



NELSON MANDELA UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT OF CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT INVOLVEMENT AT ANNUAL MBA CONFERENCE 9 – 11 SEPTEMBER 2018



The Nelson Mandela university department of construction Management had the privilege of attending the MBA Conference this year. All in all it was a well-organized conference and a great opportunity for students to attend. Five students were selected from the 3rd year BSc class to attend the event, namely:

- James Beale
- Ashvin Manga
- Kenekwuwu Onyekwuluje
- Rehathabile Nkoe
- Tebello Legodi

Four students participated in the Golf day held at Humewood golf club on Sunday the 9th of September to mark the opening of the conference. Even though the day presented tough playing conditions, it was a great success. The four ball consisted of:

- James Beale
- Mathew Keogh
- Jacques Smith
- Brendan Murphy

The Sunday evening opening function gala hosted by the Boardwalk hotel and conference centre presented an awesome opportunity for students to mingle with industry leaders and gain insight into the construction industry in south Africa. The entertainment and food was 5 star quality. The two day conference was jam packed with activities and useful information that served as a big eye opener for many students.



The Master Builders Annual Congress is a major highlight on the construction industry calendar that is aimed at addressing immediate issues and opportunities within the South African building and construction industry. It is an inclusive event, covering contributions from government, building industry leaders and all relevant stakeholders. Attendance is by leaders and owners of established and emerging businesses in the industry, senior government officials from sector departments, representatives from local government, financial institutions, suppliers in the construction industry and many more. Over 350 delegates from around the country attend this annual event.



Ashvin Manga - Attending the Master Builders South Africa Congress 2018 has been an incredibly fortunate opportunity. As a third-year student preparing to transition into an active member of South Africa's construction industry, the exposure and experiences gained through the congress programme are simply priceless. Through the impeccable coordination and facilitation of Master Builders East Cape I felt completely included and involved throughout the duration of the congress, this created a truly unique opportunity for me as student of the construction industry to radically broaden my understanding of our dynamic industry. The topics presented/discussed during the congress were all exceptionally valuable and has impacted me deeply. Our construction industry has many challenges ahead. My experience through the MBSA annual congress has left me confident that representative bodies and people are willing to drive the solutions necessary to create the future South Africans deserve.