



## **TO NEWS EDITORS AND JOURNALISTS**

### **FROM THE MPUMALANGA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND THE UNIVERSITY OF MPUMALANGA**

**09 MAY 2025**

#### **MEC DLAMINI ATTENDS THE UNIVERSITY OF MPUMALANGA 10th GRADUATION CEREMONY**

The MEC for Education, Ms Cathy Dlamini will on Saturday, 10 May 2025 attend the University of Mpumalanga Graduation Ceremony.

Accordingly to a media statement released by the University: A total of 2,035 students will be awarded/conferred qualifications during the 10th graduation which indicates growth from the 1,515 qualifications awarded/conferred in last year's graduation. The ceremony is scheduled take place at the Multi-Purpose Hall, Mbombela Campus.

Amongst some of the notable achievements for this year's graduation includes:

Ms Khumbelo Mabadahanye, the first student to complete a Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) at UMP will be graduating.

A total of 61 students Master's students will be graduating.

170 students will be awarded/conferred their qualifications with a Cum Laude (distinction).

A total of 66.2% female and 33.8% male students will be graduating this year.

A total number 45 recipients of Vice-Chancellor's Scholarship will be graduating.

A total of 11 recipients of Academic Excellence Awards will be graduating.

60 different qualifications will be awarded/conferred during the graduation ceremonies. Amongst the 60 qualifications, 10 qualifications will be

awarded/conferred for the first time.

Our graduands come from 3 countries namely, South Africa, Zimbabwe, and The Kingdom of Eswatini.

Members of the media are invited to attend as follows:

Thursday, 08 May 2025

1st Session – 09h00

2nd Session – 14h00

Friday, 09 May 2025

1st Session – 09h00

2nd Session – 14h00

Saturday, 10 May 2025

1st Session – 09h00

2nd Session – 14h00

Ends-

For accreditation, audio visual support and interview requests.

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