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Unisa to launch the First Online Tax Clinic in South Africa

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The University of South Africa (Unisa)'s College of Accounting Sciences (CAS) will launch the Unisa Online Tax Clinic (UOTC) on Thursday, 6 August 2026 at Unisa Muckleneuk Campus in Pretoria. Although there may be other Tax Clinics in South Africa, the UOTC is the first of its kind in the country.

This online platform is a university-based community engagement initiative that aims to provide **free** tax assistance to eligible taxpayers while also offering structured, supervised practical experience to postgraduate taxation students. It is designed to assist and support individuals and families in managing their tax obligations and maximizing their financial benefits.

Unisa's Online Tax Clinic is an essential resource for those who may face challenges in understanding and completing their tax filings. The tax clinic will further demonstrate how higher education can combine innovation, teaching and community engagement to improve access to tax justice while preparing the next generation of taxation professionals.

Mr Donovan Castelyn, a Director at the University of Tasmania's Tax Clinic and an Honorary professor in the Department of Taxation will deliver the keynotes address under the theme "***Tax Justice Is Community Justice: An International Perspective on What Works and Why It Matters Here***".

The Commissioner of the South African Revenue Service (SARS), **Dr Ngobani Johnstone Makhubu** and the South African Tax Ombud, **Ms Yanga Mputa** will be present to endorse the programme.

Members of the media are invited to attend and cover the event as follows:

Date : Thursday, 6 August 2026

Time : 17:00

Venue : 4th Floor Function Hall, Kgorong Building, Unisa Muckleneuk Campus, Pretoria

Proceedings can also be followed virtually on the following link:

<https://youtube.com/live/XnnNGfWfres?feature=share>

Ends/.

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