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**Form:** Circular. Roughened finish.

**By:** Gert Richards (obv) & Tommy Sasseen (rev) / South African Mint

**Date:** 1982

**Ref:** Laidlaw: 1078;

**Variations:**

Size	Metal	Mass	Value
38.0 mm	Bronze	22.7 mm	\$10

**Edge:** Plain.

**Obverse:** Coat of arms of the University flanked by geometrical ornaments. Signed: "GJR" lower left. Below: "1922-1982".

**Reverse:** View of the Great Hall of the University. Signed: "TS" below left. Legend: "TOMORROW BEGINS AT WITS TODAY".

**Notes:** Comes in a rectangular fitted blue cardboard box. In gold letters: "SAM" on the outside of the lid.

The university is one of the leading institutions of tertiary education in South Africa, best known for engineering, particularly mining. It was founded in Kimberley in 1896 as the South African School of Mines. In 1904 the school was moved to Johannesburg and renamed the Transvaal Technical Institute. After further name changes and structural adaptations it became the University of the Witwatersrand on 1 March 1922.