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Sefako Makgatho Health Sciences University and the Mining Qualifications Authority meet to strengthen relations



Sefako Makgatho Health Sciences University (SMU) through the Office of the Vice-Chancellor Prof Peter Mbatia hosted a delegation of the Mining Qualifications Authority (MQA) yesterday 28 September 2023. The MQA delegation was led by their Chief Executive Officer Dr Thabo Mashongoane. The meeting took place as part of the University's efforts to strengthen partnerships with various institutions in support of the University's academic core business. SMU and MQA presented both their strategic plans emphasizing the need to collaborate more on research, funding of more students and community development projects. SMU further used the occasion to highlight issues

relating to curriculum gaps and Prof Mbatia mentioned that these curriculum gaps might be of interest to the MQA in terms of SMU's New Business Model. The session further gave SMU and MQA the opportunity to outline their particular strategies that will contribute to the skills development of SMU students and lecturers, while further strengthening the partnership. MQA currently funds some SMU students and it is envisaged that through the strengthening of relations, more students will in future benefit from the partnership. It was resolved that a workshop will be held in the near future to map out in more detail collaborative projects between SMU and MQA, which will then be reduced into a memorandum of understanding.



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