



INSTITUTIONAL AUDIT 2023

Diarise this historic event!

08 – 12 May 2023

In 2021, the Council on Higher Education (CHE) initiated a quality assurance (QA) cycle that requires all public and private institutions in South Africa to undergo institutional audits. The DUT submitted its Self-Evaluation Report (SER) to the CHE on 30 January 2023, and is now preparing for the CHE site visit and interviews with members of the University community, including alumni, Council, staff and students across all levels. A panel of external members has been appointed and will be at the University from 8 to 12 May 2023 to conduct the audit. The purpose is to evaluate the coherence and effectiveness of the quality of our systems, functions and practices in promoting student success. The CHE panel members will ask probing questions to verify and clarify our self-evaluation of our quality systems and practices across all ambits as reported in our SER.

Following the audit, the CHE will submit a feedback report to DUT acknowledging good practices and recommending improvements. DUT will then be required to respond to the CHE recommendations to ensure that the quality of learning and teaching, research, community engagement, and support systems and practices are functioning to promote student success.

The audit is an institutional priority and requires the support and cooperation of all university staff, students, and those who engage with the university, to contribute to the quality of teaching, learning, research and community engagement.

PHASE 1



SUBMISSION OF DUT SELF-EVALUATION REPORT

DUT prepared and then submitted our self-evaluation report (SER) to the CHE on January 30, 2023. This marked the first phase of the institutional audit.

PHASE 2



DUT MOCK AUDIT

The DUT Mock Audit took place from 13 to 17 March, 2023. An external panel conducted the Mock Audit, which, as far as possible, replicated the processes of the CHE audit visit.

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CHE PREPARATION

The CHE will provide DUT with a programme of their site visit which will determine the DUT stakeholders to be invited for interviews. The list may vary slightly from the list used for the Mock Audit.

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CHE AUDIT VISIT

The CHE audit panel members will be at DUT from 8 to 12 May, 2023. Selected University stakeholders will be interviewed. The CHE panel members will visit all University sites of delivery to conduct an evaluation of the university's physical infrastructure, processes and practices and examine evidence provided to them.

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AUDIT FEEDBACK

Before providing the DUT with a written report, the panel will give verbal feedback at the conclusion of the site visit.

PHASE 6



FINAL AUDIT REPORT

The CHE will submit the final audit report to DUT which will lead to the development of our Quality Improvement Plan and regular progress reports to the CHE.



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