



A PARTICULAR FRAME OF MIND

*Faculty of Science,
Stellenbosch University,
1918-2018*



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*“A university is not
a lecture theatre, or a library,
or a laboratory: it is not
a building or a place at all; its
essence is a **frame of mind**;
the true character of a university
is the ‘will to knowledge’.”*

– Professor Samuel James Shand,
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– Professor Chris Garbers, professor of Organic Chemistry (1958-1978) and President of the CSIR (1980-1990)



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importance of the natural sciences
in interdisciplinary research
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book showed us one thing: what we
do now, will matter to those who
come after us”*

– Professor Louise Warnich,
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