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### **Prof Meahabo Dinah Magano**

#### **BIOGRAPHY**

Professor Meahabo Dinah Magano is a full professor in the Department of Psychology of Education at the University of South Africa (Unisa), specialising in Psychology of Education, with a passion for teacher education. Professor Magano spent 22 years as a high school educator, head of department and deputy principal and acted as a principal. She joined academia in 2007 as a senior lecturer at UJ where she was promoted to Associate Professor in 2012. In the same year she moved to Unisa and was promoted to Full Professor in 2015.

She is passionate about community engagement and was the recipient of the Woman of the Year Award in 2014 for Community Service at Unisa. She was the chairperson of the Education Association of South Africa 2016-2017. She is the Chairperson of Unisa Women’s Forum 2021-2023. Prof Magano has co-edited books and book chapters and has published articles and conference proceedings, and has supervised 30 Master’s and Doctoral students to completion. Prof Magano is an Editorial board member of South African Journal of Education EASA Journal at UP. Her niche area is wellness.

Professor Magano was a recipient of the Unisa Grant from the Women in Research Fund in 2014-2016. She further received the NRF Collaborative Postgraduate Training Programme Research Grant in 2017-2019. Professor Magano served as a Manager for Teaching, Learning, Community Engagement, and Student Support in the College of Education from 2016 to 2022. Currently she is the Executive Director for Tuition Support and Facilitation of Learning at the University of South Africa. Professor Magano was amongst the top ten finalists of Higher Education Women Leaders Awards HERS-SA in the category of Social and Human Sciences.