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## TEACHING AND LEARNING CENTRE

*University of Zululand (UNIZULU)  
5<sup>th</sup> Teaching and Learning Conference*

***Adapting to a "NEW NORMAL":***

***What are the Teaching and Learning Realities and Innovations in Higher Education?***

### Keynote Speakers:

Dr. Lester Brian Shawa  
Prof Willie Chinyamurindi  
Dr. Cornel Hart

**DATE: 12 - 14 October 2021**

**TIME: 08h00**

**VENUE: Virtual Zoom - Johannesburg**



**Dr. Lester Brian Shawa** is an expert in Higher Education Studies and International Development in the tradition of Critical Theory. He holds a Ph.D. from Victoria University of Wellington in New Zealand, a Master of Education (Policy Studies) from Stellenbosch University, and a Master of Social Science in Development Studies from the University of KwaZulu-Natal. Based in Nairobi, Kenya. Dr Shawa is the Regional Education Coordinator for the Kühne Foundation building capacity in several universities in Sub-Saharan Africa. Dr. Shawa holds an honorary Seniors in Higher Education Studies at the University of KwaZulu-Natal, where he lectured for several years. His research interests include Higher Education policy praxis (policy, governance, and management), quality discourses in Higher Education, Higher Education pedagogy and curricula, International Development, and Teacher Education. Dr Shawa's recent research activities have included: The Scholars of Teaching and Learning, the role of middle-level academics in Higher Education governance, epistemological and ontological dimensions in Higher Education, decoloniality/decolonisation in Higher Education, the internationalisation of Higher Education, civil society and development effectiveness. He has published widely in the field of Higher Education.



**Prof Willie Chinyamurindi** is an NRF Rated Researcher (Y2) working at the University of Fort Hare as a Professor within the Department of Business Management. He considers himself a Pan-Africanist and is a scholar with the intent of promoting such ideals in his work. As a broad theme, his research is along the with aspects of human and organizational capabilities and how they contribute towards the theme of development. This entails aspects such as: a) Human Resources Development (HRD) and Organisational Psychology covering sub-themes such as careers, employability, decent work, technology in HRD. b) Interpretivist research methods within the management sciences. c) Entrepreneurship and Strategic Management especially the intersection of strategy in organizational behaviour.



**Dr. Cornel Hart** is the Programme Coordinator for the Professional Bachelor in Community Development Degree at the University of the Western Cape. She obtained a Master's in Research Methodology - specialising in Programme Evaluation. She finished her Ph.D. at UNISA for which she developed a micro-level model for assessing community development towards improved well-being. This model can be used to Monitor and Evaluate community social capital, furthermore, well-being changes due to projects/interventions. She has been the owner of a development, management, and research consultancy since 1999 and assisted several governments (four countries) cabinets, departments, parastatals, and private companies with research, project design, management, evaluation (PCM).

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