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## DEAN'S GREETING

### Dear Alumni, Faculty Friends and Staff

Each year brings its own high points and challenges, and 2018 is proving to be true to form. UCT's big announcement for this year, so far, is the appointment of Prof Mamokgethi Phakeng as the new Vice-Chancellor, to take over the reins from Dr Max Price after his 8-year term comes to an end on June 30th. The Faculty is delighted with the appointment and offers our congratulations and full support to Prof Phakeng as she moves into this challenging role.

We also warmly welcome the Deputy Vice-Chancellor for Teaching and Learning, Professor Lis Lange, who comes to UCT with tremendous experience, most recently as the Deputy-Vice Chancellor at the

University of the Free State. We welcome Professor Lange to UCT.

One of the Faculty's most important tasks this year has been to ensure that our LLB accreditation is confirmed by the Council on Higher Education (CHE). While the notice we received in November 2017 was alarming, the university and the Law Faculty have put every effort into addressing all the concerns raised by the CHE and we have submitted an excellent Improvement Plan. The drafting and submission of our Improvement Plan has provided a notable opportunity for us collectively to work towards ensuring the continued excellence of our LLB curriculum.

Of course, as we have shared with you, we have been delighted to learn that we have retained our spot in the QS World University Rankings for 2018, in the Top 100 Law Schools internationally.

We have been very pleased to welcome a number of new staff members this year. They include Amanda Mkhonza and Olivia Rumble in the Institute for Marine and Environmental Law, and Alton Samuels in Private Law. Following our farewells to a few colleagues in 2017, it is encouraging to welcome new energy into the Faculty and to UCT.

Our fundraising efforts in the Faculty continue, and we are very pleased to have a number of new scholarships to offer promising South African students, especially those from historically disadvantaged communities. This has been possible only with the generous support of Law Faculty alumni who believe that supporting such students contribute to the transformation of law practice in South Africa, as well as the pursuit of access to justice for all South Africans.

We are also grateful to you the Law Faculty alumni for your support of students with job placement, mentoring of students, guest lectures and other activities that support the Law Faculty.

The Faculty is proud to have hosted the International Association of Law Schools' Legal Education conference and the African Law Deans' Forum at UCT from 4 - 6 March 2018 – which culminated in a conference dinner with the Honourable Chief Justice Mogoeng Mogoeng addressing dinner guests on key issues in law and legal education. The Chief Justice's dinner speech can be accessed on our Faculty website at <https://bit.ly/2qka5vS>.

We are also most proud to have held our Graduation Ceremony on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> April for all those undergraduate and postgraduate students who qualified for their degrees at the end of 2017.

These graduates included 4 PhDs, 114 LL.Ms, 174 LL.Bs and 10 PG Dips – and the conferral of an Honorary LL.D on Justice Yvonne Mokgoro, the first black woman member of our Constitutional Court.



*UCT Vice-Chancellor, Dr Max Price, with Honorary LL.D Justice Yvonne Mokgoro, Prof Penelope Andrews (Dean of Law) and Mr Royston Pillay, UCT Registrar*

In December this year, I will be completing the third year of my term as Dean of UCT Law. It is my intention to step down in December to pursue research and consultancies in the area of *transformation of legal education*. This gives the Vice-Chancellor and the university sufficient time to identify a new Dean and to ensure a smooth transition. I plan to use the remainder of my time as Dean to pursue fundraising initiatives and other strategic goals.

As always, I remain deeply grateful to all of you for your support for, and interest in, UCT Law.

*Penny Andrews*

Dean and Professor

## FROM IMITATION TO INNOVATION: COMPARATIVE PERSPECTIVES ON LEGAL EDUCATION

**The Faculty of Law hosted the International Association of Law Schools Africa Forum** from 4<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> March 2018. With the theme **From Imitation to Innovation: Comparative Perspectives on Legal Education**, the conference addressed a number of key challenges in legal education at global and at local level.

The legal profession has undergone somewhat of a transformation in the past few decades, largely in response to the challenges and opportunities wrought by globalisation, technology and the 2008 global economic crisis. As new fields of legal practice have surfaced and traditional practice has innovated and renewed in response, the need for renewal in legal education has become more apparent.



*IALS Forum participants 5<sup>th</sup> March 2018*

Some forms of traditional legal practice are now carried out by non-lawyers in response to deregulation or changes in technology. At the same time and in response to these developments, legal education has

also undergone a period of innovation and transformation, although to different degrees. In South Africa, constitutional imperatives have focused on the transformation of legal education to expand access to legal services, as it has in other emerging democracies.

In some jurisdictions, like the USA, the diminished demand for law graduates in the corporate sector, as well as the high cost of law school tuition, have placed particular pressure on programs of legal education.

In addition, global law firms' cross-border and international legal needs have generated a growing demand for legal professionals proficient in practicing law from a global, rather than local, perspective. In some countries, as employers demand more "practice-ready" graduates, law schools are increasingly embracing clinical and experiential education and assessments based on learning outcomes.



*Hon. Justice Emmanuel Ugirashebuja, President, East African Court of Justice Tanzania*

Innovations and disruptions in legal education have generated somewhat of a cottage publishing industry, especially in the USA, the UK and Australia. This IALS Africa Forum,

with almost 50 participants, therefore provided the opportunity for Deans and Law colleagues from across the continent, and elsewhere in the world, to share challenges, ideas, innovations and thinking in relation to law education in their respective countries. The Faculty was excited to host Professor David Wilkins from Harvard Law School, as the keynote speaker.

Two days of deliberation were punctuated with great evening events, including a panel discussion on Law, Race and Ethics at the Cape Town Holocaust Centre as part of their “Deadly Medicine” exhibition; and a conference dinner at which South Africa’s Chief Justice Mogoeng Mogoeng shared his thoughts on imitation, innovation and the place of African Customary Law in law curricula across the continent.



Chief Justice Mogoeng Mogoeng addresses dinner guests at UCT 6<sup>th</sup> March 2018



The Faculty thanks the International Association of Law Schools, the Centre for Comparative Law in Africa, and the *TY Danjuma Fund for Law and Policy Development* (endowed at UCT) for support for this conference.



## The Chamber of Legal Students: budding UCT lawyers-to-be apply their skills

There is rising energy amongst students in the Kramer Building – to get involved, and use their developing legal knowledge and skills for social good.

The Chamber of Legal Students – a national non-profit company - is only 18 months old, and the UCT branch only really kicked off this year. So what do they do, and why are they important?

The idea behind the Chamber is that too many high school learners are put through disciplinary hearings that don’t follow the required process. Lack of knowledge of due process amongst learners, parents and School Governing Body members alike, serve only to disadvantage young learners in ways that could impact negatively on their whole life. It is the Chamber’s mission to ensure that all learners

facing disciplinaries in the school context have access to representation in line with what is allowed.

While the project provides support to high school learners, it also provides an important opportunity for law students to engage in the practical work of a clinic-type advisory service. It is well-recognised that practical experience with case-work, and application of legal principles and case law, is central to a sound legal education – and law clinic work forms a core requirement at UCT to qualify for an LLB.

The Chamber of Legal Students will play an important role in providing opportunities for practical experience for UCT Law students. Potential clients are able to contact the organisation either via cell phone or e-mail (see Law website for details at <https://bit.ly/2qnl3AJ>), and would need to give details such as the learner’s name, school and grade, as well as a brief overview of the situation resulting in a disciplinary process.



Law students then serve as representatives to attend the hearing with the client to ensure that due process is followed, and that the learner’s procedural rights are protected as far as possible.



## Excellence in the Faculty

Our staff and students continue the long UCT tradition of excellence – in research, teaching and participation in local and international law-focused gatherings.

### • Students

**Ian Davis (LLB 2015)** has been accepted into the Masters in Law and Finance programme at the University of Oxford for the 2018/2019 academic year! Ian says “I will be sure to hold the great name of UCT up high while I am there”.

The Faculty is proud to be the academic home to three students who have been awarded scholarships as part of *the Klaus-Jürgen Bathe Leadership Programme*. This is a university-wide scholarship for academically excellent UCT students – across all six Faculties - who show great leadership potential. The three Law students are:

- **Oriana Esau**
- **Nondumiso Goba**
- **Naledi Ramoabi**

Congratulations – and we wish you the best with your studies during 2018!

### • Staff Stories

Our academic research and teaching staff are as busy and productive as ever, contributing papers, presentations, journal articles, book chapters, and books to the world of knowledge development in South African law and on related issues.

**Associate Professor Amanda Barrat** has been appointed by the Minister to serve on the Advisory

Committee on the Single Marriage Statute, including Measures against Sham Marriages. This is part of the SALRC Project 144.

Deputy Dean – Undergraduate, **Associate Professor Tracy Gutuza**, is currently involved in organizing the *South African Law Teachers' Conference*, hosted by UCT Faculty of Law in **July 2018**. With the theme of **Transformation of the Legal Profession / Decolonisation of Knowledge**, organisers have already received more than 100 abstracts for the conference. For full details, and to register for this forthcoming gathering, go to <https://bit.ly/2HLHRki>

### Professor Caroline Ncube

presented her inaugural lecture on Weds 28<sup>th</sup> March in Kramer LT2. Her lecture was titled *'The public interest in Intellectual Property Law: African solutions to global challenges'*. The lecture can be viewed online at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SDjVEfqVWiw&feature=youtu.be>

### Dr Phindile Ntliziywana,

lecturer in the Department of Public Law, graduated in early April with a PhD from University of Western Cape - and is now formally Dr Ntliziywana! <https://www.iol.co.za/weekend-argus/village-phd-graduate-reaches-for-the-stars-14296400>

The DGRU's **Dr Chris Oxtoby** has been deeply involved in supporting the JSC April 2018 interview process through the following:

- Conducting research on the track record of the candidates to be

interviewed, focusing especially on the judgments they have written

- Observing the public interviews and providing commentary on the interview process
- Working with the *Judges Matter* coalition to increase public awareness of judicial appointments processes, including through live streaming the JSC interviews.

We are pleased to share that **Professor Clifford Shearing** has been invited by the Provincial MEC for Community Safety to sit on the Western Cape Provincial Safety Advisory Committee.

### • New Staff

The Faculty extends its warmest welcome to our new colleagues.

### Amanda Mkhonza

started at the *Institute for Marine and Environmental Law* in January this year. As a child - from Empangeni, Kwa-Zulu Natal - Amanda had thought she would be a nurse, until she saw a show on TV about babies and birth. Maintaining her intent to help others, though, Amanda then chose Law and completed her LLB at University of the Free State. Now with a specialist focus on Environmental Law, and a keen interest in the protection of South Africa's strategic water source areas, Amanda brings valuable experience and expertise to the Faculty with her background in Water Law from the Centre for Environmental Rights.

Amanda is currently excited about looking at the gap that exists in the regulation of strategic water source areas in a customised and nuanced manner, that can contribute to

ensuring the protection of what are potentially South Africa's most invaluable ecological assets, particularly with the ongoing droughts.



Amanda Mkhonza | IMEL | UCT Law

She hopes to pioneer the development of laws which are much needed for these areas – areas which are key for South Africa's water security and water supply.

Amanda kick-started her time at UCT by delivering a paper at the 5<sup>th</sup> Symposium and 4<sup>th</sup> Scientific Conference for The Association of Environmental Law Lecturers in African Universities, in Yaoundé, Cameroon, and is hoping to publish that paper, titled *Improving the legal protection of Strategic Water Source Areas: A South African perspective*. For more information, go to <http://www.imel.uct.ac.za/imel/staff>

**Olivia Rumble** has been appointed Senior Lecturer in the Institute of Marine and Environmental Law. With a PPE from the University of Stellenbosch, and an LLB from the University of Cape Town, Olivia

clerked for Justice Mokgoro and Justice Froneman at the Constitutional Court – before returning to UCT to complete her LLM (with distinction) in Environmental Law.

Olivia's interest in law derives from her commitment to environmental advocacy – and was persuaded by her sister to pursue environmental change through law rather than only through civil society activism. Olivia comments that legal advocacy “has certainly been a highly effective tool for environmental work in South Africa”.

Olivia has a particular interest in, and has published widely on the topic of, climate change law. Currently intrigued by the ever-changing regulatory landscape of greenhouse gas mitigation, and the slowly evolving field of adaptation law, Olivia is looking at how developments internationally are influencing domestic regimes, and that - in turn - these regimes are increasing international climate ambition.



Olivia Rumble | IMEL | UCT Law

Olivia was previously a Senior Associate at ENSafrica, where she

specialised in environmental law for seven years. Now also a director at *Climate Legal*, a specialist climate change and environmental law consultancy, Olivia has been appointed to assist the Department of Environmental Affairs in drafting South Africa's Climate Change Bill.

Olivia brings to the Faculty her extensive experience in the laws relating to water resources, waste management, atmospheric emissions and South Africa's broad suite of environmental laws – and we eagerly await her forthcoming book on Carbon Tax.

**Alton Samuels**, an admitted Advocate and member of the Cape Bar, joined the Faculty's *Department of Private Law* in February this year. Having grown up in Stellenbosch, Alton completed his LLB at Stellenbosch University, where he then spent three years as a research intern at the university's South African Chair in Property Law, under the guidance of the late Prof AJ van der Walt, while completing his LLM at Stellenbosch.

Alton is now an LLD candidate at Stellenbosch University under the guidance of Prof Marius De Waal. His doctoral research is focused on ‘A comparative analysis of mechanisms to address non-compliance with testamentary formalities, with special emphasis on the position in South African law.’

Previously a lecturer at North-West University and the University of the Western Cape, Alton has a civil litigation practice with a keen interest

in the law of Succession and Property law.



Alton Samuels | Private Law

## • Promoting Collegiality and Intellectual Enquiry

In a long-standing tradition of academic exchange, the Faculty's fortnightly seminars continue through 2018. This year's Seminar Convenor, Ms Silindile Buthelezi, has implemented a new format for these seminars. The idea is that the lunchtime sessions provide a space where junior academics are able to present their work to other intellectuals in the Faculty.

To facilitate greater exchange, constructive comment and insightful critique around an academic's paper (however draft the ideas might be), Ms Buthelezi has implemented a format whereby the paper is distributed to participants beforehand and one or two reviewers prepare critical feedback for the seminar session. During the seminar, the reviewers will first present to the audience their understanding of the academic's arguments, followed by

their critical feedback of the academic's arguments. The academic then has the opportunity to respond to the review comments, and discussion is then opened up to the floor.

This innovative session structure ensures participation and, importantly, ensures that the academic emerges with excellent, insightful and helpful critiques and comments on their work to take back to their desk for accommodation in the next draft of their paper.

In Buthelezi's words, "This is to ensure that there is strong support for, and encouragement of, our junior academics preparing, presenting and ultimately publishing papers on their work".

Following the first session, held on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> April where Alton Samuels presented his work on *Gentrification – Legal protection through property law*, the seminars look set to fly!

## • Legal Bookshelf

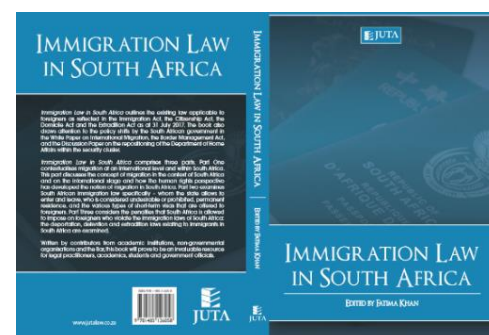
A number of colleagues have edited books, contributed to book chapters and reports, and have written articles for journal publication. Some of this research output and knowledge-sharing is highlighted below:

**Professor Penelope Andrews, Judge Dennis Davis and Ms Tabeth Masengua** co-edited the 2017 *Acta Juridica, A Warrior for Justice: Essays in Honour of Justice Moseneke*.

**Professor Penelope Andrews** authored the chapter *Race, Inclusiveness and Transformation of*

*Legal Education in South Africa, in Constitutional Triumphs, Constitutional Disappointments* (Rosalind Dixon and Theunis Roux eds 2017).

**Dr. Fatima Khan** (ed) *Immigration Law in South Africa* (Juta, 2018). This book includes chapters by Dr Khan, as well as other colleagues in the Faculty's Refugee Rights herself, Popo Mfubu, James Chapman, and former members of the department Ncumisa Willie and Nathaniel Mauritz.



**Professor Rashida Manjoo and Ms Jackie Jones** (eds) *The Legal Protection of Women from Violence: Normative Gaps in International Law* (Routledge, 2018). This book features two chapters by Prof Manjoo.

The proceedings of the **Green Mining** workshop – held at UCT during 2017 [<http://www.mlia.uct.ac.za/news/think-tank-tackles-myth-green-mining>] under **Professor Hanri Mostert** - have now been published. The publication, titled *Green Mining: Beyond the Myth - Perspectives on the Future of Mining*, includes various articles contributed by members of the **Mining Law in Africa** (MLIA) unit. Copies of the publication are available at a cost of ZAR 200.00 each – please contact Clare Pomario at



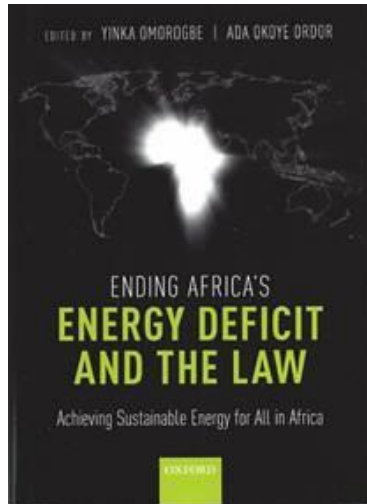
clare.pomario@uct.ac.za for more information.

**The Centre for Comparative Law in Africa (CCLA)** has recently published a book in partnership with the Nigerian Institute of Advanced Legal Studies (NIALS), titled *Ending Africa's Energy Deficit And The Law: Achieving Sustainable Energy for All in Africa*.

Edited by **Associate Professor Ada Ordor** of the CCLA at UCT, and Yinka Omorogbe (Attorney General and Commissioner for Justice for Edo State, Nigeria), the volume includes chapters by a number of Law Faculty academics, namely:

- Helen Chuma-Okoro, Doctoral Researcher, University of Cape Town
- Hugh Corder, Professor of Public Law, University of Cape Town
- Jan Glazewski, Professor of Law, University of Cape Town
- Salvatore Mancuso, Chair, Comparative Law in Africa, University of Cape Town
- Hanri Mostert, DST/NRF SARChI Research Chair, University of Cape Town
- Heleen van Niekerk, Postdoctoral Research Fellow, University of Cape Town
- Ada Okoye Ordor, Associate Professor, University of Cape Town
- Tobias Schonwetter, Intellectual Property Unit, University of Cape Town
- Clifford Shearing, Professor, University of Cape Town
- Hilton Trollip, Senior Researcher, University of Cape Town

- Cheri-Leigh Young, University of Cape Town.



We have not included the volume of publications that have emanated from the various academic research projects in the Faculty during 2017 and the first part of 2018 – but we refer you to the Faculty website (at [www.law.uct.za](http://www.law.uct.za)) for more detail on the Faculty's research output and our efforts to share knowledge through publication.

## Faculty Research Units

The Faculty is home to nine research units and two law clinic initiatives. These centres serve to engage locally and internationally around key areas in the practice of law.



The **Centre for Law and Society (CLS)** in the Faculty has taken over the editorship of *The South African Crime and Quarterly*, starting in 2018. Volume 62 (December 2017) was a

special edition of SACQ, edited by Kelley Moulton of CLS, that focused on the issue of protest, which included an article by the Faculty's Jameela Omar, a case note by two UCT law graduates (Safura Abdool Karim and Catherine Kruyer), and a research piece co-authored by UCT Law Graduate Tsangadzaome Alexander Mukumba.

The March 2018 edition of SACQ also featured work by UCT Faculty members, including Jameelah Omar whose piece focused on a case note on the SJC10 case, and Guy Lamb from SAVI published a piece on the impact of police massacres on police reform in South Africa. This March edition also features an "On the Record" interview with the Centre of Criminology's postdoctoral fellow, Nick Simpson on safety, security and the water crisis.

**Both editions can be accessed online at:**

<https://journals.assaf.org.za/sacq/issue/archive>

## AfricanLII and the DGRU

On 26 March 2018, the Democratic Governance and Rights Unit's (DGRU) Dr Justice Mavedzenge and Ms Mariya Badeva-Bright visited the African Court on Human and Peoples Rights in Arusha, Tanzania. The visit was the result of an invitation by the Registrar of the Court to the African Legal Information Institute (*AfricanLII at [www.africanlii.org](http://www.africanlii.org)*), a project of the DGRU, to discuss a potential partnership in disseminating the judgments of the Court via the AfricanLII network of open-access legal information publishers in Africa.



AfricanLII conducted a demonstration, consolidating search results on human rights subjects from both national and regional law, and specifically the African Court.

The demonstration was well-received and AfricanLII was given the mandate to continue to build on the collection and on dissemination strategies, with the active assistance of officers of the Court.

The **DGRU** also attended the launch of the *United Nations' Office on Drugs and Crime's* Global Judicial Integrity Network. The DGRU presented a panel discussion on a project we are working on to develop best practice guidelines for judicial appointments in southern and eastern Africa.



We hope that the guidelines will be formally adopted by the Southern Africa Chief Justices' Forum at their annual general meeting later this year. For more info, see <https://bit.ly/2H8gm41>

### Mineral Law in Africa (MLiA)

The MLIa initiative sits under the SARChi Chair: Mineral Law in Africa

Prof Hanri Mostert. The Chair is a centre of excellence for the accumulation and dissemination of knowledge and information about mineral law systems in various African countries. The research interests of the Chair participants cover an extensive and wide-ranging array of issues relevant to extractive industries. Research areas include environmental concerns, socio-economic matters, transformation of mining industries, mining tax, mining waste, investment interests and land issues. Researchers at the chair are seeking to provide equitable and practical solutions to the problem of balancing competing interests in the mining industry.

MLiA recently held its fifth annual colloquium at (and in collaboration with) Strathmore University's Law Faculty in Nairobi, Kenya, from 28<sup>th</sup> February 2018 to 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2018. A series of publications – on the mineral law regulatory framework in Namibia, Zambia and South Africa - is currently in production with JUTA Law.

### • International Events

Members of the Faculty regularly participate in, and are recognised at, academic events elsewhere.

**Professor Penelope Andrews** participated in the University-Based Institutes for Advanced Study's workshop, *Laws: Rigidity and Dynamics*, at the Nanyang University of Technology in Singapore from 19<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> March 2018. Professor Andrews delivered a paper titled, **The Casserole Constitution: The South African Constitution and**

**International Law.** Among the speakers were two Nobel Laureates, Professor David Gross (USA) and Professor Ada Yonath (Israel).

**Prof Andrews** also participated in the *King's College Transnational Law Summit 2018* which took place at King's College, London from 10<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> April 2018. Convened under the theme, *The New Human Condition: Creating Justice for Our Future*, Professor Andrews participated on two panels, **Transnational Constitutional Transformations: Courts as Political Agents** and **The Challenges of Critical Legal Education in a World of Algorithms, Ranking & 'Skills Training'**.

Our Deputy Dean of Internationalisation, **A/Prof Waheeda Amien**, has been particularly busy since her inception in this post in July 2016 – having represented the UCT Faculty of Law at the following events:

- Africa Sino Law Deans' Meeting and AGM (Beijing, China), 2016
- New Silk Road Law Alliance (Sydney, Australia), 2016
- 4th BRICS Legal Forum Experts Meeting (Ykaterinburg, Russia), 2017
- 4th BRICS Legal Forum (Moscow, Russia), 2017
- Law Schools Global League Forum (Mexico City, Mexico), 2017
- International Association of Law Schools (Pune, India), 2017

In addition, A/Prof Amien was invited to teach on Legal Pluralism and Human Rights in the Faculty of Law, Helsinki University, Finland during January 2018 as a Visiting Professor.





A/Prof Waheeda Amien, Deputy Dean - Internationalisation

From these international linkages, the Faculty has received partnership requests from several global north and global south universities abroad, including Jindal (India), Strathmore (Kenya) and ITAM (Mexico).

**Professor Hugh Corder** recently spent a week in Delhi, India. Prof Corder writes:

*I fulfilled a longstanding ambition in the first week of April, with a visit to Delhi in India, to participate in two academic events. First, there was a two-day workshop hosted by the O P Jindal Global Law School, part of a private university founded in 2010 on the outskirts of the city of about 24 million people, at which about 15 young scholars drawn from India, England, South Africa, Germany and Bangladesh presented papers for collegial criticism by those present.*



*Each young scholar had been assigned an established academic as respondent, and these were drawn from Oxford, Singapore, Wits, Monash, Melbourne, and several universities in India: I was the only such person from UCT. The event was a joint initiative of Justice O'Regan's Bonaventure Institute for Human Rights at Oxford, the National University of Singapore, Melbourne University, and OP Jindal, and was marked by a deep sense of constructive collegiality at all times.*

*On the third day, we all returned to central Delhi, to participate in a public series of panel discussions on aspects of human rights in India: I spoke about judicial independence in comparative perspective.*

*All in all, the trip exceeded my expectations: I was able to get a sense of Delhi and surrounds, visited a few major tourist sites, was exposed to a wonderful group of younger scholars, and was repeatedly struck by the innate gentleness of all those whom I encountered on the streets and meeting places of that great city. I look forward to further such visits.*

In March this year, **Prof Rashida Manjoo** received the inaugural AddU award from the University of Bologna, Italy, in recognition of her contribution to knowledge and social transformation.

Prof Manjoo has also been invited to receive the degree of Doctor of Humane Letters (hc) from John Jay College of the City University of New York - in recognition of her dedication to challenging all forms of discrimination and oppression.



## Law @ Work

The **UCT Law Faculty** is home to one of the best legal professional development training initiatives in South Africa. Established in 1999 by the then Dean of Law, Prof Hugh Corder, Law@Work has grown from strength to strength in the last 2 decades.

Initially known as the Professional Education Unit, the outfit changed its name in 2008 to *UCT Law@work: The Professional Development Project* – to better reflect its standing and goals. By 2005, the unit offered around 16 courses every year. Under the directorship of Irena Wasserfall, Law@Work now offers up to 90 courses annually – with new courses being added every year. Most popular courses include, for example, those focused on Compliance Management, Mediation, and Medico-Legal Practice, although the unit offers a potpourri of courses from “serious” courses like Preparation for the Certified Fraud Exam to softer skills like Mindfulness in law.

These courses are offered in a variety of formats (in-person and remotely) and often in partnership with other entities. Covering a broad range of topics relevant for the continued professional development of legal professionals, Law@Work is well established in the market, and its courses are well-recognised.

As far back as 2008, Law@Work got involved with the *Getsmarter* online training initiative, since nothing much existed in the online space as far as law courses was concerned. Although face to face teaching is still preferred and important, technology applications ensured that the Unit was able to reach far more people.

For example, the new *Introduction to Medico-Legal Practice* course is being run in partnership with the South African Medico-Legal Association. Delivered over 11 weeks, this course is offered in five South African centres (Cape Town, Johannesburg, Bloemfontein, Durban and Port Elizabeth) simultaneously - with the lecturer being present in any one of the five centres and able to interact with all the attendees even though they may be in a different city.



As a result of the breadth of courses, and remote participation capability on some courses, Law@Work participants include attorneys, legal advisors in the corporate and public sectors, advocates, accountants, professionals in the financial services industry, members of the medical profession, industrial relations practitioners and others.

Law@Work has played a critical role in terms of generating income for the Faculty (more than R20million over the last 12 or so years) and in the achievement of Faculty goals – with

particular reference to offering scholarships and bursaries, and to undertake continued staff development so that the Faculty is able to retain talent.

If you would like to be notified of future courses, please send your name and email address to Donnaleen Coue on [don.coue@uct.ac.za](mailto:don.coue@uct.ac.za)



**For Alumni, Law@Work offers a 10% discount on course fees** as a concession to our graduates. The full scope of courses offered can be accessed at:

<http://www.lawatwork.uct.ac.za/lw/courses>



## WATER & THE LAW SCHOOL

Circumstances have been quite nail-biting over the last few months as far as water and taps are concerned here at UCT, and in Cape Town more broadly.

The question hanging over us for the first two months of the year was “For how long will water continue to come out of the taps?”. While Cape Town’s water management became a hot political potato, the up-side of the drought is that everyone has out of necessity become far more water-aware. Since it is widely argued across the globe that it is absolutely essential that cities prepare for water resilience and water-wise usage, storage and planning, it is hoped that the sharp rise in water-awareness in Cape Town will see the adoption of water-wise lifestyle approaches rather than remaining a short-term crisis measure.

The UCT campus community has had to pay close attention to finding ways to reduce our water use significantly – and in the Law Faculty our own Water Champions (Sandy Patterson and Olivia Rumble of the Institute for Marine and Environmental Law) have played a great role in raising awareness around reducing our water use.

Measures with the Faculty included closing off basins and taps in toilet facilities; installing sanitizer dispensers (short-term); signage encouraging minimal toilet flushing;

daily count-down posters alerting the campus community to the number of days until the likelihood of having our taps switched off; and aerated tap fixtures to reduce water flow.

While the lush plants in the Kramer building are looking a bit worse for wear, it is now widely understood that taking water-reduction measures, savings and water supply augmentation into account, our taps should remain open and flowing. For now.

While this does not mean that the pressure is off with regard to saving water, it does mean that working together as a community we are able to effect the kind of reduced use required in the crisis.

**The challenge now is to continue keeping our individual usage to below 50l per day, even as the rainy season starts!**



## In Memoriam

### Clive van Ryneveld

Clive van Ryneveld was probably best known as captain of the Springbok Cricket team, and as Rugby player for England – with a long, illustrious sporting career. He was also a lawyer. Starting out at UCT Law School, Clive was awarded a Rhodes Scholarship and completed his law studies at Oxford.

He co-founded the Progressive Party in 1959, and in 1962 defended five members of the PAC's military wing, Poqo. A member of the Bar, van Ryneveld left in 1967 to join the South African office of Hill Samuels Merchant Bank. He did, however, continue to use his legal skills – notably to organise contracts for black South African cricket players to play in the UK.

Our condolences go to his wife Verity, and their three children.



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## Fundraising for Success at UCT Law

Our Alumni, friends and Corporate sponsors continue generously to support the Faculty with funding, gifts and in other ways.

There are many students who have entered UCT Law School for 2018, and who will be joining us every year going forward, who have these exact questions. Your financial support makes a huge difference to these young South Africans.

Support for *Growing a Lawyer* helps at least 30 students every year to cover their fees, so that they can focus on achieving excellence in their academic life.

The *Growing a Lawyer* campaign channels funding to the Law Faculty Endowment Fund, the interest from which is primarily used to support undergraduate and postgraduate bursaries.

The Fund was first established in 2008, and continues to grow. The Faculty, through your support, is proud to have supported more than 50 students to date through these



scholarships. Starting out in 2010, with only a couple of scholarships being awarded, the Faculty is now able to support more than 30 students every year, through named scholarships and through the Endowment Scholarships.

This funding makes a massive difference to recipients who would not otherwise be able to fund their fees.

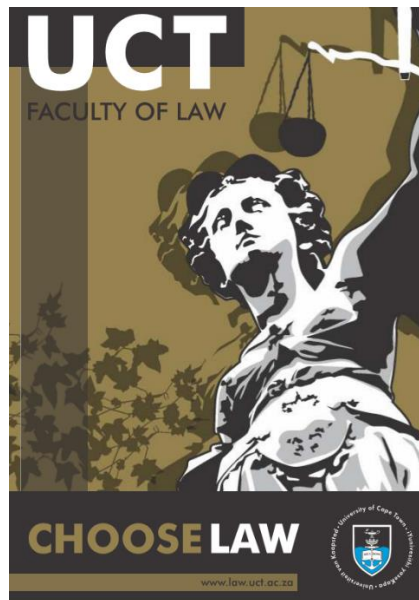
As a staff member, alumnus and friend, you no doubt have memories of times when you wondered about whether you should study law; when you thought “How am I ever going to afford the fees?”; when you wondered what studying law entailed and how you might qualify with an LLB.

## FACULTY OF LAW GROWING A LAWYER

**Abe Swersky Scholars** are identified in their second year of study, having shown strong performance in *Law of Family and Persons* in their first year.

**Jesse Prinsloo (LLB 2017)** has just graduated, and shares his story of success as an *Abe Swersky Scholar* in the Faculty of Law:

*I grew up in a household supported by a single mother. She raised my brother and me single-handedly, always putting an emphasis on our education and academic excellence...*



*I worked extremely hard for a place at UCT. I sacrificed many things from an early age, and when I received my acceptance letter from UCT, I felt satisfied that my hard work had equated to my desired reward.*

*The only thing stopping me was the lack of financial assistance that I needed to complete my LLB degree. However, I knew that if I worked hard, and achieved good results, the opportunity would present itself.*

*In my first year at UCT, I achieved a place on the Dean's Merit List. I was then offered a bursary which would pay 70% of my fees each year. Having that financial freedom allowed me to focus on my studies without having doubts that despite my hard work, I would not be able to complete my degree because I would not be able to afford the fees...*

*If I had not received that bursary, I imagine my life at UCT would have been quite different ... The financial burden of tertiary education can be debilitating...*

*After completing my LLB degree, I am now working at Webber Wentzel, one of the top law firms in South Africa... and learning from the best legal minds in world!*

## Wondering how you can contribute?

There are many ways that Alumni, Faculty and Friends can support the Faculty's campaign to build, improve and drive the continued excellence in all that the Faculty offers.

It is not only once-off gifts, or big donations, that make a difference. Every bit is important to us, and to the students we are able to support.

**Become a monthly donor**, for example – it's an easy way (via direct debit) to make small, regular contributions to **Growing a Lawyer**.

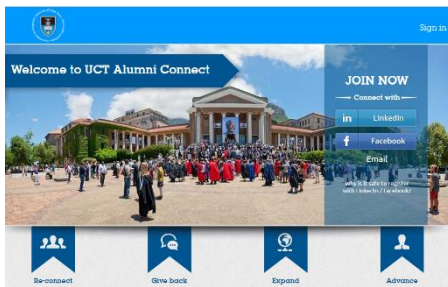
To become a regular donor, use the online donation site at [www.uct.ac.za/main/donating-to-uct/methods/online](http://www.uct.ac.za/main/donating-to-uct/methods/online)

There are, though, many other ways to contribute to this campaign. For example:

- completing a pledge form (we can mail one to you!)
- using a debit order facility
- or by EFT

or by contacting Cindi De Oliveira in the Development & Alumni Department on [cindy.deoliveira@uct.ac.za](mailto:cindy.deoliveira@uct.ac.za)

We hugely appreciate all support received in pursuit of the Faculty's goals! Thank you to all our supporters!



## CALLING ALL ALUMNI!!

This year's annual Alumni Reunion will be on the weekend of

**8<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> December 2018**

Diarise now to join the Faculty, academics, old friends, classmates and colleagues for another great gathering of legal minds!

To keep posted on the Reunion and on other Law Faculty events and Alumni activities, join the online

### UCT Alumni Connect platform.

UCT Alumni Connect is a great new platform which facilitates connections with old classmates as well as expands your professional network through a trusted UCT connection portal.

The platform fully integrates with LinkedIn and Facebook, and cultivates a culture of support, networking, helping, mentoring and giving back.

Join now to be part of this growing online community and networking space at <https://uctalumniconnect.com/>

**Friends. Classmates. Colleagues.**

There a number of Law Alumni events scheduled during 2018, and dates and details will be shared timeously. *Next up are the following events:*

The UCT Alumni Association AGM takes place on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> April at 18h00 in LT1, Kramer Building. Parking is easy on either the East or West sides of Kramer Building. We hope you will join us for this annual gathering.

### Prof Corder in London!



For those of our Alumni and friends living in the UK, Hugh Corder is very pleased to invite you all to join him for drinks and a catch-up on all matters Law (law practice, teaching, research, life and everything else!).

**DATE:** Tuesday 15th May 2018  
**TIME:** 18h30 - 21h00  
**VENUE:** Daly's Wine Bar on The Strand <http://www.dalyswinebar.co.uk/>  
**RSVP:** Angela Edwards on [uct-trust@tecren.net](mailto:uct-trust@tecren.net)

Please join Prof Corder for this opportunity to catch up and meet old law friends.

There are also other **Alumni events** taking place in the UK during the week of 14<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> May 2018, as Dr Max Price does a final round of visits and farewells to mark the end of his term as UCT's Vice-Chancellor.

These include gatherings on **Wednesday 16th May** (Alumni Reception at Trinity College, Oxford) and

**Thursday 17th May** (Alumni Reception at House of Lords, London). RSVPs are also to Angela Edwards for either of these general Alumni events.

**For information about the Law Faculty's Alumni Relations, and to share stories and updates about our Alumni across the globe, please contact Gaby on +27 21 650 5602 or [gaby.ritchie@uct.ac.za](mailto:gaby.ritchie@uct.ac.za)**



*Prof Caroline Ncube and student Portia Manzini*