

## UJ Psychology Doctoral Research Supervisors

Staff Member	Email	Area of Expertise
Prof. Jacqueline Moodley (Head of Department, Associate Professor)	<a href="mailto:jmoodley@uj.ac.za">jmoodley@uj.ac.za</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preference for quantitative research projects</li> <li>• Community psychology</li> <li>• Poverty and inequality studies</li> <li>• Disability and inclusion</li> <li>• Child wellbeing</li> <li>• Gendered mental health</li> </ul>
Prof. Kevin Durrheim (Distinguished Professor)	<a href="mailto:kevind@uj.ac.za">kevind@uj.ac.za</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Group polarization: interested in the social psychology dynamics of polarization, especially the role of language. Prof. Durrheim has been working with a team using machine learning to analyse language on social media. Ideally a student would need some experience in coding in R or Python.</li> <li>• Research Methods Curriculum for Africa. The UJ Methods Lab involves developing a decolonial research methods curriculum. We are conducting research into existing training curricula, and the adoption and development of e-learning methods for use on the continent.</li> </ul>
Prof. Brendon Barnes (Professor)	<a href="mailto:bbarnes@uj.ac.za">bbarnes@uj.ac.za</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Climate change, environment, and psychology (CEP)</li> <li>• Behaviour change and CEP</li> <li>• Environmental and climate activism</li> <li>• Methodologies to strengthen CEP</li> </ul>
Prof. Zelda Knight (Professor)	<a href="mailto:zknight@uj.ac.za">zknight@uj.ac.za</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Case studies in psychotherapy (psychodynamic/psychoanalytic)</li> <li>• Gender / feminism / sexuality / relationships</li> <li>• Serial Killers (archival research and analysis)</li> <li>• Psychobiography - using any psychological theory</li> </ul>
Prof. Neo Morojele (Professor)	<a href="mailto:nmorojele@uj.ac.za">nmorojele@uj.ac.za</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alcohol use and HIV</li> <li>• Substance use disorders and access to treatment</li> <li>• Assessment of alcohol use/alcohol use disorder</li> <li>• Alcohol marketing and alcohol use among adolescents and youth</li> <li>• Applied psychology and health</li> </ul>

Prof. Itumeleng Khumalo (Associate Professor)	<a href="mailto:itumelengk@uj.ac.za">itumelengk@uj.ac.za</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (psychological) well-being studies</li> <li>• Cultural and cross-cultural studies of well-being</li> <li>• Measurement of well-being indices</li> <li>• Contextual understanding of well-being in an African context</li> </ul>
Prof. Heidi Lourens (Associate Professor)	<a href="mailto:hlourens@uj.ac.za">hlourens@uj.ac.za</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Disability studies</li> <li>• Inclusive education</li> <li>• Autoethnography</li> </ul>
Prof. Sarojini Naidoo (Associate Professor)	<a href="mailto:snaidoo@uj.ac.za">snaidoo@uj.ac.za</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Suicide and non-suicidal self-injury</li> <li>• Depressive disorders and anxiety</li> <li>• Adolescent mental health</li> <li>• Bullying</li> <li>• Quantitative research</li> </ul>
Prof. CJ Van Zyl (Associate Professor)	<a href="mailto:caspervz@uj.ac.za">caspervz@uj.ac.za</a>	<p>Primarily interested in differential psychology broadly, which includes for example</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• basic and applied individual and group differences research, on things like personality, attitudes and cognitive ability</li> <li>• theories related to the above and the real world outcomes they explain and predict</li> <li>• quantitative research methodology broadly, (i.e., predictive modelling, psychometrics, statistical inference, etc)</li> <li>• Open to explore any quantitative research projects</li> </ul>
Dr Siphod Dlamini (Senior Lecturer)	<a href="mailto:siphod@uj.ac.za">siphod@uj.ac.za</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Africa(n) centred psychology</li> <li>• The training of psychologists</li> <li>• Higher education including curriculum and student access and participation</li> <li>• The history and philosophy of psychology</li> <li>• Critical Race Studies</li> </ul>
Dr Sumayya Ebrahim (Senior Lecturer)	<a href="mailto:sumayyae@uj.ac.za">sumayyae@uj.ac.za</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Social constructions of freedom fighters, sexuality, the body and gender</li> <li>• Media representations of freedom fighters, gender, sex, rape, pornography, infertility and the body</li> <li>• The Palestinian genocide</li> <li>• Settler colonial occupation</li> <li>• Social media and its interplay with sexuality, the body and gender</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Racial/Ethnic Identity</li> <li>• All of the above as it relates to decoloniality</li> <li>• Voluntary free of children (Voluntary childlessness)</li> <li>• Obstetric Violence</li> </ul>
Dr Noorjehan Joosub (Senior Lecturer)	<a href="mailto:njoosub@uj.ac.za">njoosub@uj.ac.za</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Neuropsychological rehabilitation qualitative and quantitative studies</li> <li>• Acquired brain injury qualitative and quantitative studies</li> <li>• Narratives of career development</li> <li>• Analysis of representations on various social issues such as motherhood, breastfeeding, and living with brain injury</li> <li>• Conceptions of psychological phenomena in different communities</li> <li>• Cross cultural and critical psychology</li> </ul>
Dr Kgamadi Kometsi (Senior Lecturer)	<a href="mailto:kkometsi@uj.ac.za">kkometsi@uj.ac.za</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Race</li> <li>• Masculinity</li> <li>• Sexuality</li> <li>• Psychodynamics of identity</li> </ul>
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Dr Ursula Lau (Senior Lecturer)	<a href="mailto:ursulal@uj.ac.za">ursulal@uj.ac.za</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Power, desire and affect in identity performances and social relationships: race, materiality of class, masculinities and femininities, gender and sexuality</li> <li>• Place identity, home, asymmetries of belonging</li> <li>• Personality vulnerability and relational patterns in intimate or interpersonal relationships</li> <li>• Complex, intergenerational and collective trauma and violence</li> <li>• Psychosocial studies : application of psychoanalysis, narrative and discourse analysis to critical qualitative research</li> </ul>
Dr Prevan Moodley (Senior Lecturer)	<a href="mailto:pmoodley@uj.ac.za">pmoodley@uj.ac.za</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sex(ualities) of Gay, Bisexual, and Other Men Who Have Sex With Men</li> </ul>
Dr Neo Pule (Senior Lecturer)	<a href="mailto:npule@uj.ac.za">npule@uj.ac.za</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Social psychology</li> <li>• Systems psychodynamics</li> </ul>

Dr Sibulelo Qhogwana (Senior Lecturer)	<a href="mailto:sibuleloq@uj.ac.za">sibuleloq@uj.ac.za</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forensic Psychology</li> <li>• Correctional spaces</li> <li>• Child and Adolescent mental health</li> <li>• Women's mental health</li> <li>• Critical and Community Psychology</li> <li>• Qualitative Methodologies</li> </ul>
Dr Nokulunga Shabalala (Senior Lecturer)	<a href="mailto:lungas@uj.ac.za">lungas@uj.ac.za</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Transformation in higher education</li> <li>• Healthcare disparities/Public health</li> <li>• Critical psychology</li> <li>• Critical race studies</li> <li>• Substance use disorders and common co-occurring mental disorders</li> </ul>
Dr Pieter Basson (Lecturer)	<a href="mailto:pbasson@uj.ac.za">pbasson@uj.ac.za</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Neuropsychology: executive functioning</li> <li>• Positive Psychology</li> <li>• Core counselling skills and the training of psychologists</li> <li>• Relationships and relationship therapy</li> <li>• Gender Psychology</li> <li>• Developmental Psychology</li> <li>• Career Psychology</li> </ul>
Dr Ofhani Netshisaulu (Lecturer)	<a href="mailto:ofhanim@uj.ac.za">ofhanim@uj.ac.za</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Health Psychology</li> <li>• Epilepsy</li> <li>• Attitudes and behaviours</li> <li>• Quality of life</li> <li>• Health promotion and interventions</li> <li>• Collective trauma</li> </ul>
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Dr Sharon Sibanda (Lecturer)	<a href="mailto:ssibanda@uj.ac.za">ssibanda@uj.ac.za</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Qualitative research on complex trauma, racial trauma, collective trauma, trauma in the military</li> <li>• Racial dynamics and their implications for psychotherapy and wellbeing</li> <li>• Conceptualization of Black people's overall psychological wellbeing and identity development</li> <li>• Intrapsychic exploration of intimate partner violence</li> <li>• African conceptualizations of masculinity and suicide</li> </ul>
Prof. Mlamuli Hlatshwayo	<a href="mailto:mhlatshwayo@uj.ac.za">mhlatshwayo@uj.ac.za</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Higher education studies</li> <li>• Teaching and learning in higher education</li> </ul>

(Associate Professor/Research Associate)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Access and success in higher education</li> <li>• Student protests/student movements</li> <li>• Decolonizing/transforming/Africanising curricula</li> </ul>
Prof. Tara Carney (Associate Professor, Senior research associate)	<a href="mailto:Tara.Carney@mrc.ac.za">Tara.Carney@mrc.ac.za</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Substance use (and related health issues, i.e., TB and HIV)</li> <li>• Adolescent Mental Health</li> <li>• Interventions and evidence-based approaches</li> <li>• Participatory methods</li> </ul>