

THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH AFRICA (UNISA's) TSHWANE REGIONAL DISABILITY FORUM's 2021 STUDENT MANIFESTO ELECTION STATEMENT.

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Foreword: All Student's best educational interests and hopes remains the key element and the top priority in the minds of our hard and dedicated work of the UNISA Tshwane Regional Forum for all students registered and studying through the University of South Africa (UNISA) inclusively, regardless of the person's age, belief, gender, race, Culture, Language, pregnancy and social status, Sexual orientation, and including the Person's Disability status. Thus, for this educational course and purpose, as the UNISA Tshwane Regional Forum collectively, we hereby call for a peaceful, free, and fair 2021 Student representative elections which shall perfectly award all Students with the best educational justice representative system for all Students!

At the heart of our academic endeavours, we strongly campaign for a Student representative Council system which shall pre-suppose a notional principle of putting Students first and Leaders last. This is because, most Students currently within our tertiary Institution of the Republic of South Africa were born into a time of renewed hope, a time with a promise of peace, stability, and prosperity. Thus, as a result, it is now time for that promise to be delivered.

The UNISA Tshwane Regional Forum for Students with Disabilities, we do not only hope to be the voice of Students with Disabilities, but we remain hopeful of being a young vanguard which shall be the voice of all Students across the Tshwane Regional Metro in the Republic of South Africa. In the objective of entering the higher and furthering education sector, we highly believe that Student politics and educational consensus demands a fair and accessible education system which is funded properly and sustainably.

This manifesto is just one element of a much wider campaign coordinated by the UNISA Tshwane Regional Disability Forum to encourage the University of South Africa's Student population to vote for our Forum, to provide the UNISA Tshwane Regional Disability sector with an opportunity in representing the Tshwane Regional Disability sector.

As an initial ask, we call on all Student population to vote for us Regionally, to promote inclusivity in the new dispensational Student representative Council!

This document outlines our key priorities for Education, Work and Society and reflects our vision for the future. We call on all Student political Structures to kindly work with us, to ensure that our aspiration is realised.

1. Why should you vote for us? We strongly encourage and urge you to vote for our forum, because we campaign to promote, extend, and defend the educational rights of all Students in the UNISA Tshwane Regional Metro.
2. Who we are? The UNISA Tshwane Regional Disability Forum is a young Regional vanguard which operates under the hospices of the National Association of UNISA Students with Disabilities which was established in the year 2011, aiming to achieve its main objectives as prescribed in Section Two of the Organisation's Constitution. Furthermore, the Regional Forum aims to work and promote inclusivity of both Students with Disabilities and the non-Disabled Students community, to promote equal education for all. Today, the UNISA

Tshwane Regional Disability Forum represents the educational interests of over 250 Students across the Tshwane Regional Metro, and this includes both Disabled and non-disabled Students community.

3. Our future educational plans: As of today, we strongly aim to implement an educational policy that greatly speaks to the most educational needs of our overall Student Society. Programmes such as Student fee reduction, examination extra-time, and including the early dispatching of Student study material shall be set as the main priority for all our Regional Student population.
4. Work and employment plans: As a Forum, we highly and strongly encourage the entire Tshwane Regional Student population to vote for us, to also roll the equalisation of the non-disabled Student Community out to be provided with job opportunities within the (UNISA's) Advocacy and Resource Centre for Students with Disabilities, to promote, protect, defend, and extend proportional inclusivity amongst the entire Student Society within the Tshwane Regional Metro.

Our Moto: Inclusive and equal education for all and no Student shall be left behind in this academic year. One Student, one bursary!

Yours Faithfully, the UNISA Tshwane Regional Disability Forum.