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School of Applied Human Sciences

**PhD Symposium 2019 (24-25 October)**

### **Preamble/summary**

The aim of the School of Applied Human Sciences PhD Symposium is to provide a formal focal-point in every academic year within the university by which to give our PhD students the opportunity to come together as a group, to benefit from invited academic presentations on important aspects of research, and to meet with their supervisors. The symposium also provides PhD students with a platform to present their work in progress and to gain developmental and constructive feedback from their peers and the academic members of staff. During the student presentations, peers and academic members of staff serve as members of a constructively critical yet supportive audience. It is assumed that through such an interactive engagement, all the PhD students would be able to monitor their own PhD progress in relation to what their peers are doing. In previous years, PhD students have found notable benefit from both the academic and peer presentations, and from the opportunity to present and receive feedback on their own work in progress.

Venue: Psychology Building, Honours seminar room  
UKZN PMB Campus

### **Keynote speakers**

**Dr Mary van der Riet** is a senior lecturer in the Discipline of Psychology at UKZN. She has a PhD in Psychology and her research interests include sexual and reproductive health, HIV and AIDS, gender and vulnerability. Her session "*Using discourse analysis in qualitative research*" will involve hands on work with qualitative data using discursive analysis.



**Dr Nicholas Munro** is a lecturer and researcher in the Discipline of Psychology at UKZN. He has a PhD in Higher Education Studies, and is registered with the HPCSA as a counselling psychologist. His PhD symposium session, "*The reader writes the text*", will interrogate thesis writing and structuring strategies for the doctoral student.

**Ms Abigail Wilkinson** is a project researcher for the HIV/AIDS Vaccines Ethics Group and an ad hoc lecturer in the Discipline of Psychology at UKZN. Her PhD symposium session: "*Qualitative Data Analysis Using NVIVO*", will provide students with a brief introduction to using NVIVO software for thematically analyzing qualitative data.



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**Day 1: Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October**

08h15-08h45	Arrival and Registration
08h45-09h00	Welcome and Introductions
09h00-10h30	<u>Plenary session</u> : Using discourse analysis in qualitative research (Dr Mary van der Riet)
10h30-11h00	Tea break
11h00-13h00	<u>Plenary session</u> : : Qualitative Data Analysis Using NVIVO (Ms Abigail Wilkinson)
13h00-14h00	Lunch break
14h00-16h00	PhD student presentations (Chair: Dr Ephraim Sibanyoni)
16h00-16h30	Close

RSVP required:

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**Day 2: Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October**

08h45-09h00	Arrival
09h00-10h30	<u>Plenary session</u> : Writing a coherent PhD thesis: “The reader writes the text” (Dr Nicholas Munro)
10h30-11h00	Tea break
11h00-13h00	PhD student presentations (Chair: Prof Augustine Nwoye)
13h00-14h00	Lunch break
14h00-16h00	Students schedule own activities, (e.g., individual supervision, consultations with academic staff, library orientation)
16h00-16h30	Close



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