

Degrees of stupidity

NEWSWATCH: *Times Live* reports on SA's list of fakes... those who claimed to have qualifications that in fact they did not...



The SABC's Ellen Tshabalala: Her refusal to stand down in the face of overwhelming evidence pointing to her guilt, and having been found to have lied to parliament is viewed by many as nothing short of bizarre. (Image: SABC)

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- *Times Live*: [From shocking to bizarre: SA's list of fakes and their flaky stories...](#) From our "Pal-lo" Jordan to the SABC's Ellen "My records were doctored" Tshabalala, and Hlaudi "Matricless" Motsoeneng, there is a list of people who have been less than accurate regarding what educational qualifications they have.

Times Lives reports that "perhaps the most shocking of the fake academic claims this year was the revelation that struggle veteran Pallo Jordan, one of the ANC's most respected intellectuals, had lied about holding a PhD.

"For more than three decades, Jordan was regarded abroad and in South Africa as one of the country's best political brains, with a doctorate from the London School of Economics."

Then an investigation by the *Sunday Times* led to Jordan being exposed as a fraud... That exposure was shocking, but the latest... that of SABC Ellen Tshabalala and her ducking and diving and refusal to step down in the face of overwhelming evidence against her, is downright bizarre...

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