**UJ Psychology Master’s Research Supervisors**

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| **Staff Member** | **Email** | **Area of Expertise** |
| Prof Brendon Barnes | bbarnes@uj.ac.za | * Climate change, environment, and psychology (CEP)
* Behaviour change and CEP
* Environmental and climate activism
* Methodologies to strengthen CEP
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| Prof Kevin Durrheim | kevind@uj.ac.za | * Experimental social psychology
* Social interaction and cooperation
* Group solidarity
* Polarization and opinion-based groups.
* Machine learning and natural language processing
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| Prof Zelda Knight | zknight@uj.ac.za | * I am interested in making sense of the life story of remarkable individuals famously known throughout the world. This is achieved through a Psychobiography using any psychological lens from psychoanalytic theory to feminism to lifespan theories of development.
* Case studies in processes, concepts, and experiences in psychotherapy in the following areas:
* Relational psychoanalytic psychotherapy
* Self psychology
* Transpersonal Psychology
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| Prof Neo Morojele | nmorojele@uj.ac.za | * Alcohol use and HIV
* Substance use disorders and access to treatment
* Assessment of alcohol use/alcohol use disorder
* Alcohol marketing and alcohol use among adolescents and youth
* Applied psychology and health
 |
| Prof Tumi Khumalo  | itumelengk@uj.ac.za  | * (Psychological) well-being studies
* Cultural and cross-cultural studies of well-being
* Measurement of well-being indices
* Contextual understanding of well-being in an African context
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| Prof Sarojini Naidoo | snaidoo@uj.ac.za | * Suicide and non-suicidal self-injury
* Depressive disorders and anxiety
* Adolescent mental health
* Bullying
* Quantitative research
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| Prof CJ Van Zyl | caspervz@uj.ac.za | * Primarily interested in differential psychology broadly, which includes for example
* basic and applied individual and group differences research, on things like personality, attitudes and cognitive ability
* theories related to the above and the real world outcomes they explain and predict
* quantitative research methodology broadly, (i.e., predictive modelling, psychometrics, statistical inference, etc)
* Open to explore any quantitative research projects
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| Prof Heidi Lourens | hlourens@uj.ac.za | * Disability studies
* Inclusive education
* Autoethnography
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| Professor Mlamuli Hlatshwayo | mhlatshwayo@uj.ac.za | * Higher education studies
* Teaching and learning in higher education
* Access and success in higher education
* Student protests/student movements
* Decolonizing/transforming/
* Africanising curricula
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| Dr Curwyn Mapaling | curwynm@uj.ac.za | * Positive Psychology (Academic Resilience)
* Community Psychology
* Mental Health and Suicidality in Men and Students
* Engineering Education
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| Dr Gert Kruger | gkruger@uj.ac.za | * Personality and individual differences
* Humour
* Self and self-processes
* Executive functions of the prefrontal cortex
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| Dr Prevan Moodley | pmoodley@uj.ac.za | * Sex(ualities) of Gay, Bisexual, and Other Men Who Have Sex With Men
* GBMSM:sex practices
* GBMSM: sexual health
* GBMSM: urogenital disorders
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| Dr Kgamadi Kometsi | kkometsi@uj.ac.za | * Race
* Masculinity
* Sexuality
* Psychodynamics of identity
 |
| Dr Neo Pule | npule@uj.ac.za | * Qualitative research
* Student development
* Leadership
* Student leadership
* System psychodynamics (the study of systems using a psychodynamic approach)
* Socioanalysis/Psychosocial studies (the study of groups, organization and society using methods that explore the unconscious and link psychology and social behaviour)
* Social psychology topics
* Decolonisation and diversity dynamics in Higher Education and the broader society
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| Dr Noorjehan Joosub | njoosub@uj.ac.za | * Neuropsychological rehabilitation qualitative and quantitative studies
* Acquired brain injury qualitative and quantitative studies
* Narratives of career development
* Analysis of representations on various social issues such as motherhood, breastfeeding, and living with brain injury
* Conceptions of psychological phenomena in different communities
* Cross cultural and critical psychology
 |
| Dr Sumayya Ebrahim | sumayyae@uj.ac.za | * Subjective experience of infertility
* Media representations of gender, sex, rape, pornography, infertility and the body
* Social media and its interplay with sexuality, the body and gender
* Social constructions of sexuality, the body and gender
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| Dr Ursula Lau | ursulal@uj.ac.za | * Power, desire and affect in identity performances and social relationships: race, materiality of class, masculinities and femininities, gender and sexuality
* Place identity, home, asymmetries of belonging
* Personality vulnerability and relational patterns in intimate or interpersonal relationships
* Complex, intergenerational and collective trauma and violence
* Psychosocial studies : application of psychoanalysis, narrative and discourse analysis to critical qualitative research
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| Dr Sibulelo Qhogwana | sibuleloq@uj.ac.za | * Forensic and correctional psychology
* Gender and social justice related research
* Narrative and feminist therapy
* Trauma
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| Dr Sipho Dlamini | siphod@uj.ac.za | * Africa(n) centred psychology
* The training of psychologists
* Higher education including curriculum and student access and participation
* The history and philosophy of psychology
* Critical Race Studies
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| Dr Pieter Basson | pbasson@uj.ac.za | * Neuropsychology: executive functioning
* Positive Psychology
* Core counselling skills and the training of psychologists
* Relationships and relationship therapy
* Gender Psychology
* Developmental Psychology
* Career Psychology
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| Dr Nokulunga Shabalala | lungas@uj.ac.za | * Transformation and decoloniality in psychology and higher education
* Promoting best practice in mental health for the African diaspora
* Critical psychology & the neoliberal academy
* Critical race studies
* Alcohol use and HIV in South Africa
* Brain health: child and adolescent development
* Preference for qualitative research
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| Dr Jacqueline Moodley | jmoodley@uj.ac.za | * Disability and Inclusion
* Child wellbeing
* Gendered Mental Health
* Community psychology
* Poverty and inequality studies
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| Ms Lebogang Phiri | lebop@uj.ac.za | * Health Psychology (ART adherence) and Positive Psychology
* Social Media Use and Mental Health
* Student Challenges in Higher Education
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| Ms Sarah Uren | sarahu@uj.ac.za | * Qualitative research methods
* Psychotherapy supervision
* Transference and countertransference
* Gender and sexuality
* Community Psychology
* Palliative care
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| Ms Thando Maseti | thandom@uj.ac.za | * Any qualitative research drawing from feminist and critical theories
* Critical social psychology
* Belonging and citizenship in higher education
* Race, Gender and Class Intersectionality
 |
| Ms Charity Mkone | nkatekot@uj.ac.za | * Psychoanalytic theory and practice in the South African context
* Racial and gender identity in psychotherapeutic practice
* Women Studies
* Neuropsychotherapy: the connection between neuroscience and psychotherapy
* Attachment theory
* Psychoanalytic approaches to qualitative research
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| Mrs Ofhani Netshisaulu | ofhanim@uj.ac.za | * Attitude and behavior change
* Social psychology- relationships and parenting
* Epilepsy
* Mental health promotion
* Ubuntu and African psychology
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| Dr Sharon Sibanda | ssibanda@uj.ac.za | * Qualitative research on complex trauma, racial trauma, collective trauma, trauma in the military
* Racial dynamics and its implications for psychotherapy.
* Conceptualisation of Black people’s overall psychological wellbeing and identity development.
* Intrapsychic exploration of intimate partner violence
* African conceptualisation of masculinity and suicide
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