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Professional portfolio:

I have 15 years of teaching and 20 years of research experience in the field of demography and population studies. I have been awarded the National Research Foundation (NRF) C2 rated researcher. My core research efforts are concentrated in the field of population components, such as fertility, mortality, and reproductive health. In addition my research interests are in population studies/ demography, gender, reproductive health, vulnerable diseases, HIV/AIDS, health policy, and public health. I am well versed in computer applications such as SPSS, STATA, MORTPAK, and Atlas ti software. I have published more than 60 DHET in high-impact journals. I have attended and presented at more than 30 national and International conferences. I have successfully completed several research projects. I have strong professional and institutional leadership capacities. I am engaged in international collaborative research projects with many institutions. Furthermore, I participate in social community activities in several societies. I have successfully produced 7 PhD and 40 master’s students in Population Studies / Demography. I worked on and have published several research articles along with my students. I am confident that my subject knowledge and vast experience will be of benefit to the program managers, policy makers, stakeholders, nongovernmental organizations (NGOs), academicians, students and those involved in demography and population studies. I involved a substantial record of activities which bring the benefits of UWC academic research and teaching to the wider community. I have a vision of UWC as a leading teaching and research institution, particularly in technical demography. My aim is to produce more South African masters and doctoral students in demography. There is a shortage of experts in Demography in South Africa; my students are now working in different institutions/organizations in particular South Africa and throughout Africa. I am still collaborating with them and their work is benefitting South Africa. Another series of actions will focus on capacity building with collaborative institutions involved in specific research themes on demography, fertility, and mortality analysis. I have a vision of Goal my ambition is to see the UWC flag on top of the world.

Current modules:

STA 333 Statistical Demography

POP 707 Demographic Analysis

Pop 703 Official Statistics

POP 761 Research Project

Research topics:

Reproductive and child health, Migration & HIV/AIDS Contraceptive, dynamics, Mortality, Fertility issues

Ageing & retirement, Empowerment of women

Population & Development, Socio-economic inequality

Family Demography, Technical demography

Public Health & Health policy

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