

UNIVERSITY OF NATAL

GRADUATION/DIPLOMA CEREMONY

1998

WEDNESDAY 6 MAY 18h00 PIETERMARITZBURG

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 wildebeeste 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.

CONVOCATION

After being capped by the Chancellor, each graduate moves across the stage and hands to the President of Convocation or his/her representative a hood incorporating colours that indicate the degree being awarded and the Faculty in which it is being awarded. The President of Convocation places the hood upon the graduate's shoulders, and, at the end of the ceremony, after the Chancellor's procession has left the stage, 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 part in the affairs of their University.

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Humanities

R B Nicolson

(Arts)

BA(Hons), PhD (Natal), DTE (Unisa)

PROGRAMME

The Academic Procession enters the Hall

THE CHANCELLOR CONSTITUTES THE CONGREGATION

WELCOME TO GUESTS

The Acting Vice-Chancellor

PRESENTATION OF FELLOW OF THE UNIVERSITY

The Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic)

PRESENTATION OF DISTINGUISHED TEACHER

The Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic)

PRESENTATION OF DOCTORAL GRADUANDS

The Dean

HONORARY DEGREE

The Orator presents the Honorary Graduand GCINA MHLOPHE

ADDRESS

Gcina Mhlophe DLitt (honoris causa) (Open University London)

UNIVERSITY OF NATAL CHORALE

Conductor : S E Mkhulusi, BMus (Unisa), BA(Hons) (Natal)

Masimanyane Ma-Krestu (C J Ngqobe) La 'Mino (Traditional)

PRESENTATION OF GRADUANDS AND DIPLOMATES

The Dean

THE CHANCELLOR DISSOLVES THE CONGREGATION

The Choir leads the singing of the National Anthem (Words on the back cover of the Programme)

The Academic Procession leaves the Hall The Convocation Procession leaves the Hall

The congregation is requested to stand, and to remain standing, while the processions enter and leave the Hall and to remain seated until the conclusion of the ceremony. Only officially authorised persons are permitted to take photographs during the ceremony.

FELLOW OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NATAL

FACULTY OF HUMANITIES

(see page 14)

Laband, John Paul Clow, MA(Cantab), MA, PhD Awarded for distinguished contributions in historical research

DISTINGUISHED TEACHER OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NATAL

FACULTY OF HUMANITIES

(see page 15)

Nuttall, Timothy Andrew, BA(Hons), HDE(Natal), BA, D.Phil(Oxon) Awarded for exceptional teaching ability

DOCTORAL GRADUANDS

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN THE FACULTY OF HUMANITIES

	Discipline
Dziva , Douglas, MA Thesis:	
Supervisor:	Mr P Maxwell
Mkhize, Jabulani Jus	tice Thembinkosi, MA English
Thesis:	Social realism in Alex la Guma's longer fiction.
Supervisor:	Prof DA Attwell
Nicholls, Brenda Mu	riel, MA(Cambridge) Historical Studies
Thesis:	The Colenso endeavour in its context, 1887-1897.
Supervisor:	Prof JA Benyon
Ogu, Memoye Abijal	h, MA(Rhodes) English
Thesis:	Ideology and contemporary criticism of African
	literature.
Supervisor:	Prof DA Attwell

An analysis of the relationship between worldview Thesis: construction, religious belief and human nature from a theistic point of view. Supervisor: Prof MH Prozesky Smith, Joyce Elizabeth Mary, MA(Western Ontario) Religious Studies Thesis: Reporting religion in a new South Africa: A context analysis of six South African newspapers 1993-1994. Supervisor: Prof MH Prozesky Thesis: Tradition and the other: The authority of tradition within the context of a contested ecclesia - a Catholic foundational theology. Dr S Rakoczy Supervisor:

HONORARY GRADUAND

(see page 16)

Mhlophe, Gcina, DLitt(honoris causa)(Open Univ. London)

GRADUANDS

MASTER OF ARTS

	Bivela, Thembinkosi	Israel, BA(Hons)(UNIZUL) Discipline Unicipline Discipline Zulu
	Dissertation:	The study of themes in DBZ Ntuli's short stories. Mr MA Hlengwa
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*	Ellis, Beverley, BA(F	Historical Studies
	Dissertation:	The impact of the white settlers on the natural
		environment of Natal, 1845-1870.
	Supervisor:	Prof JPC Laband
	Khumalo, Bhekuyise	Aubrey, BA(Hons)
		The socio-emotional impact of malnutrition: a comparison of infants hospitalised for malnutrition and infants hospitalised for surgical reasons.
	Supervisor:	Prof L Lachenicht

^{*} Degree awarded cum laude

Leask, Zia Andrea, I Dissertation:	SA(Hons)
Supervisor:	Prof CJ Basson
Maartens, Catharina Dissertation:	Elizabeth, BA(Hons)(Unisa) Afrikaans & Nederlands Houding teenoor Afrikaans, 'n meningsopname onder Afrikaanse tieners in skole.
Supervisor:	Mr JL Venter
Meintjes, Berenice, l Dissertation:	BA(Hons)
Supervisor:	Ms B Killian
Dissertation:	Mthokozisi, BA(Hons)
Supervisor:	Dr TA Nuttall
Moremoholo, 'Manth	natisi Corinne, BA(Hons)
	The nature of cross border linkages between Lesotho and Kwazulu-Natal and aspects of Basotho migrants in Pietermaritzburg.
Supervisor:	Prof DGB Slade
Peel, Malcolm Shane Dissertation:	, BA(Hons)
Supervisor:	Mr DR Wassenaar
Rich, Jessica, BA(Ho Dissertation:	ns) Environment & Development Marine resource utilisation: The perceptions of
	stakeholders regarding crayfish harvesting at Mfazazana, Kwazulu-Natal.
Supervisor:	Dr D Scott Ms C Oelofse

^{*} Degree awarded cum laude

Sithole, Dennis Jabu Dissertation:	lani, BA(Hons)
Supervisor:	Dr TA Nuttall
Dissertation:	y, BA(Hons)(Cape Town)
Supervisor:	Mr DR Wassenaar
Snell, Milner Charles Dissertation	s, BA(Hons)
Supervisor:	Prof WR Guest
	Birthwell Emmanuel, BA(Hons)(UNIZUL) Historical Studies The origin and development of a northern Natal township: Madadeni 1936-1994.
Supervisor:	Prof PS Thompson
Zaverdinos, Alida M	fartha, BA(Hons) Fine Art
	Assessment of a collection of Basotho artefacts in the Natal Museum.
Supervisor:	Ms J Leeb-du Toit
	MASTER OF FINE ARTS
	Discipline
	A critical survey of Akan (Ghanaian) collections in the Natal museum.
Supervisor:	Mr IMS Calder
Bredin, Scott, BAFA	Fine Art
	Navigating the topographical drawing: the South African journal of JS Dobie.
Supervisor:	Prof T King
	BAFA Fine Art
	A critical survey of Ardmore ceramics 1985-1996. Ms J Leeb-du Toit

Morley, John, BAFA Fine Art

Dissertation: The art of Jasper Johns and Robert Rauschenberg

during the 1950s and 1960s: The transition from

Modernism to Postmodernism.

Supervisor: Ms E Liebenberg-Barkhuizen

MASTER OF THEOLOGY

Hendricks, Gavin Peter, BA(Hons) Theology

Dissertation: The concept logos in the Gospel of John and the

theory of orality and literacy.

Supervisor: Prof JA Draper

 $Dissertation: \quad A\,re-examination\,of\,John's\,realised\,eschatology\,in$

the light of African Shona traditional eschatology.

Supervisor: Prof JA Draper

Dissertation: Healing ministry in the Zulu context: The

potential role of Zulu traditional medicine in the Catholic church's healing ministry, with special

reference to the Marianhill mission.

Supervisor: Ms E Ward

Dissertation: Policy options on land distribution in South Africa

with special reference to the rural community of Cradock in the Eastern Cape: A theological ethical

perspective.

Supervisor: Prof K Nürnberger

Dissertation: The use of the Bible in black theology, with

reference to the Exodus story.

Supervisor: Prof G West

Dissertation: "Muzzling the ox that treads out the corn": A

critical analysis of the theology and practice of the full-time ministry of the Pentecostal church in Nairobi district with special reference to

remuneration.
Dr A Balcomb

Tjibeba, Hendrik Rudolf, BTh Theology

Dissertation: A study of burial rituals, grieving and

bereavement among the Nama people of Namibia:

A pastoral response.

Supervisor: Ms E Ward

Supervisor:

MASTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT

Discipline

Donnelly, Michael, BA(Hons)(Portsmouth) Environment and Development

Dissertation: A role for protected areas in community income

generation: a study of the Northern Drakensberg.

Supervisor: Prof CM Breen

Mabuza, Lindiwe Olivia Khumbuzile, BA, PGDipHRM Environment and Development

Dissertation: The Primary School Nutrition Programme

(PSNP): Assessing the allocation of funding in

Kwazulu-Natal,1995/96.

Supervisor: Prof RJ Fincham

Mosimane, Alphons Wabahe, BA(Hons)(UNAM) Environment and Development

Dissertation: Local knowledge of natural resources in rural

Namibia: A case study of Salambala conservancy

in Eastern Caprivi.

Supervisor: Dr T Marcus

BACHELOR OF ARTS (HONOURS)

	Discipline
*	Anderson, Lara Jane, BA Fine Art
	Assink, Catherine Linda, BA English
	Beveridge, Andrew Norris, BA
	Bollaert, Anne-Lise, BA
	Boqwana, Bulelwa, BA
	Brayshaw, Carolyn Anne, BA History

	Buthelezi, Barbara Makhosazana Valeria, BA, HDE Zulu
*	Butler, Susan Catherine, BA
	Byrnes, Douglas William Thornton, BA Religious Studies
	Campbell, Jeremy Thomas, BA, MCRP, HDE(Cape Town) English
	Chase, Michael John, BA History
	Fairbrass, Peta Barbara, BA
	Garden, Linda Janet, BA English
*	Giorza, Theresa Magdalen, BA, HDE(Cape Town) Fine Art
*	Goodricke, Shannon Joy, BA Philisophy & Political Science
	Govender, Karissa, BA
	Govender, Shaundal, BA Political Science
	Gqibitole, Khaya Michael, BA
	Green, Jeanette Monica, BA Sociology
	Jugmohan, Shanita, BA(UDW), HDE(Unisa) Drama Studies
*	Knock, Leslie Douglas, BA French & Latin
	Knoesen, Lauren, BA
*	Lambert, Michael, BA(Hons), HDE, MA French
	Mathe, Mbusokazi Nomsa Thelma, BA, HDE Zulu
	McNicoll, Bevin Mark, BA
	Mhlambo, Msebenzi Rudolph, BA(UDW), HDE Zulu
	Mhlanga, Sibusiso Brian, BPaed(UNIZUL)
	Moore, Bradley, BA Political Science
	Moshoetsi, Sifiso Ike, BA
	Museisi, Nkhangweleni Mavis, BA(ED)(Venda) Economics
	Neal, Tamarin Anne, BA
	Nganwa, Peace Judith Kenyangi, BA(Rhodes)
	Ngobese, Nomagugu Patience, BA Zulu
	Palmary, Ingrid Ann, BA Psychology
	Pearman, Cathryn Jill, BA
	Rose, Sally, BA
	Schreiner, Heather, BA
	Scina, Engelbrecht Mzoxolo, BA
	Shabalala, Mbali Aldromeda, BA Zulu
*	Smith, Warren Andrew, BA History
	Sparg, Elizabeth-Anne Stanley, BA Psychology
*	Thacker, Candice Peta, BA Drama Studies
	Thushini, Mthokozisi Erick, BA French
	Walker, Robyn Denise, BA Geography
*	Warnes, Christopher Graham, BA(Cape Town) English
	Williams, Nicola May, BA(Unisa)
	Wilson, Marc William Sokehill, BA Psychology
	Witherspoon, Murray David, BA
	Wixley, Alison Louise, BA
	Zulu, Stellar Busisiwe, BA Drama Studies

^{*} Degree awarded cum laude

BACHELOR OF THEOLOGY (HONOURS)

		Discipline
	Brandt, Newton, BTh(Unisa)	Theology
	Dlamini, Wiseman Vuyo, BTh	Theology
*	Fenner, Katharina Lucia	Theology
	Kanana, Aron Set	Theology
	Kumalo, Raymond Simanga, BTh	Theology
*	Kuzmierz, Katrin Dorothea	
	Kilyobo, Adolf Yuma	
	Lwilla, Saul Nehemia	
	Matsolo, Dinis	
*	Moller, Julia Elisabeth	
	Ngodji, Martin	Theology
	Ngoetjana Rebecca, BTh	
	Njenga, Lukas Kinyajui	
	Ntseng, David Bantoe, BTh	
	Ntoagae, Patricia Ouma	
	Ntsubane, Florence Nomabhaso, BTh	
	Okyere-Manu, Benson	
	Pistor, Andrea	
	Richter, Johannes	
	Schlegel, Thomas	0,
	Sithole, Njabulo Samuel	
	Urio, Elly Zablon	
	,,	Theorogy

BACHELOR OF ARTS

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

Acutt, Kim Ali, Fahiza Andersen, Shila Barbara Anderson, Kirsten Peta Anthony, Ross (History of Art) Antolik, Bryan Charles Antonio, Gift Appleton, Vanessa Joan Assink, Catherine Mary Atherstone, Claire Lynne Beauclerk, Nicola Benzon, Tana Michelle Black, Kerry Bond, Helen Mary Grace Botha, Colin Bowles, Adam Charles

Brand, Jacqueline Brown, Amy

Burnett, Barbara Susan (Fine Art, History of Art) Cahill, Bronwyn Kate Cebisa, Mzawenkosi Vickson Chase, Michael John Cloete, Amanda Nona Ruth

α Cripps, Ruth Heather (English, Philosophy)
 Cumings, Collette Dayle
 Dabah, Vanessa Batya
 Dallas, Samantha Catherine
 Davey, Rosalind Ann (Zulu)
 Deepnarain, Krithika

^{*} Degree awarded $\operatorname{\mathbf{cum}}$ laude

α Degree awarded summa cum laude

De Villiers, John Matthew (Classical

Civilisation) **De Vivo**, Giuliano

Demmer, Ryan Matthew

Dladla, Zamokwakhe Elphas

Dlamini, Bongiwe Iris

Dlamini, Cyprian Siyabonga Oscar

Dlamini, Mafithi Gladys **Dlamini**, Timothy Thokozani

Dlomo, Sandile Cyril

Dudley, Hilary Alexandra Evelyn (English)

Dzanibe, Philani Goodenough James

Eddy, Angela Tarren Egan, Melissa Jayne Ellis, Linda Janine Engelbrecht, Joanne Erasmus, Kathy McLaws

Exelby, Narina Ann (Drama Studies)

Farber, Alan Norman
Farina, Alexa Jane
Fishley, Simon James
Foley, Roslyn Jane (English)
Gabriel, Bronwyn Chantal
Ganapathy, Appanna
Gardner, Philip Thornley
Gezane, Themba Archibald
Gilbert, Deborah Louise

Goolam, Rashid

Govender, Cheryl Diane Govender, Kavisha Govender, Yogini Gwala, Princess Thobile

Gwala, Sihle

Hadebe, Vezokuhle Vincent Hamilton, Katherine Ann Hanuman, Sandesh Harkin, Alison Claire

Harryparsad, Nishi (Economic History)

Hawken, Tracy-Leigh Berkely

Hein, Tosca

Hlongwane, Khehla Elliot Hlongwane, Wandile Mahlatsi Hlophe, Zakhele Gervas Hodgson, Nina-Jane Margaret Hoosen, Arshad Farouk

Hough, Nolan Charles

Howlin, Leanne Jackson, Nicola Jane Janisch, Robert Hudson

Jili, Vincent Philani

α Jones, Heidi (German Studies, English)

Jorry, Mahomed Rafiek Kelly, Claire Heather Khan, Aarifa Khan, Tasneem

Khumalo, Gugulethu Brenda Tamara Khumalo, Nonkosi Alvira Carmen

King, Jennifer Erica Knott, Wendy

Kubeka, Mziwamaswazi

Kumalo, Nomzi Kunene, Sthembiso Lamb, Robin Kerrie

Lechmere-Oertel, Helen Mary Linscott, James Alfred (English)

Lombard, Renée Louise MacCallum, Sally Ann MacKenzie, Kirsten Lucy Madlala, Hazel Nokuthula

Madlala, Thulani Elliot Mthandeni

Maharaj, Natasha

Mahlane, Tsietsi Simpson Malinga, Lindeni Gabriel

Marian, Renee

Mathraparsad, Vikashnee

Mavundla, Bongumusa Ntuthuko McKenzie, Katherine Louise McLean, Ashley Sharon Mchunu, Siqondokuhle Andile McLachlan, Alastair James Mdingi, Mziwoxolo Simon Mdletshe, Velisiwe Zanele Mdlolo, Mthobisi Sizwe Memela, Zwelihle Nimrod

Mhlongo, Khayelihle Innocent Mills, Rebecca Lynne (Psychology)

Milne, John Morton

Mfingwana, Sibonise

Miwa, Yoko Mirijam Yessica Miya, Mirriam Smangele Mjwara, Jeffrey Mlungisi Mkhize, Sandile Godfrey Mkhize, Sanelisiwe Maria-Octavia

Mkhize, Sibongile Rejoyce

Mkhwanazi, Herbert Siyabonga

Mngomezulu, Ndumiso Manley

Moagi, Winston Mafatshana

Modikwane, Emmanuel

Moola, Bilkis Banoo

Msane, Enock June

Msimang, Sibongile Betty-Ford

Mthembu, Louis Velaphi

Mthembu, Mbongeni Ernest

Murray, Philippa Sarah Younger

Myasur, Ashika

Naicker, Jennifer

Naicker, Nicola

Naidoo, Darmesan

Naidoo, Kameshree

Naidoo, Kervershree

Naidoo. Kumenthree

Naidoo, Michelle

Naidoo, Navani

Naidoo, Prevanthree

Naidoo, Uraisha Jasomay

Naidu, Hushantha

Ndlela, Mduduzi Peter

Nellist, Colleen Gave (Fine Art)

Ngcobo, Janet Thembisile

Ngcobo, Mqondisi Wiseman

Ngcobo, Nomshado Leah

Ngobese, Nomagugu Patience

Ngoma, Nomathemba Nonkululeko

Ngubane, Amon Thulasizwe

Ngubane, Reuben Zwelithini

Ngwenya, Wiseman Simphiwe

Nhlabathi, Anthea Ncamsile

Nielsen, Morten Meyerhoff

Nkabinde, Zamacusie Victress

Nkabini, Alois Bheki

Noyi, Xolile Fredrikus

Nyide, Philile

O'Carroll, Philippa Mary

Odell, Catherine Ann (English)

Padayachee, Ashendran

Papazaharias, Maria Antoinette

Parak, Ashraf Ahmed

Pearman, Cathryn Jill

Phiri, Eric

Pillay, Neshni

Pillay, Neroshni

Pillav, Selvie

Planteau De Maroussem, Marie Claire

Martine

Rajah, Divagaran

Ralfe, Julia Edith

Ramsingh, Rishi Kuwar

Rapp, Bronwyn Nance

Reddy, Genisha

Reddy, Yashanthree

Ritchie, Allison

Ritson, Greig Russell

Ryan, Victoria(English)

α Saville, Lisa Joan (English, Psychology)

Schuurman, Jean-Pierre

Scotcher, Lorna Jane

Shabalala, Sifiso Goodwill

Shao, Ning

Shelver, Angelique Vivian

Singh, Ritha Rooith

Smith, Bridget Mary

Solomon, Susan Kathleen

Spencer, Donna Nicole

Stevens, Terence Anton

Suleman Cara Tayob, Fatima

Surendorff, Nina Brigitte (English)

Tenza, Duduzile Nomthandazo

α Toerien, Merran Gurney (Philosophy,

Psychology)

Trotter, Kirsten Anne

Tshitshi, Noluthando

Twyman, Jessica Tamsyn

Venter, Jason Kennedy

Vincent, Helen Anne

Voller, Marco Pierre

Walker, Kirsten Felicity

Wallis, Elizabeth Jane

Walmsley, Roberta Kathryn Hope

Watkinson, Dale John

West, Kerry Robyn

Whitley, Miranda Jane

Wilmot, Cecilia Mary

Withers, Aileen Shan

Withers, Affecti Shall

Wortmann, Wendy Ann

Wright, Laura-Jo Xaba, Thulani Brian Zank, Tarryn Louise (Classical Civilisation) Zondi, Bhekinkosi Khayelihle Zondi, Sibusiso Ferguson Zulu, Khethukuthula Joseph Zungu, Daniel Phiwayinkosi Zungu, Mjabuliseni Clifford Qalokunye Zungu, Mthokozisi Patrick Sikhumbuzo

BACHELOR OF THEOLOGY (THREE YEAR)

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

Dladla, Sibusiso Nimrod Dlamini, Letty Kumalo, Kedisaletse Rebecca Naidoo, Emmanuel Wayne Ngoqo, Hilton Mandla α Nolte, Claudia Margarethe (Practical Theology, Biblical Studies)
 Nsanzya, Kizito Malambo
 Shabalala, Thabo Joel
 α Tshahla, Maarman Samuel (Greek)

α Tshehla, Maarman Samuel (Greek, Biblical Studies)

BACHELOR OF THEOLOGY

Hagedorn, Volker Johann Hina, Mbulelo Christian Mamba, Douglas Menzi Tshabalala, Andrias Jabulani

BACHELOR OF ARTS IN FINE ARTS

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

Agranat, Martha Jean Herd, Megan Samantha (Fine Art:Printmaking) Lawrence, Amanda Jane (Fine Art:Printmaking) Makhaye, Thulani Khayelihle

POST-GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN DRAMA STUDIES

Townsend, Michael, BSc(Warwick)

POST-GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN ENVIRONMENT & DEVELOPMENT STUDIES

Parak, Omar, BA(Hons)

Kolane, Lerato, BA(NUL), BA(Hons)

UNIVERSITY FELLOWSHIPS

University Fellowships have been instituted in order to give special recognition to members of the permanent academic staff for distinguished work of special merit in their chosen fields. The standard of the work is judged primarily by publications and the contribution those have made in the particular field. Public presentation of work in the performing and fine arts may be regarded as equivalent to research and publications.

JOHN PAUL CLOW LABAND

Members of the Historical Studies Department at the Pietermaritzburg Centre of the University of Natal have a formidable record of research and publication in the history of early KwaZulu-Natal, the Zulu kingdom, the Colony of Natal, and the military conflicts in the colonial period. Above all, they have shown that we cannot understand present social conditions and perceptions without a sure grasp of the forces that shaped them.

Among his colleagues, John Laband has been a distinguished participant in developing this understanding. His list of publications, many written in collaboration with equally respected colleagues, runs to nearly five pages. While his earlier research focussed largely on military history, a sensitivity to social and, recently, environmental issues, marks his later and, particularly, much of his current work. Many will remember the popular production edited with Rob Haswell marking the 150th anniversary of the city of Pietermaritzburg. His latest book, *Rope of Sand*, is a culmination of a life's work thus far. It earned an honourable mention in the Noma awards for publishing in Africa, a special mention in the 1995 CNA literary awards, and won the 1996 University of Natal Book Prize. An external assessor says of this work that "it is a wide ranging, accessible synthesis of a wealth of research, finely measured, elegantly written, giving noteworthy attention to both military and social aspects of the 1879 Zulu war". We may add that it is giving pleasure not only to Labands' traditional readership – academics and informed lay people – it is converting a new generation of readers to Natal history.

Professor Laband's skills lie not only in crafting well-rounded sentences. He is a field historian who won his spurs during frequent mapping expeditions around the province. Latterly he has become one of the pioneers of the popular tour. He leads historical expeditions to the battlefields of KwaZulu-Natal and to the historical settlements of the region. In this he plays a significant role in fostering an interest in historical studies in the wider community. He is currently the chairperson of the University Press Committee – the University Press having been itself a leading publisher in the field of KwaZulu-Natal history – and has been appointed chairperson of the Voortrekker Museum Council. As part of the latter appointment he is leading the process of transformation whereby the Museum moves from its previously narrow focus, to one which includes and celebrates all the cultures of the province.

It is fitting that the University honour John Paul Clow Laband for his contributions, both to historical research, and to the popularisation of history in the region.

DISTINGUISHED TEACHERS' AWARD

Distinguished Teachers' Awards have been instituted in order to give special recognition to members of the permanent academic staff for exceptional teaching ability. Recipients are elected for the award by their peers and representatives of the student body.

TIMOTHY ANDREW NUTTALL

Dr Timothy Nuttall initially joined the University as a tutor, engaged to help the Department of Historical Studies adjust its teaching methods and its curriculum to a changing student population.

Tutors are supposed to give the major part of their attention to teaching. They are supposed to remain fairly junior in the academic hierarchy. Dr Nuttall followed the example of many of his colleagues in the Department of Historical Studies in climbing the ladder of personal promotion very quickly and is now a senior lecturer. He is an active researcher and publisher, including very recently a school grade 12 history text book.

But his initial interest in teaching has remained a cornerpost of his academic endeavour. In the Faculty of Humanities he is one of the few who understands the esoteric mysteries of "range statements", "applied competencies", "norm based assessment criteria" and the like.

With his colleagues in the Historical Studies Department he has reconceptualised the teaching of history throughout the curriculum but especially at the crucial first level, catering flexibly for both high flying students as well as poorly prepared ones. He has been the leader of an ongoing project in the Faculty of Humanities in developing learning outcomes for a general BA degree, and in particular, developing criteria for a "basket" of basic foundational modules in this degree. The notion of a limited spread of foundational modules, each of them designed to meet part of a spectrum of carefully designed outcomes regarded as basic for first level study in a Bachelor of Arts degree, runs contrary to the path that most Humanities faculties in South Africa have adopted of single all-embracing foundational modules required of all students. Dr Nuttall is pioneering a new way forward on behalf of his Faculty.



CONFERMENT OF THE DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF LITERATURE honoris causa UPON GCINA MHLOPHE

Gcina Mhlophe was born at Georgedale, near Hammarsdale, about 30 kilometers from Pietermaritzburg. Her father was Zulu-speaking and her mother was Xhosa-speaking. Most of her childhood was spent in the Eastern Cape.

While she was still at school she began writing poems and stories in Xhosa; but her varied talents blossomed when she went to Johannesburg as a young woman. She distinguished herself first as a journalist with Learn and Teach and as a broadcaster, but then she went on to write and to publish poems and short stories and to participate in the making and producing of plays.

Her play <u>Have you seen Zandile?</u>, which is based on her life and was developed on the stage by her with the co-operation of Thembi Mtshali and Maralin Vanrenen, has proved extremely popular and successful. First produced in 1986 and published in 1988, it had two runs in South Africa, and has been performed in various cities in the United Kingdom, North America and Australia. In 1987 the play received the Fringe First Award at the Edinburgh Festival.

During the late 1980s and the early 1990s Gcina Mhlophe was resident Director of the Market Theatre in Johannesburg. In 1987 she received the OBBIE Award, an acting prize, in New York.

She is perhaps best known, however, in South Africa and in many other countries, as a person who has put her great talents and energies into the revival and the upholding of the culturally crucial art of storytelling. She has established the Zanendaba Institute of Storytelling in Africa; this has become a platform for training storytellers and popularising storytelling. She herself is a consummate performer, and frequently travels to other countries in order to speak about and to exhibit the art of telling stories.

She has also published a number of stories and folk-tales for children - The Singing Dog, Hi, Zoleka, The Queen of the Tortoises, The Snake with Seven Heads, and others. In 1995 she released with Ladysmith Black Mambazo an album of children's songs and stories.

In 1994 she was awarded an honorary degree by the Open University in Britain.

The University of Natal honours Gcina Mhlophe for her richly creative contribution to South African cultural and social life.

A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NATAL

In 1910, partly on the initiative of the Natal Colonial Government, the Natal University College (NUC) opened its doors in a corrugated iron annexe behind Maritzburg College. Eight professors taught 57 students Classics; English and Philosophy; Law; Modern Languages; Botany and Geology; Chemistry and Physics; Mathematics; and Zoology. In 1912 the Old Main Building at Scottsville opened.

In 1922 the NUC extended its activities to Durban with university level courses in commerce and engineering taught at the Technical College. In 1932 Howard College was opened on the Durban Berea, firmly establishing the dual-based character of the NUC.

As a result of the initiatives of the Fabian Socialist, Dr Mabel Palmer, 19 "Non-European" students were enrolled at NUC in Durban in 1936. This grew to nearly 900 by 1960, thus firmly establishing the principle that the NUC would serve the needs of the whole community. However, like the Medical School, founded in 1951 for African, Indian and "Coloured" students, classes still reflected the segregated nature of the surrounding society. The National Party's Extension of University Act of 1959 limited new enrolments other than those at medical school to Whites and brought a temporary halt to the University's aim of serving the educational needs of the whole community and severely restricted the autonomy achieved when the NUC became the University of Natal in 1949. Only when racial restrictions were partially lifted in 1983 could the University resume its task of serving the whole community. Since then it has welcomed increasing numbers of Black students who now make up the majority of the student body.

In 1952, Dr E G Malherbe, who had steered the NUC towards being a fully independent University in 1949, moved the administrative function from Pietermaritzburg to Durban. In 1973, in response to mounting travelling costs, the two Centres were academically separated. Each Centre came to have parallel faculties of Law, Humanities, Commerce, Science and Social Science. The teaching of Architecture, Engineering, Medicine and Music was, however, limited to Durban, and Agriculture, Theology and Fine Art to Pietermaritzburg.

The University of Natal has had some outstanding persons as Vice-Chancellors and Principals. The first principal, John Bews, was a world-renowned botanist and E G Malherbe was known throughout the world as an outstanding educationalist. In 1993 the University of Natal was the first university in South Africa to appoint a woman, Professor Brenda Gourley, as its Principal. The largely ceremonial Chancellors too, have been distinguished, not least of all the present incumbent, Archbishop Denis Hurley. Alumni include people as diverse as Alan Paton, Steve Biko and Alec Erwin. Honorary Graduates include Roy Campbell, Abdullah Ebrahim and Nelson Mandela.

In its 1989 mission statement the University of Natal affirmed its determination to "serve all sections of its community through excellence in scholarship, teaching, learning, research and development". 1997 and 1998 sees the University creatively responding to the challenge of a fast-changing environment. As a result of the possibilities provided by interdisciplinary studies as well as financial constraints it has become possible and necessary to rationalise academic, executive and support functions across the two Centres. This will enable the University to become more efficient and fulfil its mission well into the 21st century.

National Anthem of South Africa

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 Sethjaba 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.