

Graduation Programme



The Future. Reimagined.



Dear UJ Graduate

At the University of Johannesburg (UJ), graduation not only signifies an academic milestone but also represents the emergence of a new cohort of leaders. Our objective has been to empower you as leaders who are primed to face the challenges of an ever-changing world defined by a plethora of challenges and opportunities. As you navigate these great societal shifts, we hope that your time at UJ will serve as a constant source of reference and inspiration. As we have sought to demonstrate, the Fourth Industrial Revolution (4IR) presents the

opportunity for the exploration of new and exciting spheres, and you are uniquely poised to navigate this terrain. Our focus at UJ has been to create graduates who are agile, curious, and able to be active participants against this backdrop.

Your graduation today serves as a celebration of this momentous achievement! I want to take this opportunity to remind you that you now represent the privileged few in our country. You are uniquely poised to address some of the serious challenges we face and a qualification from UJ will stand you in good stead!

At UJ, you have encountered the finest academic minds from diverse backgrounds, spanning across the world as well as innovative technology-rich approaches to teaching and learning. As a result, UJ's global stature and academic robustness are recognised by the most prestigious global higher education ranking systems in the world. UJ has become a competitive player, not only in South Africa but also on the continent. You are an important part of this story.

We welcome you as a new member of our esteemed alumni community, which is making a lasting impact on society. We encourage you to join the UJ Alumni Network and become an active member of the University Convocation, which affords you an opportunity to make a significant contribution to our academic projects and beyond. Our promise in return to you is that we will continue to build UJ as an international university of choice, anchored in Africa, dynamically shaping the future.

Congratulations on this significant achievement. We look forward to witnessing you reimagine the future!

Prof Letlhokwa Mpedi Vice-Chancellor and Principal University of Johannesburg Welcome to the Graduation Ceremony of the University of Johannesburg 19 April 2023 at 16:30

Welkom by die Gradeplegtigheid van die Universiteit van Johannesburg 19 April 2023 om 16:30

Le a Amogelwa Moletlong wa Dikapešo wa Yunibesithi ya Johannesburg 19 Moranang 2023 ka 16:30

Niyamukelwa eMcimbini wokweThweswa kweZiqu weNyuvesi yaseJohannesburg 19 kuMbasa 2023 ngele-16:30

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GAUDEAMUS IGITUR

Gaudeamus igitur, Juvenes dum sumus; Post iucundum iuventutem, Post molestam senectutem Nos habebit humus. Vivat academia, Vivat professores, Vivat membrum quodlibet, Vivat membra quaelibet; Semper sint in flore!

English

Let us rejoice, therefore, While we are young. After a pleasant youth After a troubling old age The earth will have us. Long live the academy! Long live the professors! Long live each student; Long live the whole fraternity; For ever may they flourish!

Afrikaans

Laat ons dan vrolik wees, Terwyl ons jonk is; Na 'n aangename jeug. Na 'n onaangename oudag, Sal die aarde ons hou. Lank lewe die universiteit, Lank lewe die professore, Lank lewe elke student, Lank lewe al die studente, Mag hulle vir ewig hul jeug behou!

Sesotho sa Leboa

Ka gona, a re thabeng, Re sa le ba bafsa. Ka morago ga bofsa bjo bo bose Ka morago ga go tšofala mo go nago le mathata Lefase le tla ba le rena. Phela thuto phela! Phelang diprofesa phelang! Phelang baithuti phelang; Phela kagišano ka botlalo phela; O ka re ba ka phela gabotse goyagoile!

Zulu

Ngakho, masithokoze Sisebasha nje. Emva kobumnandi bobusha Emva kwezinkinga zobudala Umhlaba uzosithatha. Phambili ngemfundo! Phambili boSolwazi! Phambili nakuwe mfundi; Phambili ngenhlangano yonke; Maziqhubeke ngonaphakade!

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS QUALIFICATIONS

1. Bachelor of Commerce in Economics and Econometrics

Baloyi, Katlego Biwott, Joshua Kipkemoi Bixa, Ngabakazi Buta, Leena Phumzile Buthelezi, Banele Vanesa Chaba, Motoudi Calvin Chokoe, Nkako Dibetso, Paballo Shadrack Donga, Hope Shailet Dube, Noluthando Dube, Nokwanda Iris Nokuthalo Fakudze, Thando Pearl Foforane, Charity Griffiths, Lemar Khalil Dane Hlongwane, Lebohang Hlongwane, Makungu Abigail Jansen, Azizipho Faizal (with distinction) Johnson, Kelly-Ann Kekana, Koketso Prudence

Kgatle, Motlanalo Desry Kharivha, Thendo Devine Khoza, Themba Cospire Khuleni, Sthembiso Khumalo, Thabiso Kula, Mbasa Legwabe, Moshe Moses Lesiba Lephole, Kekeletso Lyllian Li, Tianshu (with distinction) Linda, Anele Bongiwe Maake, Thabo Daniel Maaroganye, Dimpho Mabasa, Rirhandzu Magadla, Lesedi Chumani Mahlake, Andile Mahlangu, Josias Ariel Maja, Itumeleng Malebo, Tshiamo Wesley-Junior Mammba, Musiwalo Erasmus Maphike, Paballo Siboneso Maphoto, Thoriso Philly Maphutha, Brian Vhukhudo Marule, Charlotte Maseta Masethe, Caroline Thangwane Masike, Omogolo Masuku, Olonda Thosa Holizwi

Matuwane, Siyanda Mauvhelwane, Thendo Elina Mbalati, Nyeleti Mbele, Mbalenhle Nonhlanhla Mdiniso, Bongiwe Jackie Mdluli, Noxolo Angel Mgwambane, Hakelo Mhlongo, Edith Mjomle, Abahle Mkhize-Malebo, Tumi-Letshego Gugu Mkwena, Palesa (with distinction) Modikwe, Bonolo Orapeleng Moeng, Stephen Kago Mofokeng, Pulane Lydia Mogakwe, Lethabo Judy Mohalanyane, Ntaka Willy Moila, Clement Mokoena, Lentswe Alfred Mokwele, Michelle Maphuti Moll, Ezli Moloi, Lebogang Colette Moloi, Naledi Tshepo Moloto, Lefa Moneri, Kamohelo Kananelo Mositsa, Rearabetswe Sidney Motlhabane, Keamogetswe Koketso

Mpalweni, Luthando Mpe, Aphendulwe Sikelela Mpoyi, Deborah Odia Bukumba Mshengu, Magcino Mthethwa, Zethembe Muavhi, Tshilidzi Mudau, Lucia Munyai, Ndaedzo Musiwalo, Precious Ncube, Lavie Jnr Ncube, Nomthandazo Vanessa Ndebele, Sijabulile Mitchelle Netshitandani, Rolivhuwa Ngubane, Nosipho Nkutha, Mangoba Sibusiso Ntelekoa, Kamohelo Ntokha, Lerato Precious Ntshangase, Nomzamo Olwethu Pankisi, Wendy Dibuseng Phiri, Rejoyce Phokela, Tebogo Petronella Qaku, Naledi Aphiwe Jo-Ann Radebe, Katleho Ramabina, Madikana Rammutla, Manyatja Ranoko, Mosima Melida

Raolane, Mahlatse William (with distinction) Rikhotso, Mikateko Vernon Russell, Jonathan Sean Seboko, Molehadi Sophy Seisho, Boitumelo Relebogile Sekhula, Matete Gladys Seleke, Goitsemodimo Theodore Sell, Charmilla Abigail Leaticia Sephelane, Kananelo Setenane, Limpho Sibiya, Nolwazi Pretty Sikobane, Lesego (with distinction) Simamane, Sibusiso Michael (with distinction) Somtunzi, Babalwa Thulo, Papadi Tsela, Karabo Charlene Tshabalala, Nokuthula Simphiwe Valencia Twala, Sandile Valoi, Ezekiel Ntsanko Vilane, Senzo Mkhulu Vinger, Kgotlhang Jacob Zulu, Noxolo **Zulu,** Nkosenhle Prince Qhawe

2. Bachelor of Commerce Honours in Econometrics

Araujo, Ricardo Buthelezi, Siyabulela Brian Fouche, Dandre (with distinction) Golaram, Tashmira Mabatha, Perceveerence Madiba Madide, Bhekamandlela Mahlakwana, Calvin Maluleke, Muhluri Mariti, Tsekela Jacob Mbatha, Sandile Stanley Mokheseng, Polo Nerea Mokoena, Nthabiseng Clementine Mokwiti, Onthatile Glennold Molete, Puleng Mononyane, Juliet Tumelo Noko Motloba, Gomolemo Goodwill Nakwa, Zingisa Phochana, Boitumelo Phohlele, Lesedi Moeketsi Pholo, Refilwe Angel Rabbikissoon, Aheesh Veenroy Radebe, Nonhlanhla Constance Sello, Mammuso Rose Mary Sephai, Realeboga Aloysius

Simelane, Gugu Sirayi, Mduduzi Mlindi

3. Bachelor of Commerce Honours in Economics

Ayemele, Cyril Buthelezi, Zweli Chibi, Mongezi Blair Larry Dlamini, Zwakele Sengeto Fourie, Marsha Isabel Galane, Seipati Esther Kaliisa, Ashraf Kwangwane, Francinah Mosa Lentsoane, Maudi Martin Mabasa. Ndzalama Domenick Bruce Makkan, Bhavik Malekane, Kgolofelo Mogale Walter Maruapula, Kealeboga Mashicila, Zola Vanessa Mbathile, Vuyo Nicolas Mdoko, Dumisani Mngomezulu, Welile Wenzile Motale, Tshegofatso Mthethwa, Gugu Ngwenya, Nokulinda Sibahle (with distinction) Nyathi, Mbalenhle Beatrice Pato, Sikhanyiselwe Nosisa Rasikhinya, Mulanga Agreement Rebookgama, Tshireletso Keneilwe Sibanyoni, Nokuthula Vanessah Sihlongonyane, Sikhulile Sinaye Siluma, Bongane Mxolisi Tease, Onicca Nthabiseng Thekiso, Nthabiseng Tlagadi, Tsholofelo Lesego Bontle

4. Master of Commerce

Jubane, Marvelous (Local Economic Development) Technical research project: Developing small businesses within the cultural industries as a strategy for reducing youth unemployment Supervisor: Prof PW Baur

Msebele, Walter (Financial Economics) Minor dissertation: The effect of exchange rate on sectoral equity market in South Africa Supervisor: Prof JH Eita Co-Supervisor: Prof S Chetty Ncube, Siphiwe (Competition and Economic Regulation) Minor dissertation: Competition and regulation issues in the mobile banking industry in Zimbabwe Supervisor: Prof SJ Roberts

Peloeahae, Tshiamo (Financial Economics)
Minor dissertation: Determinants of credit ratings in the BRICS economies
Supervisor: Prof BD Simo-Kengne

Rahulani, Awelani (Competition and Economic Regulation)
Minor dissertation: The impact of interchange
determination on the payments industry in South Africa
Supervisor: Dr W Simbanegavi

5. Doctor of Philosophy

Bannor, Frank (Economics)
Thesis: Agriculture, climate change and technical efficiency: The case of sub-Saharan Africa
Supervisor: Prof J Dikgang
Co-Supervisor: Dr AB Pholo
Co-Supervisor: Dr DC Kutela Olaide, Kayode Emmanuel (Economics) Thesis: Socioeconomic impacts of fiscal federalism: A crosscountry analysis Supervisor: Prof BD Simo-Kengne Co-Supervisor: Dr J Uwilingiye

Paelo, Anthea Caroline (Economics)
Thesis: The competitive dynamics and regulation of mobile money services in Kenya and Uganda
Supervisor: Prof SJ Roberts
Co-Supervisor: Dr TS Vilakazi

Takawira, Oliver (Economics) Thesis: An assessment of the impact of SRMs on the South African economy Supervisor: Prof JW Muteba Mwamba

Tchuinkam Djemo, Charles Raoul (Economics) Thesis: Essays on foreign exchange rate risks, prediction and dependence structure Supervisor: Prof JH Eita

Bannor, Frank (PhD)

Frank Bannor received his Master of Science in Economics and his Bachelor of Science in Economics and Statistics from Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology in Ghana. Prior to completing his PhD, he completed an Impact Assessment and Climate Economics graduate course at the Norwegian University of Life Sciences in Norway. Moreover, he was appointed as a junior research fellow at the Public and Environmental Economics Research Centre and taught several economics courses at the University of Johannesburg.

His thesis investigated the relationship between agriculture, climate change and technical efficiency and the pathways through which climate change impacts agricultural total factor productivity growth in sub-Saharan Africa.

Undertaking cross-country empirical analysis, the results revealed that climate change has a positive effect on technical inefficiency in agricultural production and that spending on R&D can serve as an absorption channel for the detrimental impacts of climate change on agricultural production in sub-Saharan Africa.

Supervisor: Prof J Dikgang Co-Supervisor: Dr AB Pholo Co-Supervisor: Dr DC Kutela

Olaide, Kayode Emmanuel (PhD)

Kayode Emmanuel Olaide holds a Diploma in Mathematics and Statistics, a Bachelor' degree with honours in Economics, a degree in Energy, Natural Master's Resources and Environmental Economics, and another Master's degree in Applied Economics. He business was а tax services representative with the Canada Revenue Agency and is presently an independent financial advisor with the World Financial Group Canada Inc.

His thesis investigated the socioeconomic impacts of fiscal federalism across countries using panel econometric techniques.

The study revealed that fiscal federalism exhibits an incomeinequality-reducing effect and a positive impact on economic development but not on sustainable development. Conversely, decentralised fiscal policy has a negative impact on natural resource management with heterogeneous bearings on fiscal discipline. Therefore, governments at all tiers should not only promote economic growth, but also strengthen and enhance environmental protection and sustainable resource utilisation.

Supervisor: Prof BD Simo-Kengne Co-Supervisor: Dr J Uwilingiye

Paelo, Anthea Caroline (PhD)

Anthea Caroline Paelo holds BCom (Law), BCom Honours (Public Economics and Development) and MCom (Development Economics) degrees. Her work experience has revolved around financial inclusion, competition, and economic regulation in East and Southern Africa. She is an intervention manager at Financial Sector Deepening, Uganda.

Her dissertation used a case study methodology to assess the competitive dynamics and regulation of mobile money in Kenya and Uganda.

The study found that the structure of mobile money in both countries gave rise to dominant firms that engaged in anticompetitive conduct. It concluded that the entry of new firms and services alongside the implementation of flexible and pro-competitive regulation was critical in facilitating the evolution and adoption of mobile money services.

Supervisor: Prof SJ Roberts Co-Supervisor: Dr TS Vilakazi

Takawira, Oliver (PhD)

Oliver Takawira holds a Bachelor of Business Studies, an Honours Degree in Finance and Banking, and a Master's Degree in Development Finance. As a lecturer in the Department of Finance and Investment Management, he received the Vice-Chancellor's Distinguished Award as the 'Most Promising Young Teacher of the Year' at UJ. He has supervised three masters' dissertations and published in nine high-impact journals.

His thesis applied machine learning techniques (Naïve Bayes and Random Forest), SVAR and logistic regression to develop a forecasting model for sovereign credit ratings. The aim was to provide solutions to South Africa's rating downgrades which negatively affected economic growth and financial stability.

The study illustrated that improvements in macroeconomic indicators often result in favourable rating movements with household debt to disposable income, exchange rates and inflation as highly important indicators. Policymakers were recommended to maintain positive exchange rates, GDP growth and stable inflation.

Supervisor: Prof JW Muteba Mwamba

Tchuinkam Djemo, Charles Raoul (PhD)

Charles Raoul Tchuinkam Djemo holds a BCom and BCom Honours in Monetary Economics and Banking (both with distinction) from the University of Douala in Cameroon and an MCom in Financial Economics from the University of Johannesburg. He is currently a postdoctoral research fellow at the UJ School of Economics.

His study employed econometric and machine learning techniques to explore the dependence pattern between exchange rate and macroeconomic variables, quantify the risk associated with exchange rate exposure in selected sectors on the Johannesburg Stock Exchange and predict exchange rate movement direction.

The thesis's novelty is threefold. Firstly, the ensemble method provides an accurate prediction for the direction of foreign exchange rate movement. Secondly, the dependence structure reveals strong co-dependency between stocks and exchange rates. Lastly, the VaR-based R-vine copula is suitable for risk quantification during a period of turmoil.

Supervisor: Prof JH Eita



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National Anthem of South Africa

Nkosi sikelel' Afrika Maluphakanyisw' uphondo Iwayo,

Yizwa imithandazo yethu, Nkosi sikelela, thina lusapho lwayo.

Morena boloka setjhaba sa heso, O fedise dintwa le 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.