COMMITTEE ON AFRICAN STUDIES

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Named National Resource Center for African Studies

Founded in **1969**

Faculty Chair **Professor Caroline Elkins**

Africa at Harvard

Over 300 Africa-related courses offered

Instruction in 32 African languages

Over 180 Africa-related events hosted annually

Over 80 visiting scholars studying Africa each year

Over **300** African students enrolled in programs across campus annually







HARVARD SOUTH AFRICA FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

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DEGREE PROGRAMS

- Mid-Career Master in Public Administration at Harvard Kennedy School
- Master of Laws
 at Harvard Law School
- Master of Public Health
 at Harvard School of Public Health

NON-DEGREE PROGRAMS

- Advanced Management Program at Harvard Business School
- General Management Program at Harvard Business School
- Program for Leadership Development at Harvard Business School
- Special Student Status
 at Harvard Graduate School of Arts and Sciences

President Derek Bok established the Harvard South Africa Fellowship Program (HSAFP)

in 1979 to address the needs of South Africans who were denied access to advanced education by the apartheid system. This program was established, and is still intended, for mid-career professionals educationally disadvantaged by past laws and resource allocations in South Africa. Under the current presidency of Drew Gilpin Faust, the HSAFP seeks to expand its reach to institutions and organizations across the country in a continued effort to draw the broadest possible range of candidates for the program.

Fellowships are for a year of study in one of Harvard's Professional Schools, with tuition waivers provided by the recipient School. General administrative funds for program management, stipends, and airfare for the fellow are provided by the Office of the President, and administered by the Committee on African Studies.

Professor John Mugane Program Director

Over 200 HSAFP Alumni

7 program options in 5 professional schools

(Harvard School of Public Health, Harvard Business School, Harvard Kennedy School, Graduate School of Arts & Sciences, Harvard Law School)



Current Fellows

FRANK MAGWEGWE

Advanced Management Program at Harvard Business School

Frank began his entrepreneurial career in 1992, running a successful fruit and vegetable business on the corner of Plein & Wanderers Streets in downtown Johannesburg. This success allowed Frank to save enough money to fund his first year studies at Wits University in 1994. He is currently responsible for the middle-market segment business at Momentum Retail, a division of MMI holdings, South Africa's third largest insurance company. Frank is also the founder of Foremost Futures, the first black-owned South African Futures Exchange (SAFEX) member, which he started in 2001 after a successful career as a risk manager and derivatives trader.

Frank believes that there is no skill more crucial to the success of a leader than reading. He believes that successful leaders should make reading an indispensable part of improving his or her personal and professional life.

VUSI MAZIBUKO

Advanced Management Program at Harvard Business School

Born in Johannesburg in the 1950s, Vusi has worked his way up to become the Chief Executive Officer of a junior coal-mining company. The company was formed to benefit former political prisoners who were incarcerated at Robben Island and other similar prisons in South Africa.

Vusi achieved a first class Bachelor of Commerce degree (B. Comm) at Fort Hare University, and later enrolled at the University of Johannesburg for a B. Comm Honours, which he recently completed, with three Distinctions and an Award of Excellence in "Innovation." Whilst being a successful professional, he seeks to teach South Africa's youth good business skills. To that end, he currently provides a number of students with financial assistance as to provide them the opportunities that he has had over the years.

BUSUKU MORGAN MKHATSHWA

General Management Program at Harvard Business School

Born in Barberton, South Africa, Busuku is currently the Managing Director of Life Esidimeni, a subsidiary of Life Healthcare Group, one of South Africa's major private hospital groups.

Busuku holds an Honours, a Bachelor of Science, a Bachelor of Medicine, a Bachelor of Surgery, and a Masters in Medical Microbiology. In addition, he has a postgraduate diploma in Occupational Health, as well as an MBA from Leeds University. Busuku's past positions include Hospital Manager at Life Suikerbosrand and Life Carstenhof Clinics, and Principal Medical Officer at KwaMhlanga District Hospital. Busuku has also spent part of his career as an educator, including serving as school principal in the KaNgwane government's Department of Education. He has also participated in the Nelson Mandela Leadership Development Program, and enjoys the work he does in the community.

THANDI NGWANE

General Management Program at Harvard Business School

Thandi heads up the Strategic Markets team at Allan Gray (Pty) Limited, where she is responsible for the client and servicing strategy. Thandi is an admitted attorney, and previously worked at Old Mutual Bank as a legal adviser. Thandi holds a Bachelor of Social Science degree and LLB from the University of Natal, and a master's degree in Business Law.

Thandi has a keen interest in personal financial planning matters, as they relate to wealth creation. She believes that financial

services companies have a role to play in ensuring that investors are sufficiently empowered to make informed investment decisions. She hopes that the GMP will allow her to gain personal insights and build relationships with leaders from across the world, who are on a similar journey to enhance their leadership ability.

MMABATHO NKAMBULE

Program for Leadership Development at Harvard Business School

Mmabatho has over 10 years corporate experience working in industries ranging from insurance to healthcare to information technology. She is currently the Learning and Development Manager at tradebridge, a Johannesburg-based IT company with a focus on value added transaction switching.

Mmabatho serves as a mentor to junior employees at tradebridge, and in keeping with her passion for developing others, she also runs pre-employment workshops in her personal capacity. These workshops are aimed at assisting young people still in school and unemployed individuals find their true purpose and prepare themselves for the world of work.

She is a lay minister and preacher in the Anglican Church, where she leads her parish's communications & marketing portfolio. She also serves as a board member for the DreamHouse Workshop for the Blind which is based in Pretoria. Mmabatho has a Bachelor of Arts degree in Communications and International Politics from the University of South Africa (UNISA).

AMIT PAREKH

Masters of Law at Harvard Law School

Amit Parekh is a South African attorney whose practice focuses on international corporate and financial transactions, with an emphasis on domestic and international capital markets. Amit joined the Johannesburg firm Bowman Gilfillan in 2008, after receiving his LL.B. degree cum laude from the University of Pretoria, where he served as editor of the Law Review and presented a colloquium on human rights and legal philosophy. Prior to his fellowship, Amit worked for the international law firm Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP.

Amit has extensive experience counseling non-profit organizations and individual clients on affirmative asylum proceedings in jurisdictions such as Iraq and Rwanda. Amit believes that the practice of law is a privilege, and one that carries with it the responsibility to apply one's talents for the benefit of less privileged individuals and communities. He hopes to cultivate an institutional commitment to public interest litigation in Africa whilst undertaking his LL.M. at Harvard Law School.

KERRY WILLIAMS

Mid-Career Master in Public Administration at Harvard Kennedy School; Mason Fellow

Kerry Williams is a South African attorney who specializes in public law, including constitutional and administrative law, focusing on how the state organizes itself and the relationship between the state and its citizens. She began specializing in this area during her LLB degree, completed cum laude at the University of Cape Town. Upon graduating, she joined the Department of Justice working for Justice COR O'Regan, the youngest woman judge to be appointed to the Constitutional Court of South Africa.

Kerry is now a partner at Johannesburg law firm Webber Wentzel. She regularly advises on various Bill of Rights issues, particularly those that implicate the right to equality, privacy and dignity. Kerry hopes that the MPA will expand her ability to influence the legal, political and policy landscape in South Africa and other Southern and Eastern African countries.