

CURRICULUM VITAE
Prof WP VISSER

1. **Name:** Wessel Pretorius Visser
2. **Dated of Birth:** 16 July 1957
3. **Marriage Status:** Married, two children
4. **Academic Qualifications**

1980-B.A.
1981-B.A. Hons.(cum laude)
1984-Higher Education Diploma
1987-M.A.(cum laude)
2001-PhD (History)
5. **Other qualifications:** None
6. **Title of MA Thesis**

Suid-Afrikaanse Koerantberiggewing en –Kommentaar op Arbeiderspartye. Sosialistiese Partye en ander Radikale Groepe en Bewegings, 1908-1915 (Unpublished M.A.-thesis, U.S., 1987).
7. **Title of PhD Thesis**

Die rol van die pers in die politieke en ekonomiese mobilisasie van georganiseerde blanke arbeiderbewegings in Suid-Afrika , 1908-1924. (Unpublished PhD Thesis, U.S., 2001)
8. **Work history**
 - (a) Educational practitioner

History teacher, Point High School, Mossel Bay, 1985-1987.
 - (b) Academic experience

Lecturer in History, US, 1988-2002
Senior Lecturer in History, US, 2003-2013
Associate Professor, US, 2014-
9. **Membership of institutes/professional societies**

Member of the South African Academy for Science and Arts

Member of the South African Historical Society

Member of the South African Historical Association

Member of the South African Society of History Teaching
10. **Professional registration:** None
11. **Academic teaching, focus and research expertise**
 - (a) Under-graduate teaching

General History: revolutions as historical phenomenon
South African History: the history of South Africa until the twentieth century

(b) Research training to post-graduate students

South African historiography and historic icons, South African labour history, South African water history

(c) Research

The history of the South African labour-, socialist and communist press, South African trade unions and political labour, socialist and communist parties, the history of the South African Mine Workers' Union
The history of irrigation in the Western Cape

12 Service to institutes/professional societies

Member of the History Olympiad Committee of the South African Academy for Science and Arts, 1991-1998, 2002-2004

Member of the History Commission of the South African Academy for Science and Arts, 2002-

Vice-chair of the History Commission of the South African Academy for Science and Arts, 2018-

Member of the Executive of the Historical Association of South Africa, 2010-

U.S. representative on the editorial board of *Historia*, 2002-2003

Sub-editor of *Historia*, 2011-2014

Referee for:

Acta Academica

Historia

International Review of Social History

Journal for Contemporary History

Journal for Sport, Physical Education and Recreation Research

Journal of Humanities

New Contree

Scientia Militaria

South African Journal for Cultural History

The Journal for Transdisciplinary Research in Southern Africa

War & Society

Yesterday and Today

African Historical Review

LitNet Akademies (Geesteswetenskappe)

External Moderator for History, University of the Free State, 2004-2016

External Moderator for History, Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University, 2008-2012

External Moderator for History, Northwest University, 2012-

13. Service to university committees

U.S. facilitator on the Western Cape inter-university pilot committee for the implementation of a proposed post-graduate qualification in land and agrarian studies, 1999-2000.

U.S. representative on the governing body of the multi disciplinary UWC diploma in land and agrarian studies and course lecturer, 2000-2003

Academic mentor for Simonsberg men's residence, 2001-2005

Health and Safety Convener Wilcocks Building, 2013-2020

S.U. Secunde on the board of the Genealogical Institute of South Africa, 2014-

Chair of the local organizing committee hosting the biennial conference of the International Water History Association, Stellenbosch University, 30 June – 2 July 2022.

Internal panel member: NRF evaluation applications, 2018-

14. Service to departmental committees

President of the U.S. History Society 1990-1993, 1995-1997, 2006-2010, 2012-

Editorial secretary of the journal *Yesterday and Today*, 1995-1998.

Organising secretary of the Bi-annual Conference of the South African Historical Association, 19-21 January 1994, Stellenbosch

Departmental Secretary, 1989-1990, 1992-1993, 1998-2004, 2009, 2013-2018

Coordinator MA students, 2013-

15. Total number of research publications: articles-34; books-2; chapters in books-15

16. List of personal research publications

1) “Geskiedenisonderrig en die ontwikkeling van perspektiewiese, ewewigtige en kritiese denke by die blanke skoolgaande jeug” (*Die Unie*, Jaargang 86, Nr. 5, November 1989, pp.142-144).

2) “People’s History en Geskiedenisonderrig op skool: ‘n alternatiewe geskiedenis vir die Nuwe Suid-Afrika?” (*Gister en Vandag*, Nr. 25, Mei 1993, pp.32-39).

3) “Deurlopende Sillabusontwikkeling vir groter inhoudsrelevansie. Enkele didaktiese riglyne vir die toepassing van kontemporêre geskiedenis materiaal op skoolvlak” (*Gister en Vandag*, Nr.28, Oktober 1994, pp.21-28).

4) “Die politieke, ekonomiese en sosiale gevolge van die ontdekking van minerale met betrekking tot arbeid in Suid-Afrika” (*Gister en Vandag*, Nr.32, Oktober 1996, pp.24-32).

5) “White Labour Aristocracy and Black Proletariat : The Origins and Deployment of South Africa’s racially divided Working Class” (*ITH Tagungsberichte 34: Die Arbeiterbewegung – Ein gescheitertes Projekt der Moderne?*, Akademische Verlaganstalt, Vienna, 2000, pp.220-245).

6) “Hvidt Arbejderaristokrati og sort proletareat” (*Arbejder Historie, Tidsskrift for Historie og Politik*, (2) 2001, pp.52-69).

7) “The Star in the East. South African Socialist Expectations and Responses to the Outbreak of the Russian Revolution” (*South African Historical Journal* (44), May 2001, pp.40-71).

8) “The Uneasy Electoral Relationship between Socialists and the South African Labour Party, 1910-1924” (*Historia*, Vol. 47 (1), May 2002, pp.83-104).

9) “The South African labour movement’s response to the outbreak of the First World War and to declarations of Martial Law, 1913-1922” (*Scientia Militaria*, Vol. 31 (2), 2003, pp. 142-157).

10) “The Production of Literature on the ‘Red Peril’ and ‘Total Onslaught’ in Twentieth-Century South Africa” (*Historia*, Vol. 49 (2), November 2004, pp.105-128).

- 11) "To Fight the Battles of the Workers": The Emergence of Pro-strike Publications in early Twentieth-Century South Africa (*International Review of Social History*, Vol. 49 (3), December 2004, pp.401-434).
- 12) "Exporting Trade Unionism and Labour Politics: The British Influence on the early South African Labour Movement" (*New Contree*, No.49, April 2005, pp.145-162).
- 13) "Shifting RDP into GEAR": The ANC Government's Dilemma in Providing an Equitable System of Social Security for the "New" South Africa (*ITH-Tagungsberichte 39, "Mercy or Right": Development of Social Security Systems*, Akademische Verlaganstalt, Leipzig, 2005, pp.105-124).
- 14) "The Production of Literature on the 'Red Peril' and the 'Total Onslaught' in twentieth-century South Africa", in A Balezin (ed), *Archives –Key to African history of the 20th century. Proceedings of the International Conference in celebration of the 75th anniversary of prof. Apollon Davidson*. Institute of Asian and African Studies, Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow State University, Moscow, 2005, pp.150-180.
- 15) In collaboration with S van der Velden: "Strikes in the Netherlands and South Africa, 1900-1998: A Comparison" (*South African Journal of Labour Relations*, Vol. 30, No.1, 2006, pp.51-75).
- 16) "Dr. Albert Hertzog se bemoeienis met die Mynwerkersunie" (*The Journal for Transdisciplinary Research in Southern Africa*, 2 (1), July 2006, pp.145-164).
- 17) "From MWU to Solidarity – A trade union reinventing itself" (*South African Journal of Labour Relations*, Vol.30, No.2, 2006, pp.19-41).
- 18) "Labour and Right-wing Extremism in the South African Context: A Historical Overview" (*ITH-Tagungsberichte 41, Labour and Right-Wing Extremism*, Akademische Verlaganstalt, Leipzig, 2007, pp.125-148).
- 19) "Afrikaner responses to post-apartheid South Africa: Diaspora and the regeneration of a cultural identity" (*New Contree*, No.54, November 2007, pp.1-30).
- 20) "Dr. Albert Hertzog en die Mynwerkersunie – 'n herbeskouing" (*Journal for Contemporary History*, Vol. 33, No 3, December 2008, pp. 40-66).
- 21) "'From RDP to GEAR to Post-Polokwane'. The ANC and the Provision of Social Security for Post-Apartheid South Africa" (*Social Work*, Vol. 45, No. 3, August 2009, pp. 225-240).
- 22) "Die vestiging van Solidariteit se Helpende Hand as 'n suksesvolle gemeenskaps gebaseerde welsynsorganisasie" (*Journal of Humanities*, Vol. 51, No. 1, March 2011, pp.21-35).
- 23) "'Guard Your Interests and Read *The Worker*': The Rise and Demise of *The Worker*, Mouthpiece of the South African Labour Party" (*South African Historical Journal*, Vol. 63, No 3, 2011, pp. 367-393).
- 24) "The Wiehahn Commission and the Miners' Strike of 1979: White Labour and the Beginning of the End of Apartheid in South Africa" (*Journal for Contemporary History*, Vol. 36, no.3, December 2011, pp.50-64).
- 25) "'Natal is a White Man's Land': Anti-Asianism and Pro-White Labour Politics in Colonial Natal, c. 1906-1909" (*Journal of Natal and Zulu History*, Vol. 30, 2012, pp. 23-52) [Online].
- 26) "A last desperate, but futile, attempt to shore up the industrial pillars of apartheid: The Miners' strike of 1979 and the impact of the Wiehahn Reforms on South African labour" (*Workers of the World: International Journal on Strikes and Social Conflicts*, Vol. 1, No 2, January 2013, pp.195-214, <https://digitalcommons.ilr.cornell.edu/wotw/2>).
- 27) "Revisiting of the South African Mine Workers' Union – A Significant Factor in South African Mining History" (*History Research*, Vol. 3, No 4, April 2013, pp. 239-258).

28) “White settlement and irrigation schemes: CF Rigg and the founding of Bonnievale in the Breede River Valley, 1900-c.1953” (*New Contree*, No 68, December 2013, pp.1-28).

29) “Caught in a stranglehold between resistance and reform: The Mine Workers’ Union and rightwing politics in South Africa, 1979-1997” (*Journal for Contemporary History*, 39 (2), December 2014, pp. 101-119).

30) “Water contestations in the Little Karoo: Liaisons between the Calitzdorp Irrigation Board and the Calitzdorp (Kannaland) Municipality, 1912-2013” (*The Journal for Transdisciplinary Research in Southern Africa*, 11 (3), December 2015, pp. 293-315).

31) “‘Marikana Has Come to the Farms!!!’: An Analysis of the Socio-Economic Impact of the November 2012-January 2013 Farm Workers’ Strike in the Western Cape” (*History Research*, Vol. 6, No. 1, Jan-March 2016, pp. 40-54).

32) “Politics under conditions of war: The effect of the War Measures Acts on political struggles within the South African Mine Workers’ Union, 1939-1947” (*Scientia Militaria*, Vol. 44, No. 1, 2016, pp. 209-223).

33) “A perfect storm: The ramifications of Cape Town’s drought crisis” (*The Journal for Transdisciplinary Research in Southern Africa*, Vol. 14, No. 1, 2018, pp. 1-10).

<https://doi.org/10.4102/td.v14i1.567>

34) “Water as agent for social change, 1900-1939: Two case studies of developmental state approaches in establishing irrigation schemes” (*Historia*, Vol. 63. No. 2, November 2018, pp. 40-61).

35) “Between drought and deluge: A history of water provision to Beaufort West, ca. 1858-1955” (*New Contree*, 85, December 2020, pp. 1-21).

17. Books

1. *Van MWU tot Solidariteit. Geskiedenis van die Mynwerkersunie, 1902-2002*. Solidariteit, Pretoria, Sept 2008 (368 pp.).
2. *A History of the South African Mine Workers’ Union, 1902-2014*. The Edwin Mellen Press, Lewiston, 2016 (300 pp.).

18. Chapters in books

- 1) “Ou Beskawings in Prekoloniale Afrika”, in P Lubbe (red.), *Wêreldspektrum Boek van die Jaar 1996*, Pat Lubbe Publikasies, g.p., 1996, pp.44-49.
- 2) “Early African Kingdoms”, in J Kruger *et al* (eds.), *An Introduction to Africa*. Pat Lubbe Publishers, Stilbaai, 1998, pp.24-35.
- 3) “Urbanization and Afrikaner Class Formation: The Mine Workers’ Union and the Search for a Cultural Identity”, in SJ Salm and T Falola (eds.), *African Urban Spaces in Historical Perspective*, University of Rochester Press, Rochester and Woodbridge, 2005, pp.131-163.
- 4) “Afrikaner anti-communist history production in South African historiography”, in HE Stolten (ed), *History Making and Present Day Politics. The Meaning of Collective Memory in South Africa*, Nordiska Afrikainstitutet, Uppsala, 2007, pp.306-333.
- 5) “A racially divided class. Strikes in South Africa, 1973-2004”, in S van der Velden, *et al* (eds), *Strikes around the World, 1968-2005. Case-studies of 15 countries*, Aksant Academic Publishers, Amsterdam, 2007, pp.40-60.

- 6) “Ellis, Daniel Edward ‘Daan’ (1904-1963)”, in I Ness (ed.), *The International Encyclopedia of Revolution and Protest, 1500 to the Present*, Vol. III, Wiley-Blackwell, Oxford, 2009, pp.1087-1088;
 “Harris, Charles (1896-1939)”, in I Ness (ed.), *The International Encyclopedia of Revolution and Protest, 1500 to the Present*, Vol. IV, Wiley-Blackwell, Oxford, 2009, pp.1556-1557;
 “Paulus, Petrus Jacobus ‘Arrie’ (b.1930)”, in I Ness (ed.), *The International Encyclopedia of Revolution and Protest, 1500 to the Present*, Vol. V, Wiley-Blackwell, Oxford, 2009, pp.2625-2626.
- 7) “‘Jul mooiste besitting’: Die ontstaan van die Helpende Hand”, in D Langer (red.), *Gebroke Land. Armoede in die Afrikaanse gemeenskap sedert 1902*. Kraal-Uitgewers BK, Brandfort, 2009, pp.119-125.
- 8) “Afrikaner Responses to Post-Apartheid South Africa: Diaspora and the Re-Negotiation of a Cultural Identity”, in G Teulié & M Joseph-Vilain (eds.), *Healing South African Wounds*. Presses universitaires de la Méditerranée, Montpellier, 2009, pp.333-369.
- 9) “Die minerale revolusie”, in F Pretorius (red.), *Geskiedenis van Suid-Afrika. Van voortye tot vandag*. Tafelberg, Kaapstad, 2012, pp.183-199.
- 10) “Die ontwikkeling van vakbonde en georganiseerde arbeid”, in F Pretorius (red.), *Geskiedenis van Suid-Afrika. Van voortye tot vandag*. Tafelberg, Cape Town, 2012, pp.481-493.
- 11) In collaboration with A Senekal: “A Regenerative Form of Social Capital? The Case of Solidarity”, in T Uys and S Patel (eds.), *Exclusion, Social Capital and Citizenship. Contested Transitions in South Africa and India*. Orient BlackSwan, New Delhi, 2012, pp.446-465.
- 12) “The mineral revolution”, in F Pretorius (ed.), *A History of South Africa. From the Distant Past to the Present Day*. Protea Book House, Pretoria, 2014, pp.188-204.
- 13) “The development of trade unions and organised labour”, in F Pretorius (ed.), *A History of South Africa. From the Distant Past to the Present Day*. Protea Book House, Pretoria, 2014, pp.478-491.
- 14) “Governments, Parliaments and Parties, Labour, Labour Movements and Strikes (Union of South Africa)”, in 1914-1918 Online, *International Encyclopedia of the First World War*. [2016] http://encyclopedia.1914-1918-online.net/article/governments_parliaments_and_parties_labour
- 15) “The Stellenbosch Student, 1918-2018”, in A Grundlingh and H Oosthuizen (eds.), *Stellenbosch University 1918-2018*. US, Stellenbosch, 2018, pp. 92-166.

19. Book reviews

- 1) L Lange, *White, Poor and Angry: White Working Class Families in Johannesburg*, in H-SAFRICA@H-NET.MSU.EDU, 20.2.2004, pp.1-4.
- 2) ET Maloka, *Basotho and the Mines. A Social History of Labour Migrancy in Lesotho and South Africa, c.1890-1940*, in *International Review of Social History*, 50, 1 (April 2005), pp.109-112.
- 3) J Hyslop, *The Notorious Syndicalist. J.T. Bain. A Scottish Rebel in Colonial South Africa*, in *International Review of Social History*, 51, 1 (April 2006), pp.125-127.
- 4) A Drew, *Between Empire and Revolution: A Life of Sydney Bunting*, in *South African Historical Journal*, 60, 1 (March 2008), pp.148-151.
- 5) K Schoeman, *Patrisiërs & Prinse. Die Europese Samelewing en die Stigting van ‘n Kolonie aan die Kaap*, in *South African Historical Journal*, 62, 3 (September 2010), pp.613-615.
- 6) K Forrest, *Metal That Will Not Bend: The National Union of Metalworkers of South Africa 1980-1995*, in *Historia*, 57, 2 (November 2012), pp.516-519.

- 7) E-J Bottomley, *Armblandes*, in *New Contree*, 66 (July 2013), pp. 180-183.
- 8) K Schoeman, *Here en Boere. Die kolonie aan die Kaap onder die Van der Stels, 1679-1712*, in <http://www.litnet.co.za/Article/here-en-boere-deur-karel-schoeman> ,24.1.2014, pp. 1-8.
- 9) L Scholtz, *Die SAW in die Grensoorlog 1966-1989*, in *Historia*, 59, 2 (November 2014), pp. 407-410.
- 10) DB Katz, *South Africa versus Rommel. The untold story of the Desert War in World War II*, in *New Contree*, 82 (July 2019), pp. 89-103.
- 11) JS Bergh, *Paul Kruger: Speeches and Correspondence, 1850-1904*, in *Historia*, 65, 1 (May 2020), pp. 121-123.

20. Popular publications

- 1) “Voorbereidingswenke vir die Geskiedenisolimpiade”, *Gister en Vandag*, Nr. 24, Oktober 1992, pp.36-37.
- 2) “Geskiedenis wys veranderinge in status quo hou groot implikasies in”, *Die Burger*, 31.10.1997, p.21.
- 3) “Geskiedenis se Toekoms as Akademiese Vak is in Gedrang”, *Die Burger*, 4.8.1999, p.13.
- 4) “Afrikaner se identiteit – quo vadis?”, *Die Burger*, 20.3.2002, p.13.
- 5) “SAKP en wit werkers kom vêr pad saam”, *Die Burger*, 17.8.2002, p.15.
- 6) “Afrikaners en die Diaspora-verskynsel”, <http://www.solidariteit.co.za/home/content.asp?Parentid=23&ID=822> 7.3.2003.
- 7) “Die dilemma van ‘n gedeelde Afrikaanse identiteit: Kan wit en bruin mekaar vind?”, <http://vryeafrikaan.co.za/lees.php?id=115> 17.2.2005.
- 8) “Herinneringe aan historici en historiese kwessies”, *Historia*, Vo.54, No.1`, May 2009, pp. 287-288.
- 9) “Boeiende feite oor vroeë geskiedenis van Kruger-wildtuin en omstreke”, *Die Burger*, 6.7.2009, p.11.
- 10) “Wanneer ‘n Geskiedenisdepartement sy materiële erfenis verloor”, *Historia*, 56 (2), November 2011, pp. 191-192.
- 11) “‘n Tweede ‘Amandla’”, *Die Burger BY*, 11.8.2012, p.5.
- 12) “Skeldwoord ‘Boer’ in die landbou kom ‘n lang historiese pad”, <http://litnet.co.za/Article/skeldwoord-boer-in-die-landbou-kom-n-lang-historiese-pad> 9.1.2013.
- 13) “Die Swart Saterdag toe 21 mynwerkers in 1913 se ‘Marikana’ gesterf het”, *Die Burger BY*, 6.7.2013, p.10.
- 14) “Die weg na versoening is ‘n lang en moeisame pad”, <http://maroelamedia.co.za/blog/debat/meningsvormers/die-weg-na-versoening-is-n-lang-en-moeisame-pad/> 10.7.2015.

15) “Bloedige mynstakings geen nuwe verskynsel nie”, <http://maroelamedia.co.za/blog/debat/meningsvormers/bloedige-mynstakings-geen-nuwe-verskynsel-nie/> 8.9.2015.

16) “Kaapstad se waterbronne: Waarheen nou?”, *Die Burger BY*, 4.3.2017, p. 7.

17) *The Nel's River Dam of Calitzdorp, 1918-2018: South Africa's oldest working concrete gravity dam wall*. Calitzdorp Besproeiingsraad, Calitzdorp, 2018. 108 pp.

18) “Dink weer oor dié plan”, *Die Burger*, 5.7.2018, p. 11.

21. NRF rating

C3, Sept 2010-2016

C2, Jan 2017-

22. Post-graduate student supervision (completed)

Completed MA candidates

Supervisor = 8

Co-supervisor = 5

Completed PhD candidates

Supervisor = 3

23. International lecturing experience

Visiting fellow, Institute for Contemporary History, University of Innsbruck, Austria, March 2009; May 2011

Visiting fellow, Department of Modern and Contemporary History, Johannes Kepler University, Linz, Austria, April-May 2014

24. Papers presented at symposia and conferences

- (1) “People’s History en Geskiedenis op skool: ‘n Alternatiewe Geskiedenis vir die Nuwe Suid-Afrika? (Tweejaarlikse Konferensie van die Suid-Afrikaanse Vereniging vir Geskiedenisonderig 28-29 September 1992, Vista Universiteit, Pretoria).
- (2) Deurlopende Sillabusontwikkeling vir groter inhoudsrelevansie : Enkele didaktiese riglyne vir die toepassing van kontemporêre Geskiedenis materiaal op Skoolvlak (Tweejaarlikse Konferensie van die Suid-Afrikaanse Historiese Genootskap, 19-21 Januarie 1994, Universiteit Stellenbosch).
- (3) Britse Invloed op die oorsprong en vestiging van die vakbondwese, sosialisme en kommunisme in Suid-Afrika (Kongres van die Suid-Afrikaanse Vereniging vir Kultuurgeskiedenis, 29-30 Junie 1995, Pioniersmuseum, Silverton, Pretoria).
- (4) White Labour Aristocracy and Black Proletariat : The Origins and Deployment of South Africa’s racially divided Working Class (35th Linz Conference of the ITH -Conference of Labour and Social History, 14-17 September 1999, Linz, Austria).
- (5) The Star in the East-South African Socialist Expectations and Responses to the dawning of the Russian Revolution (Australian Historical Association Conference, 5-9 July 2000, Adelaide, Australia).
- (6) The History of the South African Labour Movement (ASCWA Seminar Program, University of Western Australia, 11 July 2000, Perth, Australia).

- (7) Workers' Strife. Socialists and the South African Labour Party, 1910-1924 (Seventh Biennial National Labour History Conference, Australian National University, Canberra, Australia, 19-21 April 2001).
- (8) The South African Labour Movement's Responses to Declarations of Martial Law, 1913-1922. (War and Society in Africa Conference, Military Academy, Saldanha, 12-14 September 2001).
- (9) Exporting Trade Unionism and Labour Politics. The British Influence on the Early South African Labour Movement. (International History Conference on the British Empire and the creation of British identities in the 19th and 20th centuries, University of Cape Town, 9-11 January 2002).
- (10) Championing the Cause. Newspapers propagating strikes as a mobilizing force in the early labour movement of South Africa (Fourth European Social Science History Conference, Den Haag, Nederland, 27 February – 2 March 2002).
- (11) The Labour Movement and Social Security in Modern South Africa (University of South Denmark, Odense, 4 March 2002).
- (12) Afrikaner Working Class Organizations and the Search for a Cultural Identity: The Case of the Mine Workers' Union (African Urban Spaces Conference, University of Texas, Austin, 28-30 March, 2003).
- (13) Afrikaner Anti-Communist History Production in South African Historiography (US Department of History Centennial Conference and Biennial Conference of the Historical Association of South Africa – The South African Past in the 21st Century, Stellenbosch, 5-7 April 2004).
- (14) The Production of the Literature on the "Red Peril" and "Total Onslaught" in Twentieth-Century South Africa (International Conference Archives – A Key to African History in the 20th Century, Moscow State University, 15-16 September, 2004).
- (15) Shifting RDP into GEAR. The ANC Government's Dilemma in Providing an Equitable System of Social Security for the "New" South Africa (40th Linz Conference of the ITH – Conference of Labour and Social History, Linz, Austria, 17-19 September, 2004).
- (16) Trends in South African Historiography and the Present State of Historical Research (Nordic Africa Institute, Uppsala, Sweden, 23 September 2004).
- (17) The Development of a South African Historiographical Tradition and Future Tendencies (University van South Denmark, Odense, 29 September 2004).
- (18) Coming to terms with the past and the present. Afrikaner Experience of and reaction to the "New" South Africa (Centre for African Studies, University of Copenhagen, Denmark, 30 September 2004).
- (19) Strikes in South Africa since the 1970s (Colloquium: Strikes in International Perspective, 1970-2000, International Institute for Social History, Amsterdam, Nederland, 22-24 September 2005).
- (20) From MWU to Solidarity: A Trade Union Reinventing Itself (86th Annual Meeting of the Southwestern Social Science Association, San Antonio, Texas, USA, 12-15 April, 2006).
- (21) Dr Albert Hertzog se bemoeienis met die blanke werkersklas (Tweejaarlikse Konferensie van die Suid-Afrikaanse Historiese Genootskap, Universiteit van Pretoria, 26-28 Junie 2006).
- (22) The metamorphosis of the South African Mine Workers' Union, 1902-2002 (Rethinking Worlds of Labour: Southern African labour history in international context Conference, University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, 28-31 July 2006).

- (23) Labour and right-wing extremism in the South African context – a historical overview (Labour and Right-Wing Extremism 42nd Linz Conference of the ITH – Conference of Labour and Social History, Linz, Austria, 14-17 September 2006).
- (24) Afrikaner Responses to Post-apartheid South Africa: Diaspora and the Re-negotiation of a Cultural Identity (International Conference on “Pax Africana: The Continent and the Diaspora in search of Identity”, Russian Academy of Sciences and Moscow State University, Moscow, 12-14 September 2007).
- (25) Dr. Albert Hertzog en die Mynwerkersunie – ‘n Herbeskouing (Suid-Afrikaanse Akademie vir Wetenskap en Kuns, Genl. J.B.M. Hertzogedenklesing Nr.36, Pretoria, 20 September 2007).
- (26) Rightwing Politics and Resistance: The Mine Workers’ Union and transformation in South Africa (International Conference on “Labour Crossings: World, Work and History”, University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, 5-8 September 2008).
- (27) A regenerative from of social capital: The case of Solidarity (South African Sociological Congress, “Making Sense of Border: Identity, Citizenship and Power in Comparative Perspective”, University of the Witwatersrand, 28 June – 2 July 2009).
- (28) From RDP to GEAR to Post-Polokwane: The ANC and the Provision of Social Security for Post-Apartheid South Africa (XVth World Economic History Congress, University of Utrecht, The Netherlands, 3-7 August, 2009)
- (29) Commemorating the early 20th century labour press: The rise and demise of *The Worker*, mouthpiece of the South African Labour Party (Bi-annual Conference of the Historical Association of South-Africa, Northwest-University, Potchefstroom, 22-24 Julie 2010).
- (30) Circumnavigator of the Industrial World: Archie Crawford, South African Labour, and Travels in the Global Sphere, 1902-1924 (In collaboration with L van der Walt: Political Travel in the Colonial World, WISER and History Workshop Colloquium, University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, 18 August 2010).
- (31) The Wiehahn Commission and the Miners’ Strike of 1979: White Labour and the Beginning of the end of apartheid in South Africa (International Conference: Strikes and Social Conflicts in the 20th century, Universidade Nova De Lisboa, Portugal, 16-20 March 2011).
- (32) South Africa 1994-2011: (Re) Conciliation of the Rainbow Nation Deferred? (Colloquium, University of Innsbruck, Austria, 19 May 2011).
- (33) “Natal is a white man’s land”. Anti-Asianism and pro-white labour politics in colonial Natal, c. 1907-1908 (Biennial Conference of the Southern African Historical Society, University of Kwazulu-Natal, Durban, 27-29 June 2011).
- (34) “The rise and Transformation of Solidarity, A South African Labour Movement” (9th European Social Science History Conference, University of Glasgow, 11-14 April 2012).
- (35) “Re-visiting the Mine Workers’ Union – a significant factor in South African mining history” (9th International Mining History Congress, Gold Reef City, Johannesburg, 17-20 April 2012).
- (36) “To publish a history textbook: Notes on the compilation of the South African Academy for Science and Art’s new history textbook *Geskiedenis van Suid-Afrika. Van Voortye tot Vandag*” (17th Annual Conference of the South African Society for History Teaching, Erinvale Estate Hotel & Spa, Somerset West, 4-5 October 2012).
- (37) “White settlement and Irrigation Schemes: CF Rigg and the Founding of Bonnievale in the Western Cape, South Africa” (North Eastern Workshop on Southern Africa, Bishop Booth Conference Centre, Burlington, Vermont, USA, 19-21 April 2013).

- (38) “‘Marikana has come to the Farms!!!’ The socio-economic impact of the November 2012 – January 2013 agricultural strikes in the Western Cape” (10th European Social Science History Conference, Vienna, Austria, 23-26 April 2014).
- (39) “Politics under conditions of war: the impact of the war measures’ acts on political struggles within the South African Mine Workers’ Union, 1939-1947” (Historical Association of South Africa Biennial Conference, Durban, 26-28 June 2014).
- (40) “Water contestations in the Little Karoo. Liaisons between the Calitzdorp Irrigation Board and the Calitzdorp (Kannaland) Municipality, 1912 – c. 2006” (25th Biennial Conference of the Southern African Historical Society, University of Stellenbosch, 1-3 July 2015).
- (41) “Student responses at the University of Stellenbosch, 1918-2018 – an academic society in a state of flux” (International Conference of the Historical Association of South Africa, Vanderbijlpark, 23-25 June 2016).
- (42) “Water as agent for social change. Dam-building and irrigation case studies of poor relief projects in early twentieth century South Africa” (International Water History Association Conference, Grand Rapids, Michigan, USA, 14-16 June 2017).
- (43) “The Mine Workers’ Union and the closed shop principle: sheltered employment and Afrikaner working-class identity in the mining industry, 1929-1948” (26th Biennial Conference of the Southern African Historical Society, University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, 21-23 June 2017).
- (44) “A perfect storm. The ramifications of Cape Town’s drought crisis” (Biennial Conference of the Historical Association of South Africa, Thaba Nchu, 20-22 June 2018).
- (45) “Die aanloop tot en stigting van die Kommunistiese Party van Suid-Afrika” (Virtual symposium of the History Commission of the South African Academy for Science and Arts, Pretoria, 29 January 2021).

25. Attendance of symposia workshops and conferences

- (1) Thirteenth Biennial Conference of the South African Historical Society, Unisa, Pretoria, 23-25 January 1991.
- (2) Biennial Conference of the South African Society of History Teaching, 28-29 September 1992, Vista University, Pretoria.
- (3) Biennial Conference of the South African Historical Society, Potchefstroom University for Christian Higher Education, 19-22 January 1993.
- (4) Biennial Conference of the South African Historical Association, 19-21 January 1994, University of Stellenbosch.
- (5) Kongres van die Suid-Afrikaanse Vereniging vir Kultuurgeskiedenis, 29-30 Junie 1995 Pretoria.
- (6) 35th Linz Conference of the ITH – Conference of Labour and Social History, 14-17 September 1999, Linz, Austria.
- (7) Die Anglo-Boeroorlog 1899-1902: ‘n Herwaarding, Oktober 1999, Universiteit van die Vrystaat, Bloemfontein.
- (8) South Africa-Denmark History for Democracy Symposium, 23 February-1 March 2000, University of Stellenbosch.
- (9) Australian Historical Association Conference, 5-9 Julie 2000, Adelaide, Australia.

- (10) ASCWA Seminar Program, 11 Julie 2000, University of Western Australia, Perth, Australia.
- (11) Die Suid-Afrikaanse Verlede en die Skuldvraagstuk. Geskiedenisberaad van die Suid-Afrikaanse Akademie vir Wetenskap en Kuns, Universiteit van Pretoria, Januarie 2001.
- (12) Seventh Biennial National Labour History Conference, Australian National University, Canberra, Australia, 19-21 April 2001.
- (13) War and Society in Africa Conference, Military Academy, Saldanha, 12-14 September 2001.
- (14) International History Conference on the British Empire and the creation of British Identities in the 19th and 20th centuries, University of Cape Town, 9-11 January 2002.
- (15) Fourth European Social Science History Conference, The Hague, Netherlands, 27 February-2 March 2002.
- (16) Internasionale Konferensie oor die VOC, Universiteit Stellenbosch, 3-5 April 2002.
- (17) Die Afrikaner Diaspora. Geskiedenisberaad van die Suid-Afrikaanse Akademie vir Wetenskap en Kuns, Garsfontein Onderwysentrum, Pretoria, 30 Januarie 2003.
- (18) African Urban Spaces Conference, University of Texas, Austin, 28-30 March 2003.
- (19) Southern Africa: Yesterday and Today. Biennial Conference of the South African Historical Society, University of the Free State, Bloemfontein, 29 June – 1 July 2003.
- (20) Die huidige grondkwessie in Suid-Afrika. Geskiedenisberaad van die Suid-Afrikaanse Akademie vir Wetenskap en Kuns, Garsfontein Onderwysentrum, Pretoria, 29 Januarie 2004.
- (21) US Departement Geskiedenis Eeufeeskonferensie en Tweejaarlikse Konferensie van die Historiese Genootskap van Suid-Afrika – Die Suid-Afrikaanse Verlede in die 21ste Eeu, Stellenbosch, 5-7 April 2004).
- (22) International Conference Archives – A Key to African History in the 20th Century, Moscow State University, 15-16 September, 2004.
- (23) 40th Linz Conference of the ITH – Conference of Labour and Social History, Linz, Austria, 17-19 September 2004.
- (24) Colloquium on Strikes in International Perspective, 1970-2000, International Institute for Social History, Amsterdam, Nederland, 22-24 September 2005.
- (25) Op die kantlyn? Die Afrikaner in die Geskiedenis en Afrikanergeskiedskrywing. Geskiedenisberaad van die Suid-Afrikaanse Akademie vir Wetenskap en Kuns, Garsfontein Onderwysentrum, Pretoria, 27 Januarie 2006.
- (26) 86th Annual Meeting of the Southwestern Social Science Association, San Antonio, Texas, USA, 12-15 April 2006.
- (27) Tweejaarlikse Konferensie van die Historiese Genootskap van Suid-Afrika, Universiteit van Pretoria, 26-28 Junie 2006.
- (28) Rethinking Worlds of Labour: Southern African labour history in international context Conference, University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, 28-31 July 2006.
- (29) Labour and Right-Wing Extremism 42nd Linz Conference of the ITH – Conference of Labour and Social History, Linz, Austria, 14-17 September 2006.

- (30) Die skryf van ‘n gebalanseerde geskiedenis van Suid-Afrika. Dertiende Geskiedenisberaad van die Suid-Afrikaanse Akademie vir Wetenskap en Kuns, Garsfontein Onderwysentrum, Pretoria, 26 Januarie 2007.
- (31) Southern African Historical Society Conference, Transformations, renewals and reconfigurations in Southern African historical studies – only skin deep?, University of Johannesburg, 25-27 June 2007.
- (32) International Conference on “Pax Africana: The Continent and the Diaspora in search of Identity”, Russian Academy of Sciences and Moscow State University, Moscow, 12-14 September 2007).
- (33) International Conference on “Labour Crossings: World, Work and History”, University of the Witwatersrand, 5-8 September 2008).
- (34) South African Sociological Congress, “Making Sense of Border: Identity, Citizenship and Power in Comparative Perspective”, University of the Witwatersrand, 28 June – 2 July 2009.
- (35) XVth World Economic History Conference, University of Utrecht, The Netherlands, 3-7 August 2009.
- (36) Tweejaarlikse Konferensie van die Suid-Afrikaanse Historiese Genootskap, Noordwes-Universiteit, Potchefstroom, 22-24 Julie 2010.
- (37) WISER and History Workshop Colloquium, Political Travel in the Colonial World, University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, 18 August 2010.
- (38) International Conference: Strikes and Social Conflicts in the 20th century, Universidade Nova De Lisboa, Portugal, 16-20 March 2011.
- (39) Biennial Conference of the Southern African Historical Society, University of Kwazulu-Natal, Durban, 27-29 June 2011.
- (40) 9th European Social Science History Conference, University of Glasgow, 11-14 April 2012.
- (41) 9th International Mining History Congress, Gold Reef City, Johannesburg, 17-20 April 2012.
- (42) 17th Annual Conference of the South African Society for History Teaching, Erinvale Estate Hotel & Spa, Somerset West, 4-5 October 2012.
- (43) North Eastern Workshop on Southern Africa, Bishop Booth Conference Centre, Burlington, Vermont, USA, 19-21 April 2013.
- (44) “Towards a social and interdisciplinary research agenda for the water sector in South Africa”, Water Research Commission Workshop, Kempton Park, 1-2 August 2013.
- (45) Geskiedenisimposium van die Geskiedeniskommissie van die Suid-Afrikaanse Akademie vir Wetenskap en Kuns: Die Gebeure in Suid-Afrika van 1914, Pretoria, 31 Januarie 2014.
- (46) 10th European Social Science History Conference, Vienna, Austria, 23-26 April 2014.
- (47) Historical Association of South Africa Biennial Conference, Durban, 26-28 June 2014.
- (48) Geskiedenisimposium van die Geskiedeniskommissie van die Suid-Afrikaanse Akademie vir Wetenskap en Kuns: Verkiesing 2014 – ‘n Jaar Later, Pretoria, 30 Januarie 2015.
- (49) 25th Biennial Conference of the Southern African Historical Society, University of Stellenbosch, 1-3 July 2015).

(50) Geskiedenis-simposium van die Geskiedenis-kommissie van die Suid-Afrikaanse Akademie vir Wetenskap en Kuns: Mediavryheid in Suid-Afrika, Pretoria, 29 Januarie 2016.

(51) International Conference of the Historical Association of South Africa, Vanderbijlpark, 23-25 June 2016.

(52) Geskiedenis-simposium van die Geskiedenis-kommissie van die Suid-Afrikaanse Akademie vir Wetenskap en Kuns: Waternood – is dit ons langtermyn voorland?, Pretoria, 27 Januarie 2017.

(53) International Water History Association Conference, Grand Rapids, Michigan, USA, 14-16 June 2017.

(54) 26th Biennial Conference of the Southern African Historical Society, University van die Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, 21-23 June 2017.

(55) Geskiedenis-simposium van die Geskiedenis-kommissie van die Suid-Afrikaanse Akademie vir Wetenskap en Kuns: Epidemies in die geskiedenis – oorsake en gevolge, Pretoria, 26 Januarie 2018.

(56) Biennial Conference of the Historical Association of South Africa, Thaba Nchu, 20-22 June 2018.

(57) Geskiedenis-simposium van die Geskiedenis-kommissie van die Suid-Afrikaanse Akademie vir Wetenskap en Kuns: Die Eerste Wêreldoorlog – ‘n vergete oorlog en sy betekenis vir Suid-Afrika, Pretoria, 25 Januarie 2019.

(58) Geskiedenis-simposium van die Geskiedenis-kommissie van die Suid-Afrikaanse Akademie vir Wetenskap en Kuns: Die Afrikaner onder druk, 1902-2020”, Pretoria, 31 Januarie 2020.

(59) Virtual history symposium of the History Commission of the South African Academy for Science and Arts: Kommunisme in Suid-Afrika: Verlede, Verloop, Vandag, 1921-2021, Pretoria, 29 January 2021.

26. Grants and awards

- (i) Receiver of the Rhodes Prize for History, 1988
- (ii) NRF Grant for a foreign research fellow, 2003
- (iii) US Subcommittee A Research Project Funding, 2004-2005
- (iv) Recipient of the 36th Gen. JBM Hertzog Commemoration Lecture Medal, South African Academy for Science and Arts, 2007
- (v) NRF KIC Knowledge Interchange & Collaboration Travel Grant, 2009
- (vi) HB and MJ Thom Research Grant, 2011
- (vii) US DRD Research Visit Grant, 2011
- (viii) NRF KIC Scientific Events Grant, 2011
- (ix) Vice Chancellor’s Award for General Achievement, 2011
- (x) US DRD Research Visit Grant, 2014
- (xi) NRF KIC Visiting Fellowship, 2015
- (xii) US Research Excellence Award, 2018