

Academic Newsletter

The Curtain Call

Dates to look out for:

- 18 September — HouseCA 2020/2021 EC Term Begins
- 21-27 September — Recess (1st and 2nd Years)
- 5-11 October — Recess (3rd Years)

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In September of 2018, as a fresh (and much leaner) first year student, my journey as part of House CA began. Over the past 2 years, I have had a multitude of experiences, and have grown tremendously as a person.

I have been able to be a part of a team that has become a family. Although the past year has been more difficult than we could've ever imagined, we have tried our utmost to use our social media and the newsletter, to continue our best to *Connect your Future*.

Like all good things though, my term as part of House CA has come to an end. With the help of my wonderful team, I have been able to turn this newsletter that was once just an idea, into a platform to allow House CA to share with students what is happening in industry, as well as with audit firms and banks.

It has been incredibly challenging to try keep content fresh and enjoyable, but, we hope it has been well received.

Every single member of the 2019/2020 Executive Committee has had a share in contributing to the newsletter, and has helped make it a success. And we all wish we could continue on as part of House CA.

However, this is far from the end of the newsletter. As announced previously, the 2020/2021 Executive Committee will be taking the reigns.



As an introduction for what you can expect in future, the editorial team, Alisha van der Walt and Sandy Soe have taken over pages 2 and 3 of this newsletter. They will be bringing fresh and exciting content, and will continue keeping you abreast with what is going on in the Accounting Profession.

This last feature article has been difficult to write without shedding a tear or

three, and coming to the realization that my wonderful journey as part of House CA is now over has been even more difficult. And tearful.

I will be forever grateful to my team for entrusting me with this responsibility. To the firms that provided articles or took over newsletters, I extend my thanks. And most importantly, to the students who have been loyal readers of the newsletter, or those who may have read one or two, thank you.

Although this is the end, this isn't goodbye. Hopefully you'll see me around. I wish you a restful recess (and a successful Year Test 3 series, fellow 3rd years). May every single one of us have a 4th quarter that saves the academic year.

Over, and out.

(Written by: Minenhle L. Mtshali, Outgoing Academics EC 2019/2020)

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 -  <https://www.up.ac.za/house-ca>
 -  EMS 2.88
(next to Accounting One Stop)



TAKEOVER

Get to know your new HouseCA Newsletter editors

Fun Facts!

I love boating and spending time with my friends at the Vaal River

I am addicted to a great fantasy book, but I must be able to smell and feel the paper in my hand, hence the reason why I started my own library

I love jamming to golden oldies as well as Spanish music

I love my authentic self, this is what truly makes me happy

Socials

 **@alisha_vdwalt**



Alisha van der Walt (Academics & Mentorship)



I'm 20 years old. We are four members in my family including myself. My sister is completing her matric this year and will be joining the "Tuks Family" next year. I was born and raised in Alberton. I completed my primary education at Randhart Primary School and completed my matric at Helpmekaar Kollege in Braamfontein, Johannesburg. I am a second year BCom Accounting student residing at House Nerina. I love to meet new people and am very excited and look forward to engaging all members of House CA. I am passionate about education and self-development and definitely still have a lot to learn but I am committed to be of service to you in any way possible. My favourite animal is an alpaca, and my love for them started when I went to South America for three months as an exchange student. Spanish is my third language and I absolutely love the language and the culture.

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Get to know your new HouseCA Newsletter editors

Fun Facts!

I'm allergic to tropical fruit, especially mangoes (ironic since that's my country's national fruit)

I love everything horror, but psychological horror is a favourite

Sport in any shape or form is my Kryptonite. I will sink in water and I will get hit in the face by a ball

I listen to all sorts of music. Let's just say playing shuffle button gets hectic - Kpop to opera to RnB to synth

Socials

 **@tinnybun**



Sandy Soe (Marketing & Transformation)



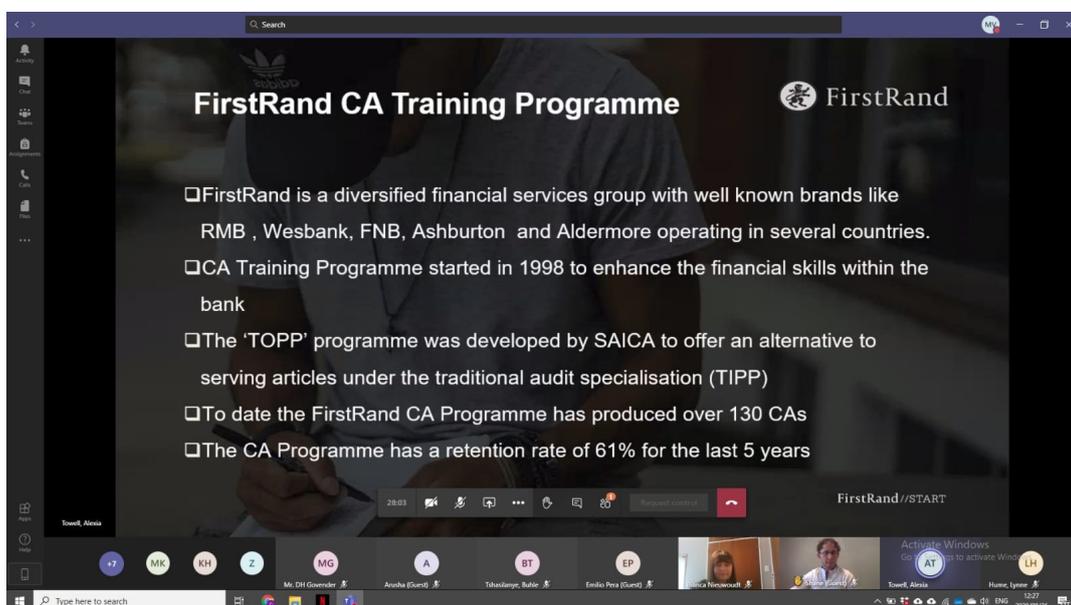
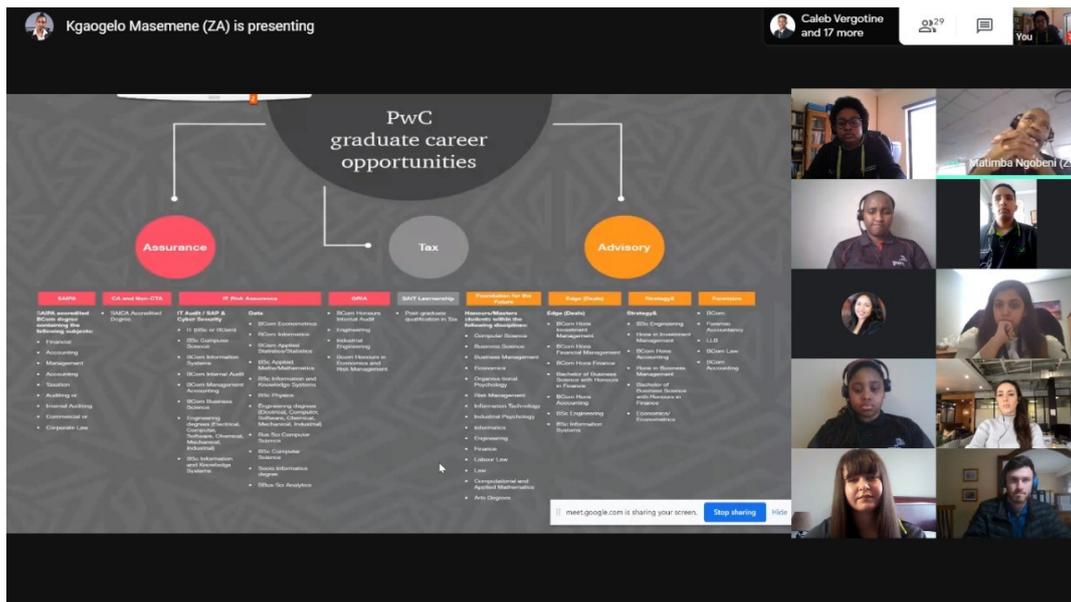
Hi! I'm a 1st year Bcom Accounting student (19 years old as of May 2020). I was born and raised in Pretoria but my ethnicity is Burmese (from Myanmar). I went to Lynnwood Ridge Primary School and Pretoria High School for Girls. My family consist of me, my mum and dad, and my 30 year old sister who went to the same high school and university (recently just got hitched). I used to be the editor of my high school newspaper so I'm helping out with the HouseCA newsletter as well as being in charge of the social media and transformation portfolios, so I'm really stoked to bring some flavour to the subcommittee and to Accounting as a whole. I wasn't the most outgoing person before but I'm hoping to be able to branch out and network with all sorts of folks and build some character. I'm a sucker for the aesthetic, and I love learning about new things everyday and staying up to date with the latest news. I look forward to interacting with you all soon!

House CA Top Achievers Tea — Recap

At House CA, we recognise the hard work every single student puts into their academic performance, to meet their own goals, and to produce the results required of them. With that in mind, we hosted 3 top achiever tea's, to reward the top performing students in each of the 3 years of the BCom Accounting Sciences undergraduate degree.

10 students per year were selected, and they were treated to a virtual tea hosted by a sponsoring firm. On the 13th of August, we hosted the first tea, in collaboration with audit and professional services firm BDO. The second tea was hosted on the 21st of August with the help of FirstRand. The last tea was hosted on the 1st of September, with the help of PwC.

All 3 tea's were a resounding success. Students were able to interact with the potential future employers, and received information about the graduate programs on offer at each respective firm.

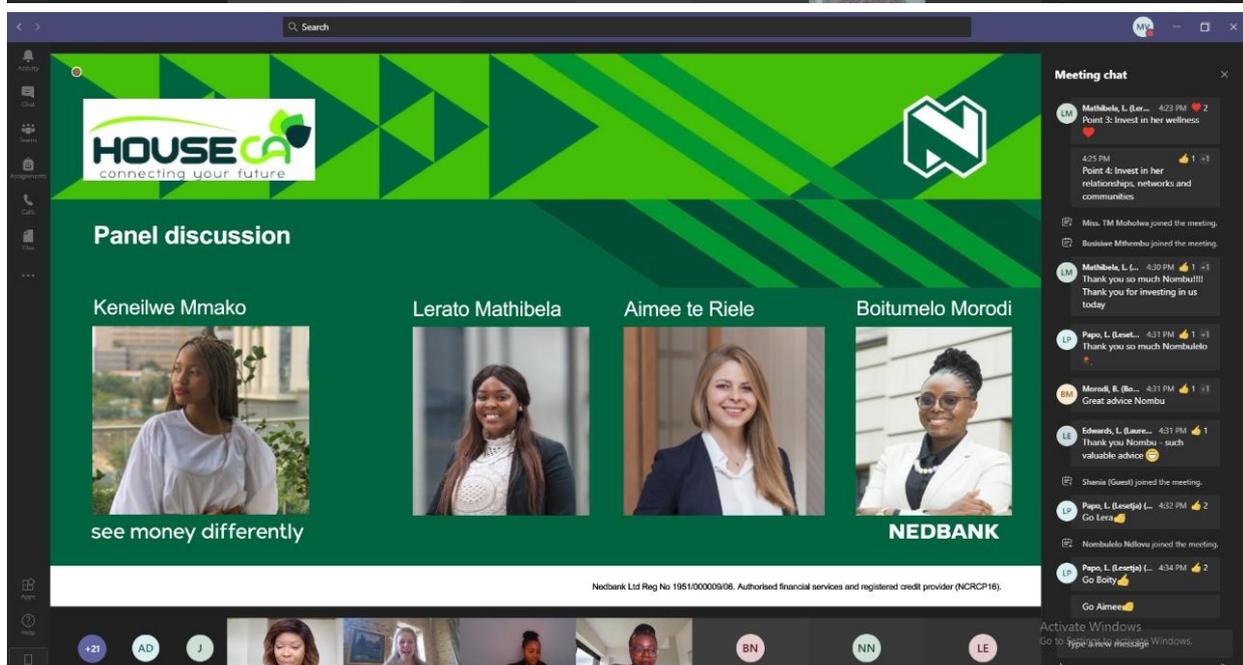
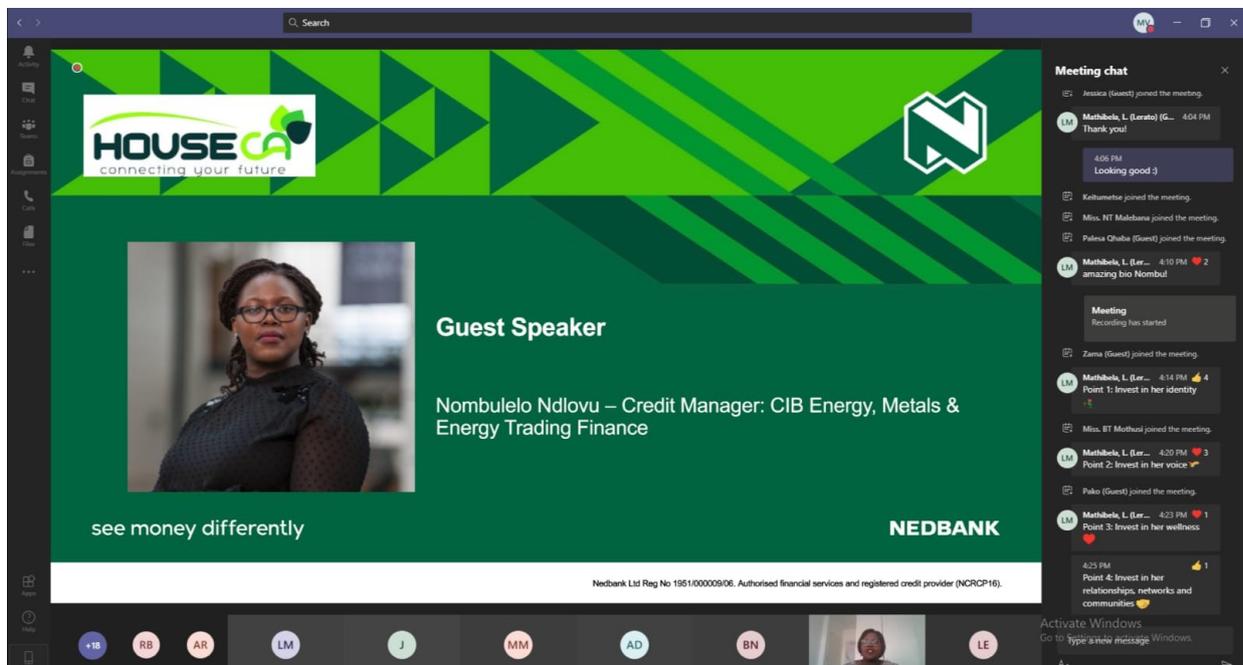


Nedbank Women's Day Event — Recap

Our annual Women's day event in collaboration with Nedbank was held on the 21st of August. It was a virtual event, held on Microsoft Teams. It had the theme "Invest In Her", and was a panel discussion hosted by our outgoing External Relations EC, Keneilwe Mmako.

There was a motivational speech, that was given at the start of the event, by the guest speaker from Nedbank, and a Q&A session with the panel of invited guests from Nedbank.

The event was a resounding success, with all in attendance having enjoyed the interaction between House CA and Nedbank, as well as the wonderfully presented opening motivational speech.



A Message from the EMS Diversity and Inclusion Committee

Dear EMS Student,

With the second half of the centenary year of the Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences now underway, you are hereby invited to make suggestions to help promote an inclusive and diverse culture in the Faculty.



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The restricted access to campus has left many staff and students unable to use the physical suggestion boxes located at the entrances of the EMS Building to submit proposals on how the Faculty can further embrace diversity and enhance inclusion. The option of making submissions online remains available via this link: http://bit.ly/EMS_Diversity and you are encouraged to make use of it. You may remain anonymous if you so wish.

Please note that while all submissions will be carefully considered, unfortunately the Committee cannot provide assurance that every suggestion will be implemented.

Kind regards,

The EMS Diversity and Inclusion Committee

Peas in a Pod Donation Drive

"It's not how much we give, but how much love we put into giving" - Mother Teresa

The HouseCA committee is a firm believer in giving back to the community and that the little one can do makes a big difference.

The outreach initiatives planned for the 2019/2020 unfortunately could not happen because of Covid 19, and the restrictive social distancing measures.

HouseCA had initially planned to kindly request students to help with donating Easter Eggs for Peas in a Pod. Peas in a Pod is a home and safehouse for girls who were previously abused. The Easter Eggs would have been personally sent to the foundation and the EC members

would have spent a day with the girls.

We have however, thought that it would be best to help them with their Fundraising.

May you please help with some donations, it does not have to be a specific amount. Any amount WILL make a difference.

Thank you in advance!!!
How to donate?

Peas in a Pod banking details.

For deposit into account:
Bank: Investec bank limited
Branch: 100 Grayston drive
Branch Code: 580 105
Electronic Account No.: 500 133 65584

For physical cash deposits



Bank: Absa
Branch: Ghandi Square
Branch Code: 632005
Account No.: 013 405 503 03
Deposit reference: 500 133 655 84

Investec Cash Investment account name: Urbanvest Foundation
Account number: 1100549201451
Account type: Fixed Deposit
Currency: ZAR

Updated University of Pretoria Calendar

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	Public Holidays		UP Examinations		Special Lecture Days
	Registration / Orientation First Year Students		UP Supplementary Examinations		INSYNC first year consort
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	Spring Day		Engineering Test Weeks		

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(Amended April 2020)

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Explanation of lecture days for 2020
(Amended April 2020)
Start 4 May 2020 (Complete Q1)

Semester 1: 03 February – 29 June

Quarter 1: 03 February – 8 May

Mo = 8*, Tu = 7, We = 7, Th = 7, Fr = 7 (36 lecture days)
*Monday 4 May repeating Monday 16 March

Quarter 2: 11 May – 29 June

Mo = 8 Tu = 6, We = 7, Th = 7, Fr = 7 (35 lecture days)

Monday 29 June Tuesday timetable is followed

Semester 2: 3 August – 13 November

Quarter 3: 3 August – 21 September

Mo = 7 Tu = 7, We = 7, Th = 7, Fr = 7 (35 lecture days)

Quarter 4: 28 September – 13 November

Mo = 7, Tu = 7, We = 7, Th = 7, Fr = 7 (35 lecture days)

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CALENDAR 2020 MAIN DATES (Amended April 2020)

Start 4 May (Complete Q1 – July/Sept short Recess)

Disclaimer: This calendar contains information relating to the academic activities of the University applicable at the time of publishing. Amendments to, or updating of the information contained in this calendar may be made from time to time without prior notification. The accuracy, correctness, or validity of the information contained in this calendar is not guaranteed by the University at any given time and is always subject to verification. All staff and students are kindly requested to, at all times, verify the correctness of the published information with the University. Failure to do so will not give rise to any claim or action of any nature against the University by any party whatsoever.

1 January	New Year's Day
3 January	Academic year commences
6 January	Commencement of online registration for senior students
6-17 January	Summer School
13 January	Commencement of online registration for first year students
13-25 January	Assisted online registration for first year students at Hillcrest campus
24-26 January	Special orientation for non-RSA students
25 January	Welcome Day
27-31 January	1. Orientation programme for new first year students at Hatfield campus 2. Assisted online registration of senior students at Hillcrest campus
30 January	Closing date: Submission of final marks for Autumn Graduation (Students will receive degrees in absentia on the official graduation dates announced earlier)
1 February	INSYNC first year concert
3 February	Lectures commence for quarter 1 and semester 1
8 February	Rag
10 February	Anniversary of the University's founding
17 February	Closing date for amendments or cancellation of modules (quarter 1, 2 and semester 1)
17 March-3 May	University closed for face-to-face lectures and assessments due to the Coronavirus pandemic
21 March	Human Rights Day
10 April	Good Friday
13 April	Family Day
27 April	Freedom Day
1 May	Workers' Day
4 May	1. Lectures commence online after recess for quarter 1 and semester 1
8 May	Lectures end for quarter 1
11 May	Lectures commence online for quarter 2
16 June	Youth Day
29 June	1. Tuesday timetable is followed 2. Lectures end for quarter 2 and semester 1 3. Last day for discontinuation of modules
15 June-30 July	Cooling off period for all non-academic student activities before and during the examination period
1-21 July	Examinations of first-quarter, second-quarter and first-semester modules
22-28 July	S0004/19 Supplementary examinations of first-quarter, second-quarter and first-semester modules
30 July	Last day of submitting supplementary examination marks of first-quarter, second-quarter and first-semester modules
31 July	Closing date: Submission of final marks for spring graduation
29 July-2 August	July short recess due to COVID-19
3 August	Lectures commence for quarter 3 and semester 2
9 August	National Women's Day
10 August	Public Holiday in terms of legislation
15 August	# Choose UP day
18 August	Closing date for amendments or cancellation of modules (quarter 3, 4 and semester 2)
18 September	International Students Day
21 September	Lectures end for quarter 3
22 September	Spring day
23-27 September	September short recess due to COVID-19
24 September	Heritage Day
28 September	Lectures commence for quarter 4
2 November-12 December	Cooling off period for all non-academic student activities before and during the examination period
13 November	1. Lectures end for quarter 4 and semester 2 2. Last day for discontinuation of modules
16 November-5 December	Examination of third-quarter, fourth-quarter, second-semester and year modules
7-12 December	Supplementary examinations of third-quarter, fourth-quarter second-semester and year modules
12 December	Academic year ends
15 December	Last day for submission of supplementary examination marks of third-quarter, fourth-quarter, second-semester and year modules
16 December	Day of Reconciliation
23 December	University closes at 10:00
25 December	Christmas Day
26 December	Day of Goodwill
4 January 2021	Academic year commences

GRADUATION CEREMONIES 2020

28 September – 2 October Spring Graduation Ceremonies
10 December Graduation Ceremony for LL.M in Human Rights