

## MEDIA STATEMENT

**Unisa has successfully concluded its May/June 2023 examinations.**

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The University of South Africa (Unisa) has successfully concluded its May/June 2023 examinations. Throughout this period, a total of approximately 3.1 million submissions was received, including all types of assessments such as written assignments, continuous assignments, online examinations, and portfolios. A total of 98% of these submissions has been marked.

Whilst the country continues to face the challenges of loadshedding and poor connectivity, Unisa proudly announces that the submission rates for both formative and summative assessments for Semester 1 of 2023 remain comparable with our previous semesters. During the May/June 2023 examination season, the University experienced one instance of system inaccessibility on its myExams platform, and that challenge was quickly resolved, allowing the examinations to continue as scheduled.

The university is determined to ensure that as and when it detects technical challenges in its systems, it deals with such challenges. One example is the technical challenges relating to the marking tool which generated some negativity in some media. The university communicates with students through its communication platforms, especially the student portal (myUnisa) and their Unisa email accounts on matters of exams and other student support services.

The successful conclusion of Semester 1 stands as a testament to the collective efforts of our academics, ICT staff, and administrators.

*“We welcome the resilience, adaptability, and commitment of both our students and staff members. As we reflect on this milestone, we are filled with pride and gratitude, knowing that we have successfully navigated an extraordinary academic semester, leaving an indelible mark as the largest distance education university on the African continent. We wish all our students and future alumni well as they continue this journey with us”,* says Prof ZT Motsa Madikane, Vice Principal Teaching, Learning, Community Engagement and Student Support.

Meanwhile, registration for the second semester has opened on the 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2023. and would close on the 14<sup>th</sup> July 2023. For more info, please visit [www.unisa.ac.za](http://www.unisa.ac.za)

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