

The Law Faculty's internal newsletter to keep you posted on things you might have missed and events, publications or initiatives to look out for.

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FACULTY VISION | FEBRUARY FOCUS

A key area of work in achieving our Faculty Vision is building a community of teaching and learning practice that co-creates high-quality innovative, research-informed, skills-based participatory learning and critical thinking.

The Faculty's Vision 2030 statement is available on our website as a pdf for easy download.

FACULTY NEWS

It's time for the first Faculty Friday of 2024!

Please join us in the Faculty Common Room at 10h30 on Friday 23 February for coffee and refreshments.

For those not familiar with this regular event, we have a fortnightly staff gathering as an opportunity to meet new colleagues, hear special announcements, celebrate recent achievements, and just relax over coffee and a snack.

Everyone is welcome!

LAW ANNUAL 2023 - Calling for your contributions!

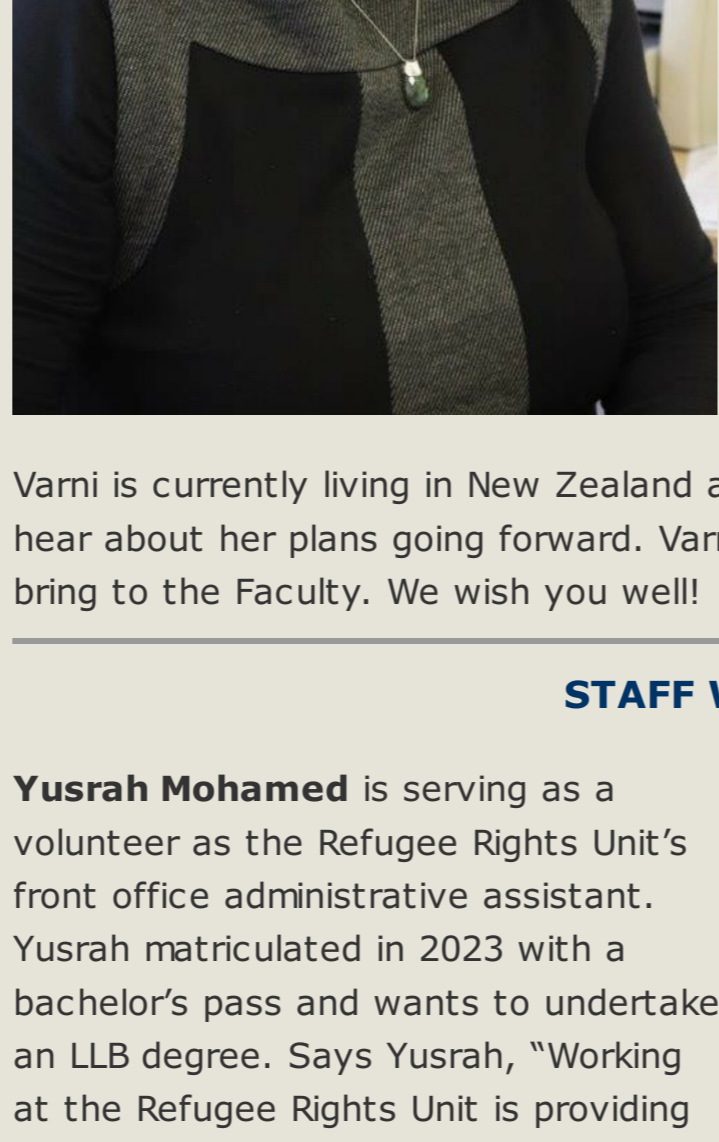
Compiling our Faculty Law Annual each year relies heavily on your contributions. The Annual is a celebration of all of your hard work - so we are calling for all of your publications, conference presentations, participations, special achievements, awards, research funding, collaborations and more. Whatever you accomplished in 2023, we would like to include it in our Annual.

You could either send your most updated CV, if this includes your publications etc, or you could copy the relevant information from your HR174 form, you could send a bullet-point list, by email to Gaby Ritchie - by Friday 15 March 2024.

We'll remind you!

STAFF NEWS

STAFF FAREWELL



We bid a sad farewell to long-time colleague and Director of the UCT Law Clinic, Yellavarne Moodley. Originally set to leave her role at end-December 2023, Yarni agreed to stay on until end-March 2024 while the recruitment process for a new Director is being concluded.

Yarni has been part of the Law Faculty for 20 years, and has been Law Clinic Director for 10 years. Yarni was attracted to the Clinic work as an alternative to corporate law, seeing corporate law as often limited to "paper and contracts", whereas Clinic work provides opportunities to support people deeply affected by the Law and by their limited access to Justice.

Yarni is currently living in New Zealand and we look forward to staying in touch to hear about her plans going forward. Yarni, we miss you and the warmth you bring to the Faculty. We wish you well!

STAFF WELCOME

Yusrah Mohamed is serving as a volunteer as the Refugee Rights Unit's front office administrative assistant. Yusrah matriculated in 2023 with a bachelor's pass and wants to undertake an LLB degree. Says Yusrah, "Working at the Refugee Rights Unit is providing me with hands-on experience in a very important area of legal support, and working with vulnerable communities. Apart from learning a range of admin skills, I am definitely becoming even more interested in pursuing law studies!"



LECTURES, CONFERENCES & SEMINARS

Business & Human Rights Conference

Faculty of Law 25 & 26 April 2024

Professor Danwood Chirwa is co-hosting a two-day conference on Business & Human Rights here at the Faculty with Notre Dame Law School, with whom the Faculty is developing a partnership. Colleagues will recall the visit last November from Notre Dame Law School, to discuss that partnership potential.

This conference is the first formal partnership initiative. We will keep you posted as more details are available.

Security and Justice Futures - a seminar series

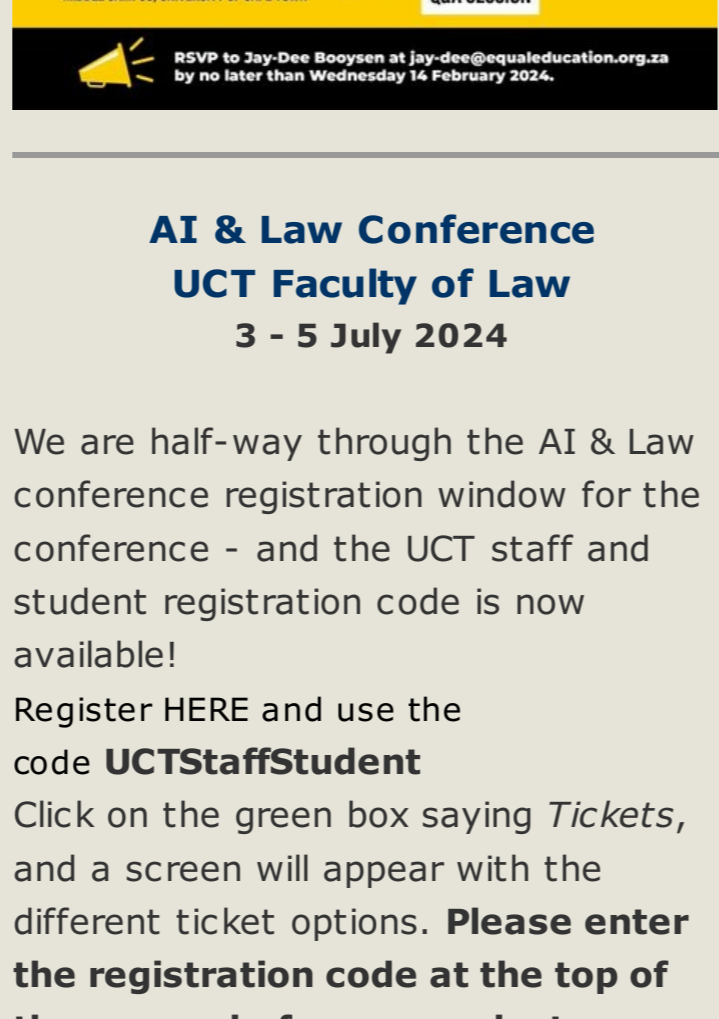
The Faculty's Global Risk Governance Programme, based in Public Law, is co-hosting a series of seminars with the Scottish Centre for Crime and Justice Research; the National Crime Research Centre; and the Institute for Development Studies, University of Nairobi. These bi-monthly webinars entitled Security and Justice Futures aim to confront the dilemmas, re-imaginings and futures of security and justice from a cross-regional perspective. Drawing from a range of speakers from north and south contexts, the series seeks to engage with both academic and practitioner audiences to encourage a mutual dialogue on the futures of security and justice in diverse contexts.

Seminar 1 | Who should the police be in the 21st Century? Date: Thursday, 29 February Time: 12:30pm-1:30pm (GMT) Venue: online (see link below)

The focus of this first webinar, chaired by Dr Julie Berg, will include talks from Dr Mutuma Ruteere (Director of the National Crime Research Centre, Kenya's state agency on crime research) and Professor Jennifer Wood (Professor of Criminal Justice and Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs at Temple University in Philadelphia, USA).

Dr Ruteere's talk entitled Where Does Policing Go From Here? Dilemmas of Policing in Africa will reflect on three critical dilemmas facing African policing - the search for new ideas; the impacts of governance changes; and, the implications of the technological revolution. Professor Wood's talk entitled The Shifting Horizons of Policing: Reflections on the Police Idea will examine the policing function in relation to shifting landscapes of harm, and reflect on the idea and mandate of the police in response to these shifts - particularly reflecting on the growing interconnectedness of health and climate harms.

The event link carries more details about the event, as well as information on how to register - REGISTER HERE.



The Local & Global: Connecting Struggles for Justice and Equality

The Centre of Law & Society will be hosting Equal Education's Annual Yolswa Dwane Public Lecture, themed The Local & Global: Connecting Struggles for Justice and Equality.

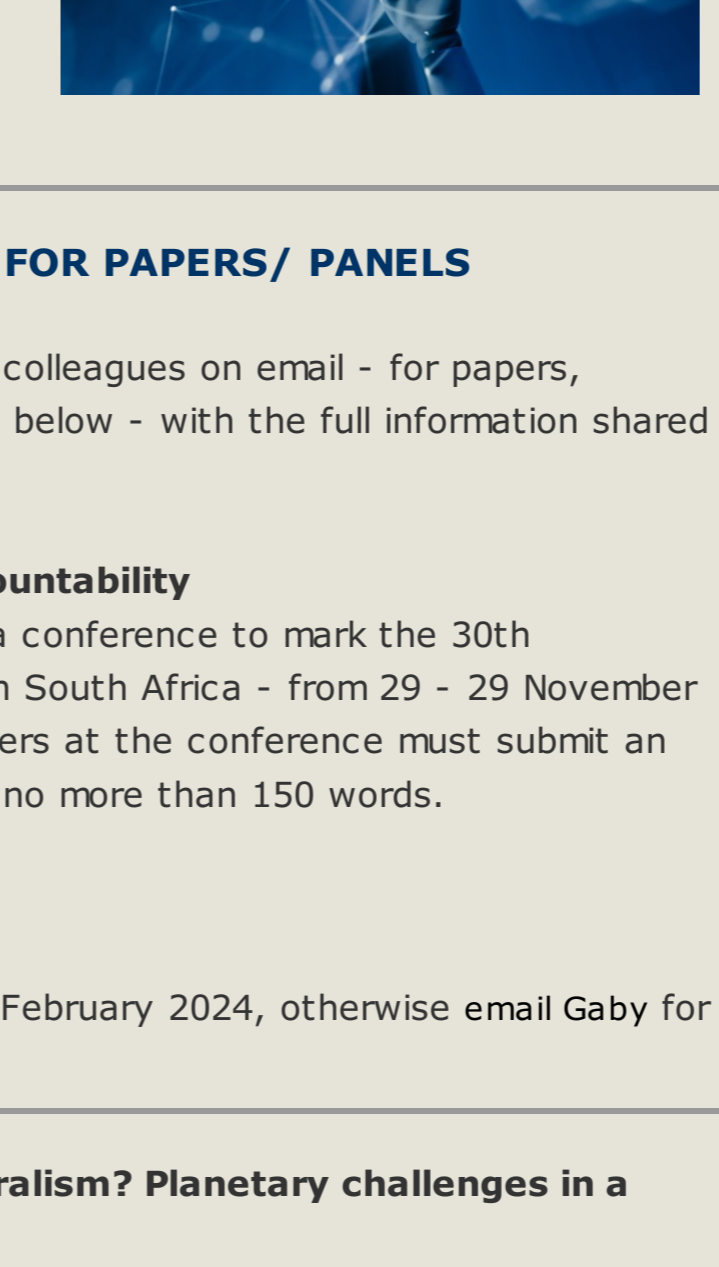
Date: Friday 1 March 2024 Time: 14h30 Venue: Kramer LT3

The keynote speaker is Fatima Hassan, Director of the Health Justice Initiative.

AI & Law Conference

UCT Faculty of Law 3 - 5 July 2024

We are half-way through the AI & Law conference registration window for the conference - and the UCT staff and student registration code is now available! Register HERE and use the code UCTStaffStudent. Click on the green box saying Tickets, and a screen will appear with the different ticket options. Please enter the registration code at the top of the screen before you select your ticket. Any problems? Please e-mail Caroline Ncube.



CONFERENCES - CALL FOR PAPERS/ PANELS

A number of calls have been shared with colleagues on the full - for papers, abstracts and panels. These are included below - with the full information shared in your email.

Human Rights and Constitutional Accountability

The Stellenbosch Law Faculty is holding a conference to mark the 30th anniversary of constitutional democracy in South Africa - from 29 - 29 November 2024. Those interested in presenting papers at the conference must submit an abstract of 500 words and a short bio of no more than 150 words.

Submission Deadline: 31 May 2024

The full call was sent by the Dean on 13 February 2024, otherwise email Gaby for a copy.

The transformative power of legal pluralism? Planetary challenges in a diverse and multi-polar world

A call for panel proposals has been issued for this conference hosted by the Commission on Legal Pluralism and Universitas Indonesia on 13 to 15 January 2025 in Jakarta, Indonesia.

Submission Deadline: 1 April 2024

A call for papers will follow in April / May 2024. Full information was emailed to colleagues by Prof Arnen 15 February.

Advancements in International Law: Navigating the frontiers of aviation, aerospace, maritime studies, and the Fourth Industrial Revolution (4IR)

A call for papers has been issued for the 4th UNISA APGRON International Conference, scheduled for 18 to 20 September 2024 at the UNISA Parow Campus in Cape Town.

Submission Deadline: 30 March 2024

Full information was shared with colleagues by email on 21 February.

Environmental, Social and Corporate Governance (ESG) Its History, Current Global Trend and Future

On 14 February 2024 the Department of Commercial Law hosted a seminar titled Environmental, Social and Corporate Governance (ESG) - Its History, Current Global Trend and Future, presented by Prof Jung, Hongjoo. The seminar was attended by staff and postgraduate students. JUNG, Hongjoo has been teaching at Sungkyunkwan University (SKKU), South Korea since 1991, after obtaining his PhD in the area of Risk Management and Insurance at the Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania. Prior to that, he earned his BA in Economics at Seoul National University, and his MS in Statistics at New York University.

Prof Jung, Hongjoo has written over 15 books and 40 papers in distinguished academic journals with research interests focusing on the financial consumer, risk management, and social security systems. Professor JUNG has served as a member of advisory groups at several governmental ministries of Korea in economy, finance, labour, education, information & telecommunication, and agriculture. In the year 2010, Prof JUNG organised the Korean Academy of Financial Consumers (KAFC), a legal entity registered at the Ministry of Strategy and Finance, with over 180 scholars and experts in finance, law, consumer science, or education, in order to analyse, educate, protect the financial consumers from an independent and professional perspective.

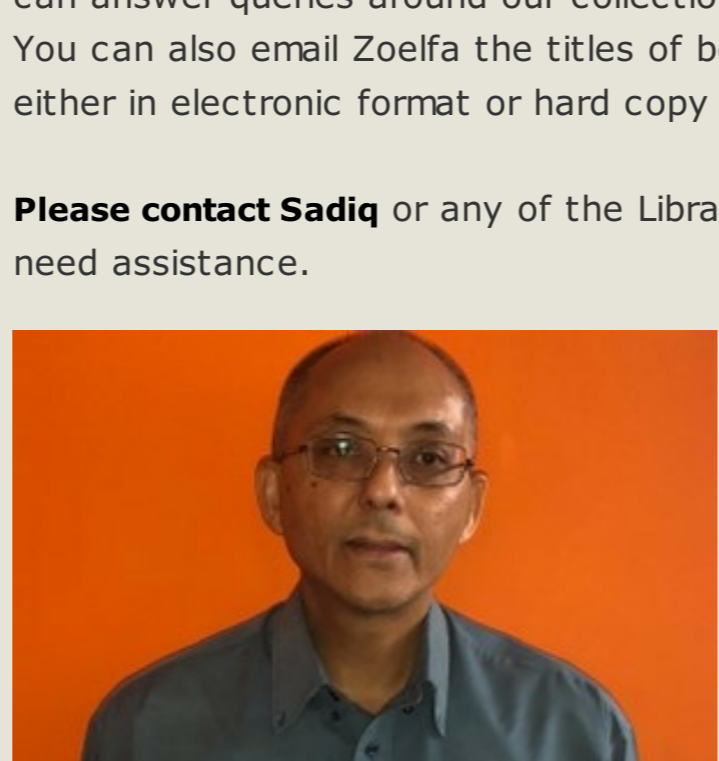
As of 2019, he serves as the chairperson of the International Academy of Financial Consumers (IAFICO), a platform of global research on Financial Consumers. He was also involved in research institutes in Waseda University Japan and in Fudan University China, while participating in editorial board of Journal of Consumer Affairs in the USA.



Above: Students and staff gather for this special seminar in the Faculty Common Room. Insert: Professor Michelle Louw and Professor Jung, Hongjoo

PUBLICATIONS

The Elgar Companion to Intellectual Property and the Sustainable Development Goals



Prof Caroline Ncube, holder of the SARCHI Chair in Intellectual Property, Innovation and Development, has co-edited a new book with Bita Amani (Queens University, Canada), and Matthew Rimmer (Queensland University of Technology, Australia) on Intellectual Property and Sustainable Development. Titled The Elgar Companion to Intellectual Property and the Sustainable Development Goals this book is part of the Elgar Companions to the Sustainable Development Goals series. For full series information, head over to the Elgar Online site.

Acta Juridica 2026 Call for Proposals

Salona Lutchman, new general editor of Acta Juridica, has issued an invitation to submit proposals for the 2026 issue to be tabled for consideration at the March Faculty Board (27 March).

For those curious, the 2024 issue is a tribute to Halton Cheadle and is expected to be published later this year (edited by Collier, Conder, Davis and Kalula), and the 2025 issue, tentatively titled, Mission 2055: The Labour Relations Act 66 of 1995: 30 years on and 30 years beyond, is on its way too (edited by Rochelle le Roux).

If anyone would like more information about what a proposal should contain or if you have any questions about the journal, please be in touch with Salona Lutchman.

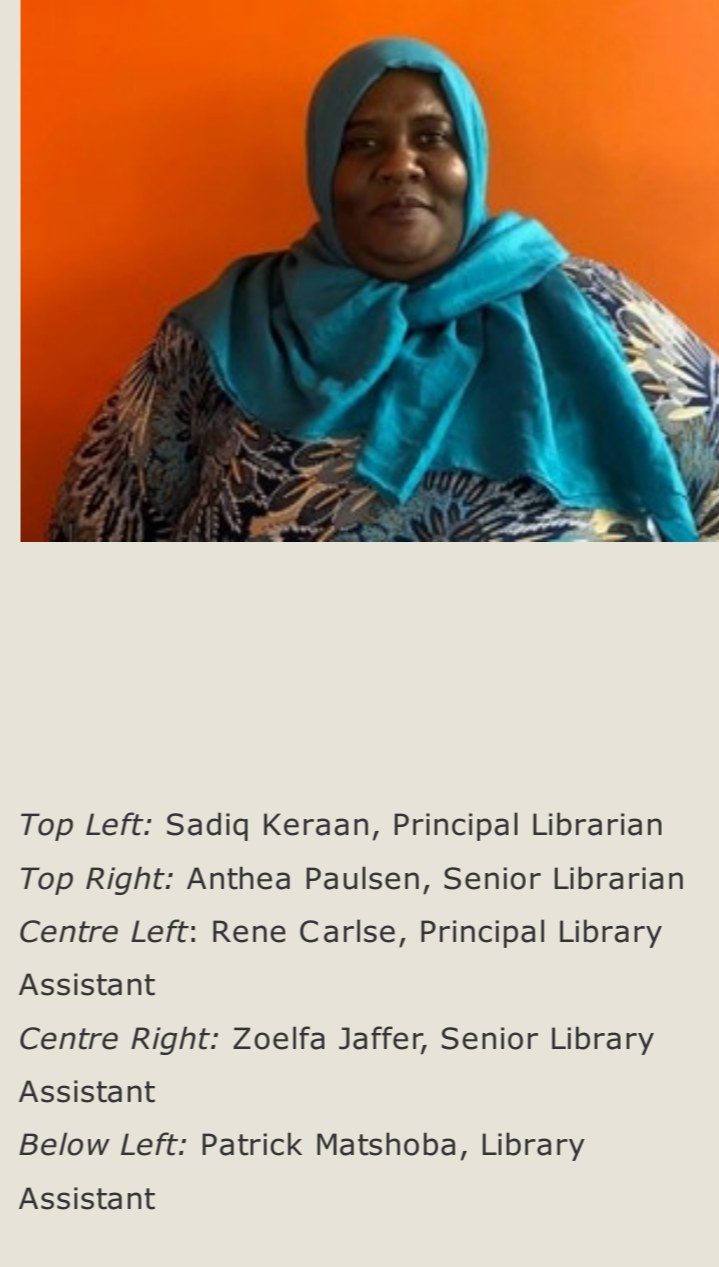


Image: cover of the 2022 Acta Juridica

FACULTY RESEARCH

MEET THE LAW LIBRARY TEAM

As we all know in Law, the library is our research laboratory. Here at Kramer, in the Brand van Zyl Law Library on Level 2, we rely on the expertise of our great library team led by Principal Librarian, Sadiq Keraan.

As staff librarian, Sadiq manages the library space, services, collections and staff. Anthea Paulsen (Senior Librarian) and Rene Carlse (Principal Library Assistant) attend to your reference queries, and are available to provide a virtual tour of the numerous legal databases available at UCT. They also provide bibliometric support for AdHom and NRF applications, so bear that in mind if you are completing an application - it's a great help.

Zoelfa Jaffer, Senior Library Assistant, and Patrick Matshoba, Library Assistant, can answer queries around our collections of books, journals and case reports. You can also email Zoelfa the titles of books you wish the law library to acquire, either in electronic format or hard copy (for open shelf or short loan).

Please contact Sadiq or any of the Library Team should you have questions or need assistance.



Top Left: Sadiq Keraan, Principal Librarian Top Right: Anthea Paulsen, Senior Librarian Centre Left: Rene Carlse, Principal Library Assistant Centre Right: Zoelfa Jaffer, Senior Library Assistant Below Left: Patrick Matshoba, Library Assistant

LAW @ WORK - LOOKING FOR COURSE PRESENTERS

Would you be keen to PRESENT a law short course for Law@work?

Course format: to be presented online via ZOOM or MS TEAMS Payment: presenters would be paid an hourly fee for actual lecture time

Please email don.coue@uct.ac.za should you be interested in presenting a law short course or if you have anyone in mind who may be keen to present.

Have a look at the courses currently on offer to get an idea of what is already available and what you could present.

Law@work is a self-funded unit for which the main objective is to present short courses at a fee to generate profit for the Faculty. All profit generated from these short courses is fed back into the Law Faculty via the Dean's Discretionary Fund and the Law Endowment fund. So, it is all for a good cause!

ANNOUNCEMENT & NOTES

FACULTY GOVERNANCE - REMINDER

Gabrielle Ritchie will continue as the Servicing Officer for the Faculty's Nominations Committee. Any concerns about your committee lead or availability should be sent to the Committee via the servicing officer. Please note that the document you currently have was issued prior to A/Prof Jemeelah Omar's appointment as Deputy Dean UG, so the DD UG committee roles indicate TBC (as do a number of other positions still to be filled).

Got something to share? Have thoughts on what we should include in Faculty Fortnight?

Please send your news & ideas to grynem@uct.ac.za - we'd really like to hear from you.