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VICE-CHANCELLOR'S
ANNUAL REPORT 1995

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RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS AND OTHER AFFILIATED ORGANISATIONS

Academic Development Programme, including the Computer-based Education Unit
 Albany Museum
 Biopharmaceutics Research Institute
 Centre for Social Development
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 Leather Industries Research Institute
 Molteno Project
 National English Literary Museum
 Rhodes University Mathematics Education Project
 Southern Ocean Group

STATISTICS

Founded in 1904
Students: 4 656
Men: 2 229
Women: 2 427
Grahamstown students: 3 923
East London Students: 733
Academic staff: Grahamstown - 257; East London - 34.
 Total 291
Administrative and technical staff: Grahamstown - 403;
 East London - 10. Total 413
Service Staff: Grahamstown - 410; East London - 4.
 Total 414
Student/Academic Staff ratio: 16:1
Halls of Residence: 8
Residences: 36
Students in residence: 1939
Grounds: 204 hectares

RHODES UNIVERSITY FINANCIAL REPORT

The attached summarised operating statements reflect the breakdown of the major revenue and expenditure components. In nominal rands the State subsidy increased by R3,9m over the previous year, but reflected a reduction as a proportion of total income to 61,8%. It is interesting to note that this item reduced from 74% of total operating income in 1987 to 61,8% in 1995. The effect of this has been to increase the burden of financing the University on fee payers by them contributing 31,7% of total income in 1995 compared with 19% in 1987. It is pleasing to report that in announcing the subsidy for 1996 the State has taken into account this real reduction in its contribution towards universities' operating costs. The subsidy for 1996 reflects a meaningful increase over 1995.

Insofar as expenditure is concerned the report is presented under "Activity" headings and it is clear from a reading of that report that expenditure in all areas for 1995 had to be tightly monitored.

The summarised operating statement for the residences which is a self-funding operation and is not reliant on any contribution from the central university budget reflects satisfactory management for 1995. The fees charged to students in residence, although high, compare favourably with those charged by this University's main competitors.

Income and expenditure administered by the University, but excluded from the general operating budget is substantial and includes research, agency and commercial contracts, externally funded financial aid and the costs of extension services. Expenditure incurred in these areas but not reflected in the budget total R22,4m for 1995.



H A Long
Registrar (Finance)

SUMMARISED OPERATING STATEMENTS

UNIVERSITY

	1994		1995	
	R millions	%	R millions	%
Income	84,0	100,0	91,3	100,0
Government subsidies	52,5	62,5	56,4	61,8
Student fees	24,2	28,8	29,0	31,7
Investment income	3,6	4,3	3,8	4,2
Other	3,7	4,4	2,1	2,3
Expenditure	84,0	100,0	91,3	100,0
Academic	40,9	48,7	43,2	49,3
Research	1,8	2,1	1,8	2,0
Library	4,0	4,8	4,4	4,8
Student Affairs	,3	1,5	1,3	1,4
Operating Expenses	8,0	9,5	9,0	9,9
Administration & Computing	8,7	10,4	9,6	10,5
Estates	14,0	16,7	15,7	17,2
Bursaries	2,5	3,0	3,5	3,8
Interest & Redemption	2,7	3,2	2,7	3,0
Other	1	1	1	1

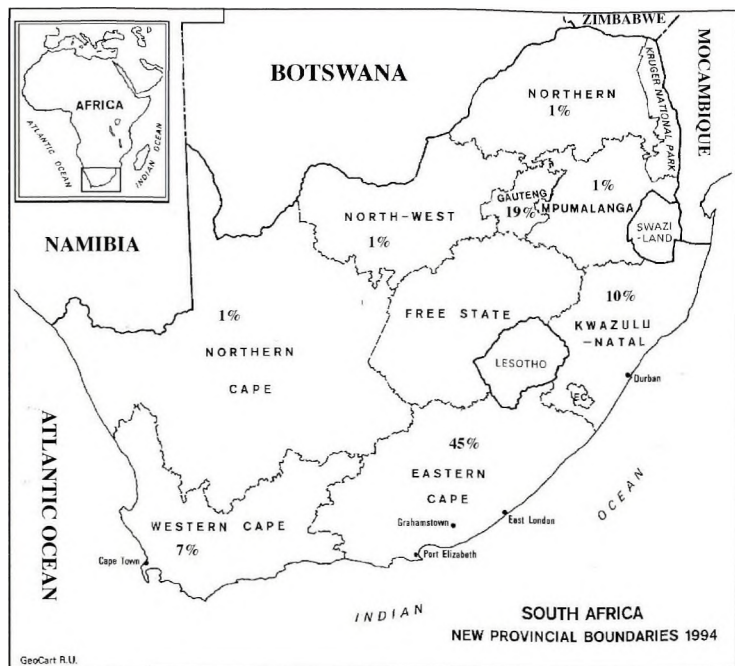
RESIDENCES

	1994		1995	
Income	16,0	11,0	17,7	100,0
Residence fees	14,0	87,5	15,6	88,1
Other	2,0	12,5	2,1	11,9
Expenditure	16,0	100,0	17,7	100,0
Food	4,1	25,7	4,9	27,7
Staff costs	4,5	28,1	5,2	29,4
Power and water	1,7	10,6	1,8	10,2
Maintenance & Replacements	2,8	17,5	2,9	16,4
Loan Interest & Redemption	1,3	8,1	,8	4,5
Other	1,6	10,0	2,1	11,8

ENROLMENT FOR 1995 GRAHAMSTOWN AND EAST LONDON

	Arts	Commerce	Divinity *	Education	Law	Pharmacy	Science	Soc. Science	Total
Undergraduates									
1994	1140	839	40	111	3	326	408	230	3097
1995	1239	914	-	252	5	407	466	358	3641
Graduates									
1994	308	63	24	220	96	5	236	45	997
1995	295	67	-	179	112	8	280	74	1015
Total									
1994	1448	902	64	331	99	331	644	275	4094
1995	1534	981	-	431	117	415	746	432	4656

* During the course of 1995, the Faculty of Divinity was incorporated into the Faculty of Social Science



Geographical Origins of Rhodes

Botswana, Lesotho, Swaziland, Namibia, Zimbabwe, Malawi, Zambia and other African countries, as well as North America, Europe and the Far East account for 15% of students at Rhodes

ACADEMIC AWARDS FOR 1995 *

The University awarded 1260 degrees, diplomas and certificates for the year ended December 1995.

	Arts	Commerce	Divinity	Education	Law	Pharmacy	Science	Soc Science	Total
Undergraduate Diplomas and Certificates									
1995	4	-	1	30	-	-	6	-	41
1996	3	-	-	111	-	-	-	2	116
Bachelors degrees									
1995	277	197	3	20	-	38	94	49	678
1996	264	160	-	22	1	54	88	59	648
Postgraduate Diplomas and Certificates									
1995	20	32	-	64	-	-	-	-	116
1996	23	38	-	46	-	-	-	-	107
Second Degrees									
1995	119	13	8	6	33	-	68	18	265
1996	92	20	-	45	40	-	75	25	297
Masters degrees									
1995	20	2	-	14	-	-	24	3	63
1996	20	-	-	17	-	-	30	2	69
Doctorates									
1995	4	1	-	0	1	2	8	-	16
1996	6	-	-	2	-	-	15	-	23
Total Diplomas and Certificates									
1995	24	32	1	94	-	-	6	-	157
1996	23	38	-	157	-	-	-	2	223
Total Degrees									
1995	420	213	11	40	34	40	194	70	1022
1996	382	180	-	86	41	54	208	86	1037
Total Awards									
1995	444	245	12	134	34	40	200	70	1179
1996	408	218	-	243	41	54	208	88	1260

* As this report is printed before graduation, there may be changes to the 1995 awards. Final figures will appear in next year's report.

The year 1995 saw Rhodes move into greater prominence both nationally and internationally. We have had an increasing number of visitors from all over the world and our staff, in most disciplines, have made their mark in other countries. This augurs well for the University's contribution to the provision of excellent tertiary education in South Africa, as it is important that members of our teaching and research staff receive recognition from their peers both in this country and abroad.

Rhodes staff not only make contributions during visits to conferences and seminars all over the world, but continue to publish work in learned journals, books and the popular press.

The University is making its contribution to the reconstruction and development programme in a number of ways, the most recent of which is the Leather Industries Research Institutes 'Shoe Train' - a career development programme for the leather and footwear industries. This programme has involved experts from a variety of disciplines at the University in training people in the industry from adult basic education to graduate level.

The number of applications to study at Rhodes increased considerably in 1995, with the number of offers of places to prospective students up by about fourteen percent over 1994. Numbers at Rhodes East London increased by 51 percent in 1995. Some of this growth can be attributed to the introduction in East London of the Social Work I course, the Diploma in Education and the Bachelor of Primary Education.

The University continues to introduce new courses in response to market needs. The Department of Management has introduced a new graduate diploma in Enterprise Management as its contribution to the development of an entrepreneurial culture in South Africa. To the same end, the Department of Accounting introduced a new course with the emphasis on teaching students to use financial information rather than prepare it.

The Department of Psychology has introduced two initiatives in the form of a psychology and development programme and a degree in research psychology. The former course may be taken by students at all levels and encourages psychologists to apply their insights and skills to the human problems of development. The master's course in research psychology also focuses on community psychology.

For the first time in 1995, the Department of Computer Science offered a half-credit course in computer literacy, which can be incorporated into various degree structures and has been designed to make it possible for students in all faculties to make good use of computers in their studies.

As new community radio stations are established there is an increasing need for specialised radio journalists. This has led the Department of Journalism and Media Studies to expand its courses in this area. The Department has also introduced a new senior option in arts and culture journalism.

In response to the new language policy, the University has launched a certificated short course in translation and interpretation to meet the needs of the legal fraternity. The course is presented by the Departments of Afrikaans & Nederlands, African Languages and Linguistics & English Language.

The Faculty of Science has introduced new options this year which enable students in the Faculty to major in Law, Commerce or Journalism, as part of a Bachelor of Science degree. This widens career prospects for science graduates in an increasingly competitive job market.



Rhodes continues in its efforts to keep up with the technology explosion. The Department of Botany has acquired the only microiontophoresis laboratory in the southern hemisphere - one of only six in the world. A new optical photomicroscope system has been installed in the Electron Microscopy Unit, which allows for photomicrography and video imaging in a variety of modes. The system is linked to an image-archiving, analysis and processing network, which makes it one of the most up-to-date and comprehensive facilities of its type in the world. The Unit has also acquired a new transmission electron microscope which provides even finer detail and incorporates the latest developments in specimen handling and image processing and analysis.

The wide variety of activities undertaken by staff and students at Rhodes is well documented elsewhere - and the list seems almost limitless. The University can continue to take pride in the fact that we are sending out graduates who have been educated to cultivate thoughtful inquiry and creativity as they explore their chosen fields of endeavour.

This is the last time I shall be writing this report, as I retire at the end of April 1996. I am proud of how Rhodes has grown and developed in the last two decades and I hand over to my successor, Dr David Woods, confident in the future of one of South Africa's centres of excellence.

Derek S. Henderson

Derek S Henderson
Vice-Chancellor

RHODES UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR 1995

The Foundation has been able to increase its direct and in-direct assistance to the University by taking advantage of the higher yields available in 1995 on interest-bearing investments. The need for support increases each year. Funds of a general nature are required by the Foundation in order to provide funding for the University to conduct capital expenditure development. In addition, the Foundation seeks to increase the value of funds committed to generating income for bursaries and scholarships.

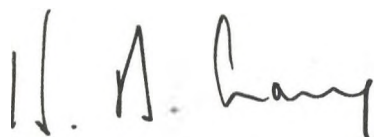
Amounts received from donors do not form part of the income in the adjacent statement but are handed intact to the Foundation for investment.

The Foundation's Investment Committee conducts its investments with the assistance of a Fund Manager namely AGIC Limited. AGIC Limited operates within prescribed investment criteria determined by the Committee. The policy is to invest conservatively in sound share and interest-bearing investments. These criteria for investment are reviewed on a quarterly basis.

A scrutiny of the summarised balance sheet, at market values, will reflect that the Foundation's value improved from R65, 971 000 to R71, 622 000 during the course of 1995. Of this amount R1, 389 000 was accounted for by new money donated to the Foundation.

It is with sadness that we record the passing of Mr Desmond Niven, who had been a Trustee of the Foundation for many years, and his contribution to the Foundation is acknowledged with gratitude and sadness.

The Trustees of the Foundation continue to give unselfishly of their time for the benefit of the Foundation and the University. We gratefully recognise this contribution.



H A Long
Treasurer



RHODES UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

SUMMARISED BALANCE SHEET (AT MARKET VALUES)

	R thousands	
	1994	1995
Fundholders' Capital employed		
Foundation	37 836	40 858
University and others	28 135	30 764
	<u>65 971</u>	<u>71 622</u>
Employment of capital		
Investments and cash	67 633	75 026
Accounts receivable	661	420
	<u>68 294</u>	<u>75 446</u>
Accounts payable	2 323	3 824
	<u>65 971</u>	<u>71 622</u>

SUMMARISED INCOME STATEMENT

	R thousands	
	1994	1995
Income from investments	3 530	4 944
Dividends	<u>1 556</u>	<u>2 003</u>
Interest	<u>1 946</u>	<u>2 895</u>
Other	<u>28</u>	<u>46</u>
Less expenses	515	582
Net Income	<u>3 015</u>	<u>4 362</u>
Less: Distributed to and expended for the benefit of Rhodes University and its bursary funds	2 650	3 500
Retained for re-investment	<u>365</u>	<u>862</u>

BURSARIES, SCHOLARSHIPS AND LOANS

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Awarded by the University from donations or from own funds	3 036 559
Awarded to students from outside bodies	7 443 439
Awarded by Central, Provincial and Local Government	404 347
Loans	
from Rhodes	304 800
from Tertiary Educational Fund of South Africa	<u>1 775 905</u>
Total	<u>12 965 050</u>





TRADITIONAL WEAPONS
ARE STILL THE MOST POWERFUL

An education is the most powerful weapon against poverty that a person can have. To face the challenges our future holds and give everyone the opportunity to prosper, we must improve the standard of our education. That's why we are investing in a better education for everyone, from pre-school to post-graduate level, with bursaries and funding to educational projects. After all, history has shown that the pen is mightier than the sword.