



## First funding for engagement projects

**NINE engagement initiatives received the first ever funding grants aimed specifically at supporting Engagement projects for 2014.**

These are Psychology's Bambanani Mental Health Project, Nursing Science's Mobile Clinical Laboratory, Mechanical Engineering's Shell Eco Car Marathon and NMMU Racing, School of ICT's Mobile Community Health Learning Space and Cyber Safety Calendar Competition Educa-

tion's Eskom Expo for young Scientists, Chemistry's Science to Schools Outreach, and Science's Science Discovery Week.

Engagement is the third core function of Higher Education and shares the university's knowledge and resources with the broader community.

Activities and projects include elements of community interaction, discipline-based service provision; teaching and learning and research and

scholarship.

The Engagement Advancement Fund grants are administered by the Centre for Academic Engagement and Collaboration.

In future, funds will be made available annually for engagement projects and initiatives that are of strategic value to NMMU and not currently directly funded via teaching, learning and research funding sources.