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## UCT joins global edX partner network with launch of new courses

Globally ranked institution expands online learning opportunities in business, education, health care, law and more

The University of Cape Town (UCT) is the newest member of the global <u>edX</u> partner network, joining hundreds of universities and institutions in expanding access to the world's best education.

Additionally, UCT is partnering with edX – a leading global online learning platform from 2U, Inc. – to create 15 new courses and five new professional certificate programmes, <u>with</u> more content launching throughout 2023.

UCT has been at the forefront of online education for the past 15 years and has worked closely with 2U since 2007 to develop over 80 online executive education courses that have been taken by <u>120K+ students</u>. UCT's partnership with edX will further strengthen the university's online footprint, allowing it to continue providing transformative educational opportunities to more people worldwide.

"We are thrilled to be joining the edX global community of universities," said Professor Harsha Kathard, acting Deputy Vice-Chancellor for Teaching and Learning.

"Our partnership with 2U revolutionised the way we deliver education, bringing UCT's unique blend of academic excellence and social consciousness online. As we further our commitment to making our diverse areas of expertise accessible to all, our partnership with edX opens an exciting new avenue for this mission. We're particularly enthusiastic about the opportunity to enrich the edX platform with a breadth of courses and specialised knowledge highlighting the diverse aspects of Africa as a continent."

UCT's full portfolio of online programme offerings developed with 2U encompasses a wide range of disciplines, including finance, investment, technology, business leadership, marketing, project management, and engineering the built environment, among others.

Andrew Hermalyn, president of partnerships at edX, said: "UCT, as one of our most significant executive education partners, is a pivotal addition to the edX community."

"Our partnership not only underscores edX and UCT's shared commitment to providing accessible, high-quality education to learners across the globe, but also plays a critical role in bridging the skills gap for people in South Africa. UCT's expertise in African-centered content enriches our platform and brings invaluable diversity to our learning community."

For more information, and to enroll in courses, please visit <u>www.edx.org/school/uct</u>.

## About edX:

edX is the global online learning platform that exists to help learners everywhere unlock their potential. edX was founded by Harvard and MIT in 2012 to make the world's best education available to everyone. Today, as a 2U, Inc. company (Nasdaq: TWOU), edX connects 76 million people worldwide with the skills, knowledge, and support to achieve their goals. Together with the world's leading universities and companies, edX offers thousands of free and open courses, professional certificates, boot camps, credit-bearing micro credentials, and undergraduate and graduate degrees. Discover purpose-built online programs in technology, business, healthcare, science, education, social work, sustainability, and more at <u>edX.org</u>.

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