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News and Achievements



Congrats to Ms Akhona Babana announced as the ABASA Woman Academic of the Year

Click here to read:

<https://www.uj.ac.za/newandevents/Pages/UJs-accountancy-lecturer-scoops-Woman-Academic-of-the-Year-at-ABASA-Awards.aspx>



UJ's accounting trailblazer receives top accolade

It is with great pleasure that we inform you that the African Women Chartered Accountants' Forum ("AWCA") announced on Saturday 28 Aug 2021 that Ms Boniswa Madikizela (Senior Lecturer : UJ Department of Accountancy) received the Trailblazer in Academia Award as part of their annual Recognition Awards for 2021.

Click to read:

<https://www.uj.ac.za/newandevents/Pages/UJs-accounting-trailblazer-re->

The purpose of these awards is to recognise exceptional African women business leaders who have demonstrated the tenacity to succeed in their careers, and who continue to raise the bar of excellence within the Chartered Accountancy profession.



Dane Roets wins bronze

The University of Johannesburg (UJ) shot putter, Dane Roets, scooped a bronze medal with a 15.61m throw at the World Athletics U20 Championships in Nairobi, Kenya, on Saturday, 21 August 2021. The competition comprised almost 1,000 athletes representing over 110 teams, including South Africa.

Proud to say that Dane Roets is a first-year Bachelor of Accounting student-Athlete, and also a former 2018 African Youth Games champion

Click to read: <https://www.uj.ac.za/newandevents/Pages/UJ%27s-Dane-Roets-wins-bronze-at-the-World-Athletics-U20-Champion->

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ALEXA SIKIOTIS, 23
Training office: KPMG
Position: Trainee accountant

To which factors do you credit your ITC achievement?

I owe it to a village of individuals who supported and motivated me throughout my studies. Hard work and determination only got you so far, and without the support of my incredible family and friends, my brilliant lecturers from UJ and the glory of God, my success in this exam would have never been possible.

What advice would you give to others preparing for the exam?
Believe in yourself; you are more capable than you think! Set yourself a study schedule and stick to it, but don't forget to also give yourself a break. Keep pushing, a few months of hard work will result in a lifetime of rewards.

Your training experience at KPMG?

It has been incredibly rewarding so far. I have been able to work with some awesome individuals on high-profile clients and have developed greatly on a professional level as a result.

Why did you choose the CA(SA) route?

It is globally renowned and opens a multitude of doors to different career opportunities. It is a well-respected designation that has a substantial amount of influential and highly successful members. It will give me great pride to add the CA(SA) title to my name.

Your definition of integrity?

Faith, integrity, respect and excellence are the principles that I live by. My definition of integrity is a person who is strong in their moral convictions of being honest and ethical in every aspect of their lives.

Some of your career highlights?

- Making the ITC Top 10
- Working on high-profile audit engagements and collaborating with diverse individuals
- Representing UJ at the University Scholars Leadership Symposium at the United Nations in Thailand
- Achieving my degree and CTA cum laude and graduating top of my CTA class

What inspired you to become one of the Top 10?

I have had a dream of making the Top 10 since I started my CA(SA) journey. Over the years as I progressed and excelled academically, that dream started to become a reality.

The challenges and advantages of studying during lockdown?

The shift from in-person learning to online learning was incredibly challenging at first, as it disrupted my usual routine. However, once getting used to it, studying became easier as I could work at my own pace. Our lecturers also made the transition smoother by recording re-playable lectures and offering virtual webinars to aid our learning.

Proud to see #UJAlumnus Ms Alexa Sikiotis showcased as SAICA ITC Top 10 Candidate in the August edition of AccountancySA magazine

Click to read:

<http://magazine.accountancysa.org.za/publication/?m=52861&i=716659&p=96&ver=html5>

Proud of Ms Wadzanai Mabuto featuring as one of the Power Hour Coaches at the SAICA Women in Leadership conference.

The 2021 SAICA Women in Leadership Conference will feature in-depth conversations and idea exchanges around the topics of leadership, career development, innovation, self-care, entrepreneurship, the future of work, connectivity, social impact, gender equality, activism and advocacy and much more!

Visit:

<https://saicawil2021.co.za/>

PRIORITY ITEM	YES	NO
1. Does your organisation have regular cybersecurity awareness programmes?		
2. Does your organisation conduct the correct levels of access?		
3. Does your organisation implement SSL data encryption?		
4. Does your organisation have a disaster recovery plan?		
5. Does your organisation have a cybersecurity assessment?		

Congrats to Ms Pranisha Rama on the publication of her article "Is your organisation cyber-ready?" in the August edition of AccountancySA

Click to read:

<http://magazine.accountancysa.org.za/publication/?m=52861&i=716659&p=40&ver=html5>

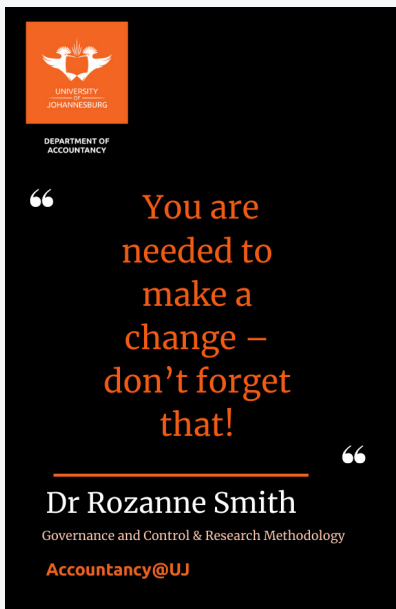


Using #AI, corporations can see new patterns in their data and maintain a competitive edge. Blending these AI technologies into business strategy and operations is the subject of a newly published book.

For more info visit <https://www.eurekalert.org/news-releases/924152.html5>

Listen to Prof Tankiso Moloi interviewed on

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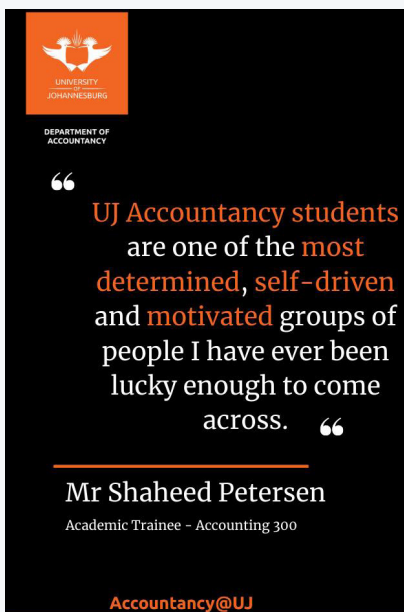
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In this month’s sessions we get to know Prof Ben Marx, Ms Vanessa van Dyk, Prof Ahmed Haji and others...

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SAFM Radio Interview with UJ VC Prof Tshilidzi Marwala discussing the link between youth unemployment, education outcomes & 4IR.

Click on the following link to listen to a podcast of the interview :

<https://omny.fm/shows/safm-sunrise-1/>



How to become a CA(SA)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EFN-JZzqC9vM>

How to become an AGA(SA)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=chf-dN-vphjQ>



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<https://student.uj.ac.za/status.aspx>

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