



VICE-CHANCELLOR'S MESSAGE FOR 1986 PRIMER

You are perhaps feeling a little awed by the exciting new life on which you are embarking, some eight hundred other students who have never been to university are, too. No doubt you are realizing, perhaps with some trepidation, how different university is from high school.

The essence of the difference between high school and university lies in the way you are regarded. You are no longer school pupils, but young adults, and will be treated by the university as such. It is up to you to organize your time wisely, to attend lectures and tutorials regularly, to perform and hand in assignments on time, to prepare adequately for examinations, and so on. It is also up to you to decide how much time you will devote to sporting and social activities.

Fortunately, you are not expected to dive in at the deep end of university life and begin to swim immediately. Orientation Week has been organized to help prepare you to enjoy the wonderful opportunities available in the academic, social and sporting fields. I urge you to take full advantage of the programme to learn about Rhodes and university life in general. If you have any difficulties or questions, there are many people available to help you, from the Student Adviser and the wardening staff to the Students' Representative Council members.

I bid you a very warm welcome to Rhodes University, and I trust your time here will be happy and fruitful.

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