



Where success starts

what is the VUMA! portal?

FOTIM has received funding to develop an online portal that is intended to serve the collaborative needs of tertiary institutions, enabling them to enhance the learning experience of current and prospective students while creating a platform for academic collaboration and support.



vision

The VUMA! Portal was initiated in response to the needs of FOTIM member institutions, but its vision is to grow into a networked space catering for the needs of universities across South Africa, Africa and further afield.



students

The VUMA! Student facility is a one-stop point of access and support to students enabling them to make the most of their university careers and their personal lives. Through VUMA! students will have the unique opportunity to collaborate with students from other universities, share their views, submit their own content and resources, and become active contributors in building this community.



university staff

The VUMA! Portal university staff facility aims to become the premier location for online collaboration amongst university staff in their professional pursuits.



Its core purpose is to create a formal and informal space focused on stimulating collaborative efforts in curriculum design, materials development, resource sharing and student support.

prospective students

The VUMA! Portal space for prospective students will provide a mechanism for supporting students in making the right choices as they consider their options in higher education and future careers.



parents & teachers

The VUMA! Portal will be a source of advice and support to teachers and parents on the challenges



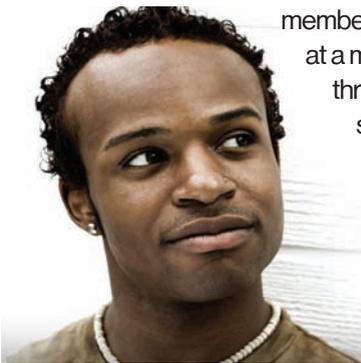
and pressures facing university students, and the roles that they can play in supporting students.

***promoting
higher education
partnerships***

FOTIM's vision is to create opportunities for the benefit of higher education through collaborative projects and initiatives. Its mission is to become an essential partner in the higher education sector through initiatives that add value and provide tangible benefits to institutions.

FOTIM's objective is to provide an essential service to higher education in the FOTIM region:

- by identifying priority areas of need and addressing these
- by raising funds for key projects
- by forming alliances with national bodies such as CHE, HEQC and HESA
 - by building capacity within member institutions, particularly at a middle management level, through workshops and sharing good practice

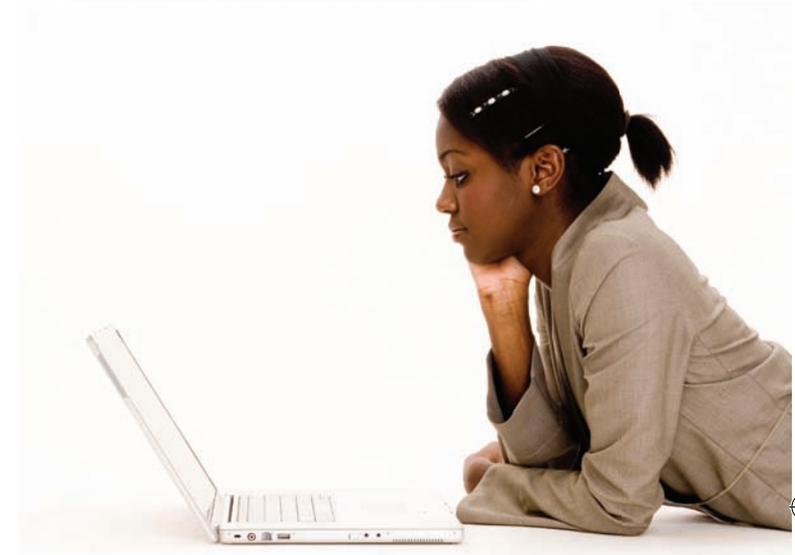


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The VUMA! Portal is a vibrant online space where students, prospective students, parents, teachers and university staff can join collaborative university communities in sharing information, ideas and resources.

