
FACULTIES OF HEALTH SCIENCES AND LAW

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FACULTIES OF HEALTH SCIENCES AND LAW

ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS

Academic Procession.

(The congregation is requested to stand as the procession enters the hall)

The Vice-Chancellor will constitute the congregation.

The National Anthem.

The University Dedication will be read by a member of the SRC.

Musical Item.

Welcome by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Professor D Visser.

The graduands and diplomates will be presented to the Vice-Chancellor by the Deans of the faculties.

The Vice-Chancellor will congratulate the new graduates and diplomates.

Professor Visser will make closing announcements and invite the congregation to stand.

The Vice-Chancellor will dissolve the congregation.

The procession, including the new graduates and diplomates, will leave the hall.

(The congregation is requested to remain standing until the procession has left the hall.)

MANNENBERG

The musical piece for the processional march is *Mannenberg*, composed by Abdullah Ibrahim.

Recorded with Basil ‘Manenberg’ Coetzee, Paul Michaels, Robbie Jansen, Morris Goldberg and Monty Weber, *Mannenberg* was released in June 1974.

The piece was composed against the backdrop of the District Six forced removals. It is named after the Cape Town township of Manenberg, which was established when the residents of District Six settled there. *Mannenberg* stands out as a uniquely South African piece: it blends together South African musical forms (*marabi*, *mbaqanga* and *langarm*) and American jazz. The song became a rallying cry against the injustices of apartheid and the particular destruction it wrought on communities. With its upbeat melodies and buoyant hook, the piece also serves a celebration of the resilience and endurance of humanity in the face of the brutalities of the apartheid regime.

Mannenberg is arguably South African jazz’s most famous export, and still stands as an anthem of hope and of fortitude for oppressed communities. It also serves as a reminder of the inhumanity of what this country and this city endured, and of the legacies of that inhumanity.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

Nkosi sikelel' iAfrika
Maluphakanyisw' uphondolwayo,
Yizwa imithandazo yethu,
Nkosi sikelela, thina lusapho lwayo.

Morena boloka etjhaba sa heso,
O fedise dintwa la 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.

DISTINCTIONS IN THE FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCES

MBCHB courses are weighted differently, with the first three years (basic sciences) counting 110 out of a total of 252 points, and the final three years (clinical sciences) counting 142 out of 252.

The degree may be awarded with

Distinction in the basic sciences, where the student scores at least 80% of the maximum points for the basic sciences; and/or

Distinction in the clinical sciences, where the student scores at least 75% of the maximum points for the clinical sciences; and/or

Honours, where the student achieves an overall point score of at least 75% of the maximum overall points; or

First class honours, where the student achieves an overall point score of at least 85% of the maximum overall points.

The degrees of BSc (Audiology) and BSc (Speech-Pathology) may be awarded with distinction for a weighted average of at least 75% across all four years of study.

The degree of BSc (Occupational Therapy) may be awarded with distinction for a weighted average of at least 75% for all courses from the first to the fourth year of study across all four years of study.

The degree of BSc (Physiotherapy) may be awarded with distinction for an average of 75% across all four years of study.

The gold medal is awarded to the student in MBCHB who achieves the highest overall grade point average across all six years of his or her degree, and a weighted average of at least 75% across all years of study.

Postgraduate diplomas may be awarded with distinction if the candidate has achieved 70% and above for all courses with a weighted average of at least 75%

Honours degrees are awarded by class (first, second class division one, second class division two, or third).

Master's degrees (by coursework and dissertation) may be awarded with distinction

for the dissertation, where the mark for the dissertation is at least 75%

for the degree, where the weighted average is 75% or better and no component is below 70%

Master's degrees (by dissertation) may be awarded to a candidate who achieves a mark of 75% and above for the dissertation.

DISTINCTIONS IN THE FACULTY OF LAW

The Bachelor of Laws may be awarded cum laude where a student has obtained

an average of 70% in all law courses; and

a mark of at least 75% in at least six full law courses or the equivalent.

The Bachelor of Laws may be awarded magna cum laude where a student has obtained

an average of 75% in all law courses; and

a mark of at least 75% in at least nine full law courses or the equivalent.

The Postgraduate Diploma in Law may be awarded with distinction where a student has obtained an average mark of at least 75%.

The Master of Laws or the Master of Philosophy by minor dissertation and coursework may be awarded with distinction in the degree where a student has obtained an average mark of at least 75%.

The Master of Laws or the Master of Philosophy by dissertation may be awarded with distinction in the degree for especially meritorious work.

DECLARATION FOR HEALTH SCIENCES GRADUANDS

AT THE TIME OF BEING ADMITTED AS A MEMBER OF THE HEALTH PROFESSION:

I solemnly pledge to serve humanity

My most important considerations will be the health of patients and the health of their communities

I will not permit considerations of age, gender, race, religion, ethnic origin, sexual orientation, disease, disability or any other factor to adversely affect the care I give to patients

I will uphold human rights and civil liberties to advance health, even under threat

I will engage patients and colleagues as partners in healthcare

I will practise my profession with conscience and dignity

I will respect the confidentiality of patients, present or past, living or deceased

I will value research and will be guided in its conduct by the highest ethical standards

I commit myself to lifelong learning

I make these promises solemnly, freely and upon my honour.

**NAMES OF GRADUANDS/
DIPLOMATES**

An asterisk * denotes that the degree or diploma will be awarded in the absence of the candidate.

**1. FACULTY OF HEALTH
SCIENCES**

Acting Dean: Professor G Hussey

**POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN
ADDICTIONS CARE**

(With distinction) Nafisa Abdulla
*(With distinction) Miriam Crossley
*Denise de Beer
*(With distinction) Dorothy Anne Feast
Divan Kurt Hannes
*Ielhaam Jacobs
*Delcia Valencia Liedeman-Prosch
Anastashia Melanie Naidoo
Nombasa Ndzishe
Thuliswa Thoko Philiso
Aadilah Rinquest
*Ray-Anne Charlene Smith
Janine Shireen Williams

**POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN
CLINICAL PAEDIATRIC NE-
PHROLOGY**

*(With distinction) Francis Fredrick Furia

**POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA
IN CLINICAL PAEDIATRIC
PHYSIOTHERAPY**

*Abdallah Raphael Makalla

**POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN
COMMUNITY EYE HEALTH**

*Rajab Mohammed Hilal
*Sonna Joseph Joseph
Mbengeni Richard Mathivha
Noluthando Maureen Mjwana
Olatunde Mark Owoyele
*Chunhong Yan

**POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN
DISABILITY STUDIES**

Rustim Ariefdien
*Cynthia Kaliinasho Haihambo
*Lychel Harases
Jane Anne Harrison
Ronel Jessen
*(With distinction) Marlene Francis Le Roux
Sibongile Princess Ngcamu
Elsonia Swarts

**POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN
FAMILY MEDICINE**

*Rhoda Conrad
*Ingrid Eshun-Wilsonova
*Shehaam Martin
*Paramjit Kaur Vanmali

**POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN
HEALTHCARE TECHNOLOGY
MANAGEMENT**

*Venancio Luka Bonongwe
*(With distinction) Kathryn Jane Cupido
*Zodwa Patricia Fakude
Steven Papi Grootboom
*Sinazo Lugabazi
*Ashithlall Lutchman
*Pragalathan Moonsamy
*Joseph Mulungu
Mabatho Ntomb'Zikhona
Mabatho Mutshekwane

**POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA
IN HEALTH PROFESSIONAL
EDUCATION**

*(With distinction) Amaal Abrahams
*Zandile Xolile Amoo
*Linda Leonora Ganca
Louise Goosen
*(With distinction) Katie Emma Hadley
*Rachel Ndamononghenda Hangula
*(With distinction) Nina Alison Victoria Holderness-Parker
(With distinction) Roy Kennedy
*Reshoketjoe Onicca Khobo-Mpe
*(With distinction) Stephanie Rene Krause
*Carolynn Louise Lackay
Tjale Cloupas Mahopo
*Sithombo Maqungo
Tirhani Asnath Masia
*Lilian Sinte Masule
*Mvuyisi Surrender Mbovane
*Lizane McDonald
*Selekane Ananias Nash Motadi
*Shaheen Banon Mowla
*Emmanuel Nepolo
*Liesl Visser

**POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA
IN MATERNAL AND
CHILD HEALTH**

*Fatma Gashout
*Faith Msipa
Hilma Shikwambi

**POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA
IN NURSING**

In Advanced Midwifery and Neonatal Care:
Sheree Burger
*Zeenat Dalwai
*Nomzamo Caroline Mmango
Manako Nako
(With distinction) Joy Venecia Orphan
Annaloice Penduka
Makose Ramaili
*Surayda Roberts
Nokuzola Ethel Tisani

In Child Nursing:

Rodgers Gift Benkele
Pauline Carstens
Wilma Sandra De Wee
*Tamsyn Ronel Govender
*Netsayi Chimenya Gowero
Alice Elizabeth Harmse
Matilda Janetta Julius
Racheline Lackey
Wendy Joy Ann Leendertz
Nomsebenzi Letticia Maqengu
Michele Elizabeth Maree
*Lucy Lusekero Ngoma
*Thom George Ngwira
*Cosmas Kapuyanyika Nkwaila
*George Yotam Nsitu
Thandisile Handys Ntetha
Rosy Margaret Phillips
Candice Ingrid Stride

In Critical Care Nursing (Child):

*Theresia Bock
Taryn Renalda Bowker
*Sarah Baaba Bruce-Smith
*Lucy Dapaah
Thandiwe Godzana
*Gertrude Thembelihle Hlongwane
(With distinction) Hilary Lynn
Ions
Singiwe Lamani Lamani-Kobese
Zuzeka Masiza
Ntswaki Deborah Debrah
Mbambo
Ntombikayise Dinah Mpendukana
Pinkie Mpondwana
*Gugu Prieska Shange
Zandile Benedict Shongwe
Nobuza Lyzette Swayena
*Constance Mmabatho Thembo
*Xolani Wiki

In Nephrology Nursing:

Dineo Criscia Bakgethi
*Dempto Boniface Bidii
*Keshny Govender
*Charlene Wilmene Jaars
*Hloniphile Sybil Khumalo
*Michelle Jo-Ann Kok
Mpulayene Princess Malapane
*Ofentse Hilton Malebadi
Daisy Raesetsa Matlatse
Ofhani Mavhalane
*Clement Onkemetse Mogwera
Magabolle Kalvien Mokwana
*Rakosha Isaac Mosime
*Maserole Glynnis Ngwepe

Johanna Raesetja Seabi
Nkosinathi Phillemon Simelane
*Suzanne van Heerden

In Ophthalmic Nursing:

Elizma Anthonissen
Antoinette Dawes
Gaynor Josephine Ford
*Selmary Feroza Hermanus
*Elrese Adele Lottering

POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN
PALLIATIVE MEDICINE

*Temitope Adekunle Adedayo
*(With distinction) Hendrina
Jacomina Rene Albertyn
(With distinction) Elizabeth
Cecile Booth
*(With distinction) Ane Buchner
*(With distinction) Johanna Fourie
*Thiloshini Govender
*Hilary Grey
*Shireen Henry-Karriem
(With distinction) Teresa Lauren
Jennings
*Joel Nkofon Kaah
*Helen Shirley Lever
Fiona Bourke McLennan
*(With distinction) Linessa
Moodley
*(With distinction) Delene Murray
*Tonny Abdul Mwabury
Kantharuben Naidu
(With distinction) Shannon Odell
Nandan Maruti Shanbhag
*(With distinction) Rachel Valerie
Shaw
*(With distinction) Marlene Da
Silva Soares
*Andrico Stephanus

POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN
PESTICIDE RISK
MANAGEMENT

*(With distinction) Suresh Lochan
Amichand
*Kenneth Chipere
*Joyce Brenda Nakiganda Kaddu
Kisingiri
*Motlana Willem Madiba
Rhoda Masukwedza

*Thabile Ndlovu
*Quinta Eta Sakwe
*Caroline Theka

POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA
IN PSYCHOTHERAPY

*Shakira Navsa
*Deirdre Pringle

2. FACULTY OF LAW

Dean: Professor P Andrews

POSTGRADUATE
DIPLOMA IN LAW

*Emmanuel Oshoriamhe Ugboadaga

In Dispute Resolution:

Rosy Frances Williams

In Human Rights Law

Nicola Ada Williamson

In International Law:

*Patrick James Fitzgerald

In Labour Law:

Anli Bezuidenhout

In Shipping Law

Thandeka Helen Sithole

In Tax Law:

*Carla Davis
Noncedo Pamela Khawule
*Samuel Jacques le Roux
Patience Tariro Madyara
Nqwenelwa Libongo Ndabula
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Fezeka Sylvia Stwayi

DEGREE OF BACHELOR
OF LAWS

Fatima Abrahams
Robin Tarrin Adams
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*Lyle Aspelng
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Nina Linda Braude (magna cum
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Ian Henry Davis
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laude)
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Lulama Lobola
Victoria Ann Louw
Athi Lupuwana
*Mitchell Richard Friedrich Luthi
*Kate Adrienne Mackay
*Cameron Francis Mackenzie
*Meadhbh Sarah Macloingsigh
Sean Patrick Magner
Daniel James Magowan
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Mkhululi Makaya
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Boitumelo Ntswaki Maleke
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DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF
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DEGREE OF MASTER OF
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In Anaesthesia:

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DEGREE OF MASTER OF
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 dissertation) Timothy
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 dissertation) Lamees Ras

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 dissertation) Anria Horn
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3. FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCES

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DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF
 MEDICINE AND BACHELOR
 OF SURGERY

*Aniefiok Oluwatomisin Edem
 (with distinction in the basic
 sciences and the degree with
 honours)

DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF
 SCIENCE IN PHYSIOTHERAPY

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DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF
 SCIENCE IN SPEECH-
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DEGREE OF MASTER OF
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DEGREE OF MASTER OF
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*Mpapho Joseph Motsumi

DEGREE OF MASTER
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*Marwou de Kock

In Disability Studies:

Willson Tarusarira

In Neonatology:

Qaunitah Keraan

In Paediatric Critical Care:

*Konstantinos Dimitriades

In Palliative Medicine:

*Patrick Igbelokoto Akhiwu
*(With distinction) Maja Brand
*Mohammed Jamil Hossain

In Sports Physiotherapy:

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Munro Simon Montanus
*(With distinction in the
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Scorgie
*Wanda van Niekerk

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In Vascular Surgery:

Bhekifa Dube

DEGREE OF MASTER
OF PHILOSOPHY IN
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In Clinical Emergency Care:

Ryan Ernest Matthews
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DEGREE OF MASTER OF
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*Claudine Marie Hennessey
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Nontokoza Innocentia Mngadi
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Nanziwe Kelly Khumalo
Kim Elizabeth MacQuilkan
Rangarirai Matima
Rahab Waithira Mbau
(With distinction) Nicola Ann
Wilson

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(With distinction) Kimberley
Marie Tapscott

DEGREE OF MASTER OF
SCIENCE IN MEDICINE

In Biomedical Engineering:

*Shaa'ista Ameen
Stephen George Jermy
*(With distinction) Mwape Mofya

<i>In Clinical Science & Immunology:</i> Rushil Harryparsad	<i>In Physiology:</i> Fatma Ayad Alatrag	<i>In Constitutional and Administrative Law:</i> *Megan Adderley Wesley Graham (With distinction) Kelly Maxine Kowalski Susan Carolyn Mosdell
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<i>In Human Genetics:</i> *(With distinction) Johannes Andries Baard (With distinction) Timothy Francis Spracklen	DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE IN OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY Anandé Uys	<i>In Environmental Law:</i> *Luke Raymond Mcmichael Alecia Pienaar Robert van der Walt
<i>In Medical Biochemistry:</i> (With distinction) Elaine Pienaar		<i>In Human Rights Law:</i> Nasreen Ally *Katie Iona Anne Connan *Theodora Talumba Mkali *Gemma Rose Macgregor Thomson Faith Tolulope Tunde-Yara
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<i>In Medical Virology:</i> Lerato Charlotte Majara	4. FACULTY OF LAW <i>Dean: Professor P Andrews</i>	<i>In International Trade Law:</i> *Adolf Nana Gariseb *James Majatame
<i>In Medicine:</i> *Francis Damiano Masiye Brian Matinyenya Nchangwi Syntia Munung Eddy Mhlava Zitha	DEGREE OF MASTER OF LAWS <i>In Commercial Law:</i> *(With distinction) Kathleen Gwynneth Auld Lukas Marthinus Bester *Egbe Enorenshe Iguodala *Bibi Ashira Kaudeer Siphesihle Mchunu Chipokota Mwanawasa *Anina Smit *Angela Gail Stevens *Matias Aquiles Vergara Sandoval *Tim Maximilian Willing	<i>In Labour Law:</i> *Tawanda Masimbe Lisa Kate Wood
<i>In Neuroscience:</i> (With distinction) Antoinette Burger Natasha Sema Hardcastle (With distinction) Maurits Matthew van den Berg		
<i>In Paediatrics:</i> (With distinction) James Jolyon Carey Nuttall		

In Marine and Environmental Law:
*Brent Franz Jachs
Diana Wylie

In Private Law and Human Rights Law:
Ziphokazi Dimpho Sisilana

In Public Law:
*Alexander Spoor
*(With distinction) Patricia Whittle

In Tax Law:
Christoffel Wilhelmus de Bruyn

DEGREE OF MASTER OF LAWS IN COMMERCIAL LAW

*Zack Franz Beukman
Lintle Monaheng
Mackion Mpukusa

DEGREE OF MASTER OF LAWS IN DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Daliwonga Byron Lester

DEGREE OF MASTER OF LAWS IN TAX LAW

Yvonne Christine Steyn

DEGREE OF MASTER OF PHILOSOPHY

Suzette Wepener

In Commercial Law:
Ruvarashe Dorothy Maponga
Shupikile Mastara

In Criminology, Law and Society:
(With distinction) Melissa
Isabella Meyer

In Dispute Resolution:
*Andhor Grey Marks

In Environmental Law:
Justine Jade Mccarthy

In Public Law:
*Grant Malcolm Edmond

DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

In Commercial Law:
*Emmanuel Kodzo-Bediaku
Ntumy
Thesis Title: *Labour dispute resolution in southern Africa. A study of emerging trends and realities in Botswana, Lesotho and Swaziland*

Emmanuel Ntumy has a Diploma in Labour Relations (Damelin, South Africa) and a post-graduate Diploma in Advanced Labour Law (UCT). He also holds a BA Law (University of Ghana), an MPhil in Labour Law (UCT) and a University of Botswana MPA where he has taught since 1991.

Emmanuel Ntumy's thesis asks: Why do labour disputes dominate the southern African work environment? The answer he suggests for three Southern African Development Community countries is dictated by the fact of certain achievable practices in labour law. Outlining a framework along which the varying contexts of the three countries should be understood, Ntumy addresses two main problems. The first is a persistent tendency to seek guidance for managing the vibrant present by looking into a past fortified by command and control while seeking guidance for managing a vibrant present and a future SADC labour law framework. The second is, the frequency of resort to institutionalised agencies that make the practice of labour law complex and expensive. He points to a

demonstrable inclination to attack symptoms rather than to address root causes. The first step for facing these challenges, he suggests, is to devise ways for employee and employer to interact honestly and constructively.

Supervisor: Professor E Kalula
(Commercial Law)

Lee-Ann Tong
Thesis Title: *The development of a South African legal framework relating to patentable inventions made by employees*

Lee-Ann Tong has a BA (Hons) LLB from the University of Cape Town, an LLM from University College London and an LLM from the University of Turin. Her PhD thesis resulted from her interest in employment law and her subsequent teaching of intellectual property law in the Faculty of Law at UCT.

Lee-Ann Tong's thesis develops a South African legal framework for the default allocation of ownership of patentable inventions made by employee-inventors in the private sector. A conceptual framework is developed in response to assumptions about the role of patents as in encouraging private sector investment in technological innovation and the incentive effect patents on employers' and employee-inventors' contributions to inventive activity. Lee-Ann Tong uses this framework to analyse the South African regulatory mechanisms for the allocation of ownership in employee-inventions and concludes that the prevailing approach is not fully supportive of the purpose of the patent system. She recommends a new statutory framework for the ownership of patentable employee-inventions and provides model legislation to this end.

Supervisor: Professor R Le Roux
(Commercial Law)
Co-supervisor: Professor Coenraad Visser (Mercantile Law, UNISA)

Jacqueline Louise Yeats
Thesis Title: *The proper and effective exercise of appraisal rights under the South African Companies Act, 2008: developing a strategic approach through a study of comparable foreign law*

Jacqueline Yeats obtained her BA, LLB and LLM degrees from the University of Stellenbosch. Her PhD thesis is the result of a particular interest in company law, an area in which she has taught in UCT's Department of Commercial Law as a member of the academic staff since 2005.

Jacqueline Yeats' thesis proposes to address the problems traditionally associated with appraisal rights which are a relatively new form of minority shareholder protection in South African company law. Appraisal rights were introduced by the Companies Act, 2008; but there is no South African legal precedent for the appraisal remedy. Guidance as to its interpretation and application must therefore be sought in the jurisprudence of comparable foreign jurisdictions, especially the USA and Canada. Jacqueline Yeats' thesis examines the appraisal remedy and its associated challenges in the international sphere and then applies those findings in the South African context. Ultimately the thesis proposes legal strategies, corporate interventions, alternative dispute resolution mechanisms and particular legislative amendments aimed at pre-empting and addressing identified challenges and shortcomings.

Supervisor: (Professor R Jooste)
(Commercial Law)

In Public Law:
Jewel Amoah
Thesis Title: *Constructing equality: developing an intersectionality analysis to achieve equality for the girl child subject to South African Customary Law*

Jewel Amoah has a BA from McMaster University, an LLB degree from the University of Ottawa, and an LLM degree from UCT. Her PhD thesis evolved her LLM research comparing the equality provisions in the South African and Canadian constitutions, a study that inspired a deeper comparison of South Africa's pluralist legal regimes.

Jewel Amoah's thesis studies the right to equal treatment for the girls living according to customary law in South Africa. Critical legal scholars recommend an analytical framework of intersectionality to ensure that those who are marginalised by their race and gender identities can achieve full substantive equality. South Africa's cultural diversity, however, although encouraged by the Constitution's recognition of legal pluralism, complicates such an analysis. In exploring this cultural context, the thesis proposes a model in the form of an acronym, GRACE, to mark certain key factors for consideration. GRACE reflects how the intersecting identities of gender, race, age and culture affect access to equality. The thesis thus provides a means by which the courts may ensure substantive equality, and, according to their constitutional mandate, may "develop" rather than abolish customary-law rules that conflict with the Bill of Rights.

Supervisor: Professor TW Bennett
(Public Law)

Seraphina Msengi Bakta
Thesis Title: *A critical analysis of the child justice system in (mainland) Tanzania*

Seraphina Bakta has an LLB from Mzumbe University Tanzania and an LLM in International Law from the University of Cape Town.

Seraphina Bakta's thesis critically examines the child justice system in Tanzania in the light of principles recommended by international child rights law. She focuses on delinquency prevention, non-judicial interventions, and special protection procedures in judicial interventions. The thesis finds that, despite measures taken to bring Tanzania's child justice system into conformity with international law, including enacting the Law of the Child Act 2009, children are still insufficiently protected by the system. The thesis shows that that is because Tanzania's child justice system still places undue reliance on judicial interventions at the expense of non-judicial interventions; and that protection of children's rights at all stages of the system remains inadequate.

Supervisor: Professor DM Chirwa
(Public Law)

In Private Law:

Heleen van Niekerk

Thesis Title: *Towards a new understanding of mineral tenure security: the demise of the property law paradigm*

Heleen van Niekerk holds BCom (Law), LLB and LLM degrees from the University of Johannesburg. Her PhD thesis emerged from her teaching experience at that university. Heleen currently lectures Jurisprudence and Interpretation Theory at Varsity College, Sandton.

Heleen van Niekerk's work proves that the rules of private law are no longer satisfactory for the provision of mineral tenure security, as a requirement for investment, in South Africa's mining industry. She demonstrates that the shortcomings of the current regulatory regime pertaining to minerals and mineral resources, in providing mineral tenure security, cannot be addressed through the rules of private law. The Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, first in operation in 2002, brought about significant changes to the theoretical landscape pertaining to minerals and mineral resources in South Africa and changed the regulatory regime from a system based on a combination of private law and public law to one based predominantly in public law. Through an analysis of how that Act provides, and also fails to provide, mineral tenure security, Heleen van Niekerk offers recommendations, based on the rule-of-law principle, for judicial interpretation to deal with the limitations that the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act poses for mineral tenure security.

Supervisor: Professor H Mostert (Private Law)

5. FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCES

Acting Dean: Professor G Hussey

DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

In Cardiovascular Biomechanics:

Hugo Krynauw

Thesis Title: *Tailoring of the bio-mechanics of tissue-regenerative vascular scaffolds*

Hugo Krynauw obtained a BSc(Eng) in Electro-mechanical Engineering in 2006 and an MSc (Med) in Biomedical Engineering in 2009, both from UCT. His PhD research developed from his interest in the design of therapeutic devices for cardiovascular diseases.

Hugo Krynauw's thesis is concerned with the investigation of polymeric fibrous scaffolds for therapeutic regeneration of soft biological tissues. Biodegradable scaffolds aim at restoration of a patient's organ by gradual replacement of synthetic implant with the patient's own newly formed tissue. To prevent premature failure of the regenerating implant, the rate of the degradation and associated loss of structural integrity of the scaffold needs to be well characterised and tuned to the rate at which new tissue is formed. Hugo Krynauw provides comprehensive data on the change of mechanical properties of fast-degrading polyester-urethane scaffolds when exposed to concurrent degradation and tissue ingrowth following implantation. He demonstrates that scaffolds allow balance of the mechanical effects of degradation and tissue development. He further demonstrates that the polyester-urethane scaffolds exceed current clinically used materials, such as PET and ePTFE, in the ability to mimic physiological mechanics of arteries in the context of coronary artery disease.

Supervisor: A/Professor T Franz

(Human Biology)

Co-supervisors: A/Professor D Bezuidenhout (Surgery)
Assistant Professor M de Beule (Ghent University Belgium)

Fulufhelo James Masithulela
Thesis Title: *Computational bio-mechanics in the remodelling rat heart post myocardial infarction*

Fulufhelo Masithulela holds a BSc and MSc in Mechanical Engineering from the University of the Witwatersrand. In 2011, he was appointed at UNISA and is a senior lecturer in the Department of Mechanical and Industrial Engineering. He recently set up a well-equipped biomechanics laboratory that is the only of its kind in Africa.

Fulufhelo Masithulela's thesis is concerned with the study of impaired cardiac mechanics and function in the remodelling heart following myocardial infarction (MI). Ischemic heart disease including MI is a leading cause of death worldwide. There are no effective therapies for MI, the only treatment for heart failure following MI is heart transplantation. Imperative for the development of novel therapies is the understanding of the structural and functional changes in the infarcted heart undergoing adverse remodelling. By developing finite element models of the same heart at different stages after infarction from magnetic resonance images, Fulufhelo Masithulela captured changes of the remodelling heart. Employing these models for computational simulations of the cardiac cycle, i.e. filling and ejection, allowed the subject-specific comparison of impaired pump function of the left ventricle and altered mechanics, that is strain and stress, in the cardiac muscle throughout the left and right ventricles as the heart remodels.

Supervisor: Associate Professor T Franz (Human Biology)
Co-supervisors: A/Professor NH Davies (Surgery)
Dr L Dubuis (Université Claude Bernard Lyon 1, France)

In Clinical Pharmacology:

Prenitha Sewnarain

Thesis Title: *Antidiabetic activity of Schkuhria pinnata – biological screening, PK analysis and mode of action*

Prenitha Sewnarain has a BSc, BSc (Honours) and an MSc, majoring in plant pathology and microbiology, from the University of Kwa-Zulu Natal. Her doctoral work materialised as a result of her research at the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research, where she has been a staff member since 2003.

Prenitha Sewnarain's thesis investigates the antidiabetic properties of the traditional medicinal plant *S. pinnata*. With the rapid increase of type 2 diabetes in South Africa and its potentially devastating effects on healthcare, there is an urgent need for novel, non-cytotoxic, inexpensive and effective drugs to combat the spread of the disease. The study was laid out to identify and isolate the active ingredient responsible for enhancing glucose uptake and lowering blood glucose levels in streptozotocin - induced diabetic rats. Screening of the plant extract and its isolated active fractions for antidiabetic activity in in vitro and in vivo assays supports its use for the treatment of diabetes. The mode of action studies identified the key molecular mechanisms responsible for the antidiabetic activity and a pharmacokinetic study described the bioavailability of the extracts. Medicinal plants could be a potential treatment for diabetes, thus providing cheap and easily available alternatives to help control blood glucose levels for people with low incomes.

Supervisor: A/Professor P Smith (Pharmacology)

Co-supervisor: Dr C Muller (MRC)

*Phumla Zuleika Sinxadi

Thesis Title: *Pharmacogenomics and pharmacokinetics of antiretroviral drugs and their associations with metabolic complications in HIV-infected black South Africans*

Phumla Sinxadi completed an MBChB in at UCT, subsequently specialising in Clinical Pharmacology and obtaining her MMed. Her doctoral research developed from her master's dissertation, in which she investigated associations between blood concentrations of the antiretroviral drug stavudine and metabolic complications.

Phumla Sinxadi's thesis explored relationships between antiretroviral drug concentrations and metabolic complications, and how genetic variants influence both of these, in adults with HIV infection. Her findings improved the understanding of genetic determinants of efavirenz plasma exposure in an African population - she was awarded a prize for best publication by an author in training in 2015 by the prestigious British Journal of Clinical Pharmacology for the paper describing this aspect of her PhD. She discovered a novel association between an African mitochondrial haplogroup and blood concentrations of triglycerides. She explored associations between metabolic complications and concentrations of the antiretroviral drugs lopinavir and efavirenz, and described for the first time concentration-dependent increases in lipids and glucose in patients on efavirenz. These findings have important public health implications as long term efavirenz use, which includes almost 3 million South Africans, could increase the risk of cardiovascular disease.

Supervisor: Professor G Maartens (Medicine)

Co-supervisor: Professor DW Haas (Medicine, Pharmacology, Pathology, Microbiology & Immunology, Vanderbilt University School of Medicine in Nashville, Tennessee, USA)

Wynand Anton Smythe

Thesis Title: *Characterizing population pharmacokinetic / pharmacodynamic relationships in pulmonary tuberculosis infected adults using nonlinear mixed effects modelling*

Wynand Smythe obtained a Pharmacy degree from Rhodes University, following which he completed a BSc(Hons) and MSc at UCT. His doctoral thesis stemmed from a World Health Organisation project investigating the shortening of tuberculosis treatment in African patients.

In this study patients from Benin, Guinea, Senegal, and South Africa received either the standard 6-month control regimen of rifampicin, isoniazid, pyrazinamide, and ethambutol or the 4-month test regimen where gatifloxacin replaced ethambutol. Wynand Smythe's thesis described the pharmacokinetics of all drugs at first dose and steady-state using nonlinear mixed-effects modelling. A novel semi-mechanistic enzyme turn-over model was developed to characterise autoinduction of rifampicin metabolism while the current gatifloxacin dose was evaluated using Monte Carlo simulations. Lastly, Classification & Regression Tree analysis was used to identify factors predictive of 2-month culture conversion or a composite outcome at 24-months. This approach revealed test arm patients had better short-term culture conversion rates while control arm patients had superior long-term outcome. Overall, drug exposure was found to be a stronger predictor of outcomes than non-pharmacokinetic factors such as baseline mycobacterial burden, lung cavities, and HIV status.

Supervisor: A/Professor H McIlleron (Medicine)

Co-supervisor: Dr P Denti (Medicine)

In Clinical Science & Immunology:
Matthew Graham Darby
Thesis Title: *Preconception maternal exposure to Nippostrongylus brasiliensis transfers protection against Nb to her offspring*

Matthew Darby completed a BSc(Med)(Hons) in Infectious Diseases and Immunology and an MSc(Med) in Clinical Laboratory Science and Immunology (with distinction) at UCT.

His PhD research focused on associations which have been made between maternal helminth infection and altered childhood immune responses to diseases and vaccinations. Helminth infections are widespread and can have a long lasting influence on host immunity. His work shows that helminth-modified maternal immunity imprints on early offspring immune development in utero or through breast milk in the form of transfer of antibodies, cytokines and lymphocytes, related to maternal IL-4R α expression. *N. brasiliensis* infected mothers transferred protective immunity against *N. brasiliensis* to their offspring. Together, this data indicates that pre-conception maternal exposure to a helminth infection powerfully enhances offspring immune development and potential that confers protection against similar infections.

Supervisor: Professor F Brombacher (Pathology)
Co-supervisor: Associate Professor WGC Horsnell (Pathology)

Elvis Banboye Kidzeru
Thesis Title: *The impact of myeloid-derived suppressor cells on vaccine immunogenicity in HIV infected and uninfected mothers and their infants*

Elvis Kidzeru obtained his honours in laboratory medicine from the University of Buea, Cameroon and MSc(Med) from UCT. As a member of the Division of Immunology at UCT since 2011, his interests lie in the vaccine responses of South African infants, including those that are born to HIV-infected women.

Elvis Kidzeru's thesis aims to evaluate the effect of myeloid derived suppressor cells (MDSC) on immune responses to the Expanded Program on Immunisation (EPI) vaccines (including BCG, DTaP and Hepatitis B) in South African infants and their HIV infected and uninfected mothers recruited from Khayelitsha, Cape Town. The ultimate goal is to design interventions to improve and better understand the health of infants. Furthermore, the study could inform the design of a neonatal HIV vaccine. Elvis Kidzeru's thesis utilises state of the art immunology to assess the cellular immunity of infants, including CFSE, ELISPOT and multiparameter flow cytometry assays. The results show that high frequencies of MDSC are present at birth, but decrease with age in infants. He further presents evidence that these cells can suppress or enhance vaccine responses depending on the antigen being assessed.

Supervisor: Dr HB Jaspan (Pathology)
Co-supervisor: Associate Professor WGC Horsnell (Pathology)

In Disability Studies:
Victor John McKinney
Thesis Title: *An exploratory case study on the preparation of undergraduate civil engineering students at the University of Cape Town to contribute to an inclusive society for people with disabilities*

Victor McKinney became paralysed in an accident while a student at Michaelis School of Fine Art in 1987. He later obtained an MPhil in Disability Studies in 2008 at UCT. His doctoral research emerged as a result of his experiences as a disabled person while interacting with the built environment.

Victor McKinney's thesis explores how Civil Engineering undergraduates at UCT are being prepared to contribute to an inclusive society that accommodates people with disabilities. In view of the infrastructural goals of the National Development Plan and UCT's commitment to social responsiveness, the thesis utilises a production line analogy in exploring the roles of the different stakeholders in the undergraduate programme. The stakeholders include the Engineering Council of South Africa, the Engineering industry, people with disabilities, UCT and students. Findings reveal a strong commitment of the stakeholders to transformation within Engineering education and practice, and provide a platform for an interdisciplinary approach to teaching and learning to embed the concept of universal design within the built environment in South Africa. This will enhance the accommodation of people with disabilities in society, as well as others who face challenges in accessing the built environment.

Supervisor: Professor SL Amosun (Health and Rehabilitation Sciences)
Co-Supervisor: Dr C Howell (Institutional Planning)

Christine Peta

Thesis Title: *Voices from the Periphery: A Narrative Study of the Experiences of Sexuality of Disabled Women in Zimbabwe*

Christine Peta holds a Bachelor of Administration (BAdmin), an MBA, and a Master's in Development Studies. She thereafter enrolled for a PhD in Disability Studies with UCT's Department of Health and Rehabilitation Science. She is particularly interested in exploring intersections of disability with other identity markers such as sexuality, gender, culture and class within African contexts, and is also committed to researching the link between disability, indigenous health knowledge systems and post-colonialism.

Christine Peta's work with disabled women in Zimbabwe is unique in the field of disability studies as it focuses on a particularly marginalised group of people, women with a disability. Through the use of qualitative in-depth interviews with 16 women with different disabilities, she generates individual narratives which are then subject to a thematic analysis in an analysis of narratives. The intersections of culture, gender, disability and sexuality are identified and her study illuminates the way that these women negotiate these multiple identities in an assertion of their own sexuality within oppressive practices. This exploration leads her to propose a theoretical framework of African feminist disability studies that can be fruitfully applied in an African context.

Supervisor: Dr J McKenzie (Health and Rehabilitation Sciences)

Co-supervisors: Professor H Kathard (Health Sciences Education); Dr A Africa (Gender Studies)

In Emergency Medicine:

Pregalathan Govender

Thesis Title: *The development and testing of a training intervention designed to improve the acquisition and retention of CPR knowledge and skills in Ambulance Paramedics.*

Pregalathan Govender has a master's degree in Emergency Medical Care. He is also the consultant paramedic for Adult Cardiac Arrest at the National Ambulance Service, in the State of Qatar. He has a speciality focus on developing pre-hospital systems designed to improve survival rates in victims of out-of-hospital cardiac arrest.

Pregalathan Govender's thesis investigates to what extent, the quality, effectiveness and consistency of paramedic-delivered CPR is impacted by training designed and tailored specifically to the operational role, scope of practice, educational background, cohort characteristics, and learner preferences of paramedics. Using a mixed-methods multi-phase research design, the study develops, implements, and then evaluates the impact of a training intervention designed and tailored to improve the acquisition and retention of CPR knowledge and skills in paramedics. The results show that while the proportion of CPR performances rated as competent was significantly higher when training was received from a tailored CPR training intervention, degeneration in skills occurred as early as 3 months later, and in a similar manner to non-tailored training interventions. This provides a clear indication that despite the type of training paramedics receive, the traditional 2-year period before retraining is too long.

Supervisors: Professor K Sliwa-Hahnle (Hatter Institute for Cardiovascular Research)

Co-supervisor: Professor L Wallis (Division of Emergency Medicine)

In Exercise Science:

Michael Thomas King

Thesis Title: *Toward a greater understanding of the brain processes of handgrip and handgrip fatigue*

Michael King has a joint honours degree in Psychology and Biology and an MSc in Biomedical Neurosciences. His interest in pursuing this doctoral research emerged as a result of his experiences as a graduate student in neurosciences while competing as a Track and Field athlete at his University in Canada.

Michael King's thesis aims to give a greater understanding of the brain's role in handgrip fatigue and to elucidate a mechanism for how CNS stimulants improve force output during exercise. Investigations into the proposed "central governor" of exercise have not yet adequately explained how motor drive is limited at the level of the motor cortex. Michael King's thesis examines potential mechanisms of the central governor using functional magnetic resonance imaging (fMRI) during a fatiguing handgrip task. The end result is a synthesis of theory and explanation of the brain's role in exercise and pacing, as well as how CNS stimulants may act on the brain to improve exercise performance.

Supervisor: Dr L Rauch (Human Biology)

Co-supervisors: Professor D Stein (Psychiatry & Mental Health); Dr S Brooks (Psychiatry & Mental Health)

Philippa Mary Skowno
Thesis Title: *Psychological factors and physical outcomes in patients with chronic diseases of lifestyle.*

Philippa Skowno has a BA from UCT, a BSc from the University of the Witwatersrand, an honours degree from UNISA and an MA in counselling psychology from Rhodes University. In addition, she received her post graduate certificate in education and was employed as a secondary school educator for four years. She has subsequently practiced as a counselling psychologist while completing her PhD.

Philippa Skowno's thesis provides a comprehensive description of the patient experience of chronic diseases of lifestyle. Employing mixed methods, the thesis describes the role of psychological factors, specifically protective factors such as resilience, in the physical outcomes of patients who are completing a comprehensive lifestyle intervention programme for chronic diseases of lifestyle. Recommendations from the thesis include more individualised assessment of this cohort. The use of interviews and observations, as well as continuous collaboration between psychologists, physicians and other relevant healthcare personnel will ensure the provision of patient centred care and more sustainable secondary prevention of chronic diseases of lifestyle.

Supervisor: Professor EW Derman, (Surgery, Stellenbosch University)

Co-supervisors: Dr C Draper, (Human Biology) & Prof DJ Stein, (Psychiatry)

In Haematology:
Kirsty Wienand
Thesis Title: *MAGE C1 antigen expression in Multiple Myeloma: a tool for malignant cell identification, disease monitoring and determining disease mechanisms.*

Kirsty Wienand obtained a BSc (with distinction), honours and MMedSc (distinction) degrees in Human Molecular Biology from the University of the Free State. Due to her academic performance, she has been a member of the Golden Key Association since 2006. She is also a qualified independent medical scientist (HPCSA).

Kirsty Wienand's thesis aims to advance the management protocols and treatment efficiency of Multiple Myeloma, by providing novel monitoring methodology that specifically quantifies the primary disease-causing cell type, circulating in the peripheral blood of all the patients. A flow cytometric approach was used to identify the malignant cell progenitor in Multiple Myeloma patients, through the novel use of Cancer/Testis antigen expression (MAGE C1) and specific lymphocyte development markers. Novel monitoring methodologies, including flow cytometry and advanced real-time PCR, were developed to assess the levels of these malignant cells during chemotherapy and autologous stem cell therapy. The results provide a new cancer monitoring platform, that allows for less invasive, yet highly sensitive, analysis of disease status during therapy and equips the clinician with a tool to more accurately determine the effectiveness of treatment and predict relapse, compared to current methodologies.

Supervisor: Dr K Shires (Pathology)

In Human Genetics:
*Manogari Chetty
Thesis Title: *Dental implications of connective tissue disorders in South Africa*

Manogari Chetty has a BSc, BChD and a MChD in Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology from the University of the Western Cape. She is currently a senior lecturer in the Division of Oral and Cell Biology, Faculty of Dentistry, UWC. Her interest in the dental manifestations of genetic disorders had its origins at the Red Cross Children's Hospital where she regularly participates in the collaborative UWC-UCT dental genetics clinic.

Osteogenesis imperfecta, a genetic brittle bone condition, causes frequent skeletal fracturing and often leads to significant disability. The dental and maxillofacial structures are involved and management can be difficult. Manogari Chetty's thesis focuses on a severe form of this condition which is present in the indigenous Black African population of South Africa. By means of extensive outreach investigations in the Cape, KwaZulu Natal, Free State and Gauteng, she was able to document the dental and craniofacial manifestations in 64 Black African persons. A correlation with the underlying determinant gene mutation was established. Similar studies were undertaken in a small group of affected Cape Mixed Ancestry and Indian persons. On the basis of her observations, an appropriate approach to dental management was formulated. This will be of practical importance in conventional dentistry.

Supervisor: Emeritus Professor P Beighton (Division of Human Genetics)

Co-supervisor: Professor LXG Stephen (Faculty of Dentistry, UWC)

*Marelize Swart
Thesis Title: *MicroRNA regulation of genes affecting disposition of efavirenz and rifampicin: pharmacogenomics implications*

Marelize Swart has BSc and BSc(Hons) qualifications from the University of Pretoria, and an MSc(Med) from the University of Cape Town. Her doctoral thesis emerged from the research in the Pharmacogenetics Group in the Division of Human Genetics, where she completed her MSc.

Marelize Swart's thesis evaluates the effects of co-treatment of HIV and TB using efavirenz and rifampicin. Most patients present with co-infections for HIV and TB and require treatment for both. The effects of using each drug individually differs from when they are used concurrently. The thesis interrogates effects of efavirenz and rifampicin on expression of microRNA and drug metabolising enzymes (DMEs). Genetic variation in the 3'-UTR of DMEs (miRSNPs) is also evaluated in HIV/AIDS patients. This thesis confirms the potential of microRNA levels and miRSNPs to be used as pharmacogenomics biomarkers. Pharmacogenomics deals with evaluation of genetic factors on their effects on therapeutic drug response. This work contributes towards the realisation of precision (or personalised) medicine.

Supervisor: Professor C Dandara (Pathology)

In Medical Biochemistry:
Henry Ademola Adeola
Thesis Title: *Novel urinary and serological markers of prostate cancer using proteomics techniques: an important tool for early cancer diagnosis and treatment monitoring*

Henry Ademola Adeola holds a BDS degree in Dental Surgery from the University of Ibadan, Nigeria, and graduated as the overall best student in Oral Pathology/Biology. He obtained an associate fellowship of the regional Postgraduate Medical Colleges in Oral/Maxillofacial Pathology, before completing his PhD at UCT.

Henry Ademola Adeola's doctoral research utilised a number of proteomics techniques to identify potential prostate cancer biomarkers. He describes a high-throughput mass spectrometry- and protein microarray-based proteomics approaches for prostate cancer biomarker discovery and personalised medicine. Henry Ademola Adeola identified 9991 non-redundant urinary peptides from a South African patient cohort via label free mass spectrometry assays. He also computationally identified 82 potential urinary biomarkers of prostate cancer, including nine biomarkers that demonstrated ethnic trends. These potential biomarkers were screened in-silico and by targeted parallel reaction monitoring (PRM) to identify the 12 top ranking biomarkers. Furthermore, autoantibody response to 123 putative tumour-specific autoantigens including cancer-testis antigens arrayed on a CT100+ antigen microarray platform was analysed in the serum of prostate cancer patients from the South African cohort. Using this approach, he identified 41 potential blood-based immunotherapeutic targets. Racial differences in autoantibody responses were assessed and discovered within the cohort as well.

Supervisor: A/Professor LF Zerbini (Integrative Biomedical Sciences)
Co-supervisor: Professor JM Blackburn (Integrative Biomedical Sciences)

Rachel Adihe Lokanga
Thesis Title: *Somatic expansion of pre-mutation alleles and the role of the mismatch repair and base excision repair proteins on repeat expansion in a mouse model of the fragile X-related disorders*

Rachel Lokanga was born in the city of Katanga, in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC). She graduated with Distinction in 2001 with an associate degree in Nutrition and Dietetics from the Institutes of Medical Techniques in Kinshasa (DRC). She obtained her bachelor's in science in Biochemistry (Magna cum laude) in 2009 from North Carolina State University in the USA. After working as a research assistant at the National Institutes of Health (NIH) in the USA, she then began working towards a Ph.D through a cooperative agreement between UCT and NIH.

Rachel Lokanga's thesis work aimed to understand the molecular basis of the unusual mutation responsible for Fragile X-related disorders, a group of disorders associated with learning difficulties, neurodegeneration and infertility. Her work suggests that an aberrant DNA damage response involving the interaction of components of the Mismatch Repair pathway and the Base Excision Repair pathway may be responsible for these disorders. Her research thus provides insight into the mechanism of this poorly understood mutation.

Supervisor: Professor MI Parker (Integrative Biomedical Sciences)
Co-supervisor: Dr K Usdin (Laboratory of Cell and Molecular Biology, National Institute of Diabetes, Digestive and Kidney Diseases, NIH, USA)

Razia Moorad

Thesis Title: *Computer-aided drug design and the biological evaluation of anti-cancer drugs*

Razia Moorad holds a BSc in Biomedicine from Midrand Graduate Institute, and an MSc in Drug Discovery and Translational Biology from the University of Edinburgh.

Razia Moorad's doctoral research utilised a number of Computer-aided drug design techniques to identify potential anticancer drugs. Computer-aided drug design has become a promising alternative to high-throughput screening by identifying potential hits in silico for in vitro evaluation. Razia Moorad's thesis describes the various ligand-based and structure-based virtual screening techniques that were performed to identify in silico hits. Over 70 compounds were screened for in vitro activity in several cancer cell lines and four compounds identified from the NCI database were found to have in vitro cytotoxicity in prostate and ovarian cancer cell lines. The most potent of the 4 compounds, NSC727152 was shown to inhibit NF- κ B activity, which resulted in the down regulation of IL 6 mRNA, the reduced promoter activity of the IL-6 gene and the consensus sequence κ B promoter. Furthermore, as a consequence of the inhibition of NF- κ B by NSC727152, an up-regulation of both GADD45 α and GADD45 γ mRNA in prostate cancer cell lines was observed. Razia Moorad's work can contribute to the design of more potent analogues, for the exploration of these compounds as potential anticancer drugs.

Supervisor: Dr L Zerbins
(Integrative Biomedical Sciences)

Co-supervisor: Professor K Chibale (Drug Discovery & Development)

Vuyolwethu Penelope Siyo

Thesis Title: *Molecular mechanisms involved in the anticancer activity of BisPMB in oesophageal cancer cells*

Vuyolwethu Siyo obtained her BSc in Physiology and Biochemistry and her BSc(Med)(Hons) from UCT. Her subsequent registration for an MSc(Med) was upgraded to a PhD in the Division of Medical Biochemistry.

Vuyolwethu Siyo's thesis characterises the activity and the cell death pathways induced by bisPMB in oesophageal cancer cells. BisPMB is a synthetic analogue of the garlic derived compound ajoene that is 12.5 times more active than the parent compound. In her thesis Vuyolwethu Siyo demonstrates that bisPMB killed oesophageal cancer cells more effectively than the normal counterpart. She also observes that the endoplasmic reticulum (ER) stress pathway was the main pathway triggered by bisPMB in the oesophageal cancer cells. Her thesis illustrates a detailed characterisation of the ER stress pathway induced by bisPMB. She finds that CHOP, which is an ER stress induced gene, plays a key role in regulating the growth of oesophageal cancer cells following bisPMB treatment. In addition to ER stress, she also found that bisPMB activated several cell death related kinase signalling pathways. This study makes a significant contribution towards the knowledge base of the underlying molecular mechanisms of bisPMB anticancer activity. This information may also provide better understanding of the mechanisms of ajoene anticancer activity and may ultimately aid the development of more effective drug combinations for cancer treatment through rational design.

Supervisor: Professor I Parker
(Integrative Biomedical Sciences)

In Medical Cell Biology:

Aretha Cooper

Thesis Title: *A tumour suppressor role for the T-box transcription factor TBX3 in fibroblasts*

Aretha Cooper graduated with a BSc in Biochemistry and Genetics with distinction and an Honours in Cell Biology with a first class pass from UCT. She registered for an MSc in Cell Biology at UCT in 2010, which was upgraded to a PhD in 2012.

Aretha Cooper's thesis focuses on understanding the role of the oncogenic TBX3 in fibrosarcomas which are aggressive soft-tissue sarcomas derived from fibroblasts. Her study firstly reveals that TBX3 is upregulated in this cancer by post-translational modification by the ERK MAPK and PI3K/Akt pathways. Secondly, unlike its well characterised oncogenic role in a number of cancers, she demonstrates a novel role for TBX3 as a tumour suppressor in fibrosarcomas. For example, she shows that TBX3 inhibits several features of the oncogenic process in this sarcoma subtype including cell proliferation, migration and tumour formation. Finally, Aretha demonstrates that TBX3 mediates its negative effect on migration, in part, by directly activating the COL1A2 gene. Collectively, results from her study suggest that TBX3 may function as either oncoprotein or tumour suppressor depending on the cellular context and this has serious implications for how TBX3 is targeted as part of an anti-cancer regimen.

Supervisor: Professor S Prince
(Human Biology)

In Medical Microbiology:
Felix Sizwe Dube
Thesis Title: *Longitudinal colonisation by Streptococcus pneumoniae and nasopharyngeal microbial interactions in health and disease: a South African birth cohort study*

Felix Dube has a BSc in Medical Microbiology from the University of Zambia and a BSc(Med) (Hons) in Infectious Diseases and Immunology from UCT. He enrolled for his MSc in Medical Microbiology at UCT in 2012, and upgraded to PhD in 2013.

Felix Dube's thesis describes the dynamic nature of *Streptococcus pneumoniae* nasopharyngeal colonisation patterns in a community cohort of South African infants during their first year of life, after implementation of the 13-valent pneumococcal conjugate vaccine (PCV-13). By combining an intensive sampling strategy and use of novel molecular typing algorithms, this study shows significant shifts in the timing of acquisition, intensity of colonization, serotype distribution and interaction of *S. pneumoniae* with other respiratory pathogens that are likely to be key determinants for disease progression. It is anticipated that these findings will lead to improved understanding of pneumonia pathogenesis and assist in vaccine formulation.

Supervisor: Professor M Nicol
(Pathology)
Co-supervisor: Dr L Robberts
(Pathology)

In Medicine:
Maryam Fish
Thesis Title: *Analysis of genetic mutations that cause arrhythmogenic right ventricular cardiomyopathy*

Maryam Fish has a BSc, BSc(Med) (Hons) in Human Genetics, and an MSc(Med) from UCT. She has undertaken research on the molecular genetics of cardiomyopathy in the Cardiovascular Genetics Laboratory in the Hatter Institute for Cardiovascular Research in Africa for the past seven years.

Maryam Fish's thesis is based on a search for a genetic cause of disease in a South African family with multiple members who are affected with arrhythmogenic right ventricular cardiomyopathy (ARVC). She shows that the phospholamban gene, which has been implicated in ARVC, does not harbour a disease-causing mutation in this family. A whole genome scan of copy number variants did not reveal a causal mutation in this family. She subsequently embarked upon whole exome sequencing of over 20,000 genes in affected and non-affected family members, which identified a deleterious mutation in CDH2 (c.686A>C; p.Q229P) that segregates with ARVC in the family. Further, a second CDH2 mutation (c.1219G>A; p.D407N) was identified in unrelated ARVC case. The absence of these mutations in > 1000 controls and recapitulation of the phenotype in *Cdh2* deficient mice implicate CDH2 as a novel genetic cause of ARVC in humans.

Supervisor: Professor BM Mayosi
(Medicine)

Catherine Jane Orrell
Thesis Title: *Using electronic methods of adherence monitoring and therapeutic drug monitoring (TDM) to eliminate discordance between antiretroviral adherence and virological failure*

Catherine Orrell has an MBChB, and an MSc(Med) and MMed (both in Clinical Pharmacology) from UCT, together with a Diploma in HIV Management from the South African College of Medicine. Her doctoral work combines her training in pharmacology with her experience of running a research trial site in Groote Schuur and a large HIV treatment project in Gugulethu.

Catherine Orrell's thesis explores adherence to antiretroviral therapy using current standard measures of adherence and a novel monitoring strategy. She designed and instituted a prospective randomised controlled trial to determine the comparative value of an electronic adherence monitoring device which triggered individualised text message reminders compared with standard measures of self recall, clinic-based pill counts, pharmacy refill data and non-nucleoside pharmacokinetic monitoring as predictive measures for viral failure and drug resistance outcomes. She also explored the impact of CYP2B6 metabolic genotype on viral outcomes. Logistic regression models were used to describe receiver-operating characteristics of the different adherence measures to develop recommendations for antiretroviral therapy patient and programme monitoring.

Supervisor: Emeritus
Professor R Wood
Co-supervisor: Professor
G Maartens (Medicine)

In Occupational Therapy:
Amshuda Sunday
Thesis Title: *A case study of professional role transition for occupational therapists in specialised education in post-apartheid South Africa: a critical narrative perspective*

Amshuda Sunday has a BSc from the University of the Western Cape, and a master's degree in Early Childhood Intervention from the University of Pretoria. She has been a member of the academic staff at UCT since 2008.

Taking a critical narrative perspective within case study design, Amshuda Sunday's thesis aimed to describe and analyse a single instrumental case of professional role transition as a process experienced by occupational therapists within specialised education in Post-apartheid South Africa. This case serves as an exemplar in gaining new insight into occupational therapy roles and emerging professional identities in response to a continuously changing social and political context in a newly democratized society. The study offers a description and explanation of the process and introduces an emerging construct in occupational science; 'professional role transgression' as a form of occupational consciousness. The study contributes towards a reconceptualization of the positioning of occupational therapy and other related professions within specialized education in the current Southern African context, with potential intra – and inter-disciplinary postgraduate course offerings to grow leadership in supporting the implementation of policy frameworks for inclusive education.

Supervisor: A/Professor E Ramugondo (Health and Rehabilitation Sciences)
Co-supervisor: Professor H Kathard (Health Sciences Education)

In Orthopaedic Surgery:
Michael Held
Thesis Title: *Evaluation of diagnostic advances in musculoskeletal tuberculosis - the Automated Xpert MTB/RIF Assay.*

Michael Held obtained his undergraduate training at Ludwig-Maximilian University of Munich before working as a supernumery at GF Jooste hospital as a medical officer. He subsequently joined the UCT Orthopaedic Surgical rotation and obtained his MMed and FC Orthopaedic Surgery (South Africa). He is registered as a specialist Orthopaedic Surgeon in South Africa and Germany and currently directs the Orthopaedic Research Unit.

Michael Held's thesis aims to assess the diagnostic accuracy of the Xpert cartridge based polymerase chain reaction (PCR) diagnostic test to detect musculoskeletal tuberculosis (TB) and rifampicin resistance in tissue of bone or joints. Musculoskeletal TB represents 5% of total tuberculosis, half being spinal. Diagnosis is frequently delayed as biopsy cultures take up to 6 weeks for a conclusive result delaying therapy and prolonging hospital stay. Xpert PCR has the advantage of being readily accessible on-site and simple to process. However it has not been used for extra-pulmonary samples. Michael's studies have confirmed high sensitivity and specificity both for the diagnosis of musculoskeletal TB and drug resistance. This has changed patient care dramatically with early institution of appropriate antibiotics and altered provincial diagnostic protocols where this test is now funded by PGWC for extra-pulmonary samples.

Supervisor: Professor H Zar (Paediatrics)
Co-supervisor: Professor R Dunn (Orthopaedic Surgery)

In Paediatrics:
Diane Margaret Gray
Thesis Title: *Early determinants of lung function in African infants*

Diane Gray has an MBChB and an MPhil in Paediatric Pulmonology from UCT, where she works as a respiratory physician in the Department of Paediatrics. She is also a Fellow of the Royal Australasian College of Physicians. Her thesis emerged from a need to improve understanding of priority child health issues such as respiratory disease.

Diane Gray's thesis aims to identify determinants of infant lung function and its impact on respiratory health in early life. Acute respiratory disease remains the leading cause of death in African children and chronic respiratory disease is common. Respiratory disease has its origins in early life, with low lung function at birth associated with disease risk. Understanding the determinants of early life lung function may inform preventive and management strategies that strengthen respiratory health in South African children. This thesis includes the first African infant lung function data, describing normal lung growth in the first year of life. Important factors that impact lung health are identified providing targets for strengthening respiratory health in South African children. The thesis highlights the importance of population specific data and lays a foundation for further epidemiological research into the respiratory health of South African infants.

Supervisor: Professor HJ Zar (Paediatrics and Child Health)
Co-supervisor: Professor GL Hall (Telethon Kids Institute, University of Western Australia)

Richard Denys Pitcher
Thesis Title: *Radiological progression of lung disease in human immunodeficiency virus (HIV)-infected children*

Richard Pitcher holds an MBChB from UCT and a Fellowship of the College of Radiologists of the Colleges of Medicine of South Africa. His doctoral thesis evolved from clinical work while Head of the Division of Paediatric Radiology at the Red Cross War Memorial Children's Hospital.

Richard Pitcher used a customised, systematic reporting methodology to investigate chest radiographic abnormalities in HIV-infected children in a resource-limited environment. This longitudinal study in the epicenter of the paediatric HIV epidemic showed that the majority of HIV-infected children without access to antiretroviral therapy develop persistent severe chest radiographic abnormalities. The leading causes of these abnormalities were identified. The study also demonstrated that radiographic severity was more common in children over two years of age and was associated with more advanced HIV-disease. Antiretroviral therapy was shown to be beneficial within six months of commencement of treatment, both decreasing the risk of progression to severe radiographic abnormality and ameliorating established abnormality. These findings suggest that universal early initiation of anti-retroviral therapy may prevent severe chest radiographic abnormalities and are of significance for the estimated 3 million children living with HIV-infection in Sub-Saharan Africa.

Supervisor: Professor HJ Zar (Paediatrics and Child Health)
Co-supervisor: Professor SJ Beningfield (Radiation Medicine)

In Psychiatry:
*Dickson Chibanda
Thesis Title: *Development and scaling up of a psychological intervention for common mental disorders among people living with HIV in Zimbabwe*

Dickson Chibanda is a medical doctor with master's degrees in Psychiatry and Public Health from the University of Zimbabwe. His doctoral work emerged from his MPH research which focused on establishing factors associated with common mental disorders in Harare, Zimbabwe.

Dickson Chibanda's thesis aims to develop and scale up a psychological intervention for common mental disorders in primary health care facilities in Zimbabwe. The development of the intervention has taken over four years and this thesis outlines the stages of the formative work leading to the development of the Friendship Bench project. This is an intervention delivered by lay health workers who are trained and supervised by clinical psychologists and psychiatrists in Harare. The thesis includes detailed descriptions of the intervention and its core components including the indigenous terms that are used to navigate through the sessions. The importance of stakeholder involvement in the development of this complex intervention is highlighted throughout the thesis. Emphasis is placed on the use of a theory driven approach to the development, implementation, and scale up of the intervention to all primary care facilities in the City of Harare.

Supervisor: Professor C Lund (Psychiatry & Mental Health)
Co-supervisor: Professor F Cowan (Centre for Sexual Health and HIV AIDS, University College London)

In Public Health:
Kate Alyssa Sherry
Thesis Title: *Occupations of citizenship: the missing layer in empowered engagement between rural people with disabilities and primary healthcare (PHC) workers*

Kate Sherry has a BSc (Occupational Therapy) from UCT, and an MSc (International Primary Health Care) from University College London. Her doctoral thesis arose from her work as a clinician in the rural Eastern Cape, and as part of a research team studying rural disability service delivery in the region.

Kate Sherry's thesis aims to understand the existing engagement between rural people with disabilities and healthcare workers in the PHC interface, and thus to theorise how this could be strengthened for more responsive and equitable health services. Health system challenges and structural conditions of poverty impact this group in specific ways, with implications for households and communities that are not well understood. Kate Sherry describes in depth the engagement between rural people with disabilities, their households and existing PHC services in one location, uncovering the breadth and complexity of factors at play in this interface. The quality of relationships between people with disabilities and frontline healthcare workers emerges as central to healthcare engagement in this setting. The thesis argues for key elements in health system design which foster such relationships, including longitudinality of healthcare worker-family engagement, and situating key healthcare services as close as possible to where people live.

Supervisor: Professor S Reid (Primary Health Care Directorate)
Co-supervisor: A/Professor EM Duncan (Health and Rehabilitation Sciences)

In Surgery:

*Nagib du Toit

Thesis Title: *Open globe injuries at Groote Schuur Hospital – nature and outcomes*

Nagib du Toit has an MBChB and MMed from UCT. He is a Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh and of the College of Ophthalmologists of South Africa. His doctoral research emerged as a result of clinical exposure to the large number of ocular trauma patients at Groote Schuur Hospital.

Nagib du Toit's thesis aims to provide insight into open

globe injuries as an important preventable cause of visual impairment. Awareness of this public health problem is created by this thesis. Aspects of these injuries are investigated via a retrospective review, a prospective case series and a randomised controlled trial. Significant findings include a high number of cases being due to assault, with 70% being associated with alcohol consumption and 80% resulting in monocular blindness. There is a delay in surgical intervention, but outcomes only in those with corneal injuries are adversely affected.

Overall outcome trends mirror the internationally-used Ocular Trauma Score. Post-surgery wound rupture cases have a poor prognosis with visual acuity at presentation being a strong prognostic predictor. An endophthalmitis rate of below 2% for two different prophylactic antibiotic protocols is reported. Both are proposed as being acceptable and one of these enables a shortened hospital stay.

Supervisor: Professor D Kahn (Surgery)

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Please note that these changes only affect donations received after 1 January 2015. All donors who were members of particular circles prior to January 2015, will continue to be recognised in their original circles, until the rolling five-year giving period has elapsed.

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