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UNIVERSITY OF NATAL

## **PIETERMARITZBURG**

# **Graduation / Diploma Ceremony**

Faculty of Human & Management Sciences (Arts & Theology)

Tuesday, 9 April 2002

18h00

**Natal Midlands Indoor Sporting Centre** 

#### The Chancellor

"Chancellor" is an office that goes back to antiquity: the original Chancellor or *cancellarius* (as the office was known) regulated access to the Roman Tribune. In medieval times, the office became associated with the heads of the writing departments of the early kings. Because so few people were literate, a chancellor was necessarily learned. This is why the heads and spokepersons of the early universities were also accorded the title. More recently, the office has become largely symbolic. The executive head of a university is its vice-chancellor.

Justice Pius Langa is the sixth Chancellor of the University of Natal. His predecessors are: The Honourable D G Shepstone (1949-1966), Dr G G Campbell (1967-1973), Dr B A Armitage (1973-1983), the Honourable R N Leon QC (1983-1992), and Archbishop D E Hurley (1993-1998).

#### The Mace

The Chancellor's Mace is used on ceremonial occasions presided over by the Chancellor and is regarded as the Chancellor's "staff of office". It symbolises the University's protection of its Chancellor.

The use of the mace as a symbol of authority has a long history. The head of a copper mace, which apparently dates back to the 12<sup>th</sup> Century before Christ, has been excavated at Beyce Sultan in Asia. In the early centuries, churchmen who went to war often carried a mace in preference to a sword. One side of the mace-head was beautifully decorated with the owner's emblem and on the other side was a large knob which served as a weapon, but was always round as a reminder of church law forbidding the shedding of blood. In the early centuries the mace was a symbol of the king's authority. During the power struggle between the king and the Commons in the 13<sup>th</sup> Century, the king gave the speaker the mace as a symbol of his indemnity against arrest.

The Mace was designed by Mr G H Atkins, senior lecturer in sculpture in the University's Department of Fine Arts. The Mace was made in England, it was first used at the 1970 graduation ceremonies.

# The Armorial Bearings (see front cover)

The armorial bearings of the University of Natal were awarded by the College of Arms in London..

The two black wildebeest come from the arms of the Province of KwaZulu-Natal. They are shown in full course to symbolise movement and progress. The two open books represent the universal heritage of knowledge and the two centres of the University, Durban and Pietermaritzburg. The five pointed star refers to the naming of Natal by Portuguese navigators when they landed for the first time at Durban on Christmas Day in 1497. *Stella Aurorae* (star of the dawn) symbolises the role of the University in bringing to light new knowledge and spreading the enlightening influence of education.

#### Academic Dress

The wearing of gowns by judges, ministers, teachers and scholars is an ancient and significant custom. When the graduating students at universities receive their diplomas or degrees, they, too (and for some, only once in their lives) wear the caps and gowns and so participate in this long tradition. By wearing the ancient regalia, they join hands with students past and students present.

In modern academic ceremonies the standard cap and gown are almost universally worn. Of all the components of the costume, the hood conveys the greatest amount of information: it makes clear the level of the degree, the faculty in which it was given, and the institution which awarded it.

#### Convocation

After being capped by the Chancellor, each graduate moves across the stage and hands the hood to the President of Convocation (or representative). The President places the hood upon the graduate's shoulders. At the end of the ceremony, after the Chancellor's procession has left the stage, the President leads a procession of the new graduates out of the hall, row by row, to symbolise their acceptance into, and future membership of, the Convocation of the University of Natal, the statutory body through which graduates have the opportunity to play a continuing role in the affairs of the University.

#### **OFFICERS**

Chancellor The Honorable Justice PN Langa

Deputy President of the Constitutional Court BIuris, LLB (Unisa), LLD (honoris causa) (UNIZUL)

Acting Vice-Chancellor DA Maughan Brown

BA(CapeTown), MA(Cantab), DPhil(Sussex)

Chairman of Council A Rogoff

CA(SA)

Deputy Vice-Chancellor EA Ngara

(Students and Transformation) BAHons, MPhil, PhD(London)

Deputy Vice-Chancellor SS Abdool Karim

(Research and Development) MBChB(Natal), MS(Epidem)(Columbia), FFCH(CommHlth)(SA),

MMed(CommHlth), PhD(Natal)

Acting Deputy Vice-Chancellor A Kaniki

(Academic) BALS(Zambia),MS(Illinois),PhD(Pittsburgh)

Acting Deputy Vice-Chancellor LW Roberts

(Administration) PREng,MScEng(Natal),PhD(London),DIC,HonFSAIMechEng,

MASME

Pro Vice-Chancellor JD Volmink

(Executive Director: NUDF & BScHons(UWC), PhD(Cornell)

Public Affairs)

Pro Vice-Chancellors MA Hellberg

(Academic) BScHons(CapeTown), PhD(Cantab), FRSSAf, FInstP

TH King

MAFA(Witwatersrand), UED(Natal)

Registrar PM Malgas

BAHons(UWC)

President of Convocation Z Mlisana

MBChB(Natal),FCP(Paed)(SA)

Orator C Gardner

BAHons(Natal), MA(Oxon)

Dean of Faculty

Human & Management Sciences RB Nicolson

BAHons, PhD(Natal), DTE(Unisa)



#### PROGRAMME

The Academic Procession enters the Hall (Fanfare)

## The Chancellor constitutes the Congregation

Welcome to Guests

Professor D A Maughan Brown Acting Vice-Chancellor and Principal

Address

Students' Representative Council

Presentation of Doctoral Graduands

Professor R B Nicolson
Dean: Faculty of Human & Management Sciences

Honorary Graduand
The Orator presents the Honorary Graduand

Address

Professor Bernth Lindfors PhD(Calif)

Musical Interlude University of Natal Chorale

Presentation of Graduands and Diplomates

Professor R B Nicolson

Dean: Faculty of Human & Management Sciences

The Chancellor dissolves the Congregation

National Anthem

The Congregation is invited to join in the singing of the National Anthem

The Academic Procession leaves the Hall

The congregation is requested to stand while the procession enters and leaves the Hall

Only officially authorised persons may take photographs during the ceremony

Please ensure that cell phones are turned off

## DOCTORAL GRADUANDS

## **Doctor of Philosophy**

Farisani Elelwani Ret	huel, MThTheology		
Thesis:	The use of Ezra-Nehemiah in a quest for a theology of renewal,		
THEOIS.	transformation and reconstruction in the (South) African context.		
Supervisor:	Professor GO West		
le Roux, Harold Martin	n, BAHons(Witwatersrand),MA(CapeTown)Theology		
Thesis:	The local congregation empowering the urban poor, with special		
	reference to John Wesley's social ethics.		
Supervisor:	Professor RN Richardson		
Meyer, Wilhelm Henry, MTh			
Thesis:	Reading Mark 4:35-41: a study of student discourses in the School		
	of Theology, the University of Natal, Pietermaritzburg.		
Supervisor:	Professor JA Draper		
Naidoo, Pamela, BA,BA	AHons,MA(UDW)Psychology		
Thesis:	The effects of coping, social support, attribution and cognitive illness		
	representation on outcome measures of pain, disability and		
	psychological well-being in Rheumatoid Arthritis patients.		
Supervisor:	Professor GC Lindegger		
Ward, Edwina Debora	h, MA(Berkeley)Theology		
Thesis:	The contribution of clinical pastoral education to pastoral ministry in		
	South Africa: overview and critique of its method and dynamic, in view of adaptation and implementation in a cross cultural context.		
Supervisor:	Professor RN Richardson		
Co-supervisor:	Professor GC Lindegger		
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## HONORARY GRADUAND

Lindfors, Bernth, PhD(Calif)

## **GRADUANDS**

## Master of Arts

Supervisor: Professor LM Richter

Buckenham, Karen E	Elizabeth, BSc(Toronto)Theology
Dissertation:	Women's experience, spirituality and theology for liberation and life in contemporary South Africa as expressed through visual arts with a focus on the lives and work of two women artists - Dina Cormick and Bonnie Ntshalintshali.
Supervisor:	Professor GO West
Dlamini, Sydwell Nsi	zwa, BSocScHonsHistory
Dissertation:	Patterns and shifts in cultural heritage in KwaZulu- Natal: selected case studies, 1977-1999.
Supervisor:	Professor TA Nuttall
du Preez, Elizabeth J	ohanna, BA(Rhodes),BEdApplied Language Studies
Dissertation:	An evaluation of language materials developed by the Language in Learning and Teaching (LILT) projects in terms of the language development of the learners using them, based on what they aim to
	achieve and their perceived functions in the light of the guiding principles under-pinning the LILT project.
Supervisor:	Professor R Wildsmith-Cromarty
Jones, Megan Ann, B	AHons(Toronto) History of Art
Dissertation:	A discussion of the Historical influences on the production, presentation and promotion of Zulu Basketry and related 'grasswork'.
Supervisor:	Ms JC Leeb-du Toit
Kriel, Anita Julia, BA	HonsPsychology
Dissertation:	An exploration of the conceptualisation of child-on-child sexual offenders by a group of isiZulu educators.
Supervisor:	Ms BJ Killian
Khumalo, Ellie, BAH	ons
Dissertation: Supervisor:	A critical analysis of NF Mbhele's one-act plays. Professor AM Maphumulo
Land, Sandra Jane, B.	AHons(Unisa)
Dissertation:	What difference does adult basic education make? Self reported differences between a group of adults who have participated in adult basic education programmes and a group who have not.
Supervisor:	Professor JJW Aitchison
Nel, David, BAHons	English
Dissertation:	Return to the farm: landscape as a site for the interrogation of identity in three works of JM Coetzee.
Supervisor:	Professor DA Attwell

<sup>\*</sup> Degree awarded cum laude

Ntshangase, Duduzile Audrey, BAHons.....Zulu Dissertation: A critical study of Elliot Zondi's historical dramas. Supervisor: Professor AM Maphumulo Dissertation: Conflicting Paradigms: an investigation into teachers' perceptions of language teaching practice in English Second Language Primary School classrooms, KwaZulu-Natal Supervisor: Ms FM Jackson Dissertation: Writing experiences of BEd Honours students registered for the Language in Learning and Teaching (LILT) module: a case study. Supervisor: Ms FM Jackson Co-supervisor: Ms MJ Inglis Dissertation: Leksikale kohesie in voorgeskrewe Afrikaanse kortverhale vir Graad 12-leerders (Afrikaans T2) in Gauteng. Supervisor: Professor DZ Van Der Berg Master of Arts (Political Science) Seevaraj, Bevelyn Conrad, BAHons Dissertation: The quest for "flexible" trade unionism in post-apartheid South Africa: engaging neo-liberal hegemony. Dr LE Piper Supervisor: Master of Arts (Psychology) Discipline

aspirations: a study of urban and rural youth in the midlands of KwaZulu-Natal.

Mr SM Ntshangase

Dissertation: Self and culture: a dialogical perspective.

Supervisor: Professor GC Lindegger

## Master of Arts (Translation)

Hubbard, Mariah, BAHons

Supervisor:

Dissertation: Selective translations of Rachida Saqi's "Marocaines en mâle vie".

Supervisor: Dr TM Everson

<sup>\*</sup> Degree awarded cum laude

#### Master of Fine Arts

Fariña, Alexa Jane, BAHons

Dissertation: Cross cultural influences in the work of Ian Garrett and Magdalene

Odundo.

Supervisor: Professor JY Armstrong

Giorza, Theresa Magdalen, BA(CapeTown), BAHons

Dissertation: A participatory self-evaluation of work carried out by DWEBA

(Development of Dynamic Women's Enterprise in Business and Art)

with three groups of rural women in KwaZulu-Natal.

Supervisor: Professor JY Armstrong Co-supervisor: Ms JC Leeb-Du Toit

Miller, Diana Mary, BAFA(Unisa)

Dissertation: Down to earth: Changing attitudes towards nature as reflected in the

work of Jenny Cullinan, Lynne Hull and the candidate.

Supervisor: Professor TH King

Xakaza, Mzuzile Mduduzi, BAFA, HDE (UFH), BAHons (Unisa)

Dissertation: Social and Zulu mystical aspects of the art of Vuminkosi Zulu.

Supervisor: Professor TH King

## Master of Theology

\* Chatteris, Christopher Dermot, PGCE(Liverpool), BDHons(London), PGDipPastTheol, BA,

MA(Oxon)

Dissertation: Teaching preaching where cultures cross: historical, theological,

cultural and pastoral reflections on the pedagogy of homiletics, with some particular references to the Catholic Church in Anglophone

Africa.

Supervisor: Sister S Rakozcy

Grzelak, Krzysztof Stanislaw, MTh(TheolAcad, KRAKOW)

Dissertation: The future of Ecumenical Theology from the perspective of Karl

Rahner's theological thought.

Supervisor: Sister S Rakoczy

Co-supervisor: Professor K Nürnberger

Muraguri, Humphrey Irungu, BThHons

Dissertation: Motivation and strategies for holistic ministry to widows: the role of

the Anglican Church in Nairobi, Kenya, in advocacy, counselling,

empowerment and job creation.

Supervisor: Dr SM De Gruchy

<sup>\*</sup> Degree awarded cum laude

Ntibagirirwa, Symphorien, MA

Dissertation: A Christian ethical approach to economic globalization: an

alternative to Samir Amin's humanism and Hans Küng's global ethic

and its implications in the Burundian context.

Supervisor: Professor KB Nürnberger

Thurlow, Judith Mary Buller, BTh

Dissertation: God in context: A comparative study of the images of God in three

select local Christian groups of women.

Supervisor: Professor GO West Co-supervisor: Sister S Rakoczy

wa Gatumu, Albert Kabiro, BDiv(St Paul's UTC, Kenya)

Dissertation: Primal worldview and the Bible: an African Christian contribution

to a hermeneutical method from the perspective of the primal

worldview, with particular reference to the Gikuyu of Kenya.

Supervisor: Professor K Bediako

Master of Theology (Biblical Studies)

Chetty, Leslie Jonathan, BThHons

Dissertation: The relevance of 2 Corinthians 5:18-21 and Romans 5:1-11 for

reconciliation between victims and offenders, for serious crime -

especially rape, for bringing about healing via mediation.

Supervisor: Professor JA Draper

Chiloane, Caroline Fikile, BThHons

Dissertation: Healing in selected New Testament texts and the implications for the

Evangelical Lutheran Church in Southern Africa.

Supervisor: Mrs PF Bruce Co-supervisor: Father SC Bate

Master of Theology (Ministerial Studies)

Kharises, Julieth, BThHons

Dissertation: The concerns of rural and urban women with HIV/AIDS in Walvis

Bay area: an effective model of pastoral care and counselling with

particular focus on the theory of Howard Clinebell.

Supervisor: Ms ED Ward

Naidoo, Devan, BThHons

Dissertation: Women be silent - the ministry of women in the Evangelical Church

of South Africa (ESCA).

Supervisor: Ms ED Ward

## Master of Theology (Theology and Development)

\* Broekmann, Lisa Mary, BA(Witwatersrand)

Dissertation: Local church management of development initiatives: a reflection

on five management processes.

Supervisor: Dr SM de Gruchy

Khariseb, Petrus, BThHons

Dissertation: The contribution of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the Republic

of Namibia (ELCRN) to poverty relief in circuit Usakos, with special

focus on Otjimbingwe Rural Community.

Supervisor: Dr SM de Gruchy

Mudau, Zwodangani David, BThHons

Dissertation: An evaluation of HIV/AIDS ministry of the Evangelical Lutheran

Church in Southern Africa's congregations in the Umgeni Circuit of

the South Eastern Diocease (KwaZulu-Natal).

Supervisor: Dr SM de Gruchy

## **Bachelor of Arts Honours**

		Discipiine
	Driver, Elenor Hildegard, BA, UED	Applied Language Studies
*	Hohls, Nicolette Eve, BA, HDE	French
*	Kirkwood, Tamlin, BA, HDE	
	Laughton, Tracy Lee, BA	
*	Smart, Dee-Ann, BA(Unisa)	
	Zungu, Phumelele Jeanett, BA(UNIZUL)	

## **Bachelor of Arts Honours (Classics)**

\* Gee, Naomi Susan, BA

## **Bachelor of Arts Honours (Cognitive Science)**

Maynard, Shannon Jane, BA(Stell)

## **Bachelor of Arts Honours (Drama Studies)**

Bell, Tamlyn Mary, BA(DrStud)Naidoo, Nichelle Jasinta, BA\* Borgen, Olivia Louise, BARijs, Chantelle Louise, BA

Janse van Vuuren, Petro, BA(Stell) Stacey, Catherine, BA(DrStud)

<sup>\*</sup> Degree awarded cum laude

## Bachelor of Arts Honours (English Studies)

Balkisson, Juanita Bernadette, BA(Unisa)
Boast, Mandy, BA

\* Furniss, Nicola Louisem, BA

Haffajee, Fazeela, BA(Unisa) McArthur, Rosemary Aloma, BA(Unisa) Spavins, Rozanne Gayle, BA

## Bachelor of Arts Honours (Fine Art)

Githui, Judy Wairimu, BA Hosking, Sarah Jane, BA Melville, Elizabeth Anne, BA

\* Shuttleworth, Robert Ian, BA

Stuart-Hill, Hilda Margaret, BA Wills, Bronwyn Elizabeth, BA Wilson, Kathryn Ann, BA

## Bachelor of Arts Honours (Geographical Science)

Aitchison, Katherine Clare, BA Goodenough, Claire Kathleen, BA

Mthembu, Lindiswa, BPAED(UDW)

## Bachelor of Arts Honours (Heritage Studies)

Lembethe, Babongile Julia, BA, AUDIS

## **Bachelor of Arts Honours (Historical Studies)**

\* Fitzpatrick, Michael, BA(George Mason)

\* Lamplough, Peter Mark, BA

## Bachelor of Arts Honours (Isizulu)

Hlengwa, Bongeka Buhle, BA

Ngobese, Nonhlanhla Hilda, BA(UNIZUL)

## Bachelor of Arts Honours (Political Science)

\* Abrahams, Sherry-Lee, BA Bissett, Cherryn-Paige de-Lisle, BA

\* Clarence, Sherran Lyn, BA Govender, Sayuri, BA

\* Holdt, Adam David, BA

\* Lutchman, Jessica, BA
Naidoo, Kershney Chantelle, BA
Ramdeen, Marisha, BA
Wardle, Deone Jerome, BA(PhilosPolitLaw)
Zulu, Sithembiso, BA

## Bachelor of Arts Honours (Psychology)

Augustine, Lucina Jacqueline, BA,PGDipAppSocSc

Barsdorf, Nicola Wendy, BA(Unisa)

Bennie, Progress Tholakele, BA(UDW), PGDipAppSocSc Bulman, Judith Carol, BA

<sup>\*</sup> Degree awarded cum laude

- \* Cason, Michael David, BA
- \* Haw, St John Blake, BA
  Meyer, Sharyn-Leigh, BA
  Nott, Vicki Margaret, BA(Unisa)
- \* Pyke, Deborah Ann, BA(Unisa) Roberts, Wendy, BA(Unisa)
- \* Routledge, Leigh-Anne, BA Seedat, Nadia, BA(Unisa),PGDipAppSocSc

## **Bachelor of Arts Honours (Sociology)**

\* Seebran, Radhna, BA

## **Bachelor of Theology Honours**

Arrikum, Beryl Premilla Bagium Bartel, Silke
Burakeye, Siraguma Theodore
Chingondole, Samuel Mpeleka
Dean, Samuel Octavious, BTh
Dobek, Frauke Luise
Erasmus, Teboho Isaac
Guriras, Pauline, BTh
Gwala, Sibusiso Duncan
Khuboni, Mbuso
Kuster, Anna Dorothea
Mabelebele, Mphakele Samuel
Madima, Thilivhali Nathaniel,
BA, UED(Venda)

Maduka, Johnson Obiora, BA(Nigeria)
Malua, Abraham Hatuikulipi
Mandindi, Linda Edward
Mashigoane, Dixie Mmamontsho
Matsepe, Phidian Mantso
Mncwabe, Moses Bonginkosi
Motsomaesi, Mogapi Joseph
Ntshingila, Sylvia Ntombifuthi, BTh
Schmidt, Sarah Isabel Constanze
Sinthumule, Dombo-Dorothy, BTh
Titoce, Isaias Paulo

\* Wuesten, Stefen Wulf Xwazi, Mazwimahle Kenneth

#### **Bachelor of Arts**

(Major subjects passed in the first class are shown in brackets)

 \* Allen, Bruce Oliver (Computer Science, Fine Art)
 Ally, Sumaiya
 Bosch, Sarah-Jane
 Breeds, Sarah Elizabeth

α Briscoe, Jeannette Cicely (English, Legal Studies)

Brogan, Dominique
Brown, Crosby Sydney

 α Burnard, Andrew James (English, Psychology)
 Chan, Mairoonisa

Chetty, Sanusha

Chitepo, Mandlenkosi Mnyazadzi Chothia, Zarinah Yunus Cooper, Russell Edward Dabah, Christina Natalie Driver, Julia Jane Erskine, Angela Jane Evans, Katherine Lee Faure, Jennifer Helen Govender, Donavan Gwanzura, Munyaradzi Justin (Political Studies)

(Political Studies) **Harris**, Belinda Caroline

Haves, Natalie

\* Degree awarded cum laude α Degree awarded summa cum laude

Hindmarsh, Claire Elizabeth Jiyane, Zinhle Edith Jungmohan, Yuveka Khoza, Zandile Zanele Landwehr, Nichole Stacey Lee, Tracy Anne Lombard, Christopher (Fine Art) Lutchman, Niritika Nerisha α Mackie, Emma-Louise (History, Political Studies) Maharaj, Sarika Maila, Ntombizanele Adelaide Maipath, Melanie Masondo, Buhle Simphiwe Winston Mbatha, Thokozani Mills, Kerri-Lvn Mkhize, Makhosazane Prudence Moffatt, Debra Anne Mokgalaka, Robby Makwetlang Mpanza, Bongani Mpungose, Gloria Hlengiwe Munglee, Harshna Naicker, Candice Shantal Naidu, Kesheen Ncobeni, Mthandeni Vincent Ndlovu, Siboniso Justice Ngcobo, Nkosinathi Lindela Emmanuel Padayachee, Shenaaz Patterson, Donavan

Pepperell. Marlise Phungula, Mthokozisi Cyril Pike, Matthew Linden Poole, Jenna Elizabeth Possea, Maita Richmond, Jacqueline Rugbur, Renusha Scullard, Angela Janet Seevarai, Eloise Cheray Sevambu, Roopkash Shand, Adelene Michelle Sharrock, Catherine Ann Simelane, Zanele Dolly Stander, Karen Marie (English) Stewart, Claire Aideen Storey, Amanda Eileen Maria α Swain, Matthew Michael (English. Legal Studies, Philosophy) Symonds, Sarah Frost Talbot, Terence Gerald Taylor, Deborah Leigh Thatcher, Patrick Gerald Thavarin, Dashendren Brendon Vally, Ayesha Yusuf Van Heerden, Tanya (Fine Art) Zondi, Mbongeni Amon Zondi, Thokozani Eunice Zuma, Sandile Petros

## Bachelor of Arts (Drama Studies)

Bell, Tamlyn Mary

## **Bachelor of Arts (English Studies)**

Gazard, Nicole Michelle Kelly, Brian George

Whitford, Stephen

Bachelor of Arts (Philosophy, Politics and Law)

Laidlaw, Robyn Moosa, Fathima Naidoo, Mukunda Deenadayalan

α Degree awarded summa cum laude

## Bachelor of Arts (Psychology)

Ori, Umeeta Asani

## Bachelor of Arts (Visual Art)

Malembe, Mthobeleni Wiseman Ntsane, Alina Mamohlomi

Teba, Letuka Gerard Thabiso

## Bachelor of Theology (3 Year)

(Major subjects passed in the first class are shown in brackets)

Aungamuthu, Leah Roslyn
Black, Michelle Ann (Biblical Studies,
Practical Theology)
Chaunoita, Evelyne
Chikosi-Moyo, Lois Rudo
Danisa, Sphiwe Moses
David, Gershwin Anthony
Dire, Lorraine Dikote
Matiwane, Simon
Mogale, Modisaotsile Jack

Mtata, Kenneth
Mudau, Nnditsheni Norman
Mutemi, Jennifer
Ngulube, Daniel
Nhlengetfwa, Robert Themba
Ntakirutimana, Ezekiel
Ntuli, Muziwenhlanhla Khawulani
Qungani, Nwabisa Goodness

## Postgraduate Diploma in Fine Arts

Janse van Vuuren, Gerhardus Petrus Benjamin, BAFA(Pret) Mhayi, Albert Anthony, BAFA(CapeTown) # Yang, Hua

α Degree awarded summa cum laude # Diploma awarded with distinction

A professional video recording of this entire ceremony will be available from the University's Audio Visual Centre: Telephone (033) 260 5339.

For this ceremony the official photographer is Bala Govender & Sons. Kindly direct all enquiries regarding photographs of graduands/diplomates directly to

Telephone (031) 304 4233.



# CONFERMENT OF THE DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF LITERATURE Honoris Causa upon BERNTH LINDFORS

Bernth Lindfors was born in Sweden in 1938 but grew up in the United States. He took a BA in English at Oberlin College, an MA at Northwestern University and a degree in English and Education at Harvard University.

In 1961, in response to an appeal from the Kenyan government which wished to re-establish its schools system, he went to teach in Kisii for two years. During these years he witnessed the burgeoning of a new literature in Africa.

He returned to the US and completed a doctorate in African literature at the University of California, Los Angeles. He then moved to the University of Texas in Austin, where he built up a remarkable and influential school of African literary studies. There he spent his entire academic career.

Professor Lindfors has published voluminously on African literature, folklore, oral literature, performance and biography and on comparative literature. He has produced nine books, 96 contributions to books, 170 articles and innumerable book reviews. He has also edited 26 volumes of essays, interviews and manuscripts. He was the founder of the international journal *Research in African Literatures* and edited it for twenty years, and he was also one of the founders of the African Literature Association. Besides all this, he has been an outstanding and resourceful bibliographer. He has produced several huge volumes entitled *Black African Literature in English*, volumes which catalogue practically everything published in the field.

He has been the recipient of numerous prizes, scholarships and research grants. Among the bodies which have recognized the importance of his work are the Ford Foundation, the National Endowment for the Humanities, the Fulbright Programme, and the Guggenheim Foundation.

Professor Lindfors has been a great facilitator and promoter in the now large field of African literary studies. He has travelled widely in Africa and knows very many of the people in the field, both the creative artists and the critics and academics.

The University of Natal honours Professor Lindfors for the intelligence, dedication, imaginativeness and generosity with which he has contributed to the field of African literary studies.

## A Brief History of the University of Natal

Natal University College - The forerunner of the University of Natal - opened its doors in Pietermaritzburg in 1910 with eight professors and 57 students, eight of whom were women. Lectures in Classics, English and Philosophy, Law, Modern Languages, Botany and Geology, Chemistry and Physics, Mathematics and Zoology were spread over various venues, including Maritzburg College, the Natal Museum building and at the City Hall.

It was not until August 1912 that Old Main Building - built on 40 acres of land donated by the Pietermaritzburg Corporation - was opened by the then Minister of Education, F.S. Malan and the core of the present-day Pietermaritzburg campus was established. The following year, Natal University College (NUC) ceased to be a state institution, becoming instead a state-aided body.

In 1923, NUC extended its tuition to Durban with university level courses in Commerce and Engineering at the Technical College, but it was not until 1928 that Durban agreed that NUC take over full responsibility for university classes in Durban, thereby establishing the characteristic dual nature of the University of Natal. A generous donation by T B Davis, whose son, Howard Davis had been killed during the battle of the Somme in World War I, facilitated the building of Howard College on the Berea which formed the core of a separate campus in Durban. Howard College was formally opened in 1931.

Largely through the efforts of Fabian Socialist Dr Mabel Palmer, separate classes for 19 "Non-European" teaching students at NUC were introduced in Durban in 1936. This number, reflecting an obvious need for training of this nature, grew to nearly 900 by 1960. However, like the University's Medical School, founded in 1951 for black students, classes still reflected the segregated nature of South Africa under apartheid. The government's Extension of University Act of 1959 limited new enrolments, other than those at Medical School, to whites and thwarted the University's aspirations to serve the educational needs of broader society. This act also restricted the autonomy achieved when NUC was granted full university status in 1949. It was not until 1983 when the University circumvented the government's racial admission "quotas" by an appeal to the High Court, that the University could fully resume its role of serving the educational needs of the broader community. Today, about 20 000 students, representing all sectors of South African society, are enrolled at the University of Natal.

In 1953, the administrative control for the University was shifted from Pietermaritzburg to Durban. In response to mounting travelling costs, the two centres were academically separated in 1973, with each centre having parallel faculties of Law, Humanities, Commerce, Science, and Social Science. Recent restructuring has meant the merging of some faculties across both campuses, with Faculties of Education, Engineering, and Law being shared by both campuses. Unique to Durban are the Faculties of Community and Development Disciplines, Management Studies, Science and Medicine. Unique to Pietermaritzburg is the Science and Agriculture Faculty. There are separate Faculties of Human Sciences on each campus.

The University of Natal is fortunate to boast among its past vice-chancellors and principals some exceptional leaders. Its first principal, John Bews (1930-38), was a world-renowned botanist while Dr E G Malherbe (1945-65) was known internationally as an educationalist. In 1993, the University of Natal was the first South African University to appoint a woman as its principal. Brenda Gourley is the present incumbent. Chancellors have also been distinguished figures, not least the present Chancellor, Judge Pius Langa, and the recently retired Archbishop Denis Hurley OMI. Students include Alan Paton, Steve Biko, Alec Erwin and J M Coetzee. From the Medical School, come illustrious alumni such as Dr Ben Ngubane, Dr Mamphela Ramphele, Dr Zweli Mkhize and Professor Ronnie Green-Thompson. Honorary graduates include Nelson Mandela, Roy Campbell, Abdullah Ebrahim, Fatima Meer and Selby Baqwa.

The University of Natal is committed to service through excellence in teaching and research and is opposed to discrimination on the grounds of race, colour, nationality, religion or gender. It is known as a centre for excellence in Africa, is one of South Africa's top research institutions, and has links with almost 260 international institutions. Alive to the demands of a rapidly changing global environment, the University has embarked on a thorough reform of curricula and university structures and is currently a leader in multi-disciplinary studies and is engaged in significant HIV/Aids research. In recognition of its role in society, the University of Natal is also committed to greater emphasis on community-based education and service learning.

#### **National Anthem**

Nkosi sikelel' iAfrika Maluphakanyisw' uphondo lwayo Yizwa imithandazo yethu Nkosi sikelela Thina lusapholwayo.

Morena boloka Setjhaba saheso Ofedise dintwa lematshwenyeho.

O se boloke, O se boloke Setjhaba saheso 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.

## Gaudeamus Igitur

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

Ubi sunt qui ante nos in mundo fuere? Ubi sunt qui ante nos in mundo fuere? Vadite ad superos, transite ad inferos, Ubi jam fuere, ubi jam fuere.

Vita nostra brevis est, brevi finietur; Vita nostra brevis est, brevi finietur; Venit mors velociter, rapit nos atrociter, Nemini parcetur, nemini parcetur.

Vivat Academia, vivant Professores, Vivat Academia, vivant Professores, Vivat membrum quodlibet, vivant membra quaelibet, Semper sint in flore, semper sint in flore.

