

DEPARTMENT OF NURSING SCIENCE

SHORT CV : PROF S JAMES

Prof Sindiwe James was born in Cradock. She is a single parent with three children, two sons and a daughter and is currently a grand mother of two (a boy and a girl). She commenced her nurse training at Livingstone hospital in April 1977 and completed a three and a half year Diploma programme as a Registered Nurse and Midwife. She studied further towards a Diploma in Intensive Care Training. Her academic career started in 1995 to 2010 where she obtained qualifications for: BCur I et A; Masters' degree (all at UPE), DCur (Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University) and another Masters' Degree at the University of Fort Hare.

She was appointed as a lecturer at UPE in February 1999 at the Department of Nursing Science and has been a lecturer for GNS and Midwifery for undergraduate students while supervising research students for the Honours, Masters and Doctoral students. She was voted as the emerging researcher in the Faculty of Health Sciences: 2007, which motivated her to do even better in research and in 2008, she was promoted as a senior lecturer in the department.

In 2015 she was awarded an NRF grant which was renewable for a period of three years and in that time has managed to successfully supervise several students and published articles in peer reviewed accredited journals. The project for the grant is titled: ***Enhancement of women and youth accesses and knowledge of reproductive health care in the Eastern Cape Province***. From that project four masters (dissertations) and two Doctoral students benefited, as they successfully completed their studies. Two more doctoral students are due to complete in 2020 and 2021 respectively. In 2014 she was promoted as an associate professor and in 2018 she was promoted to a full professor. In 2019 she became the Head of Department.

In 2018, she led a team of colleagues in the Faculty of Health Sciences under the supervision of the Dean, Prof L Pepeta and received a years' SASUF grant in collaboration with Uppsala University in

Sweden and the University of Fort Hare. In 2019 another grant has been granted for another two years.

Prof James has been an article reviewer for several journals, nationally and internationally, while also serving as an external research examiner for many national universities. She serves as a member of the GHC editorial board from 2017 and Journal of Nursing Sciences to date. She presented papers in national and international conferences, by invitation as well as by submitting abstracts that were accepted, while also serving as a chair for some of the sessions at international conferences.

Currently as the Head of Department she is driving a project of an application for a cohort research where novice doctoral supervisors in the department will benefit while expanding Doctoral supervision scope within the department. She is currently supervising ten PhD students, three of whom are due to submit in 2019/2020.