

## The University Capacity Development Programme Office

Cordially invites you to a

### Proposal writing workshops for Masters and PhD students



**Date**

7 – 9 OCTOBER 2026



**Time**

09H00 – 16H00



Council Chamber,  
Westville Campus

### Workshop Overview

Prepare to embark on a transformative journey in academic excellence! Our workshop, tailored exclusively for postgraduate students - Masters and PhD, delves deep into the essential pillars of successful proposal writing. Led by seasoned academics, this immersive experience will guide you through the intricate processes of conceptualising a research problem, navigating ethics and plagiarism concerns, crafting a robust literature review, and mastering the art of academic writing.

In our dynamic sessions, you'll learn to refine your research ideas into clear and compelling proposals, ensuring alignment with ethical standards and avoiding the pitfalls of plagiarism. We'll explore the nuances of constructing a comprehensive literature review, equipping you with the skills to synthesize existing knowledge and identify gaps in the field. Through practical exercises and personalised guidance, you'll hone your academic writing skills, mastering clarity, coherence, and conciseness in your scholarly work.

**Register**



### Meet the Facilitator

**Professor Annah Bengesai** is a certified Academic Advisor and an established researcher with a National Research Foundation (NRF) rating. She has extensive experience in academic leadership, teaching, and research. Her research expertise spans Population Studies/Demography (social statistics) and Education, with a focus on the determinants of educational attainment as reflected through formal qualifications. She investigates educational outcomes at both the individual and societal levels, including their aggregate dynamics within populations. Prof. Bengesai has published extensively, with many articles appearing in Q1 journals, and was awarded the Teaching Advancement in Universities (TAU) Level 4 fellowship, demonstrating her commitment to advancing teaching excellence in higher education.



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