

Curriculum Vitae

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1. Contact Details



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2. Occupation and Training

- Professor and Head of the Department of Political Studies at the University of the Western Cape. Former Deputy Dean for Research in the Economic and Management Sciences (EMS) Faculty.
- A graduate of the University of Natal, Durban (BA Hons *cum laude* 1991) and Cambridge University, Great Britain. MPhil (1992/3) supervisor Anthony Giddens and PhD (2000) supervisor John Lonsdale.
- Over 20 years teaching at the University of the Western Cape (UWC) and the University of KwaZulu-Natal (UKZN). Shorter teaching stints at Rutgers in New Brunswick, USA, and University West in Trollhättan, Sweden.
- Extensive academic workshop experience in Brazil, India and the United Kingdom.

3. Work Experience

<i>January 2018 - December 2019</i>	Visiting Professor, University West, Trollhätten, Sweden
<i>Current <- January 2016</i>	Head of Department, Political Studies, UWC
<i>Current <- 01 January 2009</i>	Full Professor in Political Studies, UWC, Cape Town.
<i>August 2014 <- 01 October 2010</i>	Deputy-Dean Research, Economic and Management Sciences (EMS) Faculty, UWC
<i>April 2012 <- March 2009</i>	Head of Department, Political Studies, UWC
<i>December 2008 <- January 2007</i>	Associate Professor in the School of Politics, University of KwaZulu-Natal, Pietermaritzburg.
<i>June 2005 <- January 2005</i>	Sabbatical in Toronto, Canada, based at York University.
<i>December 2006 <- January 2000:</i>	Senior Lecturer in School of Politics, University of KwaZulu-Natal, Pietermaritzburg.
<i>July 1999 <- December 1999</i>	Sabbatical at Rutgers University, New Jersey, USA.
<i>December 2000 <- July 1995</i>	Lecturer in Political Studies, School of Human and Social Sciences, University of Natal, Pietermaritzburg.

3. Research

- 14 grants; 59 peer-reviewed publications, (five books, 14 chapters in books and 40 journal

articles); 43 conference papers and many popular publications.

- Recent books:
 - Anciano, F. & Piper, L. 2019. *Democracy Disconnected: Participation and Governance in a City of the South*. Routledge. ISBN 978-1138541054.
 - Piper, L (ed). 2019. *Decolonisation after Democracy: Rethinking the Research and Teaching of Political Science in South Africa*. Routledge. ISBN 978-1-138-35086-1.
 - Bettina von Lieres and Laurence Piper (eds). 2014. *Mediated Citizenship: The Informal Politics of Speaking for Citizens in the Global South*. Palgrave Macmillan. ISBN 978-1-137-40530-2.
- Recent articles in international journals including *Citizenship Studies*, *Geoforum*, *Journal of Civil Society*, *Representation* and *Local Government Studies*.
- Guest editor for *Politikon* 45(1) in 2018, *Representation* vol 53(1) in 2017 and 45 in 2010, and guest co-editor for *Geoforum* 43 in 2012.
- In 2010 awarded the UWC Vice Chancellor's Annual Young Researcher Award for Humanities and Social Sciences.
- C1 rated NRF researcher

4. Supervision

- Four PhDs graduated with two currently ongoing
- 20 Masters candidates graduated, as well as many more honours level research projects.

5. Teaching

- Over 20 different undergraduate modules, mostly in Political Thought and Methodology
- External examiner for nine South African universities: UCT, OFS, KZN, NMU, Rhodes, St Augustine's College, Stellenbosch and Wits.
- Modules taught at Rutgers University, USA, University West, Sweden, and at the *Diversity and Democracy Institute* in Johannesburg, January 2013, hosted by the New School for Social Research, New York.

6. Examination

- 10 PhD and 56 Masters theses.

7. Administration

- Deputy-Dean for Research in the EMS from 2010-2014.
- Head of Department, Political Studies, UWC 2019-2017 and 2009-2012
- Experience on Higher Degrees, Research, Management committees at Faculty Level
- Senate, Senate Research, and Professorial Appointments Committees at University level.

6. Professional service

- Founding member of the Association for Political Theory in Africa (APTA) 2017 onwards.
- 2018-20 Treasurer of the South African Association of Political Studies (SAAPS). 2016-18 President of (SAAPS); and 2014-6 an additional member on the National Council.
- 2014-2016 joint co-ordinator of the Collaboration for Research on Democracy (CORD), a southern-based network of researchers on citizenship and democracy from Brazil, Bangladesh, Canada, Ecuador, India, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Uganda and the UK. <http://epress.utsc.utoronto.ca/cord/>.
- NRF specialist panel for Philosophy and Political Studies from 2011-2014, and a reviewer for NRF specialist committees.
- Since 2006: Member of editorial team of *Theoria: A Journal of Social and Political Thought* [<http://journals.berghahnbooks.com/th/index.php>].
- Since 2017: Editorial Board of *African Human Mobility Review*.
- Refereed for 37 national and international journals (full list below); refereed two book manuscripts for the University of KwaZulu-Natal Press, one for UNISA Press, and two for Pan Macmillan including Frank Chicane's *The Things That Could Not Be Said*.

7. Community Involvement

- 2015-2017: Chair of the Board of NPC Voice of Africans for Change (VAC), 2017 onwards a board member; 2012 onwards: a member of the Board of the NPC Sustainable livelihoods Foundation (SLF).
- 2014: participant in various public debates and commentary on the subject of the national elections and KwaZulu-Natal politics
- 2011 a guest speaker on the Local Government Elections as hosted by the South African Catholic Bishops Conference Parliamentary Liaison Office.
- 2000s: consulted in the local government policy-making process in both KwaZulu-Natal and at national level.
- 2007 *Imagine Durban* Demonstration Fund Committee.

8. Referees

- Professor Bettina Von Lieres, Interim Associate Director, Centre for Critical Development Studies, University of Toronto, Scarborough, Canada, Email: bvonlieres@utsc.utoronto.ca.
- Professor John Gaventa, Director of Research, Institute of Development Studies (IDS), Library Road, Brighton, BN1 9RE, United Kingdom, Email: j.gaventa@ids.ac.uk.
- Professor Lawrence Hamilton, Department of Political Studies, University of the Witwatersrand, Private Bag 3, Wits, Johannesburg, 2000, South Africa. Email: lawrence.hamilton@wits.ac.za.
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- Dr Shylashri Shankar, Senior Fellow, Centre for Policy Reserch (CPR), Dharma Marg, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi – 110021, India, Email: shylashris@gmail.com.