

Prof Lefose Makgahlela

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Associate Professor and Programme Coordinator in the Programme of Information Studies in the Department of Communications, Media and Information Studies at the University of Limpopo. He obtained his PhD with the University of Kwazulu-Natal in 2020. He started his career as Senior Library Assistant at Germiston City Libraries now Ekurhuleni Metro Libraries in 1999, and then moved to the South African Reserve Bank as Senior Information Officer from 2001 until 2007 when he joined UNISA Department of Information Studies as a Lecturer, and from 2009 he moved to UNISA Library as Information Search Librarian.

On the 01st May 2011, he joined University of Limpopo as a Lecturer in the Programme of Information Studies and move up with the rank until now as Associate Professor. Prof Makgahlela has been in the field of Library and Information Studies for more than 25 years in public, special and academic libraries, and in academia. He was also awarded the South African Librarian of the Year for 2019.

He has been a member of LIASA in various portfolios for more than 20 years. He also has a strong background in Education and Training in LIS, Records Management, Knowledge Management and Information for Development. Prof Makgahlela is also a Library Activist and established book clubs in Limpopo Province to promote the culture of reading in South Africa.

Furthermore, Prof Makgahlela has published widely in the field of LIS and Records Management in accredited academic journals. Prof Makgahlela is currently

Programme Coordinator and Associate Professor at the University of Limpopo Programme of Information Studies. He is also the LIASA President-Elect.

He has passion in information for development, records management for accountability and transparency, promoting the culture of reading and love working with students studying towards LIS. On his spare time, Prof enjoys spending time on reading, practicing tomato farming and learning new ways of improving farming.