The Department of Information Systems is particularly interested in the generation of knowledge in the areas of ICT4D, eGovernment, eLearning, IT Project Management, Social Networks, Health Informatics, and User Experience. Research in these areas has produced one (1) book chapter, three (3) journal articles, and eleven (11) conference papers, with aspects of this research being presented locally as well as internationally in Spain, Ireland, Portugal, and Poland.

In addition to producing research outputs, staff in the Department of Information Systems contribute to their discipline as journal editors, conference reviewers and panel members, and external examiners of theses for other academic institutions.

Postgraduates / Graduations
Postgraduate numbers in the Department have grown to eight (8) PhD candidates, fourteen (14) Masters candidates, and a class of thirty-two (32) Honours students. In April 2016, we celebrated the graduation of one (1) Masters student.

Distinguished Visitors / International Visits
Distinguished visitors to the Department included Dr Adele Botha and Professor Marien Herselman from the Meraka Institute who participated in research workshops.

The European Union Erasmus Programme for academic staff exchange funded Dr John Lannon to visit the Department where he taught on the ICT4D module led by Professor Caroline Khene. Ms Brenda Mallinson, a Research Associate of the Department, continues to make a valuable contribution to the research efforts, with a number of publications in the field of eLearning.

Significant Research Aligned Events
Through Professor Caroline Khene’s research in MobiSAM, she was invited to collaborate with the Public Service Accountability Monitor (PSAM), and serve as an expert panel member for the Pan African Social Accountability Learning Lab in Manzini, Swaziland. In addition, she was selected to serve as an Oversight Committee member for the National Treasury Budget Portal, to be launched in 2017. She currently serves on that committee as an observer to provide recommendations for how to best implement Open Government in South Africa.

Professor Caroline Khene also visited the Kemmy Business School at the University of Limerick in
Ireland where she taught on the Knowledge Management module of the Masters in Project Management programme. In addition, Dr John Lennon and Professor Caroline Khene also ran a live webinar on “Supporting Project Management Practice through Business Education: An International Development Sector Perspective”, hosted by the Project Management Institute (PMI) and Global Business School Network. Their continuous collaboration on ICT4D has led to the development and publication of a research paper.

Professor Greg Foster
Head of Department

Postgraduate students in the Research Lab.

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Books/Chapters/Monographs

Conger, S.

Peer Reviewed Subsidy-Earning Journal Research Publications

Foster, G., Nash J

Mallinson, B.J.

Peer Reviewed Non-Subsidy-Earning Journal Research Publications

Mallinson, B.J.

Peer-reviewed Proceedings

Conger, S.

Conger, S., Krauss, K. and Simuja, C.

Krauss, K.

Simuja, C., Krauss, K. and Conger, S.

Thomson, C., Nash, J. and Maeder, A.J.

Upfold, C.T.

Research Papers Presented at Academic/Scientific Conferences (Non-peer-reviewed Proceedings)

Conger, S., Krauss, K. and Simuja, C.
Conger S., Krauss, K. and Simuja, C. Issues in using Internet...

Khene, C.


Lewis, O.O.

Mallinson, B.J.

Concerts, Exhibitions, Performances, Workshops, Events

Khene, C.


International Visits

Khene, C.