

Quinette Louw

South Africa

Master of Applied Science (Physiotherapy),
graduated 1998

PhD Health Sciences,
graduated 2004

A Doctoral degree by research requires equal parts determination, commitment and enthusiasm. Fortunately UniSA graduate Dr Quinette Louw had plenty of each as she completed her thesis and became one of South Africa's first female physiotherapy PhD graduates.

After finishing her UniSA Masters degree three months ahead of schedule and with a string of academic merits and awards to her name, Quinette knew UniSA was the place to undertake her PhD studies. And thanks to winning UniSA's President's Scholarship, she was able to return to South Australia to continue toward her dream of a career in physiotherapy research.

"UniSA is well-recognised for postgraduate degrees in physiotherapy and it has a reputation for excellence in research," Quinette says. "I had great experiences while completing my Masters working with established and committed research supervisors."

Quinette's study examined the prevention of knee injuries among adolescent basketball players. Now continuing her research in South Africa, where basketball is the fastest growing sport for teenagers, Quinette is rapidly gaining recognition around the country as a leading expert in her field. She is convinced that her experiences at UniSA have made a significant and ongoing contribution to achieving her professional goals.

"My studies have fostered a desire for lifelong learning and for pursuing research excellence within my discipline," she says. "My experience at UniSA has also encouraged me to network with other researchers in and across my field nationally and internationally."

"The quality of education offered by UniSA was exceptional and my degree has prepared me well for a career in research."



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Distance from Adelaide to
Pretoria: 9990.6 km

Flying Time: approx 14 hrs

Time Difference from
Adelaide: -8.5 hrs

Official Languages:
Afrikaans, English,
IsiNdebele, IsiXhosa,
IsiZulu, Sepedi, Sesotho,
Setswana, SiSwati,
Tshivenda, Xitsonga, Zulu.



■ The Bachelor of Applied Science (Physiotherapy), and the PhD Health Sciences are delivered from the City East campus.

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