



University of Venda
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2026 UNIVEN AUTUMN GRADUATION

Ceremony

SESSION 4 | 13:00

**Faculty of Science, Engineering
and Agriculture**
(Maths and Natural Sciences)

Venue: UNIVEN Auditorium

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MAY
2026**

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VISION

A University leading in engaged scholarship



MISSION

The University of Venda produces graduates who are locally relevant and globally competitive

FACULTY OF HUMANITIES, SOCIAL SCIENCES AND EDUCATION

Bachelor of Education Foundation Phase; Bachelor of Education Further Education and Training; Post Graduate Certificate in Education; Bachelor of Education Honours in Early Childhood Education; Bachelor of Education Honours in Educational Management; Bachelor of Education Honours in Guidance and Counselling; Bachelor of Education Honours in Physics Education; Master of Education; Doctor of Education.

Bachelor of Arts; Bachelor of Arts (Development Studies); Bachelor of Arts (Media Studies); Bachelor of Arts in International Relations; Bachelor of Arts in Language Practice; Bachelor of Arts Youth in Development; Bachelor of Indigenous Knowledge Systems; Bachelor of Arts Honours; Bachelor of Arts Honours in Gender Studies; Bachelor of Arts Honours in International Relations; Master of Arts; Master of Arts in African Studies; Doctor of Philosophy; Doctor of Philosophy in African Studies.

FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCES

Baccalaureus Curationis (Praxis Extensa); Bachelor of Psychology; Bachelor of Science in Nutrition; Master of Public Health; Master of Nursing; Doctor of Nursing; Doctor of Philosophy in Public Health.

FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT, COMMERCE & LAW

BA in Criminal Justice; Bachelor of Laws; Bachelor of Arts Honours in Criminal Justice; Master of Laws in Human Rights; Master of Laws.

Bachelor of Administration; Bachelor of Commerce (Accounting); Bachelor of Commerce (Business Information Systems); Bachelor of Commerce (Business Management); Bachelor of Commerce (Economics); Bachelor of Commerce (Human Resources Management); Bachelor of Commerce (Tourism Management); Bachelor of Commerce in Accounting Science; Bachelor of Public Administration Honours; Bachelor of Commerce Honours; Master in Public Management; Master of Commerce; Doctor of Philosophy.

FACULTY OF SCIENCE, ENGINEERING AND AGRICULTURE

Bachelor of Science in Agriculture; Bachelor of Science in Food Science and Technology; Master of Arts in Rural Development, Master of Science in Agriculture, Master of Science in Food Science and Technology; Doctor of Philosophy in Agriculture.

Bachelor of Environmental Sciences; Bachelor of Earth Sciences in Hydrology and Water Resources; Bachelor of Earth Sciences in Mining and Environmental Geology; Bachelor of Urban and Regional Planning; Bachelor of Environmental Sciences Honours; Master of Earth Sciences in Mining and Environmental Geology; Master of Environmental Sciences; Master of Environmental Sciences in Hydrology and Water Resources; Doctor of Philosophy in Environmental Sciences (Geology)

Bachelor of Science; Bachelor of Science Honours; Master of Science; Doctor of Philosophy.

OFFICERS OF THE UNIVERSITY

Chancellor

Adv M Gumbi, Law degrees from the South African Universities of the North (now University of Limpopo), and (Witwatersrand); Certificate in Trial Advocacy from the (University of Texas) in Austin

Chairperson of the Council

Mr R Mushweu, BCom, (UNIVEN), BCom Hons (UNISA), MBA (MANCOSA), Certificate in Public Procurement (UNISA)

Vice-Chancellor and Principal

Prof NB Nthambeleni, PhD (UJ)

Deputy Vice-Chancellor: Teaching and Learning

Prof E Lekalakala-Mokgele, PhD (UFS)

Chief Operating Officer

Mr LB Kraziya, BCom (Rhodes), PGDA (Rhodes), MPhil (GIBS), CA(SA), ACMA CGMA, AFM

Deputy Vice-Chancellor: Research and Postgraduate Studies

Prof FG Netswera, Dphil, MPhil (Stellenbosch, BA Hons, (UWC), BA (UNIVEN), DiP (Buckinghamshire Chilterns), Nat Cert (Technikon SA)

University Registrar

Dr JJ Baloyi, BJuris (UNIVEN), LLB (UNIVEN), LLM (UWC), LLD (Unisa)

Chief Financial Officer

Mrs AM Madzhie, BCom in Accounting, (UNIVEN) Chartered Accountant, CA(SA) SAICA, Assessment of Professional Competence (APC), SAICA, Initial Test of Competence (ITC), SAICA, Postgraduate Diploma in Applied Accounting Science (CTA 2), (UNISA) (NQF level 8), Postgraduate Diploma in Accounting Science (CTA 1)

President of Convocation

Mr MS Motadi, B.Com Economics (UNIVEN), MBA (Mancosa), PG Dip Business Management (Mancosa), B.Com Management (Lyceum), PG Dip Financial Management (Metropolitan School of Business and Management), Dip. Financial Management (Oxbridge Academy), Post graduate Diploma in Public Management with (distinction) (UP)

Dean of Students

Mr A Mukheli, BA, BA Hons (UNIVEN), LLB (UNISA), MPA, Mphil (UWC)

EXECUTIVE DEANS OF FACULTIES

Faculty of Humanities, Social Sciences and Education (Acting)

Prof T Runhare, PhD, Education Policy Studies, (University of Pretoria),
Master of Edu, Bachelor of Edu, Certificate in Edu, (University of Zimbabwe)

Faculty of Health Sciences

Prof MT Mulaudzi, BA (Hons), UED, (UNIVEN), BA (Hons) in HRD (RAU), Mphil (Stell), PhD
(UNIVEN), Postdoctoral MSc (Columbia University)

Faculty of Management, Commerce and Law (Acting)

Prof T van der Walt, B. Proc, LLB; LLM (UNISA), Advocate of the High Court of South Africa

Faculty of Science, Engineering and Agriculture

Prof N Potgieter, BSC (RAU), MSc, PhD (UP)
ons (UNIVEN), LLB (UNISA), MPA, Mphil (UWC)

PROGRAMME

Director of Ceremony:

Dr Takalani Dzaga – APR
Director: Marketing, Branding and Communication

Date:

20 May 2026

Time:

13h00

Song:

Gaudeamus Igitur

Constitution of the Congregation:

Adv Mojanku Gumbi
Chancellor

Welcome Address:

Prof Bernard Nthambeleni Vice-Chancellor & Principal

Presentation of Graduands:

Prof Eucebious
Lekalakala- Mokgele
DVC: Teaching and Learning

Congratulatory Message:

Adv Mojanku Gumbi
Chancellor

Singing of the National Anthem:

UNIVEN Choir

Dissolution of Congregation:

Adv Mojanku Gumbi Chancellor
Song: Gaudeamus Igitur

GAUDEAMUS IGITUR

Let us live then, and be glad While
young life's before us! After
youthful pastime, had, After old
age, hard and sad, Earth will
slumbe o'er us,

Brief is life, and brevity Briefly shall
be ended:
Death comes like whirlwind strong
Bears us with his blast long.
None shall be defended.

Live this University Men that
learning nourish! Live each
member of the same Long live all
that bear its name.
Let them ever flourish!

GAUDEAMUS IGITUR

Gaudeamus igitur, juvenes dum
sumus (Rep)
Post jucundam juventutem, post
molestam senectutem, Nos
habebit humus, nos habebit
humus.

Vita nostra brevis est, brevi finietur
(Rep) Venit mors velociter, rapit
nos atrociter, Nemini parceret,
nemini parceret.

Vita Academia, Vitat Professores,
(Rep)
Vitat mebrum quodlibet,
vivant membra wuaelibet,
Semper sint in flore, semper sint in

NATIONAL ANTHEM

Nkosi sikelel' iAfrika
Maluphakanyisw' uphondo lwayo,
Yizwa imithandazo yethu, Nkosi
sikelela, thina lusapho lwayo.
Morena boloka setjhaba sa heso,
fedise dintwa le matshwenyeho,
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.

LIPHASWA	TONDANI THERON
LISHIBA	SHARON
LISHIVHA	ALLETA STEM BISO
LUAMBO	ROLIVHUWA CHARITY
LUKHWA	JEANETH
LUTSINGE	RILINDE
MABASA	MAKHANANI VENOLIAH
MADAVHA	MUTSHIDZI
MADIA	TSHAMANO MUNZHEDZI
MADISHA	KGODISHO SANI
MADZHIE	CHARITTY
MAEMA	MOTSIDISI
MAEMU	MUFUNWA ELINAH PRECIOUS
MAEPA	KABELO
MAFOGO	MOSA
MAFUNA	FAITH MBUDZENI
MAFUNZWAINI	URANGANI TERRENCE
MAGATSHAVHA	KHUTHADZO
MAGODI	MBUYELO
MAGORO	MUFHIWA PETER
MAHANDANA	ROLIVHUWA
MAHORI	VUTIVI
MAILE	NTHABISENG
MAKHANTHISA	MURENDENI VERONICA
MAKHEMA	AUBREY
MAKHOKHA	THANZI
MAKHOSHI	NDIVHUWO
MAKHUBELE	COLLEN
MAKHUBELE	VUKONA WILLINESS
MAKHUVHA	MUTHUSI WISDOM
MAKOBA	SHERILL MOKOTLA
MAKUYA	RITONDE
MAKWAKWA	WENDY NTHABISENG
MAKWARELA	EDZANI ROWAN
MALAKA	AGNELLA MUSOLWA
MALEPE	PROMISE
MALIEHE	KING
MALIEHE	MPHO GLORY
MALINGA	CYNTHIA LEBO
MALOKISA	THENDO
MALULEKE	NTSAKO HAPPY DISTINCTION
MALULEKE	PINDILE
MALULEKE	SIPHOSIHLE THABANG
MALULEKE	THABISENG KGOPOLLO
MAMBANI	KHARENDWE
MAMPHISWANA	VHUTHUHAWA MADUVHA
MANAKELA	TSHILIDZI
MANANA	THOKOZANI MOSES

MANENZHE
MANETA
MANGANYI
MANGANYI
MANYUA
MANYUHA
MANZINI
MAPAYA
MAPFUMO
MAQANA
MARAPE
MASHANGU
MASHAU
MASHAU
MASHIGE
MASHIGO
MASHULA
MASIMBANE
MATABANE
MATHABI
MATHASE
MATHAVHA
MATHEBULA
MATHELEMUSA
MATHEVULA
MATHIVHA
MATHOHO
MATIBE
MATSILA
MAUBANE
MAUMELA
MAVHUNGU
MBASIGIDI
MBEDZI
MBEDZI
MBEDZI
MBODI
MBULAHENI
MBUYANE
MKABELA
MKANSI
MKHATSHWA
MKHONTO
MKHONTO
MKOBENI
MNCUBE
MNISI
MNYAYI

NDIVHO TSHILISANANI
MPHO
HLAYISEKANI VUTOMI CAROLE
KHAVISANI CHANTEL
ISRAEL
TENDANI
HENDRICK
GIVEN MABOKO
MBONENI GETRUDE
MUSA MIMOSA
PRUDENCE MMAGOMAKGOWA
MUKUNDELI
LIVHUWANI DAISY
MPHO
VUSANI
HAPPINESS KGOMOTSO
MUPHULUSI GIFT
AVHASHONI
MOSHE RADIKUBU
TLOTLANG
RUDZANI
DAKALO MUDZUNGA
SEAN MIHLE
MURANGI MPHO
MAKUNGU RELVENT
ROFHIWA
WAVHUDI
PFARISO
HOPE MUVHUYA
KOENA SINAH
TSHILIDZI
ZWIVHUYA ISHMAEL
THEMBULUWO
AKONAHU
MUKONA MARVELLOUS
SHONISANI
TAKALANI
SANDANI
NONKULULEKO
VUTOMI OSCAR
NHLALALA GIFT
NKOSANA DETERMINE
BONGANI GIVEN
SABELO BRANDEN
WHITNEY NHLALALA
CHRIS
MBALI FAITH
CINDY

DISTINCTION

MOENG	NKELE SOPHIA
MOGORU	JAPHTER
MOKGONYANA	VINCENT MOLEPO
MOKGWELA	KAMOGELO
MOLALA	PEAKANYO
MOLOBELA	RONALD
MONYAI	RITSHIDZE
MONYELA	NTATENG
MOROPANE	KAMOGELO DORKAS
MOSHIDI	THATO MMAPHEFO
MPHEPHU	THENDO PRETTY
MUAVHA	THENDO
MUDAU	EDZISANI EMINEM
MUDAU	MULISA
MUDAU	MURENDIWA
MUDAU	NAFTALI DAKALO
MUDAU	NDIMUHULU
MUDAU	WAMASHUDU PRECOCIOUS
MUDAU	ZWISWA CRAIG
MUDITAMBI	PFUNZO
MUDUMELA	PHOPHI NICOLE
MUKAMBAKO	UNAO LURCIA
MUKWEVHO	NDUVHO
MUKWEVHO	RENDANI ANDREW
MULAMAVU	TSHILIDZI
MULANGAPHUMA	DZANGA
MULANGAPHUMA	NDITSHENI FANCY
MULAUDZI	HUMBELANI HAZEL
MULAUDZI	RABELANI
MULONDO	ZWONAKA
MULULUMA	WAVHUDI
MUNALISI	TSHIFHIWA
MUNWAYI	VHULENDA REFILE
MUNYAI	KHANGWELO
MUNYAI	MPHO GIFT
MUNYAI	PFUNZO SYLVIA
MUNYAI	ROFHIWA
MUNYAI	RONEWA
MUNZHELELE	GUNDO
MUOFHE	PHINDULO
MURERI	MULIVHUWENI
MURIDA	MULANGA
MUSEFUWA	TSHIFHIWA ARCHIE
MUSHEZHA	TSHIFANYISO AUBREY
MUSHIANA	VHUTSHILO
MUSINA	KHODANI CHANTEL
MUSINDANE	DEMBE DORIS
MUSIYE	TENDANI MERLYN

DISTINCTION

MUTAVHATSINDI	NDIVHO
MUTELE	RINAE
MUTELE	TRACEY URANGANDIVHO
MUTHABENI	UHONE
MUTHABO	ZWONAKA
MUTOBVU	TAKALANI LORREN
MUTSHARINI	MPHO ENDY
NAGELI	TSHILOLO
NCUBE	ATHENY
NDANGANENI	MUVHUSI
NDIMANDE	MANDLAKAYISE
NDOU	ADIVHAHO
NDOU	DIKGANG CORNELIA
NDOU	GUNDO
NDOU	FHUMULANI
NDOU	RONEWA TIERICK
NDWAMBI	ORINEA TENDAI
NELUVHOLA	EMMANUEL
NEMADANDILA	VHUGALA
NEMAKONDE	RIALIVHUWA
NEMALALE	MASANA CHANTEL
NEMAUNGUHWI	KHARENDWE
NEMUKULA	LIVHUWANI PHILLEMOM
NEMUKULA	ORIFUNA MESHACK
NEMULODI	ROFHIWA
NEMUTANDANI	TAKALANI
NENGUDZA	FULUFHELO
NENGWENANI	TANGANEDZANI DAKALO
NEPHEMBANI	THALUKANYO RUSSIA
NESHEHE	RENDANI
NETHENZHENI	TANGANEDZANI HOPE
NETHOMBONI	ORIFHA
NETHONONDA	WANGA MARTIN
NETHONZHE	MURANGI
NETSHIFHEFHE	DAKALO
NETSHIFHEFHE	IPFILAWA
NETSHOKOTSHOKO	ELELWANI COMFORT
NEVONDWE	RUDZANI SHELTON
NGOBENI	FIKILE BLESSING
NKOANA	TEBATSO BENJAMIN
NKOSI	NJABOLISO
NKOSI	NOLWAZI NATHACIA
NONJABE	ONGEZWA QAQAMBA
NTELELE	LEAGO GLADNESS
NTHANGENI	CALEB AZWITAMISI
NTLONTI	AVILE
NYALUNGU	PROVIDE
NZIMA	LOVELINESS RERANI

PHALA	SHANE TSHEMISHI	
PHOOKO	MOTLATSO DANCAN	
PILUSA	LETHABO	
RADZILANI	AMPFUNAHO GIFT	
RADZILANI	VHUTALI ISABELLA	
RAMAGALELA	MUFUNWA THEOPHILUS	
RAMAKOKOVHU	FELICIA	
RAMAKUELA	MUTALI	
RAMALIGELA	MULISA	
RAMEETSE	LETINKWANE CLEMENT	
RAMOVHA	TAKALANI YVETTE	
RAMUHALA	KHATHUTSHELO BEYONCE	
RAMURUNZI	MUKONA	
RAPHULU	MURENDENI	
RASHIMADI	LUCIAH	DISTINCTION
RATSHIKHOPHA	UDORILWELA LEARNMORE	
RATSHIMBILANI	UNARINE ELISAH	
RATSHISUKA	VUSANI MAANDA	
RAVELE	DEMBE AUDREY	
RAVHURA	MPHO MUOFHE	
SAMBO	PRECIOUS HLOBISILE	
SELOWA	LETHABO CLEGENT	
SENGANI	KHUTHADZO	
SHONGWE	NOMALUNGELO INNOCENTIA MELISSA	
SHONGWE	THANDO TORENCE	
SHONISANI	UHONE	
SHUMBA	AZWIDALI MUTHIGE	
SIAGA	PFESESANANI PRESTON	
SIGIDA	LIADADUVHA	
SIGIDANE	KHUMBUDZO	
SIGIDI	VHUGALA	
SIGOGO	MULALO	
SIMANE	LUSANI LUGISANI	
SINDANE	DINEO LEBOGANG	
SINGO	SEDZANI	
SINGO	TENDANI	
SINGO	VHUHWAVHO	
SINGO	ZWOLUGA	DISTINCTION
SIOBO	MULINDA	
SIPHALALI	TSIRELEDZO	
SIPHUGU	DESMOND DAKALO	
SIRWALI	TSIRELEDZO	
SITHADI	RENDANI OLIVE	
SITHAGU	ORIFHA	
SITHAGU	SUPRISE MARUBINI	
SITHOLE	NTSAKO NYIKO	
SIWELA	COURAGE SIYABONGA	
TAFOMA	MASILO	

THALENI	THIMNA
THANTSHA	NKAPENE THATO
THATHAISA	KHETHAYAU CONFIDENCE
THEMELI	LAVHELESANI
THENGA	NANDELE DESTIN
TLOLANE	MATHAPELO MIRRIAM
TSHIBALO	VHULENDA
TSHIKHUDO	SARAH
TSHIKWATAMBA	AZWINNDINI
TSHINANGA	VHUTSHILO
TSHISHONGA	TALIFHANI ADOLF
TSHIVHASE	RITSHIDZE
TSIWANA	EMMANUEL TSHILIDZI
VHANGANI	WAVHUDI PORTIA
VUKEYA	UKHETHIWE SAVIOUR

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE HONOURS

BAMBILE	VHUHWAVHO	COMPUTER SCIENCE
BUTI	AYANDA	BOTANY
CHAKE	KUVONAKALA	CHEMISTRY
CHAUKE	KHWATSI	COMPUTER SCIENCE
CHAUKE	VERONICA	MICROBIOLOGY DISTINCTION
CHAVALALA	XILUVA PALESA	STATISTICS
DAMULELI	THIVHAFUNI EDGAR	PHYSICS
DZIVHANI	LUTENDO	APPLIED MATHEMATICS
FUNDAMA	STHEMBILE ALBERTINAH	STATISTICS DISTINCTION
HARONWALA	MUSTAKIM HARUN	BIOCHEMISTRY DISTINCTION
KHOROMMBI	MISHUMO NDZIMENI	BOTANY
KHWILIMBA	GLENDER	ZOOLOGY
KUTAMA	TENDANI PRECIOUS	BIOCHEMISTRY
LEKABA	THABO MAOMELA	APPLIED MATHEMATICS
LUSUNZI	AREHONE	ZOOLOGY
MAAKANA	POLLEN ENELANI	COMPUTER SCIENCE DISTINCTION
MADAMBIRI	MASHUDU AYANDA	MICROBIOLOGY
MADEGA	FHULUFHEDZANI JUSTICE	STATISTICS DISTINCTION
MAEBA	VHUTSHILO	COMPUTER SCIENCE
MAGORO	OLUGA	MICROBIOLOGY
MAKHADO	RONewa ERIN	COMPUTER SCIENCE
MALETE	THAPEDI COLLEN	APPLIED MATHEMATICS
MANNGO	THIFHELIMBILU	CHEMISTRY
MANWATHA	RENDANI	BOTANY
MAREVHULA	PFANELO	BIOCHEMISTRY DISTINCTION
MARIMANA	MELODY LEBOGANG	MICROBIOLOGY
MARUBINE	OLGA RONEWA	BIOCHEMISTRY DISTINCTION
MASHAMBA	TSHEDZA	MICROBIOLOGY
MASHATOLA	BOITUMELO RIVONIA	BIOCHEMISTRY DISTINCTION
MASHAVA	NYELETI WISANI	PHYSICS DISTINCTION
MASINDI	VHUHWAVHO	CHEMISTRY

MATENCHI	DIKABELO TSEPOTJI	CHEMISTRY	
MATHOHO	AREHONE	BIOCHEMISTRY	
MAVHILA	ANDANI JOHANNES	ZOOLOGY	
MBEDZI	MUANO	PHYSICS	
MBULUNGENI	SHAMUR ZWIVHUYA	COMPUTER SCIENCE	
MHLONGO	SIPHOSETHU SHAUN	COMPUTER SCIENCE	
MKHABELA	SIZINE RESPECT	COMPUTER SCIENCE	DISTINCTION
MMBI	MURUNWA LUSANI	CHEMISTRY	
MODIBA	MONAKGE LEBOGANG	COMPUTER SCIENCE	
MOHLALA	RENEILWE REJOICE	ZOOLOGY	
MOKGONYANA	MMAMOYAHABO PROMISE	CHEMISTRY	
MOTAU	VHUTALI	CHEMISTRY	
MOTHAPO	MASEGO ESTHER	PHYSICS	
MPHEGO	MPHO	MICROBIOLOGY	
MUDANABULA	JUBLEE MULANGA	BIOCHEMISTRY	DISTINCTION
MUDAU	LUTENDO SHARON	CHEMISTRY	
MUDAU	NDIVHO	STATISTICS	
MUDAU	TAKALANI	CHEMISTRY	
MUDIMELI	VUSANI MANGALANI	PHYSICS	
MUDZUNGA	MUTSHINYANI MATHILDA	BOTANY	DISTINCTION
MUFAMADI	RIANZE	ZOOLOGY	
MUFUNWAINI	MUFHUMUDZI	COMPUTER SCIENCE	
MUGARI	TONDANI	BOTANY	
MUKANGANE	VHUTHUHAWE	BIOCHEMISTRY	DISTINCTION
MUKOMA	ANEMERIA TERESA	BIOCHEMISTRY	
MULATEDZI	NDITSHENI PERTUNIA	MICROBIOLOGY	
MULEA	DAKALO MILLICENT	COMPUTER SCIENCE	
MUMBEDZI	PRECIOUS MULALO	CHEMISTRY	DISTINCTION
MUNGANE	ORIFHA	CHEMISTRY	
MUNONDE	MUSHA STEVEN	CHEMISTRY	
MUNYAI	LUTENDO	CHEMISTRY	
MUNWAI	MUKONAZWOTHE	MICROBIOLOGY	
MUNYAI	TENDANI OLIVER	PHYSICS	
MUOFHE	BRIAN	COMPUTER SCIENCE	
MUOFHE	FLODY	MICROBIOLOGY	
MUTHALA	PFANO	COMPUTER SCIENCE	
NEFALE	PHINDULO	APPLIED MATHEMATICS	
NELUKAU	MASINDI	MICROBIOLOGY	
NEMUBVUMONI	MURUNWA	BIOCHEMISTRY	DISTINCTION
NENGUDA	VHUTALI	MICROBIOLOGY	
NETHANANI	VHUTSHILOHASHU	MATHEMATICS	
NETSHIFHIRE	MULWELI	MICROBIOLOGY	DISTINCTION
NETSHIPISE	ROWANA RUDOLPH	BOTANY	
NETSHITUNGULU	ROSEMARY	BIOCHEMISTRY	DISTINCTION
NETSIANDA	AMPFARISAHO LORRAINE	CHEMISTRY	
NOBELA	VUTOMI JOY	MICROBIOLOGY	
NTHANGENI	RABELANI INNOCENT	STATISTICS	
NTHANGENI	ROFHIWA	PHYSICS	

PHAHLAMOHLAKA	BASETSANA KABELO	COMPUTER SCIENCE	DISTINCTION
PHIDANE	MAANDA	BOTANY	
RAMABAGA	VHUGALA	APPLIED MATHEMATICS	
RAMADI	LUSANI ORIEL	BIOCHEMISTRY	DISTINCTION
RAMANALA	TSHIFHIWA HELMA	ZOOLOGY	
RAMALATA	AVHATAKALI LESLEY	PHYSICS	
RAMANO	TSIRELEDZO	CHEMISTRY	
RAMATHUTHU	MUKONAZWOTHE	MICROBIOLOGY	
RAMUADA	SHUDUFHADZO ERIC	COMPUTER SCIENCE	
RAPHULU	FUNANANI	APPLIED MATHEMATICS	
RASILINGWANI	NTENDENI	STATISTICS	
RATSHILUMELA	DESIREE DZIVHULUWANI	MICROBIOLOGY	
SADIKI	MUKHODENI	BOTANY	
SEKHWELA	SUCCESS	BIOCHEMISTRY	DISTINCTION
SEMETHI	ADIVHAHO	MICROBIOLOGY	
SIGARI	UZWOTHE	MICROBIOLOGY	DISTINCTION
SIGUDLA	ANATJIE COLVIA	PHYSICS	
SIPHEYI	TONDANI	COMPUTER SCIENCE	
TAU	KARABO SIMON	APPLIED MATHEMATICS	
TSHIKALANGE	MUDZHEDZI	CHEMISTRY	
TSHIKOTATSHIFHIWA	THAPELO MUKHETHWA	COMPUTER SCIENCE	DISTINCTION
TSILATSILA	MUKONAZWOTHE	MICROBIOLOGY	DISTINCTION
ZULU	THOLULWAZI INNOCENT JABULANI	COMPUTER SCIENCE	

MASTER OF SCIENCE

DZHIVHUHO	ASAKUNDWI PRAISETHELORD	E-SCIENCE
TITLE	: Explainability of Machine Learning in Credit Risk Management	
SUPERVISOR	: Dr RM Mukhodobwane	
CO-SUPERVISOR	: Mr N Mphephu	
CO-SUPERVISOR	: Dr R Netshikweta	
MADZIVHANDILA	DAKALOOZOOLOGY	DISTINCTION
TITLE	: Spatio-temporal dynamics of fruit-feeding butterfly communities across savanna-forestgradients in a seasonal climate	
SUPERVISOR	: Prof LH Swanepoel	
CO-SUPERVISOR	: Dr C Schoeman	
CO-SUPERVISOR	: Prof F Molleman	
MALULEKA	MUSA	PHYSICS DISTINCTION
TITLE	: Activation of the p53 pathway in combination with photon irradiation for the treatment of neurological tumour cells	
SUPERVISOR	: Dr. F Nemangwele	
CO-SUPERVISOR	: Dr R Fisher	
CO-SUPERVISOR	: Dr M Engelbrecht-Roberts	
MALULEKE	VUAKO	PHYSICS

TITLE : Automation of the γ -ray spectrometry setup of the Environmental Radioactive Laboratory at NRF-iThemba LABS.

SUPERVISOR : Dr F Nemangwele
CO-SUPERVISOR : Dr EK Nkadimeng
CO-SUPERVISOR : Dr NB Ndabeni

MANGANYE HLAMULANI GOODMAN BOTANY

TITLE : Distribution of alien plants, their effects on ecosystem structure, and allelopathic effects on *Vigna unguiculata* Walp: A case of the selected area of the Makhado Municipality, Limpopo Province, South Africa

SUPERVISOR : Dr MH Ligavha-Mbelengwa
CO-SUPERVISOR : Dr MG Mokganya

MASHAVHELA DZULANI STATISTICS DISTINCTION

TITLE : Exploring the Dynamics of the ZAR/USD Exchange Rate Volatility using the fGARCH and First-Order Beta-Skew-TEGARCH Models

SUPERVISOR : Dr T Ravele
CO-SUPERVISOR : Prof JC Ndogmo
CO-SUPERVISOR : Prof C Sigauke

MASHELE NTUMBULUKO TIA CHEMISTRY DISTINCTION

TITLE : Design of silica-based sustainable biomaterial adsorbents from agricultural waste for the microextraction and adsorptive removal of insecticides and antibiotics from wastewater samples

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MBALA EMMANUEL MAYOMBO MATHEMATICS

TITLE : Lie group analysis of Schrödinger equations describing optical waves in birefringent waveguides

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MMBOYI DZIVHULUWANI CHARMAINE BIOCHEMISTRY

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MUDAU MULWELI RAYMOND E-SCIENCE DISTINCTION

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SUPERVISOR : Prof E Maluta
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MUNTSU MUFUNWA EVIDENCE BIOCHEMISTRY

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 TITLE : Modelling Extreme Forecast Errors in Wind Energy Using South African Wind Farms
 SUPERVISOR : Dr T Ravele
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 TITLE : Equity Risk Premium Prediction using Machine Learning Techniques and its Application in Portfolio optimization.

Supervisor: Prof W. Chagwiza
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 TITLE : An Intelligent Surveillance System Using Deep Facial Expression Recognition
 SUPERVISOR : Dr B Moyo

NEMAKONDE PFANO PHYSICS DISTINCTION
 TITLE : Machine learning applications in blockchain for renewable energy systems.
 SUPERVISOR : Dr F Nemangwele
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 TITLE : Investigation of Pd-Ti and Ni-Ti Multilayer Thin Films for Enhanced Hydrogen Storage Capacity
 SUPERVISOR : Dr F Nemangwele
 CO-SUPERVISOR : Dr CB Mtshali

NENGOVHELHA VHUKHUDO E-SCIENCE
 TITLE : A comparative evaluation of machine learning models for stock price prediction and uncertainty estimation
 SUPERVISOR : Dr T Ravele
 CO-SUPERVISOR : Prof C Sigauke
 CO-SUPERVISOR : Prof JC Ndogmo

NEPHIPHIDI ALUWANI SHARON CHEMISTRY DISTINCTION
 TITLE : Magnetic solid phase microextraction and adsorptive removal of emerging pollutants from water samples by carbon adsorbents synthesized from agricultural waste materials
 SUPERVISOR : Dr SK Selahle

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 TITLE : Improving Computational Efficiency of MRI Brain Tumour Analysis Using Hybrid Machine Models
 SUPERVISOR : Dr IC Obagbuwa
 CO-SUPERVISOR : Prof JC Ndogmo
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PATEL SANA PHYSICS DISTINCTION
 TITLE : Integrated multi-scale modelling and simulation of sodium-ion battery
 SUPERVISOR : Prof E Maluta

CO-SUPERVISOR : Dr S Ranwaha
CO-SUPERVISOR : Dr RS Dima

RAMBAULI MULAVHELESI E-SCIENCE DISTINCTION
TITLE : Application of explainable AI and uncertainty quantification in credit risk assessment

SUPERVISOR : Dr T Ravele
CO-SUPERVISOR : Prof C Sigauke

RAMBEVHA LESEDI CHEMISTRY DISTINCTION
TITLE : Separation of isomers using host-guest methods
SUPERVISOR : Dr E Batisai

RASALANAVHO RIVHASHANDU CONFIDENCE BOTANY
TITLE : Characterisation and Screening of secondary metabolites from Commiphora viminea (Burtt Davy, Burseraceae) Engl. for antifungal properties against Candida auris

SUPERVISOR : Prof NA Masevhe
CO-SUPERVISOR : Dr MT Sigidi

SEKGOBELA ROSE MAILANE BIOCHEMISTRY DISTINCTION
TITLE : Mass spectrometric and chemometric characterisation of photo-induced isomerisation of hydroxycinnamic acid derivatives from Viscum combreticola

SUPERVISOR : Prof NE Madala
CO-SUPERVISOR : Dr BN Moyo
CO-SUPERVISOR : Dr LM Mathomu

SHANDUKANI KHARAVHO PHYSICS
TITLE : Predicting Gas Sensor Materials Using Machine Learning
SUPERVISOR : Prof E Maluta
CO-SUPERVISOR : Dr RS Dima
CO-SUPERVISOR : Dr TS Ranwaha

TSHIFARO BONGANI STEVEN CHEMISTRY
TITLE : Synthesis of novel sulfonylthioureas as anti-diabetic drugs
SUPERVISOR : Prof SS Myakeni-Moleele
CO-SUPERVISOR : Dr MV Bvumbi

TSHISIKULE OMPHA E-SCIENCE
TITLE : A Comparative Analysis of Machine Learning Models and Traditional Statistical Models for Continuous-Time Survival Analysis.

SUPERVISOR : Dr A Bere
CO-SUPERVISOR : DR TB Mulaudzi

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

MUSARURWA HERBERT CHEMISTRY
TITLE : Development of Greener Preconcentration and Extraction Techniques Using Emerging Solvents and Alternative Sorbents for Pesticide Analysis

Supervisor : Dr SK Selahle
Co-Supervisor : Prof NE Madala
Co-Supervisor : Dr NT Tavengwa

CO-SUPERVISOR : Dr T Mokgehle

Citation

Pests pose a serious threat to global food security. Consequently, there is an exponential increase in the use of pesticides in the agricultural sector. This, on the other hand, leads to the inevitable contamination of food products with pesticides. Thus, pesticide residues in food products should be monitored using effective and green microextraction techniques. This study explored the use of green solvents, such as deep eutectic solvents, and the valorization of waste materials, including facemasks, cigarette filters, and polyester dish sponges, to develop green microextraction techniques for pesticide analysis. This culminated in the development of innovative methodologies with remarkable environmental sustainability. Thus, this study established that alternative solvents and adsorbents enhance the greenness of preconcentration techniques.

OGUNFOWOTE OLADELE TOYIN MATHEMATICS
TITLE : Multiscale Modelling of Hepatic Viral Infection Dynamics
Supervisor : Dr K Muzhinji
Co-Supervisor : Prof W Garira

Citation

This study developed a multiscale modelling framework for hepatic viral infections to support improved control and eradication of viral hepatitis in sub-Saharan Africa. A nested multiscale model based on Replication–Transmission Theory and a hybrid model incorporating the pathogen’s life cycle was formulated. Stochasticity was introduced to evaluate its influence on infection dynamics and treatment outcomes. The findings showed that multiscale models better capture within-cell, between-cell, and infection-age processes and provide clearer insights into drug resistance and treatment-resistant strains. The results highlighted the importance of multiple time scales and the usefulness of process-based modelling.

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN LIFE SCIENCES

TLAAMELA DIKONKETSO MARGARET BOTANY
TITLE : Understanding The Negative Impacts and Benefits of Invasive Alien
Populus Alba L: Implications for Management in South Africa.

Supervisor : Prof MP Tshisikhawe
Co-Supervisor : Prof LH Swanepoel
Co-Supervisor : Dr SJ Rahlao

Citation

This study investigated the negative and positive impacts of the invasive alien *Populus alba* L. (White poplar) in South Africa. This was achieved by first determining its current legislation and distribution. The study further predicted the potential invasion of *Populus alba* using species distribution models under present and future climatic data. The availability of suitable conditions under climate change suggests a high probability of its invasion. Furthermore, various stakeholders were interviewed to collate information on the benefits, impacts, possible pathways, and control methods of *P. alba* in Limpopo Province. Although many researchers report on its negative impacts, *Populus alba* appears to be a valuable plant species in local communities. The study highlighted the need for stakeholder engagement in policy-making and management planning and reviewed current control methods for *Populus alba* and their effectiveness.

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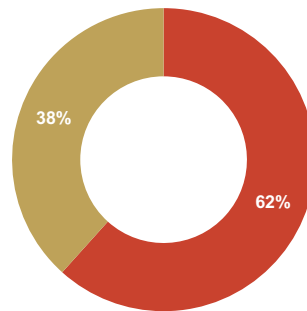
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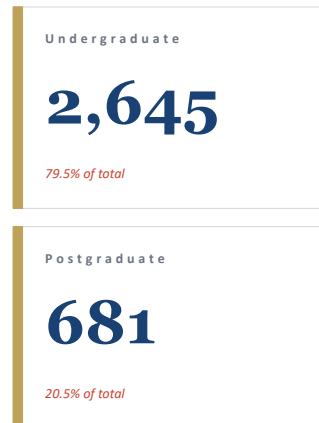
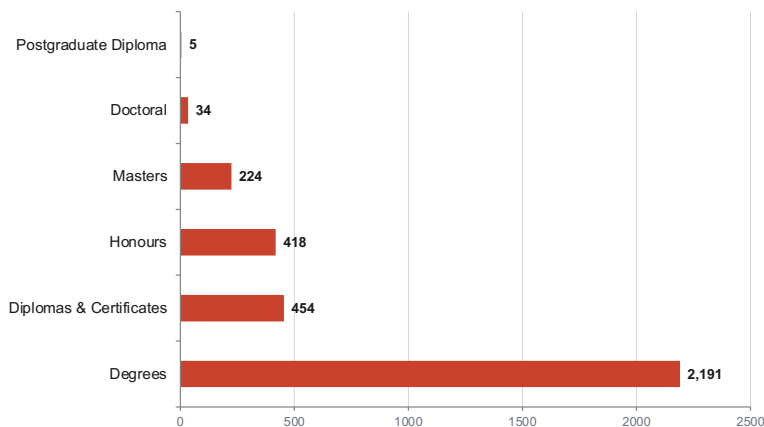


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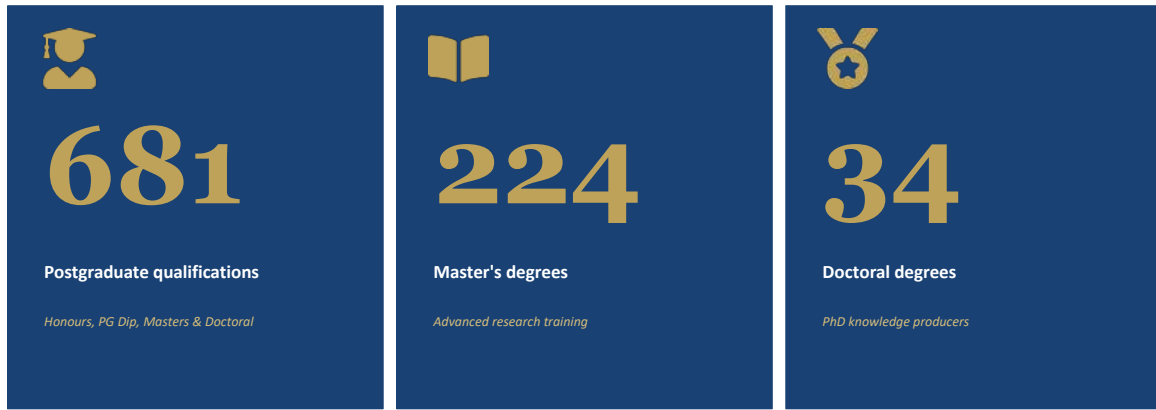
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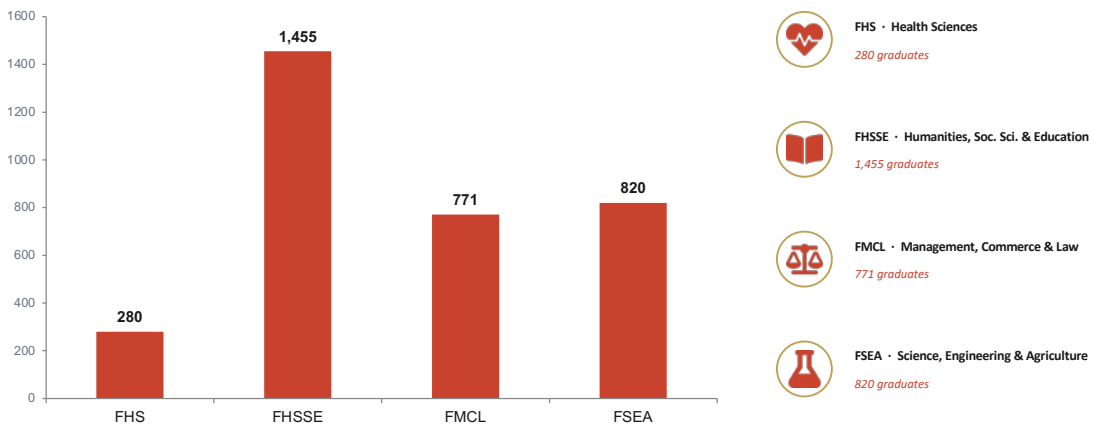


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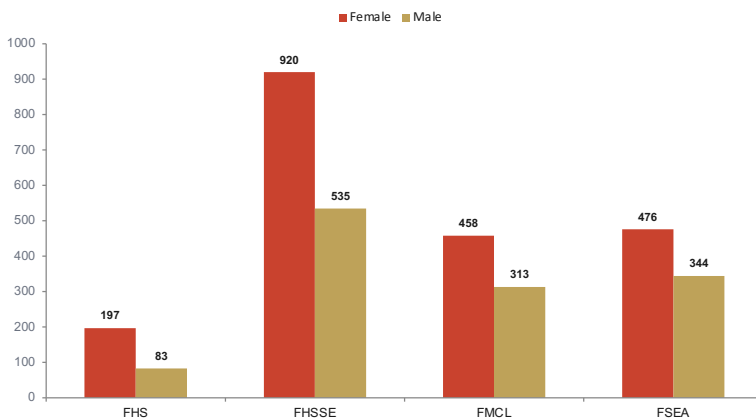
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FACULTIES

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WOMEN IN STEM

58%

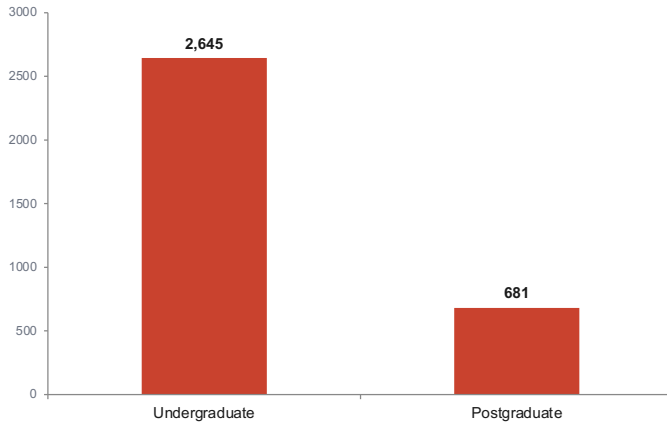
of FSEA graduates are women

(Science, Engineering & Agriculture)

SDG 5 + SDG 9 + Agenda 2063

GENDER × FACULTY

Undergraduate & Postgraduate output



UNDERGRADUATE

2,645

79.5% of all graduates

POSTGRADUATE

681

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16

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UN SDGs 2030
Sustainable Development Goals

- SDG 4 — Quality education for 3,326 lives
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- SDG 9 — Science & engineering graduates fuelling innovation

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