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## **Transformative Educational Studies awarded**



Left to right: Professor Joan Conolly (DUT), Professor Thenjiwe Meylwa (HSRC), Dr Liz Harrison (DUT) and Professor Fred Otleno, (DVC Technology, Innovation and Partnerships, (DUT).

UKZN's School of Education recently became involved with the Transformative Educational Studies (TES) project that was also awarded the Top University Research Initiative Award at the Durban University of Technology Annual Research Awards.

The TES project is an interinstitutional project involving researchers from the Durban University of Technology (DUT), Walter Sisulu University (WSU), the University of KwaZulu-Natal (UKZN) and the Human Sciences Research Council (HSRC).

TES is funded by a three-year grant from the National Research Foundation (NRF). The project was initiated by Professor Joan Conolly (recently retired from DUT) and is currently being headed by Dr Liz Harrison (DUT), who is a UKZN PhD graduate. The other project leaders are Professor Thenjiwe Meyiwa (HSRC), Professor Theresa

Chisanga (WSU) and Dr Kathleen Pithouse-Morgan (UKZN).

"The project aims to support academic staff members in higher education institutions who are pursuing Masters and Doctoral degrees using the approach of self-study of educational practice. Another key focus of the project is on developing supervisor expertise in the area of self-study of educational practice," explained Pithouse-Morgan.