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Prof. Morrow, who died on 11 February 2009, was a well-known academic, whose career as a teacher in South African faculties of education stretched from the early 1970s until the end of the century. During these decades he had a significant influence on the students he taught, and the colleagues with whom he worked.

He served as Professor of Philosophy of Education and Dean of Education at the University of the Western Cape; Dean of Education at the University of Port Elizabeth; and chair of the Ministerial Committee on Teacher Education. He was also a member of the Board of the South African Qualifications Authority, and an independent researcher serving on the research committees of the South African Qualifications Authority and Umalusi, and the accreditation committee of the CHE Higher Education Quality Committee. He received the EASA Honorary Medal for his invaluable contribution to education over the last 43 years.



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