



Siyaphumelela Network Virtual National Conference

21-24 June 2022

The Siyaphumelela Project, in which DUT has participated since 2015, aims to improve undergraduate student success and throughput through data-informed decisions and interventions. This conference will provide a platform for experts from the international community, as well as key South African role players, in the field of higher education to engage in conversations around evidence-based practices and national systemic interventions aimed at student success.

Call for Proposals:

We would like to coordinate our DUT submissions, by inviting DUT staff and postgraduate students (in the data analysis phase of their studies) to submit proposals to the DUT Siyaphumelela Team for presentation at the national conference from a range of disciplines (such as ethics, learning design, academic advising and STEM fields) that make use of data to support an integrative approach for student success. We are keen to receive proposals of **innovative projects** that contribute to student success and throughput. Proposals should ideally demonstrate the **application of learnings from the Siyaphumelela programme** in their project and **present empirical evidence** of the intervention improving student success and the student experience more broadly.

In particular we are keen to receive proposals of innovative projects that:

- Explore factors that create, or perpetuate inequalities in our higher education system
- Whole-university engagement in student success.

We are also interested in the following thematic areas:

- Leadership and innovation for student success especially related to equity and Holistic Student Success efforts
- The role of students in shaping student success
- Contemporary Learning design for today's students
- Authentic approaches to evaluation

Important dates:

DUT deadline for abstract (for feedback prior to national submission):

DUT Siyaphumelela Team Feedback:

Online Abstract submission on the Siyaphumelela website

Conference Registration:

18 May 2022

25 May 2022

31 May 2022

1 May - 10 June 2022

Abstract format

Presentation title:

Thematic area:

Your abstract should not be longer than 4000 characters and should include:

- The main objective or rationale (describe the problem that was addressed in the project/intervention/activity).
- An outline of the methodology (where appropriate).
- A description of the intervention or project.
- The study/project's results (preliminary if project is ongoing).
- A conclusion, if any.

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More information: <https://siyaphumelela.org.za/conf/2022/index.html>