



GRADUATION CEREMONY

Faculty of Humanities (Ceremony 1)

SARAH BAARTMAN HALL

7 September 2026

FACULTY OF HUMANITIES (CEREMONY 1)

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 and diplomates will be presented to the Presiding Officer by the Dean of the faculty.

The Presiding Officer will congratulate the new graduates and diplomates.

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 and diplomates, 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/DIPLOMATES

An asterisk * denotes that the qualification will be awarded in the absence of the candidate

FACULTY OF HUMANITIES

Dean: Professor S Kessi

ADVANCED DIPLOMA IN SCHOOL LEADERSHIP AND MANAGEMENT

Rashieda Adonis (with distinction)
Malika Anthony (with distinction)
Charnelle Arendse (with distinction)
Helebha Bizwaphi
Fezeka Prudence Booï
Pieter Prins Botes (with distinction)
Study Paul Dangala
Francois Lionel Dorfling
*Rushdien Ebrahim (with distinction)
*Marilyn Jocelyn Eckelton
Ndinani Enge
Mandisa Fedeni
Simoné Louise Fouche (with distinction)
Nomfundo Grace Gazi
Layla Victoria Hendricks (with distinction)
Ntombekhayla Tiny Hoho
Siphamandla Kapetshu
Lance Michael Klassen (with distinction)
Desere Lawrence (with distinction)
Gregory Brent Lawson (with distinction)
Nyameka Ludidi
Nokwanda Magazi
Nobathembu Leorah Magqabi
Bulelwa Magwa
Beulinda Henrietta Manuel
Nondumiso Felecity Mayile
Nolubabalo Mdoda
Nomahlubi Ngundze
Nompucuko Ntutu
Mzuvukile Niculus Khanyiso Nyilika
Faizel October
Lisa Kim Pekeur (with distinction)
Antonella Toni Pettenuzzo (with distinction)
Geraldine Philips
Matthew John Prins
Johanna Roodt (with distinction)

Faadiyah Samsodien-Myburgh (with distinction)
Charles Michael Scholtz
Makabelo Priscilla Setebe
Michelle Colleen Smit
Bertha Sopuwa
Nombulelo Letticia Letticia Tyityi
Sunelle Mariette Williams
Hilette Wright (with distinction)
Vuyokazi Veronica Xundu
Steve Zangwa

CERTIFICATE IN SOCIAL RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT

*Moegsien Jacobs

DIPLOMA IN MUSIC PERFORMANCE

*Zukiswa Nomtshongwana (with distinction in Singing)
Ayakha Soga

DIPLOMA IN THEATRE AND PERFORMANCE

*Sakhiwo Humphrey Toto Gxabhela
*Amahle Noncebo Nzama

HIGHER CERTIFICATE IN ADULT AND COMMUNITY EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Melissa Nora Jackson (with distinction)
Patricia Jansen
*Tshilembi Crescens Katerus (with distinction)
Ayabulela Portia Lusi (with distinction)
Neliswa Mpana
Nomonde Ndlovu

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Shihaam Abass
Anathi Abraham
Jawahier Achmat (with distinction in Film and Television Studies)
Kgabo Phetedi Badimo
Phila Baliso
Rachel Beneke
Daniel Bruce Boshier
Asheeqah Davids

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Jenna-Lee Catherine Ewers
Lucky Buhlebodwa Geluk (with distinction in Industrial and Organisational Psychology and the degree with distinction)
Suleiman Hartzenberg
Fatiema Kahaar
Keamogetswe Khumalo
Mhleli Khethuxolo Khuzwayo
Buko Klaas
Tebogo Mawandumusa Koloane
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Gamuchirai Mugove Gerald Madziyire
Rorisang Thando Maleka
Bali Mhlabeni
Anesu Bohlale Moshoeu
Anelisa Nolwandle Mzimela (with distinction in Informatics and Multimedia Production)
Dimphe Ngesi
Kristyl Margaret Nicholson
Zusiphe Nontsele
Jabez John O'lynn
Rabia Malaika Oppong
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*Liam Rogers
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*Christopher James Stander
Mankopodi Reamogetse Tseke
*Adrian Matu Kamotho Wambugu

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Marielle Peria Desamparado

BACHELOR OF ARTS IN THEATRE AND PERFORMANCE

Dumisane Ontiretse Skhosana

BACHELOR OF MUSIC

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Alex Adams
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Amilia Altamura
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Almaas Bailey
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Anganathi Bixa (with distinction in Gender Studies)
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Thubelihle Buwa
Nwabisa Cawe
Yaqin Cesroe
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Aaqilah Dawjee
Ebony De Almeida
Chloé de Gouveia
Amy Leigh De Grill
Melanie De Vlam
Aashiqah De Vries
Siphosethu Diko
Leticia Du Plessis
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Thelathé Farmer
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Luciano Fredericks
Chidi Anthony Garvas
Jade Core Gobby
Asiphesona Goduka
Chasidy Andrea Groepies
Noluthando Gumede
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Aamilah Hess
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*Talia Kocerhan

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Litha
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Nhlamulo Johnson-Jnr Mlambo
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Emihle Mzondi
Sipho Ndlovu
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Wandile Amahle Ngwane
Fumbata Ntshakaza
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Jenna Rhoda (with distinction in Industrial and Organisational Psychology)
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Aamirah Williams
Bilqees Williams
Sesona Xela
Aqeelah Yon
Asanda Silindile Zondi (with distinction in Gender Studies)
Nombulelo Innocentia Zulu

BACHELOR OF SOCIAL SCIENCE IN PHILOSOPHY, POLITICS AND ECONOMICS

Kieron Adams
Michal Hofmeyr

BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK

Fatima Mohamed

HISTORICAL SKETCH

Founded as the South African College in 1829, the University was established as the University of Cape Town in 1918.

The institution was a boys' school that aimed to provide higher education as well. The early history was one of great expectations and hard times and it was not until the early years of the twentieth century that the University was developed into a fully-fledged tertiary institution. University status was conferred in 1918. A significant and pioneering development in the 19th century was the admission of women as degree students in 1886, many years ahead of most universities in the world.

At the start of the 20th century the University incorporated the Diocesan College, the teacher training classes of the Normal College, the South African College of Music and the Cape Town Schools of Fine Art and Architecture. The Medical School was established and in the 1920s the University began a partnership with the local health authority (now the Provincial Government's health department) that saw the Medical School move from the Hiddingh Campus and the Green Point Somerset Hospital to Observatory. This partnership allowed for the construction of the first Groote Schuur Hospital on a University site. This partnership continues to this day and now involves not only Groote Schuur as a teaching hospital but Red Cross, Valkenberg and a growing number of primary health care sites. UCT's Upper Campus moved to its present site on part of Cecil Rhodes' estate in 1928.

The period between the end of World War II and 1994 was marked by two themes. Firstly, the University recognised that if it was to be fully South African, it would have to move beyond academic non-segregation to be fully inclusive. It would have to face the consequential and increasing clashes with a government determined to legislate for segregation and enforce the doctrine of apartheid. And secondly, the University intended to transform into a leading research institution.

Before World War II, the University was largely a teaching university and its students were mostly undergraduates. The research undertaken was sporadic, though in some cases notable. A research committee was appointed for the first time in 1945. The next decades saw a great expansion of research and scholarly work such that the UCT of today has a greater proportion of highly rated researchers and gains significantly more research grants and awards than any other South African University.

The 1980s and 1990s were characterized by the deliberate and planned transformation of the student body. This was aided by the establishment of the Academic Development Programme aimed at helping students from disadvantaged educational and social backgrounds to succeed and the desegregation of student residences. A significant proportion of our students come from the SADC states and we have students drawn from over 100 countries. Particular emphasis is placed on postgraduate studies with students enrolled in masters and doctoral programmes. A growing number of postdoctoral fellows (UCT has more than a third of the total number of post docs in South Africa) contribute substantially to the research endeavours and reputation of the University.

UCT continues to work towards its goal to be Africa's leading research university. Its success can be measured by the scope of study it offers and the calibre of its graduates.

VISION AND MISSION

UNIVERSITY OF CAPE TOWN

Vision

An inclusive and engaged research-intensive African university that inspires creativity through outstanding achievements in learning, discovery and citizenship; enhancing the lives of its students and staff, advancing a more equitable and sustainable social order and influencing the global higher education landscape.

Mission

UCT is committed to engaging with the key issues of our natural and social worlds through outstanding teaching, research and scholarship. We seek to advance the status and distinctiveness of scholarship in Africa through building strategic partnerships across the continent, the global south and the rest of the world.

UCT provides a vibrant and supportive intellectual environment that attracts and connects people from all over the world.

We aim to produce graduates and future leaders who are influential locally and globally. Our qualifications are locally applicable and internationally acclaimed, underpinned by values of engaged citizenship and social justice. Our scholarship and research have a positive impact on our society and our environment.

We will actively advance the pace of transformation within our University and beyond, nurturing an inclusive institutional culture which embraces diversity.

OFFICERS OF THE UNIVERSITY

Chancellor

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Today does not mark the end of your journey with UCT, but the beginning of a new chapter in your lifelong relationship with your alma mater. We invite you, as a graduate, to join a vibrant global community of more than 200 000 alumni making an impact around the world.

We hope to stay connected as your journey continues - celebrating your milestones, sharing opportunities, and keeping you connected with classmates, mentors, and the university community.

To make sure you remain part of the UCT network, we just need one simple thing from you: please update your contact information.



Alternatively, send your updated contact information via email to alumni@uct.ac.za.

Other ways of staying connected

- Attend alumni events in your region
- Participate in the Convocation AGM
- Follow us on LinkedIn, Instagram, and Facebook
- Visit the Alumni Engagement team at the Development and Alumni Department
- Share your achievements with us at alumni@uct.ac.za

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We look forward to connecting with you as alumni of UCT.

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- Voluntary, takes 7 mins
- Helps current students and faculties with world-of-work insights



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