

## University profitability and growth

|                       | Rmillion | Rmillion | Rmillion |
|-----------------------|----------|----------|----------|
|                       | 2014     | 2015     | 2016     |
| Recurrent income      | 3 199,7  | 3 485,9  | 3 775,7  |
| Recurrent expenditure | 3 096,0  | 3 350,3  | 3 547,2  |
| Net recurrent surplus | 103,7    | 135,6    | 228,5    |

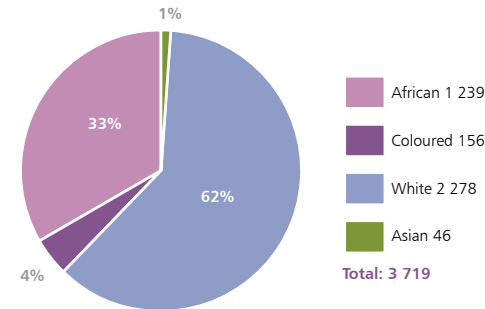
## Permanent staff as at 31 July 2017\*

| Permanent, professional and non-professional | 2015         | 2016         | *2017        |
|--|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Instruction/research professionals           | 1 453        | 1 466        | 1 424        |
| Executive/management professionals           | 101          | 92           | 74           |
| Support professionals                        | 417          | 441          | 417          |
| <b>Total professional staff</b>              | <b>1 971</b> | <b>1 999</b> | <b>1 951</b> |
| Technical staff                              | 233          | 242          | 221          |
| Non-professional administrative staff        | 1 273        | 1 272        | 1 158        |
| Crafts/trades staff                          | 27           | 31           | 30           |
| Service staff                                | 360          | 355          | 336          |
| <b>Total non-professional staff</b>          | <b>1 893</b> | <b>1 900</b> | <b>1 745</b> |
| <b>TOTAL PERMANENT STAFF</b>                 | <b>3 864</b> | <b>3 899</b> | <b>3 660</b> |

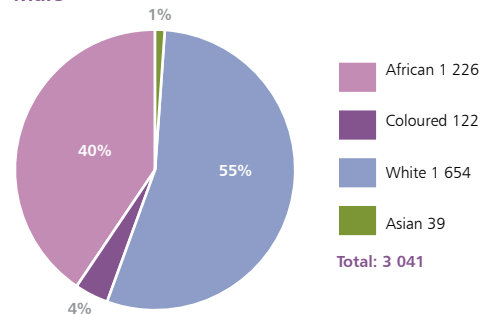
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## Racial and gender composition of NWU staff as at 31 July 2017\*

### Female



### Male



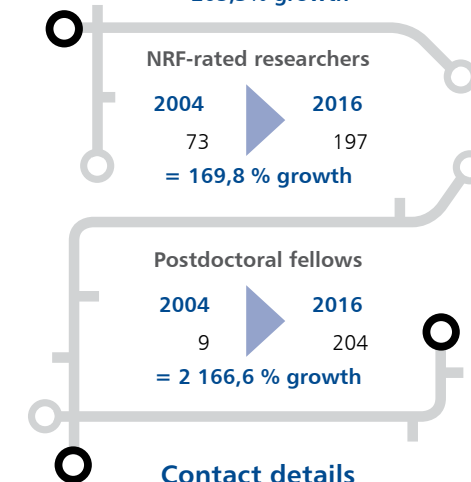
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## Research scoreboard

| Research output                     | 2011 | 2012 | 2013  | 2014  | 2015  |
|-------------------------------------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|
| Article equivalents                 | 653  | 791  | 1 010 | 980   | 1 075 |
| Conference proceedings              | 84   | 50   | 120   | 108   | 127   |
| Books                               | 36   | 28   | 40    | 39    | 49    |
| Total article equivalents published | 734  | 869  | 1 170 | 1 127 | 1 250 |
| Master's degrees conferred          | 639  | 670  | 781   | 746   | 742   |
| Research master's degrees           | 365  | 462  | 506   | 506   | 521   |
| Doctoral degrees conferred          | 115  | 154  | 168   | 171   | 222   |
| Doctoral degrees weighted           | 345  | 462  | 504   | 513   | 666   |
| NRF-rated researchers               | 125  | 140  | 171   | 182   | 189   |

| Postdoctoral fellows                  | 2011      | 2012       | 2013       | 2014       | 2015       |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Mafikeng Campus                       | 14        | 23         | 31         | 42         | 41         |
| Potchefstroom Campus                  | 71        | 88         | 103        | 114        | 119        |
| Vaal Triangle Campus                  | 4         | 3          | 6          | 8          | 11         |
| <b>NWU total postdoctoral fellows</b> | <b>89</b> | <b>114</b> | <b>140</b> | <b>164</b> | <b>171</b> |

Total weighted research output units increased from 798 in 2004 to 2 437 in 2015  
= 205,3% growth



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POCKET STATISTICS

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ON TRACK TOWARDS BUILDING A BETTER FUTURE

## Strategy statement

To transform and position the NWU as a unitary institution of superior academic excellence, with a commitment to social justice.

## Our dream

To be an internationally recognised university in Africa, distinguished for engaged scholarship, social responsiveness and an ethic of care.



**Prof Dan Kgwadi**  
Vice-Chancellor

Chief executive and accounting officer, responsible to the NWU Council

The NWU has three campuses. They are in:



According to the 2015 figures published by the Department of Education in 2017, the NWU was favourably rated, benchmarked against the other higher education institutions in South Africa. Here is the evidence:



In 2015 the NWU was the second largest university in South Africa based on the total head count. Of the 64 070 students enrolled here in 2015, a total of 26 127 were distance students.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> highest number of distance students

|                                  |         |
|----------------------------------|---------|
| University of South Africa       | 337 944 |
| North-West University            | 64 070  |
| Tshwane University of Technology | 57 246  |
| University of Pretoria           | 55 984  |
| University of Johannesburg       | 49 452  |

For the total number of degrees and diplomas awarded in 2015, namely 15 597, the NWU rated second in the sector.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> highest number of graduates

|                                  |        |
|----------------------------------|--------|
| University of South Africa       | 40 046 |
| North-West University            | 15 597 |
| University of Pretoria           | 13 441 |
| Tshwane University of Technology | 12 696 |
| University of Johannesburg       | 12 149 |

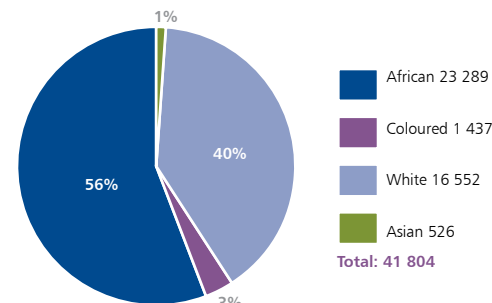
## Student statistics as at 31 July 2017\*

| Total student enrolments           | 2015          | 2016          | *2017         |
|------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| First-time entering undergraduates | 9 407         | 11 342        | 12 160        |
| Undergraduate diplomas             | 21 273        | 19 291        | 20 258        |
| Undergraduate degrees              | 29 187        | 31 134        | 35 880        |
| <b>Total undergraduate</b>         | <b>50 460</b> | <b>50 425</b> | <b>56 138</b> |
| Postgraduate diplomas              | 1 776         | 1 563         | 1 753         |
| Honours                            | 7 168         | 7 504         | 9 578         |
| Master's                           | 3 023         | 2 912         | 3 075         |
| Doctors                            | 1 448         | 1 560         | 1 528         |
| <b>Total postgraduate</b>          | <b>13 415</b> | <b>13 539</b> | <b>15 934</b> |
| Occasional students                | 195           | 229           | 241           |
| <b>TOTAL ENROLMENT</b>             | <b>64 070</b> | <b>64 193</b> | <b>72 313</b> |

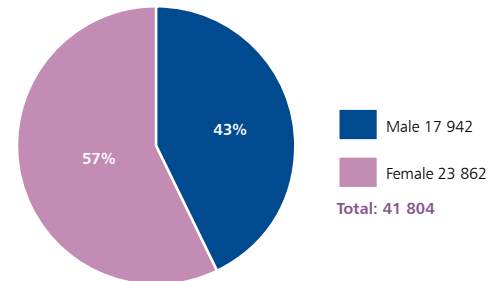
| By qualification type: Contact     |               |               |               |
|------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| First-time entering undergraduates | 8 361         | 9 641         | 9 738         |
| Undergraduate diplomas             | 1 081         | 1 075         | 1 027         |
| Undergraduate degrees              | 28 575        | 30 320        | 32 173        |
| <b>Total undergraduates</b>        | <b>29 656</b> | <b>31 395</b> | <b>33 200</b> |
| Postgraduate diplomas              | 1 766         | 1 542         | 1 717         |
| Honours                            | 1 915         | 1 980         | 2 116         |
| Master's                           | 3 006         | 2 891         | 3 060         |
| Doctors                            | 1 407         | 1 514         | 1 481         |
| <b>Total postgraduates</b>         | <b>8 094</b>  | <b>7 927</b>  | <b>8 371</b>  |
| Occasional students                | 193           | 225           | 233           |
| <b>TOTAL ENROLMENT</b>             | <b>37 943</b> | <b>39 547</b> | <b>41 804</b> |

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## Racial composition of contact students as at 31 July 2017\*



## Gender composition of contact students as at 31 July 2017\*



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## Qualifications awarded in 2016

|                            |               |
|----------------------------|---------------|
| Undergraduate diplomas     | 6 526         |
| Undergraduate degrees      | 6 233         |
| <b>Total undergraduate</b> | <b>12 759</b> |
| Postgraduate diplomas      | 1 016         |
| Honours                    | 2 453         |
| Master's                   | 720           |
| Doctors                    | 235           |
| <b>Total postgraduate</b>  | <b>4 424</b>  |
| <b>TOTAL</b>               | <b>17 183</b> |

## Qualifications by major field of study in 2016

|                                     | 2014          | 2015          | 2016         |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|
| Science, Engineering and Technology | 3 174, 20,81% | 3 526, 22,61% | 2 767, 16,1% |
| Business/Management                 | 2 720, 17,83% | 2 894, 18,56% | 2 954, 17,2% |
| Education                           | 6 559, 43%    | 5 689, 36,47% | 9 028, 52,5% |
| Other humanities                    | 2 801, 18,36% | 3 488, 22,36% | 2 362, 13,7% |