

THE UNIVERSITY OF KWAZULU-NATAL, STUDENT SERVICES DIVISION, DISABILITY SUPPORT UNIT
CORDIALLY INVITES YOU TO A WEBINAR ON

FULFILLING A FUNDAMENTAL HUMAN RIGHT: DEMYSTIFYING AND DESTIGMATISING ALBINISM



DATE

Tuesday,
28 October 2025

TIME

11h00 - 12h30

PLATFORM

Via Zoom

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SPEAKERS



FACILITATOR

DR ROSH SUBRAYEN

Dr Subrayen is positioned in Student Services Division and is the Disability Coordinator at the Edgewood Campus: School of Education at the University of KwaZulu-Natal (UKZN). She is a social worker and holds a Master’s Degree in Social Work (Family Therapy). She completed her PhD through the School of Education at UKZN in 2018.

Her research interests focus on the teaching practice experiences of Bachelor of Education students with disabilities in relation to social exclusion, human development and capabilities, disability stigma and Learning Communities for student perseverance, retention and success outcomes.

She presented academic papers at both international and national conferences. She has peer-reviewed articles and has published in both South African and international journals.

Her research interest is on disability stigma and management and has facilitated and presented at many UKZN webinars on stigma. She is presently co-authoring and scholarly paper on the experiences of persons with albinism.

PANELLISTS



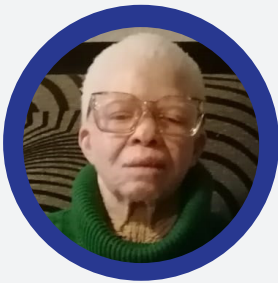
DR ASHLEY SUBBIAH

Dr. Ashley Subbiah is the Manager of the Assistive Technology Centre at the South African National Council for the Blind (SANCB), where he leads initiatives to enhance access to assistive technologies for visually impaired individuals across South Africa. With a strong academic background and extensive experience in digital accessibility and disability support, he is committed to advancing assistive technology as a catalyst for empowerment, education, and employment.

Dr. Subbiah holds a PhD in Biology from the University of KwaZulu-Natal (UKZN). His academic journey, however, was deeply intertwined with his lived experience of vision loss due to congenital glaucoma. By the age of 29, he had lost his sight completely, but rather than limiting his aspirations, he embraced assistive technology as a means to sustain his research and independence, gaining expertise in digital accessibility, statistical computing, and data analysis.

Dr. Subbiah previously served as the Information Access Officer at the UKZN Disability Support Unit, where he played a pivotal role in promoting accessible learning. He managed reformatting services and South African Sign Language interpretation, ensuring students with disabilities had the tools and support needed to succeed in higher education.

Beyond his professional roles, Dr. Subbiah is an advocate for disability rights and inclusive education.



MS MAMONANG EVA MOLED

Mamonang is a former learner and teacher of Bosele School for the Blind & Deaf in Ga-Sekhukhune. Further, she taught at three special schools. She terminated her teaching career to focus on skills development. This skills development led to employment by Wholesale and Retail Sector Education and Training Authority (W&R SETA) where she introduced Career Guidance at special schools as learners with an albinism condition were excluded from participating in mainstream schools.

Presently, Mamonang is the Deputy Chairperson of Tshwane National Albinism Task Force coordinating advocacy on the enjoyment on the rights of persons with Albinism. In addition, she is the Chairperson of the Disability Sector within Tshwane Civil Society Forum. Presently, she is leading a project in Tshwane on educating ECD Social Workers, school principals and teachers on accommodations for children with Albinism within the mainstream education system.

Academically, Mamonang is pursuing a Masters in Socio Education, researching inclusive education within the ECD sector with a focus on understanding and interpreting the experiences of children with an albinism condition within the ECD sector.



DR NOKUBONGA BAHLE SABELA

Dr Sabela is a medical intern by profession. She matriculated at Velangage High School and obtained her MBChB degree at the University of KwaZulu Natal.