  
 MMOLEDI Ramatsobane Julia  
 MOJELA Kgalalelo Gloria  
 MOLOI Evelyn Thuli  
 MOTHOLO Mapaseka Premrose  
 MOTOTO Dineo  
 MPHIDI Sharon Pheladi  
 NDABA Linkenkeng Sarah  
 NHLAPO Lesego Valencia  
 NOGE Tebogo Kagiso  
 OXLEY Diana  
 RAMUTHAGA Lusani Gladstone  
 SELLO Mapakaditha Eunice  
 SESHAYI Kgothatso Lancelot  
 TSOLO Thakane Magdeline  
 VAN DER MERWE Elmare

**Baccalaureus Technologiae : Biotechnology**

**(M+4)**

**CUM LAUDE\***

MKHWELI Zamekile\*  
 MOHLALA Gary\*

MOTHIBE Prudence Tirelo\*  
 TWALA Pontsho Patricia\*

GAMEDZE Gugulethu Phumelele Simphiwe  
 KABANYANE Andiswa Blossom  
 KHAMBULE Nokuthula Doreen  
 MADISENG Moloko Dawn Tryphosa  
 MALEFANE Pitso Oliver  
 MASUKU Mary-Gold Nqobile  
 MATHELEMUSA Lutendo

MOFOKENG Kefuwe  
 MZIZI Olwakhe  
 NGWANE Mmathapelo Dineo  
 RATONE Annah Evelyn  
 SAVANE Sy Vakaramoko  
 SEIPHETLO Thabiso Bridgette

**Baccalaureus Technologiae : Community Nursing**

**(M+4)**

KUNIKA Dudu  
 LEKGARI Nomvula  
 LUKE Nontutuzelo Mavis  
 MATSHOBA Nomampondomse  
 MAVIMBELA Thoko Beatrice

MODINGWANE Grace Mamothupi  
 NDZAKANA Sylvia Sidudla  
 NQAKWANA Irene Khayakazi  
 XUNDU Kanyiswa Nightmgale

**Magister Technologiae : Biotechnology**

**(M+5)**

**CUM LAUDE\***

UNIGWE Amara Evangeline\*

**DISSERTATION:**

Assessing the morphological variation and characterising the proteins of Bambara ground nut

**Supervisor:** Prof M Pillay  
**Co-Supervisor:** Dr P Adebola





### Vice-Chancellor's Awards

These awards are given to students who obtained the highest average in their Faculty for the National Diploma, Post Graduate Diploma, Baccalaureus Technologiae and Magister Technologiae.

#### FACULTY OF APPLIED AND COMPUTER SCIENCES

AZUBUIKE Udochi Felicia	N D : Biotechnology
MOHLALA Gary	B Tech : Biotechnology
UNINGWE Amara Evangeline	M Tech : Biotechnology

### Council's Award House of Roleen Floating Trophy Overall Best Student

This award is given to the student with the highest average on a completed qualification in the University for the year.

1990	LESTER K	APPLIED SCIENCES
1991	BOUCHER A D	MECHANICAL ENGINEERING
1992	VILJOEN L	APPLIED SCIENCES
1993	SMIT A	APPLIED SCIENCES
1994	MEYER J C	APPLIED SCIENCES
1995	DU PREEZ L	ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING
1996	HATTINGH A	APPLIED SCIENCES
1997	THEUNISSEN W H	ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING
1998	TERBLANCHE R	ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING
1999	TERBLANCHE R	ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING
2000	BLIGNAUT I	BUSINESS SCIENCES
2001	STRYDOM P J	ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING
2002	FOURIE D P	CHEMICAL ENGINEERING
2003	O'GRADY C B	COMMERCIAL ADMINISTRATION
2004	MARAIS C	LABOUR RELATIONS MANAGEMENT
2005	BRITS K	COST & MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTING
2006	DU TOIT J P	ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING
2007	DE BEER M C	ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING
2008	OLIVIER I	HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGEMENT
2009	NIENABER S	ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING
2010	VAN DER WALT P A	ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING
2011	YANG JUN	PUBLIC RELATIONS MANAGEMENT
2012	MOKOTI K	PUBLIC RELATIONS MANAGEMENT
2013	MOLEKOA W	POLICING
2014	KNOETZE R J	ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING
2015	LESAOANA M	CHEMISTRY
2016	????????????????	

**National Diploma : Information Technology**

**(M+3)**

ALABI Ezekiel Olaleye Abayomi  
 CHAUKE Tivanani Linda  
 CHUENE Thakgatso  
 GOLELE Neros  
 GUBUZA Mpho Christian  
 GUMBI Mthokozisi Comfort  
 HLUNGWANI Vutivi Cliff  
 KEKANA Leswikana Kingsley  
 KHOZA Nhlanhla Comfort  
 KUBHEKA Linda Pearl  
 LERATA Lerato  
 MABASA Douglas Stephen  
 MABUNDA Nyeleti Maxine  
 MABUZA Lungile Lancia  
 MAHLALELA Nkosinathi Lindokuhle  
 MAHOLE Lucky  
 MAKAUSU Lungiswa Noxolo  
 MAKGAKGA Mosima Khutso  
 MAKHUBELE Nyeleti  
 MAMBANE Thubalethu Clifford  
 MANTSO Thato Beatrice  
 MAROBE Thabang Ontshitshe  
 MASINDI Pfunzo  
 MASUKU Sithembiso  
 MATHYE Hamilto Vukheta  
 MAVELA Masibulele  
 MAZIBUKO Kurhula Michael  
 MBELE Pulane Gladys  
 MBIZA Hlavutelo Madeshia  
 MBUBANA Shudufhadzo Adolphus  
 MGWENYA Phumulani Patience  
 MHLANGA Tholi Khensani  
 MKHUHLANE Yondela  
 MKHWANAZI Nkosinathi Emmanuel  
 MNGOMEZULU Thandi  
 MOFOKENG Mantwa Martha

MOKWATSI Motebang Petrus  
 MOLEFI Dimphe Lucrecia  
 MOTSOENENG Matsemela Johny  
 MTIMKULU Sibongile Roseline  
 MUDAU Mulalo  
 MUKHARI Jabulani  
 MUKWEVHO Rilinde  
 NCUBE Nkosana Giff  
 NDAMASE Sibongokuhle  
 NDWANDWE Nombuso  
 NGANDU Cedric Kafuka  
 NGWENYA Nombuso  
 NHLANGWINI Reagan  
 NKADIMENG Mpodi Meldy  
 NONGWANYA Nkosana Steven  
 RAMBANE Vhukhudo  
 RIKHOTSO Palisa  
 RIKHOTSO Pearl Ndzalama  
 SEAKAMELA Mirika Muriel  
 SEKHAOLELO Sello William  
 SENOKWANE Buang Brian  
 SENTSHO Kamohelo Lehlohonolo  
 SEREPE Leroy  
 SESHABELA Mabuse Gaven  
 SIGOXO Avuyile  
 SINTHUMULE Maipfi  
 SITSULA Tondani  
 SOBA Vondo Leao  
 THOKWE Thomas  
 TSEBE Ledile Sarel  
 TSHIDZUMBA Constance  
 TSHIVHENGANGA Rofhiwa  
 TSIANE Koketso  
 XABA Ntombifuthi Busiswe Gugulethu  
 ZWANE Lwazi Thembinkosi  
 ZWANE Tsepo

**National Diploma : Office Management and Technology**

**(M+3)**

MALAKA Mpho Felix  
 MOJAKI Nthabiseng Emily  
 NDLOVU Sthembile

NGOBENI Honours  
 THEMBA Ntshovelo Alvin



**Baccalaureus Technologiae : Information Technology**

**(M+4)**

**CUM LAUDE\***

NZEKWE Ijeoma Maryann\*

ANALO Emmanuel Azubuike  
 BOTHMA Terrence Siboniso  
 CHALALE Bessie Ntsekiseng  
 DLAMINI Ncobile Fortunata  
 HLOPHE Londile Nosisa  
 KAPUKU Ntumba Joel  
 LERUTLA Sedikane  
 MACHETTE Kabelo Gratitudo  
 MAJAKE Katlego Arnold  
 MAKASI Fulela  
 MALULEKE Nancy One  
 MAPHANGA Kgaogelo Nomasotsha  
 MASE Luvuyo  
 MASIA Thabiso Daniel  
 MASUKU Gugulethu Samukelisiwe  
 MATHEBULA Reason  
 MATHIBA Tebogo Lucas  
 MATSEBULA Ntombifuthi Prudence  
 MAWELA Khathutshelo  
 MAYISELA Bagezile  
 MBANJWA Portia Ziphezinhle  
 MBENG OBAME Nicole Andress Gracilia

MKHATSHWA Sizakele Abande  
 MNGOMEZULU Sibonginkhasi Doctor  
 MOATSHE Patrick Kgodiso  
 MOKOENA Elliot Mojalefa  
 MONYAMANE Irene  
 MOTAUNG Dineo  
 MOTSA Mpendulo Zwelithini  
 MPYANA Ngoie Ruphin  
 MTANGA Grace Mamello  
 MUSONGI Habimana  
 MVUBU Bakithi  
 MVUBU Nosimilo Mandisa  
 NYAWO Mduduzi Felix  
 PHAHO Constance  
 PHAKATHI Mawethu Sylvester  
 RAMABULANA Khangwelo  
 RAMOADI Lehlohonolo Ruth  
 SIBUYI Kulani  
 SIMELA Muzikayise Joseph  
 SIMELANE Phila Bestman  
 STEWART Mxolisi Rodney

**Magister Technologiae : Information Technology**

**(M+5)**

**CUM LAUDE\***

KAZADI Kazela Yannick\*

KWUIMI Raoul\*

MAPUNDU Michael Tonderai\*

**DISSERTATION:**

A framework for analyzing the complexity ontologies

**Supervisor:** Dr JV Fonou Dombou

**Co-Supervisor:** Prof KO Okosun

**DISSERTATION:**

Analysis and Application of Semantic Web Mechanism for Storing and Querying Ontologies

**Supervisor:** Dr JV Fonou Domeu

**DISSERTATION:**

Electronic portfolios to enhance the learning experience of students at private tertiary institutions in South Africa

**Supervisor:** Prof A Jordaan

**Co-Supervisor:** Ms A Lombard

**National Diploma : Analytical Chemistry**

**(M+3)**

**CUM LAUDE\***

DIKIZA Bonginkosi Welcome\*

BATOKA Nzuzi Marie  
 BHILA Sibusiso Chicco  
 DLAMINI Katekile Faithfull  
 KHOSA Madala Javu Nsuku  
 KHUMALO Thulisile  
 KUMALO Nokuthula Sannah  
 LEBEYA Maite Festina  
 LEOANE Thabiso Jacob  
 MACHEKE Nomawethu  
 MADONSELA Isaac Mohlalefi  
 MAGAGULA Jabulile Nancy  
 MAHLADISA Ndivhuwo Emily  
 MAHLATSI Hazel Hombulane  
 MAILE Dineo  
 MAIMANE Mokone Martin  
 MALEKA Pheello Jourles  
 MALULEKE Strike Lucky  
 MANYENGA Praise  
 MARAGA Mutshidzi  
 MARWESHE Kgapane Hezekiel  
 MASEDA Thanzi  
 MATHEBULA Tsakani  
 MBU Kalele Rachel  
 MODIBA Anna  
 MOJELA Kgadi Francina  
 MOKOENA Mpho Edward  
 MOKOTELI Precious Eleanor Maleshoane  
 MOKWEBU Dephney

MOLEFE Keabetswe Elouis  
 MOLOTSI Raphale Daniel  
 MOSHIKARO Mmatoolo Salome  
 MPHAHLELE Tumudi Darius  
 MPOFU David Innocent  
 MTHIYA Zwakele Bongeka  
 MTHOMBENI Hlulani Gift  
 MTHOMBO Phindile  
 MUPULU Kitankwe Fidelie  
 MZIMBA Nqobile Portia  
 NDOBE Hlanganani Confidence  
 NKOYI Siphellele  
 NQABA Zoleka  
 NTLALOE Mabatho Sylvia  
 NTONTELA Asiphe  
 NTSHALINTSHALI Luyanda  
 NTUNGU Landu  
 OUMBA-MAVOUNGOU Gecolia  
 RAMOKOLO Nthabeleng Paulinah  
 RAMOTLOU Moyahabo Elvis  
 SEBELA Mmapula Cranny  
 SIKEYI Donald Pule  
 SIMELANE Thandekile Tembuso  
 TONGO Sindiso  
 TSEKELI Tebogo Retsepire  
 TSHIKOVHI Arinafungo  
 TSOTETSI Motshedisi Sherly  
 ZULU Wandile Power

**National Diploma : Non Destructive Testing**

**(M+3)**

DAMMIE Phendile Musa  
 KHAMBULE Tshogofatso Harriet  
 MACHABA Thabelo  
 MANTSOE Kabelo Prinsloo  
 MOKOENA Itumeleng Cecilia

NKHUMELENI Mashudu Montgommory  
 RAMAGAGA Lerato Winnie  
 RESENGA Mpho Martha  
 TAU Suzette



**Baccalaureus Technologiae : Chemistry**

**(M+4)**

**CUM LAUDE\***

MATLHAKU Otlwile Mesojane Charon\*

- DIDIZA Asanda
- EYENGA NDI Elisabeth Raissa
- HADEBE Lindiwe Lizzy
- KUBAYI Sibongile Herminah
- LANGWATI Charlotte
- LESESA Ntsoaki Mercy
- LUNULA Wetsholo Laitisia
- MABASA Tsakane Happy
- MABENA Girly
- MABUNDA Hatlane Johannes
- MABUNDA Ntleng Thelma
- MADYIBI Siposetu Sibusiso
- MAEBANA Bernies
- MAHLATHINI Phinda
- MAJOLA Lupita Lungiswa
- MAKAMU Anza Reliance
- MAKANYANE Madikoloha Daniel
- MAKGALANYANE Nthabiseng Portia
- MALULEKE Rodney
- MASHABELA Potego Kgeretla
- MATABANE Mosa Sadi
- MATJILA Cecilia Morongwe

- MBULI Thumani Clifford
- MEKGOE Nokuthula
- MGEDLE Nande
- MLABA Ratanang Puseletso Victoria
- MODISANE Katlego
- MONATISA Lerato Elizabeth
- MONGOE Audrey
- MOSHOEU Edna Dimakatso
- MPHIWA Thembi Esther
- MTILENI Steven
- MULAUDZI Nduvho
- MZINYATI Thabiso Edward
- NGOBENI Daisy Delta
- NKABINDE Sibongile Chrestina
- NKWANA Ouma
- NOGAYA Nonqaba
- RAMAILA Mamatee Lebogang
- SIKHOSANA Nondumiso Faith Innocentia
- SITHOLE Manishana Precious
- TSOARI Thokozani
- ZIMO Bavelile Mlindelwa
- ZWANE Bafana Johannes

**Magister Technologiae : Chemistry**

**(M+5)**

**CUM LAUDE\***

MOYO Malvin\*

OTIENO Benton Onyango\*

**DISSERTATION:**

Absorption of selected heavy metals from aqueous solutions by *Mangifera indica* (mango) seed shell derived sorbents: Batch and Column studies

**Supervisor:** Prof SJ Modise

**Co-Supervisor:** Dr VE Pakade

**DISSERTATION:**

Adsorption and photodegradation of molasses wastewater using TiO<sub>2</sub>-ZnO hybrid nanocatalysts supported on activated carbon and silicon

**Supervisor:** Prof O Aoyi

**Co-Supervisor:** Prof EB Naidoo



## Welcome to Convocation / Alumni Network

The role of the Vaal University of Technology (VUT) Alumni Relations office exists purely to manage the relationships between the VUT and all its former students who have acquired any form of qualification(s) through this institution. VUT like any other higher education institution is committed to enhancing its relationship with its former students through formal and informal programmes that are mutually beneficial in nature.

As per the VUT statutes, Convocation serves as the Umbrella body to the alumni association, full-time permanent staff and related stakeholders. Vaal University of Technology's degree holders (Alumni) are automatically Convocants and thus can take part in the election of the University Council and the Alumni Association through various chapters.

Both offices (Alumni Relations and Convocation) exist purely for the purpose of reconnecting all former students who went through the system be it the College for Technical Advancement, Vaal Triangle Technikon or Vaal University of Technology. These offices invite all former students to share their success stories, challenges they face and to make inputs on the current development and commitment to the university in its endeavors to make sustainable impact in the immediate community and the broader society through the Alumni Association and Convocation's vision and mission, namely:

### VISION

To be a financially sustainable unit that focuses on the needs of its Alumni and stakeholders

To Support and enhance the University's vision and mission through maintaining and expanding positive relationships with members and through utilising and maximizing their expertise, goodwill and influence in support of the University.

### MISSION

To attract and hold interests of Alumni through:

Offering a range of programmes and services to add value to the lives of Alumni

To stimulate the culture of networking and interaction; strengthening bonds and refining a lifelong relationship with the university

Thank you for choosing VUT. Now that you have graduated, you have joined thousands of VUT graduates and you have a variety of interest groups and networking chapters regionally, provincially, nationally and internationally.

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The amount of up to R20-000 is available for a maximum of 3 years depending on the choice of an application.

Please note that these awards are strictly based on merit and are also subject to student annual progress report and performance.

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- Career Guidance
- Psychometric Testing
- Workplace Preparation:
- CV writing
- Job hunting skills
- Interview skills
- Professionalism and ethics
- Academic Support:
- Adjustment to student life

- Study skills/time management
- exam preparation
- exam and test anxiety
- Personal Finance

Prospective students and External Clients can liaise with our department to enable them to make appropriate subject (Grade 9) and career (Grade 11/12) choice as well as graduate career development decisions.

Procedure to follow to access our services:

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- An initial interview will be arranged, after which a payment (R600.00) must be made to cashiers situated at AW-Building and deposited into cost code 4220/5460. The receipt must be forwarded to Student Counselling and Support Services.
- A booking for psychometric testing will be confirmed as soon as the proof of payment is received
- The payment includes the feedback session that will be scheduled after the psychometric testing to discuss the results.

Career Assessments and Career Guidance Services are offered to Grade 9-12 Learners as well as those who have graduated and are looking to develop in their career.

For Further information, please contact:

Tell : (016) 950 9244 ; P-Block (P021-ground floor)

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