



**12 December 2018**

## **UCT to host VC robing ceremony and announce Memorial Hall renaming**

### **VC robing ceremony and special graduation**

**13 December 2018 | 09:30 for 10:00 | Memorial Hall, Upper Campus, UCT**

### **Media briefing on the VC robing and Memorial Hall renaming**

**13 December 2018 | 12h00-12h30 | Room A116, AC Jordan Building, Upper Campus**

The University of Cape Town will host a media briefing during which the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Mamokgethi Phakeng, will make a historic announcement on the renaming of the Memorial Hall.

Professor Phakeng will also address the media following her robing ceremony – to be hosted by the Chancellor, Mrs Graça Machel – after she was appointed to the position in July 2018. She will outline her vision for the institution, and also share more on both the special graduation ceremony to be held on 13 December as part of her robing ceremony and the five graduation ceremonies scheduled to take place from 13-14 December.

Following Professor Phakeng's robing at a ceremony to take place at 10:00, there will be a special graduation ceremony for students who previously could not graduate due to outstanding fee debt but are now able to do so after once-off donor funding was secured by the university.

This will be followed by five graduation ceremonies, with approximately 1885 students – including 118 Doctoral and 780 Master's graduands – graduating. This will take the total number of students who graduated at UCT this year to over 7000.

### Full December Graduation Schedule

| DATE AND TIME             | FACULTY                                          |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| 13 December 2018 at 10:00 | VC Robing and Special Graduation                 |
| 13 December 2018 at 14:30 | Humanities                                       |
| 13 December 2018 at 18:00 | Health Sciences 1; and Law                       |
| 14 December 2018 at 09:00 | Commerce                                         |
| 14 December 2018 at 14:00 | Health Sciences 2                                |
| 14 December 2018 at 18:00 | Engineering & the Built Environment; and Science |

See the earlier [media release](#) or visit the [UCT website](#) for more on the December graduation season.

**Note:** Please RSVP for the VC robing ceremony and media briefing via [email](#) by 09:00 on Thursday, 13 December 2018.

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