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## UCT interview opportunities

- **Minibus taxi operators develop their public transport planning and management skills at UCT** – Interviews can be arranged with Herrie Schalekamp on transport management training that 87 Khayelitsha and Mitchells Plain taxi operators are undergoing at UCT’s Engineering and the Built Environment Faculty
- **Helping to grow future scientists** – Professor Jennifer Jelsma, 2014/15 National Science and Technology Forum (NSTF)–BHP Billiton Awards finalist, available for interviews on giving young scientists of the future a sound foundation to develop their careers and research
- **Biodiversity conservation and environmental sustainability** - Professor Harald Winkler, 2014/15 NSTF–BHP Billiton Awards finalist, to be interviewed on his contribution towards biodiversity conservation, environmental sustainability and a Greener Economy

Category/Topic	Academic/Faculty Contact	Background	Contact
<b>Minibus taxi operators develop business and planning skills at UCT</b>	<b>Herrie Schalekamp</b> , Research Officer, Centre for Transport Studies, UCT	Altogether 87 Khayelitsha and Mitchells Plain taxi operators are undergoing training on public transport planning and management at the Engineering and the Built Environment Faculty of the University of Cape Town, as part of a capacity building programme funded by the City of Cape Town.  This programme is managed by the N2 Express Joint Venture, which operates MyCiti services in Cape Town’s Metro Southeast. The training at UCT focuses on areas such as public transport planning, bus operations management, and alternative contracting and organisation models.	<b>Mary Hilton</b> Tel: 021 650 4108 Email: <a href="mailto:Mary.Hilton@uct.ac">Mary.Hilton@uct.ac</a>
<b>2014/15 NSTF – BHP Billiton Award for: Research capacity</b>	<b>Professor Jennifer Jelsma</b> , Department of Health and	Professor Jelsma has been at the forefront of developing research in the rehabilitation	<b>Aamirah Sunday</b> Tel: 021 650 4976 Cell: 073 650 7743

<p><b>development over the last five to 10 years by an individual</b></p>	<p>Rehabilitation Sciences, Faculty of Health Sciences, UCT</p>	<p>sciences, which included developing postgraduate courses and running research training workshops throughout South Africa, Africa and elsewhere.</p> <p>She has played an important role in developing a culture of research and postgraduate studies at both the universities of Zimbabwe and Cape Town, and supervised or co-supervised 23 masters and eight doctoral students to completion.</p>	<p>Email: <a href="mailto:aamirah.sunday@uct.ac.za">aamirah.sunday@uct.ac.za</a></p>
<p><b>2014/15 NSTF – BHP Billiton Award for: Contribution by an individual or organisation towards biodiversity conservation, environmental sustainability and a Greener Economy</b></p> <p><b>Other UCT 2014/15 NSTF-BHP Billiton Awards finalists include:</b>  <b>Research Capacity Development over the last five - 10 years by an individual:</b>  Emeritus Professor Peter Beighton, Senior Scholar: Division of Human Genetics  Professor Sharon Reid, Associate Professor: Department of Molecular &amp; Cell Biology</p>	<p><b>Professor Harald Winkler</b>, Director: Energy Research Centre, UCT</p>	<p>An internationally respected scientific advisor on South Africa’s delegation to the United Nations climate negotiations, Professor Winkler has contributed to the development of energy and climate policy at both a South African and global level.</p> <p>He has led research providing an information base for Long Term Mitigating Scenario for South Africa, and contributed to pioneering research in the Mitigation Action Plans and Scenarios programme, with impact in Brazil, Chile, Colombia and Peru. He is also the lead author of chapters of two recent Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change Assessment Reports.</p>	<p><b>Aamirah Sunday</b>  Tel: 021 650 4976  Cell: 073 650 7743  Email: <a href="mailto:aamirah.sunday@uct.ac.za">aamirah.sunday@uct.ac.za</a></p>

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