

UNIVERSITY OF THE FREE STATE

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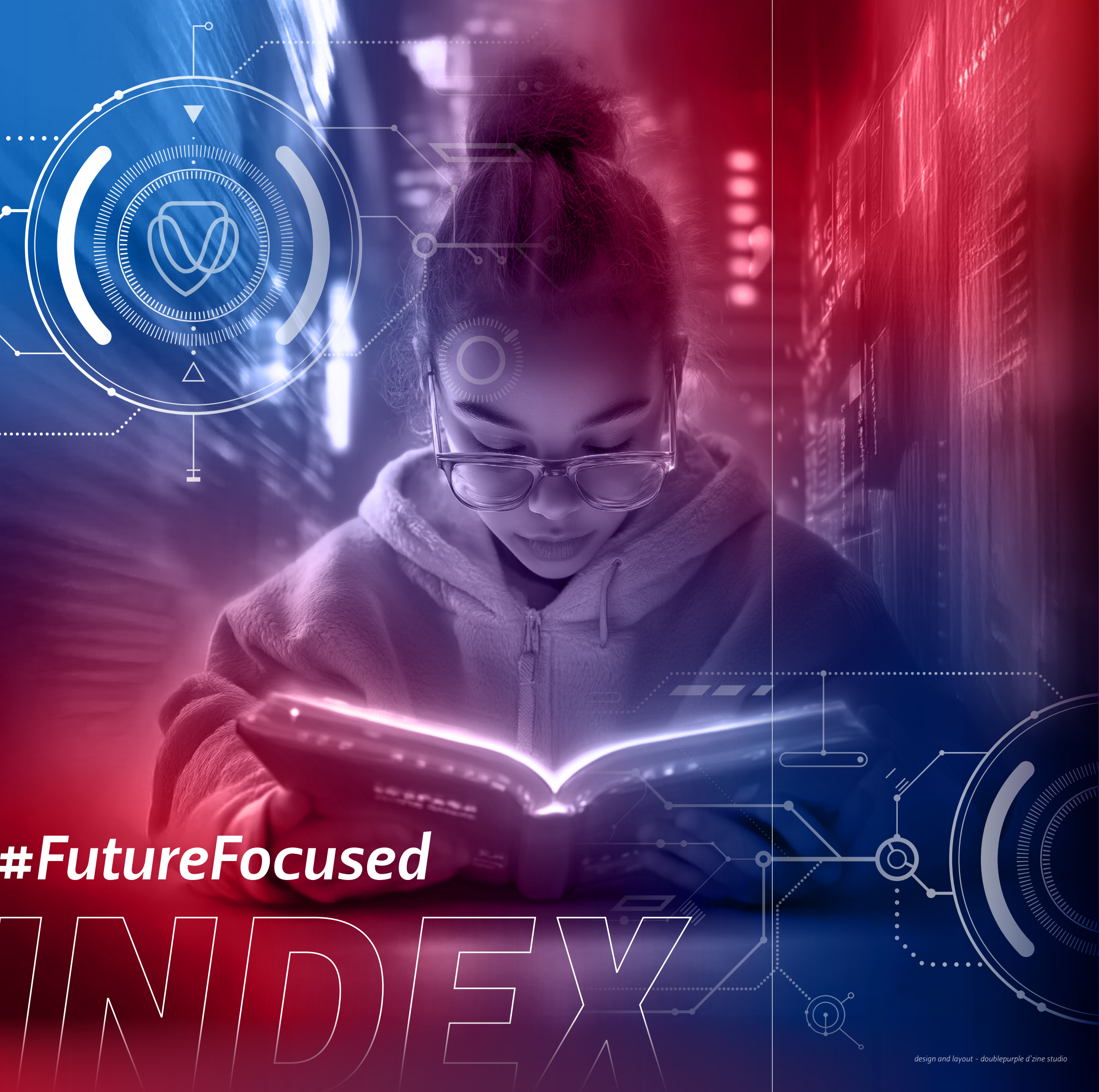
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IMPORTANT NOTICE

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 2027 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 reasonable steps to minimise any disruption to the services.

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WELCOME TO THE
UNIVERSITY OF THE FREE STATE

WELKOM BY DIE
UNIVERSITEIT VAN DIE VRYSTAAT

REA O AMOHELA
YUNIVESITHI YA FREISTATA



PROSPEKTASE YA BATHUTI BA 2027

Univesithing ya Free State, sepheo sa rona sa mantlha ke ho theha bokamoso bo nang le boikarabello ba setjhaba. Re etsa sena ka ho sebedisa tsebo le disebediswa tsa rona ho aha setjhaba se nang le toka, se tsitsiseng, le se nang le botho. Re lwanela ho ba yunivesithi e shebaneng le kante ka nako tsohle le ho ba le tshusumetso e kgolo ho seo re se fanang le ho se fihlisang.

Sena se bonahatswa mananeong a rona a boleng bo phahameng le ditshwaneleho, le ho barutehi ba rona ba maemo a hodimo, ba hlompheuwang.

Batho ke motheo wa seo re se etsang Univesithing ya Free State. Ke ka lebaka lena re hlakisitseng maano a tshehetso a bathuti a felletseng a re fumaneng thoriso ya matjhaba, a re thusitseng ho tlaleha katleho ya bathuti e leng hara tse phahameng ka ho fetisisa naheng.

Mokgwa wa rona o shebaneng le batho o boitse o bonahatswa mananeong a rona a pharaletseng a tlhokomelo le ntshetsopela ya basebetsi.

Re yunivesithi e tsamayang – re aha hodima katleho ya rona ya nakong e fetileng, ha re ntse re fetoha ho dula re le bohlokwa ka hara sebaka sa thuto e phahameng ya matjhaba e fetohang kamehla.

Re yunivesithi e hokahaneng hantle, re theha menyetla bakeng sa basebetsi le bathuti ba rona ka dikamano tsa rona tsa nako e telele le ditsi tse tummeng lefatsheng ka bophara, le ka dikgokahano tsa rona le indasteri, tse re thusang ho dula re le bohlokwa le ho fana ka seo lefatsheng la mosebetsi le se hlohang.

Re hahilwe hodima melao-motheo ya bokgabane, boqapi, tshusumetso, tshwarello, boikarabello, tlhokomelo, le toka ya setjhaba, setjhaba sa rona sa yunivesithi se etsa tikoloho ya kgwebo moo dikelello tse babatsehang di kopanang ho rarolla mathata a bohlokwa ka ho fetisisa a botho.

Re motlotlo haholo ka bathuti ba rona ba qetileng thuto ba nang le bokgabane, ba nang le tsebo ya thuto le ya botho e ba etsang ditsebi tse batlwang dibakeng tsa mosebetsi lefatsheng ka bophara, le baetapele ba nang le boikarabello ba bokamoso bo shebaneng le setjhaba.

Re shebane le bathuti, re qapa, re etelletswe pele ke dipatlisiso, re kenella tikolohong, mme re bohlokwa lefatsheng ka bophara.

Re etella pele ka tshebeletso e nang le tshusumetso.

Mme re tsamaya ka sepheo.

Reya o amohela Univesithing ya Free State.

Prof Hester C. Klopper

MOTLATSI-CHANCELLOR LE MOSUWE-KA-SEHLOOHO

VOORGRAADSE PROSPEKTUS 2027

By die Universiteit van die Vrystaat is die daarstel van verantwoordelike maatskaplike toekomste ons Poolster. Ons doen dit deur ons kennis en hulpbronne te gebruik om 'n meer regverdige, volhoubare en menslike samelewing te bou. Ons streef daarna om 'n universiteit met 'n konsekwente uitwaartse fokus te wees en om deeglik te wees in wat ons aanbied en lewer.

Dit word weerspieël in ons hoëgehalte-programme en kwalifikasies, asook in ons topklas, gerespekteerde akademië.

Mense is die kern van dit wat ons by die Universiteit van die Vrystaat doen. Daarom het ons holistiese studenteondersteuningstrategieë ontwikkel wat aan ons internasionale erkenning besorg het en wat dit vir ons moontlik maak om van die hoogste studentesukseskoerse in die land te behaal.

Ons mensgesentreerde benadering word ook weerspieël in ons uitgebreide mentorskap- en personeelontwikkelingsinisiatiewe.

Ons is 'n universiteit wat aan die beweeg is – wat voortbou op vorige prestasies, terwyl ons onself voortdurend transformeer om relevant te bly binne die dinamiese en immerveranderende internasionale hoëronderwysfeer.

Ons is 'n universiteit met goeie konneksies wat geleenthede skep vir ons personeel en studente deur ons talle jarelange verhoudings met gesogte instellings oor die wêreld heen, asook deur ons verbintenisse met nywerhede, wat ons in staat stel om relevant te bly en om te lewer wat die werkswêreld vereis.

Gebou op die waardes van uitnemendheid, innovasie, impak, volhoubaarheid, aanspreeklikheid, omgee en sosiale geregtigheid vorm ons universiteitsgemeenskap 'n entrepreneuriese ekosisteem waar briljante denkers saamkom om die mensdom se dringendste probleme te hanteer.

Ons trots en vreugde is die goed afgeronde gegradueerdes wat ons oplewer – toegerus met akademiese en persoonlike vaardighede wat van hulle gesogte beroepslui in werkplekke oor die wêreld heen maak, asook verantwoordelike, samelewingsgerigte toekomstige leiers.

Ons is studentgesentreerd, innoverend, navorsingsgedrewe, streeksbetrokke en wêreldwyd relevant.

Ons lei deur diens met impak.

En ons wandel met doelgerigtheid.

Welkom by die Universiteit van die Vrystaat.

Prof Hester C. Klopper

VIKANSIELIER EN PRINSIPAAL

UNDERGRADUATE PROSPECTUS 2027

At the University of the Free State, our North Star is to create responsible societal futures. We do this by using our knowledge and resources to build a more just, sustainable, and humane society. We strive to be a university with a consistent outward focus and to be profound in what we offer and deliver.

This is reflected in our high-quality programmes and qualifications, and in our top-class, respected academics.

People are at the heart of what we do at the University of the Free State. That is why we have developed holistic student support strategies that have earned us international acclaim, enabling us to record among the highest student success rates in the country.

Our human-centred approach is also reflected in our extensive mentorship and staff development initiatives.

We are a university in motion – building on past achievements, while constantly transforming ourselves to stay relevant within the dynamic and ever-changing international higher education sphere.

We are a well-connected university, creating opportunities for our staff and students through our various longstanding relationships with prestigious institutions across the globe, and through our industry connections, which enable us to remain relevant and deliver what the world of work requires.

Built on the values of excellence, innovation, impact, sustainability, accountability, care, and social justice, our university community constitutes an entrepreneurial ecosystem where brilliant minds converge to address humanity's most pressing problems.

Our pride and joy are the well-rounded graduates we produce, equipped with academic and personal skills that make them sought-after professionals in workplaces around the world, and responsible, society-focused future leaders.

We are student-centred, innovative, research-led, regionally engaged, and globally relevant.

We lead through service with impact.

And we walk with purpose.

Welcome to the University of the Free State.

Prof Hester C. Klopper

VICE-CHANCELLOR AND PRINCIPAL



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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.

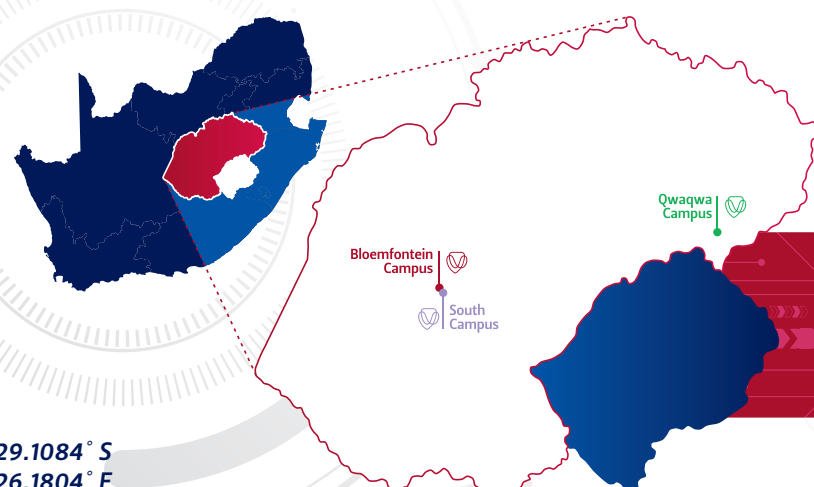
The Free State's fabric is one of warm hospitality and a relaxed pace of life, offering a slice of tranquillity for the soul.

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.



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THE UFS IN **NUMBERS**



Established in **1904**



3
campuses



7
faculties



ECONOMIC AND
MANAGEMENT SCIENCES



EDUCATION



HEALTH SCIENCES



THE HUMANITIES



LAW



NATURAL AND
AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES



THEOLOGY AND
RELIGION



BUSINESS SCHOOL

Students
(2025 registrations)
40 248
Students
(2024 graduates)
9 250



Registered
39 196
contact
1 052
distance



5 018
staff
(permanent and
temporary staff)



247
NRF¹-rated
researchers



650
master's
graduates



196
Postdoctoral fellows
(68% from outside the UFS)



496
research
fellows



163
doctoral
graduates



3 959
international collaborating
institutions

Research chairs:
6 SARChI² Chairs

Data: Research (2024 outputs);
graduations and registrations
(September 2025 records)

1 SANRAL³ chair
in Mathematics, Natural Sciences and Technology Education

1 ETDP-SETA⁴ chair
in Mathematics Education

7 Chairs
under the Agricultural Research Council (ARC), the Department of Agriculture, and the University of the Free State (UFS) (ARC-DoA-UFS) research chair initiative

¹ National Research Foundation. ² South African Research Chairs Initiative. ³ South African National Roads Agency Limited.
⁴ Education, Training and Development Practices Sector Education and Training Authority

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 seven faculties and a Business School, offering a comprehensive range of undergraduate and postgraduate programmes. Our campus is not just a place of learning, but a masterpiece of classic and modern-day architecture and art, where state-of-the-art research facilities meet advanced teaching and sporting spaces. Characterised by its eco-conscious, water-wise gardens and infrastructure, the campus is a living testament to sustainability and environmental stewardship.

Our commitment to inclusivity and universal access 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

Discover the Qwaqwa Campus, nestled in the majestic Maloti-Drakensberg. The campus is a hub for cutting-edge engaged science, research, and innovation, addressing community needs and beyond.

The campus is home to the renowned Afromontane Research Unit (ARU), a leader in African mountain research, alongside vital meteorological weather stations and groundbreaking ecotoxicology research – a UFS first. The Centre for Global Change (CGC) empowers local communities through impactful research and projects, improving livelihoods in the Maluti-a-Phofung area.

Experience the power of engaged scholarship. From pioneering ecotoxicology research to community-driven projects, the campus is dedicated to improving lives and shaping a promising future.

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 (2024 Young Alumnus of the Year), 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. He was named the Chancellor's



Distinguished Alumnus of the Year for 2024. 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.



In 2024, Kovsies won the Varsity Cup rugby title, and was also crowned as the Varsity netball champion.



Paralympian Louzanne Coetzee won a bronze medal in the women's 1500 m T11 at the 2024 Paralympics in Paris, France, finishing the race in a remarkable personal best time alongside her guide, Estean Badenhorst. Among her many accolades is being named 2024 Free State Sportswoman of the Year and the 2024 Sport Star of the Year, recognising her outstanding contributions to the sporting realm. Coetzee represented South Africa at the 2016, 2020, and 2024 Paralympics, winning a silver medal and two bronze medals.



In 2025, Kovsies also won the Soccer Varsity Cup.



A culture of kindness, respect, and character.

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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!



VISION

The UFS aspires to be an innovative research-led, student-centred and regionally engaged university that contributes meaningfully to responsible societal futures.



MISSION

The University will generate and impart new knowledge that advances innovative and sustainable solutions to inform society's contemporary and future progress.



VALUES

The UFS subscribes to values that shape and inform our culture and provide a framework for our actions and decisions. Our values are realised through the conduct of the wider university community.



EXCELLENCE: We are committed to pursuing excellence in every aspect of university life. Excellence is the foundation of rigour in our scholarship, including the advancement, imparting and application of knowledge. It informs our learning, teaching, research, broader engagement, and management and governance processes.



IMPACT: The University's goal is to be a university meaningfully supporting sustainable societal development. We value and encourage creativity and strive to identify, question and challenge the status quo. Our knowledge will continue to contribute to developing the Free State, South Africa and the African continent, as well as advancing global knowledge and understanding.



ACCOUNTABILITY: We recognise our obligation to students, staff, stakeholders, society and the global knowledge community. We will be stewards of good governance who are accountable, responsible and dutiful in our actions. We will be conscientious in utilising financial and physical resources and having an impact on the broader environment.



CARE: We are committed to creating circumstances that are conducive to high-quality teaching, learning and scholarship, while emphasising the well-being



and happiness of the university community. We are committed to caring for ourselves, our fellow humans and the natural environment. We seek new citizenship and ways of promoting a sense of belonging at the UFS, premised on respect, inclusivity and empathy.



SOCIAL JUSTICE: In pursuing social justice, we seek to advance the values of human dignity through ethical and transparent institutional responsiveness. We interpret social justice within the South African historical context to emphasise inclusiveness, the reduction of inequality and the creation of opportunities and pathways out of poverty and dispossession. Our commitment to social justice calls everyone to build on productive foundations and create new structures in pursuit of truths and practices that grant human dignity to everyone.

SUSTAINABILITY: We commit to ethical and responsible stewardship of all institutional resources, processes and practices to ensure operational, financial, environmental and societal sustainability. We aspire to live harmoniously with our environment, influencing all our choices and decisions.

"FOR TOMORROW BELONGS TO THE PEOPLE WHO PREPARE FOR IT TODAY."

The wisdom contained in this African proverb rings true through the ages, echoing in all sectors of society, reverberating in local, regional, and global contexts. At the University of the Free State, we have a clear roadmap of where we want to be within the next few years leading up to the year 2034, when the university will be 130 years old. This is encapsulated in our Vision 130, which expresses our intent and commitment to be acknowledged by our peers and society as a top-tier university in South Africa, ranked among the best in the world.

Equally important to this clear vision is our strategy on how to turn vision into reality. We are focused on consistently renewing and reimagining ourselves in order to effectively impact the communities that surround us. We aim to do this by building on our enduring strengths and successes, established and honed since our inception in 1904. We are proud of our consistent growth in student success, brought about by a holistic approach to student development, our continued contribution to scarce skills areas in our country and our region, and our increasing curricular relevance and graduate employability. We are consistently improving our research productivity and expanding our number of leading researchers, with distinctive research areas that are continuously developing.

We want to build on these solid foundations by increasing our number of postgraduate students, recruiting the best students and scholars from diverse backgrounds, cultivating and expanding cherished partnerships with our wide range of stakeholders, and making maximum use of new and existing technologies to enhance the quality of learning, teaching, research, and business processes. Academic excellence, quality, and impact lie at the centre of our vision. So does maximum societal impact through sustainable relationships, as well as a diverse, inclusive, and equitable university culture.

We are setting our sights and strategy high, knowing that our institution has the necessary human capital, resilience, and innovation to grow from strength to strength. With our final destination firmly in focus, we are guided by shining beacons – in the form of the values that we as a university community subscribe to and cherish. Excellence, Impact, Accountability, Care, Social Justice, and Sustainability will always shape and inform our institutional culture and provide a framework for our actions and decisions.

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.



Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences



Faculty of Education



Faculty of Health Sciences



Faculty of Law



Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences



Faculty of The Humanities



Faculty of Theology and Religion

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
N/A	Not Applicable

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 2027 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.

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

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 that the selection starts from the highest admission point (AP).
- Admission requirements are applicable ONLY to first-year undergraduate studies in 2027.
- The admission requirements indicated for all the faculties relate to NSC. For international conversion, refer to the Conversion Table.
- Consult the faculty rulebook available at 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 2026.
- The entry requirements stated in this document are for NSC or IEB exams. For all other examination bodies, refer to the Conversion Table.



ECONOMIC AND
MANAGEMENT SCIENCES



EDUCATION



HEALTH SCIENCES



LAW



NATURAL AND
AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES



THE HUMANITIES



THEOLOGY AND
RELIGION



FACULTY OF ECONOMIC AND MANAGEMENT SCIENCES



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

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	CAMPUS
BCom	BC630000	28	4 (50%)	4 (50%)	BC
BCom with specialisation in Economics	BC630020	28	4 (50%)	4 (50%)	BC
BCom with specialisation in Finance	BC630025	28	4 (50%)	4 (50%)	BC
BCom with specialisation in Business Analytics	BC638080	34	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	BC
BCom with specialisation in Marketing	BC630010	28	4 (50%)	3 (40%)	BC
BCom with specialisation in Business Management	BC630012	28	4 (50%)	3 (40%)	BC
BCom with specialisation in Human Resource Management	BC630030	28	4 (50%)	3 (40%)	BC
BCom (Law)	BC637070	33	4 (50%)	4 (50%)	BC

PUBLIC SECTOR MANAGEMENT: BACHELOR OF ADMINISTRATION (BAdmin)

PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION					
MINIMUM ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS					
PROGRAMME	ACADEMIC PLAN CODE	AP	ENGLISH	MATHEMATICS	CAMPUS
BAdmin	BC634040	28	4 (50%)	2 (30%)	BC

EDUCATION OF PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTANTS: BACHELOR OF ACCOUNTING (BAcc) AND BCom (ACCOUNTING)

PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION			MINIMUM ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS		
PROGRAMME	ACADEMIC PLAN CODE	AP	ENGLISH	MATHEMATICS	CAMPUS
BAcc	BC636060	34	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	BC
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.					
BCom (Accounting)	BC635050	28	4 (50%)	4 (50%)	BC
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:

PUBLIC SECTOR MANAGEMENT: BACHELOR OF ADMINISTRATION (BAdmin)

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PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION SAQA ID: 8543			MINIMUM ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS		
PROGRAMME	ACADEMIC PLAN CODE	AP	ENGLISH	MATHEMATICS	CAMPUS
BCom with specialisation in Management	QC630001	28	4 (50%)	4 (50%)	QC
Bachelor of Administration	QC634040	28	4 (50%)	2 (30%)	QC





FACULTY OF EDUCATION



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.

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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:

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	CAMPUS
BACHELOR OF EDUCATION IN FOUNDATION PHASE							
Specialisation in Afrikaans Home Language	LC735101	30	4 (50%)	4 (50%)	N/A	N/A	SC
Specialisation in Sesotho Home Language	LC735103 QC735103	30	4 (50%)	N/A	4 (50%)	N/A	SC QC
Specialisation in isiZulu Home Language	QC735105	30	4 (50%)	N/A	N/A	4 (50%)	QC
Specialisation in English Home Language*	LC735106	30	4 (50%) Home Language	N/A	N/A	N/A	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	CAMPUS
BACHELOR OF EDUCATION IN INTERMEDIATE PHASE								
Mathematics, Natural Sciences, Technology, and Afrikaans Home Language	BC735791	30	4 (50%)	4 (50%)	4 (50%)	N/A	N/A	BC
Life Skills, Social Sciences, and Afrikaans Home Language	BC735784	30	4 (50%)	N/A	4 (50%)	N/A	N/A	BC

Mathematics, Natural Sciences and Technology, and English Home Language	BC735793	30	4 (50%) Home Language	4 (50%)	4 (50%) First Additional Language	N/A	N/A	BC
Life Skills, Social Sciences, and English Home Language	BC735787	30	4 (50%) Home Language	N/A	4 (50%) First Additional Language	N/A	N/A	BC
Mathematics, Natural Sciences and Technology, and Sesotho Home Language	BC735792 QC735792	30	4 (50%)	4 (50%)	N/A	4 (50%)	N/A	BC QC
Life Skills and Social Sciences, and isiZulu Home Language	QC735788	30	4 (50%)	N/A	N/A	N/A	4 (50%)	QC
Life Skills, Social Sciences, and Sesotho Home Language	BC735782 QC735782	30	4 (50%)	N/A	N/A	4 (50%)	N/A	BC QC
Mathematics, Natural Sciences and Technology, and isiZulu Home Language	QC735794	30	4 (50%)	4 (50%)	N/A	N/A	4 (50%)	QC

SENIOR PHASE AND FET

PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION						MINIMUM ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS		
PROGRAMME	ACADEMIC PLAN CODE	AP	ENGLISH	MATHEMATICS	PHYSICAL SCIENCES	OTHER SUBJECT REQUIREMENTS	LIFE SCIENCES	CAMPUS
BACHELOR OF EDUCATION IN SENIOR AND FET PHASE								
Accounting and Business Studies	BC736101	30	4 (50%)	4 (50%)	N/A	Accounting 4 (50%) Business Studies 4 (50%)	N/A	BC
EMS and Accounting	BC736104	30	4 (50%)	4 (50%)	N/A	Accounting 4 (50%) Economics 4 (50%) OR Business Studies 4 (50%)	N/A	BC
Technology and Engineering Graphics and Design	BC736301	30	4 (50%)	N/A	N/A	Engineering Graphics and Design 4 (50%)	N/A	BC
Life Sciences and Mathematics	BC736305 QC736305	30	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	N/A	N/A	5 (60%)	BC QC
Technology and Life Sciences	BC736308	30	4 (50%)	N/A	N/A	N/A	5 (60%)	BC
Sesotho HL and English FAL	BC736404 QC736402	30	4 (50%)	N/A	N/A	Sesotho Home Language 4 (50%)	N/A	BC QC
isiZulu HL and English FAL	QC736403	30	4 (50%)	N/A	N/A	isiZulu Home Language 4 (50%)	N/A	QC
Mathematics and Physical Sciences	BC736314 QC736314	30	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	N/A	N/A	BC QC
Sesotho HL and History	BC736511 QC736511	30	4 (50%)	N/A	N/A	Sesotho Home Language 4 (50%)	N/A	BC QC
isiZulu HL and History	QC736512	30	4 (50%)	N/A	N/A	isiZulu Home Language 4 (50%)	N/A	QC
English and History	BC736519	30	4 (50%)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	BC
Afrikaans HL and English	BC736521	30	4 (50%)	N/A	N/A	Afrikaans Home Language 4 (50%)	N/A	BC
Geography and Life Sciences	QC736600 BC736600	30	4 (50%)	3 (40%)	N/A	Geography 5 (60%)	5 (60%)	BC QC



FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCES



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 health-care 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 1: 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 rules available at www.ufs.ac.za/healthselection for more information.

NOTE 2: For any of the Faculty of Health Science applications, your preferred programme MUST BE the first choice to be considered.

THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMMES ARE ONLY PRESENTED ON THE BLOEMFONTEIN CAMPUS:

SCHOOL OF CLINICAL MEDICINE || SCHOOL OF PATHOLOGY || SCHOOL OF BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES

PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION					MINIMUM ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS		
PROGRAMME	ACADEMIC PLAN CODE	AP	ENGLISH	MATHEMATICS	LIFE SCIENCES	PHYSICAL SCIENCES	SUBJECT TO SELECTION
Bachelor of Medical Science with specialisation in Radiation Science (BMedSc)	BC831000	30	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	Yes
Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MB ChB)	C834100	36	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	Yes
<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Closing date for applications to study any programme in the School of Clinical Medicine is 31 May 2026.■ If you are a senior applicant (or studies 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 rules available on the website: www.ufs.ac.za/healthselection							

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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
Bachelor of Optometry (BOptom)	BC8413033	33	5 (60%)	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	Yes
Bachelor of Science in Physiotherapy BSc (Physiotherapy)	BC842002	33	5 (60%)	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	4 (50%)	Yes
Bachelor of Science in Dietetics* BSc (Dietetics)	BC846002	33	5 (60%)	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	4 (50%)	Yes
Bachelor of Occupational Therapy* (BOccTher)	BC843100	33	5 (60%)	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	4 (50%)	Yes
Bachelor of Biokinetics * (BBIok)	BC844000 BC844001	30	5 (60%)	4 (50%)	4 (50%)	4 (50%)	Yes
Bachelor of Sport Coaching (B SportCoach)	BC834000	30	4 (50%)				Yes

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 2026**:

- BSc (Physiotherapy)
- BOptom (Optometry)
- BOccTher (Occupational Therapy)
- 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

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SCHOOL OF NURSING

PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION					MINIMUM ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS			
PROGRAMME	ACADEMIC PLAN CODE	AP	ENGLISH	MATHEMATICS	MATHEMATICAL LITERACY	LIFE SCIENCES	PHYSICAL SCIENCES	SUBJECT TO SELECTION
Bachelor of Nursing	BC849000	30	4 (50%)	3 (40%)	6 (70%)	5 (60%)	4 (50%)	Yes
<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Either Mathematics or Mathematical Literacy is required. Either Life Sciences or Physical Sciences is required.■ Closing date for applications is 31 July 2026.■ 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								

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FACULTY OF LAW



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.

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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
Bachelor of Laws (LLB) – four years	BC340000	33	6 (70%)	4 (50%)	6 (70%)
NOTE: Either Mathematics (50%) or Mathematical Literacy (70%) is required.					



FACULTY OF NATURAL AND AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES



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 Bachelor's 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:

- Architecture
- Agricultural Sciences
- Sustainable Food Systems
- Computer Information Systems

THE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (BSc) MAKES PROVISION FOR SIX FIELDS OF STUDY, NAMELY:

- Agricultural Economics
- Biological Sciences
- Building Sciences
- Chemical and Physical Sciences
- Geosciences
- Computer Science and Informatics
- Mathematical Sciences

THE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN AGRICULTURE (BSc AGRICULTURE) MAKES PROVISION FOR FIVE FIELDS OF STUDY, NAMELY:

- Animal Sciences
- Plant Breeding
- Plant Pathology
- Soil, Crop and Climate Sciences

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 that state otherwise, for example: Construction Economics and Management, Construction Management, Quantity Surveying, and Physics with Engineering subjects, Architecture etc;
- 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.

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FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT:

www.ufs.ac.za/nas and click on 'Rulebook' or contact any of the staff members indicated next to the respective programmes.

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 tables below indicate these specialisation fields as well as the different major combinations available.

1. Specialising in **Biological Sciences**
Academic Programme Code: **B4310**

ENQUIRIES: PROGRAMME DIRECTORS:
GENETICS || BEHAVIOURAL GENETICS:
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BOTANY || PLANT BREEDING || PLANT PATHOLOGY || PLANT HEALTH ECOLOGY || PLANT HEALTH MANAGEMENT:
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BIODIVERSITY || CONSERVATION ECOLOGY || ZOOLOGY || ENTOMOLOGY:
Dr Candice Jansen van Rensburg || +27 51 401 9357 || jvrensc@ufs.ac.za || www.ufs.ac.za/ze
BIOCHEMISTRY || MICROBIOLOGY:
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FORENSIC SCIENCES
Dr Karen Ehlers || +27 51 401 3978 || ehlersk@ufs.ac.za || www.ufs.ac.za/genetics

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.

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 DIRECTORS	ACADEMIC PLAN CODE	AP	ENGLISH	MATHEMATICS	LIFE SCIENCES	PHYSICAL SCIENCES
Behavioural Genetics	Dr Gerda Marx	BC433118	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)
Biochemistry and Botany	Dr Angeline Jacoby	BC431920	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)
Biochemistry and Entomology	Dr Candice Jansen van Rensburg	BC431927	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)
Biochemistry and Genetics	Dr Frans O'Neill	BC431931	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)
Biochemistry and Microbiology	Dr Frans O'Neill	BC431939	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)
Biochemistry and Physiology	Dr Frans O'Neill	BC431980	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)
Biochemistry and Statistics	Dr Frans O'Neill	BC431946	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)
Biochemistry and Zoology	Dr Candice Jansen van Rensburg	BC431949	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)
Biodiversity and Conservation Ecology	Dr Candice Jansen van Rensburg	BC430098	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)
Botany and Entomology	Dr Candice Jansen van Rensburg	BC432027	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)
Botany and Genetics	Dr Angeline Jacoby	BC432031	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)
Botany and Microbiology	Dr Angeline Jacoby	BC432039	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)
Botany and Plant Breeding	Dr Angeline Jacoby	BC432041	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)

Botany and Plant Pathology	Dr Angeline Jacoby	BC432042	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)
Botany and Zoology	Dr Angeline Jacoby	BC432049	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)
Entomology and Genetics	Dr Candice Jansen van Rensburg	BC432731	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)
Entomology and Microbiology	Dr Candice Jansen van Rensburg	BC432739	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)
Entomology and Zoology	Dr Candice Jansen van Rensburg	BC432749	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)
Genetics and Microbiology	Dr Frans O'Neill	BC433139	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)
Genetics and Physiology	Dr Gerda Marx	BC433180	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)
Genetics and Zoology	Dr Candice Jansen van Rensburg	BC433149	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)
Microbiology and Statistics	Dr Frans O'Neill	BC433946	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)
Microbiology and Zoology	Dr Candice Jansen van Rensburg	BC433949	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)
Plant Health Ecology	Dr Angeline Jacoby	BC432082	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)
Plant Health Management	Dr Angeline Jacoby	BC432742	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)

2.	Specialising in Forensic Science Academic Programme Code: B4311	ENQUIRIES: PROGRAMME DIRECTORS:	
		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.	
		The Bachelor of Science degree is a three-year programme. The closing date for applications is 30 September 2026.	

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

PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION				MINIMUM ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS			
MAJORS	ACADEMIC PLAN CODE	AP	ENGLISH	MATHEMATICS	LIFE SCIENCES	PHYSICAL SCIENCES	
Forensic Science*	BC433031	34	4 (50%)	6 (70%)	6 (70%)	5 (60%)	

3.	Specialising in Mathematical Sciences Academic Programme Code: B4321	ENQUIRIES: PROGRAMME DIRECTORS:					
		Mathematical Sciences Dr Edgard Ngoundas +27 51 401 2329 mathsinfo@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	ACADEMIC PLAN CODE	AP	ENGLISH	MATHEMATICS	PHYSICAL SCIENCES		
Mathematics and Applied Mathematics	BC433816	32	4 (50%)	6 (70%)	5 (60%)		
Mathematics and Chemistry	BC433821	32	4 (50%)	6 (70%)	5 (60%)		
Mathematics and Mathematical Statistics	BC433837	32	4 (50%)	6 (70%)	5 (60%)		
Mathematics and Physics	BC433840	32	4 (50%)	6 (70%)	5 (60%)		

4.	Specialising in Actuarial Sciences	ENQUIRIES: PROGRAMME DIRECTOR
	Actuarial Science	Jan Blomerus
	Academic Programme Code: B4324	

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

PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION		MINIMUM ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS				
MAJORS	ACADEMIC PLAN CODE	AP	ENGLISH	MATHEMATICS	PHYSICAL SCIENCES	
Actuarial Science	BC431000	34	4 (50%)	6 (70%)	N/A	

5.	Specialising in Mathematical Statistics and Applied Statistics	ENQUIRIES: PROGRAMME DIRECTOR
	Mathematical Statistics and Applied Statistics	Jan Blomerus
	Academic Programme Code: B4322, B4323, B4325	

PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION		MINIMUM ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS				
MAJORS	ACADEMIC PLAN CODE	AP	ENGLISH	MATHEMATICS	PHYSICAL SCIENCES	
Climate Sciences	BC433712	32	4 (50%)	6 (70%)	5 (60%)	
Econometrics	BC433758	32	4 (50%)	6 (70%)	N/A	
Mathematical Statistics and Psychometrics	BC433786	32	4 (50%)	6 (70%)	N/A	
Statistics and Economics	BC434658	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	N/A	
Statistics and Psychology	BC434686	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	N/A	

6.	Specialising in Chemical Sciences	ENQUIRIES: PROGRAMME DIRECTOR:
	Dr Rebotsamang Shago	
	Academic Programme Code: B4330	

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	ACADEMIC PLAN CODE	AP	ENGLISH	MATHEMATICS	LIFE SCIENCES	PHYSICAL SCIENCES	
Chemistry and Biochemistry	BC432119	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	
Chemistry and Botany	BC432120	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	
Chemistry and Microbiology	BC432139	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	
Chemistry and Physics	BC432140	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	N/A	5 (60%)	

7.	Specialising in Physical Sciences	ENQUIRIES: PROGRAMME DIRECTOR:
	Karen Cronje	
	Academic Programme Code: B4331	

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	ACADEMIC PLAN CODE	AP	ENGLISH	MATHEMATICS	LIFE SCIENCES	PHYSICAL SCIENCES
Physics and Agrometeorology	BC434012	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)
Physics and Astrophysics	BC434017	32	4 (50%)	6 (70%)	N/A	5 (60%)

8.	Specialising in Physical Sciences with Engineering Subjects	ENQUIRIES: PROGRAMME DIRECTOR:
	Dr Jacques Maritz	
	Academic Programme Code: B4332	

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	ACADEMIC PLAN CODE	AP	ENGLISH	MATHEMATICS	LIFE SCIENCES	PHYSICAL SCIENCES
Physics and Engineering Subjects	BC434026	30	4 (50%)	6 (70%)	N/A	5 (60%)
Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering	BC540026	30	4 (50%)	6 (70%)	N/A	5 (60%)

9.	Specialising in Geography	ENQUIRIES: PROGRAMME DIRECTOR:
	Geography	Dr Adriaan van der Walt
	Academic Programme Code: B4340	

The academic programmes or the degrees offered will be a Bachelor of Science specialising in Geography and the Bachelor of Science specialising in Environmental Soil Science. The programmes that will be available for application on the online application system is B4340 (Bachelor of Science specialising in Geography) and B4341 (Bachelor of Science specialising in Environmental Soil Science).

PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION		MINIMUM ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS				
MAJORS	ACADEMIC PLAN CODE	AP	ENGLISH	MATHEMATICS	LIFE SCIENCES	PHYSICAL SCIENCES
Geography and Environmental Science	BC433362	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	N/A
Geography Specialisation	BC433333	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)
Environmental Soil Science	BC434462	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)

10.	Specialising in Geology	ENQUIRIES: PROGRAMME DIRECTOR: Dr Jarlen Keet +27 51 401 2318 beukesj@ufs.ac.za www.ufs.ac.za/geology
	Academic Programme Code: B4341	The Bachelor of Science degree is a three-year programme. NOTE: Final admission is subject to the availability of space, academic results, and other admission requirements where applicable.

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	ACADEMIC PLAN CODE	AP	ENGLISH	MATHEMATICS	PHYSICAL SCIENCES	
Geology and Chemistry	BC433521	30	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	
Environmental Geology	BC433528	30	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	
Geochemistry	BC433532	30	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	
Geology	BC433535	30	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	
Geology and Physics	BC433540	30	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	

11.	Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Economics	ENQUIRIES: PROGRAMME DIRECTOR: Dr WA Lombard +27 51 401 3109 ageconpd@ufs.ac.za
	Academic Programme Code: B4350	
	Degree Code: 43001	

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	ACADEMIC PLAN CODE	AP	ENGLISH	MATHEMATICS	
Agricultural Economics	BC431100	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	

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 requires 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.

12.	Specialising in Computer Sciences	ENQUIRIES: PROGRAMME DIRECTOR: Jaco Marais +27 51 401 2929 csi@ufs.ac.za www.ufs.ac.za/csi
	Academic Programme Codes: B4360, B4361, B4362, B4364	

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 programmes that will be available for application on the online application system are 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	ACADEMIC PLAN CODE	AP	ENGLISH	MATHEMATICS	PHYSICAL SCIENCES	
Computer Science and Chemistry	BC432221	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	
Computer Science and Mathematical Statistics	BC432237	32	4 (50%)	6 (70%)	5 (60%)	
Computer Science and Mathematics	BC432238	32	4 (50%)	6 (70%)	5 (60%)	
Computer Science and Physics	BC432240	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	
Data Science	BC432295	32	4 (50%)	6 (70%)	5 (60%)	
Computer Science and Business Management	BC432255	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	4 (50%)	

ALL BSc (IT) programmes are subject to a SELECTION PROCESS

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.

13.	Specialising in Computer Information Systems	ENQUIRIES: PROGRAMME DIRECTOR: Jaco Marais +27 51 401 2929 csi@ufs.ac.za www.ufs.ac.za/csi
	Academic Programme Code: B4363	

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	ACADEMIC PLAN CODE	AP	ENGLISH	MATHEMATICS	PHYSICAL SCIENCES	
Computer Information Systems (CompInfoSys)	BC430156	33	4 (50%)	4 (50%)	N/A	

The Bachelor of Sustainable Food Systems is a three-year programme. The degree code is 43710 and the qualification is presented full time, which requires face-to-face classes; it is therefore a residential programme.

14.	Specialising in Sustainable Food Systems	ENQUIRIES: PROGRAMME DIRECTOR: Dr Ismari van der Merwe +27 51 401 2598 ivdmerwe@ufs.ac.za www.ufs.ac.za/sfsd
	Academic Programme Code: B4371	

PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION		MINIMUM ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS					
MAJORS	ACADEMIC PLAN CODE	AP	ENGLISH	MATHEMATICS	LIFE SCIENCES	PHYSICAL SCIENCES	
Bachelor of Sustainable Food Systems	BC430223	30	4 (50%)	2 (30%)	N/A	N/A	
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.	Bachelor of Agriculture Academic Programme Code: B5300 Degree Code: 43001	ENQUIRIES: All Agricultural programmes
		SOIL SCIENCES CROP SCIENCES CLIMATE SCIENCES: Prof Elmarie Kotze +27 51 401 2577 pdscc@ufs.ac.za Dr Elmarie van der Walt +27 51 401 2713 pdsccs@ufs.ac.za www.ufs.ac.za/scc
		ANIMAL SCIENCES: Dr Adri O'Neill +27 51 401 282 ONeillHA@ufs.ac.za www.ufs.ac.za/animal
		MIXED FARMING: Dr WA Lombard +27 51 401 3109 ageconpd@ufs.ac.za www.ufs.ac.za/agricecon
		SUSTAINABLE FOOD SYSTEMS /AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION: Dr Ismari van der Merwe +27 51 401 2598 ivdmerwe@ufs.ac.za www.ufs.ac.za/sfsd

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		ACADEMIC PLAN CODE	AP	ENGLISH	MATHEMATICS
Agricultural Extension*		BC530147	30	4 (50%)	3 (40%)
Animal Production Management*		BC530101	30	4 (50%)	3 (40%)
Crop Production *		BC530102	30	4 (50%)	3 (40%)
Mixed Farming Management*		BC530103	30	4 (50%)	3 (40%)
Irrigation Management		BC530172	30	4 (50%)	3 (40%)
NOTE: *Mathematical Literacy on Level 7 (80%) will also be accepted IF the AP is 31 or above (excluding BAgri majoring in Agricultural Economics).					

2.	Bachelor of Agriculture	ENQUIRIES:
	Academic Programme Code: B5350 Degree Code: 53501	Dr WA Lombard +27 51 401 3109 ageconpd@ufs.ac.za www.ufs.ac.za/agricecon

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		ACADEMIC PLAN CODE	AP	ENGLISH	MATHEMATICS
Agricultural Economics		BC530111	30	4 (50%)	4 (50%)
Agricultural Management*		BC530152	30	4 (50%)	3 (40%)
NOTE: *Mathematical Literacy on Level 7 (80%) will also be accepted IF the AP is 31 or above (excluding BAgri majoring in Agricultural Economics).					

BSC (AGRICULTURE): BSCAGRIC

PHYSICAL SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS ARE COMPULSORY. THE OPTIONS ARE BETWEEN LIFE SCIENCES AND AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES.

3.	Bachelor of Science in Agriculture	ENQUIRIES: SOIL SCIENCES CROP SCIENCES CLIMATE SCIENCES: Prof Elmarie Kotze +27 51 401 2577 pdsccs@ufs.ac.za www.ufs.ac.za/scc Dr Elmarie van der Watt +27 51 401 2713 pdsccs@ufs.ac.za www.ufs.ac.za/scc ANIMAL SCIENCES: Dr Adri O'Neill +27 51 401 2827 ONeillHA@ufs.ac.za www.ufs.ac.za/animal PLANT BREEDING AND PLANT PATHOLOGY: Dr Angeline Jacoby +27 51 401 9568 plantpd@ufs.ac.za www.ufs.ac.za/plant
	Academic Programme Code: B5480	
	Degree Code: 54801	

The programme that will be available for application on the online application system is B5480.

PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION						MINIMUM ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS		
MAJORS	PROGRAMME DIRECTOR	ACADEMIC PLAN CODE	AP	ENGLISH	MATHEMATICS	PHYSICAL SCIENCE (COMPULSORY)	LIFE SCIENCES OR AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES	
Animal Science	Dr Adri O'Neill	BC540015	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)
Agrometeorology	Prof Elmarie Kotze	BC540012	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)
Agronomy	Dr Elmarie van der Watt	BC540013	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)
Plant Breeding	Dr Angeline Jacoby	BC540041	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)
Plant Pathology	Dr Angeline Jacoby	BC540042	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)
Soil Science	Prof Elmarie Kotze	BC540044	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)
NOTE: Physical Sciences and Mathematics are COMPULSORY if you want to take Chemistry modules. The options are between Life Sciences and Agricultural 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 see ‘Academic Information’.
- You must pass a selection process. Visit www.ufs.ac.za/arch-selection, print the selection form, and submit completed form to NoReplyArchiSelect@ufs.ac.za before/on 31 July 2026.
- We will notify you of the selection outcome no later than 30 November 2026.

1.	Bachelor of Architecture	ENQUIRIES: PROGRAMME DIRECTOR:
	Academic Programme Code: B4391	Kobus du Preez +27 51 401 2332 dpreezjl@ufs.ac.za www.ufs.ac.za/architecture
	Degree Code: 43911	
	SUBJECT TO SELECTION	NOTE: Closing date for application and the submission of your selection form is 31 July 2026.

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	ACADEMIC PLAN CODE	AP	ENGLISH	MATHEMATICS	SELECTION	
Architecture (BArch)	BC430114	30	4 (50%)	4 (50%)	YES	

Bachelor of Science (BSc) in Quantity Surveying, Construction Management, and Construction Economics and Management

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). The department also holds international accreditation with the Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors (RICS), ensuring global recognition of our programmes and reinforcing our commitment to excellence in built environment education.

2.	Bachelor of Science in Construction Economics and Management (residential – full-time)	ENQUIRIES:
	Academic Programme Code: B4392	Quantity Surveying and Construction Management
	Degree Code: 43901	FULL-TIME:
	SUBJECT TO SELECTION	Hendri du Plessis +27 51 401 9624 duplessishb@ufs.ac.za www.ufs.ac.za/qscm

The academic programme offered is the Bachelor of Science in Construction Economics and Management, designed to cater for prospective Quantity Surveying (QS) and Construction Management (CM) students. 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	ACADEMIC PLAN CODE	AP	ENGLISH	MATHEMATICS	ECONOMICS OR BUSINESS STUDIES OR ACCOUNTING OR PHYSICAL SCIENCE	SELECTION
Construction Economics and Management (full-time)	BC432443	30	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	4 (50%)	YES

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 Quantity Surveying and Bachelor of Science in Construction Management	ENQUIRIES:
	Academic Programme Code: B4393	Quantity Surveying and Construction Management
	Degree Code: 43901 / 43902	COMPACT LEARNING:
	SUBJECT TO SELECTION	Hendri du Plessis +27 51 401 9624 duplessishb@ufs.ac.za www.ufs.ac.za/qscm

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	ACADEMIC PLAN CODE	AP	ENGLISH	MATHEMATICS	ECONOMICS OR BUSINESS STUDIES OR ACCOUNTING OR PHYSICAL SCIENCE	SELECTION
Construction Management (Compact Learning)	BC432401	30	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	4 (50%)	YES
Quantity Surveying (Compact Learning)	BC434301	30	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	4 (50%)	YES

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 22 years of age
- Applicants must submit/supply proof of full-time employment in the construction industry

NOTE: Closing date for applications for the programmes offered in the Department of Construction Management and Quantity Surveying is 30 September 2026.

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.

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Office 1002/2 Old NAS Building

1.

Bachelor of Science specialising in **Biological Sciences**
Academic Programme Code: **Q4310**
Degree Code: **43001**

ENQUIRIES:
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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	ACADEMIC PLAN CODE	AP	ENGLISH	MATHEMATICS	LIFE SCIENCES	PHYSICAL SCIENCES
Botany and Life Sciences	QC432075	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)
Life Sciences	QC437500	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)
Zoology and Life Sciences	QC434975	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)

2.

Bachelor of Science specialising in **Chemical and Physical Sciences**
Academic Programme Code: **Q4330**
Degree Code: **43001**

ENQUIRIES:
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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	ACADEMIC PLAN CODE	AP	ENGLISH	MATHEMATICS	LIFE SCIENCES	PHYSICAL SCIENCES
Chemistry and Physics	QC432140	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	N/A	5 (60%)
Chemistry and Botany	QC432120	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)

3.

Bachelor of Science specialising in **Geography**
Academic Programme Code: **Q4340**
Degree Code: **43001**

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

PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION		MINIMUM ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS				
MAJORS	ACADEMIC PLAN CODE	AP	ENGLISH	MATHEMATICS	LIFE SCIENCES	PHYSICAL SCIENCES
Geography and Environmental Geography	QC433359	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	N/A
Geography	QC433333	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)

4.

Bachelor of Science in **Information Technology**
Academic Programme Code: **Q4360, Q4364**
Degree Code: **43601**

ENQUIRIES: PROGRAMME DIRECTOR:
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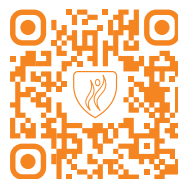
The programmes that will be available for application on the online application system are Q4360 (BSc (IT) Chemical and Physical Sciences), and Q4364 (BSc (IT) Management)).

PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION		MINIMUM ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS			
MAJORS	ACADEMIC PLAN CODE	AP	ENGLISH	MATHEMATICS	PHYSICAL SCIENCES
Computer Science and Chemistry	QC432221	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)
Computer Science and Physics	QC432240	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	5 (60%)
Computer Science and Management	QC432202	32	4 (50%)	5 (60%)	4 (50%)





FACULTY OF THE HUMANITIES



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.

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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	CAMPUS	
Higher Certificate in Music Performance* HCert (Music Performance) – Subject to selection	BC111044	20	4 (50%)	BC	
*A compulsory audition and musical aptitude test before 30 September 2026 on the chosen instrument or in singing. For more Information: www.ufs.ac.za/humanities/departments-and-divisions/odeion-school-of-music-home/prospective-students/auditions-for-admission					
Diploma in Music** Dip (Music) – Subject to selection	BC120044	25	4 (50%)	BC	
**Unisa, ABRSM, or Trinity College Grade 5 in principal instrument or voice or equivalent skills; Unisa or ABRSM Grade 3 in Music Theory is advised; a compulsory audition and theory proficiency test before 30 September 2026. For more information: www.ufs.ac.za/humanities/departments-and-divisions/odeion-school-of-music-home/prospective-students/auditions-for-admission					

PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION		MINIMUM ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS		
PROGRAMME	ACADEMIC PLAN CODE			CAMPUS
Advanced Diploma in Music *** AdvDip (Music) Subject to selection	BC140442	Completed a Diploma in Music or relevant NQF6		BC
Advanced Diploma in Opera Studies*** AdvDip (Opera Studies) Subject to selection	BC140441	Completed a Diploma in Music or relevant NQF6		BC
*** A compulsory audition before 30 September 2026. For more information: www.ufs.ac.za/humanities/departments-and-divisions/odeion-school-of-music-home/prospective-students/auditions-for-admission				

BACHELOR'S DEGREES: BACHELOR OF ARTS (BA)

PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION		MINIMUM ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS		
PROGRAMME	ACADEMIC PLAN CODE	AP	ENGLISH	CAMPUS
BA (Language Practice) – Subject to selection*	BC130039	30	5 (60%)	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%)	BC
BA (Integrated Organisational Communication)	BC130038	30	5 (60%)	BC
Language admission requirements: An achievement level of no less than Level 6 (60%) for English home language (HL) OR an achievement level of no less than 65% for English first additional language (FAL) or English second additional language (SAL).				
BA (Journalism)	BC130035	30	5 (60%)	BC
Language admission requirements: An achievement level of no less than Level 6 (60%) for English home language (HL) OR an achievement level of no less than 65% for English first additional language (FAL) or English second additional language (SAL).				
BA (Fine Arts) – Subject to selection*	BC140025	30	4 (50%)	BC

*The closing date for the application and the portfolio of creative work and selection form is 30 September 2026.

PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION		MINIMUM ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS			
PROGRAMME	ACADEMIC PLAN CODE	AP	ENGLISH	CAMPUS	
BA (Drama and Theatre Arts) – Subject to selection* An achievement level of 60% for English home language (HL). An achievement level of no less than 65% for English first additional language (FAL) or second additional language (SAL).	BC130020	30	5 (60%) HL	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 2026 .					
BA General (see the majors offered below)	BC137000	30	4 (50%)	BC	
BA specialising in Languages	BC137500	30	4 (50%)	BC	

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

*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	CAMPUS	
Bachelor of Music – Subject to selection*	BC140544	30	4 (50%)	BC	
BA (Music) – Subject to selection*	BC130044	30	4 (50%)	BC	

*Contact the Odeion School of Music for an appointment on +27 51 401 2810 or osm@ufs.ac.za

REQUIREMENTS: Music Theory Unisa or ABRSM Grade 5 or equivalent; Music Performance Unisa, ABRSM, or Trinity College Grade 7 or equivalent; Compulsory audition and theory proficiency test before 30 September 2026. For more information: www.ufs.ac.za/humanities/departments-and-divisions/odeion-school-of-music-home/prospective-students/auditions-for-admission

BACHELOR OF SOCIAL SCIENCES (BSocSci)

PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION		MINIMUM ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS			
PROGRAMME	ACADEMIC PLAN CODE	AP	ENGLISH	CAMPUS	
BSocSci	BC138000	30	4 (50%)	BC	
The Bachelor of Social Sciences degree (BSocSci) makes provision for majoring in any two of the following subject fields:					
<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Psychology■ Sociology■ Anthropology■ Criminology■ Political Science■ Industrial Psychology					

BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK

PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION		MINIMUM ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS			
PROGRAMME	ACADEMIC PLAN CODE	AP	ENGLISH	CAMPUS	
Bachelor of Social Work – Subject to selection*	BC140250	35	5 (60%)	BC	

*Closing date for applications is 31 July 2026.

We prioritise direct school leavers’ admission to the programme to increase this group’s access to higher education. As such, applicants who are already in the higher education system, holding a degree or a qualification, may have a lower chance of being selected. First-choice social work applications are given preference.

THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMMES ARE PRESENTED ON THE QWAQWA CAMPUS:

ENQUIRIES: Assistant Dean || Prof Jared McDonald || +27 58 718 5418 || McDonaldJR@ufs.ac.za
Faculty Officer || +27 58 718 5000 || advicehumqq@ufs.ac.za

BACHELOR’S DEGREES: BACHELOR OF ARTS (BA)

ENQUIRIES: Prof Jared McDonald || +27 58 718 5418 || mcdonaldjr@ufs.ac.za

PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION		MINIMUM ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS			
PROGRAMME	ACADEMIC PLAN CODE	AP	ENGLISH	CAMPUS	
BA General	QC137000	30	4 (50%)	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	CAMPUS	
Bachelor of Community Development (BCommDev) – Subject to selection*	QC140400	30	5 (60%)	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.

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

PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION		MINIMUM ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS			
PROGRAMME	ACADEMIC PLAN CODE	AP	ENGLISH	CAMPUS	
BSocSci	QC138000	30	4 (50%)	QC	



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

NOTE: All applicants who meet the institutional admission requirements will be considered for selection based on the information submitted on a selection form. The link to the selection form is available during the online application process and can also be requested from theology@ufs.ac.za

Applicants who have not completed the selection form will not be considered.

The Faculty of Theology and Religion Admission Committee makes the final admission decisions.

All first-time entering mainstream students must write the UFS test of academic literacy. If the stipulated requirements of the UFS test of academic literacy have not been met or the results of the tests cannot be submitted, students will be required to register and successfully complete the applicable development module.

THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMMES ARE PRESENTED ON THE BLOEMFONTEIN CAMPUS:

PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION		MINIMUM ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS			
PROGRAMME	ACADEMIC PLAN CODE	AP	ENGLISH	CAMPUS	
Bachelor of Divinity* (BDiv)	BC940301	28	4 (50%)	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.
- All first-time entering mainstream students must write the UFS' test of academic literacy. If the stipulated requirements of the UFS test of academic literacy have not been met or the results of the tests cannot be submitted, students will be required to register and successfully complete the applicable CAL development module.



GENERAL INFORMATION

PROGRAMME NAME	COST	DURATION	ACADEMIC LEVEL	ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
'I AM' EMPLOYEE WELLNESS	R11 700	8 weeks	5	Admission requirements: National Senior Certificate or an equivalent achievement. Preconditions: Relevant work experience.
EFFECTIVE BIBLE TEACHING TO CHILDREN	R2 708	6 weeks	5	Admission requirements: National Senior Certificate or an equivalent achievement. Preconditions: 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 708	8 weeks	5	Admission requirements: National Senior Certificate or an equivalent achievement would be beneficial but is not a requirement. Preconditions: Leadership experience is recommended. Applicants are expected to write a short letter of motivation. Participants who prefer an online presentation are expected to be in a location with internet signal and have access to a laptop and data bundles, while those who prefer face-to-face training must be able to travel to the venue selected for SLP presentation.
PRACTICAL THEOLOGY IN A FAST-CHANGING ENVIRONMENT	R3 792	12 weeks	5	Admission requirements: National Senior Certificate or an equivalent achievement. Preconditions: 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 717	10 weeks	5	Admission requirements: National Senior Certificate or an equivalent achievement. Preconditions: Basic computer skills and access to the internet. Homogenous group of participants working in the same field, e.g. psychology, municipality, education, parents of deaf children, etc.
INTRODUCTION TO SIGN LANGUAGE (INTERMEDIATE)	R7 583	10 weeks	5	Admission requirements: National Senior Certificate or an equivalent achievement. Preconditions: Successfully completed the Basic Introduction to Sign Language (Basic). Basic computer skills and access to the internet.
BASIC CONVERSATIONAL SESOTHO COURSE	R3 792	24 weeks	5	Admission requirements: National Senior Certificate or an equivalent achievement. Preconditions: This short learning programme has been compiled for learners with no previous experience of Sesotho. It is intended for non-Sesotho speakers who wish to learn Sesotho for communication purposes.
INTERMEDIATE CONVERSATIONAL SESOTHO COURSE	R3 792	24 weeks	5	Admission requirements: National Senior Certificate or an equivalent achievement. Preconditions: Successfully completed Basic Conversational Sesotho.
ADVANCED CONVERSATIONAL SESOTHO COURSE	R4 550	24 weeks	5	Admission requirements: National Senior Certificate or an equivalent achievement. Preconditions: Successfully completed Intermediate Conversational Sesotho. It is intended for non-Sesotho speakers who wish to learn Sesotho for communication purposes.

PROGRAMME NAME	COST	DURATION	ACADEMIC LEVEL	ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
DUTCH FOREIGN LANGUAGE ACQUISITION FOR BEGINNERS	R3 792	20 weeks	5	Admission requirements: National Senior Certificate or an equivalent achievement. Preconditions: Basic computer skills, access to the internet, and an electronic device.
AFRIKAANS ACQUISITIONING FOR FOREIGN LANGUAGE SPEAKERS	R3 792	20 weeks	5	Admission requirements: National Senior Certificate or an equivalent achievement. Preconditions: Basic computer skills, access to the internet, and an electronic device.
AFRIKAANS COMPETENCE FOR THIRD AND FOREIGN LANGUAGE SPEAKERS	R3 792	20 weeks	5	Admission requirements: National Senior Certificate or an equivalent achievement. Preconditions: Basic computer skills, access to the internet, and an electronic device.
FRENCH FOREIGN LANGUAGE ACQUISITION FOR BEGINNERS PART 1	R4 550	16 weeks	5	Admission requirements: National Senior Certificate or an equivalent achievement. Preconditions: Proficiency in English. Basic computer skills, access to the internet, and an electronic device.
FRENCH FOREIGN LANGUAGE ACQUISITION FOR BEGINNERS PART 2	R3 792	16 weeks	5	Admission requirements: National Senior Certificate or an equivalent achievement. Preconditions: 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 875	6 weeks	5	Admission requirements: National Senior Certificate or an equivalent achievement would be beneficial but is not a requirement. Preconditions: 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 800	6 weeks	5	Admission requirements: National Senior Certificate or an equivalent achievement would be beneficial but is not a requirement. Preconditions: Relevant work experience. The applicant must write a letter to motivate their application. Basic computer skills, access to the internet, and an electronic device.

KOVSIE PHAHAMISA ACADEMY

SHORT LEARNING PROGRAMMES

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.

PROGRAMME NAME	COST	DURATION	ACADEMIC LEVEL	ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
GENERAL MANAGEMENT AND COMMUNICATION	R4 117	6 weeks	5	Admission requirements: National Senior Certificate or an equivalent achievement would be beneficial but is not a requirement. Preconditions: 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 500	6 weeks	5	Admission requirements: National Senior Certificate or an equivalent achievement would be beneficial but is not a requirement. Preconditions: 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 792	6 weeks	5	Admission requirements: National Senior Certificate or an equivalent achievement would be beneficial but is not a requirement. Preconditions: Relevant work experience. The applicant must write a letter to motivate their application. Basic computer skills, access to the internet, and an electronic device.
INTRODUCTION TO BUILDING QUANTITIES	R9 642	4 weeks	5	Admission requirements: National Senior Certificate (NSC) or higher education qualification or currently employed in the construction industry. Preconditions: A participant can also be admitted on the grounds of a standard of competence sufficient for degree study at a higher education institution. Recognition of prior learning, based on relevant experience in the construction industry, will be considered.
INTRODUCTION TO BUILDING ECONOMICS	R9 642	4 weeks	5	Preconditions: A participant can also be admitted on the grounds of a standard of competence sufficient for degree study at a higher education institution. Recognition of prior learning, based on relevant experience in the construction industry, will be considered.
INTRODUCTION TO PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT	R9 642	4 weeks	5	Admission requirements: National Senior Certificate (NSC) or higher education qualification or currently employed in the construction industry. Preconditions: A participant can also be admitted on the grounds of a standard of competence sufficient for degree study at a higher education institution. Recognition of prior learning, based on relevant experience in the construction industry, will be considered.
INTRODUCTION TO BUILDING MATERIALS	R9 642	4 weeks	5	Admission requirements: National Senior Certificate (NSC) or higher education qualification or currently employed in the construction industry. Preconditions: A participant can also be admitted on the grounds of a standard of competence sufficient for degree study at a higher education institution. Recognition of prior learning, based on relevant experience in the construction industry, will be considered.
INTRODUCTION TO CONSTRUCTION PROJECT MANAGEMENT	R9 642	4 weeks	5	Admission requirements: National Senior Certificate (NSC) or higher education qualification or currently employed in the construction industry. Preconditions: A participant can also be admitted on the grounds of a standard of competence sufficient for degree study at a higher education institution. Recognition of prior learning, based on relevant experience in the construction industry, will be considered.

TO APPLY

kpha.ufs.ac.za 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. Contact Kovsie Phahamisa Academy for more details.

PAYMENT: Programmes are fully payable in advance.

ENQUIRIES: SLP@ufs.ac.za || www.ufs.ac.za/kpa

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

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

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



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.

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	NSC LEVEL OF ACHIEVEMENT	ACHIEVEMENT LEVEL REQUIRED BY THE UFS	UFS ADMISSION POINT (AP)
35-37	R6 000	7 (90%-100%)	8 (90%-100%)	8
38-40	R10 000	7 (80%-89%)	7 (80%-89%)	7
41-43	R15 000	6 (70%-79%)	6 (70%-79%)	6
44+	R20 000	5 (60%-69%)	5 (60%-69%)	5
THE AWARD VALUE IS BASED ON THE FORMULA USED TO CALCULATE THE ADMISSION POINT.		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.				

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.

THE COMPETITION IS OPEN TO:

- Rural schools;
- township schools; and
- Dinaledi schools.

IT'S YOUR TIME
TO SHINE!

KICK-START YOUR STUDIES, BECAUSE
YOU WERE BORN TO SHINE! O NALEDI.

LET YOUR BRIGHTNESS SHINE THROUGH BY ENTERING TODAY.

Free State Province star of stars 2025 Top 20 CANDIDATES

Thandi Keele
Bluegumbosch Secondary
Qwaqwa

Bongani Mtikitiki
Samuel Sebebo Paki Secondary
Vredfort

Karabo Galeboe
Samuel Sebebo Paki Secondary
Vredfort

Reitumetse Tsotetsi
Tsebo Secondary
Qwaqwa

Bonang Tshabalala
Tsebo Secondary
Qwaqwa

Vusumuzi Mhlanga
Mophate Secondary
Bothaville

Mbulelo Wittes
Kgolosego Secondary
Dealesville

Ditebogo Galeboe
Rearabetswe Secondary
Odendaalsrus

Mpho Moshoadiba
Bluegumbosch Secondary
Qwaqwa

Malesesa Mphuthi
Tsebo Secondary
Qwaqwa

Teboho Mofokeng
Sekgutlong Secondary
Qwaqwa

Fortune Hlatwayo
Repholotswe Secondary
Bultfontein

Kekeletso Moshodi
Seqhobong Secondary
Odendaalsrus

Karabo Kolberg
Thahameso Secondary
Qwaqwa

Mahlape Moeketsi
Sekgutlong Secondary
Qwaqwa

Mpho Moloi
Manthatisi High
Qwaqwa

Neo Phapang
Taiwe Secondary
Theunissen

Mojaki Mthobi
Leifo-Iziko Combined School
Reitz

Bokang Mokubung
Bluegumbosch Secondary
Qwaqwa

Neo Nkhi
Samuel Sebebo Paki Secondary
Vredfort

APPLICATIONS WILL BE OPEN FROM 1 APRIL 2026 TO 31 AUGUST 2026.

Please get your application from your school, one of the UFS marketers, or phone +27 51 401 3000 or email info@ufs.ac.za or ufsmarketing@ufs.ac.za

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

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 2026



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 2026 to 1 August 2026. Contact Linda Greyling at +27 51 401 3384 or greylinl@ufs.ac.za

PLEASE NOTE: to enter the competition, learners must have applied to study at the University of the Free State in 2027.



Pictured: front row from the left: Laura Andrade de Ponte (High School for Girls, Potchefstroom), Christiaan Kotzé (Hoërskool Fichardtspark, Bloemfontein), Burgert van Heerden (Hoër Landbouskool Marlow, Cradock), Emile Dawson (William Pescod High School, Kimberley), Liam-Lloyd Doman (Hoërskool Voortrekker, Bethlehem), Vindry Horne (Hoërskool Uitenhage, Uitenhage), and Michelle Jacobs (Hoërskool Labori, Paarl); back row: Marné Koen (Hoërskool Die Brandwag, Uitenhage), Kiara Subramanian (Eunice High School, Bloemfontein), Samantha Mynhardt (Hoërskool Trio, Kroonstad), Jenni Muller (Hoërskool Wilgerivier, Frankfort), Jané de Villiers (Hoërskool Witteberg, Bethlehem), Megan Johnson (Hoërskool Menlopark, Pretoria), and Amoné Verwey (Hoërskool Jim Fouché, Bloemfontein).

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Shaping futures by assisting high school learners to make informed decisions regarding their future.

Grade 12 Open Day

Future-proof your study choices with faculty experts.

This event provides a platform for future leaders, learners, parents, and educators to connect with the faculties and learn more about the enriching university experience awaiting them at one of the best universities in South Africa. This is your opportunity to apply for 2027.

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May 2026
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Grade 10 and 11 Open Day

Are you interested in our ground-breaking qualifications?

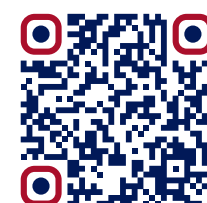
Consult our faculty experts at this on-campus event.

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August 2026
BLOEMFONTEIN

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August 2026
QWAQWA



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APPLICATION AND ADMISSION

FAQ'S

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR ALL STUDENTS:

- Limited space: Keep in mind that all programmes have limited space available; therefore, you are encouraged to apply as soon as possible and to apply before the closing dates to avoid disappointment.
- Meeting the minimum admission requirements for your chosen/ intended programme of study does not guarantee admission, as limited space is available in each programme.
- National Senior Certificate: If you already have a National Senior Certificate (NSC), you must include a copy with your application form.
- Application: Make sure that you complete the online application properly and upload all the required documents. An incomplete application, as well as outstanding documents, will delay your application process. Remember to indicate if you need on-campus residence accommodation and/or financial aid – indicate this in the relevant fields.
- Transferring students: 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.
- International students: If you are from another country, you must attach your certified school-leaving certificate and relevant
- diplomas. Universities South Africa (USAf) Certificate of Exemption is required if you do not have an endorsed South African Senior Certificate.
- You can apply to the UFS before receiving the exemption certificate from USAf.
- If you are an international student who is currently in Grade 12, the UFS may make a conditional offer based on your final Grade 11 results.
- If you do not have matriculation exemption, the Office for International Affairs will apply for the USAf certificate of exemption.
- You will have to pay the prescribed fee before the Office for International Affairs attends to the USAf exemption application.
- You must pay and submit the relevant documentation as soon as you receive the final Grade 12 results.

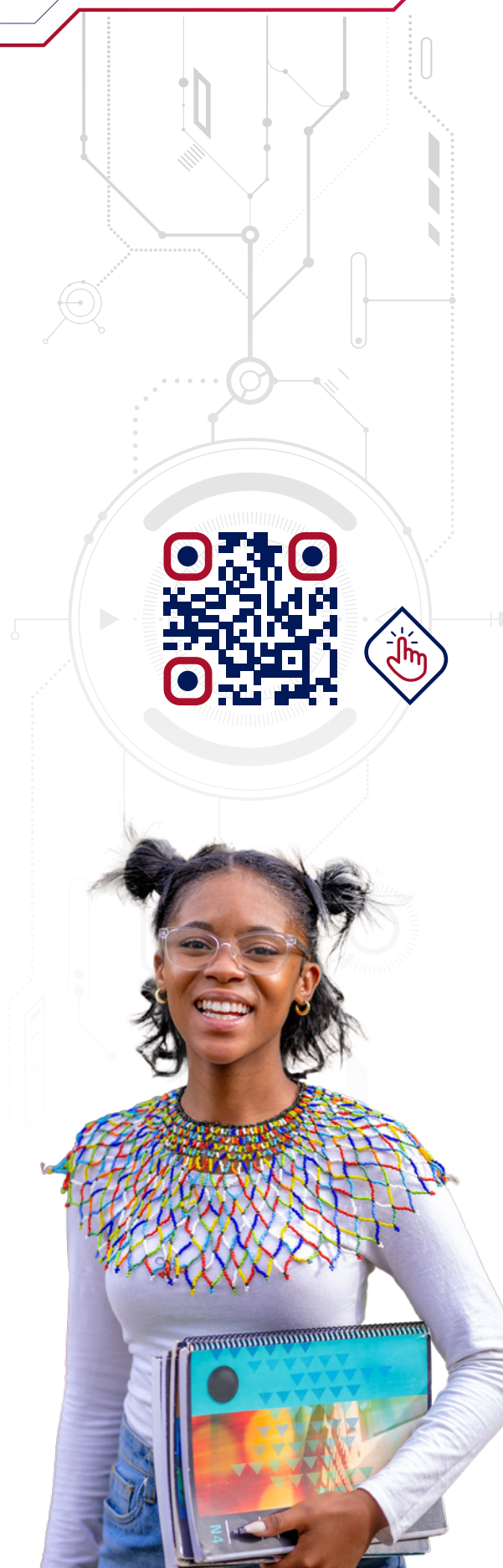


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IN JUST SEVEN STEPS, YOU CAN FULFIL YOUR DREAM OF STUDYING AT AN INSTITUTION WHERE WE TRANSFORM LIVES AND INSPIRE EXCELLENCE:

STEP 1

APPLY ONLINE || Visit 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.

STEP 4

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 2

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 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.

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: www.ufs.ac.za/docs/librariesprovider43/default-document-library/status-guide.pdf?sfvrsn=886e1c20_0

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

STEP 6

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

STEP 7

The registration process commences in 2027, and welcome to KOVSIES!!

APPLICATION TO STUDY IN 2027

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 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 || +27 51 401 3219 || tshabalalal@ufs.ac.za || +27 51 401 9032



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 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
International students must send their final results to oiastudentadmin@ufs.ac.za



Visit 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.

APPLICATIONS TO STUDY
ANY UNDERGRADUATE
PROGRAMME OFFERED ON
THE BLOEMFONTEIN AND
QWAQWA CAMPUSES IN 2027.

APPLICATION OPENING DATE

**1 APRIL
2026**

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 x 5 = 25
For one (1) further academic subject, you must obtain a level 4 (50%)	1 x 4 = 4
For Life Orientation, a level of 5 (60%) or higher to score 1 point	1 x 1 = 1
UFS overall AP score	= 30

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

SELECTION AND NON-SELECTION PROGRAMME/S FOR WHICH APPLICATIONS CLOSE

**31
MAY 2026**

- MB ChB
- Occupational Therapy
- Optometry
- Physiotherapy
- Radiation Sciences
- Biokinetics
- Dietetics
- Sport Coaching

**31
JULY 2026**

- Nursing
- Social Work
- Architecture

**31
AUGUST 2026**

- International undergraduate applications

**30
SEPTEMBER 2026**

- All non-selection programmes
- Applications from students transferring from other tertiary Institutions (for non-selection)
- Community Development (Qwaqwa Campus only)
- Construction Economics and Management (Full-time)
- Construction Management (Compact Learning)
- Drama and Theatre Arts
- Fine Arts
- Forensic Sciences
- Music
- Physics with Engineering subjects
- Quantity Surveying (Compact Learning)

IMPORTANT NOTICE: IF YOUR APPLICATION IS RECEIVED AFTER THE FOLLOWING CLOSING DATES, IT WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

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.



ADMISSIONS 2027

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 immediately 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: 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 2026.
- 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 OIAsstudentadmin@ufs.ac.za as soon as you receive them from your 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 around May).

If you do not have matriculation exemption, the Office for International Affairs (OIA) will assist you with the application 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.

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 equivalent to NSC		RSA NSC IEB	RSA Matriculated before 2008		GCSE *Refer to Note 1		HIGCSE/ NSSC HL	AS Level	A Level	IB		KOMBI ABITUR	KCSE	RSA NCV % (Performance Level)	
UFS Level	UFS %		HG	SG	CIE O – Level IGCSE NSSC (OL) LGCSE BGCSE SGCSE CGCE UCE NECO WAEC ZIMSEC (O-level)	UK England Wales Northern Ireland		GCE CIE NSSC AS	GCE CIE CGCE UACE WAEC ZIMSEC	IB SL	IB HL			Fundamental	Vocational
10									A* (90%+)		7				
9									A (80–89%)		6				
8	90–100%	90%+	A (80%+)		A*	9	1 (80%+)	A*	B (70–79%)	7	5	90–100%	80–100%		
7	80–89%	80–89%	B (70%)		A	8 or 7	2 (70–79%)	A	C (60–69%)	6	4	80–89%	70–79%	7 (80–100%)	5 (80–100%)
6	70–79%	70–79%	C (60%)	A (80%)	B	6 or 5	3 (60–69%)	B	D (50–59%)	5	3	70–79%	60–69%	6 (70–79%)	4 (70–79%)
5	60–69%	60–69%	D (50%)	B (70%)	C	4		C	E (40–49%)	4	2	60–69%	50–59%	5 (60–69%)	
4	50–59%	50–59%	E (40%)	C (60%)		3	4 (50–59%)	D		3	1	50–59%	40–49%	4 (50–59%)	
3	40–49%	40–49%	F (33%)	D (50%)		2		E		2		40–49%	30–39%		3 (50–69%)
2	30–39%	30–39%	FF (20%)	E (40%)						1					2 (40–49%)
1	–	–	–	–											

*Note 1: These qualifications will be considered only for conditional study offers. Final study offers will be made once your final AS-level or A-level results have been assessed.

ABBREVIATIONS:

A Level – Cambridge International Examination **Advanced** Level
AS Level – Cambridge International Examination **Advanced Subsidiary** Level
O Level – Cambridge International Examination **Ordinary** Level
GCSE – General Certificate of Secondary Education
GCE – General Certificate of Education
IB SL – International Baccalaureate (Standard Levels)
IB HL – International Baccalaureate (Higher Levels)
IGCSE – International General Certificate of Secondary Education
HIGCSE – Higher International General Certificate of Secondary Education
NSSC (OL) – Namibia Senior Secondary Certificate (Ordinary Level)
NSSC (AS) – Namibian Senior Secondary Certificate (Advanced Subsidiary)
LGCSE – Lesotho General Certificate of Secondary Education
BGCSE – Botswana General Certificate of Secondary Education
SGCSE – Eswatini General Certificate of Secondary Education

KOMBI ABITUR – German International Abitur
KCSE – Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education
CGCE – Cameroon General Certificate of Education
UCE – Uganda Certificate of Education
NECO – Nigeria National Examination Council
WAEC – West African Examination Council
ZIMSEC – Zimbabwe School Examination Council
NCV – National Certificate Vocational

Qualifications from countries not listed above, will be considered, if they comply with USAf exemption requirements for a complete/foreign exemption certificate. In these instances, the faculties will determine admission requirements based on the school subjects passed and their symbols/ percentages.

NOTE: The University of the Free State will only accept an official Cambridge Certificate (Statement of Results) that displays an EMIS number.

UFS Formula equivalent to NSC		ZEUGNIS DER ALLGEMEINEN HOCHSCHULREIFE/ABITUR (Germany)	BACCALAURÉAT GÉNÉRAL (France) CERTIFICADO DE FIN DE ESTUDOS SECUNDARIOS (Portugal)	HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA (Canada)							AMERICAN HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA <i>*Refer to note 2</i>			AP (College Board)	
Level	%			Alberta		British Columbia/Yukon			Ontario		%	Grade	GPA	Grade	APS
				%	Grade	%	Grade	GPA	%	Grade					
8	90–	15	20								97–100	A+	4.0		
		14	19	90–100	A+	86–100	A	4	90–100	A+	93–96	A	4.0	A+ A	5
	100	13	18	85–89	A	73–85	B	3	80–89	A	90–92	A	3.7		
7	80–	12	17	80–84	A–	67–72	C+	2.5	70–79	B	87–89	B+	3.3	A B+ B	4
	89	11	16	77–79	B+	60–66	C	2	60–69	C	83–86	B	3.0	B C+ C	3
6	70–	10 to 9	15	73–76	B	50–59	C–	1	50–59	D	80–82	B–	2.7		
	79	8	14	70–72	B–	0–49	Failed	0	0–49	Failed	77–79	C+	2.3		
5	60–	7	13	67–69	C+						73–76	C	2.0		
	69	6	12	63–66	C						70–72	C–	1.3		
4	50–	5	11	60–62	C–							D+	1.0		
	59	4	10	55–59	D+							D	0.7		
3	40–			50–54	D							D–	0.0		
	49			0–49	F										
2	30–39														
1	–														

*Note 2:

1. American High School Diploma completed in the USA:

Before May 2015

- Critical Reading with SAT of at least 1600 and a sub-minimum of 550.
- Mathematics with SAT of at least 1600 and a sub-minimum of 500.
- Writing with SAT of at least 1600 and a sub-minimum of 500.

From May 2015:

- Reading and writing with a SAT score of at least 1130 and a minimum of 610.
- Mathematics with at least 1130 and a sub-minimum of 530.

- ACT mean of 22 with a sub-minimum of 22 in English and 21 in Mathematics.

- With at least two subjects passed on grade 3, 4 or 5 for the ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) examinations of the American College Board

2. American High School Diploma completed in South Africa:

Do not apply online, as you might forfeit your payment. Instead, email your certificate or diploma to applications@usaf.ac.za for assessment and further instructions on how to proceed.

ENROL AT THE UNIVERSITY OF THE FREE STATE AS AN UNDERGRADUATE INTERNATIONAL STUDENT IN 2027

YOU WILL NEED TO FOLLOW THESE STEPS:

STEP 1

Submit your online application to the UFS at apply.ufs.ac.za/Application/Start. Please make sure that you capture subjects exactly as stated on your school-leaving report.

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 for assistance. Detailed information is included on 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:

- uncertified senior/school leaving certificate
- uncertified academic records of UFS discretionary year studies
- uncertified copy of South African ID or passport

DEPOSIT THE AMOUNT INTO THE ACCOUNT OF THE MATRICULATION BOARD AT:

- Bank: ABSA
- Branch: Sunnyside (630345)
- Account number: 405 903 6917
- 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.
- proof of payment of the USAf fee made directly to 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 oiastudentadmin@ufs.ac.za or tshabalalal@ufs.ac.za to assist you with this letter.

STEP 7

Contact the OIA for individual advice on your study visa application as well as the mandatory South African medical aid. You can reach them at oiastudentadmin@ufs.ac.za and tshabalalal@ufs.ac.za for assistance. 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 8

Apply for your study visa. Detailed instructions are included on www.ufs.ac.za/international/international-students/international-undergraduate-studies/study-visa. The OIA will assist you.

STEP 9

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

STEP 10

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 11

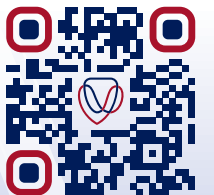
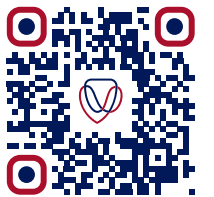
Complete the acceptance process for the offer online within the stipulated timeframe. If you fail to complete the acceptance process for the offer before the deadline, the offer will be withdrawn, and you will lose your space. Note that limited space is available.

STEP 12

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

STEP 13

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.



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 Intsika Building on the Qwaqwa Campus.

If you need more information, contact the relevant person:

IMMIGRATION, MEDICAL AID, FINANCES, AND STUDENT ADMINISTRATION:

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

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ADMISSIONS:

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

QWAQWA CAMPUS:

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

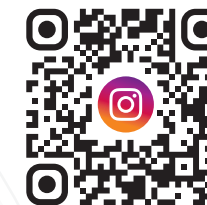


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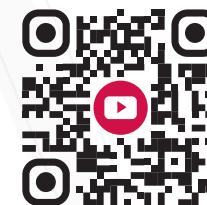


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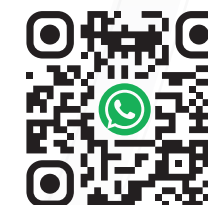
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Click on the button to send us a general email about our programmes. Or send us an email to applications@ufs.ac.za



Click on the button to send us a general email about the status of your application. Or send us an email to studentadmin@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.

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 2027.

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%)		

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.

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.

BURSARIES FOR CULTURE, ART, AND LEADERSHIP

New first-year students: prospective students must apply before 30 November 2026 for a bursary for culture, art, and leadership. The application form is available at www.ufs.ac.za – follow the links: Students – Financial Aid. You can submit the completed application form to J Buitendag, Room S014, George du Toit Admin Building, Bloemfontein Campus, or email to buitendagi@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.

NB: An admission point of 30 is required for the above-mentioned awards

SPORT MERIT BURSARIES

Bursaries are awarded annually to student-athletes who contribute towards expanding our proud record in the field of sport. Applications close on 30 September (first round) and 30 November (second round) each year. The application form is available at www.ufs.ac.za – follow the link: www.ufs.ac.za/kovsiesport/department/bursary-application-form

For further information, contact KovsieSport on +27 51 401 3510 or kovsiesport@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: 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 to deserving Education students who specialise in scarce education subjects, such as South African indigenous languages, inclusive education, and science education. Applications are online only and usually open on 1 October of the preceding year. The online application can be found at www.funzalushaka.doe.gov.za/Home/FirstTime.

Take note that the decision regarding Funza Lushaka Education applications is only available from May; 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, Mr Scheepers, on +27 51 401 9330 or ScheepersSJ@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:

- www.zabursaries.co.za
- www.studentroom.co.za>category>bursaries
- allbursaries.co.za
- www.careersportal.co.za
- www.bursariesportal.co.za
- www.gostudy.net/ufs
- sastudy.co.za

NATIONAL STUDENT FINANCIAL AID SCHEME (NSFAS)

Financially needy students may apply for financial aid (NSFAS) online at 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)



STUDENT FINANCE

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 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 and follow the links: Students – Student Finance – Quotation.

STEP 2

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 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 – Students – Student Finance – Fees Yearbook 2026 or click on First Payment

STEP 4

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 www.ufs.ac.za/kovsielife/unlisted-pages/bursaries/financial-aid. You are encouraged to visit the webpage.

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.

Enquiries for NSFAS: T: +27 51 401 9111 (option 3) || E: tuitionfees@ufs.ac.za

2027 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:

www.ufs.ac.za/templates/rule-books/kovsielife.ufs.ac.za/quote/quote.aspx

The system will generate a quotation.

Without module codes, a quotation cannot be done.

#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.

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.

ECONOMIC AND MANAGEMENT SCIENCES

BAcc	R73 080
BAdmin (3 years)	R54 340
BAdmin (4 years)	R41 750
BCom (3 years)	R59 420
BCom (4 years)	R47 480
BCom Accounting	R62 490
BCom Economics	R58 990
BCom Human Resource Management	R53 890
BCom Law	R58 680
BCom Marketing	R57 350

EDUCATION

BEd	R52 660
BEd Extended Curriculum	R46 050
PGDIP	R27 240

HEALTH SCIENCES

B Biokinetics	R59 800
B Optometry	R65 760
B Sport Coaching and Development	R56 970
BSc Dietetics	R63 410
BSc Occupational Therapy	R57 670
BSc Physiotherapy	R63 560
BMedSc Radiation Sciences	R75 370
B Nursing	R55 240
MB ChB	R82 450

LAW

LLB	R45 500
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NATURAL AND AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES

BArch	R60 780
BAgric	R65 970
BSc Agric	R67 060
BSc Biochemistry and Microbiology	R66 570
BSc Chemistry and Physics	R63 440
BSc Consumer Science	R62 140
BSc Extended Curriculum	R55 260
BSc Forensic Science	R65 330
BSc Geology	R63 450
BSc Information Technology	R63 180
BSc Quantity Surveying	R46 300
BSc Actuarial Science	R75 540

THE HUMANITIES

BA (3 years)	R52 450
BA (4 years)	R43 160
BA Drama and Theatre Arts	R51 370
BA Integrated Organisational Communication	R53 830
BA Journalism	R54 580
BA Language Practice	R58 870
BA Governance and Political Transformation	R58 530
B Music	R49 890
B Social Work	R55 540
BSocSc (3 years)	R51 530
BSocSc (4 years)	R41 270

THEOLOGY AND RELIGION

BTh/BDiv	R52 160
BTh/BDiv Extended Curriculum	R45 730

CENTRE FOR TEACHING AND LEARNING

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 in 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 on +27 51 401 9111 (option 2)
- Visit the faculty that you are interested in at www.ufs.ac.za/templates/faculty-list

Send an email to:

- BFN Campus** || advising@ufs.ac.za
- QQ Campus** || advisingqq@ufs.ac.za
- South Campus** || advisingsc@ufs.ac.za
- 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)

JOURNEY TO SUCCESS

RECRUITMENT AND APPLICATION



REGISTRATION



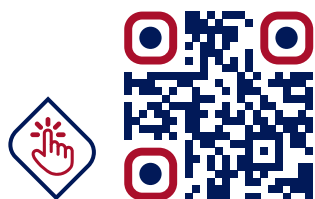
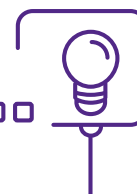
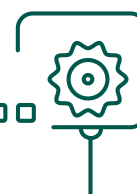
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PROGRESSION



GRADUATION



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

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:

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

REQUIREMENTS:

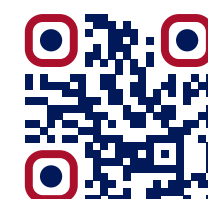
- National Senior Certificate (i.e., Matric / Grade 12)
- Five years' relevant work experience
- Completed workshops, short courses, and on-the-job training

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



INQUIRE / APPLY

RECOMMENDATION FOR RPL



TEST (ASSESSMENT)
AND/OR WORKSHOP

SUPPORT



ASSESSMENT

ADMISSION RECOMMENDATION



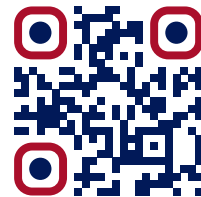
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CAMPUS SAFETY

OUR COMMITMENT TO CAMPUS SAFETY

The recent implementation of security enhancement measures by the university is a direct reflection of the UFS Security Policy's principles, as upheld by the Department of Protection Services. The policy emphasises the university's unwavering commitment to safety and the integration of security into everyday campus life, ensuring the well-being of students, faculty, staff, contractors and visitors. The approach aligns with the policy's goal of fostering a secure environment that is essential to the thriving UFS experience.

By introducing these technical upgrades as well as other security enhancement measures, the university's Department of Protection Services is demonstrating its commitment to creating and maintaining a safe campus environment as outlined in its strategic plan. These actions underscore the importance of shared responsibility in maintaining a safe and vibrant campus life. The UFS Security Policy booklet encourages all community members to stay informed and engaged in security practices, reinforcing the collective effort to uphold the university's fundamental values of safety and security.



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 Kopsie student, you will get the opportunity to be exposed to learning experiences outside the classroom that are intentionally designed to develop you into 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 Kopsie 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.

CHOOSE THE UNIVERSITY OF THE FREE STATE AND EXPERIENCE WHY 'ONLY A KOPSIE KNOWS THE FEELING'.





APPLICATION FOR RESIDENCE ACCOMMODATION

YOU SHOULD INDICATE ON THE APPLICATION FOR STUDY IN 2027 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 for studies in 2027;
- keep your breakage deposit of R980 ready in case you are selected for placement in a residence;
- take note that the R980 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.

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 to 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. Subject to availability. 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 our residences.ufs.ac.za webpage or send an email for more information to:

BLOEMFONTEIN CAMPUS || resapplications@ufs.ac.za

SOUTH CAMPUS || SCResApplications@ufs.ac.za

QWAQWA CAMPUS || res_infoqc@ufs.ac.za

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

OUR ON-CAMPUS RESIDENCES ARE IN HIGH DEMAND, WITH A WAITING LIST FOR APPLICANTS. IF YOU WISH TO APPLY FOR ACCOMMODATION IN 2027, PLEASE INDICATE THIS IN YOUR ONLINE APPLICATION.



PLACEMENT POLICY
Please visit our website
for more information.



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 2027: The costs below are estimates to be used as a guide and are subject to an annual tariff increase.

2027	
QWAQWA CAMPUS CHRIS HANI, OR TAMBO, HECTOR PETERSON, PETER MOKABA, STEVE BIKO	
POSTGRADUATE NTLO YA TSEBO, NTLO YA BOTSHEPEHI	
OLD RESIDENCES	
Double room shared	R38 050
Single room	R42 350

NEW RESIDENCES TSHIMOLOHONG, BOKAMOSO, KHAYELITSHA, KHAYALETHU, FULUFHELO, CHARLOTTE MAXEKE	
Double room shared	R54 675
Single room	R59 435
Triplet	R49 940
Postgrad	R66 390
Paraplegic	R56 860

BLOEMFONTEIN CAMPUS	
JUNIOR RESIDENCES AKASIA, EMILY HOBHOUSE, KESTELL, MADELIEF, LEHAKWE, ROOSMARYN, SOETDORING, VERGEET-MY-NIE, WAG-'N-BIETJIE, WELWITSCHIA, HARMONY, ABRAHAM FISCHER-BOETAPELE, ARMENTUM, BEYERS NAUDE, KAREE, KHAYALAMI, TSWELOPELE, VILLA BRAVADO	
Double room shared	R38 050
Single room	R42 350

OUTENIQUA, CONLAURES, HARMONY, ARDOUR	
Double room shared	R54 675
Single room	R59 435
Paraplegic (en suite)	R56 860

SOUTH CAMPUS LEGAE, LIBERTY, TOKA	
Double room shared	R54 675
Single room	R59 435
Paraplegic (en suite)	R56 860

ELECTRICITY LEVY			
Rent (UV) p.m.	2026	2025	2024
150 ℓ	R480	R455	R430
170 ℓ	R610	R575	R545

2027	
SENIOR RESIDENCES INTSIKA-YE-KHAYA, KAREE ANNEX, IMVELO-YESIZWE, MADELIEF ANNEX, WELWITSCHIA ANNEX, TOA MAGEUZI, EAGLES NEST, MARULA, ARDOUR ANNEX	
Double Room - Shared	R39 450
Double Room - Single Occupancy	R78 285
Single room - Small	R47 340
Single room - Medium	R50 340
Single room - Large	R53 280
Single room - Extra large	R56 100

UNITS	
Single Room - Extra Small	R54 840
Single Room - Small	R59 580
Single Room - Medium	R66 180
Single Room - Large	R76 140
Single Room - Extra Large	R84 180
Single Room - Paraplegic	R86 520
Double Room - Single Occupancy	R110 220
Double Room - Shared	R55 080
Double Room - Paraplegic Single Occupancy	R112 740
Double Room - Paraplegic Shared	R56 460

POSTGRADUATE KOVSIE-INN	
Communal bathroom and kitchen	R75 480
Shared bathroom and kitchen	R81 140
One-bedroom flat	R89 940

HOUSING AND RESIDENCE DEPOSITS	
Junior Residence Deposit	R980
Senior Residence deposit	R2 800
Holiday Accommodation Per Day	R105

COVERED PARKING FOR RESIDENCE STUDENTS		2027
Reserved parking p.a. Not Refundable		R500

RESIDENTIAL STUDENTS MUST FAMILIARISE THEMSELVES WITH ALL POLICIES REGARDING ACCOMMODATION.

BREAKAGE DEPOSIT FIRST PLACEMENT IN RESIDENCE

When you accept the accommodation offer, you must pay the breakage deposit of R990.

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.

RESIDENTIAL STUDENTS MUST FAMILIARISE THEMSELVES WITH ALL POLICIES REGARDING ACCOMMODATION

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 in 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.

RESIDENCE LIFE AND COLLEGE COMMUNITIES

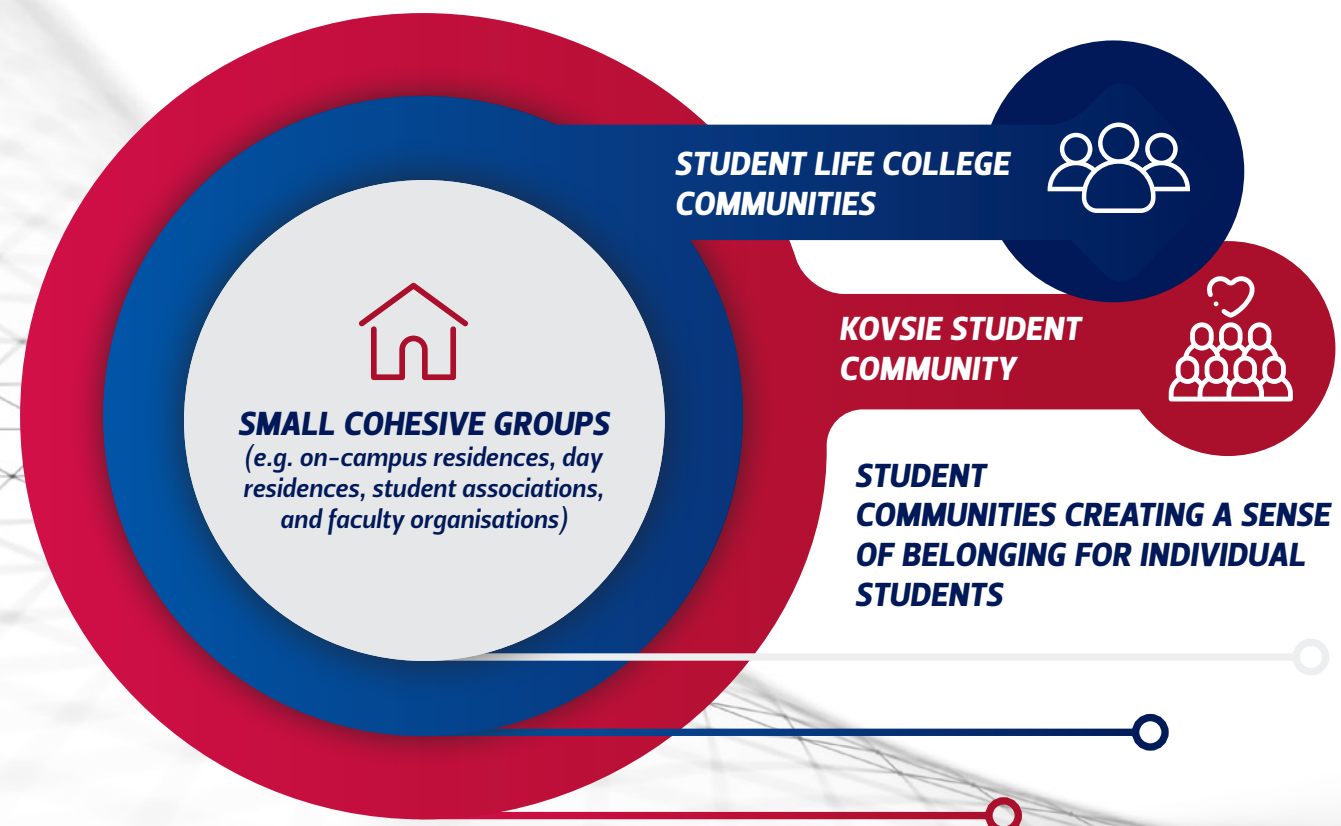
When you become a Kowsie, we want you to feel that you belong to a circle of friends, and that you belong to a community. A community that will support and inspire you to reach your full potential. This sense of belonging is facilitated through college communities. UFS college communities are created 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 Student Affairs departments. 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 Kowsie student**, you will continue to enhance your sports talent and if you are committed enough, you can represent Kowsies on national and international level.



RESIDENCES ARE COMMUNITIES

Residences are communities created for students to develop outside the classroom. Each residence community has a residence head and a residence committee that oversees each residence. This leadership structure is responsible for managing residences and seeing to it that all activities offered are in line with the vision, mission, and values of the university.

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 Kowsie 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. There are different types of residences – historical and older residences, and modern and newer buildings with different student communities.

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.

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
- South Campus
- Unison Day Residence

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Senior Assistant Officer: Gomoco Sekgapane

T: +27 401 7632 | E: SekgapaneGM@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: www.ufs.ac.za/residences/housing-and-residence-affairs/information/off-campus-accommodation

Enquiries:

Bloemfontein Campus || OCAStudents@ufs.ac.za
Qwaqwa Campus || ocaqwaqwa@ufs.ac.za

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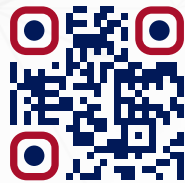
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STUDENT LIFE

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.

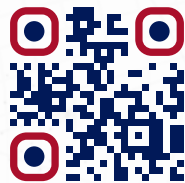
KOVISIE ACT: NURTURING ENVIRONMENTAL DEVELOPMENT THROUGH FUN AND COLLABORATION



Kovie 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 Kovie ACT to create a collaborative learning environment beyond your study period.

E: 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

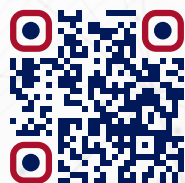
CAREER SERVICES: UNLOCKING YOUR PROFESSIONAL POTENTIAL



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.

E: career@ufs.ac.za || To register on CareerHub: careerhub.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

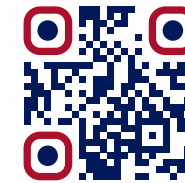
FOOD ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMME: PROMOTING STUDENT WELL-BEING AND SUCCESS



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.

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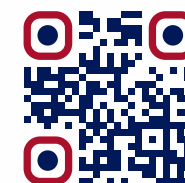
OFFICE FOR STUDENT LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT: UNLOCKING LEADERSHIP POTENTIAL



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: sld@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.

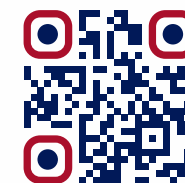
E: PeerMentor@ufs.ac.za

KOVISIE X: AMPLIFYING STUDENT VOICES

Kovie X 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: kovsiex@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.

CENTRE FOR UNIVERSAL ACCESS AND DISABILITY SUPPORT (CUADS)

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.

Enquiries: Martie Miranda || +27 51 401 3713
cuads@ufs.ac.za



"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

PROGRAMMES AND SERVICES

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

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

QWAQWA CAMPUS:

Intsika Buidling, GF0013

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SOUTH CAMPUS:

Neville Alexander Library, Room D125

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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)



DISABILITY
SUPPORT
PROGRAMME

ACCESSIBLE
TRANSPORT
PROGRAMME

LIAISON,
AWARENESS
AND ADVOCACY
PROGRAMME

ACCESSIBILITY
PROGRAMME

ACCESSIBLE
STUDY MATERIAL
PRODUCTION
PROGRAMME

ALTERNATIVE
ASSESSMENT
PROGRAMME

COMMUNICATION
ACCESS
PROGRAMME

STUDENT
ACADEMIC SUPPORT
PROGRAMME



STUDENT COUNSELLING AND DEVELOPMENT (SCD)

At SCD, we strive to create a conducive environment for developing and achieving individual, academic, and career goals. We aim to support students in the resolution of challenges that may impede the fulfilment of their potential. SCD provides both psychological and social work services.

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 career counselling.
- 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 students' healthy growth and development through advocacy and consultations with the UFS community.

You are not alone! SCD provides services directly to all registered UFS students free of charge. Close working interactions between SCD and other UFS departments are maintained. We foster professional relations with medical and mental health services for resources that are not readily available on the UFS campuses. SCD has partnered with SADAG, who assists us in rendering telephonic counselling.

We provide high-quality professional psychological and social work 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. In everything we do, we keep our students' well-being in mind.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT OUR
WEBPAGE OR CONTACT US AT:**

BLOEMFONTEIN CAMPUS:

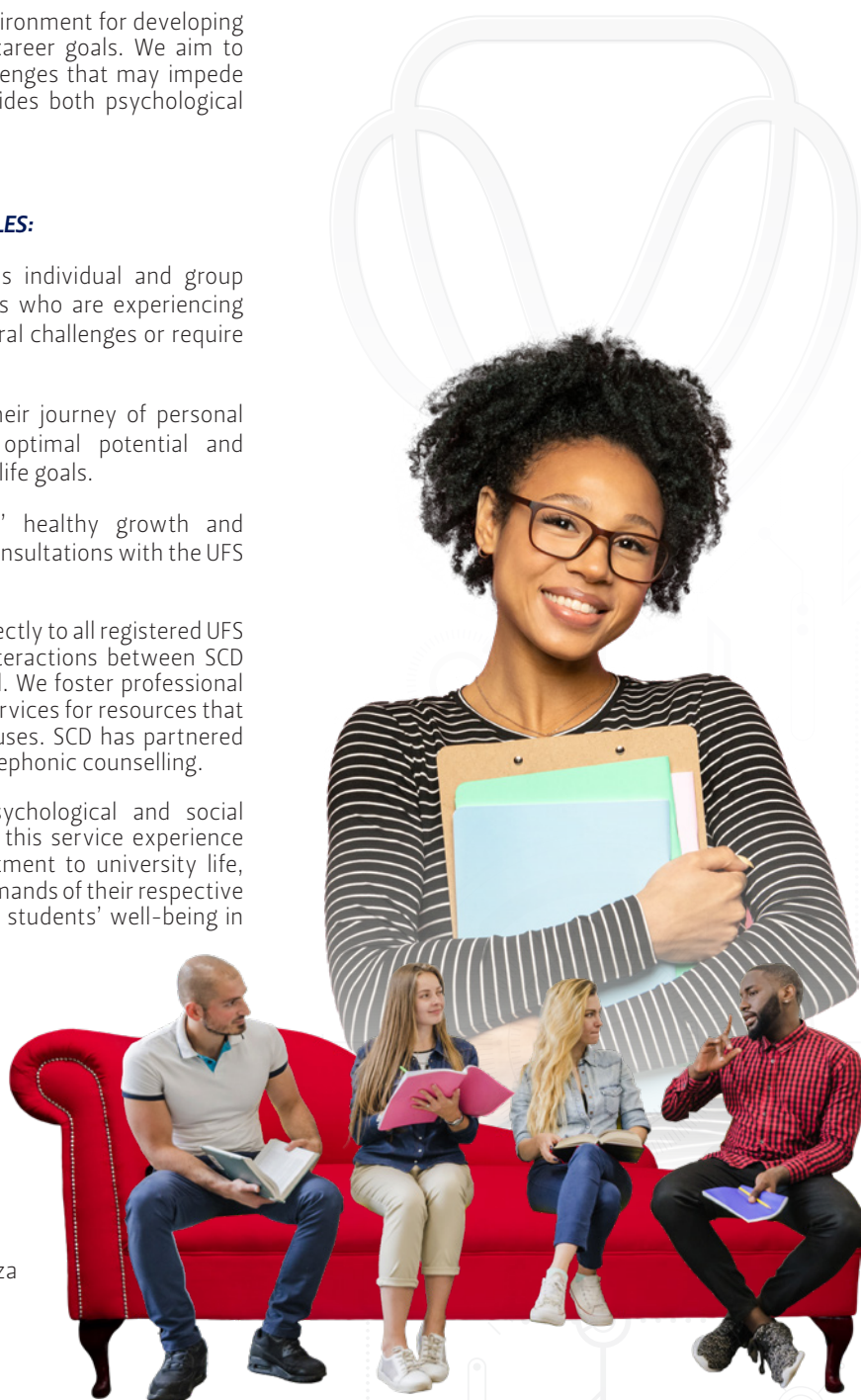
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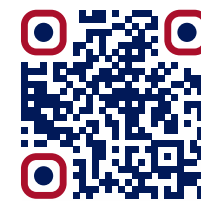
T: +27 51 505 1989 || E: SCDSouth@ufs.ac.za

QWAQWA CAMPUS:

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KOVSIESPSPORT FOR THE LOVE OF SPORT

MISSION

KovsieSport aspires to

- elevate student-athletes' achievements;
- be the leading contributor to the national and global footprint of sporting excellence;
- deliver excellent and quality student-athletes who will impact regionally, nationally, and globally through sporting excellence, diversity, inclusivity, as well as innovative and transformative thought; and
- preserve and promote the illustrious UFS legacy of sporting excellence in order to have a holistic impact on the development of student-athletes.

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 14 consecutive years and has had 24 Kovsies represent the South African National Hockey Team.

KOVSIESPSPORT INVITES FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS TO BECOME PART OF THE PROUD TRADITION OF SPORT AT KOVSIES.

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 outfields
- 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
- KovsieFit Gym

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
- Opportunity to compete at the highest level in the listed codes



FOR THE KOVSIESPORT CONTACT DETAILS PLEASE REFER TO PAGE 93

KOVSIEFIT GYM

Welcome to KoviesFit! 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 Building, opposite the Winkie Direko Building.

KoviesFit 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. KoviesFit Gym is open weekdays from 05:30 to 19:30 and on Saturdays from 07:00 to 11:00. The Sport Science Centre is open Monday to Thursday from 07:00 till 17:00 and Fridays from 07:00 till 14:00.

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KoviesFit Enquiries || +27 51 401 7007 || koviesfit@ufs.ac.za

ARTS, CULTURE AND DIALOGUE

EXPRESS YOUR IDENTITY, CELEBRATE DIVERSITY

The Arts, Culture and Dialogue Office at the University of the Free State offers students the opportunity to explore creativity, identity, leadership, and expression through various artistic and cultural platforms. Whether your passion lies in music, dance, poetry, theatre, visual arts, or multilingual dialogue, this space invites you to belong, create, and be heard.

With flagship programmes such as the campus-based choirs, UFS Institutional Choir, Mx and Mxss UFS – a pageant that is not just about beauty but about impact, the Kovies Extravaganza – a showcase of the best talent the university has to offer, residence-based and association-based arts festivals, and the Intercampus Dialogue Series, students are encouraged to embrace their heritage, raise their voices, and build bridges across diverse communities.

More than just performance, this office fosters critical thinking, cross-cultural understanding, and social impact – aligned with the UFS' values of care, excellence, and impact.

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO GET INVOLVED, CONTACT:

Arts, Culture and Dialogue Manager || Lucy Sehloho || SehlohoLP@ufs.ac.za || +27 51 401 9876

“This is not just about talent – it is about belonging, becoming, and being brave enough to show up in your full self.”

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.

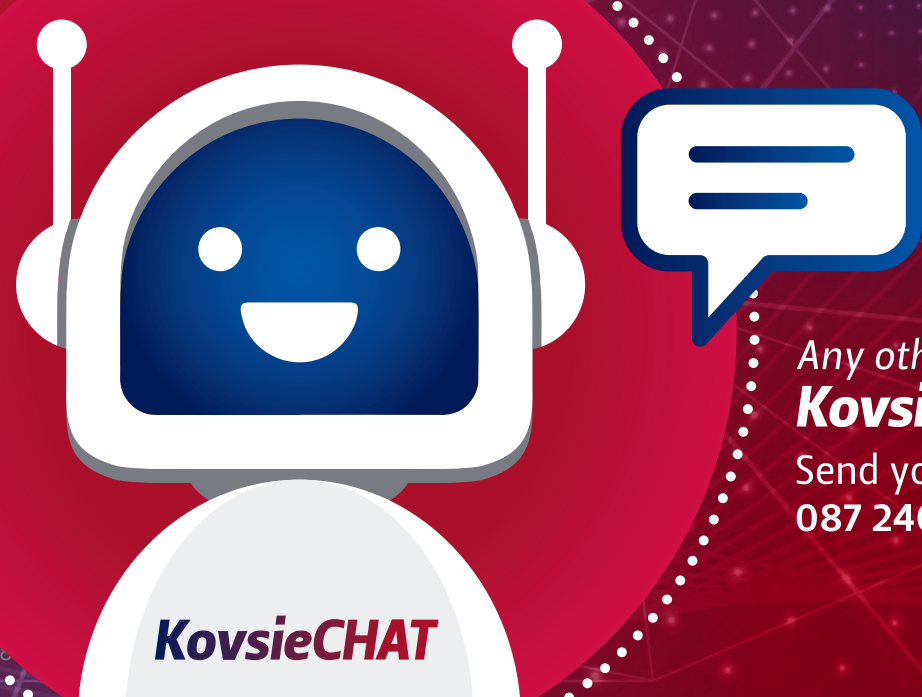
DAMAGE TO STUDENTS' PERSONAL POSSESSIONS

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 Division of Protection Services. 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 Division of Protection Services 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 Division of Security Services.



Any other questions?
KovieCHAT can help you.

Send your question to
087 240 6370

KovieCHAT

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 her. Prof Hester C. Kloppe 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.

KOVIE:

The historical word 'Kovie' 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.

QUICK REFERENCE

IMPORTANT CONTACT NUMBERS

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	Funza Lushaka	+27 51 401 2025	butlermm@ufs.ac.za
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