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Educating Managers and Leaders for Sustainable and Socially Responsible Mining in Africa

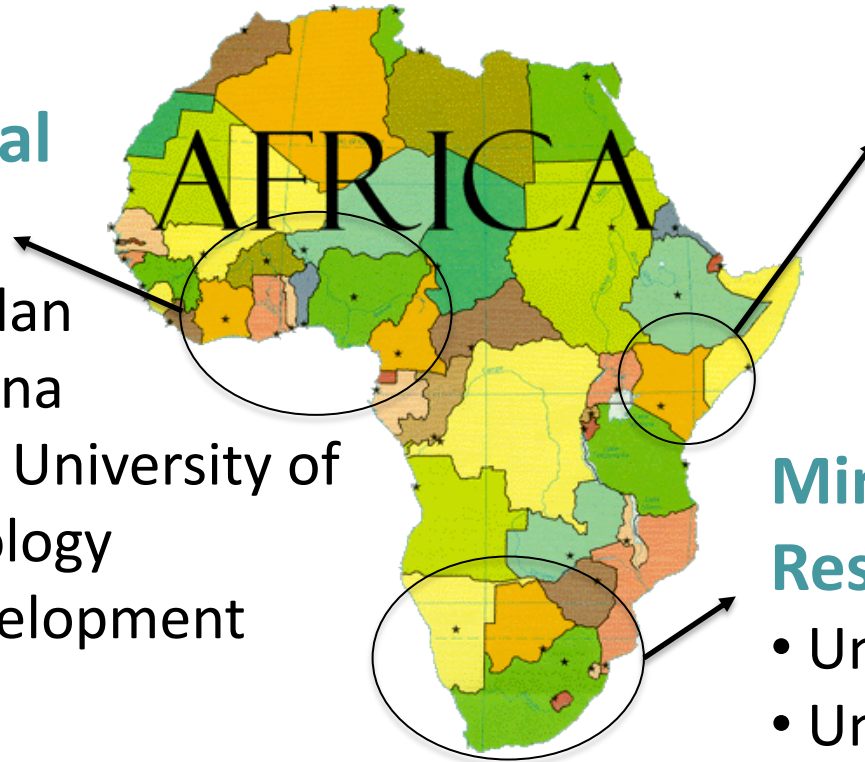
UCT's new Master of Philosophy specialising in
Sustainable Mineral Resource Development

So how did it come about?

Education for Sustainable Development in Africa (ESDA) Initiative

Sustainable Rural Development

- University of Ibadan
- University of Ghana
- Kwame Nkrumah University of Science & Technology
- University of Development Studies



Sustainable Urban Development

- Kenyatta University
- University of Nairobi

Mining & Mineral Resources (MMR)

- University of Cape Town
- University of Zambia

**United Nations University
Institute for Sustainability and Peace**

Symposium & Workshop on Education for Sustainable Development in Africa

Date: 1st - 2nd March, 2010

Venues: Silver Springs Hotel & United Nations Office, Gigiri, Nairobi

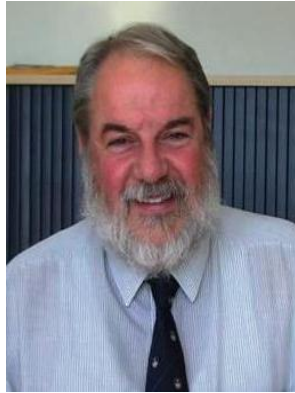
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Programme rationale

- ❖ Mineral wealth has the potential to serve as a vehicle for significant **economic growth**, but there are **challenges**
- ❖ A sustained programme of **research** and **human capacity development** is essential in meeting sustainability challenges facing the mining industry
- ❖ Of key importance is the need to generate managers and leaders, who have an **understanding** of the critical & **inter-related issues** involved and a **sensitivity** on how to project such in the context of **different stakeholders**

Aims & approach

- ❖ **Integrate** critical and inter-related factors for sustainable development in the context of mining and minerals beneficiation
- ❖ Provide opportunity to experiment with **real-life case studies**
- ❖ Bring together a **diverse cohort** of students from across a spectrum of disciplines
- ❖ **Review** and **piloting** of existing courses by three master's students: UCT, UNZA and Kyushu University

The new Master's degree programme

Master of Philosophy (MPhil)

specialising in

Sustainable Mineral Resource Development

offered at the

University of Cape Town (UCT)

and the

University of Zambia (UNZA)

Curriculum content

Course Description	Convening Institute	Credits
Introduction to Sustainable Development	Sustainability Institute, US	16
Strategic Social Engagement Practice	GSB, UCT	16
Environmental Stewardship in Mining & Minerals Beneficiation	School of Mines, UNZA	12
Research Communication & Methodology	EBE Faculty, UCT	16
Practical Training in SD/Internship	EBE Faculty, UCT	0
Master's Dissertation	EBE Faculty, UCT	120

1 credit is equivalent to 10 hours, with 1/5 hours as contact time

Introduction to Sustainable Development

- ❖ Professor Mark Swilling and Eve Annecke, **Sustainability Institute** at **University of Stellenbosch**
- ❖ How can the extraction, use and disposal of resources be reorganized to ensure greater levels of **social equity**, and the long-term survival of the **eco-systems** that sustain all life?

“Excellent, dynamic, life-changing, emergent”

“Made you hang out deeply”



Strategic Social Engagement Practice

- ❖ Convened by Corporate Learning Department at the **UCT Graduate School of Business**
 - Elspeth Donovan, A/Prof Chris Breen, Prof Ralph Hamann & A/Prof Mills Soko, guest lecturers
- ❖ How to engage with and manage the **relationships** between an **organization** and the **communities** and other **social partners** that populate its context?
 - Managing relationships and conflicts; the challenge of collaboration; the practice of dialogue; tensions and innovation (dealing with wicked problems); developing inclusive business models

Environmental Stewardship in Mining & Minerals Beneficiation

- ❖ New course at **UNZA School of Mines**, Lusaka
 - convened by Dr Jewette Masinja, with guest lectures from UCT
- ❖ Principles, criteria and practices for **environmentally conscious** development of mineral resources
 - cradle-to-grave mine design; cleaner production, eco-efficiency; industrial ecology; material stewardship, mine waste impacts & management, carbon neutrality, life cycle analysis, legislation.
- ❖ Mine site visit and case study

Research Communication & Methodology

- ❖ Modified course at the **Faculty of Engineering & Built Environment, UCT**
 - Professor Sue Harrison, Prof J-P Franzidis, Dr Jenny Broadhurst, guest lecturers
- ❖ How to execute meaningful **research** in a structured way, and **report** the results?
 - Literature review & writing skills
 - Research philosophy, methodologies & planning
 - Hypothesis development & research communication
 - Synthesis & application of programme learnings

The first student cohort (2014/2015)

- ❖ 15 students – 8 at UCT, 7 at UNZA
- ❖ 4 chemical engineers, 3 foresters, 2 lawyers, 2 mining engineers, 1 geologist, 1 geographer, 1 economist, 1 social anthropologist
- ❖ Represent 3 African countries & Australia
- ❖ 8 males, 7 females
- ❖ Ages 21 to 51



Research topics

- ❖ Community involvement in rehabilitation of degraded mine land
- ❖ Performance analysis & decision-making frameworks for mineral value chains
- ❖ Life cycle based indicators for eco-efficient processing of PGMs
- ❖ Entrepreneurship in communities around the mining & minerals beneficiation
- ❖ Measuring the sustainability signature of mining assets by integrating models
- ❖ A systemic approach to mining accident causality analysis
- ❖ Legal frameworks for encouraging sustainable communities post mining
- ❖ Broader implication of deforestation by mining companies
- ❖ Downstream uses of mine wastes: opportunities, challenges & implications
- ❖ Reconciling different stakeholders: A Zambian case study
- ❖ Challenges & opportunities for revenue collection from mining companies
- ❖ The effectiveness of EIA protocols and legislation in relation to mining

The second student cohort (2015/2016)

- ❖ 18 students- 10 at UCT, 8 at UNZA
- ❖ 1 mechanical engineer, 4 mining engineers, 1 civil engineer, 2 chemical engineers, 1 mineral processing engineer, 3 geologists, 1 forester, 1 lawyer, 2 social scientists, 1 psychologist, 1 business analyst
- ❖ Represent 4 African countries, Australia and Japan
- ❖ Middle to senior management: government, mining houses, consultancies, communities



Towards developing integrative knowledge

The Big Questions

- ❖ What were the key **take-home messages** from the courses and how are related?
- ❖ How can this **integrative knowledge** be used to develop an understanding of challenges and required responses to selected problems?

Selected Outcomes

- ❖ Enhanced **self-awareness** and personal growth
- ❖ Speaking a **common language**
- ❖ **Respect** for other viewpoints and perspectives

So what did the students learn?

- ❖ Understanding the **complexity** and **inter-related** nature of sustainability challenges
- ❖ The need for **value-based** leadership and governance
- ❖ Creating **shared value** as a business model
- ❖ Constructive and inclusive **stakeholder engagement**
- ❖ Respect for **nature** (deep ecology)
- ❖ Effective **planning** & **monitoring** – Go slowly upfront
- ❖ Adopt **systemic** perspectives and principles

Concluding remarks

- ❖ Students:
 - ✓ integrated learnings from different courses
 - ✓ developed a new appreciation of the complexity of sustainable mineral resource development
 - ✓ Recognised the need for value-based leadership and governance
- ❖ Academic staff: enhanced engagement with academics from other disciplines and external organisations
- ❖ University: new trans-disciplinary research activities and partnerships



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**Thank you for your
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