

The DUT hosts IEC -Youth empowerment.

Durban University of Technology (DUT) is proud to announce the successful hosting of an Independent Electoral Commission (IEC) student engagement at Ritson Hall, aimed at promoting voter education and encouraging youth participation in democratic processes.

The event commenced with an inspiring performance by the DUT Chorale Choir, who delivered a harmonious rendition of the South African National Anthem, setting a dignified tone for the proceedings.

Welcoming attendees, Mr. Masiza Ngculu, Student Governance Manager, highlighted the importance of student involvement in governance and civic responsibility. His address underscored the role of young people in shaping the future through active participation in elections.



The engagement was honoured by the presence of IEC Chairperson, Mr. V.G. Mashinini. IEC officials and representatives were actively stationed at entry points to assist students with voter registration verification, provide information on voting districts, and facilitate on-site guidance for unregistered students. This initiative ensured that students were both informed and empowered to exercise their constitutional right to vote.



The programme also featured a powerful poetry performance by Shenge, adding a cultural and reflective dimension to the event, as well as an interactive edutainment segment titled “Democracy on Stage,” which creatively reinforced the importance of civic engagement.

Delivering the keynote address, Mr. Zungu from the Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET) emphasized the vital role of youth in sustaining and strengthening democratic institutions in South Africa.



The event concluded with a vote of thanks by Mr. Zulu, who acknowledged the contributions of all stakeholders and participants.

This engagement reflects DUT's continued commitment to fostering active citizenship, democratic awareness, and student empowerment