



Mandela Institute
for Humanity

THE MANDELA LEADERSHIP PROGRAMME

The educational focus of the MANDELA LEADERSHIP PROGRAMME is centered upon the scholarly awareness of Nelson Mandela's life and career in light of contemporary global discourse. This didactic initiative will not follow the traditional geo-political, cultural, and/or historical frameworks currently offered in university environments. Instead, it will be structured according to thirteen thematic areas which shed light on Mandela's teachings: Identity, Family, Education, Inequality, Violence, Justice, Confinement, Restoration, Negotiation, Globality, Normalization, Representation, and Legacy.

The mission of the MANDELA LEADERSHIP PROGRAMME is twofold: (1) to form future leaders (henceforth, Fellows) according to the philosophical, political, and practical teachings of Nelson Mandela; (2) to allow FELLOWS to establish long-lasting constellations of networks, under the aegis of the MANDELA INSTITUTE FOR HUMANITY, with global and local practitioners, academics, experts, and thinkers in the fields of diplomacy, statecraft, science, economics, law, and cultural politics (henceforth, VISITING INSTRUCTORS).

These goals will be accomplished through a carefully designed program of studies which include workshops, lectures, visits, exhibitions, and digital projects that will take place on-site in South Africa and on-line. The MANDELA LEADERSHIP PROGRAMME will thus serve both as a **hub** for FELLOWS from all walks of professional/academic life engaging in Mandela studies as well as a **think-tank** for international senior professionals who will serve as VISITING INSTRUCTORS.

The MANDELA LEADERSHIP PROGRAMME will be divided into three distinct phases: (1) **Cape Town Seminars**; (2) **Retracing Mandela's Footsteps**; and (3) the **Digital Global Conference**. The first will take place in Johannesburg and will last one week; the second will be on the road; the third will be online (½ day).

Phase one: **The Johannesburg Seminars**

(Week one; duration six days)

In order to establish academic gravitas it is imperative to attract at the MANDELA LEADERSHIP PROGRAMME the most qualified and talented experts, especially those who represent the cutting edge with important research and thinking. During the first week, the MANDELA INSTITUTE FOR HUMANITY will have thirteen VISITING INSTRUCTORS lead a two-hour seminar. During this week-long residence, each VISITING INSTRUCTOR will explore and illustrate aspects of Mandela's life and lessons, engage in discourse with FELLOWS, and pave new trajectories of research in light of these areas.

These are the individual seminar sessions:

1) **Identity**

In this first session, fellows will familiarize themselves with the notion of identity with respect to the complexity of Nelson Mandela's personal history, background, religion, and local, national, transnational, and continental roots and how these shaped his formation.

2) **Family**

This session aims to explore the role of familial clan and kinship in South Africa and their impact on Nelson Mandela's life and career, before and after his incarceration.

3) **Education**

This session will investigate Nelson Mandela's personal academic formation, from childhood to his university years, with particular focus on his role models, literary and scholarly readings, early writings as well as the personal network that he established before his incarceration.

4) **Inequality**

This session will reconstruct the political and moral temperature in South Africa in the first half of the twentieth century, with particular emphasis on the social and racial struggle that led to Nelson Mandela's incarceration.

5) **Violence**

Social and ethnic discrimination has marked the history of internecine conflict in South Africa (and in Sub-Saharan Africa as a whole). This

session will examine the political and legal use of violence (including torture) from a multitude of perspectives, using Nelson Mandela's personal experience as a case study.

6) **Justice**

The justice system in South Africa sublimated the institutional racial segregation. This session will spell out the systemic mechanisms of such discrimination and how these were gradually dismantled, during and following Nelson Mandela's incarceration.

7) **Confinement**

This session will examine the twenty-seven year incarceration of Nelson Mandela. Particular attention will be paid on his writings from prison and primary sources (letters, legal documents, medical records).

8) **Restoration**

The period following Nelson Mandela's release from prison marked an almost unstoppable personal journey that culminated with the end of Apartheid. This session will examine his creation of a political network and his leadership skills during a period of societal transformation in South Africa.

9) **Negotiation**

This session will chart the evolution and different stages of Nelson Mandela's political strategies. Particular emphasis will be placed on overt and covert diplomatic narratives with the South African establishment as well as with local political constituencies.

10) **Globality**

The depth and breadth of the global changes that Nelson Mandela brought forth can hardly be measured. This session will examine his impact on the public sphere and his use of media during and after his presidency.

11) **Normalization**

This session will address Nelson Mandela's presidency, with specific emphasis on his attempts to mainstream South Africa within the context of twenty-first-century political global discourse and to maintain internal political balance.

12) **Representation**

This session will explore how Nelson Mandela featured in artistic production (painting, sculpture, etc.), with a particular emphasis on public art, both in South Africa and around the world.

13) Legacy

The final session will address the perception of Nelson Mandela's personal vicissitudes and political career after his death in 2013 and the extent to which his name still serves as a model to the construction and safeguarding of democratic statecraft.

Program for Week One - Seminars

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thur | Fri |
|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|--|
| Morning Session 10-noon | Registration | Session 1 Identity | Session 4 Inequality | Session 6 Justice | Session 9 Negotiation |
| Lunch Noon-2 | Lunch Fellows & Visiting Instructors | Lunch Fellows & Visiting Instructors | Lunch Fellows & Visiting Instructors | Lunch Fellows & Visiting Instructors | Lunch Fellows & Visiting Instructors |
| Afternoon Session 2-4 pm | Orientation | Session 2 Family | Session 5 Violence | Session 7 Confinement | Meetings Fellows & Visiting Instructors |
| Evening Session 6-8 pm | Plenary Lecture | Session 3 Education | Meetings Fellows & Visiting Instructors | Session 8 Restoration | Session 10 Globality |
| Dinner 9-11 pm | Dinner Fellows & Visiting Instructors | Dinner Fellows & Visiting Instructors | Dinner Fellows & Visiting Instructors | Dinner Fellows & Visiting Instructors | Dinner Fellows & Visiting Instructors |

Phase two: Retracing Mandela's Footsteps (Week two; duration five days)

In phase two of the MANDELA LEADERSHIP YOUTH FORUM, Fellows will visit and experience the principal sites of Mandela's personal and public life. This tour will be led by local instructors (LEADERS) who either were close to Mandela or who have a direct relation with the specific site.

Program for Week Two - Travels

| Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri |
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| Johannesburg | Eastern Cape Mvezo | Eastern Cape Mthata | Cape Town | Cape Town |
| Morning | Soweto (Home Winnie & Nelson. Site of countless struggle protests and home to revolutionaries. | Nelson Mandela Museum tour of artifacts and documents followed by lecture. | Readings and lectures of the writings of Nelson Mandela depicting this very land. Excerpts from letters and Long Walk to Freedom. | Fly to Cape Town. Robben Island Tour. Lecture on Confinement and reading of prison letters of Nelson Mandela to be read by a family member. |
| Lunch | Nelson's law firm: Firm he founded with Oliver Tambo. | Picnic at the site of Nelson Mandela's first school | Lunch in Coffee Bay At Hole in the Wall. | Lunch at Mount Nelson Hotel |
| Afternoon | Rivonia: Site of Rivonia treason trial for anti-apartheid activists arrested on Liliesleaf Farm in Rivonia. | Drive through ancestral territory | Rest | Lecture at Mount Nelson Hotel followed by a tour of parliament |

Phase three: Digital Global Conference. (Date to be determined; duration one day)

After several months, each fellow will present a 5-7 min presentation on their projects in front of the Visiting instructors on a half-day zoom event. This will conclude the proceedings of THE FIRST MANDELA LEADERSHIP YOUTH FORUM. Fellows will have submitted a three-five page project proposal before the event, which will be evaluated by a committee formed by Visiting Instructors to award fellowships in support of such projects.

Tentative Budget

All expenses are in US \$

| Item | Travel: to Johannesburg from Europe/US | Room & Board (for 7 days) VI (for 14 days) F (for 7 days) L | Honoraria/Salary | Notes |
|----------------------------------|---|--|-------------------------|--|
| Visiting Instructors (VI) no. 13 | 19500 | 18200 | 19500 | Professors and practitioners from US, SA, and Europe |
| Fellows (F) no. 27 | 40500 | 37800 | 0 | Students from universities from US, SA, and Europe |
| Leaders (L) no. 10 | 15000 | 4200 | 15000 | Local SA leaders |
| Staff-Director of Studies | 15000 | | | Academic in charge of educational programming |

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| Staff - Educational Coordinator | 1500 | 3500 | 15000 | This includes pre-production and on-site supervision for a total of 3 months |
| Staff - On-site coordinator | 1500 | 3500 | 5000 | Two-weeks on-site supervision |
| Staff - Assistant to Director of Studies | 1500 | 3500 | 10000 | This includes pre-production and on-site supervision for a total of 3 months |
| Staff - Social Media Manager | 1500 | 3500 | 5000 | SMM documenting and posting phases one & two |
| Staff - Academic Program Creator | 1500 | 1400 | 7500 | Creation of educational products to be sold to universities |
| Rent - Classrooms (Phase one) | | | 10000 | For one week, in Johannesburg |
| Transportation Bus (Phase two) | | 1400 | 2500 | To and from the Mandela sites, including r&b for driver |
| Transportation Airplane (Phase two) | | | 10000 | Roundtrip Johannesburg Cape Town |
| Grand Total | 274000 | | | |

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