

FACULTY OF EDUCATION



POSTGRADUATE BOOKLET

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- ADVANCING KNOWLEDGE
- TRANSFORMING FUTURES



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TRANSFORMING EDUCATION THROUGH ADVANCED STUDY

The Faculty of Education at the University of the Free State offers a range of postgraduate qualifications designed to empower graduates to lead meaningful change in education. Our programmes are grounded in research, innovation, and real-world relevance.

POSTGRADUATE QUALIFICATIONS OFFERED

- Bachelor of Education Honours (BEd Hons) – NQF Level 8
- Master of Education (MEd) – NQF Level 9
- Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) – NQF Level 10

APPLY ONLINE BY SCANNING THE QR CODE



Bachelor of Education Honours

BEd Hons



BRIEF SUMMARY

Our Bachelor of Education Honours (BED Hons) is a postgraduate qualification designed to deepen graduates' knowledge and expertise in key areas of education.

This programme develops advanced academic, research, and professional skills, enabling educators to critically engage with contemporary educational issues and enhance their practice.

It also serves as a pathway to further postgraduate study at master's level while preparing graduates for leadership roles within the education sector.

FIELDS OF SPECIALISATION

- **EDUCATION MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE**
Open to all applicants who meet the admission requirements.
- **CURRICULUM STUDIES**
Suitable for students with majors in Mathematics, Languages, Social Sciences, Science and Technology (Bloemfontein Campus only), Natural Sciences (Bloemfontein Campus only), and Economic and Management Sciences.
- **PSYCHOLOGY OF EDUCATION**
(Non-HPCSA registering)
Requires Psychology up to the second-year level.
- **EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT AND LEARNING**
Requires a Foundation Phase Teaching qualification



ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Relevant qualification at NQF Level 7
- Minimum average of 60% (65% for Advanced Diploma)
- Selection process applies

DURATION PERIOD

- 1 year full-time
- 2 years part-time

NOTE: The full-time offering is contingent upon sufficient enrollment.

CLASS TIMES

- Full-time: Monday–Thursday, plus Friday afternoons
- Part-time: Every second Friday
- Research project runs separately from coursework

NOTE: All classes are face-to-face; no distance option available.

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Master of Education

MEd



BRIEF SUMMARY

Our Master of Education (MEd) is a full-dissertation postgraduate programme designed for educators, practitioners, and policymakers who wish to advance their expertise and critically engage with current issues in education.

The programme strengthens research, analytical, and leadership capabilities, equipping graduates to make meaningful contributions to educational practice, policy development, and innovation across diverse contexts.

With a variety of specialisations available, the MEd prepares candidates for leadership positions in education as well as further academic advancement.

FIELDS OF SPECIALISATION

- Community Psychology of Education (Non-HPCSA registering)
- Comparative Education and International Studies
- Curriculum Studies
- Early Childhood Development and Learning
- Education Law
- Education Management and Leadership
- Philosophy of Education
- Policy Studies in Education
- Psychology of Education (Non-HPCSA registering)
- Subject Education (Languages, Mathematics, Natural Sciences, Science & Technology, Social Sciences)
- Higher Education Studies (Applicants must be permanently employed at a higher education institution)

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Relevant qualification at NQF Level 8
- Minimum average of 60%
- Selection process applies

DURATION PERIOD

- Minimum of 1 year

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Doctor of Philosophy

PhD



BRIEF SUMMARY

Our Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) programme aims to develop independent researchers and thought leaders in the field.

This programme requires candidates to undertake original research that contributes new knowledge to education and addresses complex challenges within local and global contexts.

PhD graduates are equipped for careers in academia, research institutions, and high-level leadership positions, where they can influence policy, practice, and the future direction of education.

FIELDS OF SPECIALISATION

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- Comparative Education and International Studies
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- Higher Education Studies (Applicants must be permanently employed at a higher education institution)

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Relevant qualification at NQF Level 9
- Minimum average of 65%
- Selection process applies

DURATION

- Minimum of 2 years

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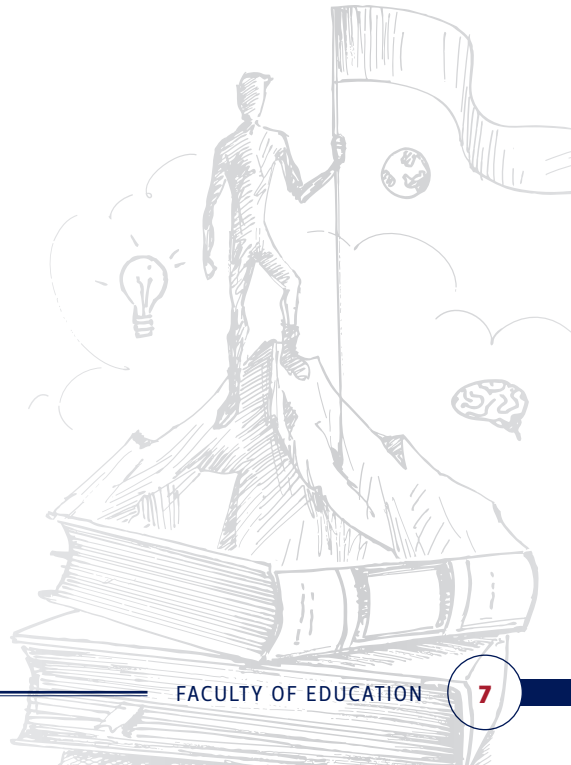
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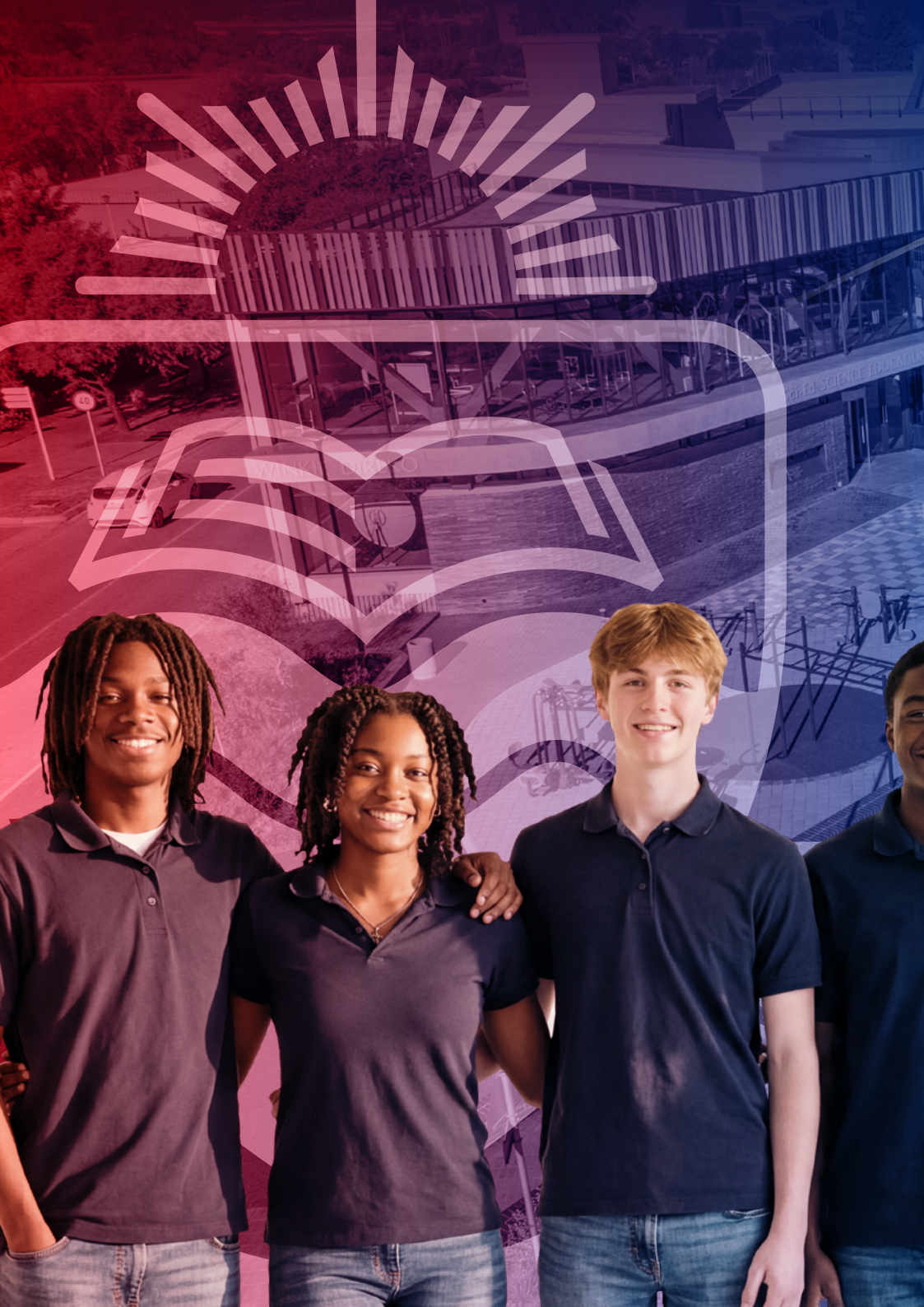
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HIGH SCHOOL SCIENCE EDUCATION

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