

Media Advisory - Unisa to host Decoloniality Summer School Approved for public release

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The University of South Africa's (UNISA) College of Human Sciences proudly announces the 10th-anniversary edition of its esteemed Decoloniality Summer School (DSS), slated to unfold from January 15 to 19, 2024, at the Senate Hall, UNISA Muckleneuk Campus. Under the overarching theme "Reflection, Disruption, and the Realization of Decolonial Futures," this milestone edition promises to be a pivotal moment in the ongoing discourse on decolonization.

Since its inception in 2014, UNISA's Decoloniality Summer School has played a crucial role in challenging the enduring impacts of colonialism and apartheid, fostering critical dialogues on the decolonization of power, knowledge, and existence both within Africa and globally. As we mark a decade of intellectual exploration and transformative conversations, the 10th-anniversary edition will bring together eminent thought leaders to reflect on the past, disrupt the present, and envision decolonial futures.

The theme, "Reflection, Disruption, and the Realization of Decolonial Futures," will be explored through various lenses, addressing topics such as decolonizing the curriculum, confronting global power relations, and analyzing the geopolitics of the Covid-19 pandemic. Presenters will delve into historical thinking, feminist practice, and the instrumentalization of African epistemologies.

The Summer School will feature presentations by a stellar lineup of scholars and practitioners, including: Linda Martín Alcoff: Professor of Philosophy at the City University of New York, Lewis R. Gordon: Distinguished Professor of Philosophy and Global Affairs at the University of Connecticut, Sabelo J. Ndlovu-Gatsheni: Professor and Chair of Epistemologies of the Global South at the University of Bayreuth, Pamela Maseko: Executive Dean of the Faculty of Humanities at the Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University, Artwell Nhemachena: Visiting Associate Professor at Kobe University and Research Fellow at the University of South Africa and Dr Mashudu Rubson Dima: Renowned African Health Practitioner with a remarkable journey.

Members of the media are invited to attend and cover the event as follows:

Date: Monday, 15 January 2024

Venue: Senate Hall, Dr Winnie Madikizela- Mandela Building, Unisa Muckleneuk Campus in

Pretoria, South Africa **Time:** 08:00 for 09:00

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