

Media Advisory

The 2nd International Conference on Higher Education Teaching, Learning and Student Support.

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The University of South Africa (Unisa) will hold the 2nd International Conference on Higher Education Teaching, Learning and Student Support at its main campus in Pretoria on 5 – 8 May 2025, under the theme: “**International Conference on Higher Education Teaching, Learning, and Student Support: Connecting Minds and Bridging Gaps**”.

The conference aims to bring together educators, researchers, policymakers, students and practitioners from around the globe to explore and share solutions in revolutionising higher education. It will serve as a global platform for sharing knowledge, best practices and cutting-edge research to enhance the quality and inclusivity of learning, teaching, student support and research in higher education. Furthermore, the conference will enable delegates to engage in valuable discussions, exchange ideas and potentially establish collaborations for future research, curriculum development, or other aspects pertaining to scholarship of teaching and learning.

Some of the keynote speakers includes the Minister of Higher Education, Honourable Dr Nobuhle Pamela Nkabane, the Minister of Basic Education, Honourable Ms Siviwe Gwarube, the Chief Executive Officer of the Council on Higher Education, Dr WJ Green, the Vice Chancellor- Open University of Tanzania Professor Elifas Tozo Bisanda, the Rector and Vice-Chancellor of the University of the Western Cape, Professor Robert Balfour, the Dean, Faculty of Science & Technology and Director, Office of Research, Innovation and Commercialisation (ORIC) Virtual University of Pakistan, Professor Muhammad Mohsin Javed, the Director of the Work-Learn Institute at the University of Waterloo (Canada) Ms Anne-Marie Fannon, the Acting Manager Innovation Hub Makerere University (Uganda), Dr Cathy Ikiror Mbidde, as well as Unisa Principal and Vice-Chancellor, Professor Puleng LenkaBula.

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

Date: 5 – 8 May 2025

Time: 08:00 – 16:00

Venue: ZK Mathews Great Hall, 2nd Floor, Winnie Madikizela-Mandela Building, Muckleneuk Campus, Pretoria.

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