

BIOGRAPHY: ANTOINETTE LOMBARD

Antoinette Lombard is professor in Social Work and head of the Department of Social Work and Criminology at the University of Pretoria, South Africa. After working seven years in community development practice, she joined academia where she has been for the past 33 years. Remaining a community developer at heart, her research interest is in social development and developmental social, social transformation and sustainable development.

She played a leading role in developing social work education and the profession in South Africa. She served for a period of 15 years in national professional bodies, including professional councils and boards. She chaired the Standard Generating Body for Social Work resulting in the first registered minimum standards for the BSW programme in South Africa. She also chaired and led the Continuing Professional Development (CPD) research and policy development process in South Africa culminating in the first CPD policy of the social work profession. More recently, she was a member of the Council for Higher Education's task team in drafting the standards for the Bachelor of Social Work qualification which came into effect in 2015.

She represents the International Association for Schools of Social Work (IASSW) on the Global Taskforce of the Global Agenda for Social Work and Social Development and coordinates the Global Agenda in the Africa region. She is the Director of the Ubuntu Study Abroad programme for the Fordham University students at the University of Pretoria which includes a community engagement and service-learning component in South African communities. In 2013 her contribution was recognised by receiving the *James Billups International Social Development Leadership Award* of the International Consortium for Social Development.

She has published widely and supervised more than 80 doctoral and master's students. In 2017, she received the Association for South African Social Work Education Institution's (ASASWEI) Distinguish Educator of the Year Award. She is a rated researcher at the National Research Foundation in South Africa and a member of the Academy of Science of South Africa (ASSAF).