

# FACTSHEET ON CAPACITIES IN AGRICULTURAL HIGHER EDUCATION

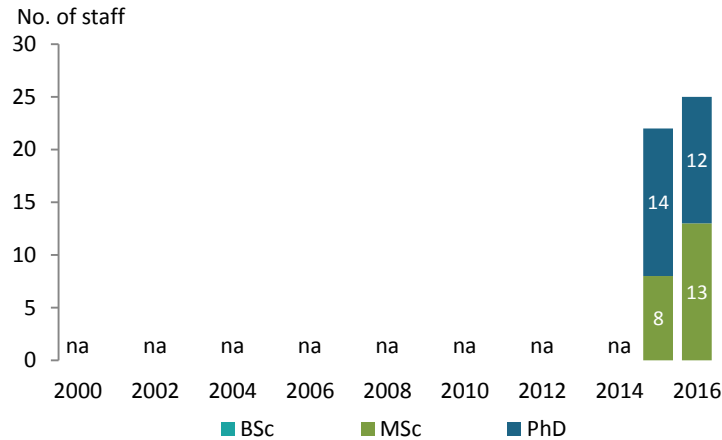
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### Total number of teaching staff by degree, 2000–2016



Note: Data for 2000–2014 were not available.

### Share of teaching staff by gender, 2016



#### Share of female teaching staff in each qualification level

BSc Not applicable      MSc 46%      PhD 25%

#### Share of female teaching staff by age bracket

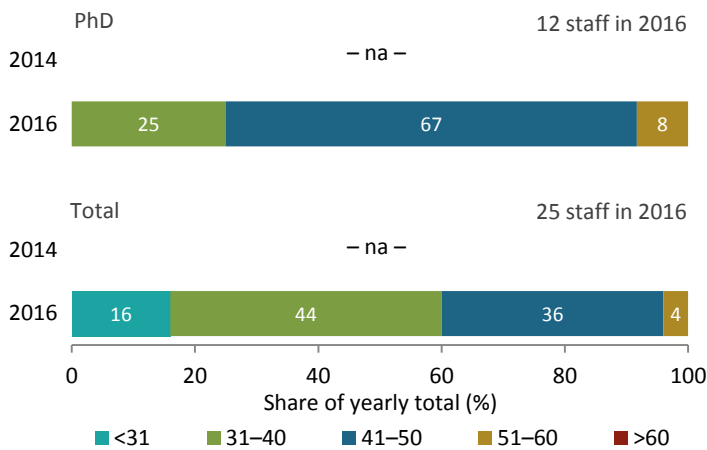
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#### Share of female teaching staff by position

Deans/professors 33%      Associate professors 40%      Other 47%

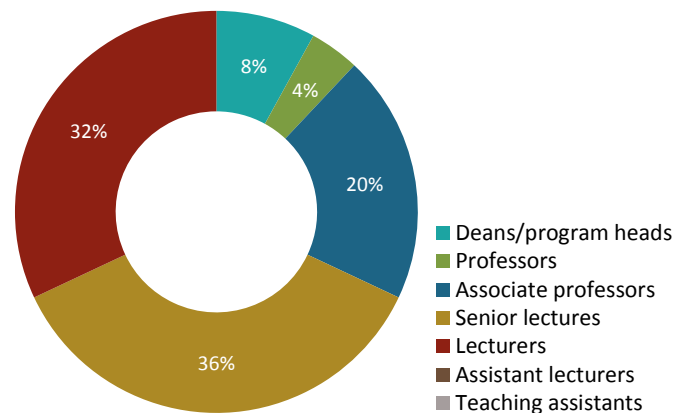
Note: "Other" includes senior lecturers, lecturers, and assistant lecturers.

### Share of teaching staff by age bracket, 2016

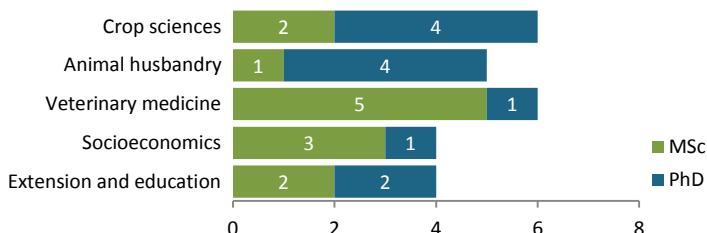


Note: Comparative data for 2014 were not available.

### Share of teaching staff by position, 2016



### MSc-and PhD-qualified teaching staff by discipline, 2016

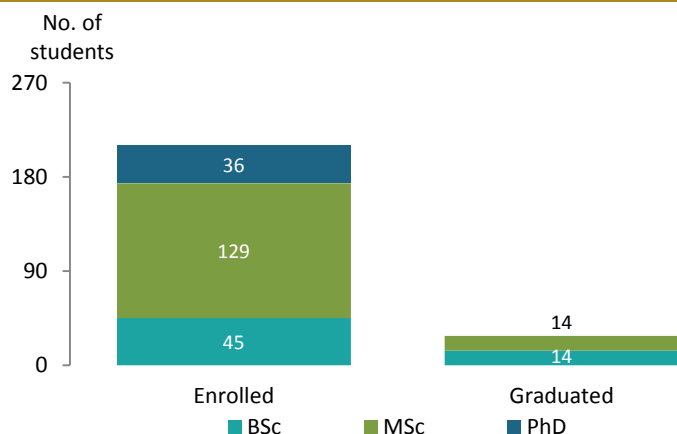


### Total number of peer-reviewed publications by type, 2015/2016

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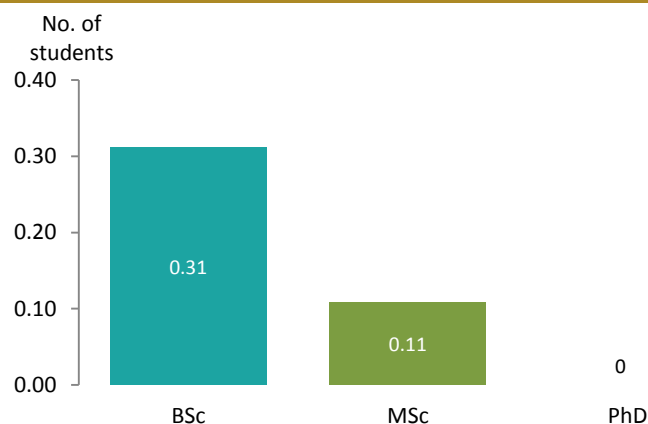
Note: Data on peer-reviewed publications were not available.

## Total number of enrolled and graduated students by degree, 2016



Notes: Data on enrolled students are for all class levels in 2016; data on graduating students are for 2015/16. The department's PhD program only began in 2016, so no PhD students graduated that year.

## Ratio of graduated to enrolled students by degree, 2016



Notes: Data indicate the ratio of graduated to enrolled students at each degree level. The department's PhD program only began in 2016, so no PhD students graduated that year.

## Share of enrolled and graduated students by gender, 2016

### Enrolled students



### Share of female students enrolled within each degree level



### Graduated students

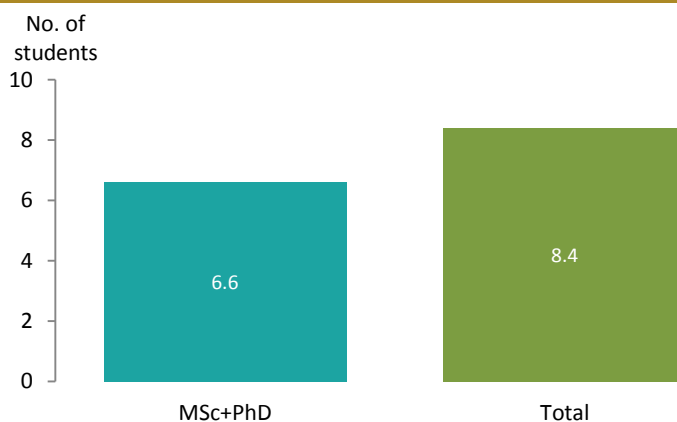


### Share of female students graduated within each degree level



Note: The department's PhD program only began in 2016, so no PhD students graduated that year.

## Ratio of enrolled students to teaching staff by degree, 2016



Note: Data indicate the ratio of MSc and PhD students to MSc- and PhD-qualified teaching staff, and total students to total teaching staff.

## BACKGROUND

Credible quantitative and qualitative information on existing capacities in agricultural higher education agencies in Africa are crucial for strategic planning, policy formulation, setting priorities and benchmarks, measuring progress toward benchmarks, and identifying capacity gaps. Decisionmakers require a solid understanding of existing staffing and student capacities in the higher education sector, as well as in the wider agricultural innovation systems in Africa south of the Sahara. Access to such information supports effective policymaking to address capacity issues in higher education, agricultural research, extension, and other areas. Such information remains extremely limited, however.

To fill this need, the International Food Policy Research Institute's Agricultural Science and Technology Indicators (ASTI/IFPRI) and the Regional Universities Forum for Capacity Building in Agriculture (RUFORUM) initiated a partnership to pilot the collection of this type of data for RUFORUM's member universities. This factsheet presents the available data results for the University of South Africa, College of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences, School of Agriculture and Life Sciences, Department of Agriculture and Animal Health. An online version of the data is available via the Portal on Agricultural Capacity in RUFORUM Universities: [www.asti.cgiar.org/RUFORUM](http://www.asti.cgiar.org/RUFORUM).

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