

ASASWEI Social Work Conference 2019

27-29 August 2019 at the University of Cape Town, South Africa

First call for papers

Abstract Deadline
30 April 2019

Conference theme
***Promoting healthy
human relationships***



Welcome from the conference chairpersons

The major theme of the conference is **Promoting healthy human relationships**. This theme is aligned with the fourth theme of the Global Agenda for Social Work, viz. Promoting the importance of human relationships. The profession of social work has always championed the centrality of human relationships, being less interested in the internet functioning of people and more interested in their interpersonal functioning, within broader social structures and forces.

In contemporary South Africa, human relationships are under considerable threat. Despite the 1994 transformation to an inclusive and human-rights-based democracy, human relations remain strained. This particularly evident in the racial relations between black and white South Africans, but also in the relations between South African and citizens of other countries in Africa, between women and men and between rich and poor. The ideals of Ubuntu – that we recognize and cherish the full humanity of all other people, as part of a large family – are not fully realized in daily life.

Because of its focus on interpersonal relations, systems theory and the ecological perspective, as well as its growing commitment to African theory, South African social work is – or should be – ideally positioned to promote healthy human relationships. This should be done at the level of couples, families and small groups, but also at the larger level of communities, as well as between sociodemographic groups that presently are struggling with recognize and embody respect for the full humanities of ‘the other’.

This conference draws together South African social work educators, as well as researchers, policy makers, managers, practitioners and people from social service professions and disciplines across South Africa and beyond. Social work students will be specifically invited and assisted to participate, to give voice to their views on social work education.

The main theme and the sub-themes of the conference will provide delegates with key opportunities to network and deliberate around a range of issues, pertinent to social work education that fosters the knowledge and skills to promote healthy human relationships and practice (particularly concerning the construction of policy, programme and practice that champions human rights and relationships).

We welcome you to this ASASWEI conference and invite you to submit an abstract to present a paper or poster. Participate with us in what is sure to be a vibrant and challenging conversation.

Prof Adrian D. van Breda
President: ASASWEI

Prof Ndangwa Noyoo
Head of Department: University of Cape Town

Keynote speakers

Prof Mamokgethi Phakeng (UCT)



Mamokgethi Phakeng began her term of office as Vice-Chancellor of the University of Cape Town on 1 July 2018, where she had been serving as Deputy Vice-Chancellor for Research and Internationalisation since January 2017. Previous to this appointment she served as Vice Principal for Research and Innovation at the University of South Africa (Unisa) for five years, after serving three years as Executive Dean of the College of Science, Engineering and Technology at the same university. She holds a PhD in Mathematics Education from the University of the Witwatersrand and is a highly regarded B1 NRF-rated scientist with over 60 research papers and five edited volumes published. She has been invited to deliver over 40 keynote/plenary talks at international conferences, and as a visiting professor in universities around the world. She has won numerous awards for her research and community work, including the Order of the

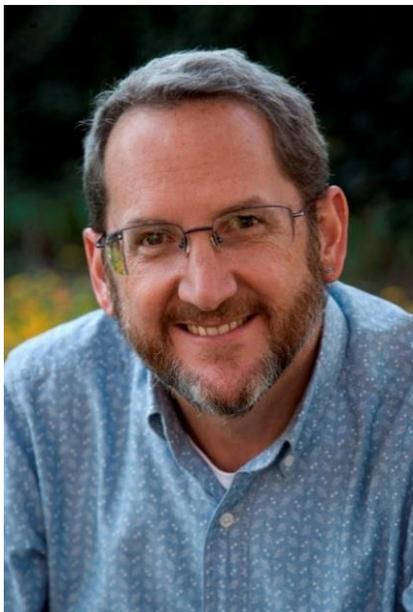
Baobab (Silver) conferred on her by the President of South Africa in April 2016. In August 2014 CEO magazine named her the most influential woman academic in Africa and in August 2016 she was awarded the prestigious Businesswoman of the Year Award in the education category.

Kgethi, as she is popularly known, was elected as a member of the Academy of Science of South Africa (ASSAf) in November 2007; an honorary member of the Golden Key International Honour Society in May 2009, an honorary life member of the Association for Mathematics Education of South Africa (AMESA) in July 2009 and a Fellow of the African Academy of Sciences in 2018. In 2008 she became the first black South African researcher to be appointed to co-chair a study commissioned by the International Commission on Mathematical Instruction. The study entitled “mathematics and language diversity” has completed its work and published a volume in 2016, which she co-edited.

She is member of the board of the Oprah Winfrey Leadership Academy for Girls (OWLAG); trustee of the FirstRand Foundation and a member of the Board of the Dramatic, Artistic and Literary Rights Organisation (DALRO). In 2016 she was appointed by the then Deputy President of South Africa, Cyril Ramaphosa, to chair the Human Resource Development Council standing committee on Mathematics and Science Education. She served as member of the board of the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) and chaired its Research Development and Innovation Committee from January 2015 till September 2017. She was elected in 2011 as the first woman President of the Convocation of the University of the Witwatersrand and served for five years till 2016. She led the Association for Mathematics Education of South Africa (AMESA) as its first woman National President from 2002 to 2006, served as founding chairperson of the Board of the South African Mathematics Foundation (SAMF) from 2004 to 2006 and secretary and member of the executive committee of the International Group for the Psychology of Mathematics Education (PME) from 2003 to 2007.

Conference chairpersons

Prof Adrian van Breda (UJ / ASASWEI)



Dr Adrian van Breda is professor of social work at the University of Johannesburg and President of ASASWEI (Association of South African Social Work Education Institutions). He was a social worker in practice for 17 years, during which time he specialised in clinical and occupational social work. His research interests then were family resilience, deployment resilience and scale development and validation. These topics converged in his doctoral thesis, completed in 2004. He joined the University of Johannesburg in 2007 as a senior lecturer and was made full professor in 2016. Adrian is a C2 NRF rated researcher with 49 accredited publications, 42 of which are in international journals or books. He has been a key note or invited speaker at international conferences in France, Canada, Lebanon and Romania. His research focuses on resilience and youth transitions, with specific attention to the transition out of care into young adulthood. He was Head of Department of social work at the

University of Johannesburg from 2014 to 2016 and chaired the Faculty of Humanities Higher Degrees Committee from 2011 to 2016. He is Vice President of Resilio, an international association for the promotion and dissemination of research on resilience, and principle investigator on a longitudinal study on the resilience of young people leaving residential care in South Africa.

Prof Ndangwa Noyoo (UCT)



Ndangwa Noyoo is an Associate Professor and Head of the Department of Social Development at the University of Cape Town (UCT). After researching in different countries of Southern Africa, Ndangwa Noyoo accumulated a wealth of experience and knowledge which he brings into the class setting. In addition, he has travelled extensively on the African continent and other parts of the globe. Ndangwa Noyoo worked at the Universities of Zambia, Witwatersrand and Johannesburg and the South African government as a Senior Social Policy Specialist/Chief Director in the National Department of Social Development. He has worked in the non-governmental sector in Zambia and South Africa. He was a Post-Doctoral Fellow at the Fondation Maison des Sciences de l'Homme, Paris, France. He is an author of 43 accredited publications which include four edited books and one book which is a sole publication (all forthcoming). He has also authored eight other books.

Conference committees

Conference co-chairpersons

Prof Adrian van Breda	University of Johannesburg / ASASWEI
Prof Ndangwa Noyoo	University of Cape Town

Local Organising Committee

Prof Ndangwa Noyoo (Chair)	University of Cape Town
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Conference secretariat

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The role players and General Assembly

ASASWEI (Association of South African Social Work Education Institutions)

AGM: Tuesday 27 August 2019 (15h00 – 17H00)

The vision of ASASWEI is to be the leading association in the promotion of social work education, training, research and practice in South Africa in collaboration with the international community in pursuit of enhanced psychosocial functioning of individuals, families, groups, and the development of organisations and communities, and of human rights, social justice and equality of all the people of South Africa. ASASWEI's mission is to maintain and support a community of social work educators who are committed to the continuing development of social work education, training, research and practice in South Africa.

General information

Please visit the conference website <http://www.asaswei.org.za/2019conference> for information pertaining to accommodation, registration, and all related general information.

Registration fee includes

- Access into all conference keynote and plenary sessions
- Welcome early-bird meet-and-greet session
- Conference lunches
- Conference tea/coffee
- Conference material
- Conference programme / book of abstracts
- Conference name badge

Communication

The Conference Secretariat will send an invoice or letter of confirmation to delegates who request this service. Please note that the letter does not obligate the Conference Organising Committee or the Conference Secretariat to provide any financial support to attend the Conference. Letters will not be issued unless we are in receipt of your registration form and payment of registration fees.

Official language of the conference

The official language of the Conference is English. Please note, all abstracts must be submitted in English.

Venue

The venue is the Middle Campus at the University of Cape Town (UCT), which is located between Rondebosch and Newlands in Cape Town. UCT is located just 10 minutes from Cape Town International Airport. <https://goo.gl/maps/zEj9VF6yNC92>



Letter of invitation

The Conference Secretariat will send a letter of invitation to delegates who request this service, e.g., for a visa or funding application. Please note that the letter of invitation does not obligate the Conference Organising Committee or the Conference Secretariat to provide any financial support to attend the Conference. Letters of invitation will not be issued unless we are in receipt of your registration form and payment of registration fees. Registration details will be included in the 2nd Call for Papers.

Conference theme

Promoting healthy human relationships

Sub-themes

There are 13 sub-themes for scientific presentations of 15 minutes (plus 5 minutes discussion) or poster presentations:

1. Building social work partnerships and interdisciplinary collaborations
2. Field instruction in social work education
3. Building healthy relationships against cultural and racial divides
4. Research and interventions into issues of gender
5. Children, youth and the elderly
6. Intimate relationships, marriage, families & relationship transitions
7. Mental health and well-being
8. Protection and promotion of human rights
9. Social policy and human relationships
10. Promoting healthy and sustainable communities
11. Promoting healthy relationships against gangsterism, violence and crime
12. Social work interventions against substance abuse
13. Teaching in the fourth industrial revolution

Conference programme outline

This is a provisional conference programme. Details within the daily start and end times may change as the planning proceeds.

Monday 26 August 2019		
14:00 – 16:00	Registration	
Tuesday 27 August 2019 (conference day 1)		
07:00 – 10:00	Registration	
08:00 – 10:30	Early-bird meet-and-greet welcome tea	
10:30 – 12:30	Welcome Keynote address: to be confirmed	
12:30 – 13:10	Lunch	
13:10 – 14:30	Parallel paper presentations	
14:30 – 15:00	Tea/coffee	
15:00 – 17:00	ASASWEI AGM (all ASASWEI members are invited to attend this general assembly)	
18:30 till late	Banquet and ASASWEI awards (for own account)	
Wednesday 28 August 2019 (conference day 2)		
08:00 – 09:00	Registration	
09:00 – 09:45	Welcome and book launches	
09:45 – 10:30	Student voices in social work education	
10:30 – 11:00	Tea / coffee	
11:00 – 13:00	Parallel paper presentations	Poster session
13:00 – 13:40	Lunch	
13:40 – 14:45	Keynote address: Prof Phakeng	
14:45 – 15:15	Tea / coffee	
15:15 – 16:40	Parallel paper presentations	Poster session
	Free evening	
Thursday 29 August 2019 (conference day 3)		
08:00 – 09:00	Registration	
09:00 – 11:00	Parallel paper presentations	
11:00 – 11:30	Tea/coffee	
11:30 – 13:00	Introduction of new ASASWEI Executive Conference closing address	
13:00 - 13:40	Lunch and departure	

Abstract submission

This is a first call for the submission of abstracts for oral and poster presentations at the 2019 ASASWEI Conference.

Deadline: 30 April 2019

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- A separate Abstract Submission form must be electronically completed submitted for each abstract.
- Please find the Abstract Submission form at <https://goo.gl/forms/oU259Cj3m9nKxDyq1>
- Please carefully read and follow the instructions on the form.
- All abstracts must be submitted online at the link provided above. No emailed or faxed abstracts will be accepted.
- On submission of the form, the lead presenter will receive email notification of the submission. Please retain this for your records and share it with your co-presenters.
- Submissions may be in either oral presentation or poster presentation format. Please specify on the abstract form which format your abstract falls into. If not specified, we will assume that your submission is meant for a poster presentation.
- The organisers would like you to note that while we try to accommodate everyone with their first choice of presentation format, this is not always possible. When oral presentation slots are full, a presenter who requests an oral presentation may be offered an opportunity to participate in a poster presentation.
- If there are more acceptable oral presentations than there are slots, presenters who have submitted more than one abstract will be asked to select the one they wish to present orally. The other will be allocated for a poster presentation.
- There will be a time slot allocated for presenters to speak to their posters.
- Please note that it is the responsibility of each presenter to check the date and time of their presentation prior to arrival at the conference.
- The final selection of abstracts and format of presentations (oral or poster) will be decided by the Scientific Committee and Conference Chairpersons.