

## Research questions, themes and sub-themes

Primary research question: **What is the principals' role in teaching and learning at secondary schools in the uMgungundlovu district?**

Research questions	Themes and sub-themes
How do principals execute their role in teaching and learning at secondary schools in the uMgungundlovu district?	<b>Theme 1:</b> Role of principals <b>Sub-theme 1:</b> Managing curriculum <b>Sub-theme 2:</b> Training teachers <b>Sub-theme 3:</b> Provision of teaching and learning resources
What are the principals' challenges in teaching and learning at secondary schools in the uMgungundlovu district?	<b>Theme 2:</b> Principals challenges in leading teaching and learning <b>Sub-theme 1:</b> Teachers' punctuality and absenteeism <b>Sub-theme 2:</b> Monitoring teachers' work coverage <b>Sub-theme 3:</b> Teachers' cooperation in curriculum management
How do principals address the challenges in teaching and learning in the secondary schools in the uMgungundlovu district?	<b>Theme 3:</b> Addressing challenges in teaching and learning <b>Sub-theme 1:</b> Curriculum management strategies. <b>Sub-theme 2:</b> Curriculum policy implementation. <b>Sub-theme 3:</b> Motivation of teachers
How does the Department of Basic Education assist the principals in leading teaching and learning at secondary schools in the uMgungundlovu district?	<b>Theme 4:</b> Principals assistance in teaching and learning <b>Sub-theme 1:</b> Support provided by the circuit manager. <b>Sub-theme 2:</b> Support provided by the district education officials.