



Colloquium series on:
African philosophy, genetics and genomics

HUMAN HERITABLE GENOME EDITING

Since the advent of CRISPR-Cas9, the concept of human heritable genome editing has become a subject of serious debate around the world. The discussion on the ethics of potentially altering the genomes of future generations has been particularly contentious, with no apparent consensus on the conditions, if any, for human heritable genome editing to be permissible. Should we proceed with heritable genome editing? And if so, who should decide when this is appropriate? Is this an issue that should be determined by each state or at the global level? And, importantly, how do African concepts of intergenerational ubuntu affect our values towards heritable genome editing?

The colloquium will take place via Zoom on Wednesday, **23 June 2021**, at 14h00-17h00 Central African Time (GMT+2). Three to five presenters will each present a 15-minute paper, followed by discussion involving all attendees.

If you would like to attend the colloquium, please register – free of charge – [HERE](#). The Zoom link will be emailed to all registered attendees.

If you would like to present a paper, please submit a 300-word abstract before **26 May 2021** at healthlaw@ukzn.ac.za. We welcome abstracts that address human heritable genome editing from the perspective of African philosophy.