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## DISCLAIMER

### IMPORTANT NOTICE

Kindly take note that this prospectus is aimed at prospective undergraduate students wishing to apply for a place at the University of the Free State (**UFS**) and who wish to start their studies at the UFS during the 2025 academic year. The prospectus accordingly describes and outlines the programmes and services offered by the UFS, as well as the minimum admission requirements for each programme, but must be read together with the policies, rules, and regulations of the UFS (as may be amended from time to time). To be considered for selection in a programme, an applicant is required to comply with the programme's minimum admission criteria (as determined per programme) and the faculty/department's specific requirements.

The UFS makes every effort to ensure that the information provided in this prospectus is accurate and up to date at the time of going to press. However, it may be necessary for the UFS to make some changes to the information presented in the prospectus following publication – for example, where it is necessary to reflect changes in policy, practice, or theory, or if an accrediting body necessitates requirements to be amended. Furthermore, certain programmes may only be offered if there is a sufficient number of applicants.

The UFS undertakes to implement all reasonable steps to provide the services (including, but not limited to, the presentation of the programmes) described in the prospectus. It does not, however, guarantee the provision of such services or the presentation of any or all programmes described herein. Should circumstances beyond the control of the UFS interfere with its ability to provide the services or presentation of any programme described herein, the UFS undertakes to take all reasonable steps to minimise any disruption to the services.

Furthermore, the UFS reserves its right to make amendments to admission requirements if and when necessary. It reserves the right to withdraw, wholly or in part, the delivery of programmes. Applicants for, and students in affected programmes will be informed in advance of the commencement of their studies for the academic year concerned.







## MESSAGE FROM VICE-CHANCELLOR AND PRINCIPAL

At the University of the Free State (UFS), we inspire excellence and transform lives. Everything we do is rooted in our Vision 130, as well as in our focus on quality, impact, and care.

Vision 130, which is our intent to reposition the university for 2034 – when we will commemorate our 130th year of existence – is a vital part of how we are shaping the future of the UFS. We will count on your contribution to ensure that we realise this vision of becoming a globally and locally recognised university of excellence.

**My vision is ...** to continue building on the rich and flourishing culture and activities inherent to the UFS. We are a diverse, inclusive, and academically oriented university. Our students participate in sports, arts, and cultural activities through a range of student associations to enhance their tertiary education experience. The UFS offers all the opportunities you need to fully develop the skills required by the current world of work.

**We have advanced ...** through various seasons since 1904, and our scholars have always influenced local and global knowledge. We celebrate our alumni who excel in business, sports, arts, culture, and in many other fields. They paved the way for all the UFS footsteps following suit. Join the lead by developing and expanding your potential within our seven faculties, covering the entire range from undergraduate degrees and diplomas to doctoral and postdoctoral degrees.

**Surround yourself ...** with some of the finest academic intellectuals, while improving your own skills with the help of our Centre for Teaching and Learning – including tutorials and academic writing support. Our Student Affairs offers several services to optimise and enhance your study experience, including leadership development programmes, career services, student health and wellness programmes, and student counselling.

**Our scholars ...** are respected locally and abroad. They are often quoted by the media and approached for expert input on a variety of fields. Our number of researchers with ratings from the National Research Foundation (NRF) has doubled over the past few years.

**First-year students ...** are eased into the campus experience through our Gateway First-Year Orientation Programme. We will help you find your way around campus, make sure you are registered, and refer you to academic advising, career counselling, and other support services on campus. You will soon find your feet at our vibrant, dynamic, and beautiful institution.

**Arrive and thrive ...** in our supportive, caring, enjoyable, and intellectually invigorating environment. We have great goals and aspirations for your success as a future graduate, trailblazer, and leader in the world. While we are glad that you are beginning your studies with us, our goal is to prepare you for the world of work and for you to successfully complete your studies.

**Prof Francis Petersen**  
VICE-CHANCELLOR AND PRINCIPAL

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## BOODSKAP:

### VISEKANSIELIER EN PRINSIPAAL

By die Universiteit van die Vrystaat (UV) inspireer ons uitnemendheid en verander ons lewens. Alles wat ons doen is gewortel in ons Visie 130, sowel as in ons fokus op gehalte, impak en omgee.

Visie 130 – ons voorneme om die universiteit te herposisioneer vir 2034 wanneer ons ons 130ste bestaansjaar sal herdenk – is 'n noodsaaklike deel van hoe ons die toekoms van die UV vorm. Ons sal op jou bydrae staatmaak om te verseker dat ons hierdie visie verwesenlik om 'n universiteit van uitnemendheid te word wat wêreldwyd en plaaslik erken word.

**My visie is ...** om voort te bou op die ryk en florerende kultuur en bedrywighede wat eie is aan die UV. Ons is 'n diverse, inklusiewe en akademies georiënteerde universiteit. Ons studente neem deel aan sport-, kuns- en kultuurbedrywighede deur middel van 'n verskeidenheid studenteverenigings om hul tersiêre onderwyservaring te verbeter. Die UV bied al die geleenthede wat jy nodig het om die vaardighede wat die huidige werksêreld vereis, ten volle te ontwikkel.

**Ons het gevorder ...** deur verskeie seisoene sedert 1904, en ons geleerdes het nog altyd plaaslike en globale kennis beïnvloed. Ons vier ons alumni wat uitblink in besigheid, sport, kuns, kultuur en op baie ander terreine. Hulle het die weg gebaan vir al die UV-voetstappe wat in hulle spore gevolg het. Volg die voorbeeld deur jou potensiaal te ontwikkel en uit te brei binne ons sewe fakulteite wat die hele spektrum dek – van voorgraadse kwalifikasies en diplomas tot doktors- en nadoktorale grade.

**Omring jou ...** met sommige van die voortreflikste akademiese intellekte, terwyl jy jou vaardighede slyp met die hulp van ons Sentrum vir Onderrig en Leer – wat studiekele en hulp met akademiese skryfwerk insluit. Ons Studentesake bied verskeie dienste aan om jou studie-ervaring te optimaliseer en te verbeter, waaronder leierskapontwikkelingsprogramme, loopbaandienste, studentegesondheid- en -welstandprogramme en studentebespreking.

**Ons navorsers ...** word plaaslik en in die buiteland gerespekteer. Hulle word gereeld deur die media aangehaal en vir kundige insette oor 'n verskeidenheid studieveldde genader. Ons aantal navorsers met gradering van die Nasionale Navorsingstigting (NNS) het oor die afgelope paar jaar verdubbel.

**Eerstejaarstudente ...** word geleidelik gewoond gemaak aan die kampuservaring deur middel van ons Gateway-eerstejaariënteringsprogram. Ons sal jou help om jou weg op die kampus te vind, seker te maak dat jy geregistreer is, jou verwys na akademiese advisering, beroepsvoorligting en ander ondersteuningsdienste op kampus. Jy sal vinnig jou voete vind by ons lewendige, dinamiese en pragtige instelling.

**Daag op en floreer ...** in ons ondersteunende, sorgsame, prettige en intellektueel verfrissende omgewing. Ons het groot doelwitte en aspirasies vir jou sukses as 'n toekomstige gegradueerde, baanbreker en leier in die wêreld. Alhoewel ons bly is dat jy jou studies by ons begin, is dit ons doel om jou voor te berei vir die werksêreld en om jou studies suksesvol te voltooi.

### Prof Francis Petersen

VISEKANSIELIER EN PRINSIPAAL

## MOLAETSA:

### MOREKTORO LE MOTLATSA-MOKANSELIRI

Mona Univesithing ya Freistata, re kgothaletsa mosebetsi o tswileng matsoho le o ipabolang mme re fetola maphelo a batho. Tsohle tseo re di etsang di tshetleile ho Ponelepele 130, hammoho le tshebetso ya boleng, tshusumetso e ntle le tlhokomelo.

Ponelepele 130, e leng maikemisetso a rona a ho hlopha botjha univesithi bakeng sa selemo sa 2034, ha Unibesithi ya Freistata e tla be e keteka lemo tse 130 e thehilwe. Re tla itshetleha ka nyehelo ya hao ho netefatsa hore re phathahatsa pono ena ya ho ba university e ithlommeng pele mona lapeng le mose ho mawatle.

**Tjhebopole ya ka ke ena ...** ho tswela pele ho haha mokgatlo o nang le semelo se enneng le o atlehang le mesebetsi eo e leng setso sa UFS. Re yunivesithi e nang leng mefuta e fapaneng, e kenyeletsang ba bang, le e thehilweng thutong. Baithuti ba rona ba nka karolo dipapading, bononong, le mesebetsing e meng ya setso ka mekgatlo e fapaneng ya baithuti ka sepheo sa ho eketsa boiphihlelo ba bona ba thuto ya univesithi. UFS e fana ka menyetla eo o e hlokang ho ntshetsa pele ka botlalo bokgoni le tsebo ya hao tse hlokwang ke dibaka tsa mosebetsi lefatsheng.

**Re hatetse pele ...** dinakong tse fapaneng ho tloha ka 1904, mme baithuti ba rona kamehla ba ile ba susumetsa tsebo hara naha le matjhabeng. Re thoholetsa di-alumni tsa rona ba ipabolang dikgwebong, dipapading, mesebetsing ya bonono, ya setso le mafapheng a mang a mangata. Ba phetla tsela bakeng sa baithuti bohle ba latelang mehatong ya bona mona UFS. Kenya letsoho boetapeleng bona ka ho ntshetsa pele le ho atolosa monyetla wa bokgoni ba hao ho di-faculties tsa rona tse supileng, ho kenyeletswa le di-undergraduate degree le di-diploma tsa bongaka le tsa di-postdoctoral degree.

**Itumelle hore o dikadiketswe ...** ke ditsebi tse hlwahlwa tsa univesithi, ha o ntse o ntlafatsa bokgoni ba hao le tsebo ya hao ka thuso ya Centre for Teaching and Learning ya rona – ho kenyeletswa le di-tutorial le tshehetso ya dingolwa tsa akhademiki. Lefapha la rona la Student Affairs le fana ka ditshebetso tse ngata tse ka atolosang le ho hodisa boiphihlelo ba hao dithutong, ho kenyeletswa le mananeo a ntshetsopole ya boetapele, ditshebetso tsa mosebetsi, bophelo ba baithuti le boiketlo, le keletso e thobang maikutlo bakeng sa baithuti.

**Baithuti ba rona...** ba hlomphele haholo hara naha le matjhabeng. Ka dinako tsohle ba qotswa metjheng ya ditaba le ho kopjwa hore ba fane ka maikutlo a bona a tsebo makaleng a fapaneng. Palo ya bafuputsi ba rona ba nang le maemo a phahameng ho tswa National Research Foundation (NRF) a imenne habedi dilemong tse mmalwa tse fetileng.

**Baithuti ba selemo sa pele ...** ba thuswa hore ba phutholohe boiphihlelong ba bona ba khemphase ka lenaneo la rona la Gateway First-Year Orientation Programme. Re tla o thusa ho fumana dibaka tse fapaneng tseo o batlang ho fihla ho tsona ho potoloha khemphase, ho etsa bonnete ba hore o ngodisitswe, le ho o romela keletsong ya akhademiki, keletso ya mosebetsi, le ditshebetso tse ding tse fanang ka tshehetso khemphaseng. E se kgale o tla iphumana o phutholohile hara setheo sena sa thuto se phelang, se sehlahlo, le se setle.

**Fihla le ho atleha ka hlasimoloho ...** tikolohong ya rona e fanang ka tshehetso, e hlokomelang, e thabisang, le ya thuto e hlasimolang. Re na le dipakane tse hlolang le tse susumetsang bakeng sa katleho ya hao jwalo ka graduate ya nako e tlang, pulamadiboho, le moetapele lefatsheng. Le hoja re le motlotlo hore o qala dithuto tsa hao le rona, sepheo sa rona ke ho etsa hore o be malala-a-laotswe bakeng sa lefatshela la mosebetsi le bakeng sa ho phethela dithuto tsa hao ka katleho

### Prof Francis Petersen

MOTLATSA MOKANSELIRI LE HLOOHO

# ABOUT THE UFS

## WHERE ARE WE SITUATED?

### FREE STATE: DISCOVER THE HEART OF SOUTH AFRICA

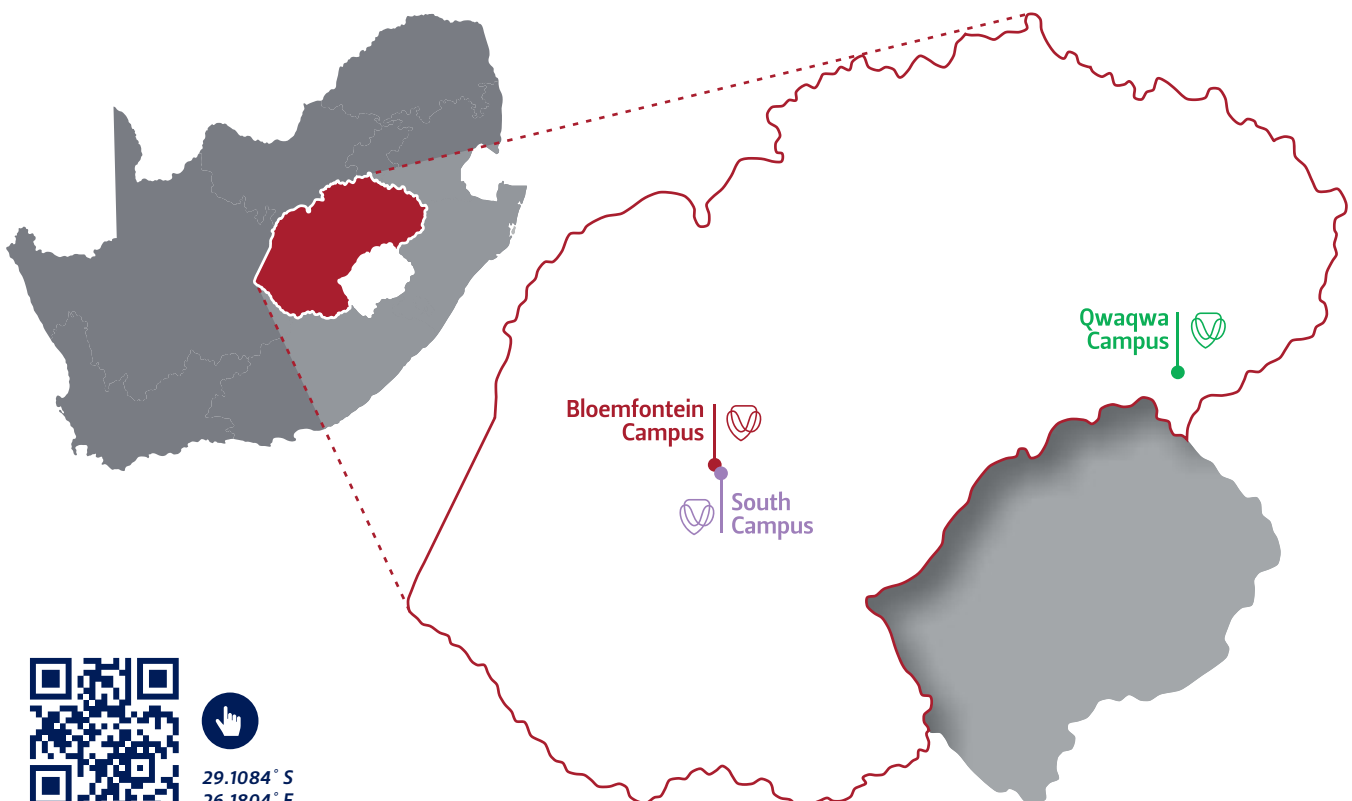
In the geographical heart of South Africa, the Free State province is a tapestry of natural splendour, woven with the threads of cultural richness and vibrant history. Encircled by diverse provinces and the mountain kingdom of Lesotho, it is a gateway to an array of South African experiences.

The Free State's fertile soil yields abundance that feeds the nation, and its landscapes captivate – with a dramatic blend of expansive plains and the awe-inspiring Maluti and Drakensberg mountain ranges. Golden Gate Highlands National Park crowns this scenic majesty with its breathtaking sandstone formations and a treasure trove of ancient San rock art, set against a backdrop where wildlife roams free under the vast African sky. Beyond nature's appeal, the province is a canvas of historical narratives and cultural tapestries. In Bloemfontein, you will discover a hub of knowledge at the National Museum, with its fossil collections unparalleled in South Africa. Memorials and heritage sites tell stories of yesteryear, and the Basotho Cultural Village near Qwaqwa invites you to step into a living history of local traditions.

The Free State's fabric is one of warm hospitality and a relaxed pace of life, offering a slice of tranquillity for the soul. Adventure seekers can quench their thirst with exhilarating outdoor pursuits, such as hiking unspoiled trails, abseiling down rugged cliffs, or conquering the Ash River, which boasts high water levels year-round for the ultimate whitewater rafting experience. In Bloemfontein, the nation's judicial heart, the Franklin Game Reserve defies expectations – a sanctuary of wildlife embraces urban life, offering a unique juxtaposition where one can gaze upon giraffes against the city skyline. Connectivity is seamless, with the Bram Fischer International Airport providing efficient travel to and from major urban hubs.

The Free State promises more than just a place of study; it is a horizon of possibilities, an affordable, accessible, and captivating locale. It is the warmth of its people that truly defines it, their generosity and friendliness offering a home away from home, where every student is welcomed into a community that celebrates diversity and nurtures potential.

Welcome to the Free State, where every path leads to discovery, and every experience enriches your journey. This is not just your study destination; it is the beginning of your story in the heart of South Africa.





Established in  
**1904**



**39 338** Total number of students

**32 934** Total number of undergraduate students



**6 243** Total number of postgraduate students



**367** Distance learning students per year



**108** International postdoctoral fellows



**74** South African postdoctoral fellows



**872**

International students



**127** Departments



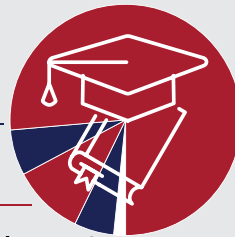
**Ranked 801–1000**  
(according to the Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2023)

**10 018** graduates

636 PG Dip

999 Honours

554 Master's



7 666 Undergraduate

163 Doctoral



**3 066**

**Total permanent staff** (on the payroll active and in primary positions)

Students per campus



**29 684** Bloemfontein Campus



**6 929** Qwaqwa Campus



**2 725** South Campus

UFS IN  
**NUMBERS**

# OUR CAMPUSES

## BLOEMFONTEIN CAMPUS

### THE EPICENTRE OF INNOVATION AND CULTURE

Situated in the vibrant heart of South Africa's judicial capital, the Bloemfontein Campus of the University of the Free State stands as a beacon of academic excellence and architectural beauty. Here, the pursuit of knowledge spans all seven faculties, offering a comprehensive range of undergraduate and postgraduate programmes. Our campus is not just a place of learning, but a masterpiece of unique architecture and art where state-of-the-art research facilities meet advanced teaching and sporting spaces. Wrapped in the embrace of eco-conscious, water-wise gardens, the campus is a living testament to sustainability and environmental stewardship.

Our commitment to inclusivity shines through, with meticulously designed Braille-guided areas, ramps, and elevators, ensuring that all students, regardless of visual or mobility impairments, experience a nurturing educational environment. This structural compassion underpins our culture of care and social justice, fostering an academic community that is as diverse as it is united.





## QWAQWA CAMPUS

### A HAVEN OF LEARNING IN THE HEART OF NATURE

Embraced by the majestic Maluti Mountains, the Qwaqwa Campus serves as a sanctuary of higher education for the region's youth, offering tailored programmes that drive socio-economic upliftment. Understanding the rural heartbeat of the Eastern Free State, our programmes are steeped in research that seeks innovative strategies for job creation and economic vitality. The campus takes pride in housing the internationally renowned Afromontane Research Unit (ARU), a hub of excellence that pioneers mountain research in Africa. This is where academic rigour meets the quest for real-world solutions, all within an environment that inspires and empowers.



## SOUTH CAMPUS

### FORGING A PATH IN BLENDED LEARNING

Perched amid the tranquil hills south of Bloemfontein, the South Campus is the nexus of the University of the Free State's blended learning revolution. A second home to the innovative Centre for Teaching and Learning, the campus is at the vanguard of educational evolution, harmonising traditional teaching and learning with cutting-edge techniques.

Additionally, the South Campus is the cradle for the future educators of South Africa, offering the BEd Foundation Phase programme. This programme moulds educators and equips them not only with comprehensive pedagogical skills, but also with a deep understanding of nurturing the minds of children aged six to nine, shaping them into lifelong learners and future leaders.

At the University of the Free State, our campuses are more than just geographic locations – they are the cornerstones of a visionary educational journey, fostering a community of scholars ready to make a profound impact on the world stage. Join us and be part of the legacy and innovation that is the heartbeat of the Free State

DISCOVER WHERE EXCELLENCE  
MEETS OPPORTUNITY –  
**CHOOSE THE UFS!**





The University of the Free State cultivates an environment where **innovation, inclusivity, and inspiration** converge to create future leaders.



What makes us special is that we support our students holistically to **achieve one of the highest success rates** in the country.



**World-class facilities house cutting-edge academic programmes** across seven dynamic faculties, with ground-breaking research and impactful engagement with society and the natural environment.



The University of the Free State has outstanding academics, with trailblazing research in various fields of study, **garnering local and international recognition.**



The University of the Free State also has **one of the highest ranked scientists in applied mathematics** in the world.



Furthermore, our research initiatives have won **numerous awards for its social impact and real-world application.**



Situated in the heart of South Africa, the UFS boasts **eco-friendly gardens and world-class infrastructure**, ensuring environmentally conscious surroundings.



We are not just preparing students for a prosperous career; we are preparing you for a **life of meaningful impact.**



Our culture promotes **equity, diversity, ubuntu, and accountability.**



Our students come from diverse backgrounds, and **our campuses offer a safe environment** where we celebrate each other's individuality.



Experience our **Braille-guided and mobility-friendly campus**, which speaks volumes about our culture of care.



We create a **sense of community and belonging** for our students, where every student is more than a number – they are part of a family.



Our **world-renowned sports alumni** include the likes of Rassie Erasmus, Jacques Nienaber, Ox Nche, Daan Human, and Bongani Tim Qumbu, who formed part of the 2023 World Cup-winning Springbok team. Jaco Peyper also represented South Africa as a World Cup referee in 2023. The UFS not only empowers sports stars, but also future leaders.



**Kovsie alumna Gerda Steyn** made history in 2023 when she not only became the first woman to win the Two Oceans Marathon four consecutive times, but also to break the long-standing Comrades Marathon record.



Karla Pretorius (vice-captain), Khanyisa Chawane, Lefébre Rademan, and Refiloe Nketsa **represented South Africa at the 2023 Netball World Cup.**



A culture of **kindness, respect, and character.**

Join us at the UFS, where your potential is nurtured, your ambition is kindled, and your success is inevitable. Why settle for the ordinary when you can become extraordinary at the UFS? Make the smart choice and let us shape the world together!

## OUR VISION

The UFS is a research-led, student-centred, and regionally engaged university that contributes to development and social justice through the production of globally competitive graduates and knowledge.

## OUR VALUES

Excellence   Innovation and impact   Accountability   Care   Social Justice   Sustainability

Our values shape and inform the UFS culture and provide a framework for our actions and decisions.

## OUR MISSION

To impart and generate new knowledge that impactfully supports societal development

# ACADEMIC INFORMATION

## Unlock Your Potential Across Diverse Disciplines at the UFS!

At the University of the Free State, your academic aspirations take centre stage. With seven distinct faculties, each offering a unique array of undergraduate programmes, we cater for a wide spectrum of interests and careers. From the sciences to the arts, our faculties are gateways to your future, each with tailored admission criteria designed to pave the most conducive path for your academic journey.

### The faculties are:



**Economic and Management Sciences**



**Education**



**Health Sciences**



**Law**



**Natural and Agricultural Sciences**



**The Humanities**



**Theology and Religion**

## EXTENDED CURRICULUM PROGRAMMES

Embark on a transformative educational path with the University of the Free State's Extended Curriculum Programmes (ECP). Tailored for aspirants of the 2025 academic year who demonstrate potential yet fall short of mainstream programme admission criteria, the ECP offers an alternative route to academic success. Be mindful that placement within this supportive programme is contingent on space availability, with priority given to higher-scoring applicants.

The ECP at the UFS is not just a programme; it is an academic lifeline. It is meticulously structured to bridge any gaps in competencies and ensure that you are not only admitted, but that you flourish in your chosen field of study. With a blend of academic support and skills development seamlessly integrated into your coursework, the ECP is designed to foster both personal and intellectual growth.

**To be considered for placement in the ECP, prospective students must apply for mainstream programmes.**

## Abbreviations:

From this point forward, we will use these abbreviations instead of the full terms:

- NSC** National Senior Certificate
- AP** Admission Point
- BC** Bloemfontein Campus
- QC** Qwaqwa Campus
- SC** South Campus in Bloemfontein
- UAP** University Access Programme
- HC** Higher Certificate
- NBT** Compulsory National Benchmark Test
- AL** Academic Literacy Test (NBT)
- QL** Quantitative Literacy Test (NBT)
- MT** Mathematics Test (NBT)
- N/A** Not Applicable

# NATIONAL BENCHMARK TESTS (NBTs)

## What are the NBTs?

Universities South Africa (USAf) initiated the NBTs, and several South African universities use the test(s) as part of their student placement processes. The first test is the Academic and Quantitative Literacy Test (AQL), and the second is the Mathematics Test (MAT). Each test takes three hours to complete, and both tests are written on the same day.

## Is it compulsory to take the NBT tests?

This depends on the programme you are applying for. Please refer to the specific programme information to determine whether the NBT is compulsory. Also, refer to the specific programme to determine the deadline for writing the NBT.

## Why write the NBTs? / How does the UFS make use of the NBT results?

The UFS uses the NBT results in three ways:

- We use it as part of the selection process for the Faculty of Health Sciences.
- Some faculties may use your NBT results for selection or during the registration process. Please see the specific programme for more information.
- To place students in appropriate academic literacy development modules, where necessary.

We use a student's performance levels in the Academic Literacy part of the NBT to place first-year students into appropriate developmental modules. If you did not pass the NBT Academic Literacy Test, you must register for one of the following English Academic Literacy development modules: EALH/EALE/EALN/EALL/EALT 1508.

These academic literacy development courses are not language courses. They teach you to read academic text efficiently and critically while extracting the main ideas and key details. It is important to remember that the level of academic reading and writing that you must master at university is very different from what you are used to at school. If you lack these key skills, you may have a hard time at university. But if we know the level of your skills, we can make sure that you enrol for the most appropriate modules and programmes in your first year. And that is what we use the NBTs for – to help us understand what skills you have, and what skills need to be developed.

## I did not/cannot write the NBT, what happens?

In some programmes, the NBT is compulsory for selection. Again, refer to the specific programme for more information. For non-selection courses, if you cannot/did not write the NBT, the UFS has alternative processes to place you, if necessary, into an academic literacy developmental module to maximally support your chances of success in your first year of study.

## How, when, and where to write?

Registration for the NBTs opens on 1 April 2024. You should write the NBTs while you are in Grade 12, before you register at the university. Visit [www.nbt.ac.za](http://www.nbt.ac.za) for all the information you need. Once you have written the tests, you can use the results to apply to any university. The UFS **only** accepts NBT results, NO other admission tests will be considered. **If you are applying to study in the Faculty of Health Sciences, you must write the NBTs by 7 July 2024.**

**If you have not written the NBTs yet, please register to write as soon as possible.**

**Booking of each test must be done three weeks in advance.**

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## For more information:

**Online:** [www.nbt.ac.za](http://www.nbt.ac.za)

### Bloemfontein Campus:

Lerato Marumo: +27 51 401 2448 | [nbt@ufs.ac.za](mailto:nbt@ufs.ac.za)

[masisilc@ufs.ac.za](mailto:masisilc@ufs.ac.za) | Benito Khotseng Building, Room LG5.

### Qwaqwa Campus:

Refiloe Tsetsana: +27 58 718 5188 | [tsetsanara@ufs.ac.za](mailto:tsetsanara@ufs.ac.za)

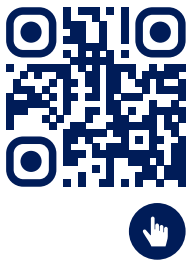
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## FACULTY-SPECIFIC ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

### Take note of the key information outlined below:

- Admission to all programmes will be **based on merit selection beyond the minimum threshold** and specific targeted selection of excellent university entrants. This means, the selection starts from the highest admission point (AP).
- Admission requirements are applicable **ONLY** to first-year undergraduate studies in 2025.
- Consult the faculty rulebook available at [www.ufs.ac.za/templates/rule-books](http://www.ufs.ac.za/templates/rule-books) for all the compulsory and elective modules (where applicable) for the programme you are interested in.
- If you are a senior student, consult the following for admission requirements: head of department | lecturer | faculty rulebooks.
- All admission requirements are subject to change without prior notification.
- Unless stated otherwise, a Level 4 (50%) is required for English Home Language or English First Additional Language.
- Refer to Important Closing Dates for selection courses. Applications for **all other non-selection** programmes close on 30 September 2024.

# FACULTIES







**ECONOMIC AND  
MANAGEMENT SCIENCES**



**EDUCATION**



**HEALTH SCIENCES**



**LAW**



**NATURAL AND  
AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES**



**THE HUMANITIES**



**THEOLOGY AND  
RELIGION**





Against the background of our mission to be a dynamic, innovative, and quality-driven faculty, the Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences covers a diverse academic spectrum – from public and private sector management to specialised education for aspirant professional accountants on undergraduate level – aiming to provide relevant, market-driven capacity and competence through, inter alia, research. You can obtain first-degree qualifications in one of three teaching programmes: Private Sector Management, Public Sector Management, and Accountancy. These qualifications aim to develop your intellectual skills through research-led teaching and learning so that you will be thoroughly prepared for various careers in the broad field of Economics and Management. Furthermore, the faculty offers successful international exchange programmes for both staff and students.

**Enquiries:** Faculty Office: +27 51 401 3825 | [emsapplications@ufs.ac.za](mailto:emsapplications@ufs.ac.za)

**Note:** *The admission requirements as indicated below are guidelines. Meeting the minimum admission requirements for your chosen/intended programme of study does not guarantee admission, as limited space is available in each programme. Final selection and admission are subject to the availability of space, academic results, and other admission requirements where applicable.*

**THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMMES ARE PRESENTED ON THE BLOEMFONTEIN CAMPUS:**

**Private Sector Management: Bachelor of Commerce (BCom)**

Programme Description		Minimum Admission Requirements				
Programme	Academic Plan Code	AP	English	Mathematics	NBT	Campus
BCom	BC630000	28	4 (50%)	4 (50%)	AL, QL, MT	BC
BCom with specialisation in Economics	BC630020	28	4 (50%)	4 (50%)	AL, QL, MT	BC
BCom with specialisation in Finance	BC630025	28	4 (50%)	4 (50%)	AL, QL, MT	BC
BCom with specialisation in Business and Financial Analytics	BC638080	34	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT	BC
BCom with specialisation in Marketing	BC630010	28	4 (50%)	3 (40%)	AL, QL, MT	BC
BCom with specialisation in Business Management	BC630012	28	4 (50%)	3 (40%)	AL, QL, MT	BC
BCom with specialisation in Human Resource Management	BC630030	28	4 (50%)	3 (40%)	AL, QL, MT	BC
BCom (Law)	BC637070	33	4 (50%)	4 (50%)	AL, QL, MT	BC

**Public Sector Management: Bachelor of Administration (BAdmin)**

Programme Description		Minimum Admission Requirements				
Programme	Academic Plan Code	AP	English	Mathematics	NBT	Campus
BAdmin	BC634040	28	4 (50%)	2 (30%)	AL, QL	BC

**Note:**

\* **Mathematical Literacy at Level 5 (60%) is also acceptable.**

## Education of Professional Accountants: Bachelor of Accounting (BAcc) and BCom (Accounting)

Programme Description		Minimum Admission Requirements				
Programme	Academic Plan Code	AP	English	Mathematics	NBT	Campus
BAcc	BC636060	34	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT	BC

The BAcc is accredited by the SA Institute of Chartered Accountants (SAICA) for aspiring Chartered Accountants (SA). This, together with the BAcc is accredited by the SA Institute of Chartered Accountants (SAICA) for aspiring Chartered Accountants (SA). This, together with the PGDip (CA) or BAcc Honours, constitutes the 'CA programme' offered by the UFS. SAICA has awarded the CA programme offered by the UFS a 'Level 1' rating (the best available rating). The performance of UFS Accountancy graduates in the SAICA professional examinations and the demand for these graduates by employers, bear testimony to the quality of the CA programme.

Students must pass the EFIN1614 module to continue with the EFIN1624 module and the BAcc programme in the second semester. If a student fails to do so, he/she will be converted to the BCom (Accounting) programme in the second semester of their first year.

BCom (Accounting)	BC635050	28	4 (50%)	4 (50%)	AL, QL, MT	BC
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The BCom (Accounting) degree is aimed at the general accountancy professions (including AGA(SA), SAIPA, ACCA, and CIMA).

Students who complete the BCom (Accounting) degree and still wish to pursue the chartered accountancy route, will first have to complete the PGDip (GA) or BComHons (Acc) – whereafter they will be eligible to register for the PGDip (CA) or BAcc Honours.

### THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMMES ARE PRESENTED ON THE QWAQWA CAMPUS:

**Enquiries:** Faculty Officer: +27 58 718 5289 | [\\_emsqqc@ufs.ac.za](mailto:_emsqqc@ufs.ac.za)

Programme Description SAQA ID: 8543						
Programme	Academic Plan Code	AP	English	Mathematics	NBT	Campus
BCom with specialisation in General Management	QC630001	28	4 (50%)	4 (50%)	AL, QL, MT	QC
BAdmin	QC634040	28	4 (50%)	2 (30%)	AL, QL	QC

**Note:**

\*Mathematical Literacy at Level 5 (60%) is also acceptable

*The BFA course not only enabled me to master my analytical skills, but also enabled me to tackle problems in a completely different manner. The course pushed me out of my comfort zone, enabling my growth and resilience over my tenure. It was an amazing experience to provide myself with a foundationally **solid education in an ever-changing environment.***

JARRYD TRIP





The Faculty of Education educates teachers in several disciplines. Our primary focus is to prepare you as pre-service teachers for your work in schools, ensuring that you have a strong disciplinary base for your professional work. In our undergraduate Bachelor of Education degree (offered in Foundation, Intermediate, or Senior and FET phases), you are prepared to be teachers in primary and secondary schools. The key teaching and learning principle of the programme is reflection, with an emphasis on instructing prospective teachers about teaching as opposed to teaching them only how to teach. Against this background, the faculty offers creative teaching and learning practices, illuminating broader citizenship and professional values. Our students are mentored to value scholarship, professional competence, and ethical practice.

**Enquiries – South Campus:** BEd Foundation Phase: | [bedfp@ufs.ac.za](mailto:bedfp@ufs.ac.za)

**Enquiries – Bloemfontein Campus:**

BEd Intermediate Phase (Maths, Natural Sciences, and Technology Education): [IPMNSTEqueries@ufs.ac.za](mailto:IPMNSTEqueries@ufs.ac.za)

BEd Intermediate Phase (Social Sciences and Life Skills Education): [IPLSSS@ufs.ac.za](mailto:IPLSSS@ufs.ac.za)

BEd Senior and FET Phase (Social Sciences, Languages, and Economic Management Sciences Education):  
[BEdsenLang@ufs.ac.za](mailto:BEdsenLang@ufs.ac.za)

BEd Senior and FET Phase (Mathematics, Natural Sciences, and Technology Education): [pdirector@ufs.ac.za](mailto:pdirector@ufs.ac.za)

Postgraduate Certificate in Education (PGCE): [BloemfonteinPGCE@ufs.ac.za](mailto:BloemfonteinPGCE@ufs.ac.za)

**General enquiries:** | [Eduinfo@ufs.ac.za](mailto:Eduinfo@ufs.ac.za)

Faculty Manager: Dr Lambert Makhalemele: +27 51 401 7891 | [eduinfo@ufs.ac.za](mailto:eduinfo@ufs.ac.za) | [MakhalemeleLM@ufs.ac.za](mailto:MakhalemeleLM@ufs.ac.za)

**Enquiries – Qwaqwa Campus:**

BEd Foundation Phase: [EduQQFP@ufs.ac.za](mailto:EduQQFP@ufs.ac.za)

BEd Intermediate Phase: [EduQQIP@ufs.ac.za](mailto:EduQQIP@ufs.ac.za)

BEd Senior and FET Phase: [EduQQFET@ufs.ac.za](mailto:EduQQFET@ufs.ac.za)

Postgraduate Certificate in Education (PGCE): [QwaqwaPGCE@ufs.ac.za](mailto:QwaqwaPGCE@ufs.ac.za)

**Note: The admission requirements as indicated below are guidelines. Meeting the minimum admission requirements for your chosen/intended programme of study does not guarantee admission, as limited space is available in each programme. Final selection and admission are subject to the availability of space, academic results, and other admission requirements where applicable.**

## THE FACULTY PRESENTS THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMMES:

### Diploma in Grade R Teaching (three-year online learning)

The purpose of the Diploma in Grade R Teaching is to develop teachers who can demonstrate general principles, as well as focused knowledge and skills, appropriate for Grade R teaching. The qualification requires in-depth specialisation of knowledge, as well as practical skills and experience in a Grade R classroom teaching context. As part of the qualification, students are expected to gain experience in applying such knowledge and skills in the context of working with Grade R learners in a school.

Furthermore, the Diploma in Grade R Teaching opens an alternative pathway for teachers to advance in their careers as well as to promote further study. In addition, as stated in MRTEQ and the requirements specified for the diploma, this qualification intends to offer graduates who wish to become trained Foundation Phase teachers an alternative pathway to enter the BEd (Foundation Phase Teaching) and present credits for transfer through RPL.

## Bachelor of Education (BEd): Four years Foundation Phase

Programme Description		Minimum Admission Requirements						
Programme	Academic Plan Code	AP	English	Afrikaans Home Language	Sesotho Home Language	isiZulu Home Language	NBT	Campus
<b>Bachelor of Education in Foundation Phase</b>								
Specialisation in Afrikaans Home Language	LC735101	30	4 (50%)	4 (50%)	N/A	N/A	AL, QL	SC
Specialisation in Sesotho Home Language	LC735103 QC735103	30	4 (50%)	N/A	4 (50%)	N/A	AL, QL	SC QC
Specialisation in isiZulu Home Language	QC735105	30	4 (50%)	N/A	N/A	4 (50%)	AL, QL	QC
Specialisation in English Home Language*	LC735106	30	4 (50%) Home Language	N/A	N/A	N/A	AL, QL	SC

**Note:**

\* Afrikaans on Level 4 (50%) is required for English Home Language specialisation. Afrikaans HL, Sesotho HL, isiZulu HL require English FAL at Level 4 (50%).

## Intermediate Phase

Programme Description		Minimum Admission Requirements							
Programme	Academic Plan Code	AP	English	Mathematics	Afrikaans Home Language	Sesotho Home Language	isiZulu Home Language	NBT	Campus
<b>Bachelor of Education in Intermediate Phase</b>									
Mathematics, Natural Sciences, Technology, and Afrikaans Home Language <sup>1</sup>	BC735791	30	4 (50%)	4 (50%)	4 (50%)	N/A	N/A	AL, QL	BC
Life Skills, Social Sciences, and Afrikaans Home Language <sup>1</sup>	BC735784	30	4 (50%)	N/A	4 (50%)	N/A	N/A	AL, QL	BC
Mathematics, Natural Sciences and Technology, and English Home Language <sup>2</sup>	BC735793	30	4 (50%) Home Language	4 (50%)	4 (50%) First additional language	N/A	N/A	AL, QL	BC
Life Skills, Social Sciences, and English Home Language <sup>2</sup>	BC735787	30	4 (50%) Home Language	N/A	4 (50%) First additional language	N/A	N/A	AL, QL	BC
Mathematics, Natural Sciences and Technology, and Sesotho Home Language <sup>1</sup>	BC735792 QC735792	30	4 (50%)	4 (50%)	N/A	4 (50%)	N/A	AL, QL	BC QC
Life Skills and Social Sciences Teaching, and isiZulu Home Language <sup>1</sup>	QC735788	30	4 (50%)	N/A	N/A	N/A	4 (50%)	AL, QL	QC

Programme Description		Minimum Admission Requirements							
Programme	Academic Plan Code	AP	English	Mathematics	Afrikaans Home Language	Sesotho Home Language	isiZulu Home Language	NBT	Campus
<b>Bachelor of Education in Intermediate Phase</b>									
Life Skills, Social Sciences, and Sesotho Home Language <sup>2</sup>	BC735782 QC735782	30	4 (50%)	N/A	N/A	4 (50%)	N/A	AL, QL	BC QC
Mathematics, Natural Sciences, and Technology Teaching, and isiZulu Home Language <sup>1</sup>	QC735794	30	4 (50%)	4 (50%)	N/A	N/A	4 (50%)	AL, QL	QC

**Note:**

<sup>1</sup> English First Additional Language required at Level 4.

<sup>2</sup> Afrikaans First Additional Language required at Level 4.

Language combinations (HL and FAL) must be chosen from English, isiZulu, Sesotho, and Afrikaans only.

## Senior Phase and FET

Programme Description		Minimum Admission Requirements							
Programme	Academic Plan Code	AP	English	Mathematics	Physical Sciences	Other subject requirements	Life Sciences	NBT	Campus
<b>Bachelor of Education in Senior and FET Phase</b>									
Accounting and Business Studies	BC736101	30	4 (50%)	N/A	N/A	Accounting 4 (50%) Business Studies 4 (50%) Mathematics 4 (50%)	N/A	AL, QL	BC
EMS and Accounting	BC736104 QC736104	30	4 (50%)	N/A	N/A	Accounting 4 (50%) Economics 4 (50%) Mathematics 4 (50%)	N/A	AL, QL	BC QC
Technology and Engineering Graphics and Design	BC736301	30	4 (50%)	N/A	N/A	Engineering Graphics and Design 4 (50%)	N/A	AL, QL	BC
Natural Sciences and Mathematics / Mathematics and Life Sciences	BC736305 QC736305	30	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	N/A	5 (60%)	AL, QL	BC QC
Technology and Life Sciences	BC736308	30	4 (50%)	N/A	N/A	N/A	5 (60%)	AL, QL	BC
Sesotho HL and English FAL	BC736404 QC736402	30	4 (50%)	N/A	N/A	Sesotho Home Language 4 (50%)	N/A	AL, QL	BC QC
isiZulu HL and English FAL	QC736403	30	4 (50%)	N/A	N/A	isiZulu Home Language 4 (50%)	N/A	AL, QL	QC
Mathematics and Physical Sciences	BC736314 QC736314	30	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	N/A	N/A	AL, QL	BC QC
Sesotho HL and History	BC736511 QC736511	30	4 (50%)	N/A	N/A	Sesotho Home Language 4 (50%)	N/A	AL, QL	BC QC
isiZulu HL and History	QC736512	30	4 (50%)	N/A	N/A	isiZulu Home Language 4 (50%)	N/A	AL, QL	QC
English and History	BC736519	30	4 (50%)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	AL, QL	BC
Afrikaans HL and English	BC736521	30	4 (50%)	N/A	N/A	Afrikaans Home Language 4 (50%)	N/A	AL, QL	BC

Your journey at the UFS is not just about academic success; it's about discovering your potential and **turning aspirations into accomplishments.** ”

STEFANUS SCHEEPERS





The School of Clinical Medicine, School of Pathology, School of Biomedical Sciences, School of Nursing, and the School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences are proud to offer you opportunities to obtain world-class qualifications in the healthcare environment. Students in the Faculty of Health Sciences must be highly motivated, empathetic individuals whose academic knowledge and clinical expertise are developed through innovative teaching and learning modes that include simulated as well as clinical-skills development. Graduates from our faculty are in high demand at health-care institutions throughout Africa and the world and have a positive impact on the provision of quality health care nationally.

**Note: The admission requirements as indicated below are guidelines. Meeting the minimum admission requirements for your chosen/intended programme of study does not guarantee admission, as limited space is available in each programme. Final selection and admission are subject to the availability of space, academic results, and other admission requirements where applicable. Refer to the faculty rulebook and the selection policies available at [www.ufs.ac.za/healthselection](http://www.ufs.ac.za/healthselection) for more information.**

**THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMMES ARE ONLY PRESENTED ON THE BLOEMFONTEIN CAMPUS:**

School of Clinical Medicine, School of Pathology, School of Biomedical Sciences

**Enquiries:** Lydia du Toit: +27 51 401 3739/7513 | [fhsapplications@ufs.ac.za](mailto:fhsapplications@ufs.ac.za)

Programme Description		Minimum Admission Requirements						
Programme	Academic Plan Code	AP	English	Mathematics	Life Sciences	Physical Sciences	Subject to Selection	NBT
Bachelor of Medical Science with specialisation in Radiation Science (BMedSc)	BC831000	30	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	Yes	AL, QL, MT
Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MB ChB)	BC834100	36	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	Yes	AL, QL, MT

**Notes:**

- Closing date for applications to study any programme in the School of Clinical Medicine is 31 May 2024.
- If you are a senior applicant (already studying at a tertiary institution, or a graduate), there are important additional requirements that you must meet. It is important to contact the faculty for more information at [fhsapplications@ufs.ac.za](mailto:fhsapplications@ufs.ac.za).
- For additional requirements, consult the selection policy available on the website: [www.ufs.ac.za/healthselection](http://www.ufs.ac.za/healthselection)

School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences

Programme Description		Minimum Admission Requirements						
Programme	Academic Plan Code	AP	English	Mathematics	Life Sciences	Physical Sciences	Subject to Selection	NBT
Bachelor of Optometry BOptom	BC841301	33	5 (60%)	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	Yes	AL, QL, MT
Bachelor of Science in Physiotherapy BSc (Physiotherapy)	BC842001	33	5 (60%)	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	4 (50%)	Yes	AL, QL, MT
Bachelor of Science in Dietetics* BSc (Dietetics)	BC846001	33	5 (60%)	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	4 (50%)	Yes	AL, QL, MT
Bachelor of Occupational Therapy* BOccTher	BC843100	33	5 (60%)	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	4 (50%)	Yes	AL, QL, MT

**Note:**

**Proof of a visit to an occupational therapy practice must accompany your application form for studies in the Bachelor of Occupational Therapy.**

Bachelor of Biokinetics* BBiok	BC844001	33	5 (60%)	4 (50%)	4 (50%)	4 (50%)	Yes	AL, QL, MT
Bachelor of Sport Coaching B SportCoach	BC834000	30	4 (50%)				Yes	AL, QL



**Enquiries:** Lydia du Toit: T: +27 51 401 3739/7513 | fhsapplications@ufs.ac.za

**Notes:**

- \*Life Sciences and/or Physical Sciences are required.
- Closing date for applications to study the following programmes in the School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences is **31 May 2024**:
  - BSc (Physiotherapy)
  - BOptom (Optometry)
  - BOccTher (Occupational Therapy)
- Closing date for applications to study the following programmes in the School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences is **31 July 2024**:
  - BSc (Dietetics)
  - BSportCoach (Sport Coaching)
  - BBiok (Biokinetics)
- If you are a senior applicant (already studying at a tertiary institution, or a graduate), there are important additional requirements that you must meet. It is important to contact the faculty for more information at fhsapplications@ufs.ac.za
- For additional requirements, consult the selection policy available on the website: [www.ufs.ac.za/healthselection](http://www.ufs.ac.za/healthselection)

## School of Nursing

**Enquiries:** June Klopper: +27 51 401 2361 | klopper1@ufs.ac.za

Programme Description			Minimum Admission Requirements						
Programme	Academic Plan Code	AP	English	Mathematics	Mathematical Literacy	Life Sciences	Physical Sciences	Subject to Selection	NBT
Bachelor of Nursing	BC849000	30	4 (50%)	3 (40%)	6 (70%)	5 (60%)	4 (50%)	Yes	AL, QL

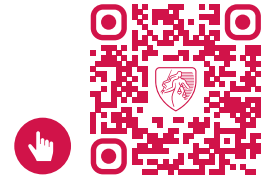
**Notes:**

- Either Mathematics **or** Mathematical Literacy is required.
- Either Life Sciences **or** Physical Sciences is required.
- Closing date for applications is **31 July 2024**.
- If you are a senior applicant (already studying at a tertiary institution, or a graduate), there are important additional requirements that you must meet. It is important to contact the faculty for more information at klopper1@ufs.ac.za
- For additional requirements, consult the selection policy available on the website: [www.ufs.ac.za/healthselection](http://www.ufs.ac.za/healthselection)

My five years of study at the University of the Free State was **challenging but also life changing**, as I learned to have courage, to become resilient, to persevere, to become a competent clinician.

SHEREE TIEL





The Faculty of Law is among the best in the country. Its location in the judicial capital, Bloemfontein, exposes students to the practice of law in both the lower and higher divisions of the courts. Close ties with the profession allow the faculty to share the expertise of judges and legal practitioners with students. The faculty is proud of its high academic standards and its commitment to the constant improvement of its programmes.

The Faculty of Law is committed to excellence in teaching and to delivering eminent jurists. Legal education will open doors to a wide variety of career opportunities, including the advocates' profession, attorneys' profession, legal advising, labour consulting, prosecuting, magistrates' profession, academia, as well as positions in the insurance and banking industries. The faculty offers the LLB programme through residential learning.

The faculty is recognised for outstanding research and is also involved with community projects in which the UFS Law Clinic and specialised centres in the faculty play a major role.

The faculty enjoys close ties with several international law schools and law faculties, especially in Australia, Britain, Europe, and the USA.

**Enquiries:** William Awusi: +27 51 401 2735 | law@ufs.ac.za

**Note: The admission requirements as indicated below are guidelines. Meeting the minimum admission requirements for your chosen/intended programme of study does not guarantee admission, as limited space is available in each programme. Final selection and admission are subject to the availability of space, academic results, and other admission requirements where applicable.**

**THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMMES ARE PRESENTED ONLY ON THE BLOEMFONTEIN CAMPUS:**

Programme Description		Minimum Admission Requirements				
Programme	Academic Plan Code	AP	English	Mathematics	Mathematical Literacy	NBT
Bachelor of Laws (LLB) – four years	BC340000	33	6 (70%)	4 (50%)	6 (70%)	AL, QL

**Note:**  
Either Mathematics (50%) or Mathematical Literacy (70%) is required.

*I decided to study Law because I care about justice and social impact. As one of triplet girls from a rural background, **I want to show my peers that they can achieve anything they set their minds to**, no matter where they come from. I also want to use our legal knowledge and skills to make a positive difference in my community and society. I am also passionate about issues such as gender equality and access to justice, and I hope to pursue careers that align with my values and interests.*

” SINOVUYO MBIYO

*I enjoy how **my studies have helped me grow as an individual** and enhanced my critical thinking. I also love the advocacy and argumentation part of my studies, which enables me to take part in moot court competitions, debates, and leadership positions.*

” ESIHLE MBIYO

***The UFS Faculty of Law stood out for me** with its excellent resources, networking opportunities, and legal student associations. I was attracted by the faculty's colour, support, and graduation ceremonies. I also admire and respect the faculty's research and community involvement, especially through the UFS Law Clinic. The faculty has some of the best lecturers and a supportive faculty manager who advised us to focus on our academics. I am grateful for the guidance and mentorship we received from the faculty staff and our fellow students, who helped me overcome the academic and personal challenges I faced. I am more than proud to be part of the Kovsie family.*

” SISIPHO MBIYO





The Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences is a vibrant faculty attracting both national and international students due to its stimulating curriculum and exciting research agenda. We are an engaged faculty whose interactions with its community are integrated with research and teaching.

The faculty offers exciting and relevant programmes in the following broad areas of training and research:

- Natural Sciences
- Agricultural Sciences
- Building Sciences

The faculty offers both Bachelors and Bachelor of Science degrees. Furthermore, the faculty offers programmes on all three of the UFS campuses, i.e., the Bloemfontein Campus, South Campus in Bloemfontein, and the Qwaqwa Campus in the Eastern Free State.

The Bachelor's Degree (B) makes provision for four fields of study, namely:	The Bachelor of Science (BSc) makes provision for six fields of study, namely:	The Bachelor of Science in Agriculture (BSc Agriculture) makes provision for five fields of study, namely:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Architecture</li> <li>• Agricultural Sciences</li> <li>• Sustainable Food Systems and Development</li> <li>• Computer Information Systems</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Biological Sciences</li> <li>• Building Sciences</li> <li>• Chemical and Physical Sciences</li> <li>• Geosciences</li> <li>• Computer Science and Informatics</li> <li>• Mathematical Sciences</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Animal, Wildlife and Grassland Sciences</li> <li>• Plant Breeding</li> <li>• Plant Pathology</li> <li>• Soil, Crop and Climate Sciences</li> <li>• Agricultural Economics</li> </ul>

**Enquiries:** Visit: [www.ufs.ac.za/nas](http://www.ufs.ac.za/nas)  
 Elfrieda van den Berg: +27 51 401 2531 | [vdberge@ufs.ac.za](mailto:vdberge@ufs.ac.za) (Marketing Manager)

In addition to the standard admission requirements for degree study, as a first-year student, you are expected to:

- have a minimum AP of 32 for all BSc programmes, except programmes in Construction Economics and Management, Construction Management, Quantity Surveying, and Physics with Engineering subjects;
- have a performance level of 5 (60%) in Mathematics, unless stated otherwise; and
- have both Life Sciences and Physical Sciences on Level 5 (60%) for all BSc programmes, unless stated otherwise.

**For more information, visit: [www.ufs.ac.za/nas](http://www.ufs.ac.za/nas) and click on 'Rulebook' or contact any of the staff members indicated at the respective programmes.**

*Studying Geography at the UFS can give you a plethora of career options, which is something I only realised once I started studying. I enjoy how interactive my course is with the real world due to the various excursions provided; this helped me to further **develop my passion for Geography as a whole.***



**BONGUMUSA SIBISI**



## NATURAL SCIENCES

Here, we constantly shift the frontiers of knowledge through fundamental research, innovation, and new technology development in support of our efforts to stay in step with the challenges of an ever-changing world. Our expertise in the Natural Sciences includes Mathematics, Mathematical Statistics, Actuarial Science, Chemistry, Physics, Engineering Sciences, Geography, Geology, Biological Sciences, Computer Science and Informatics, and Sustainable Food Systems and Development.

### THE FOLLOWING DEGREES AND PROGRAMMES ARE PRESENTED ON THE BLOEMFONTEIN CAMPUS:

The **Bachelor of Science degree** is a three-year programme. The degree code is 43001 and the qualification is presented full time, which requires face-to-face classes; it is therefore a residential programme. This degree offers different specialisation fields, for example, Biological Sciences, Chemical Sciences, Geosciences, Mathematical Sciences, and Physical Sciences, etc. The table below indicates these specialisation fields as well as the different major combinations available.

1.	Specialising in Biological Sciences Academic Programme Code: <b>B4310</b>	<b>Enquiries: Programme Directors:</b> <b>Genetics, Behavioural Genetics:</b> Dr Gerda Marx: +27 51 401 3974   geneticspd@ufs.ac.za   www.ufs.ac.za/genetics <b>Botany, Plant Breeding, Plant Pathology, Plant Health Ecology:</b> Dr Angie van Biljon: +27 51 401 9568   avbiljon@ufs.ac.za   www.ufs.ac.za/plant <b>Zoology, Entomology:</b> Dr Candice Jansen van Rensburg: +27 51 401 9357   jvrensc@ufs.ac.za   www.ufs.ac.za/ze <b>Biochemistry and Microbiology:</b> Dr Frans O'Neill: +27 51 401 7553   oneillfh@ufs.ac.za   www.ufs.ac.za/mb <b>Forensic Sciences: Dr Karen Ehlers:</b> +27 51 401 3978   ehlersk@ufs.ac.za   www.ufs.ac.za/genetics
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The academic programme or the degree offered will be a Bachelor of Science specialising in Biological Sciences. Students will have the opportunity to select their preferred majors, based on meeting the requirements of the programme and the specific majors. Majors will be selected in the second year of studies. **The programme that will be available for application on the online application system is B4310 (Bachelor of Science specialising in Biological Sciences).**

Programme Description				Minimum Admission Requirements				
Majors	Programme director	Code	AP	English	Mathematics	Life Sciences	Physical Sciences	NBT
Biochemistry and Botany	Dr Angie van Biljon	BC431920	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT
Biochemistry and Entomology	Dr Candice Jansen van Rensburg	BC431927	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT
Biochemistry and Genetics	Dr Frans O'Neill	BC431931	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT
Biochemistry and Microbiology	Dr Frans O'Neill	BC431939	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT
Biochemistry and Statistics	Dr Frans O'Neill	BC431946	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT
Biochemistry and Zoology	Dr Candice Jansen van Rensburg	BC431949	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT
Biochemistry and Physiology	Dr Frans O'Neill	BC431980	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT
Botany and Entomology	Dr Candice Jansen van Rensburg	BC432027	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT
Botany and Genetics	Dr Angie van Biljon	BC432031	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT
Botany and Microbiology	Dr Angie van Biljon	BC432039	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT
Botany and Plant Breeding	Dr Angie van Biljon	BC432041	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT
Botany and Plant Pathology	Dr Angie van Biljon	BC432042	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT
Botany and Zoology	Dr Angie van Biljon	BC432049	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT
Plant Health Ecology	Dr Angie van Biljon	BC432082	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT
Entomology and Genetics	Dr Candice Jansen van Rensburg	BC432731	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT
Entomology and Microbiology	Dr Candice Jansen van Rensburg	BC432739	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT
Entomology and Zoology	Dr Candice Jansen van Rensburg	BC432749	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT

Programme Description			Minimum Admission Requirements					
Majors	Programme director	Code	AP	English	Mathematics	Life Sciences	Physical Sciences	NBT
Behavioural Genetics	Dr Gerda Marx	BC433118	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT
Genetics and Microbiology	Dr Frans O'Neill	BC433139	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT
Genetics and Physiology	Dr Gerda Marx	BC433180	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT
Genetics and Zoology	Dr Candice Jansen van Rensburg	BC433149	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT
Microbiology and Statistics	Dr Frans O'Neill	BC433946	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT
Microbiology and Zoology	Dr Candice Jansen van Rensburg	BC433949	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT

2.

Specialising in Forensic Science  
Academic Programme Code: **B4311**  
**SUBJECT TO SELECTION**

**Enquiries: Programme Director:**

Dr Karen Ehlers: +27 51 401 3978 | ehlersk@ufs.ac.za | www.ufs.ac.za/genetics

**Note:**

\*Admission to Forensic Sciences is subject to selection. A minimum AP of 34 is required, with a cumulative AP score of at least 17 for Mathematics, Life Sciences, and Physical Sciences. NBT results will be used for selection and admission purposes. No person with a criminal record will be admitted to this programme.

The **Bachelor of Science** degree is a three-year programme.

The closing date for applications is 30 September 2024.

The programme that will be available for application on the online application system is B4311.

Programme Description			Minimum Admission Requirements					
Majors	Code	AP	English	Mathematics	Life Sciences	Physical Sciences	NBT	
Forensic Sciences*	BC433031	34	4 (50%)	6 (70%)	6 (70%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT	

3.

Specialising in **Mathematical Sciences**  
Academic Programme Code: **B4321**

**Enquiries: Programme Director:**

Applied Mathematics, Mathematical Science: Dr Edgard Ngounda +27 51 401 2329 | ngoundae@ufs.ac.za  
www.ufs.ac.za/mam

The **Bachelor of Science** degree is a three-year programme.

The programme that will be available for application on the online application system is B4321.

Programme Description			Minimum Admission Requirements					
Majors	Code	AP	English	Mathematics	Physical Sciences	NBT		
Mathematics and Applied Mathematics	BC433816	32	4 (50%)	6 (70%)	4 (50%)	AL, QL, MT		
Mathematics and Chemistry	BC433821	32	4 (50%)	6 (70%)	4 (50%)	AL, QL, MT		
Mathematics and Mathematical Statistics	BC433837	32	4 (50%)	6 (70%)	4 (50%)	AL, QL, MT		
Mathematics and Physics	BC433840	32	4 (50%)	6 (70%)	4 (50%)	AL, QL, MT		

4.

Specialising in Actuarial Sciences  
Academic Programme Code: **B4324**

**SUBJECT TO SELECTION**

**Enquiries:**

Actuarial Science: Jan Blomerus +27 51 401 9610 | statsact@ufs.ac.za | www.ufs.ac.za/msas

Admission to the BSc Actuarial Science is subject to selection. The selection process is based on academic performance. **If you are unsuccessful in your application for Actuarial Science, you may be offered a place in Econometrics if you apply for Econometrics as well. A space will be made available to you in the third year of Actuarial Science if you excel in your Econometrics in the first two years.**

The **Bachelor of Science** degree is a three-year programme.

The programme that will be available for application on the online application system is B4324

Programme Description		Minimum Admission Requirements					
Majors	Code	AP	English	Mathematics	Physical Sciences	NBT	
Actuarial Science	BC431000	34	4 (50%)	6 (70%)	N/A	AL, QL, MT	

5.

Specialising in **Mathematical Statistics and Applied Statistics**

Academic Programme Code: **B4322, B4323, B4325**

**Enquiries:**  
 Mathematical Statistics and Applied Statistics: Jan Blomerus +27 51 401 9610 | statsact@ufs.ac.za  
[www.ufs.ac.za/msas](http://www.ufs.ac.za/msas)  
 The **Bachelor of Science** degree is a three-year programme.

Programme Description		Minimum Admission Requirements					
Majors	Code	AP	English	Mathematics	Physical Sciences	NBT	
Climate Sciences	BC433712	32	4 (50%)	6 (70%)	4 (50%)	AL, QL, MT	
Econometrics	BC433758	32	4 (50%)	6 (70%)	N/A	AL, QL, MT	
Psychometrics	BC433786	32	4 (50%)	6 (70%)	N/A	AL, QL, MT	
Statistics and Economics	BC434658	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	N/A	AL, QL, MT	
Statistics and Psychology	BC434686	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	N/A	AL, QL, MT	

6.

Specialising in **Chemical Sciences**

Academic Programme Code: **B4330**

**Enquiries:**  
 Programme Director: Prof Johan Venter: +27 51 401 3336 | venterja@ufs.ac.za | [www.ufs.ac.za/chemistry](http://www.ufs.ac.za/chemistry)  
**Note:** If you want to register for Chemistry as a major, remember that we only admit a limited number of students based on academic excellence in the second year.  
 The **Bachelor of Science** degree is three-year programme.

The academic programme or the degree offered will be a Bachelor of Science specialising in Chemical Sciences. Students will have the opportunity to select their preferred majors based on meeting the requirements of the programme and the specific majors. The programme that will be available for application on the online application system is B4330 (Bachelor of Science specialising in Chemical Sciences). Majors will be selected in the second year of study.

Programme Description		Minimum Admission Requirements					
Majors	Code	AP	English	Mathematics	Life Sciences	Physical Sciences	NBT
Chemistry and Biochemistry	BC432119	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT
Chemistry and Microbiology	BC432139	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT
Chemistry and Physics	BC432140	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	N/A	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT
Chemistry and Botany	BC432120	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT

7.

Specialising in **Physical Sciences**

Academic Programme Code: **B4331**

**Enquiries:**  
 Programme Director: Prof Johan Venter: +27 51 401 3336 | venterja@ufs.ac.za  
[www.ufs.ac.za/chemistry](http://www.ufs.ac.za/chemistry) | [www.ufs.ac.za/physics](http://www.ufs.ac.za/physics)  
 The **Bachelor of Science** degree is a three-year programme.

The academic programme or the degree offered will be a Bachelor of Science specialising in Physical Sciences. Students will have the opportunity to select their preferred majors based on meeting the requirements of the programme and the specific majors. The programme that will be available for application on the online application system is B4331 (Bachelor of Science specialising in Physical Sciences).

Programme Description		Minimum Admission Requirements					
Majors	Code	AP	English	Mathematics	Life Sciences	Physical Sciences	NBT
Physics and Agrometeorology	BC434012	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT
Physics and Astrophysics	BC434017	32	4 (50%)	6 (70%)	N/A	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT

<b>8.</b>	Specialising in <b>Physical Sciences with Engineering Subjects</b> Academic Programme Code: <b>B4332</b> <b><u>SUBJECT TO SELECTION</u></b>	<b>Enquiries:</b> Programme Director: Prof Johan Venter: +27 51 401 3336   venterja@ufs.ac.za <a href="http://www.ufs.ac.za/chemistry">www.ufs.ac.za/chemistry</a>   <a href="http://www.ufs.ac.za/physics">www.ufs.ac.za/physics</a> The <b>Bachelor of Science</b> degree is a three-year programme.
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The academic programme or the degree offered will be a Bachelor of Science specialising in Physical Science with Engineering Subjects. Students will have the opportunity to select their preferred majors based on meeting the requirements of the programme and the specific majors. The programme that will be available for application on the online application system is B4332 (Bachelor of Science specialising in Physics and Engineering Subjects).

Programme Description		Minimum Admission Requirements					
Majors	Code	AP	English	Mathematics	Life Sciences	Physical Sciences	Compulsory NBT
Physics and Engineering Subjects	BC434026	30	4 (50%)	6 (70%)	N/A	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT

<b>9.</b>	Specialising in <b>Geography</b> Academic Programme Code: <b>B4340</b>	<b>Enquiries:</b> Programme Director: Dr Adriaan van der Walt: +27 51 401 9653   VanDerWaltA@ufs.ac.za <a href="http://www.ufs.ac.za/geography">www.ufs.ac.za/geography</a> The <b>Bachelor of Science</b> degree is a three-year programme.
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The academic programme or the degree offered will be a Bachelor of Science specialising in Geography. The programme that will be available for application on the online application system is B4340 (Bachelor of Science specialising in Geography).

Programme Description		Minimum Admission Requirements					
Majors	Code	AP	English	Mathematics	Life Sciences	Physical Sciences	NBT
Geography and Environmental Science	BC433362	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	N/A	AL, QL, MT
Geography	BC433333	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT
Geoinformatics	BC430069	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT

<b>10.</b>	Specialising in <b>Geology</b> Academic Programme Code: <b>B4341</b> <b><u>SUBJECT TO SELECTION</u></b>	<b>Enquiries:</b> Programme Director: Dr Jarlen Keet: +27 51 401 2318   beukesj@ufs.ac.za <a href="http://www.ufs.ac.za/geology">www.ufs.ac.za/geology</a> The Bachelor of Science degree is a three-year programme. <b>Notes:</b> Final admission is subject to the availability of space, academic results, and other admission requirements where applicable.
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The academic programme or the degree offered will be a Bachelor of Science specialising in Geology. The programme that will be available for application on the online application system is B4341 (Bachelor of Science specialising in Geology).

Programme Description		Minimum Admission Requirements					
Majors	Code	AP	English	Mathematics	Physical Sciences	Selection	NBT
Geology and Chemistry	BC433521	30	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	No	AL, QL, MT
Environmental Geology	BC433528	30	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	No	AL, QL, MT
Geochemistry	BC433532	30	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	No	AL, QL, MT
Geology Specialisation	BC433535	30	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	No	AL, QL, MT
Geology and Physics	BC433540	30	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	No	AL, QL, MT

The **Bachelor of Science in Information Technology** is a three-year qualification. The degree code is 43601 and the qualification is presented on a full-time basis, which require face-to-face classes; it is therefore a residential qualification. This degree offers different specialisation fields. The table below indicates these specialisation fields as well as the different major combinations available.

<b>11.</b>	Specialising in <b>Computer Sciences</b> Academic Programme Code: <b>B4360, B4361, B4362, B4364</b>	<b>Enquiries:</b> Programme Director: Jaco Marais: +27 51 401 2929/2754   csi@ufs.ac.za   <a href="http://www.ufs.ac.za/csi">www.ufs.ac.za/csi</a>
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The academic qualification or the degree offered will be a Bachelor of Science in Information Technology. Students will have the opportunity to select their preferred majors based on meeting the requirements of the academic programme of their choice and its specific majors. The programme that will be available for application on the online application system is B4360 (BSc(IT) Chemical and Physical Sciences), B4361 (BSc(IT) Mathematical Sciences), B4362 (BSc(IT) Mathematical Statistics), and B4364 (BSc(IT) Business Management).

Programme Description			Minimum Admission Requirements				
Majors	Programme Code	Plan Code	AP	English	Mathematics	Physical Sciences	NBT
Computer Science and Chemistry	B4360	BC432221	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT
Computer Science and Physics	B4360	BC432240	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT
Computer Science and Mathematical Statistics	B4361	BC432237	32	4 (50%)	6 (70%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT
Computer Science and Mathematics	B4362	BC432238	32	4 (50%)	6 (70%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT
Data Science	B4362	BC432295	32	4 (50%)	6 (70%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT
Computer Science and Business Management*	B4364	BC432255	32	4 (50%)	4 (50%)	4 (50%)	AL, QL, MT

\* If you want to enrol for Mathematics as part of BSc(IT) majoring in Computer Science and Business Management, Mathematics on Level 5 (60%) is required.

The **Bachelor of Computer Information Systems** is a three-year qualification. The degree code is 43610 and the qualification is presented on a full-time basis, which requires face-to-face classes; it is therefore a residential qualification. This degree offers one specialisation field. The table below indicates the specialisation field as well as the relevant major available.

<b>12.</b>	Specialising in <b>Computer Information Systems</b> Academic Programme Code: <b>B4363</b>	<b>Enquiries:</b> Programme Director: Jaco Marais: +27 51 401 2929/2754   <a href="mailto:csi@ufs.ac.za">csi@ufs.ac.za</a>   <a href="http://www.ufs.ac.za/csi">www.ufs.ac.za/csi</a>
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The academic qualification or the degree offered will be a Bachelor of Computer Information Systems. The programme that will be available for application on the online application system is B4363 (Bachelor of Computer Information Systems).

Programme Description		Minimum Admission Requirements					
Majors	Code	AP	English	Mathematics	Physical Sciences	NBT	
Computer Information Systems (CompInfoSys)	BC430156	30	4 (50%)	4 (50%)	N/A	AL, QL, MT	

The **Bachelor of Sustainable Food Systems** is a three-year programme. The degree code is 43001 and the qualification is presented full time, which requires face-to-face classes; it is therefore a residential programme.

<b>13.</b>	<b>Sustainable Food Systems</b> Academic Programme Code: <b>B4371</b>	<b>Enquiries:</b> Programme Director: Dr Ismari van der Merwe: +27 51 401 2598   <a href="mailto:ivdmerwe@ufs.ac.za">ivdmerwe@ufs.ac.za</a> <a href="http://www.ufs.ac.za/sfsd">www.ufs.ac.za/sfsd</a>
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Programme Description		Minimum Admission Requirements					
Majors	Code	AP	English	Mathematics	Life Sciences	Physical Sciences	NBT
Bachelor of Sustainable Food Systems	BC430223	30	4 (50%)	2 (30%)	N/A	N/A	AL, QL

**Note:**

Mathematical Literacy at level 5 (60%) will also be accepted.



## AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES

In terms of Agriculture, the faculty offers a wide variety of specialised programmes that will give you access to careers in agricultural management, agricultural economics, animal sciences, agrometeorology, agronomy, soil sciences, grassland sciences, wildlife production, plant breeding, plant pathology, crop production, mixed farming, and irrigation management.

### THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMMES ARE PRESENTED ON THE BLOEMFONTEIN CAMPUS:

1.	<b>Bachelor of Agriculture</b> Academic Programme Code: <b>B5300</b>	Degree code: 43001	<b>Enquiries:</b> All Agricultural programmes: <b>Soil, Crop and Climate Sciences:</b> Linda de Wet: +27 51 401 2388   <a href="mailto:deWetL@ufs.ac.za">deWetL@ufs.ac.za</a>   <a href="http://www.ufs.ac.za/scc">www.ufs.ac.za/scc</a> <b>Animal, Wildlife and Grassland Sciences:</b> Dr Adri O'Neill: +27 51 401 2827   <a href="mailto:ONeillHA@ufs.ac.za">ONeillHA@ufs.ac.za</a>   <a href="http://www.ufs.ac.za/animal">www.ufs.ac.za/animal</a> <b>Agricultural Economics:</b> Elrich Jacobs: +27 51 401 3726   <a href="mailto:jacobses@ufs.ac.za">jacobses@ufs.ac.za</a>   <a href="http://www.ufs.ac.za/agricecon">www.ufs.ac.za/agricecon</a> <b>Sustainable Food Systems and Development (Agricultural Extension):</b> Dr Ismari van der Merwe: +27 51 401 2598   <a href="mailto:ivdmerwe@ufs.ac.za">ivdmerwe@ufs.ac.za</a>   <a href="http://www.ufs.ac.za/sfsd">www.ufs.ac.za/sfsd</a>
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The academic programme or the degree offered will be a Bachelor of Agriculture. Students will have the opportunity to select their preferred majors based on meeting the requirements of the programme and the specific majors. The programme that will be available for application on the online application system is B5300 (Bachelor of Agriculture). Majors will be selected in the second year of study.

Programme Description		Minimum Admission Requirements				
Majors	Code	AP	English	Mathematics	Compulsory NBT	
Agricultural Extension*	BC530147	30	4 (50%)	3 (40%)	AL, QL, MT	
Animal Production Management*	BC530101	30	4 (50%)	3 (40%)	AL, QL, MT	
Crop Production Management*	BC530102	30	4 (50%)	3 (40%)	AL, QL, MT	
Mixed Farming Management*	BC530103	30	4 (50%)	3 (40%)	AL, QL, MT	
Irrigation Management*	BC530172	30	4 (50%)	3 (40%)	AL, QL, MT	

**Note:**

\* Mathematical Literacy on Level 7 (80%) will also be accepted IF the AP is 31 or above (excluding BAgriC majoring in Agricultural Economics).

2.	<b>Bachelor of Agriculture</b> Academic Programme Code: <b>B5350</b>	Degree code: 43001	<b>Enquiries:</b> Elrich Jacobs: +27 51 401 3726   <a href="mailto:jacobses@ufs.ac.za">jacobses@ufs.ac.za</a>   <a href="http://www.ufs.ac.za/agricecon">www.ufs.ac.za/agricecon</a>
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The academic programme or the degree offered will be a Bachelor of Agriculture. Students will have the opportunity to select their preferred majors based on meeting the requirements of the programme and the specific majors. The programme that will be available for application on the online application system is B5350 (Bachelor of Agriculture). Majors will be selected in the second year of study.

Programme Description		Minimum Admission Requirements				
Majors	Code	AP	English	Mathematics	Compulsory NBT	
Agricultural Economics	BC530111	30	4 (50%)	4 (50%)	AL, QL, MT	
Agricultural Management*	BC530152	30	4 (50%)	3 (40%)	AL, QL, MT	

**Note:**

\* Mathematical Literacy on Level 7 (80%) will also be accepted IF the AP is 31 or above (excluding BAgriC majoring in Agricultural Economics).

## BSc (Agriculture): BScAgric

**VERY IMPORTANT: One of either Life Sciences or Agricultural Sciences with Physical Sciences and Mathematics are required for all BSc Agricultural Programmes, excluding BSc Agricultural Economics. Physical Sciences are, however, compulsory (with Life Sciences and Mathematics) if the applicant wants to be able to register for the relevant Chemistry Modules pertaining to this BSc Agriculture Degree.**

<b>3.</b>	Bachelor of Science in <b>Agriculture</b> Academic Programme Code: <b>B5480</b>	Degree code: 43001	<b>Enquiries:</b> <b>Soil, Crop and Climate Sciences:</b> Linda de Wet: +27 51 401 2388   <a href="mailto:deWetL@ufs.ac.za">deWetL@ufs.ac.za</a>   <a href="http://www.ufs.ac.za/scc">www.ufs.ac.za/scc</a> <b>Animal, Wildlife and Grassland Sciences:</b> Dr Adri O'Neill: +27 51 401 2827   <a href="mailto:ONeillHA@ufs.ac.za">ONeillHA@ufs.ac.za</a>   <a href="http://www.ufs.ac.za/animal">www.ufs.ac.za/animal</a> <b>Plant Breeding and Plant Pathology:</b> Dr Angeline van Biljon: +27 51 401 9568   <a href="mailto:Avbiljon@ufs.ac.za">Avbiljon@ufs.ac.za</a>   <a href="http://www.ufs.ac.za/plant">www.ufs.ac.za/plant</a>
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The programme that will be available for application on the online application system is B5480.

Programme Description			Minimum Admission Requirements						
Majors	Programme Director	Code	AP	English	Mathematics	Two of either Life Sciences / Agricultural Sciences / Physical Sciences			NBT
Animal Science	Dr Adri O'Neill	BC540015	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT
Agrometeorology	Linda de Wet	BC540012	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT
Agronomy	Linda de Wet	BC540013	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT
Soil Science	Linda de Wet	BC540044	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT
Plant Breeding	Dr Angeline van Biljon	BC540041	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT
Plant Pathology	Dr Angeline van Biljon	BC540042	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT

**Note:** Physical Sciences and Mathematics are **COMPULSORY** if you want to take Chemistry modules. The options are between Life Sciences and Agricultural Sciences.

<b>4.</b>	Bachelor of Science in <b>Agricultural Economics</b> Academic Programme Code: <b>B4350</b>	Degree code: 43001	<b>Enquiries:</b> Dr W A Lombard   +27 51 401 3109   <a href="mailto:ageconpd@ufs.ac.za">ageconpd@ufs.ac.za</a>
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The programme that will be available for application on the online application system is B4350 (Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Economics).

Programme Description		Minimum Admission Requirements			
Majors	Code	AP	English	Mathematics	Compulsory NBT
Agricultural Economics	BC431100	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MTI

## BUILDING SCIENCES

### Bachelor of Architecture (BArch):

**Enquiries:** Programme Director: Kobus du Preez: +27 51 401 2332 | dpreezjl@ufs.ac.za | www.ufs.ac.za /architecture

The **Department of Architecture** is underpinned by a critical enquiry into meaningful place-making. The department focuses on the caring design of the built environment in the following ways:

- **RESEARCH** – Dedicated undergraduate bachelor’s and postgraduate honours, master’s, and doctoral programmes and focused research by staff members in architectural history, theory, ethics, and design.
- **TEACHING** – Formal lectures, interpersonal studio facilitation, vertical studio sessions, construction site visits, annual design excursions, and visits to architectural practices.
- **COMMUNITY SERVICE** – The UNESCO-accredited Earth Unit and community service learning.
- **PRACTICE** – Unconditional validation as a South African Architectural Learning Site, locally by the South African Council for the Architectural Profession (SACAP), and internationally by the Commonwealth Association of Architects (CAA). Associated with the South African Institute of Architects (SAIA).
- Through the integration of design, construction, theory, and history, we aim to sensitively, critically, and sustainably learn to provide meaningful places in the South African and international context.
- After completion of their studies, students will be equipped to register through SACAP as architectural draughtspersons, architectural technologists, senior architectural technologists, or professional architects.

#### Selection procedure:

Information on the selection process is available on the departmental website: [www.ufs.ac.za/architecture](http://www.ufs.ac.za/architecture) see ‘Academic Information’.

- You must pass a selection process. Visit [www.ufs.ac.za/arch-selection](http://www.ufs.ac.za/arch-selection), print the selection form, and submit completed form to [NoReplyArchiSelect@ufs.ac.za](mailto:NoReplyArchiSelect@ufs.ac.za) before/on 31 July 2024.
- We will notify you of the selection outcome no later than 30 November 2024.

1.	<b>Bachelor of Architecture</b> Academic Programme Code: <b>B4391</b> <b><u>SUBJECT TO SELECTION</u></b>	Degree code: BC430114	<b>Enquiries:</b> Programme Director: Kobus du Preez: +27 51 401 2332   dpreezjl@ufs.ac.za   www.ufs.ac.za /architecture <b>Note: Closing date for application and the submission of your selection form is 31 July 2024.</b>
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The academic programme or the degree offered will be a Bachelor of Architecture. The programme that will be available for application on the online application system is B4391 (Bachelor of Architecture).

Programme Description	Minimum Admission Requirements					
Majors	Code	AP	English	Mathematics	Selection	NBT
Architecture (BArch)	BC430114	30	4 (50%)	4 (50%)	Yes	AL, QL, MT

The **Department of Quantity Surveying and Construction Management** aims to develop, by means of dynamic scientific education, independent and critical-thinking graduates who will become leaders in their field. Over the past few years, the department has made significant contributions to the various professions and to the construction industry. The department maintains statutory accreditation by the South African Council for the Quantity Surveying Profession (SACQSP), the South African Council for the Project and Construction Management Professions (SACPCMP), and the South African Council for the Property Valuers Profession (SACPVP).

2.	Bachelor of Science in <b>Construction Economics and Management</b> Academic Programme Code: <b>B4392</b> <b><u>SUBJECT TO SELECTION</u></b>	Degree code: 43901	<b>Enquiries:</b> Quantity Surveying and Construction Management: <b>Full-time:</b> Cameron Ferreira: +27 51 401 2607   greylingc2@ufs.ac.za   www.ufs.ac.za/qscm
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The academic programme or the degree offered will be a Bachelor of Science in Construction Economics and Management. Students will have the opportunity to select their preferred majors based on meeting the requirements of the programme and the specific majors. The programme that will be available for application on the online application system is B4392 (Bachelor of Science in Construction Economics and Management).

Programme Description		Minimum Admission Requirements				
Majors	Code	AP	English	Mathematics	Selection	NBT
Construction Economics and Management (full-time)	BC432443	30	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	Yes	AL, QL, MT

**VERY IMPORTANT: The full-time option to study a BSc (Construction Economics and Management) programme is usually applicable to prospective students who are currently in Grade 12, or other qualifying candidates who wish to study on a full-time basis.**

3.	Bachelor of Science specialising in <b>Building Sciences</b> Academic Programme Code: <b>B4393</b> <b>SELECTION COURSE</b>	Degree code: 43901 / 43902	<b>Enquiries:</b> Quantity Surveying and Construction Management: <b>Compact Learning:</b> Hendri du Plessis: +27 51 401 9624   duplessishb@ufs.ac.za www.ufs.ac.za/qscm			
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The academic programme or the degree offered will be a Bachelor of Science specialising in Building Science. Students will have the opportunity to select their preferred majors based on meeting the requirements of the programme and the specific majors. The programme that will be available for application on the online application system is B4393 (Bachelor of Science specialising in Building Sciences).

Programme Description		Minimum Admission Requirements					
Majors	Code	AP	English	Mathematics	Economics or Business Studies or Accounting or Physical science	Selection	NBT
Construction Management (Compact Learning)	BC432401	30	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	4 (50%)	Yes	N/A
Quantity Surveying (Compact Learning)	BC434301	30	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	4 (50%)	Yes	N/A

**VERY IMPORTANT:**

**If you are considering applying for the Compact Learning study options, the following additional admission requirements must be met:**

- Applicants must be at least 23 years of age
- Applicants must submit /supply proof of full-time employment in the construction industry

**Notes:**

- Closing date for applications for the programmes offered in the Department of Construction Management and Quantity Surveying is 30 September 2024.

**THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMMES ARE PRESENTED ON THE QWAQWA CAMPUS:**

**NOTE: Students need to pass modules in the first semester of study according to faculty rules and regulations to continue with studies in the second semester.**

1.	Bachelor of Science specialising in <b>Biological Sciences</b> Academic Programme Code: <b>Q4310</b>	Degree code: 43001	<b>Enquiries:</b> Dr Pululu Mahasa: +27 58 718 5036   mahasaPS@ufs.ac.za			
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The programme that will be available for application on the online application system is Q4310.

Programme Description		Minimum Admission Requirements					
Majors	Code	AP	English	Mathematics	Life Sciences	Physical Sciences	NBT
Botany and Life Sciences	QC432075	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT
Life Sciences	QC437500	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT
Zoology and Life Sciences	QC434975	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT

2.	Bachelor of Science specialising in <b>Chemical Sciences</b> Academic Programme Code: <b>Q4330</b>	Degree code: 43001	<b>Enquiries:</b> Dr Scebi Mkhize   +27 58 718 5318   MkhizeSJ@ufs.ac.za			
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The programme that will be available for application on the online application system is Q4330.

Programme Description		Minimum Admission Requirements					
Majors	Code	AP	English	Mathematics	Life Sciences	Physical Sciences	NBT
Chemistry and Physics	QC432140	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	N/A	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT
Chemistry and Botany	QC432120	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT
<b>3. Bachelor of Science specialising in Geography</b> Academic Programme Code: <b>Q4340</b>		Degree code: 43001		<b>Enquiries:</b> Dr Pululu Mahasa: +27 58 718 5036   mahasaPS@ufs.ac.za			

The programme that will be available for application on the online application system is Q4340.

Programme Description		Minimum Admission Requirements					
Majors	Code	AP	English	Mathematics	Life Sciences	Physical Sciences	NBT
Geography and Environmental Geography	QC433359	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	N/A	AL, QL, MT
Geography	QC433333	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT
<b>4. Bachelor of Science in Information Technology</b> Academic Programme Code: <b>Q4360</b>		Degree code: 436001		<b>Enquiries:</b> Programme Director: Christa Faber: +27 58 718 5205   FaberHC@ufs.ac.za			

The programme that will be available for application on the online application system is Q4360.

Programme Description		Minimum Admission Requirements					
Majors	Code	AP	English	Mathematics	Physical Sciences	NBT	
Computer Science and Chemistry	QC432221	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT	
Computer Science and Physics	QC432240	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	AL, QL, MT	
Computer Science and Management	QC432202	32	4 (50%)	4 (50%)	4 (50%)	AL, QL, MT	

### IMPORTANT NOTICE: TRANSFERRING BETWEEN CAMPUSES

Should you consider transferring between the Bloemfontein Campus and the Qwaqwa Campus and between programmes after a semester of study, you need to consult the Faculty Rulebook available at [www.ufs.ac.za/nas](http://www.ufs.ac.za/nas) to identify the programme you would like to transfer to. Additionally, you need to contact the relevant programme director to enquire about the availability of space and whether you qualify for this programme. Should your transfer be approved, you will require a letter from the relevant academic programme director and the Assistant Dean BEFORE the end of the semester preceding the semester when you wish to transfer.

# NB!





The primary purpose of a Humanities education is to give you access to critical thinking skills, appreciation of literature, understanding of cultures, the use of power, the mysteries of the mind, the organisation of societies, the complexities of leadership, the art of communication, and the challenge of change. All of these skills will support you in your future career. A qualification in the Humanities is therefore well respected all over the world. People with this type of qualification form the backbone of society.

The Faculty of The Humanities offers a great variety of academic options that vary in disciplines, including Languages, the Arts, Human Sciences, Social Sciences, Social Work, and Cultural Science. This makes it possible for you to compile a degree programme suitable for your career choice, interests, and aptitudes.

Certain programmes were developed to train you for a specific career, while others equip you with skills needed for various positions. Today's ever-changing career world requires various skills that this faculty can equip you with, including language proficiency, communication skills, creativity, interpersonal skills, problem-solving skills, computer literacy, and critical thinking.

**Enquiries:** Phyllis Masilo: +27 51 401 9683 | Neliswa Emeni-Tientcheu: +27 51 401 2536 | Thandeka Deeuw | +27 51 401 5460  
**Email:** [humanities@ufs.ac.za](mailto:humanities@ufs.ac.za)

General: Although the Academic and Quantitative Literacy tests (NBT) are written, only the results of the Academic Literacy test are used during the registration process.

**Note: The admission requirements as indicated below are guidelines. Meeting the minimum admission requirements for your chosen/intended programme of study does not guarantee admission, as limited space is available in each programme. Final selection and admission are subject to the availability of space, academic results, and other admission requirements where applicable.**

## THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMMES ARE PRESENTED ON THE BLOEMFONTEIN CAMPUS:

### Diplomas and Higher Certificates

Programme Description		Minimum Admission Requirements			
Programme	Academic Plan Code	AP	English	Compulsory NBT	Campus
Higher Certificate in Music Performance* HCert (Music Performance) – <b>Subject to selection</b>	BC111044	20	4 (50%)	N/A	BC
*A compulsory audition and musical aptitude test before 30 September 2024 on the chosen instrument or in singing. Contact the Odeion School of Music for an appointment on +27 51 401 2810 or <a href="mailto:osm@ufs.ac.za">osm@ufs.ac.za</a>					
Diploma in Music** Dip (Music) – <b>Subject to selection</b>	BC120044	25	4 (50%)	N/A	BC
**Unisa Grade 5 in principal instrument or voice or equivalent skills; Unisa Grade 3 in Music Theory is advised; A compulsory audition and theory proficiency test before 30 September 2024. Contact the Odeion School of Music for an appointment on +27 51 401 2810 or <a href="mailto:osm@ufs.ac.za">osm@ufs.ac.za</a>					

### Bachelor's Degrees: Bachelor of Arts (BA)

Programme Description		Minimum Admission Requirements			
Programme	Academic Plan Code	AP	English	Compulsory NBT	Campus
BA (Language Practice)– <b>Subject to selection*</b>	BC130039	30	5 (60%)	AL, QL	BC
Language admission requirements: An achievement level of no less than Level 5 (60%) for any home language (HL) taken in Grade 12. An achievement level of no less than 65% for any first additional language (FAL) taken in Grade 12. A second additional language (SAL) does not count for admission purposes.					
BA (Governance and Political Transformation)	BC130031	30	4 (50%)	AL, QL	BC
BA (Integrated Organisational Communication)	BC130038	30	4 (50%)	AL, QL	BC
BA (Journalism)	BC130035	30	4 (50%)	AL, QL	BC
BA (Fine Arts)– <b>Subject to selection*</b>	BC140025	30	4 (50%)	AL, QL	BC
*The closing date for the application and the portfolio of creative work and selection form is 30 September 2024.					

Programme Description		Minimum Admission Requirements			
Programme	Academic Plan Code	AP	English	Compulsory NBT	Campus
BA (Drama and Theatre Arts)– <b>Subject to selection*</b>	BC130020	30	4 (50%)	AL, QL	BC
*Drama experience at school level is recommended and a compulsory audition and interview will be conducted for selection. Closing date for application is 30 September 2024.					
BA General (see the majors offered below)	BC137000	30	4 (50%)	AL, QL	BC
BA specialising in Languages	BC137500	30	4 (50%)	AL, QL	BC

The Bachelor of Arts degree (BA) makes provision for the following majors:

Major #1	Major #2	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ancient Near Eastern Studies</li> <li>• Philosophy</li> <li>• History</li> <li>• Classical Studies</li> <li>• Art History and Image Studies</li> <li>• Linguistics</li> <li>• Geography*</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ancient Near Eastern Studies</li> <li>• Philosophy</li> <li>• History</li> <li>• Classical Studies</li> <li>• Classical Languages</li> <li>• Art History and Image Studies</li> <li>• Sesotho (home language)</li> <li>• isiZulu (home language)</li> <li>• Afrikaans and Dutch (AFN)</li> <li>• South African Sign Language</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Political Science</li> <li>• Criminology</li> <li>• Psychology</li> <li>• English</li> <li>• Hebrew</li> <li>• Arabic</li> <li>• French (for beginners)</li> <li>• German (beginners or intermediate)</li> <li>• Linguistics</li> <li>• Anthropology</li> <li>• Sociology</li> </ul>

\* Students wishing to major in Geography must have passed Mathematics Grade 12 on achievement Level 3 (40%).

Programme Description		Minimum Admission Requirements			
Programme	Academic Plan Code	AP	English	Compulsory NBT	Campus
Bachelor of Music – <b>Subject to selection*</b>	BC140544	30	4 (50%)	AL, QL	BC
BA (Music) – <b>Subject to selection*</b>	BC140544	30	4 (50%)	AL, QL	BC

\*Contact the Odeion School of Music for an appointment on +27 51 401 2810 or [osm@ufs.ac.za](mailto:osm@ufs.ac.za)

Requirements: Music Theory Unisa Grade 5 or equivalent; Music Performance Unisa Grade 7 or equivalent; Compulsory audition and theory proficiency test before 30 September 2024.

## Bachelor of Social Sciences (BSocSci)

Programme Description		Minimum Admission Requirements			
Programme	Academic Plan Code	AP	Language of instruction	Compulsory NBT	Campus
BSocSci	BC138000	30	4 (50%)	AL, QL	BC

The Bachelor of Social Sciences degree (BSocSci) makes provision for majoring in any two of the following subject fields:

- Psychology
- Sociology
- Anthropology
- Criminology
- Political Science
- Industrial Psychology

## Bachelor of Social Work

Programme Description		Minimum Admission Requirements			
Programme	Academic Plan Code	AP	Language of instruction	Compulsory NBT	Campus
Bachelor of Social Work – <b>Subject to selection*</b>	BC140250	30	5 (60%)	AL, QL	BC

\*Closing date for applications for selection is 31 July 2024.

**THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMMES ARE PRESENTED ON THE QWAQWA CAMPUS:**

**Enquiries:** Assistant Dean: Prof Diana Breshears: +27 58 718 5418 | BreshearsD@ufs.ac.za  
 Faculty Officer: Lungile Mohale: +27 58 718 5405 | mohalelp@ufs.ac.za

**Bachelor’s Degrees: Bachelor of Arts (BA)**

**Enquiries:** Lungile Mohale: +27 58 718 5405 | mohalelp@ufs.ac.za

Programme Description		Minimum Admission Requirements			
Programme	Academic Plan Code	AP	English	Compulsory NBT	Campus
BA General	QC137000	30	4 (50%)	AL, QL	QC

**Bachelor of Community Development (BCommDev)**

**Enquiries:** Dr Grey Magaiza: +27 58 718 5419 | magaizag@ufs.ac.za

Programme Description		Minimum Admission Requirements			
Programme	Academic Plan Code	AP	English	Compulsory NBT	Campus
Bachelor of Community Development (BCommDev) – <b>Subject to selection*</b>	QC140400	30	5 (60%)	AL, QL	QC

\* An AP of 30 OR a Diploma in Vocational Skills with a minimum pass rate of Level 4 in English is required. Admission is subject to a selection process.

**Bachelor of Social Sciences: (BSocSci)**

**Enquiries:** Dr Grey Magaiza: +27 58 718 5419 | magaizag@ufs.ac.za

Programme Description		Minimum Admission Requirements			
Programme	Academic Plan Code	AP	English	Compulsory NBT	Campus
BSocSci	QC138000	30	4 (50%)	AL, QL	QC







*My choice to apply for the BA Fine Arts programme was due to my interest and passion for fine arts and art history.*

*The programme exceeded my expectations by giving me the opportunity to explore various mediums and methods of making art, while also **challenging me conceptually and through the creative process.***



**MPENDULO JUNIOR (MJ) SIMAMANE**





## FACULTY OF THEOLOGY AND RELIGION



The faculty is the only institution in central South Africa that offers fully-fledged, all-inclusive theological education to train students for a professional career in ministry. It offers training in all theological disciplines, starting at undergraduate level. The faculty embraces values that encourage cultural, gender, and ethnic inclusivity, promote academic and intellectual excellence, innovation, support, as well as spiritual and ethical integrity. It also strives to establish a sense of community and hospitality within all the spheres of faculty activities. The Faculty of Theology and Religion delivers a unique national and international contribution to the development of the church, society, and the academic environment. This is achieved through quality theological education and specialist research based on dedicated theological teaching and a solid research framework.

**Enquiries:** Academic Advising Office: +27 51 401 2786 | [theology@ufs.ac.za](mailto:theology@ufs.ac.za)

**Note:** The admission requirements as indicated below are guidelines. Meeting the minimum admission requirements for your chosen/intended programme of study does not guarantee admission, as limited space is available in each programme. Final selection and admission are subject to the availability of space, academic results, and other admission requirements where applicable.

### THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMMES ARE PRESENTED ON THE BLOEMFONTEIN CAMPUS:

Programme Description	Minimum Admission Requirements				
	Code	Level	Percentage	Tests	Other
Bachelor of Divinity* (BDiv)	BC940300	28	4 (50%)	AL, QL**	BC

**Notes:**

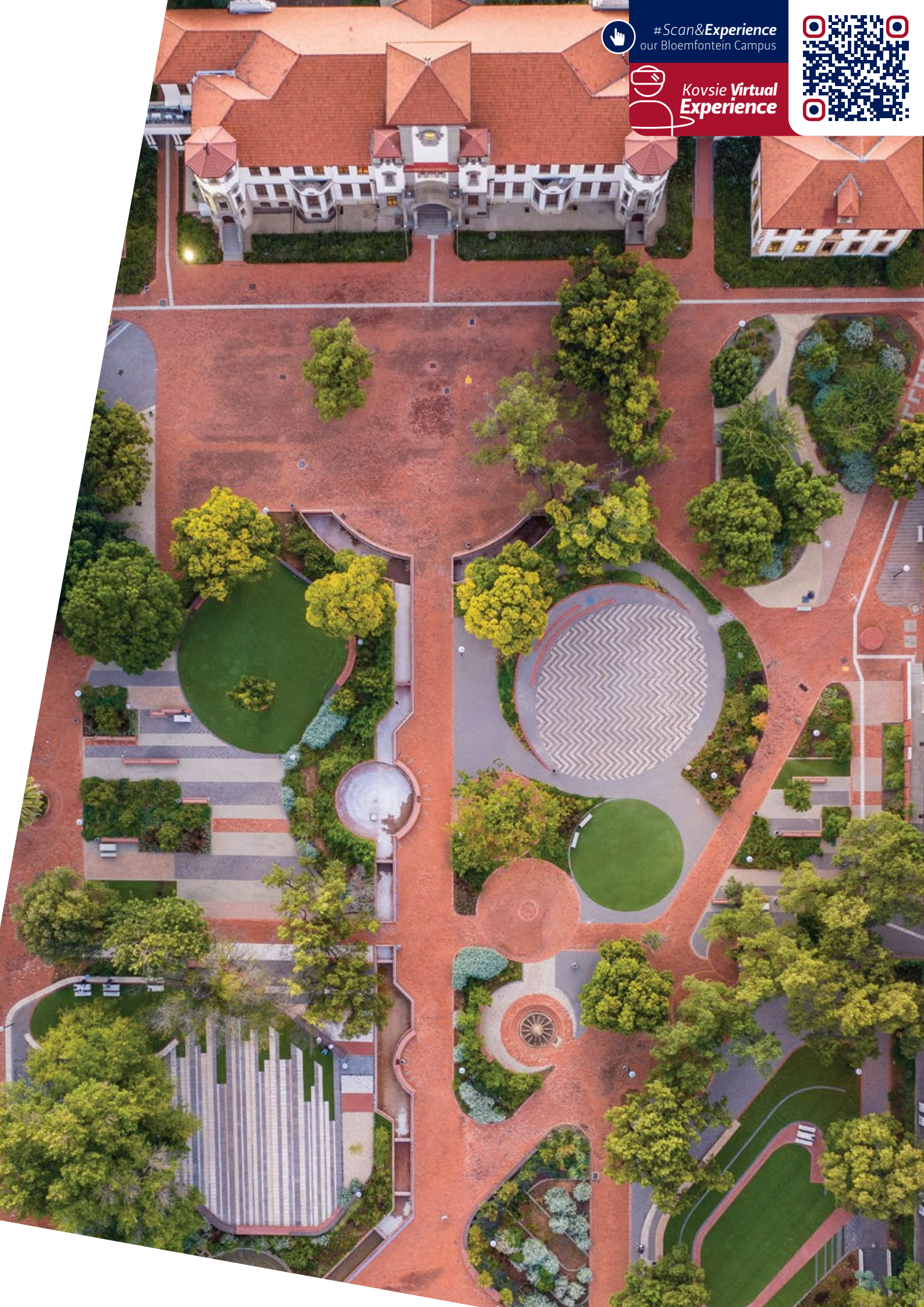
- The Bachelor of Divinity is a qualification in Theology that focuses on professional ministry.
- Although the Academic and Quantitative Literacy tests (NBT) are written, only the results of the Academic Literacy test are used during the registration process.



*Coming from Orlando in Soweto, we have limited exposure to different careers. I wanted to gain knowledge about diversity in the realm of theology and the history thereof. So, I applied and was accepted to study BDiv in the Faculty of Theology and Religion at the UFS to help me **learn and grow to eventually impact my troubled society positively.***



SAMKELO TSHABALALA

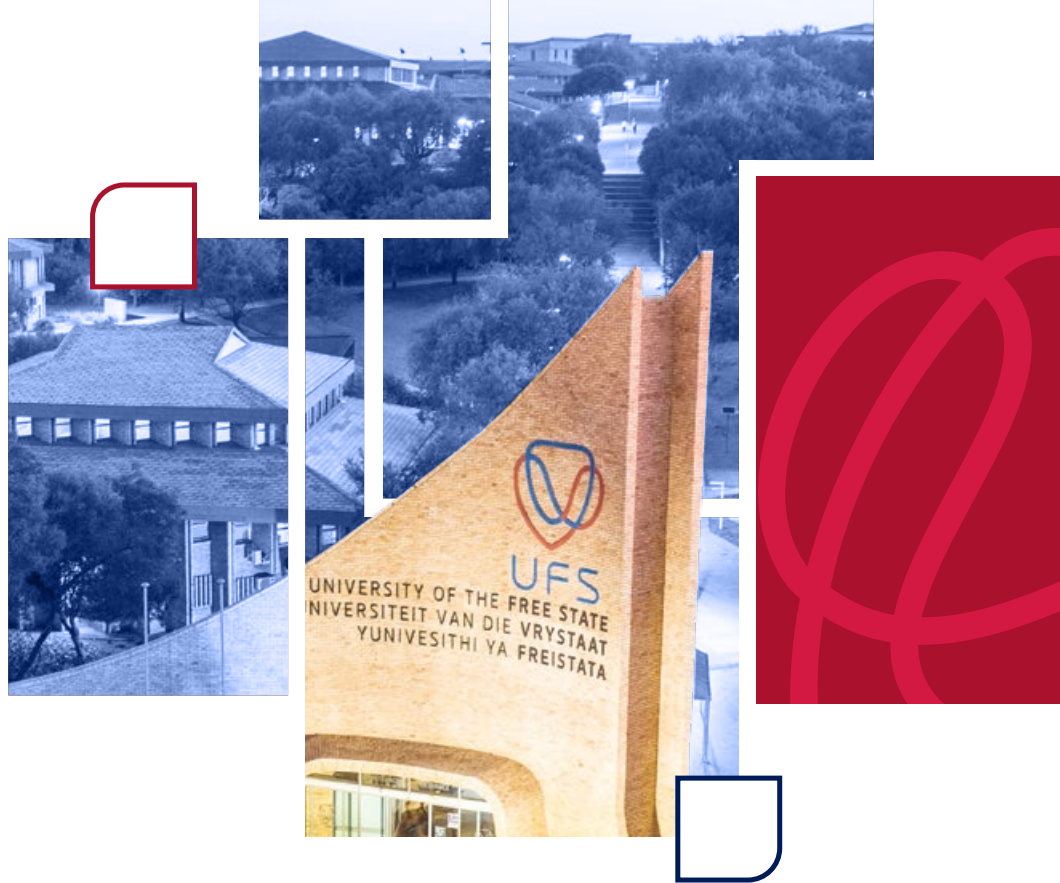


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# ALTERNATIVE ACCESS TO HIGHER EDUCATION STUDIES

**KINDLY NOTE THAT 2025 IS THE LAST INTAKE FOR THE BELOW HIGHER CERTIFICATES**

Do you have an AP of 18 to 24? In that case, you can get access to Higher Certificate study programmes if you meet the minimum requirements of the admission points (AP). Higher Certificate studies include a Higher Certificate in the Humanities. This gateway to education provides you with an opportunity to access studies in mainstream programmes after the successful completion of your Higher Certificate.

## What are the Access Programmes?

The programme is designed to assist students who do not meet our minimum admission requirements for bachelor's degree studies.

- Higher Certificate in the Humanities (four different study options to choose from)
  - Communication Sciences and Psychology
  - Communications Sciences and Sociology
  - Psychology and Sociology
  - Communication Sciences and Anthropology

During your access year, you will get more than just academic information. We address a wider scope of needs to help you prepare for higher-education studies. In the Skills and Competencies in Lifelong Learning course, you will learn skills to help you with problem-solving, self-assertiveness, and other generic competencies. An Academic Literacy course will also improve your academic reading and writing skills.

## Who may participate in the programme?

With limited space available, selection and prioritisation criteria will be applied to qualifying students with an AP of 18 to 24. The faculty reserves the right to select students who meet the predetermined faculty admission criteria.

### Application dates:



**All students: Applications open on 1 July 2024**



**International students: Applications close on 31 August 2024**



**SA students: Applications close on 31 August 2024**



**The programmes will only be presented on the South Campus**

## General minimum admission requirements:

- A National Senior Certificate (NSC) or National Certificate: Vocational (NCV) Level 4, and an AP of 18.
- Four subjects on Level 3 (40%–49%), excluding Life Orientation.
- Language of instruction on Level 3 (40%) for all options.
- The writing of the National Benchmark Tests is not applicable.

### Enquiries:

Centre for Teaching and Learning:  
Access Programme | South Campus | PO Box 339  
Bloemfontein | 9300  
Email: [advingsc@ufs.ac.za](mailto:advingsc@ufs.ac.za) | T: +27 51 401 9111 (option 2)

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# SHORT LEARNING PROGRAMMES

## KOVSIE PHAHAMISA ACADEMY

Short Learning Programmes offer an alternative to formal qualifications. For scholars who do not wish to complete a degree, but rather want to accumulate skills and knowledge for a specific purpose, this is the pathway for you. Short Learning Programmes are designed to offer you flexible learning opportunities relevant to your desired outcome. The costs below are estimates and should be used as a guide.

Programme Name	Cost	Duration	Academic Level	Admission Requirements
"I AM" EMPLOYEE WELLNESS	R10 800	4 weeks	5	<b>Admission requirements:</b> National Senior Certificate or an equivalent achievement. <b>Preconditions:</b> Relevant work experience.
EFFECTIVE BIBLE TEACHING TO CHILDREN	R2 500	6 weeks	5	<b>Admission requirements:</b> National Senior Certificate or an equivalent achievement. <b>Preconditions:</b> Experience in Sunday school teaching is recommended. The applicant must write a letter to motivate their application. Basic computer skills, access to the internet, and an electronic device.
CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP IN CONTEMPORARY CONTEXT	R2 500	8 weeks	5	<b>Admission requirements:</b> National Senior Certificate or an equivalent achievement, would be beneficial but is not a requirement. <b>Preconditions:</b> Leadership experience is recommended. Applicants are expected to write a short letter of motivation.
PRACTICAL THEOLOGY IN A FAST-CHANGING ENVIRONMENT	R3 500	12 Weeks	5	<b>Admission requirements:</b> National Senior Certificate or an equivalent achievement. <b>Preconditions:</b> Experience in ministry is recommended. The applicant must write a letter to motivate their application. Proficiency in English. Basic computer skills, access to the internet, and an electronic device.
INTRODUCTION TO SIGN LANGUAGE (BASIC)	R6 200	10 weeks	5	<b>Admission requirements:</b> National Senior Certificate or an equivalent achievement. <b>Preconditions:</b> Basic computer skills and access to the internet.
INTRODUCTION TO SIGN LANGUAGE (INTERMEDIATE)	R7 000	10 weeks	5	<b>Admission requirements:</b> National Senior Certificate or an equivalent achievement. <b>Preconditions:</b> Successfully completed the Basic Introduction to Sign Language (Basic). Basic computer skills and access to the internet.
BASIC CONVERSATIONAL SESOTHO COURSE	R3 500	24 weeks	5	<b>Admission requirements:</b> National Senior Certificate or an equivalent achievement.
INTERMEDIATE CONVERSATIONAL SESOTHO COURSE	R3 500	24 weeks	5	<b>Admission requirements:</b> National Senior Certificate or an equivalent achievement. <b>Preconditions:</b> Successfully completed Basic Conversational Sesotho.
ADVANCED CONVERSATIONAL SESOTHO COURSE	R4 200	24 weeks	5	<b>Admission requirements:</b> National Senior Certificate or an equivalent achievement. <b>Preconditions:</b> Successfully completed Intermediate Conversational Sesotho.
DUTCH FOREIGN LANGUAGE ACQUISITION FOR BEGINNERS	R3 500	20 weeks	5	<b>Admission Requirements:</b> National Senior Certificate or an equivalent achievement. <b>Preconditions:</b> Basic computer skills, access to the internet, and an electronic device.
AFRIKAANS ACQUISITIONING FOR FOREIGN LANGUAGE SPEAKERS	R3 500	20 weeks	5	<b>Admission Requirements:</b> National Senior Certificate or an equivalent achievement. <b>Preconditions:</b> Basic computer skills, access to the internet, and an electronic device.
AFRIKAANS COMPETENCE FOR THIRD AND FOREIGN LANGUAGE SPEAKERS	R3 500	20 weeks	5	<b>Admission Requirements:</b> National Senior Certificate or an equivalent achievement. <b>Preconditions:</b> Basic computer skills, access to the internet, and an electronic device.
FRENCH FOREIGN LANGUAGE ACQUISITION FOR BEGINNERS PART 1	R4 200	16 weeks	5	<b>Admission requirements:</b> National Senior Certificate or an equivalent achievement. <b>Preconditions:</b> Proficiency in English. Basic computer skills, access to the internet, and an electronic device.

Programme Name	Cost	Duration	Academic Level	Admission Requirements
FRENCH FOREIGN LANGUAGE ACQUISITION FOR BEGINNERS PART 2	R3 500	16 weeks	5	<b>Admission Requirements:</b> National Senior Certificate or an equivalent achievement. <b>Preconditions:</b> Successfully completed French Foreign Language Acquisition for Beginners part 1. Proficiency in English. Basic computer skills, access to the internet, and an electronic device.
ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND INNOVATION	R4 500	6 weeks	5	<b>Admission requirements:</b> National Senior Certificate or an equivalent achievement, would be beneficial but is not a requirement. <b>Preconditions:</b> Relevant work experience. The applicant must write a letter to motivate their application. Basic computer skills, access to the internet, and an electronic device.
FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT AND COST ACCOUNTING	R7 200	6 weeks	5	<b>Admission requirements:</b> National Senior Certificate or an equivalent achievement, would be beneficial but is not a requirement. <b>Preconditions:</b> Relevant work experience. The applicant must write a letter to motivate their application. Basic computer skills, access to the internet, and an electronic device.
GENERAL MANAGEMENT AND COMMUNICATION	R3 800	6 weeks	5	<b>Admission requirements:</b> National Senior Certificate or an equivalent achievement, would be beneficial but is not a requirement. <b>Preconditions:</b> Relevant work experience. The applicant must write a letter to motivate their application. Basic computer skills, access to the internet, and an electronic device.
MARKETING AND DIGITAL MARKETING	R6 000	6 weeks	5	<b>Admission requirements:</b> National Senior Certificate or an equivalent achievement, would be beneficial but is not a requirement. <b>Preconditions:</b> Relevant work experience. The applicant must write a letter to motivate their application. Basic computer skills, access to the internet, and an electronic device.
OPERATIONS AND LOGISTICS MANAGEMENT	R3 500	6 weeks	5	<b>Admission requirements:</b> National Senior Certificate or an equivalent achievement, would be beneficial but is not a requirement. <b>Preconditions:</b> Relevant work experience. The applicant must write a letter to motivate their application. Basic computer skills, access to the internet, and an electronic device.

-  **APPLICATION:** LINK to system. Programmes become available for registration prior to commencement, please keep an eye on the system for the relevant programmes.
-  **MODE OF DELIVERY:** Programmes are offered via various modes, including distance, face to face and blended.
-  **PAYMENT:** Programmes are payable in full in advance.
-  **ENQUIRIES:** SLP@ufs.ac.za | www.ufs.ac.za/kpa

### TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The costs provided is an indication of the price, but are subject to possible changes.

Offering of programmes are subject to minimum registration and may be cancelled with notice and refund.

*The world of  
 lifelong learning awaits.*



# EXCLUSIVE INVITATION TO TOP ACHIEVERS

Are you among the brightest minds, with a remarkable academic track record? If so, this message is for you.

If you have demonstrated exceptional academic prowess, with an Admission Point (AP) score of 35 or above – and meet the criteria for your chosen programme, you are recognised as a Top Achiever at our institution. This prestigious status entitles you to a conditional admission offer, paired with the added benefit of a merit bursary. The value of this bursary is a direct reflection of your hard-earned AP score, designed to reward your dedication and intellectual excellence. Please note that while this offer opens doors to a multitude of our distinguished programmes, it does not extend to those that require a separate selection process.

Your future is bright and promising. Let us illuminate the path to your continued success.

## 1. Academic merit awards for new first-year students

The UFS offers academic merit awards for first-year students. These awards are automatically awarded to new students based on their performance in the final matriculation examination. **You can use your merit award to register.**

The following scale is used to allocate awards:

Admission point	Award Value
35–37	R6 000
38–40	R10 000
41–43	R15 000
44+	R20 000

The award value is based on the formula used to calculate the admission point.

NSC level of achievement	Achievement level required by the UFS	UFS Admission Point (AP)
7 (90%–100%)	8 (90%–100%)	8
7 (80%–89%)	7 (80%–89%)	7
6 (70%–79%)	6 (70%–79%)	6
5 (60%–69%)	5 (60%–69%)	5
4 (50%–59%)	4 (50%–59%)	4
3 (40%–49%)	3 (40%–49%)	3
2 (30%–39%)	2 (30%–39%)	2
1 (0%–29%)	–	–

The award offer is subject to you meeting the minimum admission requirements in your programme of study at the UFS as a first-year student in 2025.

## 2. The Red Box Society

The **Red Box Society** is an exclusive society for which only 60 top achievers qualify. The school marketers issue a Student Recruitment Services voucher to the value of R10 000 to encourage a deserving and top-achieving Grade 12 learner with an AP of **at least 40** to study at the UFS.

We are looking for learners with the potential to contribute to the generation of new knowledge, achieve graduate attributes, and be ambassadors for the new UFS citizenship. Be on the lookout for our school marketing team.



### What is in it for members of the Red Box Society and their schools?



Apart from the academic merit award/sports bursary for which you automatically qualify, you receive an additional Student Recruitment Services bursary of R10 000.

You receive a Red Box with exciting and swanky UFS merchandise.

We inform your school of your exclusive membership.

If your school has a member of the Red Box Society in its midst, it receives an additional R2 500 sponsorship per Red Box Society member towards its prize-giving ceremony.

A staff member provides you with premium customised service by assisting with any need or solving any problem on your behalf, including personal service during registration to ensure a smooth experience.



## Are you a top achiever in academics, sport, culture and leadership?

The University of the Free State and Netwerk24 have been hosting the prestigious Matriculant of the Year competition for more than 40 years. The competition celebrates high-performing and well-rounded learners.

Enter now to follow in the footsteps of great leaders who have entered the Matriculant of the Year competition.

## Matriculant of the year<sup>24</sup>



The top 25 entries receive bursaries from the University of the Free State, while the top 14 finalists are invited to a final two-day adjudication event, which includes a gala evening.

Applications will be open from 1 April 2024 to 31 August 2024. Contact Linda Greyling at +27 51 401 3384 or [greylinl@ufs.ac.za](mailto:greylinl@ufs.ac.za)

**PLEASE NOTE:** to enter the competition, learners must have applied to the University of the Free State to study in 2025.



It is your time **to shine!**

Kick-start your studies, because you were born to shine! *O naleledi.*



The University of the Free State presents the Star of Stars competition. If you are a bright spark, passionate, and strive to inspire, then Star of Stars is meant for you!

All Grade 12 learners in the Motheo, Lejweleputswa, Xhariep, Thabo Mofutsanyane, and Fezile Dabi districts who are achievers in academics and leadership, and/or involved in community projects, are invited to enter this once-in-a-lifetime competition.

**Let your brightness shine through by entering today.**

The competition is open to:

- Rural Schools
- Township Schools
- Dinaledi Schools



Applications will be open from 1 April 2024 to 31 August 2024. Please get your application from your school, one of the UFS marketers, or phone +27 51 401 3000 or email [info@ufs.ac.za](mailto:info@ufs.ac.za) or [ufsmarketing@ufs.ac.za](mailto:ufsmarketing@ufs.ac.za)

Only entries from Quintile 1 to 3 schools in the Free State will be accepted.





# APPLICATION AND ADMISSION TO THE UFS

Applications open:  
**1 April 2024**





# CHART YOUR COURSE TO SUCCESS.

APPLY to the UFS – where potential is nurtured, and dreams are set in motion.

In just seven steps, you can fulfil your dream of studying at an institution where we transform lives and inspire excellence:

STEP  
1

Apply online.

Visit <https://apply.ufs.ac.za>

The UFS offers selection and non-selection programmes. You can only apply for two academic study choices. If one option is a selection programme, it MUST be your first choice.

Your application is submitted. You will receive a reference number. A few days later you will receive an acknowledgement of your application together with your student number. If you have not submitted all the required documents, your application will be incomplete.

STEP  
2

STEP  
3

Your application is evaluated by the university. Should you meet all the requirements, you will receive a conditional offer. Note that qualifying for your programme of choice does not guarantee admission. For application status, refer to [https://www.ufs.ac.za/docs/librariesprovider44/general-info/track-application-status-guide-2022.pdf?sfvrsn=d12a4d20\\_2](https://www.ufs.ac.za/docs/librariesprovider44/general-info/track-application-status-guide-2022.pdf?sfvrsn=d12a4d20_2)

If you have indicated in your application that you require on-campus accommodation, you will also receive correspondence from Housing and Residence Affairs.

When the final Grade 12 results are released in January 2025, all applications will be re-evaluated; should your evaluation be successful, you will receive a final offer. Take note that meeting the minimum admission requirements for your programme of choice does not guarantee admission.

STEP  
4

STEP  
5

Accept the offer online **within the stipulated time frame**. If you fail to accept the final offer before the deadline, it will be withdrawn, and you will forfeit your space, as space is limited.

The prescribed first payment should be made at least **five working days** before registration.

STEP  
6

STEP  
7

The registration process commences in 2025, and welcome to KOVSIES!!

# APPLICATION TO STUDY IN 2025



## Important application opening dates:

01  
April 2024

Applications to study any undergraduate programme offered on the Bloemfontein and Qwaqwa campuses in 2025.

Applications to study the Access Programme (Higher Certificates) offered on the South Campus.

01  
July 2024

## WHAT DO YOU NEED TO STUDY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF THE FREE STATE?

To apply, you need the following documents in PDF format (less than 2 MB each):

- Your ID if you are a South African citizen.
- Your passport if you are an international student.
- Your parent's/guardian's ID or passport if you are younger than 18.
- Your final Grade 11 results or the equivalent thereof with the school's stamp.
- Your mid-year Grade 12 results or the equivalent thereof.
- Grade 12 certificate or the equivalent thereof if you have already matriculated.
- Your academic record, only if you are/were a student at another accredited institution of higher learning.
- If you transfer from another tertiary institution, you must include a certificate of conduct and an official study record from the previous tertiary institution with your application.
- A Universities South Africa (USAf) Certificate of Exemption is required if you do not have an Endorsed South African Senior Certificate. Apply to [mb.usaf.ac.za](mailto:mb.usaf.ac.za) for conditional exemption, foreign conditional exemption, or mature age conditional exemption. If you are eligible for the certificate but have not yet applied for it, we will assist you with the process. Therefore, you can apply to study before receiving the required certificate. Contact the Office for International Affairs at [oiastudentadmin@ufs.ac.za](mailto:oiastudentadmin@ufs.ac.za) | +27 51 401 3219 | [niemannaja@ufs.ac.za](mailto:niemannaja@ufs.ac.za) or +27 51 401 9032 | [tshabalalal@ufs.ac.za](mailto:tshabalalal@ufs.ac.za)
- Cambridge and international students – please note that you need to submit your predicted results/mid-year results to the Office for International Affairs at [OIAstudentadmin@ufs.ac.za](mailto:OIAstudentadmin@ufs.ac.za) as soon as you receive them from the school.
- South African applicants writing Cambridge examinations must send their final results to [schoolresults@ufs.ac.za](mailto:schoolresults@ufs.ac.za). International students must send their final results to [oiastudentadmin@ufs.ac.za](mailto:oiastudentadmin@ufs.ac.za)
- Visit <https://apply.ufs.ac.za>. Keep your mobile phone and an active email address ready, as you require both to access and complete the online application form.

*The online application is quick and easy – no hassle, no fuss! It has an easy and modern design and is mobile- and tablet-friendly.*

## Calculation of your admission point (AP) score:

It is important that you thoroughly study the admission requirements of the programmes you are interested in. The UFS calculates your AP score based on the NSC achievement scale. An AP score consisting of seven levels is used. Points will be awarded for six academic subjects (note: no points will be awarded for achievement levels lower than 30%). One point is awarded for Life Orientation from achievement Level 5 (60%) or higher when calculating your AP score for admission purposes.

To calculate your AP, you can use the following example:

For five (5) academic subjects, you must obtain a level 5 (60%)	$5 \times 5 = 25$
For one (1) further academic subject, you must obtain a level 4 (50%)	$1 \times 4 = 4$
For Life Orientation, a level of 5 (60%) or higher to score 1 point	$1 \times 1 = 1$
<b>UFS overall AP score</b>	<b>= 30</b>

NSC Level	UFS AP
7 (90%–100%)	8
7 (80%–89%)	7
6 (70%–79%)	6
5 (60%–69%)	5
4 (50%–59%)	4
3 (40%–49%)	3
2 (30%–39%)	2
1 (0%–29%)	-

# IMPORTANT APPLICATION CLOSING DATES

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** If your application is received after the following closing dates, it will not be considered.

Date	Selection and non-selection programme/s for which applications close
31 May 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ MB ChB</li> <li>▪ Occupational Therapy</li> <li>▪ Optometry</li> <li>▪ Physiotherapy</li> <li>▪ Radiation Sciences</li> </ul>
31 July 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Architecture</li> <li>▪ Biokinetics</li> <li>▪ Dietetics</li> <li>▪ Nursing</li> <li>▪ Social Work</li> <li>▪ Sport Coaching</li> </ul>
31 August 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ All Access Programmes offered on the South Campus and the sub-regions</li> <li>▪ International undergraduate applications</li> </ul>
30 September 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ All non-selection programmes</li> <li>▪ Applications from students transferring from other tertiary institutions (for non-selection)</li> <li>▪ Community Development (Qwaqwa Campus only)</li> <li>▪ Construction Economics and Management (Full-time)</li> <li>▪ Construction Management (Compact Learning)</li> <li>▪ Drama and Theatre Arts</li> <li>▪ Fine Arts</li> <li>▪ Forensic Sciences</li> <li>▪ Geology</li> <li>▪ Music</li> <li>▪ Physics with Engineering Sciences</li> <li>▪ Quantity Surveying (Compact Learning)</li> </ul>

## CONFIDENTIALITY CLAUSE

The UFS confirms that all personal information provided in your application form will be treated confidentially and will not be sold to a third party or used for commercial or related purposes.

The UFS further confirms that your personal information will only be used for purposes relating to your potential relationship with the UFS as a student, including but not limited to the processing of your application to study at the UFS, effecting registration at the UFS, and for any communication purposes related to your application and/or registration to study at the UFS.



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10th Entrance

# ADMISSIONS 2025

## ADMISSION TO STUDY AT THE UFS

### Unlock Academic Prestige at the UFS: Where Merit Meets Opportunity

At the University of the Free State (UFS), we are synonymous with academic excellence – your gateway to unlocking the illustrious halls of our institution. The key to this gateway? Your Admission Point (AP) score. A higher AP score not only elevates your prospects of being selected, but also significantly enhances your chances of securing admission to the study programme of your aspirations. Consult the faculty-specific admission requirements for all the programmes you qualify for and apply for the two programmes that best fit your personality, purpose, and passion.

Understand, however, that achieving the minimum admission requirements is the first step, not the guarantee of your journey with us, as each programme we offer is distinguished by its exclusivity and limited availability. This competitive edge ensures that we select only the most qualified applicants, prioritising those with the highest AP scores, and continuing the admission process until every place is filled. We advise you to apply for not one, but two programmes that resonate with your unique persona, your deep-seated ambitions, and your fervent passions. At the UFS, we do not just foster learning; we craft futures. Choose wisely, aim high, and embark on a path that is quintessentially yours. Your academic journey towards excellence awaits at the UFS – where your potential transforms into achievement.

### The process:

#### Embark on Your Journey with Assurance

You will be **CONDITIONALLY ADMITTED** based on your Grade 11 final results, Grade 12 June results or equivalent results subject to you meeting all the minimum requirements for the intended programme of study.

Your **FINAL ADMISSION** to the programme of your choice will depend on your final Grade 12 results. You will be notified of the university's admission decision immediately after your final Grade 12 results have been released by the Department of Basic Education. Therefore, it is your responsibility to ensure that your contact details on your application form are correct.

### Logging in to the UFS system:

The email that you received with your student number includes your temporary password; you must change it and keep it safe. Your student number is your username. This is important in tracking your application. Should you forget your password, follow this link: <https://selfservice.ufs.ac.za/sspr/private/login> to reset.





# INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

## Application and admission requirements for international students and local students writing international examinations:



- The closing date for applications from international students for undergraduate study is 31 August 2024.
- You must have a **VALID** study visa endorsed for study at the UFS, and not any other institution in South Africa, before entering South Africa to study at the UFS.

You must be a **member of a medical aid** registered in terms of the South African Medical Schemes Act, as required by the South African Immigration Act. Your medical aid **MUST be valid** for the duration of the academic year (until 31 December), renewable each year. No travel insurance, hospital plans, or foreign medical aids will be accepted.



- A **non-refundable annual administrative levy** is charged on all international student accounts.
- Students from **outside the Southern African Development Community (SADC)** pay international fees, which are 50% more per module per year compared to the fees paid by South African students.

The UFS **cannot offer financial support** (bursaries, loans) to international students. It is therefore important to ensure that you have sufficient financial resources for the planned duration of your studies.



- A first payment is required **before you can register** as a UFS student. The Department of Student Finance will communicate the amount and payment deadline to you.
- Should you **fail to pay your tuition fees in total by 30 June**, your registration will be suspended.
- **If you have a scholarship**, inform your sponsor of the UFS regulations on registration fees and tuition fee payments before you register.

- A **Universities South Africa (USAf) Certificate of Exemption is required** if you do not have an Endorsed South African Senior Certificate. For applicants who are currently in Grade 12, the UFS may make conditional offers based on the final Grade 11 results. If any other results are available, kindly submit them as well with your application.
- **Cambridge and international students** – please note that you need to submit your predicted results/mid-year results to the Office for International Affairs at [OIAstudentadmin@ufs.ac.za](mailto:OIAstudentadmin@ufs.ac.za) as soon as you receive them from the school.



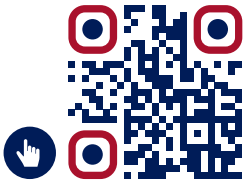
It is important to distinguish between 'Grade 12 statement of results' and 'Matric Certificate'. USAf does not issue 'conditional exemption certificates' based on Grade 11 and mid-year Grade 12 results. Current Grade 12 learners apply for exemption when the final Grade 12 statement of results is available in January. If you meet the exemption requirements with your final Grade 12 'statement of results', USAf will issue a '**conditional exemption letter**'. The actual exemption certificate will only be issued on receipt of a Matric Certificate (available in May).

If you **do not have matriculation exemption**, the Office for International Affairs (OIA) will apply for the USAf certificate of exemption. You will have to pay the prescribed fee before the Office for International Affairs will attend to the USAf exemption application. You must pay and submit the relevant documentation as soon as you receive the final Grade 12 results.



**English is the principal medium of instruction**; therefore, you must have an adequate command of the English language.

## TO ENROL AT THE UNIVERSITY OF THE FREE STATE AS AN UNDERGRADUATE INTERNATIONAL STUDENT IN 2025, YOU NEED TO FOLLOW THESE STEPS:



### STEP 1

Submit your online application to the UFS at <https://apply.ufs.ac.za>. Please make sure that you capture subjects exactly as stated on your school-leaving report – not percentages.

You need to upload copies of the following documents::

- Your passport or South African identity document
- Your final Grade 11 results with the school's stamp
- Your mid-year Grade 12 results
- If available, your final Grade 12 results with the school's stamp
- If available, certified copy of your school-leaving certificate
- If applicable, proof that you are currently enrolled for the Advanced Subsidiary/Advanced level
- If applicable, study record (academic transcript) with a certificate of conduct and/or qualification certificate if you have obtained your degree.

### STEP 2

Your application is submitted. You will receive a student number and acknowledgement of your application. If you have not submitted the required documents, you will be requested to do so to finalise your application..

### STEP 3

Your application and eligibility for a USAf Certificate of Exemption, if applicable, are evaluated by the university to determine whether you meet the exemption requirements (using a combination of Grade 12 mid-year AS-level and Grade 11 O-level results). Should your evaluation be positive, you will receive a conditional offer to study – SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY OF SPACE. Selection programmes are excluded. If you have indicated in your application that you require on-campus residence, you will also receive correspondence from Housing and Residence Affairs. Note that qualifying for your programme of choice does not guarantee admission.

### STEP 4

If you do not yet have a Universities South Africa (USAf) Certificate of Exemption, or are in the process of applying for one, the UFS OIA will assist you. The office can apply to USAf on your behalf. Once you receive a conditional offer to study, please liaise with [oiastudentadmin@ufs.ac.za](mailto:oiastudentadmin@ufs.ac.za) for assistance. Detailed information is included on <https://www.ufs.ac.za/supportservices/departments/international-affairs/>. You will be responsible for the payment of the USAf fee. Please note that assistance from the OIA is only available if you apply to the UFS. Uncertified copies of the following documents are required:

- proof of payment of the USAf fee made directly to USAf (deposit the amount into the account of the Matriculation Board at:
  - Bank: ABSA
  - Branch: Sunnyside (630345)
  - Account number: 405 903 6917
- uncertified senior/school leaving certificate
- uncertified academic records of UFS discretionary year studies
- uncertified copy of South African ID or passport

The UFS OIA can assist with the certification of copies of supporting documents. Please note that documents certified by the South African Police Service are not accepted by USAf.

### STEP 5

Apply for a police clearance certificate, which must cover either the past 12 months or the entire period since you turned 18, whichever is longer. You need a police clearance certificate from every country where you resided in this period.

### STEP 6

Following receipt of the conditional offer to study, you will receive a visa (undertaking) letter from the UFS OIA. Please contact [niemannaja@ufs.ac.za](mailto:niemannaja@ufs.ac.za) or [tshabalalal@ufs.ac.za](mailto:tshabalalal@ufs.ac.za) to assist you with this letter.

### STEP 7

Contact the OIA for individual advice on study visa applications and mandatory South African medical aid. Please contact [niemannaja@ufs.ac.za](mailto:niemannaja@ufs.ac.za) or [tshabalalal@ufs.ac.za](mailto:tshabalalal@ufs.ac.za) for assistance.

### STEP 8

Obtain mandatory South African medical aid – the OIA (contact details above) can assist you. This is required for you to be able to obtain a study visa.

### STEP 9

Apply for your study visa. Detailed instructions are included on <https://www.ufs.ac.za/supportservices/departments/international-affairs/>. The OIA will assist you.

### STEP 10

You need to source and secure financial support for your studies.

### STEP 11

When your final statement of results is available, it must be submitted to the UFS. Your conditional offer will be re-evaluated, and you will receive a final admission outcome.

Take note that meeting the minimum admission requirements for your programme of choice does not guarantee admission.

### STEP 12

Complete the acceptance process for the offer online within the stipulated timeframe. If you fail to complete the acceptance process for the offer before the deadline, the offer will be withdrawn, and you will lose your space. Note that limited space is available.

### STEP 13

If you meet the requirements, you will be allowed to register conditionally on condition that you finalise the application for Matriculation Exemption.

### STEP 14

**Pay the prescribed first payment before registration.** You can move into the residence on campus where you have been placed, or into off-campus accommodation, and then start your academic activities, including orientation, academic advice, and registration.



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Experience



# CONVERSION TABLE

The UFS uses a conversion table to help us consider all applications equally. If you are an international and/or home-schooled prospective student, use the conversion table below to calculate your admission point (AP). The table applies to all examination authorities/bodies in South Africa and internationally (upload international results as symbols).

**The conversion table below reflects the minimum admission requirements and is a guideline only. Meeting the minimum admission requirements for your chosen/intended programme of study does not guarantee admission, as limited space is available in each programme. Final selection is subject to the availability of space, academic results, and other admission requirements where applicable.**

UFS Formula	HG		SG		NSC / NSS / IEB		NSSC / HIGCSE (HL)		IGCSE / O / GCE		AS	A	IB (SL)	IB (HL)	German	
	Sym	%	Sym	%	Lvl	%	Lvl	%	Sym	%	Sym	Sym	Lvl	Lvl	Lvl	%
10												A		7		
9												B		6		
8	A	80			7	90	1	80			A	C		5	13-15	90 - 100
7	B	70			7	80	2	70			B	D	7	4	11-12	80 - 89
6	C	60	A	80	6	70	3	60	A	80	C	E	6	3	8-10	70 - 79
5	D	50	B	70	5	60			B	70	D		5	2	7-8	60 - 69
4	E	40	C	60	4	50	*4	50	C	60	E		4	1	5-6	50 - 59
3	F	33	D	50	3	40							3		4	40 - 49
2	FF	20	E	40	2	30							2			
1			F	33									1			

UFS Formula	Zambia School Certificate		Zeugnis der allgemeinen Hochschulreife		Malawi MSCE		Angola		Uganda				China		West Africa (WAEC / NECO / WA A-levels)			USA		
	Sym	%	Sym	%	Rating	%	Marks	Sym	Advanced	Marks	Certificate of Education	Marks	Sym	Marks / 100	Marks / 100	Sym	Rating	West Africa O-levels	Sym	%
8			12-15	80					A	80				90	135	A	1,2			
7			10-11	70					B	70				80	120	B	3,4		A	90-100
6	1,2	Dist	8-9	60	1,2	80	18-20	A	C	60	1,2	A	70	105	C	5,6	1,2	B+ / A-	85-89	
5	3,4	Merit	6-7	50	3,4	70	14-17	B	D	50	3,4	B	60	90			3,4	B	80-84	
4	5,6	Credit	4-5	40	5,6	60	10-13	C	E	40	5,6	C					5,6	C	70-79	
3					7,8	50													D	60-69
2																				
1																				

\* Already confirmed by the Matriculation Board and approved by the Access Committee: HIGCSE "4" = IGCSE "C" = 60%

The Conversion Table is subject to change.

## Abbreviations:

% awarded by SU

SA NSC

HIGCSE/NSSC HL

IGCSE/GCSE/NSSC OL/O-Level Gr-11

IGCSE/GCSE/NSSC OL/O-Level Gr-12

AS-Level

A-Level

IB HL

IB SL

GERMAN SCHOOL

IEB

SACAI

SC HG

SC SG

The percentage in this column is awarded for the symbol or number grade presented by the different systems in the shaded areas

South African National Senior Certificate

Higher International General Certificate of Secondary Education / Namibian Senior Secondary Certificate Higher Level

International General Certificate of Secondary Education / General Certificate of Secondary Education / Namibian Senior Secondary Certificate Ordinary Level Grade 11

International General Certificate of Secondary Education / General Certificate of Secondary Education / Namibian Senior Secondary Certificate Ordinary Level Grade 12

Advanced Subsidiary Level

Advanced Level

International Baccalaureate Higher Level

International Baccalaureate Standard Level

Abitur

Independent Examination Board

South African Comprehensive Assessment Institute

Senior Certificate Higher Grade (completed Grade 12 before 2008)

Senior Certificate Standard Grade (completed Grade 12 before 2008)



# OFFICE FOR INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS (OIA)

The Office for International Affairs (OIA) serves as the first port of call for all international students at the UFS, providing assistance and specialised administrative support. The principal purpose of the OIA is to enable internationalisation at the UFS.

## Where can you find the Office for International Affairs?

Our offices are located on the second floor of the Theology Building on the Bloemfontein Campus, and on the second floor of the Administration Building on the Qwaqwa Campus..

If you need more information, contact the relevant person:

### Immigration, Accreditation, Medical Aid, Finances, and Student Administration:

Jeanne Niemann: +27 51 401 3219 | niemannaja@ufs.ac.za

Letlela Tshabalala: +27 51 401 9032 | tshabalalal@ufs.ac.za

Matladi Tsoeu: +27 51 401 7207 | oiastudentadmin@ufs.ac.za

### Incoming exchange students, Internationalisation@home coordinator:

Bulelwa Malo: +27 51 401 3397 | malob@ufs.ac.za



# SECURE FINANCIAL AID (BURSARIES) FOR YOUR STUDIES

## Enquiries for bursaries, NSFAS, and merit bursaries:

+27 51 401 9111 (option 3)  
NSFAS call centre: 08000 67327

Some bursaries do not pay out immediately, and the delay can cause you stress and anxiety. To avoid the stress and anxiety about your finances, you are advised to source and secure funds when you apply for studies at the UFS to support yourself in terms of registration fees, books, meals, accommodation, transport, etc., while you wait for the bursary to pay out. Do not wait until the last minute.

The University of the Free State offers the following bursaries for qualifying students:

## ACADEMIC MERIT AWARDS FOR NEW FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS

The UFS offers academic merit awards for first-year students. You have worked very hard and the UFS values and acknowledges your effort. You can use your merit award allocation to register. If your merit award is less than the required registration fee, you will have to pay the balance to finalise your registration.

**The university reserves the right to amend the regulations and award values and/or conditions applicable to the awarding thereof without prior notice.**

If you qualify for an academic merit award, we will credit your class fee account with the amount of the award after you register as a student at the University of the Free State.

The following scale is used to allocate awards:

Admission point	Award Value
35-37	R6 000
38-40	R10 000
41-43	R15 000
44+	R20 000

The award value is based on the formula used to calculate the admission point.

NSC level of achievement	Achievement level required by the UFS	UFS Admission Point (AP)
7 (90%-100%)	8 (90%-100%)	8
7 (80%-89%)	7 (80%-89%)	7
6 (70%-79%)	6 (70%-79%)	6
5 (60%-69%)	5 (60%-69%)	5
4 (50%-59%)	4 (50%-59%)	4
3 (40%-49%)	3 (40%-49%)	3
2 (30%-39%)	2 (30%-39%)	2
1 (0%-29%)	-	-

These awards are automatically awarded to new students based on their performance in the final matriculation examination. The award offer is subject to you meeting the minimum admission requirements in your programme of study and being registered at the UFS as a first-year student in 2025.

## First-year students who initially registered at other higher-education institutions

First-time entering first-year students who initially registered at other higher-education institutions, discontinued their studies, and then register at the University of the Free State, will not qualify for academic merit awards during their first year of study.

**What does this mean?** If you transfer to the UFS from another university, you cannot get an academic merit award based on your final Grade 12 results during your first year of study at the UFS.

## Interruption of studies

To qualify for an academic merit award, a student must register at the University of the Free State as a student again. If there is an interruption of more than five (5) years between the last examination (matric or university) and the year in which the award must be awarded, the student does not qualify for an award.

**What does this mean?** If you interrupt your studies for more than five (5) years, you will lose the academic merit award.

## Discontinuation of study

If a student discontinues his/her course during the year, the award will be recovered pro rata.

**What does this mean?** If you have an award and stop studying, any credit balance on your UFS class-fee account (up to an amount equal to that of the award) will be taken away after you have discontinued your studies.

## Payment of academic merit award

Students who qualify for an academic merit award will have the awarded amount credited to their tuition-fee account after registration at the UFS.

**What does this mean?** You will not get cash; the money will be paid into your student account at the UFS.

## Undertaking

The student undertakes to complete his/her degree studies at this university. If he/she does not complete the course, Council reserves the right to claim back the entire awarded amount or the part thereof that may already have been paid out. However, each case will be treated on merit.

An award may be withdrawn at any time if the behaviour, diligence, or progress of the student is found to be unsatisfactory. If the examination results of a merit-award recipient are such that he/she will have to repeat the studies of a full year/semester, the award will be regarded as a study loan, and it will have to be paid back.

**What does this mean?** If you get an academic merit award from the UFS, you can only complete your studies at the UFS. If you don't complete the qualification, you may have to pay back all the money, or some of it. It depends on your specific situation. If you do not perform well academically, or behave badly, you may lose the award.

## Occasional Studies

Students who register for occasional studies do not qualify for merit awards based on their academic achievement of the previous year or academic achievements during their occasional studies.

The university reserves the right to amend the regulations and award values and/or conditions applicable to the allocation of awards without prior notice. **Terms and conditions apply.**

## Bursaries for culture, art, and leadership

New first-year students: prospective students must apply before 30 November 2024 for a bursary for culture, art, and leadership. The application form is available at [www.ufs.ac.za](http://www.ufs.ac.za) – follow the links: Apply – Your finances – Financial Aid. You can submit the completed application form to J Buitendag, Room S014, George du Toit Admin Building, Bloemfontein Campus, or email to [buitendagj@ufs.ac.za](mailto:buitendagj@ufs.ac.za)

### The following persons qualify:

Head boys/girls	R1 750
Deputy head boys/girls	R1 100
Olympiad winners (national level)	R7 300
Olympiad runners-up (second place) (national level)	R2 440
Olympiad runners-up (places 3–5) (national level)	R2 190
Olympiad runners-up (places 6–10) (national level)	R1 835
President's scouts	R1 835
Expo winners (Gold)	R1 835
Achievements at international level (individual achievements)	
Achievements at national level (individual achievements)	

In addition to the above-mentioned accomplishments, bursaries can also be awarded based on other cultural, art, and leadership achievements.

**An admission point of 30 is required for the above-mentioned awards.**

**NB!**

## Special merit bursaries for sport

Bursaries are awarded every year to sportsmen/sportswomen who can contribute towards expanding our proud record in the field of sport. Applications for these bursaries close on 30 September (first round) and 30 November (second round) each year. The application form is available at [www.ufs.ac.za](http://www.ufs.ac.za) – follow the links: Apply – Your finances – Financial Aid. For further information, contact KovieSport on +27 51 401 2475 or [octobercze@ufs.ac.za](mailto:octobercze@ufs.ac.za)

## Sundry bursaries

There are various university bursaries available for general or specific fields of study or in specific departments and faculties. Follow the link: <https://www.ufs.ac.za/kovsielife/unlisted-pages/bursaries/financial-aid> for further information, application forms, and closing dates.

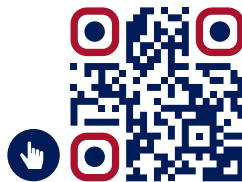
## Funza Lushaka education bursaries

Funza Lushaka Education bursaries are available for deserving Education students who specialise in scarce education subjects. Applications usually open on 1 October of the preceding year. The application form is available on [www.funzalushaka.doe.gov.za](http://www.funzalushaka.doe.gov.za). Please note that the completed application form, certified copy of ID, and certified results must be submitted to the Bursary Officer as proof of application. **Take note that the decision regarding Funza Lushaka Education applications is only available from April, therefore you will have to source financial support for books, meals, registration fees, etc., for the interim period.** Contact the Bursary Officer in the Faculty of Education, Nicolene Butler, on +27 51 401 2025 or [butlerNM@ufs.ac.za](mailto:butlerNM@ufs.ac.za) for more information.

### Additional bursary options

A lack of funds will prevent you from registering and enjoying the student and academic life. To help you, here are a few alternative options you may consider:

- <https://www.zabursaries.co.za>
- <https://www.studentroom.co.za>category>bursaries>
- <https://allbursaries.co.za>
- <https://bursaries-southafrica.co.za>
- <https://www.careersportal.co.za>
- <https://www.bursariesportal.co.za>
- <http://www.gostudy.mobi>
- <http://sastudy.co.za>
- <http://www.careerhelp.org.za/page/financing-studies/bursary/626576-Bursaries>



### National Student Financial Aid Scheme (NSFAS)

Financially needy students may apply for financial aid (NSFAS) online at [www.NSFAS.org.za](http://www.NSFAS.org.za). If you experience problems with your online application, contact the NSFAS call centre at 0800 067 327. If your NSFAS bursary has been approved by NSFAS and allocated by the Financial Aid Office, you may register without paying the required first payment. **Terms and conditions apply.**

**NB!** Only South African citizens qualify for NSFAS funding.

#### Enquiries for NSFAS

+27 51 401 9111 (option 3)

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# STUDENT FINANCE

Student Finance – your financial partner on your journey to graduation.

Higher education is a financial investment in your future. By learning how to manage your finances and maintain good credit, you will contribute to your success at varsity and after graduation. Student Finance is here to guide you every step of the way!



Being proactive about your personal financial management will help you to reduce your stress and plan for your future. Here are some helpful tips for your personal financial management:

All the financial information you need is available on the university website.

- Visit [www.ufs.ac.za](http://www.ufs.ac.za) and follow the links: Students > Student Finance, or
- Scan the QR code to access Helpful Links.

## STEP 1

Start by doing an online quotation based on the programme/modules you plan to enrol for. For the estimated costs/quotation, visit [www.ufs.ac.za](http://www.ufs.ac.za) and follow the links: Students – Student Finance – Quotation.

Budget for other expenses such as registration, breakage fee if you are selected to stay in a campus residence, private accommodation if you stay off campus, textbooks, study material, pocket money, food, data, travelling, clothes, and any other expense you might need to consider.

## STEP 2

## STEP 3

Have a look at the Student Finance Yearbook for **first payments payable prior to registration**, and the estimated average cost per year of the most popular academic programmes. You can access the Student Finance Fees Yearbook at [www.ufs.ac.za](http://www.ufs.ac.za) – Students – Student Finance – First Payment.

If you need financial assistance, apply for funding to help pay your fees early so that you are not stressed, and can secure your financial assistance ahead of registration. Funding takes the form of bursaries, scholarships, and loans. A list of all providers of financial aid to students known to us can be found at <https://www.ufs.ac.za/kovsielife/unlisted-pages/bursaries/financial-aid>. You are encouraged to visit the webpage.

## STEP 4

## STEP 5

Please remember to take note of the payment dates to ensure that your account remains in good standing. There are different dates for South African students and international students.

Your student/ID number must always be mentioned in all correspondence with the university.

### Student Finance:

T: +27 51 401 9111 (option 3) | [tuitionfees@ufs.ac.za](mailto:tuitionfees@ufs.ac.za)

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Economic and Management Sciences	
BAcc	R64 780
BAdmin (3 years)	R49 130
BAdmin (4 years)	R41 350
BCom (3 years)	R54 750
BCom (4 years)	R40 520
BCom Accounting	R54 030
BCom Economics	R52 720
BCom Human Resource Management	R51 040
BCom Investment Management and Banking	R53 980
BCom Law	R53 800
BCom Marketing	R50 350
Education	
BEEd	R48 030
BEEd Extended Curriculum	R41 120
PGDIP	R24 820
Health Sciences	
B Biokinetics	R56 780
B Optometry	R58 380
B Sport Coaching and Development	R51 870
BSc Dietetics	R57 540
BSc Occupational Therapy	R52 740
BSc Physiotherapy	R58 410
BMedSc Radiation Sciences	R69 130
BSocSc Nursing	R49 420
MB ChB	R73 840
Law	
LLB	R41 810
Natural and Agricultural Sciences	
BArch Stud	R55 470
BAgric	R60 170
BSc Agric	R61 590
BSc Biochemistry and Microbiology	R60 730
BSc Chemistry and Physics	R54 400
BSc Consumer Science	R61 110
BSc Extended Curriculum	R49 970
BSc Forensic Science	R60 160
BSc Geology	R59 030
BSc Geology and Environmental Sciences	R65 360
BSc Information Technology	R60 510
BSc Quantity Surveying	R40 910
BSc Actuarial Science	R71 170
The Humanities	
BA (3 years)	R49 800
BA (4 years)	R41 880
BA Drama and Theatre Arts	R46 870
BA Integrated Organisational Communication	R49 130
BA Journalism	R49 790
BA Language Practice	R53 700
BA Governance and Political Transformation	R53 810
B Music	R45 500
B Social Work	R47 760
BSocSc (3 years)	R46 840
BSocSc (4 years)	R40 090
Theology and Religion	
BTh/BDiv	R47 790
BTh/BDiv Extended Curriculum	R41 710

## 2025 ESTIMATED FEE STRUCTURE

Please take note that this is only an estimation and is subject to change.

Refer to the rulebook of your chosen faculty, which is available on the faculty's website, and then populate the information from the modules in the rulebook: <https://kovsielife.ufs.ac.za/quote/quote.aspx>. The system will generate a quotation.

# #TIP

The below degree programme/tuition-fee estimates are only guidelines to enable you to plan the cost of study for your first year. These estimates EXCLUDE other expenses, e.g., food, uniforms, textbooks, study material, stationery, accommodation, travelling, etc. Also note that these programme prices are estimated averages per year and are subject to change.

### Notes and study material

Study material/notes are automatically prepared when you register and is charged accordingly. It is your responsibility to collect the study material. If you cancel/discontinue any of the modules, you will not be refunded for the notes.

### Books

Money for books may be paid into your tuition-fee account by using the deposit identifier 102studentnumber. The amount paid will be transferred to your personal bank account within two to three working days after receipt in the UFS bank account.

### Student card

You will receive a student card when you produce proof of registration. Your student card is your key to all kinds of services and events at the UFS. It is your official university identification, and as a student or employee, you must carry it with you whenever you are on campus. Your electronic student card is for your use only; nobody else may use it. Your personal details are associated with your card and are unique to your card. Your first card will be issued free of charge. A fee is payable to replace a lost, stolen, or damaged card.

### Parking disc

To park in designated parking spaces allocated to students, you must buy a parking permit/disc from Traffic Services by the end of February. It must be displayed on the windshield of your vehicle.



**“Advising is a way to connect students to the campus and help them feel that someone is looking out for them.” George Kuh**

# ACADEMIC ADVISING AT THE UFS

JOURNEY TO SUCCESS



To complete **phase two** of your registration process, you are required to consult with an academic adviser. The faculties, in collaboration with the Centre for Teaching and Learning (CTL), have dedicated academic advisers to help you better understand how your academic aspirations connect with your dream job. To help you along your way, we offer you three main types of advisers who can support and guide your journey to academic success:

### Faculty/Curriculum Advisers:

- **Who are they?** Faculty managers, faculty academic advisers, and programme directors
- **How can they help me?** They provide curriculum-specific advice and help you select and define your curriculum and majors (select modules).

### Central Advisers:

- **Who are they?** Advisers at the Centre for Teaching and Learning (CTL)
- **How can they help me?** They provide advice to students who have not yet decided on their final choice of study and help navigate your academic career in relation to your career dreams. They assist you to decide, commit to, and connect to the institution in order to get where you want to be.

### Peer Advisers:

- **Who are they?** Student Life peer mentors, Gateway buddies, tutors, etc.
- **How can they help me?** Helping you connect to the campus and understand how to excel academically and socially.

These academic advisers help you make the right decision in selecting the curriculum that best fits your path towards earning your degree. This advice is your academic support and success lifeline while studying at the UFS and will keep you on track all the way to graduation!

As a prospective student, it is important that you connect with an academic adviser as early as possible. How to connect with an academic adviser:

- Call us: T: +27 51 401 9111 (option 2)
- Visit the faculty that you are interested in at <https://www.ufs.ac.za/templates/faculty-list>
- Send an email to:
  - [advising@ufs.ac.za](mailto:advising@ufs.ac.za) (BFN Campus)
  - [advisingqq@ufs.ac.za](mailto:advisingqq@ufs.ac.za) (QQ Campus)
  - [advisingsc@ufs.ac.za](mailto:advisingsc@ufs.ac.za) (South Campus)
- Chat with us on WhatsApp: 087 240 6370
- Like the *UFS Academic Advising page on Facebook*

Faculty advisers = curriculum advice (i.e., programme/module registration)  
Central Advising (CTL) = success pathway planning (personal, academic, and career goal setting)






## RECOGNITION OF PRIOR LEARNING (RPL)

The Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) programme is an innovative pathway that acknowledges and leverages your existing knowledge and skills, bringing them to the forefront through a process of assessment and moderation. Our RPL initiative provides an alternative avenue for access and admission, bestows formal recognition, and paves the way for your continuous learning and professional development. We invite you to apply for RPL if you have amassed substantial learning from your professional experiences, formal education, or other relevant learning pursuits. The RPL office is committed to facilitating a seamless process, offering tailored advice and unwavering support to both candidates and faculty departments.

### Determine whether your RPL is for undergraduate or postgraduate studies:

1. RPL for undergraduate access (offered on the Qwaqwa Campus)
2. RPL for postgraduate access (offered on the Bloemfontein and Qwaqwa campuses)
3. For more information on qualifications to access through RPL, please contact the RPL office or visit the relevant faculty/department.

### Requirements:

-  National Senior Certificate (i.e., Matric / Grade 12)
-  Five years' relevant work experience
-  Completed workshops, short courses, and on-the-job training

### Enquiries:

**Qwaqwa Campus:**  
E: rplqq@ufs.ac.za  
T: +27 58 718 5120

### General enquiries for RPL:

**Bloemfontein Campus:**  
E: rpl@ufs.ac.za  
T: +27 51 401 7326/7357



## THE RPL PROCESS



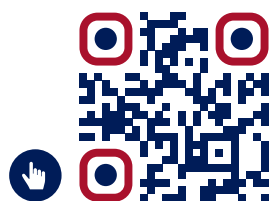


# CAMPUS SAFETY

## OUR COMMITMENT TO CAMPUS SAFETY

The university has made an unwavering commitment to safety by enacting our UFS Security Policy. This comprehensive strategy is more than a set of guidelines; we promise to cultivate an atmosphere where security is intertwined into the fabric of our daily operations. Our dedication is unwavering when it comes to protecting every individual on our campuses – students, faculty, staff, contractors, and visitors alike. Their well-being is not just a priority, but a fundamental value guiding our actions. We recognise that a safe environment is critical to the thriving UFS experience we are known for.

For a deeper understanding of the policy and its applications, we encourage you to consult the UFS Security Policy booklet. By staying informed, you contribute to the shared responsibility of maintaining a secure and vibrant campus life.



Choose the University of the Free State and experience why  
**'only a Kovsie knows the feeling'.**



## STUDENT AFFAIRS

At Student Affairs, we take care of you while you are a student on either our Bloemfontein, South, or Qwaqwa campuses; we do this through our student life communities, the Centre for Universal Access and Disability Support – or CUADS as it is known, Student Counselling and Development, and Student Governance.

**The Department of Student Life and Communities** purposefully fosters close collaboration with faculties and academic units to create a seamless integration between the social life and academic performance contexts of our students. A balance between academic responsibilities and vibrant student life is achieved through strong student communities and co-curricular programmes such as leadership development. As a Kovsie student, you will get the opportunity to be exposed to learning experiences outside the classroom that are intentionally designed to develop you as a well-rounded graduate.

**The Centre for Universal Access and Disability Support (CUADS)** assists students in gaining access to support regarding communication, for example Sign Language interpreting services; accessible study material, for example Braille; alternative assessment arrangements, such as concessions; and individual academic support through assistive devices.

We know that leaving home and moving to a new city to study is very challenging, and all our students are doing the best they can. To help you on your way and support you throughout your Kovsie journey, **Student Counselling and Development** is a key partner. It is important to know that you are not alone and that we, as the UFS, really care about your well-being. Therefore, we provide online resources as well as individual and group counselling to registered UFS students who are experiencing personal, psychological, and behavioural difficulties or require career guidance. We furthermore aid and support students on their journey of personal development in order to function to their full potential and effectively meet their educational and life goals. The mental, physical, and emotional well-being of our students is very important, and we take every measure to ensure that you enjoy your student years and develop holistically.

The fourth piece that completes the Student Affairs picture is **Student Governance**. We strongly believe in governance excellence, capacity building of our students through the promotion of professional student governance, and a complete humanising experience. The Student Representative Council or SRC, responsible for facilitating activities such as SRC elections, developmental training, and strategic planning, plays a key role on all three campuses. The office also embarks on hosting other activities, which include public conversations and seminars.

These activities promote the active participation of student leadership in institutional governance. Student governance, among others, drives the following:

- student participation and a sense of belonging and inclusivity through co-curriculum programmes and governance activities
- a strong governance culture that acts as a foundation for the advancement of transformation policies
- institutional and campus SRC and student parliaments, structured student governance training programmes, student organisations and associations, student governance structures, namely class representatives through which the faculty councils are constituted; first-year committees, residence subcommittees, and residence committees.

At the University of the Free State, we believe that every voice counts; therefore, our student leaders are actively participating in university and faculty governance and management structures.

Student Affairs on all three campuses echoes the spirit of the University of the Free State. Here you will find a home away from home and experience the care, protection, and support you deserve.





# HOUSING AND RESIDENCE AFFAIRS

YOUR HOME AWAY FROM HOME







UFS

Our residences are very popular, with a waiting list for applicants. Therefore, you should indicate on the application form for studies in 2025 if you want to apply for residence accommodation in one of the on-campus residences.

## APPLICATION FOR RESIDENCE ACCOMMODATION

**You should indicate on the application form for study in 2025 whether you want to apply for residence accommodation in one of the on-campus residences.**

To become a resident in one of the campus residences, you need to:

- indicate your interest in residence (on-campus) accommodation on your online application form for studies in 2025;
- keep your breakage deposit of R960 ready in case you are selected for placement in a residence;
- take note that the R960 is only payable once you have received a housing offer; and
- take note of the academic admission criteria for residences. Make sure that your admission point (AP) meets the criteria.



### Placement policy

Please visit our website for more information.



**NB!** As a prospective student, you must keep in mind that placement in a residence does not mean that you have been selected for a particular field of study. To be considered for placement in a residence, you must have received either a conditional admission offer for a programme of study or a final and firm offer for admission. The final Grade 12 marks will eventually determine whether you qualify for admission to an undergraduate programme of study and residence accommodation. You will only be allowed to occupy the residence in which you have been placed once you register as a student.

The following academic requirements apply for junior residences:

### Bloemfontein and Qwaqwa Campuses:

- **Meeting the minimum admission requirements for your chosen/intended programme of study does not guarantee placement in a residence on campus, as limited space is available in each residence.**
- A minimum Grade 12 AP of **30 (Bloemfontein Campus) and 25 (Qwaqwa Campus)** is required for admission to a residence.
- Your academic merit is determined based on the most recent admission point as calculated by the university (whether Grade 11 or Grade 12 results).
- If you were admitted to a residence based on the Grade 11 AP, but the final Grade 12 AP is less than **the required AP**, your admission to a residence will be cancelled.
- If your current AP (Grade 11 final results or Grade 12 June results) is less than **the required AP**, you can still apply for residence accommodation. You will qualify for admission to a residence (subject to availability) if your final Grade 12 AP is **30 (Bloemfontein Campus)/ 25 (Qwaqwa Campus)**.
- If you were registered at the UFS or another tertiary institution for the second or subsequent years, you must have passed at least 120 credits to qualify for admission to a residence. Current first-year students will qualify for admission to a residence based on their Grade 12 AP

### South Campus: Admission to a full-time programme on the South Campus

- If you were provisionally admitted to a residence on the Bloemfontein Campus prior to your final Grade 12 results becoming available and your results indicate that your studies encompass an extended curriculum programme on the South Campus, such provisional admission will automatically be transferred to a residence on the South Campus.
- Your admission is in all cases subject to you meeting the conditions pertaining to the admission.
- Ordinarily, students are admitted to South Campus residences based on their admission to an academic programme on the South Campus and available space.

### Contact details for residence applications:

Visit <http://residences.ufs.ac.za> or send an email for more information to:

**Bloemfontein Campus:** [resapplications@ufs.ac.za](mailto:resapplications@ufs.ac.za)

**South Campus:** [SCResApplications@ufs.ac.za](mailto:SCResApplications@ufs.ac.za)

**Qwaqwa Campus:** [res\\_infoqc@ufs.ac.za](mailto:res_infoqc@ufs.ac.za)

**Include your full name and student number when enquiring or following up on your housing application.**



# RESIDENCE AND ACCOMMODATION FEES

You or your parent/guardian or both are responsible for the full accommodation fee for the accommodation period.

## Tariffs for accommodation in the different residences and living units

### Accommodation fees Bloemfontein 2025:

The costs below are estimates and should be used as a guide.

	2025
<b>QWAQWA</b>	
<b>Qwaqwa Campus (Old residences)</b>	
Double room shared	R35 560
Single room	R39 580
<b>New residences</b>	
Double room shared	R51 095
Single room	R55 545
Triplet	R46 670
Postgrad	R66 525
Paraplegic	R53 140
Average	<b>R49 731</b>
<b>BLOEMFONTEIN</b>	
<b>Junior residences</b>	
Double room shared	R35 560
Single room	R39 580
Average	<b>R37 570</b>
<b>Outeniqua, ConLaures, Harmony, Ardour</b>	
Double room shared	R51 095
Single room	R55 545
Paraplegic (en suite)	R53 140
Average	<b>R53 260</b>
<b>SOUTH CAMPUS (Legae, Liberty, Toka)</b>	
Double room shared	R51 095
Single room	R55 545
Paraplegic (en suite)	R53 140
Average	<b>R53 260</b>
<b>Electricity levy</b>	
<b>Rent (UV) p.m.</b>	
150 ¢	R405
170 ¢	R510

	2025
<b>Senior residences</b>	
<b>Double room</b>	
Shared	R36 890
Single occupancy	R73 140
<b>Single room:</b>	
Small	R44 280
Medium	R47 040
Large	R49 740
Extra large	R52 500
Average	<b>R50 598</b>
<b>Units</b>	
<b>Single room:</b>	
Extra small	R51 240
Small	R55 680
Medium	R61 860
Large	R71 160
Extra Large	R78 660
Paraplegic	R80 880
<b>Double room:</b>	
Single occupancy	R103 020
Shared	R51 510
Paraplegic single occupancy	R105 300
Paraplegic shared	R52 650
Average	<b>R71 202</b>
<b>Housing and Residence Deposits</b>	
Breakage deposit	R1 040
Rent rooms	
Holiday accommodation per day	R100
<b>Covered parking for residence students</b>	
Reserved parking p.a. (Not refundable)	R500



## Breakage deposit (first placement in residence)

When you accept the accommodation offer, you must pay the breakage deposit.

### Rules regarding deposits

You will **forfeit** the deposit you paid if accommodation has been allocated to you and a place has thus been reserved for you, when you:

- do not show up; or
- cancel your place after 31 December.

The breakage deposit may be used at the sole discretion of the university to recover any contingencies resulting in costs, losses, damages, penalties, etc.

The breakage deposit will ONLY be refunded if you:

- do not comply with admission requirements;
- are not selected for a specific course;
- pass away;
- submit a satisfactory medical certificate as motivation for cancellation; and
- leave at the end of the accommodation term. The breakage deposit will be transferred to your tuition-fees account, and if this results in a credit on the account, the credit may be paid out on request.

## Accommodation costs in case of cancellation of studies

First-time entering students (FTEN): In the event that a FTEN student cancels his/her residency in terms of Paragraph 6 of the Terms and Conditions, such a student will only be liable for the payment of any and all accommodation fees that are outstanding up to the cancellation date.

**Non-FTEN:** In the event that a student who is not a FTEN student cancels his/her residency in terms of this Paragraph 6 of the Terms and Conditions, such a student will be liable for the payment of any and all accommodation fees that are outstanding up to the cancellation date.

## Meal fees and system

All junior residences of the UFS are self-catering; however, meals are offered on a cafeteria basis in the dining halls at:

- **Bloemfontein Campus:**
  - Dining@Kovsies at Abraham Fischer Dining Hall
  - Soetdoring Dining Hall
  - Medical Cafeteria at the Francois Retief Building
  - Food outlets on the Thakaneng Bridge
- **Qwaqwa Campus:**
  - Student Dining Hall
- **South Campus:**
  - Student Dining Hall

## Family discount on tuition and/or accommodation fees

If three or more students who are dependents from the same family (children, stepchildren, adopted children, but excluding children-in-law or married children) study at the university and/or stay in university residences at the same time, the following discount will be granted on the amount payable for residing in a UFS residence, and on modules the students are registered for:

- Three students: 10%
- Four or more students: 15%

Discounts will be granted on the following conditions:

- A discount may only be claimed for full-time undergraduate SA students.
- All dependents must be under the age of 26.
- Students receiving any form of financial aid for tuition and/or accommodation fees do not qualify for this discount.
- The discount will be recalculated if one or more of the students discontinue their studies or leave the residence.
- Family discounts are not given automatically. You must apply for family discount in writing and must present evidence of relationships. The full particulars of the students concerned must be submitted.
- A discount may only be claimed for the current academic year.
- Family discount will only be given on module and accommodation fees.

**Residential students must familiarise themselves  
with all policies regarding accommodation.**

**NB!**

# RESIDENCE LIFE AND COLLEGE COMMUNITIES

When you become a Kovsie, we want you to feel that you belong to a circle of friends, that you belong to a community. A community that will support and inspire you to reach your full potential. This sense of belonging is facilitated through college communities. UFS college communities are created through small pockets or groups that build towards larger communities.

We encourage you to become a member of these cohesive groups through on-campus residences or day residences. Together, these groups form the strong building blocks of larger communities called College Communities.

College Communities are created by clustering on-campus residences, day residences, and accredited accommodation, which then collaborate with other stakeholders such as faculties, support services, and different organisations. The college communities form the social spaces where you can engage in all student-life programmes, e.g., cultural events, sports events, community-service events, dialogues, etc.

In a community, we create an opportunity for engagement and communication. We have different student development programmes, such as:

- **leadership**, where you can be a residence committee member and lead your residence on different university platforms;
- **mentorship**, where a support structure is created for first-years' transition to the university;
- **arts and culture programmes**, which are platforms for students to showcase their different talents;
- **sport activities**: as a Kovsie student, you will continue to enhance your sports talent and if you are committed enough, you can represent Kovies on national and international level.



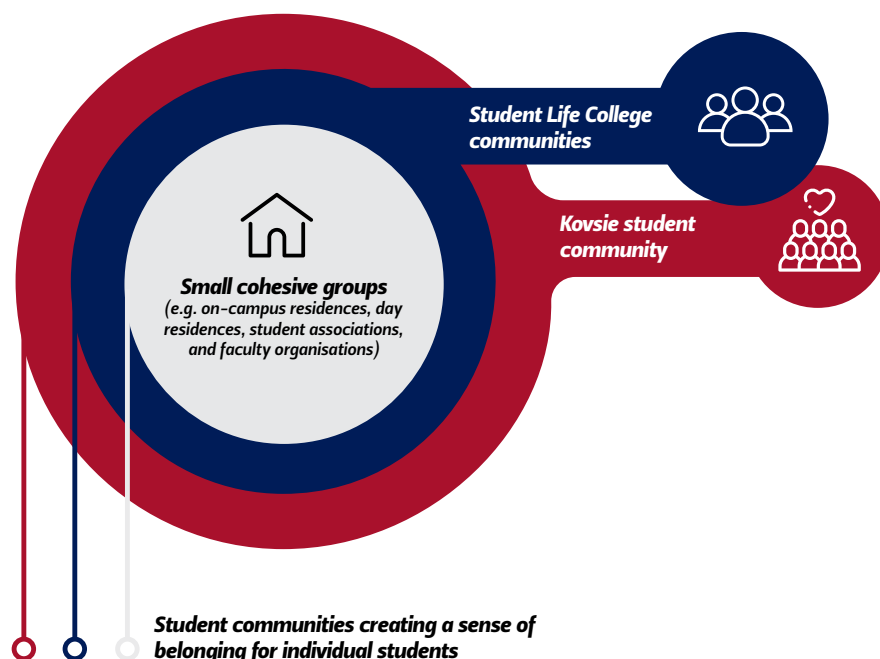
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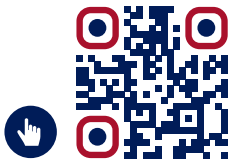


**Creating a socially just culture**



**Nurturing graduate attributes**

















# COLLEGE COMMUNITIES

## Bloemfontein Campus:

 <p>UNIVERSITY OF THE FREE STATE <b>CENTRAL COLLEGE</b> KAGISO - AKASIA - KAREE SOETDORING - WAG-'N-BIETJIE</p>			
 <p>UNIVERSITY OF THE FREE STATE <b>NORTH COLLEGE</b> VERITAS - TSWELOPELE - WELWITSCHIA VERGEET-MY-NIE - MADELIEF</p>			
 <p>UNIVERSITY OF THE FREE STATE <b>SOUTH COLLEGE</b> MARJOLEIN - ARMENTUM - VILLA BRAVADO NI VD MERWE - EMILY HOBHOUSE - KESTELL</p>			
 <p>UNIVERSITY OF THE FREE STATE <b>EAST COLLEGE</b> ROOSMARN - BEYERS NAUDE - ARISTA KHALALAMI - SONNEDOU - LEGATUM</p>			
 <p>UNIVERSITY OF THE FREE STATE <b>WEST COLLEGE</b> IMPERIUM - OUTENIQUA - CONLAURÉS ABRAHAM FISCHER - HARMONY</p>			
			
			

South Campus:			
			
Qwaqwa Campus:			
			
			
	<p><b>New Female (Dubai) Residence</b></p> <p><b>Contact information to be part of the student community:</b>  <b>Assistant Director: Residence Life and College Communities:</b>                      Pulane Malefane   T: +27 51 401 7728/7632   E: MalefaneP@ufs.ac.za  <b>Senior Assistant Officer:</b>                      Gomoco Sekgapane   T: +27 401 7632   E: SekgaphaneGM@ufs.ac.za</p>		

## On-campus residences

Your residence at the UFS will become your second home; life in a student residence at the UFS can be a very exciting and rewarding experience. As a Kopsie student, you will benefit from a whole new world of friendships that can last a lifetime. There are many people from different language, racial, and cultural backgrounds on campus. Living and learning in this diverse environment can give you a definite advantage over many other job seekers once you graduate, which will help you later in life.

The leadership in residence communities consists of a residence head, prime, residence committee, and peer mentors. This leadership team creates a residence environment where every student feels welcome and inspired. All residence communities are driven by a set of shared values, which mediates a culture of mutual accountability.

First-year students are supported in their transition to higher education by means of a peer-mentor system in residences. Each first-year student is allocated a peer mentor who facilitates individual conversation as well as conversations in small-group format with students.

## Co-ed residences

Co-ed residences are residence communities consisting of male and female students. Although male and female students both form part of co-ed residences, they live in separate corridors with separate bathroom facilities. There is controlled access to blocks/pods and corridors.

## Day residences

A day residence is a residence consisting of students who live off campus in private homes, student houses, townhouses, flats, rooms, etc. Students who are members of day residences must arrange their own accommodation off campus.

If you do not live on campus, a day residence gives you the opportunity to participate in organised student activities. It is very important to us that you have the opportunity to develop as a complete person by participating in academic and non-academic activities on campus. With day residences, you can participate in all activities offered in campus residences.

If you live off campus, you are free to join one of the day residence communities. Each day residence has a gazellie (or a large lounge with a kitchen and bathroom) on the campus, where the day residence communities host residence meetings, study, or just hang out and socialise.

A residence head and a residence committee oversee each day residence. This leadership is responsible for managing day residences and seeing to it that all activities offered are in line with the vision, mission, and values of the university.

**Day residences offer students who are living off campus the following:**

- mentorship and academic support
- learning and social spaces on campus where you can study and hang out with your friends
- access to UFS programmes and resources
- opportunities to develop holistically
- sharing innovative ideas
- growth
- a vibrant social life to build relationships
- fun, and fun, and more fun

**The day residences on the Bloemfontein Campus are:**

- **North College:** Veritas
- **South College:** Marjolein
- **East College:** Sonnedou, Arista, and Legatum
- **West College:** Imperium
- **Central College:** Kagiso

**For More Information:**

**Senior Assistant Officer: Gomoco Sekgapane**

T: +27 401 7632 | E: SekgaphaneGM@ufs.ac.za

**Accredited off-campus accommodation**

The safety and living conditions of our students are of great importance. Student accommodation is a significant aspect of the success of the UFS; consequently, good quality accommodation is important for each individual student to be successful in their studies. For the complete list of accredited student accommodation and contact details, visit <https://www.ufs.ac.za/residences/housing-and-residence-affairs/information/off-campus-accommodation>.

**Enquiries:**

**Bloemfontein Campus:** OCASstudents@ufs.ac.za

**Qwaqwa Campus:** ocaqwaqwa@ufs.ac.za





Creating a **sense of belonging**





# KOVSIELIFE

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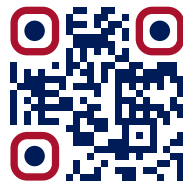
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# STUDENT LIFE

When it comes to ensuring students' holistic growth and success, the Department of Student Life at the University of the Free State (UFS) is at the forefront. With a diverse range of departments and programmes, our mission is to create a vibrant and inclusive campus community where students can thrive academically, socially, and personally.

## **Kovsie ACT:** Nurturing Environmental Development Through Fun and Collaboration



Kovsie ACT offers an exciting learning opportunity for students interested in sustainable environmental development. By engaging in community-building activities, students learn new skills, forge valuable relationships, and contribute to a greener future. Join Kovsie ACT to create a collaborative learning environment beyond your study period.

**E:** [act@ufs.ac.za](mailto:act@ufs.ac.za)

## **Arts and Culture Office:** Exploring Social Relations Through Artistic Encounters



The Arts and Culture Office serves as a creative channel to express the vision of Student Affairs through various artistic mediums. Engaging students and the broader community promote social justice, cohesion, and critical diversity. The Arts and Culture Office fosters engaged citizenship and cohesive communities through inspiring performances and thought-provoking exhibitions.

**E:** [arts\\_culture@ufs.ac.za](mailto:arts_culture@ufs.ac.za)

## **Career Services:** Unlocking Your Professional Potential



Preparing for your dream job and excelling in it is made easier with Career Services at the UFS. It provides a wide range of services and resources to develop the essential employability skills in today's job market. Students can visit the Career Services website and register on the CareerHub to connect with employers, explore job opportunities, and receive guidance for a successful career.

To register on CareerHub:  
<http://careerhub.ufs.ac.za/>

**E:** [career@ufs.ac.za](mailto:career@ufs.ac.za)

### Gateway Orientation Programme: A Smooth Transition to Higher Education



Navigating the university environment can be overwhelming for new students. The Gateway Orientation Programme eases this transition by introducing essential services, programmes, and resources. Discover the tools and support needed to become a successful student immediately.

**E:** [gateway@ufs.ac.za](mailto:gateway@ufs.ac.za)

### Food Environment Programme: Promoting Student Well-being and Success



The Food Environment Programme acknowledges the multiple dimensions of food and aims to address food insecurity and hunger among students. The programme supports student well-being and success by promoting a healthy food environment and empowering students with nutrition knowledge.

**E:** [FoodEnvironment@ufs.ac.za](mailto:FoodEnvironment@ufs.ac.za)

### Office for Student Leadership Development: Unlocking Leadership Potential



The Office for Student Leadership Development provides structured programmes and research on graduate leadership development. By collaborating with faculties and departments, we offer co-curricular activities that promote holistic development and enhance academic performance, social integration, and career development. Discover your leadership potential and pave the way for future success.

**E:** [pelserr@ufs.ac.za](mailto:pelserr@ufs.ac.za)

### Peer Mentor Programme: Guiding the Path to Success



First-time entry students can rely on the Peer Mentor Programme for valuable guidance and support during their higher education journey. Peer mentors, who are trained senior undergraduate students, create an enabling environment focused on individual growth and development. Benefit from supportive relationships that are a safety net, ensuring a smooth and successful university experience.

**E:** [PeerMentor@ufs.ac.za](mailto:PeerMentor@ufs.ac.za)

### Student Media: Amplifying Student Voices



Student Media at the UFS provides a powerful platform for students to express themselves, share perspectives, and showcase talents. Student journalists and content creators inform, entertain, and engage the campus community through newspapers, radio, and digital media. Join the vibrant and diverse media landscape and make your voice heard.

**E:** [studentmedia@ufs.ac.za](mailto:studentmedia@ufs.ac.za)

### Research Office: Fostering Data-Driven Innovation



The Research Office of the Division of Student Affairs empowers staff with data-driven decision-making and innovation. By supporting monitoring, assessment, evaluation, and scholarly writing, it advances DSA's goals. Engage in strategic research projects, access valuable resources, and participate in the DSA Research Colloquium.

### Engaged Scholarship Office: Fostering a Community of Care

The office's activities are centred around three main themes: Environmental Affairs, Health and Well-being, and Social Justice for Impact. The office provides various programmes that focus on developing theoretical and practical skills, leadership abilities, community engagement, and volunteer experiences. In this space, we welcome and integrate all the wonderful aspects of our minds, hands, and hearts, creating communities of care among the students at the university.

Embrace the opportunities offered by the Department of Student Life at the UFS and unlock your full potential. Participate in the programmes and services tailored to enhance your academic, personal, and professional growth. Let us create a thriving community that celebrates diversity, fosters excellence, and nurtures success.

For more information, visit the QR codes or email the departments for specific enquiries.

*“CUADS increasingly plays a vital role in the development of awareness and advocacy for persons with disabilities across all three campuses of the UFS, firmly believing in our motto ‘nothing about us without us’.”*

Martie Miranda



# CENTRE FOR UNIVERSAL ACCESS AND DISABILITY SUPPORT (CUADS)

## Enquiries:

**Martie Miranda:**

+27 51 401 3713 | [cuads@ufs.ac.za](mailto:cuads@ufs.ac.za)

As the CUADS team, we will be delighted to welcome you as a student with a disability, because at CUADS we believe in your potential and creating opportunities where challenges are experienced.

The centre, which was established in 2001, has since grown and expanded significantly and today forms part of Student Affairs as an independent entity, with offices on the Bloemfontein, South, and Qwaqwa campuses. Supplementary to the academic support offered to students with disabilities, the centre aims to ensure that the UFS increasingly becomes a universally accessible higher education institution that embraces and is welcoming to all students, including students with disabilities.

We encourage you to contact us to enable you to achieve your academic goals. We are proud of each and every graduate with a disability at the UFS.

## Programmes and services

As a registered UFS student, you can access the following programmes that will enrich your Kovsie experience and support you on your journey to success.

### CUADS provides a support service to the following categories of students with disabilities:



specific learning difficulties (e.g., dyslexia, ADD/ADHD, hyperactivity)



mobility impairments (e.g., wheelchair users, amputees, cerebral palsy, muscle dystrophy, spina bifida, multiple sclerosis)



visual impairments (e.g., blind, partially sighted, eye conditions)



hearing impairments (Deaf, hard of hearing, and deafened)



debilitating mental health, psychological and other chronic conditions (e.g., schizophrenia, epilepsy, panic disorder)



temporary impairments (e.g., a broken hand).



**For more information on our services and support, visit the centre on each campus or contact the following numbers:**

### Bloemfontein Campus:

In the SASOL Library on Level 2  
T: +27 51 401 3713 | E: [cuads@ufs.ac.za](mailto:cuads@ufs.ac.za)

### Qwaqwa Campus:

Intsika Buidling, GF0013  
T: +27 58 718 5189 | E: [cuads@ufs.ac.za](mailto:cuads@ufs.ac.za)

### South Campus:

Neville Alexander Library, Room D125  
T: +27 51 505 1355 | E: [cuads@ufs.ac.za](mailto:cuads@ufs.ac.za)

# STUDENT COUNSELLING AND DEVELOPMENT (SCD)

At SCD, we strive to promote, enable, and optimise students' self-actualisation and sense of community. SCD fulfils the following essential roles:

- Providing online resources as well as individual and group counselling to registered UFS students who are experiencing personal, psychological, and behavioural challenges or require vocational guidance.
- Aiding and supporting students on their journey of personal development to function at their optimal potential and effectively meet their educational and life goals.
- Enhancing and supporting the healthy growth and development of students through advocacy and consultations with the UFS community.

**You are not alone!** SCD provides services free of charge directly to all registered UFS students. Close working interactions are maintained between SCD and other UFS departments. We foster professional relations with medical and mental-health services for resources that are not readily available on UFS campuses. In everything we do, we keep our students' well-being in mind.

We provide a high and professional quality of psychological support. Students who make use of this service experience improved psychological well-being, adjustment to university life, and an enhanced ability to cope with the demands of their respective courses.

For more information, visit our web page or contact us at:



**Bloemfontein Campus:**

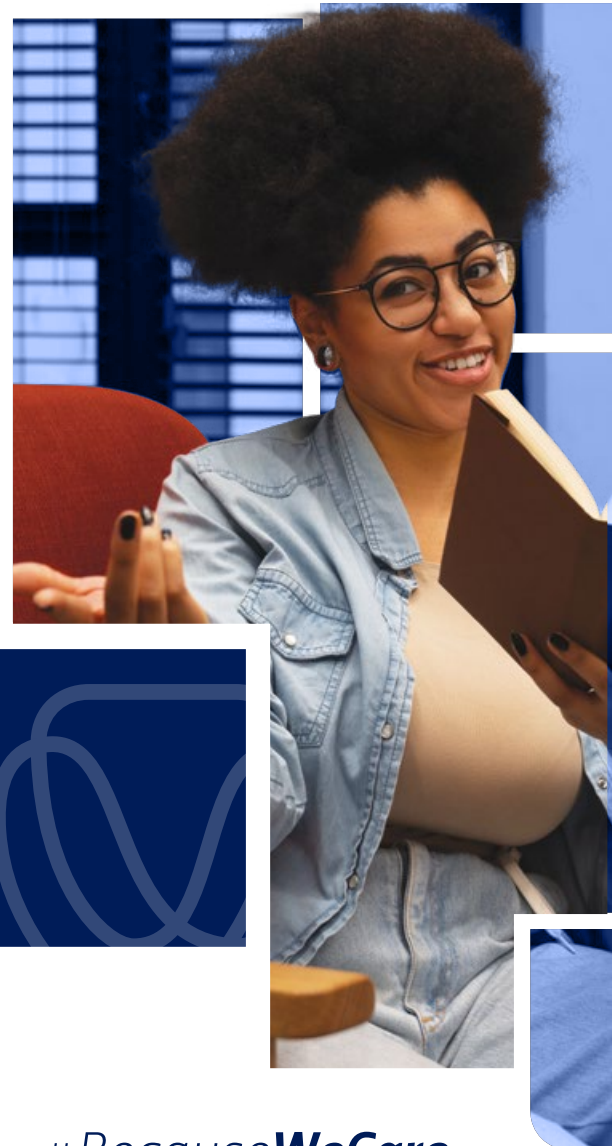
T: +27 51 401 2853 | E: SCD@ufs.ac.za

**South Campus:**

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**Qwaqwa Campus:**

T: +27 58 718 5125 | E: SCDQQ@ufs.ac.za



#BecauseWeCare

How does counselling work?



- Collaborating with academic and support staff in the early identification of mental health challenges of students.
- Providing counselling and workshops before student problems become acute.



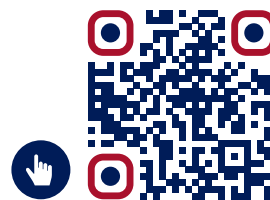
- Assisting students in managing their acute mental health challenges
- Crisis-management



- Providing mental health workshops and programmes for students on various topics.
- Psycho-educational interventions
- Developing career adaptability

# KOVSIESPSPORT

## FOR THE LOVE OF SPORT



The UFS offers more than 22 sporting codes and has a strong track record in producing accomplished athletes, including more than 90 national athletes, 15 of whom are world champions or Olympians. The UFS has contributed more than 100 rugby players to the Springbok and Sevens teams, and its netball programme has produced national captains and 20 Protea players. The university has also won the USSA Tennis National Tournament for 12 consecutive years and has had 24 Kovies represent the South African National Hockey Team.

KovieSport invites first-year students to become part of the proud tradition of sport at Kovies. We offer the following to anyone who wants to participate in sports:

- Recreational opportunities
- Top-quality sport and coaches
- Opportunities to be selected for regional, provincial, and national teams
- Top-quality sport facilities
- Sport bursaries for high-performance student-athletes
- Opportunity to compete at the highest level, e.g. Varsity Cup, Varsity Netball, and Varsity Football

### KovieSport enquiries:

+27 51 401 2475 | [octobercze@ufs.co.za](mailto:octobercze@ufs.co.za)

### Sports amenities

- Pellies Park, the heart of the UFS athletics club, offers a modern club and all amenities for the athlete
- Three cross-country courses, one of which is a permanent course
- Shimla Park, the UFS rugby mecca, with a fully equipped clubhouse as well as four other rugby fields
- The cricket oval, with an excellent clubhouse and two outfielders
- Main soccer field, clubhouse, and three other fields
- A tennis complex with 18 nets, four of which have lights
- Netball facilities with six courts and a clubhouse
- An Olympic-standard heated swimming pool
- Squash courts
- Two astro hockey fields with a clubhouse and an Olympic-standard Fives hockey field
- Two basketball courts
- Two volleyball courts
- Sport Science Centre, mainly used as a rehabilitation centre, high-performance sports team training
- KovieFit Gym

**For contact details at KovieSport, refer to page 92.**

*Our motto is*  
**'Creating legends through legacy by delivering quality sport to all'.**

### KovieFit Gym

Welcome to KovieFit! You know what they say about a healthy body ... it feels fantastic, looks great, and is healthy. Located in the Callie Human Centre on the Bloemfontein Campus, we firstly welcome students and staff, and then the public. Shape the body you've always wanted with our various training classes, supported by a large range of apparatus.

Why choose us? Because we are conveniently situated on campus, and we have an entire team of experts to support your fitness and health! The Sport Science Centre – another exercise facility on campus – provides specialised services by qualified biokineticists and sport scientists. The Sport Science Centre is situated in the Mabaleng Exercise and Sport Science Building.

KovieFit Gym and the Sport Science Centre cater for all age groups and offer spinning, pilates, aerobic, and various other group classes. Aerobic apparatus such as treadmills, rowers, and bicycles are available at these facilities. A gymnasium circuit, two Olympic platforms, and different types of weights and machines are also available. KovieFit Gym is open weekdays from 05:30 to 19:30 and on Saturdays from 07:00 to 11:00.

### KovieFit enquiries:

+27 51 401 7007 | [koviefit@ufs.ac.za](mailto:koviefit@ufs.ac.za)





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# LIABILITIES

## Accidents

As the university only insures its own risks, it cannot be held liable for accidents that happen to students. It is therefore recommended that students take out personal accident insurance.

## Damage to students' personal possessions

The university cannot be held liable for loss or damage to students' personal possessions. Residence students also leave their possessions at their own risk in the residences during the holidays. It is therefore recommended that students insure their possessions. Protect yourself and the property of the university. Any damage and/or theft must be reported to the Protection Services Division. Distinguish between fun and crime and respect other people's property.

## Vehicles on campus

It is recommended that students keeping vehicles on campus should take out SASRIA (riot insurance). All students and members of the public who wish to use the roads on campus should purchase an access disk issued by the Protection Services Division of the university. The disc must be displayed on the windscreen.

If you do not have an access permit, you could receive a traffic fine. People using the roads on the university campus or parking on the campus do so at their own risk and the university does not accept responsibility for any accident, loss, or damage. Any damage or theft must be reported to the Security Services Division.

# GLOSSARY

## University:

An institution of advanced study and research in the arts and sciences where the highest possible academic qualification can be obtained.

## Chancellor:

The Chancellor is the ceremonial head of the university and is generally a prominent figure in society. Our Chancellor is Prof Bonang Mohale.

## Vice-Chancellor and Principal:

The Vice-Chancellor is the Chief Executive Officer of the university, with deputy vice-chancellors supporting him. Prof Francis Petersen is our Vice-Chancellor and Principal.

## University Council:

The University Council is the highest decision-making body of the university. The Council consists of representatives of the university, the Student Representative Council (SRC), church and community representatives, prominent businesspeople, and individuals appointed by the government.

## Faculty:

The students, lecturers, researchers, and management of a group of departments (in a broad sense) working in the same field of study, form a faculty. The head of a faculty is called a dean, who resides on the Bloemfontein Campus.

## Department:

The students, lecturers, research, and management activities in a specific field of study form a department. At the head of a department, we find the departmental head or departmental chairperson. For undergraduate courses, you will be required to attend classes in various departments, while postgraduate studies are generally undertaken in a single department.

## Professor:

A person who has distinguished himself/herself as an expert in a specific field of study.

## Lecturer:

The name assigned to a person who presents classes to students. Each department has a number of lecturers who are experts in specific fields of study and who are attached full-time to the university. Lecturing staff are addressed in terms of their titles.

## Kovsie:

The historical word 'Kovsie' is the nickname given to students at the UFS. This is also the general name used for referring to the UFS.

## Degree:

An academic achievement that provides evidence that you are academically competent in a specific field of study, so that you may embark upon a career or careers related to this field. Undergraduate refers to students who are studying for the first degree, while the term postgraduate refers to students engaged in a study field where they have already obtained a degree. For example, the term degree could denote a BA degree (Baccalaureus Artium/Bachelor of Arts), a BCom degree (Baccalaureus Commercii/Bachelor of Commerce), or a BSc degree (Baccalaureus Scientiae/Bachelor of Science). The minimum period of study for an undergraduate bachelor's degree is generally three or four years.

This is followed by an honours degree (generally one or two years) or a master's degree (one or more years), and finally a doctorate (generally two years or longer). Some degrees lead directly into certain professions, while other degrees provide general preparation for a variety of careers. A general BCom degree will equip you with the necessary economic and management knowledge so that, for example, you may apply for a position as a manager in a company.

## Module:

A module refers to specific fields of study within a discipline. For example, Financial Management is one of several modules in the field of study known as Business Management.

## The Academic Calendar:

An academic year consists of two semesters. The first semester usually commences in February, and the second semester by the end of July. In between, there is generally a holiday of approximately three weeks. The second semester is concluded at the end of November. Undergraduate students write an examination at the end of each semester. For postgraduate studies, much more self-study and research are expected from students.

*Any other questions?*  
**Kovsie2Bot can help you.**

Send your question to  
**087 240 6370**



# QUICK REFERENCE

## IMPORTANT CONTACT NUMBERS

### BLOEMFONTEIN AND SOUTH CAMPUS:

FACULTY/DEPARTMENT	CONTACT PERSON	TELEPHONE NUMBER	EMAIL ADDRESS
Switchboard		+27 51 401 9111	
Unit for Prospective Students – Kovsie2bConnect		+27 51 401 3000	ufsmarketing@ufs.ac.za
Applications Helpdesk		+27 51 401 9111	studentadmin@ufs.ac.za
International Office	Jeanne Niemann	+27 51 401 3219	niemannaja@ufs.ac.za
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Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences	Faculty Manager	+27 51 401 3825	EMSadvice@ufs.ac.za
Faculty of Education	Faculty Manager	+27 51 401 7891	eduinfo@ufs.ac.za MakhalemeleLM@ufs.ac.za
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