

# Programme

## Research and Innovation Week

**19 - 23 May 2025**  
Muckleneuk and Science Campuses

**MONDAY, 19 MAY 2025**

Venue: Senate Hall, Muckleneuk Campus, Pretoria

### Theme: “Leveraging UNISA’s Postgraduate Studies for Global Competitiveness”

10:30 – 10:45	<b>WELCOME</b> Programme Director: Prof Anthony Brown
10:45 – 11:15	<b>“From Postgraduate student to Global Scholar in the pursuit of Societal Impact – A UNISA Perspective”</b> Prof Tennyson Mgutshini Executive Dean: College of Graduate Studies
11:15 – 11:45	<b>“Meeting the Césaire Challenge: Locally Grounded, Globally Relevant Scholarship (in Postgraduate Training)”</b> Prof Jimi Adesina South African Research Chair in Social Policy: College of Graduate Studies
11:45 – 12:15	<b>“Local Roots to Global Impact: Decolonising Knowledge through Postgraduate Research Excellence”</b> Dr Josiline Chigwada Postdoctoral Research Fellow: College of Graduate Studies
12:15 – 12:45	<b>“Nanosciences &amp; Nanotechnologies: From fundamental science to Science for the society in line with the UN SDGs &amp; UNISA V.C CNAs”</b> Prof Malik Maaza UNESCO Africa Chair in Nanoscience & Nanotechnology: College of Graduate Studies
12:45 – 13:15	<b>“Growing one's collaborative research networks for global competitiveness”</b> Prof Moeketsi Letseka Distinguish Professor, Catalytic Niche Areas: College of Graduate Studies
13:15 – 13:30	<b>REFLECTIONS &amp; CLOSING REMARKS</b>

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