

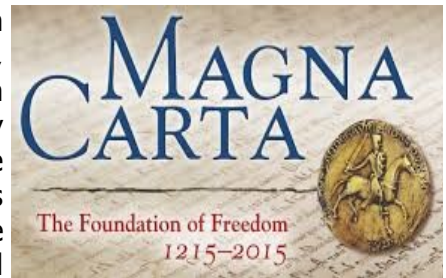
DURBAN ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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Dear Alumni and friends,

Talk on Magna Carta – The Game Changer - by UKZN Alumnus and Lecturer, David Hulme

In June 2015 the legal instrument known as Magna Carta had its 800th anniversary. In South Africa this event went by largely unnoticed, indeed, Magna Carta is seldom if ever considered by South African lawyers today. In fact many would never have heard of it, or if they had would only have a vague notion of what it might be. The same might even be true of South African historians. Even those individuals who are slightly more knowledgeable about Magna Carta might be dismissive about its current relevance. After all, only four of the original sixty-three provisions are still in force. They might also be cynical about its origins and contend that it was merely devised to protect the rights of barons. Others might perceive it to be an old 'document', known to have influenced other old documents such as the Bill of Rights of 1689 and the US Bill of Rights of 1791. A deeper appreciation might discern its role in the creation of due process for the criminally accused, but its significance is far broader. In fact it had a profound effect in the promotion of the rule of law as well as separation of powers and had effect far beyond the intentions of its creators. With this in mind, Hulme intends to address the issue of Magna Carta's role in the creation of Parliament and the abolition of absolute monarchy in Britain.



David Hulme is a Senior Lecturer in the field of Public Law at the School of Law. He holds a Bachelors of Arts (BA) degree, a Bachelor of Laws (LLB) degree and a Master of Laws (LLM) degree from the University of Natal. Hulme is an admitted Attorney of the South African High Court. His research interests include Constitutional Law, the Judiciary, Administrative Law, Court Systems, Civil Procedure, Evidence and certain aspects of International Law. He has recently formed an interest in legal history from a constitutional perspective. He continues to be interested in the issue of access to justice from a procedural perspective.

Join us for what promises to be a most inspiring and informative evening with wine, juice, snacks and good-company afterwards!

DATE : Monday, 16 September 2019
TIME : 17h00 for 17h30
VENUE: Murray Lecture Theatre, (Centenary Building, opposite the Elizabeth Sneddon Theatre entrance) Howard College Campus, Durban
COST : R50 per person (payable on arrival)
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