

## MEDIA STATEMENT

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### **RE: Unisa LLB programme gets full accreditation**

The Council on Higher Education (CHE) has officially informed the University of South Africa (Unisa) of its decision to give full accreditation to the Bachelor of Laws (LLB) programme offered by Unisa.

This decision, taken by the Higher Education Quality Committee (HEQC) at its meeting on 07 June 2018, follows Unisa's submission of an Improvement Plan (IP) on 06 October 2017; whose aim was to address specific issues raised in the initial National Review of the LLB programme. This review had led to the issuing of a '*Notice of Withdrawal of Accreditation*' to some institutions, including Unisa.

The Unisa Improvement Plan initially addressed four of five areas identified by the National Review as requiring attention, which led to the LLB programme given the status of '*Reaccreditation subject to meeting specific conditions*'. The university submitted a progress report on 10 May 2018 indicated that all conditions have been met; hence the decision of the HEQC to grant full accreditation to the Unisa LLB programme.

'We welcome the news of the granting of full accreditation to our LLB programme. We reiterate the position that this is an affirmation of the solidity of our LLB programme by the CHE. It has always been the goal of this university to offer programmes that are solid and of the highest integrity' said Unisa Principal and Vice Chancellor, Professor Mandla Makhanya.

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