



FACULTY OF EDUCATION

TLU TEACHING AND LEARNING UNIT

The purpose of the Teaching and Learning Unit is to provide academic leadership; this is achieved by the Teaching and Learning Manager (TLM) and the Teaching and Learning team.

The Teaching and Learning Unit is the academic heartbeat of the faculty. We aim to provide student teachers with a solid knowledge base through first-class teaching and learning opportunities, relevant academic material, superlative lecturing, and academic support to turn dreams into reality. Our faculty values of commitment, accountability, community, excellence, and ownership inspire our daily operations to benefit our future teachers.

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The TLM supports the Dean, Vice-Dean, and heads of departments with academic and administrative functions. Some of the academic and administrative duties and responsibilities of the TLU are:

ACADEMIC LEADERSHIP

- Provide teaching and learning leadership within the Teaching and Learning Unit.
- Chair the Faculty Teaching and Learning Committee.
- Support the graduate attributes mapping process.
- Facilitate teaching-related staff development and training including curriculum development and renewal workshops.
- Programme reviews.
- Policy reviews.
- Manage faculty timetabling.
- Manage faculty Rule Book.
- Manage tutorship programme.
- Assist students with academic enquiries.

ADMINISTRATION

- 1** Report on teaching and learning matters.
- 2** Ensure teaching and learning processes are implemented as per policy and university procedures.
- 3** Deal with student grievances within the faculty.
- 4** Monitor programmes to ensure quality delivery of teaching and assessment.

A_STEP TUTORS

The Academic Student Tutorial and Excellence Programme (A_STEP) focuses on student success.

This is achieved through:



tailor-made tutorials based on students' needs; and informed by discussions with lecturers,



tutorials that contain discipline-specific materials and examples; and



tutorials that are creatively planned and activity based.

The Faculty of Education offers face-to-face tutoring, as well as the option of online tutoring in selected modules.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES

Student reps act as a link between students, lecturers, and the management of the Faculty of Education.

What value does a student rep have for me as a first year?



They ensure communication of important information regarding teaching and learning matters



They contribute towards the enhancement of students' learning experiences by serving on faculty committees.



They initiate and maintain social cohesion among education students.



They are actively involved in identifying and resolving student support needs.

BACHELOR OF EDUCATION DEGREES

Grade R diploma

Specialise in the home language
Afrikaans, English, isiZulu, or Sesotho

Foundation Phase

Grade R–3:
Specialisation in the home language
English HL Afrikaans HL
Sesotho HL isiZulu HL

Intermediate Phase

Grades 4 – 6
Specialise in home and additional language and one of the following two fields:

- Mathematics, Natural Sciences & Technology
- Life Skills & Social Sciences

Senior and Further Education and Training Phase

Senior Phase: Grades 7–9; FET Phase: Grades 10–12
Specialisation fields:

- Economics and Management Sciences
- Languages and/or Social Sciences
- Mathematics, Natural Sciences, & Technology Education

Admission Requirements

- Subject to selection and based on the capacity of the Faculty of Education.
- Students must be in possession of a National Senior Certificate for admission.
- A minimum achievement level of 4 (50%) in the language of instruction is required.
- Home language at 55% for foundation and intermediate phase programmes

POSTGRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN EDUCATION

The Postgraduate Certificate in Education is a professional teaching programme that 'caps' an approved undergraduate bachelor's degree

How to apply?

- Applications are made online at <https://apply.ufs.ac.za/>
- Applications are open from 1 April to 30 September each year.

FUNZA LUSHAKA

The Funza Lushaka Bursary programme is a dedicated scheme to attract and fund students to choose teaching as a profession. It is a merit bursary for high-performing students aged 30 and below.

Bursaries are available to enable eligible students to complete a full teaching qualification, a four-year Bachelor of Education degree (BEd).

How to apply?

- Applications are made online at www.funzalushaka.doe.gov.za
- Applications are open from 1 October to the first week in January of the following year.



TLU STAFF MEMBERS

The Teaching and Learning Unit resides in the Office of the Vice-Dean (Teaching and Learning) and is comprised of staff members who support staff and students on various academic matters. The TLU is situated in the Winkie Direko Building on the Bloemfontein Campus of the UFS.

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