



2021 FOCUS CONFERENCE

The Premier Teaching & Learning Conference

THEME: The future of Higher Education: where to from here?

17-19 NOV 2021 Southern Sun, Elangeni Hotel

Call for registration and submission of abstracts

Dear Participants

Mangosuthu University of Technology (MUT) is pleased to invite you to the **8th Focus on Higher Education Conference**. The Conference will take place on **17-19 November 2021**, at **Southern Sun, Elangeni Hotel, Durban**, South Africa. The Conference is organized and hosted by the **Teaching and Learning Development Centre (TLDC)** from Mangosuthu University of Technology. The conference aims to address various issues of current interest in the higher education sector. Participation in this conference is invited from academics in the TVET and Higher education sectors, Directors, AD practitioners, and scholars in the field of education.

The theme of the Conference, **the future of Higher Education: where to from here?** brings together leading academics, scholars, and practitioners in the TVET and higher education sectors to share their research and express their perspectives on the future of higher education.

We encourage submissions on the following sub-themes:

- Student engagement for online active learning
- Learning design models
- Challenges in blended and online learning
- Professional development imperatives for blended and online learning
- Approaches to students' support: strategies, practices and scholarship
- Technology for learning; best practices and research in online and technology-enhanced learning (TEL)
- Assessment through digital platforms
- Professional development in Higher education
- Quality Assurance of online learning, teaching and assessment practices
- Blended and online learning experiences and expectations: listening to the student voice
- What are/or have been the resource implications of moving to online learning platforms: the case for social justice.

The conference will be hosted in hybrid mode. Delegates may elect to present their papers online or physically at the conference venue.

Important Dates

Registration open:	30 September 2021
Abstract submission deadline:	22 October 2021
Notification of acceptance:	30 October 2021
Registration deadline:	10 November 2021

Email your submissions to tldc@mut.ac.za

Conference registration fee: R5 100,00.

Pre-Conference Workshops registration fee: R1 500,00.

Full Conference package fee total: R6 600,00.

Delegates who have paid for the 2020 Focus Conference and Workshops are exempted from paying the registration fee. Proof of payment should be sent to the email: tldc@mut.ac.za

