



GRADUATION CEREMONY

Faculty of Commerce (Ceremony 3)

SARAH BAARTMAN HALL

4 September 2024

FACULTY OF COMMERCE (CEREMONY 3)

ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS

Academic Procession.

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

The Presiding Officer will constitute the congregation.

The National Anthem.

Welcome by the Master of Ceremonies.

Musical Item.

The graduands will be presented to the Presiding Officer by the Dean of the faculty.

The Presiding Officer will congratulate the new graduates.

The Master of Ceremonies will make closing announcements and invite the congregation to stand.

The Presiding Officer will dissolve the congregation.

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

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

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.

NAMES OF GRADUANDS**FACULTY OF COMMERCE***Dean: Professor S Goodman***DEGREE OF MASTER OF
BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**

Abiatar, Suama Winny
 Abrahams, Michelle Sylvia (with distinction)
 Arendse, Craig Howard
 Babamia, Ridwaan
 Begg, Jehan (with distinction)
 Bell, Wesley Keith (with distinction)
 Beukes, Simone Agnes
 Bohlela, Phumelele Ntokozo
 Bwalya, Mulenga
 Cele, Zwelihle Fairbridge (with distinction)
 Coetzee, Welmarie
 Daniel, Wesley Tremaine
 David, Nerissa Ann
 Davis, Michael Reginald
 Dayal, Varesh
 De Wit, Wouter Rijk Morkel
 Dhorat, Ismail Hoosen
 Du Toit, Zander Hugo (with distinction)
 Ellary-Bachu, Thiloshini
 Fadiran, Lebohang (with distinction)
 Fotoyi, Phathiswa
 Fredericks, Nadeem Kyle (with distinction)
 Gallo, James
 Goodur, Snehta
 Harrison, Simon Benedict (with distinction)
 Hassam, Akbar
 Hassim, Taariq
 Hendrickse, Michael James
 Ibrahim, Dalila (with distinction)
 Johnson, Keeno Keenan (with distinction)
 Kahts, Morne Frank (with distinction)
 Keetse, Madiboane Solly (with distinction)
 Lester, Nellie Jane Orwa
 Liabunya, Chisomo Mercy
 Lombard, Charles Henry Ochse
 Lourandos, Anthony Nicholas
 Ludeke, Ricardo Pedro Joao (with distinction)
 Maimela, Joseph Mohau

Maneli, Motswamasimo Emily
 Manikam, Deshan (with distinction)
 Martin, Rodney Jeffrey (with distinction)
 Mataku, Zukisa
 May, Ludwig (with distinction)
 Molefe, Lebati Paballo Genevieve (with distinction)
 Moodley, Krimintha (with distinction)
 Mudenha, Washington Tawanda
 Muloiwa, Rudzani
 Mynhardt, Francois
 Naanda, Ndeapo Anna-Rosa Naapopye
 Naidoo, Derusha
 Nakale, Julius Twamanguluka
 Ncholo, Kabelo Gladwin
 Njuguna, Lilian Wambui
 Nkutha, Shadrack Mfanafuthi (with distinction)
 Nyikadzino Berold, Felicity
 Paarwater, Cheryl Gail (with distinction)
 Parker, Shanaaz
 Pearce, Ulrich Beresford (with distinction)
 Ponto, Chanel
 Rall, Andreas Otto
 Rama, Rakesh
 Rampersad, Niron (with distinction)
 Reaper, James Bruce Douglas (with distinction)
 Rieger, Victor John (with distinction)
 Rossouw, Gedeon Josua (with distinction)
 Scheepers, Reuben Claude
 Scholtz, Angelo Mark (with distinction)
 Seedat, Zaid (with distinction)
 Seotsanyana Sello, Malengolo Ithabiseng (with distinction)
 Shezi, Thembelani Innocent
 Shilumani, Wisani (with distinction)
 Smith-Symms, Christopher Ivan Lance
 Somers, Mala Margaret
 Underhay, Helene (with distinction)
 Vallie, Tasneem
 Van Rheede, Andre Clint (with distinction)
 Van Wijk, Christiaan Johannes Theodorus (with distinction)
 Wessels, Petrus Johannes (with distinction)
 White, Petrus Jacobus (with distinction)
 Williams, Rhys David Wynn
 Wyngaard, Carla Priscilla (with distinction)
 Xulu, Siphamandla Israel

**DEGREE OF MASTER
OF COMMERCE**

Chifwaila, Johanna
 Clarke, Keegan Garreth (with distinction in the dissertation and the degree with distinction)
 Coetzee, Marguerite
 De Vink, Gerard
 Dyantyi, Zimkitha
 Esterhuizen, Andy
 Forster, Nicholas Callum (with distinction in the dissertation and the degree with distinction)
 Geitner, Jurgen (with distinction in the dissertation and the degree with distinction)
 Hart, Daniel Philip Meintjes (with distinction in the coursework component and the degree with distinction)
 Jacobs, Alicia
 James, Andrew Michael
 Kanyenze, Ropafadzo Ryan
 Katjimune, Vitjitua
 Khoza, Maximillan Bongani
 Klein, Murray William
 Mabala, Khutso
 Mabhele, Mncedisi Christopher
 Mandizvidza, Chipo Dadirai
 Mncube, Michael
 Mpeke, Siyanda
 Mtshali, Hlumelo Zwelakhe
 Oldnall, Emilie-Rose (with distinction in the dissertation and the degree with distinction)
 Phillips, James Thomas (with distinction in the dissertation and the degree with distinction)
 Ritter, Tobias Karl
 Sauls, Richard Pierre
 Seepamore, Tampe Mothibi
 Sigauke, Simphiwe Ntombizodwa
 Sokweba, Noxolo
 Southgate, Ebrahim (with distinction in the dissertation)
 Tloubatla, Tabataba Simon
 Walker, Evan Anthony (with distinction in the dissertation and the degree with distinction)
 Yu, Jianbin
 Zoumboulis, Electra Anastasia Branco

DEGREE OF MASTER OF
COMMERCE IN
DEVELOPMENT FINANCE

Kader, Faatimah (with distinction in the coursework component)
Libazi, Nomfundo Vanessa
Mabe, Isang Tebogo
Magolie, Joshua Anthony
Makhabane, Teboho
Mbinda, Zoleka
Molahloe, Matau
Ndadza, Phindulo Sharon
Ndobe, Mmakosi Princess
Ntombela, Nelisiwe Pearl
Payaneeandee, Mary Catherine Sonia (with distinction in the dissertation)
Shonayi, Charles
Smith, Aarin Jesse
Sosola, Amanda
Vermaas, Rupert (with distinction in the coursework component)

DEGREE OF MASTER OF
COMMERCE IN RISK
MANAGEMENT OF
FINANCIAL MARKETS

Angula, Tuhafeni Twapewomagano Mutangeni
Baron, Dylan
Davidson, Kim
Ganda, Priyal
Kingham, Annabelle Lee
Lubinga, Mubeezi
Makumbani, Mashila
Masuku, Mcebo Khayaletu
Mavuso, Kwanele Mbuso Wiseman
Moolman, Reece
Mrwetyana, Esona Lutho
Mwale, Mwana
Nyame, Nkcubeko Eric
Parsons, Jack David
Quin, Thomas Michael Wyndham
Serero, Baabalwa Mapaseka
Sithole, Siphesihle Calvin
Te Water Naude, Francois Karl
Thakhisi, Nthabiseng Bridget
Thobakgale, Lesego
Van Der Westhuizen, Michael (with distinction)

DEGREE OF MASTER OF
DEVELOPMENT POLICY
AND PRACTICE

Bateyunga, Abella Paul
Bath, Edwin Macrae
Benjamen, Erasmus Kaumeketu
Chakufyali, Towani
Chibanda, David Sanuwa (with distinction)
Dlwengu, Albert
Kongwa, Inutu Namukale (with distinction)
Maphoto, Rochelle Joseph
Mbili, Smangalis Areal
Mlinde, Henry
Mpata, Bridget Asha (with distinction)
Mupila, Evans Musonda
Namwiha, Eliaser Kornelia Tulonga
Ncube, Michael Mbulelo
Ngcokotho, Lindani
Ngidi, Sibongumusa Nihildis-Perandum
Njokweni, Epstein
Pekeur-Potgieter, Malvinia Sylvia (with distinction)
Ruati, Richard Raphael
Shinwana, Lufuno Trevor
Sonny, Tokollo Ntinah
Thatho, Teboho Charles (with distinction)

DEGREE OF MASTER
OF FINANCIAL ENGINEERING

Davies, Kathryn Nicole (with distinction)
Hamilton-Russell, Leila Angela
Hampwaye, Eba Chisomo
Motloutsi, Amogelang
Mthwazi, Ntsikayomzi
Nyevedzanai, Kumbirai Tinashe
O'Callaghan, Thomas Malan
Rateele, Nchakha Thato
Schwellnus, Neil Johan
Schwulst, Kara Rose (with distinction)
Timbana, Alfonso
van den Heever, Greig Seaton

DEGREE OF MASTER
OF INDUSTRIAL AND
ORGANISATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY

Brenner, Bianca (with distinction in the dissertation)
Garach, Darshana (with distinction in the dissertation)
Tsai, Yi-Chen

DEGREE OF MASTER
OF MANAGEMENT

Brummer, Ulrich (with distinction)
Dupont, Hadrien Jeremy
Horonga, Rutendo Fortunate
Polteraer, Christoph
Sakala, Kaluba

DEGREE OF MASTER
OF PEOPLE MANAGEMENT

Govender, Sasha
Yeboah, Agnes Ankoma

DEGREE OF MASTER
OF PHILOSOPHY

Amutenya, Loide Tutaleni Aluhe
Buchholz, Este (with distinction)
Chembezi, Titose Mosetsanagape
Davies, Ryan Thomas
De Waal, Anelia (with distinction)
du Plessis, Henri Izak David
Heerden, Mark Peter
Hutiri, Neo Valentine
Luvuno, Ziphozihle
Muraj, Hital Amin
Nkuna, Cliff Mlungisi
Ntholeng, Mpho Gift
Pavlou, Danae (with distinction in the dissertation)
Reddy, Shalen
Salie, Amaal
Van Der Lecq, Maximilian Bond (with distinction in the dissertation and the degree with distinction)

DEGREE OF DOCTOR
OF PHILOSOPHY

Apio, Alfred Tunyire
Thesis Title: *Essays on water resources management in the agricultural sector of South Africa: the role of technology, policy and institutions in mitigating farm level water scarcity*

Alfred Tunyire Apio holds BA and MPhil degrees in economics from the University of Cape Coast, Ghana. He joined the School of Economics at UCT in 2018 for his PhD studies. Before joining UCT, he lectured in economics at the Ghana Institute of

Management and Public Administration.

Alfred Tunyire Apio's thesis focuses on the management of water resources in the agricultural sector of South Africa, specifically on how technology, policy, and institutions can be used to mitigate farm-level water scarcity. His thesis analyses the factors influencing farmers' adoption of multiple water conservation practices and their willingness to accept compensation to control agricultural nonpoint source pollution. It includes a meta-analysis of the performance of water institutions and its implications for water resource management. The thesis leverages insights from current economic and environmental modeling methods to provide a baseline testament for incorporating the bundling of water conservation practices in agriculture to promote water conservation efforts and efficient use of the resource. The study could help farmers build climate change and water scarcity resilience and consolidate and enhance the gains from agriculture threatened by intensified climate change, droughts, water shortages, and deteriorating water quality in the country.

Supervisor: Associate Professor D.

Thiam (Economics)

Co-supervisor: Distinguished Professor A. Dinar (University of California, Environmental Economics and Policy)

Bezuidenhout, Jacobus Francois

Thesis Title: *Estimating the cost of information asymmetry in credit markets following amnesty regulations in South Africa*

Cobus Bezuidenhout holds both BCom (Informatics) and MBA degrees from the University of Pretoria. He started his PhD studies at the UCT Graduate School of Business in 2018 as a part-time student while being employed in the banking industry.

Cobus Bezuidenhout's thesis focuses on the extent of asymmetrical information between borrowers and lenders whereby historical adverse information of credit behaviour is removed in the credit lifecycle. He compares two distinct population groups'

default rates, over a period of 35 months and across different lending products, to estimate the signal distortion after the amnesty regulations came into effect in South Africa on 1 April 2014. He was able to quantitatively evidence the prevalence of adverse selection at origination. However he finds weaker evidence of moral hazard during the ongoing credit lifecycle, which manifested through additional provisioning (receiving cost) by lenders, since consumer behaviour remained much the same. In the context of over-indebtedness, this implies that removing negative behavioural characteristics of credit consumers does not positively contribute to the objectives of the National Development Plan which aims to eradicate poverty and inequality for all South Africans by 2030.

Supervisor: Associate Professor J.

Mukuddem-Petersen (Graduate School of Business)

Jokazi, Nombulelo Virginia

Thesis Title: *Identifying the characteristics of socially integrated mobile bully-victims using a mobile application*

Nombulelo Jokazi obtained a BSc and BSc (Hons) in Information Systems and Economics from Rhodes University. She joined the University of Cape Town in 2017 where she completed her MCom in Information Systems. Thereafter, she began her PhD in 2020.

Nombulelo Jokazi's thesis focuses on the development of a mobile application to assist universities and practitioners to identify the characteristics of Socially Integrated Mobile Bully-Victims (SMIBVs) and to educate students about mobile bullying. Through an extensive literature review she identifies environmental factors and personal characteristics of SIMBVs. This leads to development of an integrative theoretical framework for understanding the characteristics of this group. A conceptual model is then developed from this framework and used to guide the development of the mobile application. The findings confirm the bi-directional relationship between the individual characteristics of the SIMBVs and the

influencing environmental factors. Significant personal characteristics of SIMBVs are hostility, low agreeableness, openness, learned aggression, retaliation, and prior victimisation. Environmental influencing factors consist of coercion by parents, peer norms, cultural expectations, and exposure to violence.

Supervisor: Professor M. Kyobe (Information Systems)

Kamundia, Susan Wambui

Thesis Title: *Maternal and child health outcomes in relation to accessibility, spatial distribution, inequality and free maternal care in Kenya*

Susan Kamundia holds a Bachelor of Economics and Statistics and a Master in Economics (Econometrics) from Kenyatta University, Kenya. She joined the School of Economics at UCT in 2017 for her PhD studies. Before joining UCT, she worked as a lecturer in various universities in Kenya.

Susan Kamundia's thesis explores whether spatial dependency and inequality exist in the utilisation of maternal health care in Kenya and whether the free maternal health care (FMC) program introduced in 2013 improved maternal and child health care. She uses data from the Kenya Demographic and Health Surveys (DHS) augmented with data from the Kenya Master Health Facilities List to introduce supply side factors into the analysis. She finds that areas of high (low) maternal health care utilisation have neighbours with similarly high (low) utilisation. She finds that inequalities favouring the non-poor exist in the utilisation of maternal health care. Maternal education, place of residence and distance to the nearest health facilities are the main contributors to this inequality. Finally, she conducts an assessment of the FMC program and shows that utilisation of maternal health care increased after the introduction of the program. However, in the short run, neonatal mortality also increased.

Supervisor: Professor M. Leibbrandt (Economics)

Kauami, Ngunoue Cynthia

Thesis Title: *Towards a grounded theory of why and how coopetition emerges among SMEs: revisiting intentionality and unintentionality*

Ngunoue Cynthia Kauami holds a BCom from the University of Namibia and a MSc from the University of Umeå in Sweden. She joined UCT for her doctoral studies in 2020, while lecturing at Namibia University of Science and Technology.

Ngunoue Cynthia Kauami's thesis explores fundamentals of why and how coopetition emerges. Using a constructivist grounded theory approach, she delves into the lived experiences of small and medium enterprise owners/managers in Namibia's tourism industry to assert strategic practices that carve out the emergence process. The study contributes to knowledge of the formation stage of coopetition, presenting three typologies of emergence: economic, altruistic and habitual. The study extends the literature that maintains non-economic rationales for emergence. Habitual emergence is indicative of embedded and implicitly institutionalised practices with consistent reciprocal recurrence, driven by economic and altruistic logics, albeit mutually exclusively. Findings further point to the episodic processual nature of emergence that unfolds in four overarching phases of selection, negotiation, delivery, and review. A final contribution is to the coopetition reciprocity and trust literature. (150 words)

Supervisor: Professor M. Samuelsson (Graduate School of Business)

Köhler, Timothy Peter

Thesis Title: *COVID-19 and labour market inequality in South Africa*

Timothy completed his BCom, BCom (Hons), and MCom degrees at Stellenbosch University. He joined the Development Policy Research Unit (DPRU) based in the School of Economics at UCT in 2019, and began part-time study towards his PhD in 2020 while continuing as a full-time Junior Research Fellow in the DPRU.

Timothy Köhler's thesis

provides a micro-econometric examination of the aggregate and heterogenous labour market effects of the COVID-19 pandemic in South Africa. He applied descriptive and quasi-experimental techniques on nationally representative samples of individuals over three years. After synthesising existing studies, he estimates unprecedented adjustments to employment and working hours. He highlights the regressive distribution of both reinforced pre-existing inequalities and reveals the principal roles of remote work ability and 'essential' worker status. Considering wages, after interrogating the quality of the data, he shows that a significant change in the composition of the worker population, driven by the aforementioned regressivity, primarily led to a large but temporary increase in wage inequality. He extends his research to estimate the effects of sector-specific restrictions – a key policy globally. He documents significant negative effects, especially for informal workers, and estimates that these restrictions accounted for a large share of the total employment decline.

Supervisor: Professor H. Bhorat (School of Economics)

Lubasi, Mampi Nakutoma

Thesis Title: *The impact of Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) education in Zambia*

Mampi Lubasi holds a BSc in Computer Science from the Copperbelt University, Zambia, and MSc in Electrical Engineering from UCT. She has worked as a network and service engineer for Huawei and Nokia and is currently working at the UN Refugee Agency in South Africa.

Mampi Lubasi's thesis investigates the impact of an enterprise systems course introduced at the University of Zambia on postgraduate students, and its resultant potential impact on organisations in Zambia. She develops an explanatory model that provides a richer understanding of the Zambian context that restricts higher salaries and employment prospects for graduates with enterprise systems education and where foreign expertise is preferred

over local expertise. Her thesis presents enterprise systems challenges faced by organisations in Zambia and the potential impact of enterprise systems education on these challenges, and the outsourcing of enterprise systems expertise from outside the country. The explanatory model can be used to foster collaboration between industry and academia, to assist universities in appropriately integrating enterprise systems into university curriculum, and to assist organisations in maximising their benefit from graduates with enterprise systems education.

Supervisor: Professor L. Seymour (Information Systems)

Mahomed, Obeid

Thesis Title: *Multi-curve frameworks and information-based models*

Obeid Mahomed holds a BSc in Actuarial Science and a BSc(Hons) degree in Mathematical Finance from the University of KwaZulu-Natal and the University of Witwatersrand, respectively. Prior to joining AIFMRM in 2015, he worked as a quantitative analyst and risk manager in the South African financial services sector.

Obeid Mahomed's thesis focuses on the impact that the 2008 global financial crisis, and the ensuing reform to interest rate benchmarks, has had on frontier, emerging and developed interest rate financial markets, and the quantitative modelling thereof. The first part of the thesis describes the pre- and post-crisis characteristics of interest rate financial markets and develops a systemic quantitative framework that may be used to describe both paradigms consistently. A reduced-form abstraction of the framework reveals that many existing academic approaches to the same problem may be recovered, and some extended. The thesis establishes potential applications of the framework to inflation, foreign exchange, and fixed income financial markets. It concludes by demonstrating how an existing information-based approach may be applied to develop specific quantitative models that are consistent with the newly developed framework and newly introduced interest rate benchmarks.

Supervisor: Associate Professor D. Taylor (Finance and Tax)

Matikiti, Edmore

Thesis Title: *Enhancing resilience in South African small and medium enterprises: a dynamic capabilities perspective*

Eddie Matikiti holds a Bachelor of Commerce degree in Marketing from the Zimbabwe Open University and a Master's degree in Business Administration from Regent Business School in Johannesburg. An entrepreneur in the ICT sector in South Africa, he commenced his PhD studies at UCT's Graduate School of Business in 2020.

The focus of Eddie Matikiti's thesis is on the resilience of SMEs in South Africa, particularly in the face of institutional voids and exogenous shocks such as the COVID-19 pandemic. His research confirms that institutional voids, such as electricity blackouts, systemic corruption, and exogenous shocks, specifically the COVID-19 pandemic, significantly impact SME resilience. Findings suggest that SMEs need context-specific dynamic capabilities, such as tacit knowledge and improvisation, to navigate disruptions effectively. His study also introduces a Resilience Framework, offering theoretical insights and practical strategies for SME managers and policymakers to enhance resilience and inform decision-making in emerging markets.

Supervisor: Professor J. Luiz (Graduate School of Business)

Co-supervisor: Professor H. Parker (Graduate School of Business)

Mchembe, Renatus Anathory

Thesis Title: *The implications of bank risk-weighted capital and ownership on portfolio rebalancing, profitability, and stability: evidence from Tanzania*

Renatus Mchembe is an Assistant Lecturer in the Department of Accounting and Finance in the Faculty of Business Management of the Open University of Tanzania. He holds a B.Com. Education (Honours) degree from the Open University of Tanzania and an MBA from the University of Dar es Salaam, Tanzania.

Renatus Mchembe's thesis uses

Tanzania as an example of a developing economy to investigate the relationship between bank capital ratios and (1) bank profitability, (2) bank stability, and (3) the balance between bank investment in low-risk government securities and higher risk lending. He further investigates the impact of bank ownership types on these relationships. The study finds a positive correlation between higher capital ratios and both bank profitability and bank stability, as well as a feedback relationship between bank capital ratios and both lending and investment in government securities. Bank ownership type (private, state, or foreign) is found to play a role in all three of these relationships. The results of the study can assist regulatory authorities to design better bank capital adequacy regulations, especially in (but not limited to) Tanzania.

Supervisor: Associate Professor F. Toerien (Finance & Tax)

Co-supervisor: Dr G. Ndlovu (Economics)

Msowoya, Richmond Elijah Mkopa

Thesis Title: *Refugee entrepreneurship in Malawi: the nexus between social capital and entrepreneurship among refugees in adversity*

Richmond Msowoya holds a BSc, an MBA, and a Master of International Relations from Universities of Malawi, MANCOSA, and the Humanitarian Studies Centre. He has undertaken various courses with the University of Edinburgh, Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), Stanford University, ITCILO, and the United States Institute for Peace, among others.

Richmond's thesis focuses on the grand challenges associated with the worldwide refugee crisis. It examines the confinement of refugees to camps and how they succeed in their business ventures and promote entrepreneurship between their home and host countries, despite living in adversity. The study unpacks its findings around three themes: first, the biopolitics of encampment and homophilic networks. Second, the adaptation of supply chains around

institutional rules, and third, business entrepreneurship, diversification and bricolage. He finds that the biopolitics of encampment results in refugees developing homophilic networks, and that they use entrepreneurship bricolage and diversification to adapt their supply chains around institutional rules. They succeed by either complying with institutional rules or defying them in undertaking their business endeavours. The study has implications for how to create opportunities and empower refugees through entrepreneurship to benefit refugees while contributing to economic development in the host countries.

Supervisor: Professor J. Da Silva Luiz (Graduate School of Business)

Mugwendere, Tatenda

Thesis Title: *Union formation and residential living arrangements among Black/African women of reproductive age in South Africa*

Tatenda Mugwendere commenced full-time study towards his PhD in 2020. He holds a BSc (Hons) in Operations Research and Statistics from NUST (Zimbabwe), and a Master's degree in Population Studies from the University of KwaZulu-Natal.

Tatenda Mugwendere's thesis focuses on the analysis of changing residential and union arrangements of African South African women of reproductive age over the last half century. Drawing on data from multiple sources, both cross-sectional and longitudinal, the thesis quantifies the nature and pace of those changing formations and arrangements. It situates them within the socio-political context of South African history, as well as within broader global theorisation of household dynamics. His results identify a breakdown of the historical pattern of cohabitation as a precursor to marriage, which comport with the predictions of second demographic transition theory. However, this transition is not driven by a rise in secularism and individualism as observed in the developed world, but

is closely tied to patterns of economic disadvantage. These findings challenge and advance our understanding of the forces shaping union formation and living arrangements at global and local levels.

Supervisor: Professor T. Moultrie
(School of Management Studies)

Nunoo, Isaac Kwamena
Thesis Title: *The impact of electricity metering and usage on household welfare in South Africa and Ghana*

Isaac Kwamena Nunoo holds a BA and MPhil in Economics from the University of Cape Coast, Ghana. He joined the University of Cape Town in 2018 for his PhD studies. He is an adjunct lecturer in the School of Management, IT and Governance at the University of Kwazulu-Natal.

Isaac Nunoo examines the impact of electricity metering and usage on welfare in Ghana and South Africa. In Ghana, he examines the differential effects of electricity and fuels used in home-based enterprises on household welfare. The findings indicate that electricity is more beneficial for manufacturing, urban, and women-owned enterprises than fuels. This highlights the importance of enhancing electrification for domestic and commercial use. In South Africa, he investigates whether prepaid electricity meters influence food insecurity. Households using prepaid meters have a higher likelihood of experiencing hunger. The study suggests the need to provide safety nets for poor households alongside the prepaid metering policy. Additionally, he examines the impacts of commonly used instruments in public policy on energy poverty in South Africa. The results demonstrate that prepaid meters contribute to increased energy poverty, emphasizing the necessity for enhanced energy subsidies and targeted interventions to mitigate energy deprivation among the poor.

Supervisor: Professor E. Muchapondwa
(School of Economics)

Otieno, Joshua Magero
Thesis Title: *Ethnic and political dynamics of poverty, employment and wages in Kenya*

Joshua Magero Otieno holds a Bachelor's degree in Economics and Statistics and a Master's degree in Econometrics from Kenyatta University, Kenya. He joined the School of Economics at UCT in 2016 to study for his Ph.D. Before joining UCT, he lectured Economics in Kenyatta University.

Joshua Magero Otieno's thesis focuses on the role that sharing the same ethnicity as the President plays in driving the differences in poverty outcomes, job opportunities, and hourly wages in Kenya. He uses the Kenya Population and Housing Censuses of 1999 and 2009; and Kenya Integrated Household Budget Survey, 2016, which after investigation he finds to be of high quality and nationally representative. He measures gaps in poverty, employment and wages and finds that counties where the President's ethnic group are the majority have lower poverty levels, more employment opportunities, and significantly higher wage income. This he attributes primarily to the conduct of Presidents in favouring their ethnic group. He extends his research to establish whether the post-2010 constitutional reforms with anti-discriminatory provisions have altered the legacy of ethnic favouritism, finding that there persist pronounced tendencies of ethno-political favouritism in distribution of public resources and livelihood opportunities.

Supervisor: Professor J. Burns
(Economics)

Parenzee, Penelope Joy
Thesis Title: *Policy implementation and coordination capacity: a case study of the state's capacity to implement the National Integrated Early Childhood Development policy in a district in the Eastern Cape, South Africa*

Penelope Parenzee holds an undergraduate degree from the University of Cape Town, and dual Master's degrees from Bryn Mawr College, USA. Penny registered for her PhD on a part-time basis

in 2020 at the Nelson Mandela School of Public Governance at UCT where she also holds a senior management position.

Penelope Parenzee's thesis focuses on the ability of the South African state to implement the National Integrated Early Childhood Development (NIECD) policy. Her thesis gives attention to the co-ordination practices of local, provincial, and national level stakeholders. Through case study methodology, she gathers quantitative and qualitative data to detail the practice realities of a district in the Eastern Cape. She applies a multiple streams/critical junctures framework to position the analysis of policy implementation within the broader policy process. She complements the analysis with a nested policy capacity matrix to tease out coordination competences and capabilities in the provision of early childhood development (ECD) services. The research findings contribute to current discussions within the ECD sector, disrupting the perception that co-ordination structures can resolve implementation failures. Instead, the research proposes more inclusive local level engagement whereby coordination is focused on ways of working within the complexities of each specific context.

Supervisor: Professor C. Lopes (Nelson Mandela School of Public Governance)
Co-supervisor: Professor M. Leibbrandt (Economics)

Tshitangano, Tom
Thesis Title: *An explorative case study of blockchain as a means of enhancing land registry governance to uphold property and land restitution in South Africa*

Tom Tshitangano is the enterprise architect of a parastatal. He has a BSc in Information Systems and Computer Science, and a MCom in Development Finance. His thesis undertaken at UCT stemmed from a doctoral fellowship at the African digital policy think tank, Research ICT Africa. was.

The subject of Tom's thesis arose from his observation of governance failures across various sectors and the lack of technological innovation in the public

sector to address them. He develops a detailed contextual understanding of the governance inefficiencies in the Deeds Office and demonstrates how blockchain could provide a decentralised and secure Land Registry. His analysis indicates how, through carefully managed public-private interplays, the lack of resources and institutional capacity to implement blockchain technology identified in the study could be overcome to enhance the governance of the land registration system - including limiting fraud and corruption, which his research reveals as correlating with title deed registrations arising from land reform and social housing. He concludes that adopting blockchain technology would enable the Land Registry to fulfil its function as a public good central to meeting the constitutional requirements of property and land restitution.

Supervisor: Adjunct Professor A. Gillwald (The Nelson Mandela School of Public Governance)

Co-Supervisor: Dr Marianne Camerer (The Nelson Mandela School of Public Governance)

VISION AND MISSION

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