

False Bay TVET College celebrates the new college principal

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False Bay TVET College celebrates the appointment of Karin Hendricks as Principal of False Bay TVET College. Serving as Acting Principal since 2018, she takes the helm at a complex and challenging time in the history of public Technical and Vocational Education and Training Colleges.



Karin Hendricks

Karin Hendricks, a groundbreaker, and pioneer is no stranger to challenges and brings to this leadership role, insight, from both the corporate and education sectors. She has firsthand knowledge and 20 years' worth experience in building and shaping TVET College Departments, first with the establishment of a job placement department at South Peninsula College prior to merger of Technical Colleges in 2002. In 2003 as the Student Support Manager, in the newly formed False Bay College she established the first Student Support Department, which today offers a variety of support services to students.

A principled trailblazer at heart, with her direction, False Bay College took the lead in the country with the progressive implementation of Inclusive Education at all campuses opening access to physically challenged students. This was certainly ground-breaking for False Bay TVET College, particularly in a time when access and integration of students with disabilities in mainstream programmes were unheard of in colleges.

When appointed as the Deputy Principal of Innovation and Development in 2007 she oversaw the strategic implementation of key support portfolios i.e. Marketing, Student Support Services, Financial Aid, International

Partnerships, E-Learning and Strategic Linkages and Partnership Development. The strength of these support departmental are now synonymous with the quality Education and Training False Bay TVET College provides.

In 2012, she took up the position of Deputy Principal of Education and Training. In this role she led the college towards a number of significant milestones with her primary function being having oversight on Academic Delivery including the consolidation of the academic programme of the college (within ministerial and occupational programmes) and responsible to oversee and manage the delivery of academic targets as set out in the college strategic plan.

Under her leadership the college established a Distance Learning department in 2012. She was also one of the strategic drivers behind the establishment of the Centre for Entrepreneurship

She has served as a False Bay College Council member since 2003 including serving on several College Council governance committees: Academic Board, Finance Committee, HR Committee and Planning committee

She was the chair of the DHET regional Student Support Forum: (2015-2017) and served on the DHET Regional College Curriculum Committee: (2012-2017) as well as on the College Centre for Entrepreneurship Advisory Committee: (2016 - 2017)

The College has embarked on two mega projects. Two State- of- the- Art campuses will be built to serve the communities in the Western Cape in dire need of accessing quality education and training. The College will experience unprecedented

growth doubling its capacity when the new campuses become operational. Karin Hendricks will lead the charge with her accountable and pragmatic leadership, clear direction, and vision.

For Karin Hendricks, this is a wonderful college to lead and never more so at this time in our lives when we are challenged to take up the fight for education of our young people, while trying to do so safely under Covid-19.

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