

## NEWS RELEASE Tuks FM scoops national and international radio awards



The Tuks FM team were thrilled to bring back a plethora of awards.

PRETORIA - The University of Pretoria's (UP) campus radio station, <u>Tuks FM</u>, has emerged as a titan in the realm of radio excellence, clinching seven <u>South African Radio Awards</u> and three awards in the <u>International</u> <u>Students Broadcasting Championship</u>.

"These remarkable achievements not only underscore the station's commitment to delivering top-notch content, but also solidifies its standing as a leading force in the dynamic landscape of campus radio," said Lwazi Mpofu, Tuks FM station manager.

## Tuks FM won the following SA Radio Awards:

- Station of the Year
- Afternoon Drive Presenter: Tshepang Moji

- Afternoon Drive Show: Tuks FM Drive with Jodell Tantij
- Breakfast Show: The Big Chief on Breakfast
- Community Project: Tuks FM The Voice
- Music Show: Tuks FM Top 40
- Night-time Show: The Tuks FM Sex Show

Tuks FM also received three awards at the International Students Broadcasting Championship, which is a development platform dedicated to acknowledging emerging radio, podcast and digital talent, with the aim of exposing them to potential employers. The station competed with several countries, including the US, the UK, Australia and the Philippines.

## Tuks FM won the following International Students Broadcasting Championship Awards:

- People's Choice Award: Tshepang Moji
- Best New Podcast: The Tuks FM Sex Show (additionally, Feedspot, a content reader for reading all websites in one place, recently ranked the show as the second-best sexuality podcast in South Africa)
- Best Community Initiative: Tuks FM The Voice

"This success not only reflects positively on Tuks FM, but also stands as a source of pride for the University of Pretoria as a whole," said Professor Flavia Senkubuge, Vice-Principal: Student Life. "We are excited about the acknowledgment of the efforts of the Tuks FM team on the international stage."

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Spread over seven campuses, it has nine faculties and a business school, the Gordon Institute of Business Science (GIBS). It is the only university in the country with a Faculty of Veterinary Science, which is ranked the best in Africa. UP has 120 academic departments and 92 centres and institutes, accommodating more than 56 000 students and offering about 1 100 study programmes. It has the most academic staff with PhDs (70%), NRF-rated researchers (613).

The 2023 QS World University Rankings by Subject ranked UP first in South Africa in Accounting and Finance, Law, Economics and Econometrics, Mechanical Engineering, Electrical and Electronic Engineering, Chemical Engineering, Mathematics, and Veterinary Science.

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