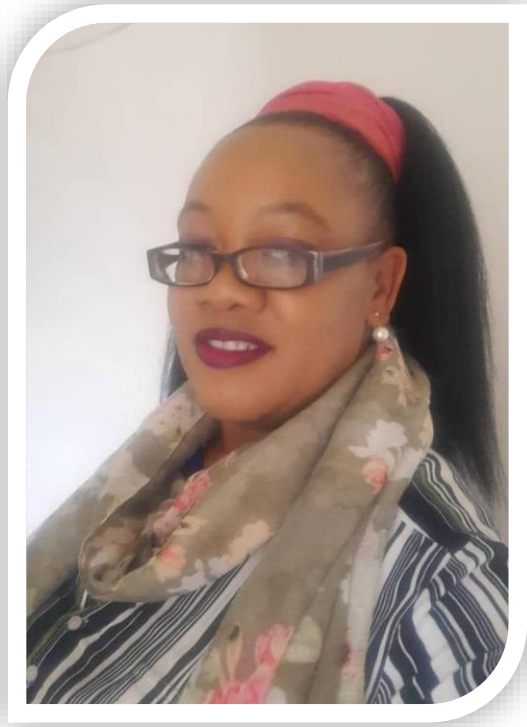


A MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN OF STUDENTS



Sarafina Mudavanhu

Dear Students

Happy New Year!!!! To all of you, I want to extend my warm wishes for good health, peace, more joy and fulfilment in 2023. Wishing that the new year brings new hopes and new opportunities for you.

As we start the new year, I encourage you to spend a few minutes thinking about what worked well for you last year (2022) – and what potential changes may benefit you, your school, your friends and our HIT community in this new year. I suggest that you commit yourself to making this semester and this year successful.

- What statement will you make about yourself?
- Personally and academically, what is most important to you?
- In what area of your life do you need to buckle down and devote time or energy into in order to be successful?
- What will you commit to????

A new year brings new age, hope for better opportunities, the opportunity to move confidently towards long-set goals and priorities, better grades, and new possibilities to bring about a world with peace and prosperity to all. In that vein, we say good-bye to 2022 and welcome 2023. In this new year let us all commit to being proactive and take ownership of our actions and attitudes. It is my hope that as students, you can continue to work together in a good way in order to ensure that we all have the best HIT experience possible as we engage in learning, research, sports, clubs and all other out of class activities.

In the upcoming semester, I would like to encourage you to take part in the many educational events, trainings, and workshops that shall be availed to you through the Student Affairs Division We will also prioritise improving the student experience both inside the classroom and beyond. As the Student Affairs Division, we are planning to host a series of

workshops, trainings, and events related to innovation, technology, grooming and etiquette, motivational speaking, entrepreneurship, life skills, relationships, financial management, sports, spiritual life, health, wellness and more. There are a number of exciting initiatives coming up this semester so do not be left out.

I would also like to encourage all students to take advantage of campus support and services as required. The Student Affairs Division is operating both physically and remotely and is here to support your learning needs. The Division offers a variety of social, emotional, spiritual and academic support services even when you are on vacation. We are committed to taking active and meaningful steps to address challenges that you as students may face during your course of study at HIT. We have accomplished many things together in the first half of this academic year, and this work will continue through the second semester of our academic calendar. We remain steadfast in our commitment to supporting the holistic development of the students through the provision of conducive living and learning environments.

I would like to encourage each one of you to remember that COVID_19 has not totally gone, it is still with us so I encourage those who still have not received their full vaccinations to be vaccinated and always

stay abreast with new updates. We are better prepared for the challenges, and can be more proactive. I therefore urge all of you to keep safe by remembering to mask up in public place and in public transport in order to safeguard our health.

It is my wish as your Dean that 2023 brings continued health, happiness and peace to the HIT students and the community while we continue to recognise the strengths, as well as the opportunities around us. My wish is that 2023 will see you thrive academically, contribute meaningfully to addressing critical problems, and serve as role models in bringing in an era of dialogue as we continue to raise the bar and design the future of our nation and the world.

I wish you a happy New Year and thank you for your extraordinary efforts during 2022. Let the New Year 2023 bring you good news, happy events, add vitality, creative inspiration, faith in fulfilling cherished dreams and hopes! You are HIT, and we value your contribution to making an intellectually vibrant, diverse, innovative and entrepreneurial university. Thank you for being a part it.

Many of you know me well. For those that I have not met, I hope we can change that soon. I will try to reach out to you individually or in small groups to learn more about the full breadth of activities,

ideas, and aspirations you have had during your period of study at HIT. Your dedication to our shared vision of designing the future and our destiny to be the stimulant of scholarship in innovation. is sincerely appreciated. Our Vice Chancellor states that Innovation in technology is the touchstone of all our activities as we mould and produce a new generation of technology cadres that are hands-on, competency and proficiency driven as well as having the stamina to venture into and set up high-tech business enterprises. Your contribution to this vision is never taken for granted.

I would love to hear from you, and I look forward to catching up in the new year. In the meantime, best wishes for a healthy, productive and safe 2023!

Keep safe and take care of yourselves!

Be Blessed!!!

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