



Abridged Biography | Ms Nompendulo Thobile Mkhathshwa



Nompendulo Thobile Mkhathshwa as the youngest woman on the benches of the African National Congress in the National Assembly of the South African Parliament, serves as the Chairperson to the Portfolio Committee on Higher Education, Science and Technology. She holds a BSc Geography (Wits University), a Post Graduate Certificate in Education (University of South Africa) and Post Graduate Diploma in Educational Management and Leadership, (Regent Business School) with the aspirations of enrolling for her Masters in Education in the year 2022.

Mkhathshwa sits on the Board of Trustees of the Ahmed Kathrada Foundation and on the Board of Trustees of the South African Student Solidarity Foundation for Education.

She is the Former Youth Representative on the Presidential Gender Review Committee on Women Empowerment and Gender Equality appointed by President Cyril Ramaphosa (2019). And, a former Non-Executive Director at the Matthew Goniwe School of Leadership and Governance appointed by MEC of Education in Gauteng, Mr Panyaza Lesufi (2019).

Mkhathshwa as a student activist served as the President, Wits SRC (2015/2016) and was one of the leaders of the Wits Fees Must Fall Protests (2015/2016). Prior to that she served as the Deputy Secretary, SASCO Wits Branch (2013), Chairperson, SASCO Wits Branch (2013/ 2014) and the Deputy Chairperson, ANCYL Wits Branch (2014/2015).

In 2018, Mkhathshwa founded Yenza Foundation which focuses on youth, women, the environment, knowledge and the African continent.

Mkhathshwa defines herself as an activist and aspirant specialist in education!
