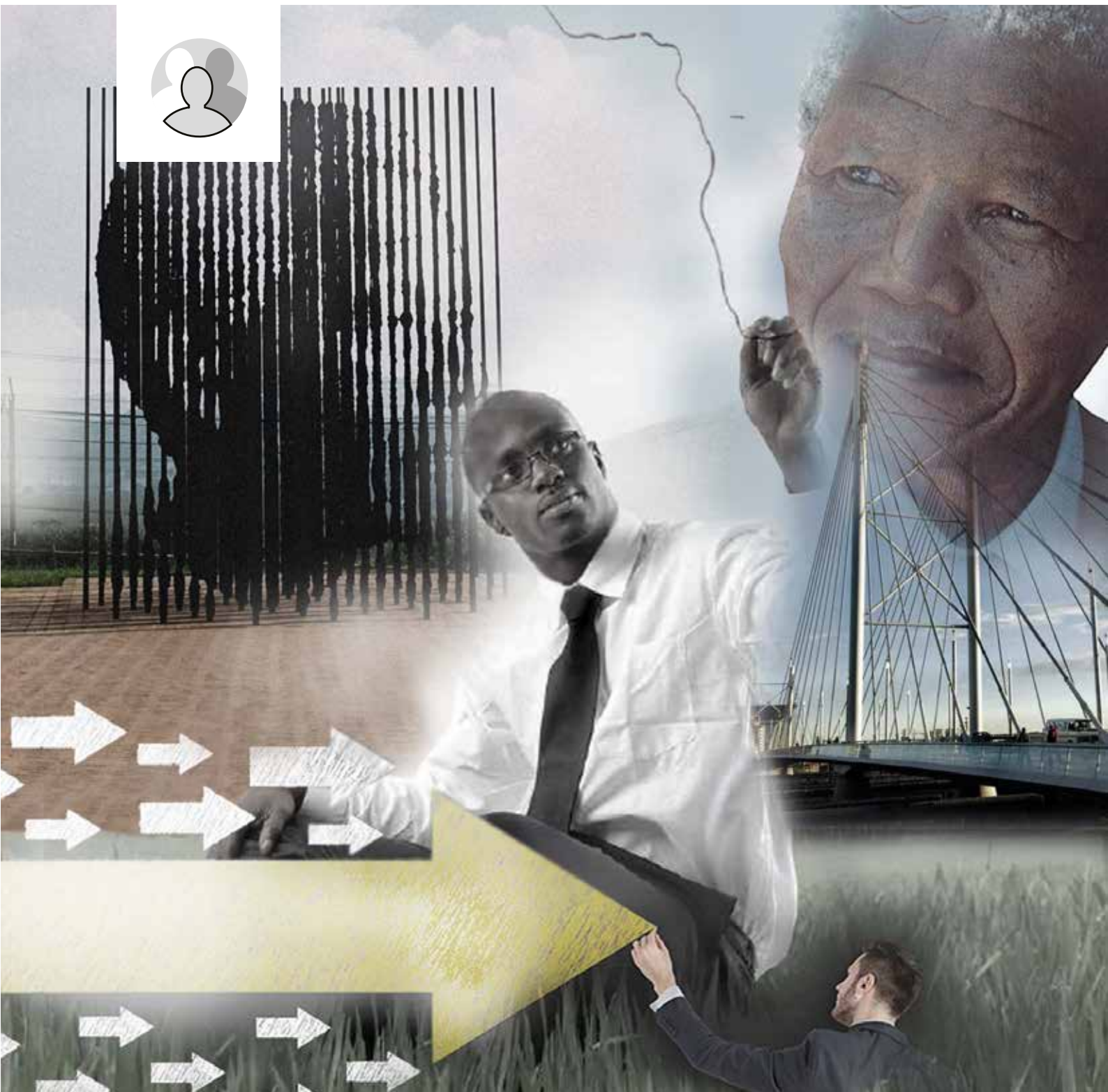


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PROF CHRISTELLE AURIACOMBE

Director: School of Public Management, Governance and Public Policy

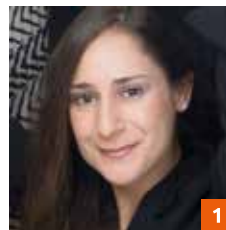
OVERVIEW

The School of Public Management, Governance and Public Policy (PMGPP) holds national recognition as one of the most successful local government training institutions and are gaining international recognition. The School continuously aims to build on best practices. During 2019 the School established and strengthened important and mutual beneficial continental and international partnerships and relationships. The School is very proud of our small, but highly efficient, dedicated, and accomplished employee cohort.

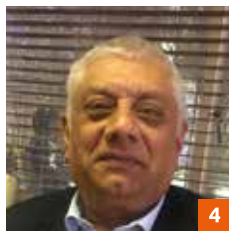
STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS

Prof Danielle Nel was appointed as an Independent Non-Executive Director of the Directors Association as an advisory board member. The Directors Association is a non-profit independent professional body that educates, equips and places non-executive directors on various boards across the country.

Prof Danielle Nel (1) was appointed as Chief Editor of *Administration Publica* a DHET accredited journal in November 2019.



Prof DE Uwizeyimana (2) and Dr D Ukwandu (3) presented a publication facilitation workshop at the National University of Science and Technology (NUST) Graduate School of Business (GSB) between 26 and 28 March 2019. It was also a purpose of the visit to discuss the operationalisation of a signed MOU entered into between UJ and NUST on academic collaboration.



Prof Mahomed Jahed (4) was appointed on the Board of Directors of the NEPAD Business Foundation (NBF), one of Africa’s leading membership-based foundations, which promotes sustainable economic and social development on the continent. The NBF is a non-profit company that mobilises private sector support for the implementation of New Partnership for Africa’s Development (NEPAD) goals.



Prof Shikha Vyas-Doorgapersad (5) was interviewed by Soweto TV together with the Executive Mayor to analyse and unpack the State of the City address speech. The interview telecasted on Soweto TV channel 251 on Thursday 2 May 2019 at 20:30.

The Road Traffic Management Cooperation (RTMC), an entity that reports to the Minister of Transport, invited Dr Sydney Mufamadi (6) to chair a peer review panel to review a report produced by a review committee to streamline the management of road traffic enforcement and to improve coordination between the various spheres of government dealing with road traffic regulation.



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SCHOOL'S GLOBAL FOOTPRINT AND STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

Dr Christelle Auriacombe and Prof Vain Jarbandhan facilitated a research publication workshop for RALGA in Kigali Rwanda on 26 -28 February 2019. (7)

Dr Sydney Mufamadi entered into a contract with TRACE in order to establish leadership and mentoring CEPs for leaders and emerging leaders in Zimbabwe, mainly drawn from civil society.

Prof Christelle Auriacombe and Dr Ronel Toerien were invited by the Humanitarian Affairs Asia in Malaysia for a networking opportunity for academic staff and students with UN stakeholders and international NGOs on 29 July to 10 August 2019. (8)

Prof Christelle Auriacombe and Shikha Vyas-Doorgapersad visited the Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, Netherlands, on 4 June 2019 to operationalise a partnership to be entered into in 2020. The partnership entails an academic fellowship with the objective to support joint prospective PhD students. (9)

Prof Christelle Auriacombe and Shikha Vyas-Doorgapersad were invited to visit the Central European University (CEU), Budapest, Hungary, on 2 June 2019 to discuss future professional and research collaboration. (10)

Prof Vain Jarbandhan and the Dean of Social Science, Arts and Humanities (KTU), Dr Ainius Lasas signed an MOU for future professional and research collaboration. (11)

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The following community engagement projects have been carried out by the School:

- A Re Sebetse Clean Up Campaign with Johannesburg City Parks and Zoo on 11 May 2019. (12)
- The Gauteng Provincial Legislature Speaker invited the BA honours students on 7 March 2019 to participate in a Monitoring and Evaluation discussion. (13)



- Students were invited to participate in the Gauteng Provincial Legislature hearing for money bills on 12 March 2019. (14)
- Students participated in the Ethembeni Children’s Home community activity, on 21 September 2019. (15)
- Students participated in the Bertrams Skills Centre community activity on sustainable urban farming on 26 October 2019. For this project, our students were involved in indoor or urban farming. The purpose of this community engagement was to teach our students about sustainable development and urban farming. (16).
- Six SPMGP students participated in a student leadership outbound community service programme of Humanitarian Affairs Asia in Malaysia on 29 July to 10 August 2019.
- Student breakfast with the GPL Speaker on 15 August 2019.

STUDENT DEVELOPMENT AND RESEARCH FOOTPRINT

Nkosingiphile Mkhize, a master’s student, participated in the 2019 Association of Southern African Schools and Departments of Public Administration and Management (ASSADPAM) by presenting papers and attending the Emerging Researcher Workshop. (17)

Tinashe Mukonavanhu, a doctoral student, participated in a symposium focusing on Pan- African leadership in Cape Town. The Africa Month Public Symposium, held in Cape Town, was hosted by the African Union (AU) African Peer Review Mechanism (APRM) in collaboration with the University of Cape Town (UCT) Convocation and the Nelson Mandela School of Public Governance (NMS). The APRM is an autonomous entity of the AU, whose mandate is to promote and encourage conformity with regards to political, economic and corporate governance values, codes and standards, among African countries and the objectives in socio-economic development.

Jerome Patience, a doctoral student, participated in the International Association of Schools and Institutes of Administration (IASIA) Conference in Lisbon, Portugal. Mr Patience presented his research article with the topic ‘Variables Influencing Participatory Budgeting in the City of Ekurhuleni’.

Mr Phenylo Blom, an honours student, presented a paper, ‘The Management of Public Debt by the National Treasury of South Africa’ at the City of Johannesburg, organised by the Directorate Strategy and Relations of the City of Johannesburg.



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