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MILESTONES THAT SHAPED OUR JOURNEY

60 YEARS OF TRANSFORMATION 1966 – 2026



1966-1976 FOUNDATION

- **1966** Vaal Triangle College for Advanced Technical Education established in Vanderbijlpark.
- **1975** Major campus expansion with new lecture halls, laboratories and library.
- **1976** A strong foundation laid for generations of engineers, technologists and innovators.



1976-1986 GROWTH

- **1978** Student enrolment reaches 3,000.
- **1979** Institution becomes the Vaal Triangle Technikon.
- **1981** Campus expands with an additional 22 hectares, creating space for future growth.



1986-1996 EXPANSION

- **1986** Gold Fields Library officially opens.
- **1987** First satellite campus established in Secunda.
- **1995** New delivery sites launched in Uppington and Ekurhuleni, extending VUT's national footprint.



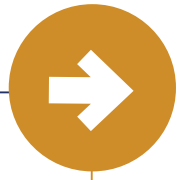
1996-2006 TRANSFORMATION

- **1997** South Africa's first higher education Transformation Charter adopted.
- **2002** First honorary doctorate awarded to Archbishop Emeritus Desmond Tutu.
- **2004** Officially becomes the Vaal University of Technology.



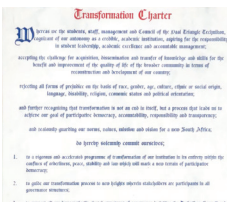
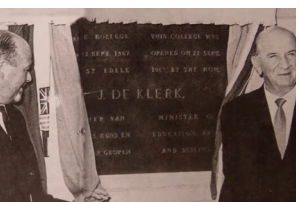
2006-2016 INNOVATION

- Research excellence accelerates.
- Industry partnerships strengthen.
- Student success and postgraduate education expand.
- **2016** VUT celebrates 50 years of excellence while preparing for a new era of innovation.



2016-2026 LEADING THE FUTURE

- Research and innovation continue to grow.
- New academic laboratories and the Gauteng Science and Technology Park strengthen impact.
- **2026** VUT celebrates 60 years of transforming lives through knowledge, innovation and technology.



THE NEXT CHAPTER STARTS TODAY

Sixty years of achievement provide a strong foundation, while **Strategy 2033+** offers the blueprint for the next chapter. VUT's future will rest on homegrown talent. Practical innovation and collaborative partnerships that connect education directly to industry and communities.

The Diamond Jubilee is not only a celebration of what VUT has been, but a clear declaration of what it intends to become: a University that shapes skills, drives innovation and helps build a more equal, productive South Africa.

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THE JUBILEE VIDEO



Thank you

to all who have been part of our journey.



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DIKGATO TŠE BOHLOKWA TŠEO DI BOPILEGO LEETO LA RENA MENGWAGA YE 60 YA PHETOGO 1966 – 2026



1966-1976 MOTHEO

- 1966 Kholetšhe ya Vaal Triangle ya Thuto ya Godimo ya Sethekniki e hlomilwe Vanderbijpark.
- 1975 Katološo ye kgolo ya khampase ka go agwa ga dihlole tše mpsha tša thuto, dilaborathori le bokgobapuku.
- 1976 Motheo wo o tiilego o theilwe wa meloko ya baentšeneere, ditsebi tša theknolotši le bahlami ba dilo tše mpsha

1976-1986 KGOLO

- 1978 Go ingwa-diša ga baithuti go fihla go 3 000.
- 1979 Setheo e ba Theknikone ya Vaal Triangle.
- 1981 Khamphase e katologa ka dihekthara tše 22 tša tlaletšo, e hlole sekgoba sa kgolo ya kamoso.

1986-1996 KATOLOŠO

- 1986 Bokgobapuku bja Gold Fields bo bulwa semmušo.
- 1987 Khamphase ya pele ya sathalaete e hlomilwe Secunda.
- 1995 Mafelo a maswa a kabo a Upington le Ekurhuleni, a katološa go ba gona ga VUT nageng ka bopahara.

1996-2006 PHETOGO

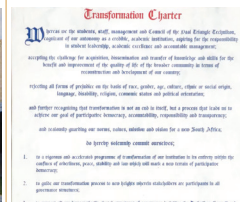
- 1997 Tšhata ya Phetogo ya thuto ya godimo ya pele ya Afrika Borwa e amogetšwe.
- 2002 Lengwalo la mathomo la bongaka la tlhompho le filwe Mopišopo-mogolo Emeritus Desmond Tutu.
- 2004 E ba Yunibesithi ya Theknolotši ya Vaal semmušo

2006-2016 BOITLHAMELO

- Dinyakišišo tše di atlegilego di tšwela pele ka lebelo.
- Tirišanommogo le diintasteri e a matlafala.
- Katlego ya baithuti le thuto ya morago ga kalogo di a katološwa.
- 2016 VUT e keteka mengwaga ye 50 ya bokgoni mola e itokišeletša lebaka le lefsa la boitlhamelo.

2016-2026 GO ETAPELE BOKAMOSO

- Dinyakišišo le boitlhamelo di tšwela pele go gola.
- Dilaborathori tše mpsha tša thuto le Phaka ya Saentšhe le Theknolotši ya Gauteng di matlafatša khu- etšo.
- 2026 Vut e keteka mengwaga e 60 ya go fetola maphelo ka tsebo, boitlhamelo le theknolotši.



KGAOLO YE E LATELAGO E THOMA LEHONO

Mengwaga e masometshela ya katlego e fa motheo wo o tiilego, mola Leano la 2033+ le fana ka leano la kgaolo ye e latelago. Bokamoso bja VUT bo tla ithekga ka ditalente tša gae. Tšweletšo ya tirišo le dikamano tša tirišanommogo tšeo di kgokaganyago thuto thwii le intasteri le ditšhaba.

Taamane ya Jubilee ga se fela keteko ya seo VUT e lego sona, efela pego ya seo e ikemišeditšego go ba sona: Yunibesithi yeo e bopago mabokgoni, e etelago pele boitlhamelo le go thuša go aga Afrika Borwa ye e tšweletšago le go lekana.

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Rea Leboga

go bohle bao ba bilego karolo ya
leeto la rena.



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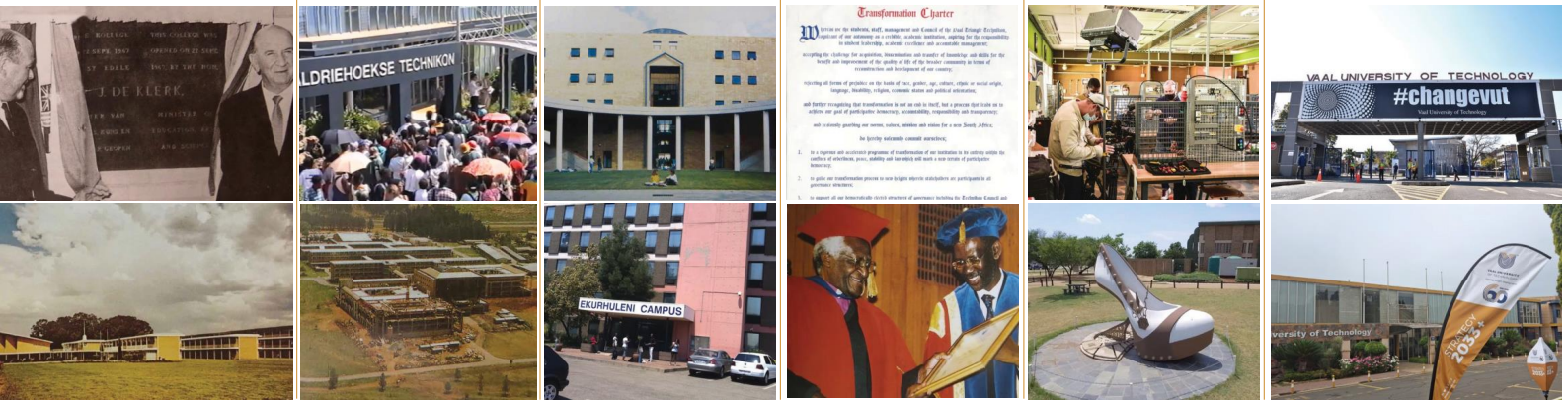




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DILEMO TSE 60 TSA PHETOHO 1966 – 2026

					
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KGALO E LATELANG E QALA KAJENO

Dilemo tse mashome a tshelatseng tsa phihlelo di fana ka motheo o tiileng, athe leano la la 2033+ lona le fana ka moralo o qaqileng wa kgaolo e tlang. Bokamoso ba VUT bo tla itshetleha ka talenta e hodisitsweng lapeng. Boqapi bo sebetsang le tshebedisanommoho le balekane tse hokahanyang thuto ka kotloloho le diindasteri le ditjhaba.

Jubili ya Taemane ha se feela mokete wa seo VUT e bileng sona, empa ke phatlalatso ya seo e ikemiseditseng ho ba sona: Yunivesithi e bopang bokgoni, e qhobang boqapi, le e thusang ho aha Afrika Borwa e nang le tekano, le e sebetsang.





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MESSAGE TO THE CLASS OF 2026

Esteemed Graduates, Distinguished Guests, Faculty Members, Families, and Friends

Today we gather not only to celebrate an academic milestone, but to honour a journey of perseverance, discipline and hope. Graduation is never merely the conclusion of study. It is the beginning of responsibility. It is the moment when knowledge meets the world and must prove its worth.

To the Class of 2026, you arrive at this stage at a defining moment in the history of the Vaal University of Technology (VUT). In June 2026 the University celebrated its Diamond Jubilee, marking sixty years of academic excellence, innovation and service to society. Your cohort therefore holds a special place in this historic journey. You are the Jubilee graduates, the generation that steps forward as the University marks six decades of shaping talent and transforming lives.

Across those six decades, thousands have walked these halls before you. Engineers who designed bridges and factories. Technologists who powered industries. Educators, entrepreneurs and innovators who shaped communities across South Africa and beyond. Today you

join that lineage. You become part of the living legacy of the University.

Your achievement is not yours alone. Behind every graduate stands a constellation of support. Parents who sacrificed. Families who encouraged. Lecturers who guided and challenged. Friends who walked the journey with you. Today we honour them as well, because their belief helped carry you to this moment.

Yet graduation does not take place in isolation from the realities of the world around us. South Africa continues to face profound challenges. Unemployment remains high. Poverty still shadows many communities. Inequality continues to test the promise of our democracy. These are not abstract statistics. They are lived realities that call for courage, innovation and leadership.

But history teaches us that societies are changed not only by policies and institutions. They are changed by people who refuse to accept that things must remain as they are.



At VUT, you were prepared for precisely such a moment. You were trained not simply to memorise knowledge but to apply it. To question. To design. To build. To solve problems that matter. Whether you enter laboratories, boardrooms, classrooms, factories or start your own enterprises, the education you received here equips you to turn ideas into impact.

The world you enter is one of profound transformation. Technology is reshaping industries. Artificial intelligence is redefining the nature of work. Sustainability and responsible innovation are becoming central to the future of our planet. In such a world, your qualifications are not merely credentials. They are instruments of change.

As the University continues to commemorate its Diamond Jubilee, we reflect not only on the sixty years that have shaped us, but also on the future we are building., we reflect not only on where we have come from, but on where we must go. A Jubilee is not simply a celebration of years passed. It is a moment of renewal, a re-affirmation of purpose. For VUT, that purpose remains clear: to produce graduates who are builders of society, creators of opportunity, and custodians of ethical leadership.

You, the Class of 2026, embody that mission. You are the engineers who will design smarter cities and

resilient infrastructure.

You are the technologists who will build the industries of the future.

You are the innovators who will create businesses that generate employment.

You are the thinkers who will challenge complacency and inspire progress.

In years to come, when the history of this Diamond Jubilee is told, your generation will be remembered as the graduates who stepped forward at a decisive moment. The generation that carried sixty years of legacy and transformed it into possibility.

So walk into the world with confidence. Let curiosity guide you. Let integrity define you. Let service to society remain your compass.

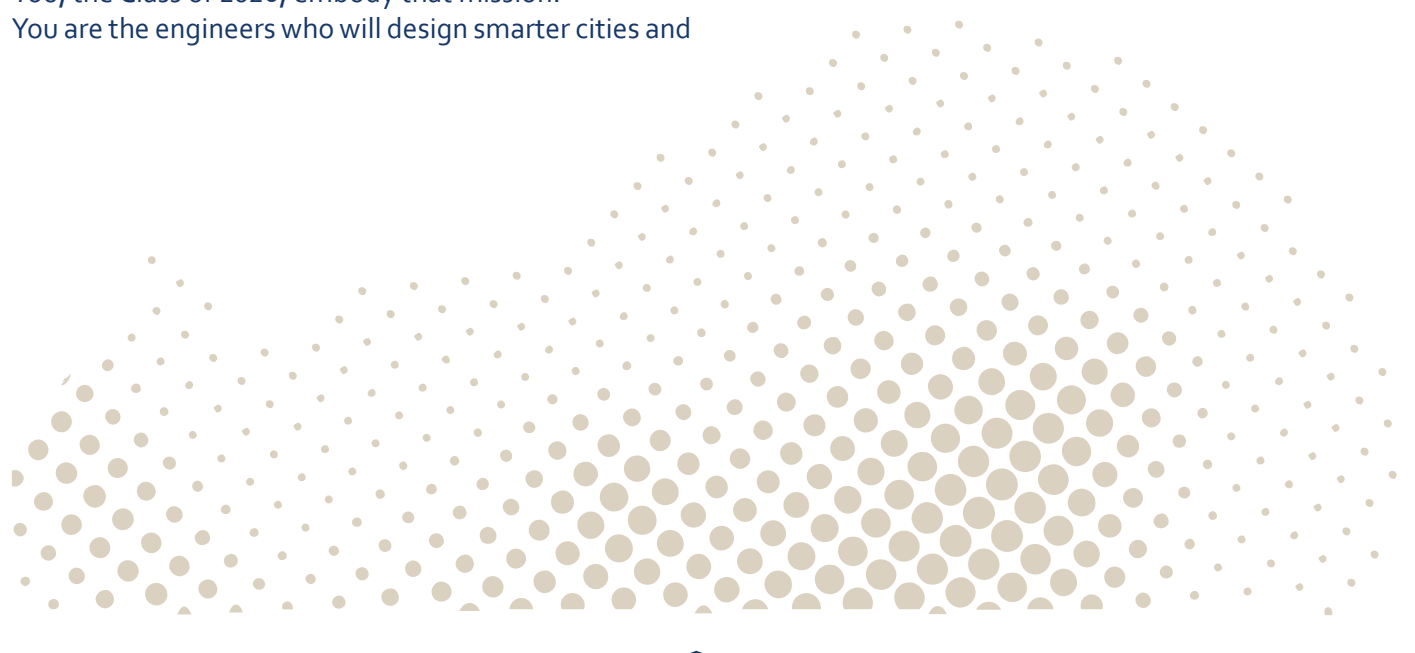
May you build boldly.

May you lead with courage.

And may the knowledge you carry from this University illuminate the path ahead.

Congratulations, Class of 2026.

The future now calls your name.



SESOTHO



VC MOLAETSA HO SEHLOPHA SA 2026

Baithuti ba phethetseng dithuto ba Hlomphehileng, Baeti ba Kgabane, Ditho tsa Difakhalthi, Malapa le Metswalle.

Kajeno re bokana eseng feela ho keteka kgatokgolo ya thuto, empa ho hlomphelele la tiisetso, boitshwara le tshepo. Ho phethela dithuto ha ho bolele feela pheletso ya thuto. Ke qalo ya boikarabelo. Ke motsotso oo tsebo e kopanang le lefatshe mme e tlameha ho hapa boleng ba yona.

Ho Sehlopha sa 2026, le fihla boemong bona ka nako e bohlokwa nalaneng ya Yunivesithi ya Lekwa ya Thekenoloji (VUT). Ka Phupjane 2026 Yunivesithi e keteka Selema sa yona sa Jubilee sa Taemane, se supang dilemo tse mashome a tshelatseng tsa bokgabane ba thuto, boqapi le tshelatseng ho setjhaba. Sehlopha sa lona ka hona se na le sebaka se ikgethang leetong lena la nalane. Le baithuti ba phethetseng dithuto ba Selema sa Jubilee, moloko o hatelang pele ha Yunivesithi e tshwaya dilemo tse mashome a tshelatseng (60) tsa ho bopa talente le ho fetola maphelo.

Ho phatlalla le dilemo tseo tse mashome a tshelatseng (60), ba dikete ba ile ba tsamaya diholong tseo pele ho lona. Dienjinere tse radileng marokgo le difeme. Di-thekenoloji tse matlafaditseng diindasteri. Mesuwe, borakgwebo le baqapi ba bopileng ditjhaba ho phatlalla le Aforika Borwa le ho feta. Kajeno le ikgokahanya le lelolo leo. Le ba karolo ya lefa le phelang la Yunivesithi.

Phihlollo ya lona ha se ya lona le le bang. Ka mora moithuti e mong le e mong a phethetseng dithuto ho eme sehlopha sa dinaledi sa tshelatseng. Batswadi ba ileng ba itela. Malapa a ileng a kgothalletsa. Barupelli ba ileng ba tataisa le ho phephetsa. Metswalle e ileng ya tsamaya leeto le lona. Kajeno re a ba hlomphelele le bona, hobane tumelo ya bona e thusitse ho le tliša motsotsong ona.

Leha ho le jwalo, ho phethela dithuto ha ho etsahale ka ho itsheka thejana dinthong tsa nnete tsa lefatshe le re potolohileng. Aforika Borwa e ntse e tobana le diphephetso tse tebileng. Tlhoheho ya mesebetsi e ntse e phahame. Bofutsana bo ntse bo aparetse ditjhaba tse ngata. Ho se lekane ho ntse ho leka tshepo ya demokerasi ya rona. Tsena ha se lipalopalo tse sa bonahaleng. Ke dinnete tse phelwang, tse hlohang sebete, boqapi le boetapele.

Empa nalane e re ruta hore ditjhaba di a fetoha e se feela ka melao le dibaka. Di fetolwa ke batho ba hanang ho amohela hore dintho di tlameha ho dula di le jwalo.

VUT, le ne le hlophiswa hantle bakeng sa motsotso wa mofuta ona. Le ne le kwetliswa eseng feela ho hopola tsebo empa ho e sebedisa. Ho botsa lipotso. Ho rala. Ho aha. Ho rarolla mathata a bohlokwa. Hore

na le kena dilaborathoring, dikantoro tsa boto, dikantoro tsa thuto, difeme kapa ho qala kgwebo ya hao, thuto eo le e fumaneng mona e le hlomella ho fetola mehopolo hore e be kgahlamelo.

Lefatshe leo le kenang ho lona ke le leng la phetoho e tebileng. Thekenoloji e ntse e fetola diindasteri. Bohlale ba maiketsetso (AI) bo ntse bo hlalosa boemo ba mesebetsi ka ditsela tse fapaneng. Boithlokomelo le boqapi bo nang le boikarabelo di ba bohareng ba bokamoso ba polanete ya rona. Lefatsheng le jwalo, mangolo a lona a thuto ha se phihlollo ya thuto feela. Ke disebediswa tsa phetoho.

Ha Yunivesithi e tsamaya tsela ya ho ya mashomeng a tshelatseng (60), re hopola eseng feela moo re tswang teng, empa le moo re tlamehang ho ya teng. Mokete wa Selema sa Jubilee ha se feela ho keteka dilemo tse fetileng. Ke motsotso wa ntjhafatso, ho tiisa botjha nnetefatso ya morero. Bakeng sa VUT, morero oo o ntse o hlakile: ho hlalosa baithuti ba phethetseng dithuto bao e leng baahi ba setjhaba, bathehi ba menyetla le batshireletsi ba boetapele ba boitshwara bo botle.

Lona, Sehlopha sa 2026, le emela mesebetsi oo.

Le dienjinere tse tla rala metse e bohlale le meralo ya motheo e matla.

Le borathekenoloji ba tla aha diindasteri tsa bokamoso.

Le baqapi ba tla theha dikgwebo tse thehang mesebetsi.

Le banahani ba tla phephetsa boikaaketsi mme le kgothalletse tswelopele.

Dilemong tse tlang, ha nalane ya Selema sena sa Jubilee sa Taemane e phethwa, moloko wa lona o tla hopolwa e le wa baithuti ba phethileng dithuto ba ileng ba hatela pele ka nako e bohlokwa. Moloko o nkileng dilemo tse mashome a tshelatseng (60) tsa lefa mme wa le fetola kgoneho.

Ka hoo, tsamayang lefatsheng ka boitshupo. Dumellang thahasello ya tsebo e le etelle pele. Dumellang botshepehi bo le hlalose. Dumellang tshelatseng setjhabeng e dule e le khamphase ya lona. E ka le ka aha ka sebete.

E ka le ka etella pele ka ho hloka tshabo.

Mme e ka bohlale boo le bo jereng ho tswa Yunivesithing ena bo ka kgantsha tsela e ka pele.

Re a le lebohisa, Sehlopha sa 2026.

Bokamoso bo bitsa lebitso la hao.

SEPEDI

MOLAETŠA WA VC GO SEHLOPHA SA 2026

Dialoga tše di Hlomphegago, Baeng, Maloko a Difakhalthi, Meloko le Bagwera.

Lehono ga re kgobokane fela go keteka kgato ye bohlokwa ya thuto, eupša go hlomphe leeto la go phegelela, boitshwara le kholofelo. Go aloga ga se feela phetho ya thuto. Ke mathomo a maikarabelo. Ke motsotso wo tsebo e kopanago le lefase moo e swanetše go hlatsela mohola wa yona.

Go Sehlopha sa 2026, o fihla mo nakong ye ka motsotso wo o hlaloša-go histori ya Yunibesithi ya Theknolotši ya Vaal (VUT). Ka Ngwatobošego 2026 Yunibesithi e keteka Jubilee ya yona ya Taemane, e swaya mengwaga ye masometshela ya bokgoni bja tša thuto, boithlamelo le tirelo go setšhaba. Ka fao sehlopha sa gago se swere lefelo le le kgethegilego leetong le la histori. Le dialoga tša Jubilee, moloko wo o gatelago pele ge Yunibesithi e swaya mengwagasome ye tshela ya go bopa talente le go fetoša maphelo.

Mengwagasomeng yeo e tshela, ba dikete ba sepetše dihlole tše pele ga gago. Baentšeneere bao ba hlamilego maporogo le difeme. Ditsebi tša theknolotši tšeo di matlafaditšego diintasteri. Barutiši, bagwebi le bahlami bao ba bopilego ditšhaba go ralala Afrika Borwa le ka ntle ga yona. Lehono o tsenela lešika leo. O ba karolo ya bohwa bjo bo phelago bja Yunibesithi.

Phihlelelo ya gago ga se ya gago o nnoši. Ka morago ga se loga se sengwe le se sengwe go eme sehlopha sa dinaledi sa thekgo. Batswadi bao ba ilego ba itima. Malapa ao a be go a hlohletša. Bafahloši bao ba go hlahlilego le go pho hlohla. Bagwera bao ba sepetšego leeto le wena. Lehono re hlomphe hlena le wena, ka gobane tumelo ya bona e thušitše go go rwalla go fihla motsotsong wo.

Lege go le bjalo go aloga ga go direge ka go ikarola go dilo tša kgonthe tša lefase leo le re dikologilego. Afrika Borwa e tšwela pele go le bana le dihlotlo tše di tseneletšego. Go hlokega ga mešomo go sa dutše go le godimo. Bodiidi bo sa dutše bo aparetše ditšhaba tše dintši. Go se lekalekane go tšwela pele go leka tshepišo ya temokrasi ya rena. Tše ga se dipalopalo tšeo di sa kwagalego. Ke dilo tša kgonthe tšeo di nyakago sebetse, boithlamelo le boetapele.

Efela histori e re ruta gore ditšhaba ga di fetošwe fela ke dipholisi le ditheo. Di fetošwa ke batho bao ba ganago go amogela gore dilo di swanetše go dula di le bjalo.

Mo VUT, o be o lokišetšwa motsotso o bjalo ka o. Ga se wa hlahlwa go no swara tsebo ka hlogo efela o tlwaetšwa go e diriša. Go botšiša. Go hlama. Go aga. Go rarolla mathata ao a lego bohlokwa. Go sa



šetšwe gore o tsena dilaborathoring, diphapoši tša boto, diphapošing tša borutelo, difeme goba o thoma dikgwebo tša gago, thuto yeo o e hweditšego mo e go hlomela go fetoša dikgopolo go ba khuetšo.

Lefase leo o tsenago go lona ke la phetogo ye e tseneletšego. Theknolotši e bopa diintasteri lefsa. Bohlale bja maitirelo bo hlaloša leswa tlhago ya mošomo. Go swarelela le boithlamelo bjo bo nago le maikarabelo di fetoga dilo tše bohlokwa go bokamoso bja pholanete ya rena. Lefaseng le bjalo, mangwalo a gago ga se fela mangwalo a go hlatsela. Ke didirišwa tša phetogo.

Ge Yunibesithi e sepela Tsela ya go ya go 60, ga re naganišise fela ka moo re tšwago gona, eupša le moo re swanetšego go ya gona. Jubilee ga se fela keteko ya mengwaga e fetilego. Ke motsotso wa mpsha-fatšo, le tiišetšo gape ya morero. Go VUT, morero woo o dula o le molaleng: go tšweletša dialoga tšeo e lego baagi ba setšhaba, bahlami ba dibaka, le bahlokomedi ba boetapele bja maitshwara a mabotse. Lena, Sehlopha sa 2026, le akaretša thomo yeo.

Ke lena baentšeneere bao ba tlogo hlama ditoropo tše bohlale le mananeokgoparara ao a tiilego. Ke lena ditsebi tša theknolotši tšeo di tla agago diintasteri tša ka moso. Ke lena bahlami ba dilo tše mpsha bao ba tla hlola dikgwebo tšeo di tšweletšago mešomo. Ke lena batho ba go nagana bao ba tla hlohlogo go ikgotsofatša le go hlohleletša tšwelopele.

Mengwageng ye e tlogo, ge histori ya Jubilee ye ya Taemane e anegwa, moloko wa lena o tla gopolwa bjalo ka dialoga tšeo di ilego tša gatela pele ka motsotso wa mafelelo. Moloko wo o rwelego mengwaga ye masometshela ya bohwa gomme wa e fetoša gore e be kgonagalo.

Ka fao sepela lefaseng ka boitshepo. Anke go rata go tseba go go hlale. Anke potego e go hlaloše. A tirelo setšhabeng e dule e le tlhahlo ya gago.

Eke o ka aga ka sebetse.

Eke o ka etela pele ka sebetse.

Gomme tsebo yeo o e rwelego go tšwa Yunibesithing ye e boneše tse-la yeo e lego ka pele.

Re a le lebogiša, Sehlopha sa 2026.

Bokamoso bjale bo bitša leina la gago.



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EXECUTIVE DEANS

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Applied & Computer Sciences
D Tech(CPUT), M Tech(TUT), BSc(Ed)(NWU)



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Management Sciences
PhD (NWU), DTech: (VUT), ADHE (UFS),
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Engineering And Technology
PhD: Eng (NTU, Ukraine), MSc: Eng (NTU, Ukraine),
Grad.Cert: (Curtin, Aus)



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Executive Dean:
Human Sciences
DTech: (TUT), MTech: (VUT), BTech (VUT),
N.Dip: (VUT)

HONORARY DOCTORATES

2002:

Archbishop Emeritus D Tutu - Humanities

2006:

Prof M Hinoul – Extraordinary Professorship

Dr Adv PDF Tlakula - Legal Studies

Dr M Oliphant - Sports Management

2008:

M Mangena - Applied Sciences

Adv IA Semanya - Law

DN Koloane - Fine Arts

SM Pityana - Humanities

Adv G Bizos - Law

Archbishop WHN Ndungane - Humanities

2011:

H Masekela - Human Sciences

2012:

Reverend BE Lekganyane - Human Sciences

M Mohapi (posthumously) - Human Sciences

2013:

Judge MM Mabesele - Human Sciences

G Immelman - Engineering

2016:

B E E Molewa - Applied Sciences

T Tebeila - Business Administration

I I Sooliman (Dr) - Humanities

J B Irkhede - Arts and Design Human Sciences

Mme C M Nku (posthumously) - Human Sciences

2018:

M Meyer - Management Sciences

T Makgoe - Human Sciences

2019:

Z V Sobukwe (posthumously) - Humanities



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ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS

MOKGWA WA TSAMAIISO YA MOSEBETSI | TATELANO YA LENANEO

The Academic Procession enters the Desmond Tutu Great Hall

Mokoloko o kena setsing sa kopanelo Desmond Tutu
Molokoloko wa Dirutegi o tsena ka Holong ya Desmond Tutu

The Vice-Chancellor & Principal Constitutes the Congregation

Motlatsa-Motjhanselara le Mosuwehlooho o Bula Mosebetsi Semmuso
Motlatša Mokhatshelara le Hlogo o Bula Kopano Semmušo

NATIONAL ANTHEM

PINA YA SETJHABA | KOŠA YA SETŠHABA

PRAYER AND WELCOME

THAPELO LE KAMOHÉLO | THAPELO LE KAMOGÉLO

PRESENTATION OF GRADUANDS

DIKAPESO | DIKAPEŠO

Executive Dean

Dini ya Phethahatso | Diniphethiši

CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE TO STUDENTS

TAKALETšo YA MAHLOHONOLO HO BAITHUTI | MOLAETŠA WA DITEBOGIŠO GO BAITHUTI

Vice-Chancellor & Principal

Motlatsa-Motjhanselara le Mosuwehlooho | Motlatša Mokhantshela le Hlogo

VUT ANTHEM

PINA YA YUNIVESITHI | KOŠA YA YUNIBESITHI

Vice-Chancellor & Principal Dissolves the Congregation

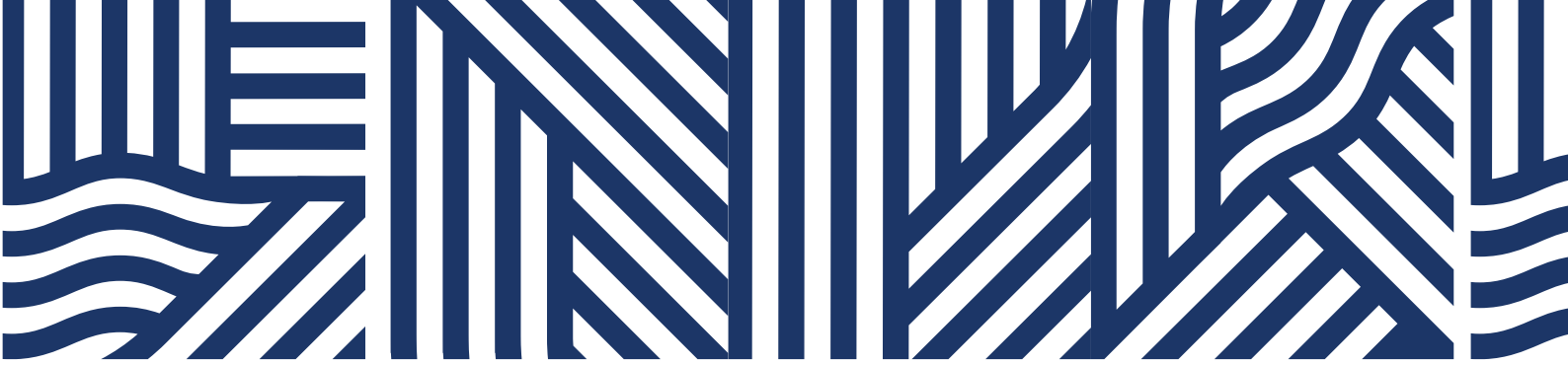
Motlatsa-Motjhanselara le Mosuwehlooho o Qhala Kopano | Motlatša Mokhatshelara le Hlogo o Phatlalatša Kopano

The Academic Procession leaves the hall, followed by Guests.

Mokoloko o tswa setsing sa kopanelo, o latelwa ke baeti ba bohlokwa. | Molokoloko wa Dirutegi o tšwa ka holong, o latelwa ke Baeng

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

Phutheho e koptjwa ho ema ha Mokoloko o tswa setsing sa kopanelo | Batho ba kgopelwa go ema ge molokoloko wa dirutegi o tsena le go tšwa ka holong.



NATIONAL ANTHEM

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

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

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

*Sounds the call to come together,
And united we shall stand,
Let us live and strive for freedom,
In South Africa our land.*



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BACKGROUND

"If music be the food of love, play on"

- is the opening line of Shakespeare's play Twelfth Night.

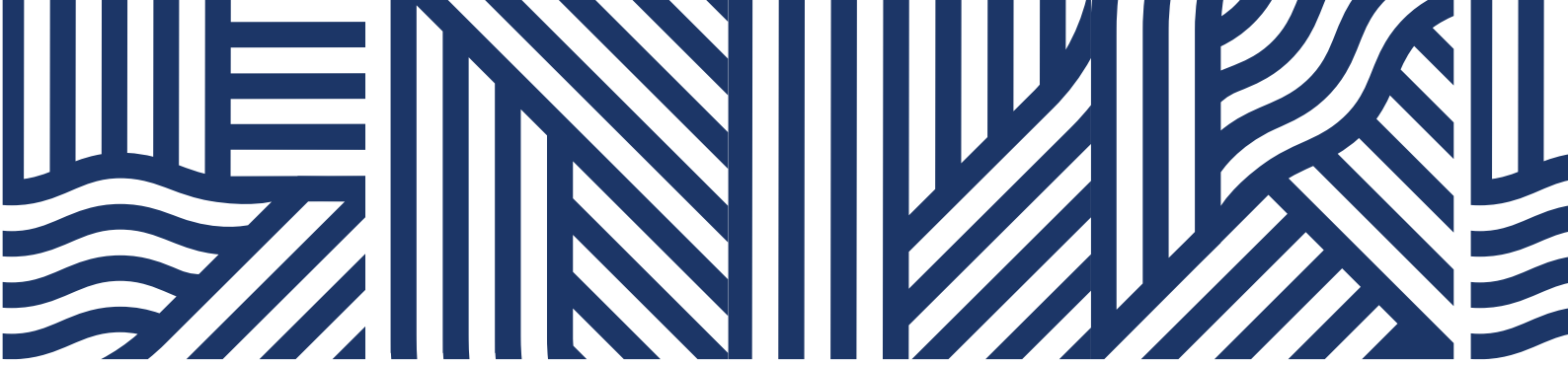
Music serves a unifying bond that is used as a tool to bring people diverse in nature to curve fort that will withstand all insurmountable challenges.

As VUT celebrates its 60th anniversary the need for aforementioned exercise can never be emphasised enough. There can be no better time and opportunity to realize and embrace this functionality better than the year the university celebrates its diamond year, the University Anthem.

This university anthem will foster unity, pride, and a shared sense of identity among students, staff, and alumni. It will act as a symbolic representation of the institution's history, values, and academic mission, often reinforcing loyalty and commitment during formal ceremonies like graduations and all other formal occasions.

Key purposes of a VUT Anthem include:

- **Fostering Community & Cohesion:** It will bind the university community together, creating a sense of belonging and familyhood.
- **Symbolizing Identity & Pride:** The anthem highlights the institution's history, unique character, and achievements, fostering pride.
- **Ceremonial Function:** It will be used at graduations, convocations engagements and other official events to provide a formal, and poised atmosphere.
- **Branding & Marketing:** It will be used as a branding tool, promoting the institution's image to the external stakeholders and the world vastly.



VUT ANTHEM

The lyrics

*“VUT we stand as one;
In innovation we believe.
With pride and strength, we lead the way;
Flying our colors high each step of the way.*

*Founded in 1966 as a College of Advanced Technical Education,
Vaal Triangle Technikon we became in 1979,
And VUT we are now since 2004.*

*We had to inspire innovative action through purpose.
As a gateway to holistically developed graduates,
We inspire thought and shaping talent.*

*WE ARE THE
Vaal University of Technology”*





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GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ditsebiso | Ditsebišo

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

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





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**HUMAN
SCIENCES**



FACULTY OF HUMAN SCIENCES

14H00 - 14 SEPTEMBER 2026

DIPLOMA IN FASHION

M+3

MTSHALI Samukelo Nokwazi

DIPLOMA IN FOOD SERVICE MANAGEMENT

M+3

MATUMBA Sinawo

SIWA Sphiwe

DIPLOMA IN LABOUR LAW

M+3

MORARE Koketso Ednah

TSHWARO Tshireletso

DIPLOMA IN LEGAL ASSISTANCE

M+3

KHWELA Olwethu
MOLATLHEGI Lerato Violet
MORABE Sello Sam

NSIBANDE Lungelo Portia
PAPO Thabo Silas
SHIPALANA Pearl Masingita

DIPLOMA IN POLICING

M+3

HLANGWANI Sphiwe
HLONGWANE Vutlhari
MASALESA Masehlwa

MAVHINA Thompho Evans
MGENYA Nhlanhla Tiny
SHIRINDZA Sibusiso





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SCIENCES**



DIPLOMA IN **PUBLIC RELATIONS MANAGEMENT**

M+3

KAIRA Lesedi Sunday
KGOHLOANE Leolo Sharmaine
KHUMALO Uthandolwethu
MAGONGWA Ntombi
MAKUBA Mohomotji Makgara
MALATJI Madinane
MASANGO Fanelo Pretty
MASHABA Nthavela Theo Willington
MASWANGANYE Nhlaluko
MATHE Joyful Risima

MBUNGELE Mishack
MPETE Setumiso
NGOBENI Rivoningo Penelope
NGOMANE Sweetness Nolwazi
NZIMANDE Noluthando
PHASWANA Alisia Unarine
PHETLA Bokang
SEKGOBELA Matsabole Pretty
THWALA Sibongakonke Vince

DIPLOMA IN **SAFETY MANAGEMENT**

M+3

CHOMA Prudence Lesedi
MAKAMU Mzwakhe
MALEJONE Mpho
MALELE Sihle
MAMOROBELA Sebasa Precious
MHLANGA Sibusiso Shadrack
MKHARI Matome Devine
MOFOKENG Kagiso

MOLEFI Precious Moleboheng
MULAUDZI Rofhiwa
NDALA Lindiwe
NKOSI Thandeka Precious
RAMBUDA Zwiafana Octovia
SKHOSANA Neo
TLALANG Pako Orapeleng
ZITHA Relax

DIPLOMA IN **TOURISM MANAGEMENT**

M+3

DLAMINI Nneheng
KHOZA Tsakane Happyness
MAFOKOANE Basetsana
MALATJI Tebogo Makelle Valentia
MASWANGANYI Mogaiver Lunghani
MATHIBEDI Kgomotso
MBOWENI Xiluva Tshembo

MFIKI Nqobile
MKHWANAZI Mthobisi
MOTLOUNG Thabang Kenneth
MPOFU Sean
NKUNA Happy
TAUHALI Tshepang Benedict



ADVANCED DIPLOMA IN **MEDIATION**

M+4

MALATJI Bongani
MATLOU Karabelo Relebohile Caroline
MOHLALA Lebato Vinolia

PHILLIP Ayabulela
PHIRI Gugu

ADVANCED DIPLOMA IN **SAFETY MANAGEMENT**

M+4

BALEPILE Masego Chriselda
LETSOALO Lydia Mokokobale
MAKHARI Takalani
MAKUE Rethabile Victor
MALULEKE Zane Malwandla
MASHAMAITE Othaniel Tshibedi
MASHILA Arehone Prudence

MOLEFE Nthabiseng Annah
MOLEFI Motshedisi
PHOSHOKO Mokoena Jermina
RAMPHELE Nare Gabriel
SHIPALANE Ndzima Annah
SIAGA Munzhedzi Precious Mufanadzo
THAELE Mothebedi Innocent

ADVANCED DIPLOMA IN **TOURISM MANAGEMENT**

M+4

TSOTETSI Lesedi

ADVANCED DIPLOMA IN **TVET**

M+4

MAAKE Nthabiseng Bedayth
MAKOFANE Phetedi Lucas
MALEME Lesekehe

MOFOKENG Auman Daniel
NEDZUNGANI Victor
THANTSHA Mmanoko Grace



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BACHELOR OF **COMMUNICATION STUDIES**

M+4

MARELETSE Neo Refiloe Charmaine

BACHELOR OF **EDUCATION (SR PHASE & FET)**

M+4

CHAUKE Vukona Brain
GUMBI Luyanda
GUMEDE Mpumi
KEOAGILE Reatlegile Margaret

MALATJI Dimpho
MALEPE Dinkwenyane Kagiso Selby
MASEMOLA Ronald
MATHEBULA Portia Salome

POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN **HIGHER EDUCATION**

M+5

DU TOIT Andries Stefanus
GANA Lorraine Abongile
GXOWA Nokubonga
KHIBA Mamajeremane Paulina
KOBO Thuso Elvis
MAKAFANE Relebohile Edna
MALELE Lerato

MALINDI Mlungiseleli
MALINGA Morongwa April
MSIBI Zaidah Gift
MUGONDO Mulalo
TLHABETSANE Kgosiame David
TSHOLIWE Disebo Dorcas

POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN **POLICING**

M+5

GUGUSHE Nkosiyabo





VUT Shield Icon Breakdown: Images and Descriptions.



The icon breakdown is unique as the V represents the word Vaal, and indicates the graduation hood as a symbol of achievement.



The U represents the word University



and the Centre is filled with water waves that signify a source of life and our location.



VUT BRAND MARKS/LOGOS

Faculty Brand Marks are differentiated by the colors of the V that symbolizes the faculty colour hood during graduations.



The **Academic Mark** is the purest form of the VUT brand.

The blue waves in the center represent the Vaal River and the university's location.

The gold represents academic excellence, achievement, success, and wealth.

The academic brand is only used in academic ceremonies and by the office of the Vice-Chancellor and VUT Council.



The **Marketing Brand Mark** communicates the brand voice as a person, which is Curious, Ambitious and Flexible.

Dandelion represents warmth and optimism.

Sapphire represents integrity, knowledge, power, and seriousness.



Applied & Computer Sciences
Buttercup Yellow represents Happiness & Joy.



Engineering & Technology
Beatle Green represents Nature, Environment, Health & Renewal



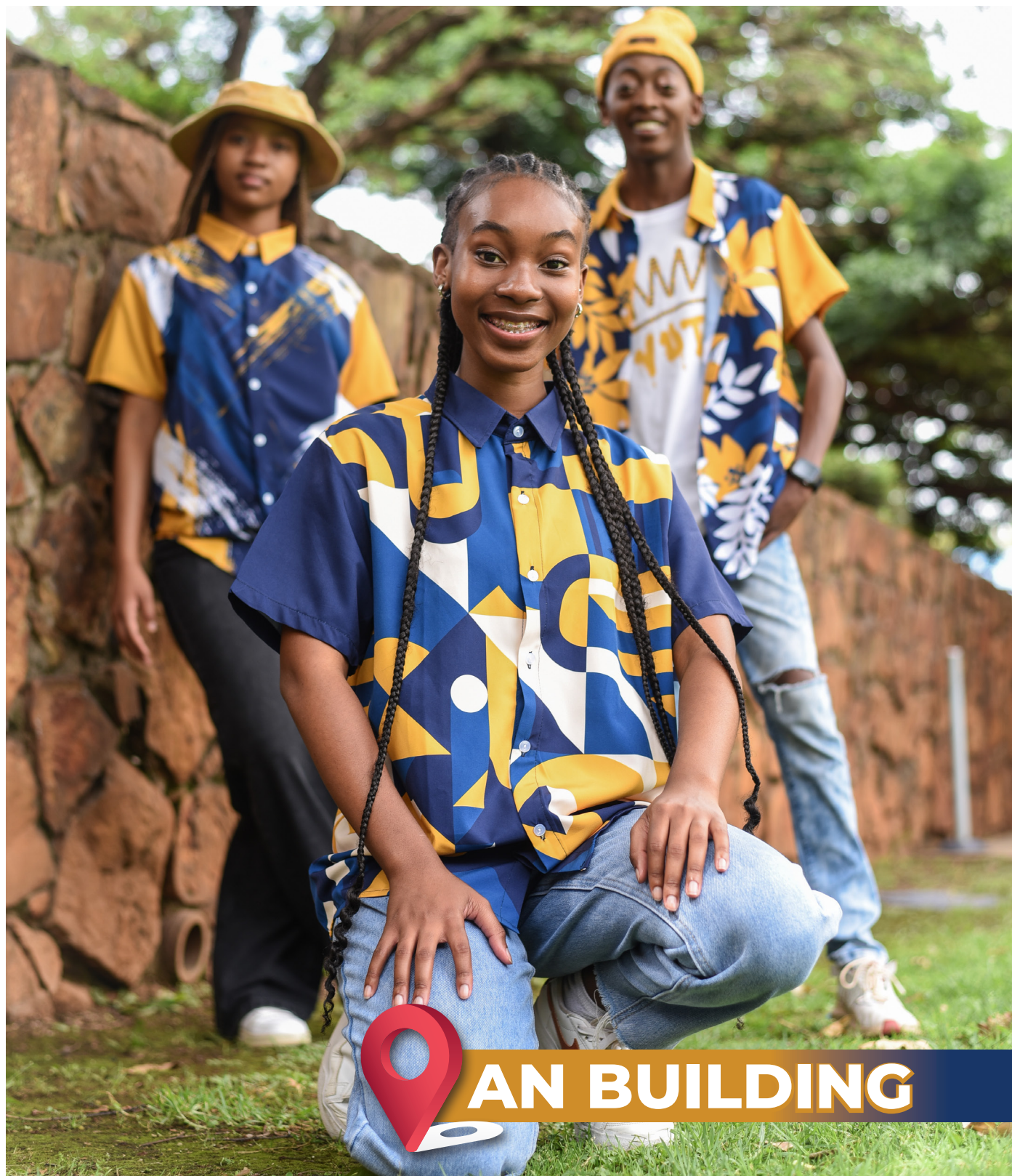
Human Sciences
Union Jack Red represents Energy, Passion, and Heat.



Management Sciences
Adonis Blue represents Harmony, Unity & Truth



The **Culture mark** is the **MaVUTi Mark**, a fingerprint modified in the shape of a U, symbolizing the uniqueness of VUT staff and students.



AN BUILDING

WELCOME TO CONVOCAATION / ALUMNI NETWORK



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The Convocation of Vaal University of Technology (VUT) is a statutory body that serves as the university's largest constituency, comprising its alumni and key academic stakeholders. This body plays a pivotal role in the governance and strategic direction of the institution by facilitating alumni engagement and contributing to the preservation and enhancement of the university's academic reputation.

Membership to Convocation is automatic upon the conferral of a diploma, or credit-bearing certificate. Additionally, academic staff and selected emeritus professors are included, ensuring a broad and representative body that upholds the interests of both past and present members of the university.

Roles and Responsibilities

Convocation is entrusted with the responsibility of deliberating on and providing input into matters concerning the university's development as stated in Chapter 10 (5.3) of the VUT Government framework. Its key functions include

- Electing the President of Convocation.
- Electing three Executive Committee of Convocation (Exco).

- Discussing and expressing opinions on issues affecting the university, including matters which may be referred to it by the council.
- Convocation ensures that alumni have a voice in shaping institutional policies, thereby safeguarding the credibility and value of a VUT qualification.
- Through its structured engagement, Convocation strengthens networks with donors and stakeholders to secure funding opportunities for alumni and convocants in need of financial support to fostering a collaborative and progressive academic environment.

Eligibility for Membership in VUT Convocation

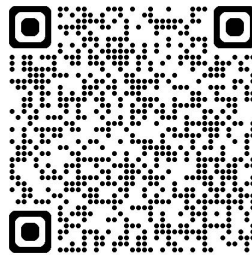
The Convocation of VUT comprises the following members:

- All graduates and holders of diplomas or credit-bearing certificates from the university.
- The Vice-Chancellor, Deputy Vice-Chancellors, and all academic staff.
- Former professors and associate professors who have been granted emeritus status by the Senate.



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The role of alumni relations in any institution is to manage the relationship between an institution and all its former students and graduates. VUT, like other institutions, is committed to enhance its relationship with its former students and graduates through formal and informal programs that are mutually beneficial in nature.

Each year we strive to reconnect more former students and graduates with the current students in their respective groups of interests and academic fields that helped them most in their careers / extramural activities. We affirm all segmented Networks; be it the Vaal College for Technical Advancement, Vaal Triangle Technikon or Vaal University of Technology indiscriminately.

We would like to invite all former students and graduates to share their success stories, job opportunities, career milestones, internships, bursaries, challenges faced and mostly inputs on the current development(s) of the university. With your participation, we support VUT in its endeavors to make sustainable impact in the immediate community and the broader society. On a collaborative effort with diverse stakeholders, Convocation

& Alumni Association, students and friends of VUT, we continue to promote the VUT brand through improved marketing and communications, meaningful alumni engagements guided by the Vaal University of Technology's 2033+ Strategy.

Like a unique puzzle piece, you are an ambassador of VUT, your participation to attract and hold interests of Alumni is valued.

Welcome..., you are a now part of VUT Alumni Network; more than 100k VUT graduates since its inception in 1966.

Welcome to a variety of interest groups and networking chapters; regionally, provincially, nationally and internationally. Check us on social media and meet your peers, former Ma-Vallies / MaVuti (classmates, Res mates, Sports mates, mentors, Lecturers, etc.)

Your meaningful participation or engagement is appreciated. Thank you for choosing VUT.

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ENGINEERING & TECHNOLOGY

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MANAGEMENT SCIENCES

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