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## UNIZULU HOLDS AWARENESS CAMPAIGN ON LLB NATIONAL REVIEWS

The University of Zululand (UNIZULU) held a successful Bachelor of Laws National Reviews Awareness Campaign earlier this month.

From left to right: Law lecturer Mrs Tholaine Matadi, CAL Deputy Dean Prof Desan Iyer, Law lecturer Ms Nokwazi Nkosi, Quality advisor Ms Thembisile Ndimande and the Director for Quality Assurance Dr Azwinnidini Tshivhase

The Council for Higher Education, a body responsible for quality assurance of qualifications in South Africa, will be conducting the reviews between September and November 2016 at all tertiary institutions that offer LLB programmes. UNIZULU is also offering the LLB programme, hence the University's Quality Assurance Directorate is behind the campaign to continue getting full accreditation for the programme. Director of Quality Assurance Dr Azwinnidini Tshivhase said: "UNIZULU is very proud to have delivered the Bachelor of Law degree for many years. Our students expect relevant, contemporary learning experience that will prepare them for life and careers in a rapidly changing world". Tshivhase added that the LLB programme had been undertaken by some of South Africa's notable judges as a strong foundation and springboard into their law careers. "We are proud that Honourable South African Chief Justice Mogoeng Mogoeng obtained his LLB from this institution. We are also proud that Honourable Judge AEB Dhlodhlo, one of the prominent judges, is a UNIZULU LLB graduate and alumni," said Tshivhase. Dean of the Faculty of Commerce, Administration and Law, Professor Dev Tewari, pledged

his support to the department and wished them success in the Accreditation Review process. "I'm confident that the Department will do us proud as their performance thus far has been commendable and that the LLB will continue to be a prestigious qualification at our institution," said Prof Tewari. Acting Head of the Law Department, Kanagie Naidoo, thanked all the staff for their hard work thus far and wished them well. "I'm certain that we will make the University proud," said Naidoo.



Vice Chancellor Professor Xoliswa Mtose visited the LLB National Reviews awareness campaign stands at the KwaDlangezwa Campus.

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## MESSAGE from the Managing Editor

The highly anticipated inaugural Management, Business, Administration and Legal Initiatives (MBALI) International Conference kicks off next week and promises to be a success. Staff at the Faculty of Commerce, Administration and Law have worked hard to ensure that this conference is of a high international standard.

The conference will bring under one roof experts in the fields of commerce, law, business and administration to discuss various issues. Knowledge that will be shared will no doubt be valuable to our University, our students and the communities we serve.

We can only hope that this is the first of many such conferences to come from the University of KwaZulu-Natal.

Another first for the University of Zululand are the Vice-Chancellor's Excellence in Teaching Awards which have been introduced by the Teaching and Learning Centre. These awards and the prizes that have been set aside once again serve as proof of the University's ongoing commitment to promoting excellence in teaching and research.

We also wish our soccer, rugby and Enactus teams well as they participate in various competitions. Keep flying the University of Zululand's flag high.

## UPCOMING EVENT

6-8 July 2016 – The MBALI International Conference, Richards Bay  
<http://mbali.unizulu.ac.za/>

## CAMPUS NEWS

### All systems go for MBALI conference

An impressive line-up of speakers which include high level government officials and experts in the fields of commerce, law and administration has been confirmed for the inaugural Management, Business, Administration and Legal Initiatives (MBALI) conference to be held in Richards Bay from Wednesday. Speakers at the three day conference include the Deputy Governor of the South African Reserve Bank Daniel Mminele, University of Zululand (UNIZULU) Vice-Chancellor Prof Xoliswa Mtose, Warsaw University Deputy Vice-Chancellor Prof Alex Nowak, Absa executive Phakamani Hadebe and Dean of the Faculty of Commerce, Administration and Law Prof Dev Tewari. A number of local and international academics are also scheduled to present insightful research papers on a variety of subjects. These range from exploring how female genital mutilation can be combated through legislation to exploring finance availability for small retailers. Minister for Small Business Development Lindiwe Zulu will attend the gala dinner on July 7, where she is also expected to deliver an address. Prof Tewari said through the MBALI 2016 conference, the faculty is taking its rightful place in knowledge production within KwaZulu-Natal and South Africa as a whole. "We have to use knowledge creation in assisting communities with engagement projects that will uplift



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an entire region. In saying this, the business and legal acumen of our staff members can be used to this end. The idea and implementation of a business clinic or entrepreneurial centre will uplift small business owners and cooperatives while at the same time giving our senior students exposure to the real world of business and its accompanying challenges".

When asked what led to investing in such a programme, Absa Provincial Managing Executive Faisal Mkhize said: "Youth unemployment and lack of economic opportunities for our young people is a major challenge that calls for an integrated approach by all stakeholders. That is why we are supporting this conference because it is fundamentally linked to our Shared Growth strategy which covers Education and Skills, as well as Enterprise Development and Financial Inclusion/ Inclusive Banking. Our main and primary focus is to enable the employment and empowerment for the next generation. This generation is our future leaders in business, government, enterprise, health, education and law, among other sectors. Additionally, we shall help people start, run and grow their businesses to generate income and employment" Prof Tewari...

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## CAMPUS NEWS

### Staff embrace wellness campaign



Hundreds of UNIZULU staff members, including members of the executive responded enthusiastically to the health screenings held at the main campus earlier this month. The week-long wellness campaign started on a high note on Monday (June 6th) with more than 200

having been screened for various health ailments by the following day. UNIZULU Employee Relations and Wellness manager, Thabo Lebakeng said in total 166 people had come for HIV Counselling and testing, 306 for STI screenings, 240 for body mass index (BMI) while a total of 268 were screened for Blood Pressure and Cholesterol.

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### Attractive Prizes for VC Excellence in Teaching Awards

The Teaching and Learning Centre has introduced the inaugural Vice-Chancellor's Excellence in Teaching Awards. The aim of the awards is to recognise and reward excellence in teaching at the University, the centre said. Winners in each of the three categories will receive attractive prizes, namely: R50 000 for the overall winner per category, R30 000 for the first runner-up and R15 000 for the second runner up while the third runner up in each category will receive a R500 voucher. The three categories are: Emerging Academic, Developed Academic and Distinguished Academic. Individuals may be nominated by both staff and students. Academics are also allowed to self-nominate. The nomination process has been extended until July 22nd. The Teaching and Learning Centre said this prizes were aimed at bolstering research in Scholarship of teaching and learning. Winners will also stand a chance to be entered into the CHE/HELTASA National Teaching Awards.

### Leading Academic visits campus



A leading inorganic materials scientist from the University of Manchester, Prof Paul O'Brien, paid a two day visit to the University of Zululand earlier this month during which he discussed and evaluated progress on the project titled: 'Developing materials for solar

cell applications'. The collaborative project which involves the University of Manchester, KNUST in Ghana; University of Yaounde in Cameroon and UNIZULU is done under the Royal Society Africa capacity building program. Doctoral students within the programme are required to visit participating institutions as part of their project activities.

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### Shoe project a shoo-in for Enactus



THE UNIZULU Chapter of Enactus has embarked on an ambitious shoe-recycling project which aims to save thousands of shoes destined for landfills. Through the project, Enactus aims to collect athletic shoes, have them shredded and recycled into materials used for athletics surfaces such as tennis courts. Other shoes, deemed to be in good condition, will be donated to orphanages while those that need repair work will be repaired and sold by cooperatives. These cooperatives are formed by shoe repairmen...

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### Soccer and rugby teams aim for glory

UNIZULU's rugby and soccer teams will be aiming for glory in the next two weeks as they take on opponents in separate tournaments. The UNIZULU soccer team is one of the few selected South African teams representing the country at the 8th Federation of Africa University Sports (FASU) games being held at the University of Johannesburg (UJ). Team manager Mdu Mkhwanazi said the team gained automatic qualification to the FASU games after finishing second in the University Sports South Africa (USSA) games held in December last year. Other soccer teams representing South Africa are the University of Pretoria (Tuks), Wits University and the University of Western Cape...



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### Staff participate in ladies race

The University of Zululand congratulates all the staff members who participated in the 2016 Spar Women's race. Thousands of women participated in the 10km and 5km races held in Durban on June 5. Below is a list of some of our staff members who participated in the race:

Dr B. Mthanti entered for 10km race and netted time of 1:14:37  
Miss G. Mkhasebe entered for 5km and netted time of 00:48:34  
Miss J. Mthembu entered for 5km and netted time of 00:52:09  
Miss S. Mkhwanazi entered for 5km and netted time of 00:48:36  
Miss H. Ntuli entered for 5km and netted time of 00:38:24  
Miss S. Mkhwanazi entered for 5km and netted time of 00:44:00  
Miss H. Mhlongo entered for 5km and netted time of 00:52:11  
Miss T. Dubazane entered for 5km and netted time of 00:56:23  
Dr S. Tshabalala entered for 5km and netted time of 00:57:58  
Miss T. Mtshali entered for 5km and netted time of 01:04:42  
Miss U. Langeni entered for 5km and netted time of 01:04:37