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Message from the Dean

The Faculty of Veterinary Science at Onderstepoort is the only one of its kind in South Africa and has the sole responsibility to train veterinarians and veterinary nurses who are indispensable to the country. It is also the leading veterinary faculty in Africa and enjoys wide-ranging international recognition.

The Faculty is known for the unique spirit among its students to excel, compete and ultimately be successful in what they do. They are making their presence known at all levels of student and academic life at the University of Pretoria.

Veterinary science serves the health interests of farm animals, companion animals, wildlife and humans alike by dealing with the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of animal diseases, the production of safe food and, through the control of diseases transmitted from animals to humans, the health of human beings. The quality of its training is such that graduates from this Faculty have no difficulty competing for and entering postgraduate programmes at universities in any country in the world. Its graduates are partners in or principals of private

practices, and occupy managerial positions in industry and public service institutions across the world.

The Faculty's campus compares most favourably with the best in the world. It has five academic departments, an Equine Research Centre and a Centre for Veterinary Wildlife Studies. The Onderstepoort Veterinary Academic Hospital (OVAH) provides state-of-the-art facilities for the clinical departments and is the focus of the Faculty's clinical service-rendering activities to the surrounding community. In addition it provides a national referral service. The new, modern student accommodation that was officially opened on this Campus in 2012 has contributed to the University's plans to significantly expand its Faculty of Veterinary Science. Furthermore, new additions to the Faculty are underway, which include a new multidisciplinary laboratory, a new skills laboratory, a new student centre, offices for student administration and our Client Service Centre. We believe that a healthy and safe living environment is conducive to an excellent study environment and enhances the academic experience of students.

We look forward to welcoming you as a new student to our Campus, where you will be empowered to eventually start a career as a balanced professional person.

Prof Gerry Swan
Dean: Faculty of Veterinary Science



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Undergraduate study programmes



Faculty of Veterinary Science																	
Important information on undergraduate study programmes for 2015																	
• All study programmes in this Faculty include selection procedures, which are based on academic merit, the result of the National Benchmark Test (NBT) and a value-added questionnaire. Applicants, who indicate BVSc or DipVetNurs as their first choice, will be given preference. In order to retain provisional admission candidates should still comply with the minimum subject and Admission Point Score (APS) requirements based on their National Senior Certificate (NSC) results. • In order to register for the University degree or diploma, NSC/IEB/Cambridge candidates must comply with the minimum requirements for degree studies, as well as the minimum requirements of the study programme. • Life Orientation is excluded when calculating the APS.																	
University of Pretoria website: www.veterinary.up.ac.za								National Benchmark Test website: www.nbt.ac.za									
Study programme Duration Closing dates Careers	Minimum requirements for 2015																
	Achievement level																
	English				Mathematics				Life Sciences				Physical Science				APS
	NSC/IEB	HIGCSE	AS-Level	A-Level	NSC/IEB	HIGCSE	AS-Level	A-Level	NSC/IEB	HIGCSE	AS-Level	A-Level	NSC/IEB	HIGCSE	AS-Level	A-Level	
BVSc (Bachelors degree in Veterinary Science) [6 years] Closing dates: SA – 31 May Non-SA – 31 May	5	3	C	C	5	3	C	C									32
The NBT and the value-added questionnaire are compulsory components of the selection process. Applicants with an APS between 30 and 32 will be considered for access into the BSc (Four-year Programme) – Biological and Agricultural Sciences. Candidates in this category are admitted into the second semester of the first year of BVSc, after successful completion of the first three semesters of the BSc (Four-year Programme). Careers: Veterinarians in private practice, research, academia or state veterinary services. Veterinarians can also work in the following fields: diagnostic laboratories, veterinary public health (milk and meat hygiene, control of transfer of disease), technical services, research and product development in pharmaceutical and food industries, consultancy, laboratory animal management, wildlife management, poultry and pig production and animal welfare.																	
DipVetNurs (Diploma in Veterinary Nursing) [2 years]* Closing dates: SA – 31 May Non-SA – 31 May	4	3	D	D	4	3	D	D	4	3	D	D	4	3	D	D	24
The NBT and the value-added questionnaire are compulsory components of the selection process. Careers: Veterinary nurses can be employed by the following institutions: private veterinary practices, veterinary academic hospitals, the pharmaceutical industry, the animal food industry, animal welfare societies, zoological gardens, game parks, laboratory animal units, rehabilitation centres, research centres, animal boarding establishments, organised agriculture, dairies and farming operations.																	

*The University plans to offer a three-year Veterinary Nursing Degree, which will be introduced in 2015/16 (pending approval). The Diploma in Veterinary Nursing will therefore be phased out and the last intake for this two-year diploma will be in 2014/15 (pending approval).

General overview

The Faculty structures provide for the following divisions, departments and centres:

Student Administration

- Provides full logistical support to all academic departments, students and staff for all undergraduate and postgraduate degree and diploma programmes.
- Provides a wide range of student support services in collaboration with similar service providers on the Hatfield Campus of the University.

Academic departments

- Anatomy and Physiology (anatomy, embryology, histology and physiology)
- Companion Animal Clinical Studies (medicine, surgery, anaesthesiology, diagnostic imaging, clinical pathology: dogs, cats, horses)
- Paraclinical Sciences (pathology, pharmacology, toxicology, veterinary public health, phytomedicine)
- Production Animal Studies (food animals: cattle, small stock, pigs, poultry, wildlife: reproduction of all species)
- Veterinary Tropical Diseases (infectious and vector-borne diseases, parasitology, zoonoses and veterinary professional life)

Faculty Administration

- General Administration
- Finances
- Human Resources
- Onderstepoort Teaching Animal Unit (OTAU)

Marketing and Communication Division

- Public relations, communication, publications and media

Centres

- Equine Research Centre (ERC)
- Centre for Veterinary Wildlife Studies (CVWS)

Onderstepoort Veterinary Academic Hospital (OVAH)

- A state-of-the-art facility for year-round clinical and referral services
- Satellite community clinics
- Experiential training of students

Academic study programmes

The Faculty currently offers the following programmes at undergraduate and postgraduate level:

Undergraduate

BVSc (Bachelors Degree Programme in Veterinary Science)

DipVetNurs (Diploma in Veterinary Science) – to be phased out once the new Veterinary Nursing Degree Programme is introduced.

Postgraduate

BVSc(Hons)

MMedVet

MSc (Veterinary Science)

MSc (Veterinary Tropical Diseases)

MSc (Veterinary Industrial Pharmacology)

MSc (Veterinary Epidemiology)

MSc (Veterinary Reproduction)

MSc (Ruminant Health)

MSc (Animal/Human/Ecosystem Health)

PhD

DVSc

Veterinary Science (BVSc)

The BVSc study programme is only offered by the Faculty of Veterinary Science of the University of Pretoria at the Onderstepoort Campus on a full-time basis. The language of tuition in this Faculty is English. A well-developed student support system is in place, including mentoring, tutoring and didactic support.

The core-elective study programme of the six-year BVSc is an internationally recognised and recommended approach in which all candidates complete a core curriculum over four and a half years (nine semesters). They then complete a chosen elective, which gives them increased competencies to enter the profession in their chosen career paths. The training concludes with more than 12 months of experiential training in the core and chosen elective components. The first year of the new study programme is presented at the Hatfield Campus; the remaining years are presented at the Onderstepoort Campus.

Students admitted to the BSc (Four-year Programme) – Biological and Agricultural Sciences spend the first 18 months in the BSc (Four-year Programme), after which they join their fellow students in the second semester of the first year of the BVSc study programme. The first year is spent on the Mamelodi Campus, the second year on Hatfield Campus and the remainder of their studies at Onderstepoort.

Applications for all students close on 31 May.

Application and admission requirements for 2015

The BVSc study programme is highly popular and selection is therefore based on merit. The Faculty does not determine specific selection cut-off values as these are determined by the strength of the applications in a particular year.

School-leavers

- A valid National Senior Certificate (NSC) with admission for degree purposes.
- Subject requirements and an Admission Point Score (APS) as indicated in the table on page 1 of this brochure. The APS is calculated from the achievement levels obtained in the six 20-credit subjects of the NSC. Life Orientation is excluded when calculating the APS.
- A completed National Benchmark Test (NBT). Basic performance in any component of this test is regarded as unacceptable.
- Completed value-added questionnaire.

Applicants with previous tertiary exposure

There is an opportunity for students with previous tertiary experience to also apply for the BVSc study programme. Placement in either the first or second year of the BVSc study programme will depend on, among others, merit and subject choices.

International students

A small number of international students may be admitted to the study programme, mainly those from neighbouring Southern African Development Community (SADC) countries. For matriculation exemption requirements and the calculation of the APS, please refer to pages 12 to 14 of this brochure.

Equivalency of academic credits will be taken into account. Once applicants have been accepted for this study programme, they will receive a letter of acceptance from the University, which will facilitate their application for a study permit. A valid study permit, obtained in the country of origin, is a prerequisite for registration.

Selection of applicants

A total of 190 students will be admitted to the first year of the study programme from 2014 onwards. The Faculty endeavours to meet the veterinary needs of the country and the specific requirements of higher education legislation through the selection of applicants. The recruitment and selection process is therefore structured in such a way that it will address diversity, excellence, equity, gender and geographic distribution.

The procedure will be reviewed on an annual basis, and makes provision for the following categories of students:

- School-leavers
- Students with previous tertiary exposure
- International students
- Students nominated by other bodies (eg the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries)

Selection will be based on academic performance, the NBT and the completed value-added questionnaire. The study programme consists of a combination of lectures, electronic learning opportunities, discussions, demonstrations, seminars, assignments, group work, practical and clinical work. The latter is offered mainly in the Onderstepoort Veterinary Academic Hospital and its satellite facilities and community clinics.

A graduate who has completed the study programme will have received broad-based training with an expanding elective programme to cater for specific interests. It will also enable the graduate to enter a number of postgraduate study programmes. Upon conferment of the BVSc degree, the new graduate is entitled to register





with the South African Veterinary Council (SAVC) as a veterinarian. Registration with the SAVC is a prerequisite for practising as a veterinarian in South Africa. The University's BVSc degree is also recognised in the United Kingdom, Australasia and Malaysia. Draft regulations for Compulsory Community Service by new graduates have been formulated for comment. Implementation is dependent on a date to be announced by the Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (DAFF).

BVSc curriculum

More information about the BVSc curriculum can be found on the Faculty's website at www.veterinary.up.ac.za.

Career opportunities in veterinary science

Veterinary science offers rewarding and wide-ranging employment opportunities for new graduates.

Private practice

The majority of veterinarians in the country are gainfully employed in private practice, either in their own practices, in partnership, as assistants or as locums.

There are several avenues of private practice: rural practice, providing veterinary services to the livestock farmer (cattle, horses, sheep, goats, pigs, poultry and game), companion animal practice (dogs, cats, horses, cage birds, etc) and mixed practice (pets and farm animals). The services provided by the private practitioner include clinical services, disease prevention strategies, advice and a whole range of consultative services on nutrition, management, production, reproduction, biotechnology (embryo transfer), etc. Some practices are species-specific (dogs, cats and small pets, cattle, horses), whereas others offer services across species barriers and also cater for wildlife and exotic animals.

Research

Research can be conducted in a wide spectrum of areas (veterinary, agricultural and biomedical sciences), attending to problems related to both animals and humans.

Academia

Graduates can teach at veterinary, medical, agricultural and natural science faculties, conduct research and participate in community engagement projects and the provision of clinical services.

State veterinary services

A significant number of veterinarians are employed as state or provincial veterinarians in government service. They render essential regulatory services related to the diagnosis, surveillance, monitoring, control, prevention and eradication of notifiable diseases. State veterinarians are also responsible for matters related to the import and export of animals and animal products as well as for food safety and security. In regions where there are no private practitioners, state veterinarians may also provide clinical services.

Private, state and provincial diagnostic laboratories

Graduates can provide routine or forensic diagnostic services involving disciplines such as pathology, clinical pathology, microbiology and toxicology.

Veterinary public health

Food security and the production of food that is safe for human consumption are very important fields in which the veterinarian plays a key role. Veterinarians are responsible for ensuring the maintenance of meat and milk hygiene in abattoirs and milk processing plants, in addition to their role in the maintenance and improvement of animal health on the farm. Veterinarians involved in the field of veterinary public health play an important role in the control of zoonotic diseases (ie diseases transferred from animals to humans).

Commerce

The veterinarian is involved in research and product development in the pharmaceutical and feed industries, as well as in the provision of technical advice in sales and management.

Consultancy

The veterinarian can provide specialised or specialist services to the farm animal and pet industries, for example, as a consultant in the pig and poultry industries, feedlots or specialist practices (such as surgery, internal medicine, ophthalmology and dentistry). In the case of a specialist practice, the practitioner will need to have the appropriate postgraduate qualification and be registered with the SAVC to practise as a veterinarian and a specialist.

Laboratory animal science

The veterinarian is an essential member of the team involved in the welfare of laboratory animals, monitoring the utilisation of animals for experimental purposes and giving advice on ethical issues.

Wildlife management

Wildlife ranching, conservation and involvement at a zoological institution offer wonderful career opportunities for the veterinarian. However, posts in these fields are limited.

Poultry production

The poultry industry provides large volumes of animal protein for human consumption and veterinarians play a pivotal role in the poultry industry.

Animal welfare

The veterinarian is intimately involved in animal welfare in the provision of clinical services and advice, and in management at welfare organisations. Veterinarians are involved in general matters pertaining to the welfare of animals through the promotion of appropriate husbandry practices, nutritional practices, disease prevention strategies and sound production systems.

International employment

Graduates from the Faculty enjoy wide national and international recognition and the BVSc degree of the University of Pretoria is recognised in the United Kingdom, as well as by the Australasian Veterinary Boards Council and Malaysian authorities.

General

For a young person who is interested in animals and/or a career in biomedical sciences, veterinary science provides a spectrum of wonderful opportunities. Like many similar career options, veterinary science may perhaps be considered a 'calling' and the decision to become a veterinarian involves both the head and the heart. While a love for animals may be a component of the decision to pursue veterinary science as a career, a deeper empathy will be required, coupled with a sense of compassion and caring.

The course is demanding and requires dedication and hard work. It is a career with long and often irregular hours and will certainly test tolerance levels. Whatever field of the profession the graduate chooses to pursue, the ability to work with both people and animals is essential.

Veterinary science offers a host of rewarding and challenging career opportunities, all of which can bring immense job satisfaction. The South African Veterinary Council (SAVC) controls the ethics and standards of veterinary education and practice. All graduates must register with the Council before being allowed to practice, and are subject to its rules. The veterinary profession in South Africa has a proud tradition of service to the community, which has been built on the high quality of the training provided and the professional service rendered.

Veterinary Nursing (DipVetNurs)

Studies in Veterinary Nursing, as a recognised profession, is only offered by the Faculty of Veterinary Science of the University of Pretoria. DipVetNurs is currently still a two-year diploma programme and is offered on a full-time basis. The Faculty intends to introduce a three-year veterinary nursing degree programme in 2015/16 subject to approval. The last intake of students into the Veterinary Nursing Diploma Programme will therefore be 2014/15, after which it will be phased out as the degree programme is introduced.

Application and admission requirements

The closing date for all Veterinary Nursing applications is 31 May.

A valid NSC with university admission is required for all school-leavers who do not have tertiary experience. The APS is calculated from the achievement levels obtained in the six 20-credit subjects of the NSC excluding Life Orientation. Minimum admission requirements appear on page 1 of the brochure. Additional requirements include the NBT and a completed value-added questionnaire. All years of study are presented at the Onderstepoort Campus of the University of Pretoria.

Selection of candidates

A total of 50 students will be admitted to the study programme. The Faculty endeavours to meet the veterinary nursing needs of the country and the specific requirements of higher education legislation through the selection of applicants. The recruitment and selection process is therefore structured in such a way that it will address access, diversity and excellence. The procedure will be reviewed on an annual basis and makes provision for the following categories of students:

- School-leavers
- Students with previous tertiary exposure
- International students
- Students nominated by other bodies (eg The Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries)

Selection will be based on academic performance, the NBT and a completed value-added questionnaire.

A limited number of international students may be admitted to the study programme. Equivalency of academic credits will be taken into account. Once applicants have been accepted for this programme, they will receive a letter of acceptance from the University, which will facilitate their application for a study permit. A valid study permit, obtained in the country of origin, is a prerequisite for registration.

Academic study programme

The diploma programme currently requires two years of full-time study. This will change to three years once the degree programme is introduced. The language of tuition is English. The first year of the diploma is devoted to basic modules in anatomy, physiology, pharmacology, ethology, microbiology, parasitology, laboratory techniques and general nursing. It also includes modules in medical nursing, reproductive nursing and theatre practice.

The second year of the diploma is devoted to medical nursing, reproductive nursing, theatre practice, anaesthesiology, radiography and surgical nursing. It also includes a semester of clinical training at the Onderstepoort Veterinary Academic Hospital and approved private veterinary facilities.

Career opportunities in veterinary nursing

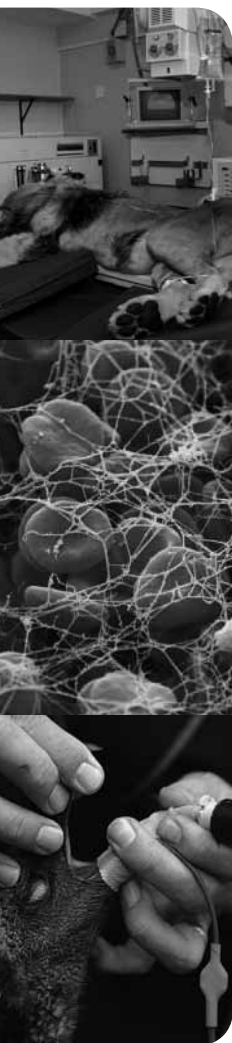
Veterinary nursing is recognised by the SAVC as a para-veterinary profession and all qualified veterinary nurses are registered with the SAVC. Registration is a prerequisite for practising as a veterinary nurse. Veterinary nursing opens up a wide range of rewarding and satisfying career opportunities. Wherever there is employment for a veterinarian, there is also a career opportunity for a veterinary nurse.

Veterinary nursing requires a dedicated and motivated person with a special interest in working with animals and their owners. The veterinary nurse is a member of a professional team that includes veterinarians, and is expected to show a high degree of responsibility, organisational skills, patience and good human relations. Self-discipline, honesty, dedication and a sense of humour are recommended attributes.

The following employment opportunities are available:

- Private veterinary practice is urban, rural, mixed general, or species-specific. The veterinary nurse assists with anaesthesia, operating theatre management, intensive care, radiography, laboratory analysis, animal patient care and nursing, disease prevention, administration and practice management.
- Employment in the Onderstepoort Veterinary Academic Hospital, as well as in the pharmaceutical and animal food industries, offers further opportunities. Veterinary nurses are also employed in animal welfare societies throughout South Africa.
- Zoological gardens, game parks, laboratory animal units, rehabilitation centres, research centres, boarding establishments, organised agriculture, dairies and farming operations also offer gainful employment.





Postgraduate study programmes

Honours in Veterinary Science BVSc(Hons)

The honours degree provides students with a broad scientific background in the theoretical aspects of various disciplines. The degree will enable the student to apply this knowledge in the workplace or towards completion of the MMedVet degree. A candidate must have a BVSc or an equivalent professional veterinary degree to enrol for the BVSc(Hons). Entry examinations for individual modules may be required. The programme is under review.

Master of Veterinary Medicine MMedVet

The master's degree in Veterinary Medicine is a specialist professional degree that equips the student with a broad scientific background in the theoretical aspects and specific practical skills in the chosen field of study. Credits obtained in the BVSc(Hons) programme may be retained in the MMedVet programme. The MMedVet degree allows the graduate to register with the SAVC as a veterinary specialist.

Magister Scientiae (Veterinary Science) MSc (Veterinary Science)

The MSc degree in Veterinary Science is a research degree offered by all departments over a minimum period of one year and a maximum of three years.

Magister Scientiae (Veterinary Tropical Diseases) MSc (Veterinary Tropical Diseases)

This programme is being phased out and no new admissions are accepted.

Magister Scientiae (Veterinary Industrial Pharmacology) MSc (Veterinary Industrial Pharmacology)

This is an MSc degree programme offered by the Department of Paraclinical Sciences to equip candidates with the appropriate knowledge and skills required by the veterinary pharmaceutical industry.

Magister Scientiae (Veterinary Epidemiology)

This degree programme provides training in the principles of and methods used in veterinary epidemiology, including training in selected more specialised tools used in the discipline.

Magister Scientiae (Veterinary Reproduction)

This degree programme will be suitable for veterinarians with an interest in reproduction and an interest in doing research in the field of reproduction, irrespective of the species in which their interest lies.

Magister Scientiae (Ruminant Health)

This degree programme underlies the major health and production considerations in domesticated ruminants.

Magister Scientiae MSc: Animal/Human/ Ecosystem Health

This is a web-based MSc degree programme offered by the Department of Veterinary Tropical Diseases to equip candidates with the knowledge and skills required for a career in One Health.

Philosophiae Doctor PhD

The PhD degree is offered by all departments. The degree is conferred on the basis of the successful completion of a thesis. An additional oral examination is required.

Doctor of Veterinary Science DVSc

The DVSc degree is conferred on the basis of scientific publications.

Note: Three additional MSc degrees were recently approved – see Faculty Yearbook.

General information

Faculty-specific information

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Hatfield 0028

GPS coordinates of UP campuses

Hatfield: S25° 45' 21" E28° 13' 51"

GIBS: S26° 07' 46" E28° 02' 46" (56 km
from Hatfield Campus)

Groenkloof: S25° 46' 10" E28° 12' 34" (3.5 km
from Hatfield Campus)

LC de Villiers: S25° 45' 10" E28° 14' 46" (1.2 km
from Hatfield Campus)

Mamelodi: S25° 43' 22" E28° 23' 56" (12 km
from Hatfield Campus)

Onderstepoort: S28° 10' 54" E25° 38' 52" (22 km
from Hatfield Campus)

Prinshof: S25° 43' 57" E28° 12' 10" (6 km
from Hatfield Campus)

UP banking details

Absa	Standard Bank
Branch: Hatfield	Branch: Hatfield
Branch code: 632005	Branch code: 011545
Account number: 214 000 0054	Account number: 012 602 604
Swift code: ABSAZAJJ	Swift code: SBZAJJ

Welcoming Day and the Programme for Registration and Start of the Academic Year

Attendance of the Welcoming Day on Saturday, 18 January 2014 and the programme for registration and start of the academic year is compulsory for all new first-year students. This programme has been designed to assist students with their academic preparedness, enabling them to successfully make the adjustment from high school to university.

Applications

New students may only register after successful admission. If provisionally admitted, they will still have to comply with the requirements of the faculty in which they wish to register with the end examination results of their final school-year¹. Thus, new students will only be permitted to register once their application and admission

¹ The end examination results of the final school-year refer to the examination results regarded by Higher Education South Africa (HESA) as the minimum requirement for tertiary study in South Africa.

processes have been approved. Provisional admission is based on the results obtained in the Grade 11 end examination. Please take note that the end examination results of the final school-year remain the determining factor for admission. Furthermore, please note that the achievement of the minimum requirements does not necessarily guarantee admission to any study programme.

Late applications

Before you submit a late application, please contact the Faculty Administration Office to ensure that there is still space available. If the study programme is not subject to selection and if the Faculty still has space available, your application will be considered. Late applications are only accepted on condition that all the admission requirements for the relevant study programmes are fully complied with. Should you not comply with the requirements, your application will not be considered. Application fees will not be refunded.

Admission (new first-year students)

- If you have been provisionally admitted to the University, the end examination results of your final school-year must still comply with the admission requirements for the study programme to which you were provisionally admitted. If the end examination results of your final school-year do not comply with the admission requirements, contact the relevant Faculty's Student Administration Office with regard to your admission status.
- If you have been placed in a residence, please refer to your placement letter for occupation dates.
- If you have been provisionally admitted to a residence, but the end examination results of your final school-year are lower than the admission requirements, you may not move into the residence until the relevant Faculty's Student Administration Office has confirmed your admission. Admission in such cases is not guaranteed.
- If you apply to have some of your final school-year subjects re-marked, and you do not comply with the minimum admission requirements based on your current results, you will not be allowed to register in the interim. Re-marked results are only available in February and in terms of the University's policy such marks will not be taken into consideration. You are welcome to apply for the next academic year.

National Benchmark Test (NBT)

The National Benchmark Test is not compulsory for all study programmes. Please refer to the relevant study programmes in this brochure. Please note that the Academic Literacy Test does not replace the National Benchmark Test.

Contact information

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The calculation of the Admission Point Score (APS) is based on a candidate's achievement in any six recognised 20-credit subjects (not only designated subjects) by using the seven-point rating scale below. Life Orientation is excluded from the calculation of the APS.

Achievement	Achievement level	Mark
7	Outstanding achievement	80–100%
6	Meritorious achievement	70–79%
5	Substantial achievement	60–69%
4	Adequate achievement	50–59%
3	Moderate achievement	40–49%
2	Elementary achievement	30–39%
1	Not achieved	0–29%

Language policy and medium of instruction

In conducting its business, the University uses two official languages: English and Afrikaans. In formal education, the medium of instruction is English or Afrikaans, or both of these languages – provided that there is a demand and that it is academically and economically justifiable. However, it remains the student's responsibility to ascertain on an annual basis in which language a module and any further level of that module is presented. In respect of administrative and other services, students have the right to choose whether the University should communicate with them in English or Afrikaans.

Academic Information Management (AIM)

- Academic Information Management modules (AIM 101 or both AIM 111 and AIM 121), depending on your study programme, are compulsory for all new first-year students.
- AIM 101 will be presented in the first or second semester, depending on your study programme.
- AIM 111 will be presented in the first semester and AIM 121 in the second semester.
- There are no exemption examinations available for AIM 101 or AIM 111 and AIM 121.

Academic literacy for first-year students

An inadequate level of academic literacy can impact negatively on a student's chances of academic success. The University of Pretoria has processes in place to identify students who might need development. This is done by way of evaluating Grade 12 marks in English or Afrikaans or the results of the Academic Literacy Test. Full details will be communicated to all admitted students in the information brochure for the programme for registration and start of the academic year, which is distributed in November or December. If you are required to write the test, time will be scheduled in the programme. If your Grade 12 English or Afrikaans marks are to be used, the Faculty's Student Administration Office will register you for the appropriate study programme as identified by your Faculty.

Please note that the Academic Literacy Test does not replace the National Benchmark Test (NBT).

Bursaries, awards and loans (financial aid)

The University reserves the right to amend, without prior notice, the regulations and conditions applicable to bursaries, awards and loans. Students who are interested in the support bursaries and loans administered by the University should submit an application via the University's website www.up.ac.za/feesfunding. This is, however, not applicable to achievement awards as a different process is followed in this regard.

Contact information

Website: www.up.ac.za/feesfunding

Information on study costs, accounts and financial aid is published on the University's website at www.up.ac.za/feesfunding and in the Fees and Funding brochure available at the Client Service Centre.

Sports bursaries

Sports bursaries are available, subject to various conditions, to sports achievers who obtained at least provincial colours in selected sport. It is expected of these students to actively participate in this sport for a UP Club while studying at the University. The closing date for applications is 30 September of the year preceding commencement of study. Bursary application forms are available from the Sports Centre.

Contact information

Tel: +27 (0)12 420 6060
 Email: sportinfo@up.ac.za
 Website: www.up.ac.za/sport

Other bursary options

You may also visit the following websites for information on bursaries:

- www.up.ac.za/feesfunding
- www.gostudy.mobi, which lists bursaries according to field of study
- <http://bursary.hcifoundation.co.za>
- The Bursary Register:
 Tel: +27 (0)11 672 6559
 Email: slevin@mweb.co.za

Edu-loan

Edu-Loan is a registered credit provider, allowing access to study loans for employees as well as full-time students. A student loan can include a whole range of student-related necessities such as books, accessories, laptops, university and private accommodation, as well as study tuition with a fixed monthly instalment.

Anyone (students, parents or guardians) can apply for a loan, provided that the applicant is in full-time employment or has a registered business.

Contact information

Tel: +27 (0)12 420 5175/2161 or
 +27 (0)86 632 8882/3
 Email: Isaac.senosi@up.ac.za
 Location: R1-13 Student Centre
 Business hours: 08:00–16:00

Guaranteed undergraduate achievement awards: 2015

Learners do not apply for the achievement awards below. These awards are awarded based on academic achievement.

Qualifying average percentage	Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology and Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences	Faculty of Health Sciences and Faculty of Veterinary Science	Other faculties
75%–79.99%	R6 000	–	–
80%–89.99%	R15 000	R6 000	R15 000
90%–100%	R40 000	R20 000	R40 000

Note: The University of Pretoria reserves the right to amend award values without prior notice. Please refer to www.up.ac.za/feesfunding for the criteria applicable to the above achievement awards.

Other achievement awards: 2015

Learners do not apply for the following two awards. These awards are awarded based on academic achievement. Only students with South African citizenship or permanent residency in South Africa are considered for these awards.

Description	Award value	Faculty	Notes
JuniorTukkie Grade 11 Empowerment Programme (15 awards)	R13 600	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Natural and Agricultural Sciences Health Sciences Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology 	The 15 learners with the best Grade 12 results who attended the JuniorTukkie Grade 11 Empowerment Week, will each receive an amount of R13 600.
Grade 12 dux learner (top academic achiever in Grade 12) at selected feeder schools (one award per school)	R5 000	Any faculty	The final decision regarding the selection of schools for this award rests with the University of Pretoria.

Note: The University of Pretoria reserves the right to amend award values without prior notice. Please refer to www.up.ac.za/feesfunding for the criteria applicable to the above achievement awards.

Contact information

Tel: +27 (0)12 420 3111
 Email: csc@up.ac.za
 Website: www.up.ac.za/feesfunding
 Location: Hatfield Campus
 Postal address: Client Service Centre
 University of Pretoria
 Private bag X20
 Hatfield 0028

Special offer for academic achievers

Please take note of a special offer for top academic achievers based on average percentages obtained in the end examination of the final school-year. This special offer is only applicable to new first-year students who obtained 75% or more in the end examination of their final school-year. For more information on the University's special offer to new first-year students, visit web.up.ac.za/admissioninfo.

Fees

For the estimated tuition fees for 2014 in this Faculty, please consult www.up.ac.za/feesfunding. All amounts are subject to change and should not be considered to be the final cost. The rate of inflation during 2014 can be used as a guideline to estimate the increase in tuition fees for 2015.





Payments, rebates and pay-outs

The fees below are for 2014 unless otherwise indicated.

Description	Amount payable	When to pay	Notes
Application fee	R300 (for 2015)	This fee is payable with submission of application for studies.	This fee is non-refundable.
Registration fee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Payable prior to registration Also payable every subsequent year before registration 	R4 600	Selection study programmes This fee is payable WITHIN 30 days of placement to reserve your study place.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The registration fee forms part of the tuition fees and is an initial payment towards the tuition fees. R950 of the R4 600 will be retained for cancellations made WITHIN 30 days after placement. R2 300 of the R4 600 will be retained for cancellations made MORE THAN 30 days after placement.
		All other study programmes The fee is payable at least 5 days before registration in January/February.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The registration fee forms part of the tuition fees and is an initial payment towards the tuition fees. This fee is fully refundable if the student does not register.
International levy for all non-South African citizens	R2 500	This levy is payable before registration in January/February.	This levy is fully refundable if the student does not register.
Tuition fees	Refer to www.up.ac.za/feesfunding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Half (50%) of the student account is payable before or on 30 April. The full (100%) student account is payable before or on 31 July. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accounts are available on the UP Portal (Student Centre) after registration. Accounts are mailed monthly, starting March.
Discount for early payment		A discount of 2.5% is granted if the student account is paid in full by 30 April.	
Family rebate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two students – 10% rebate is granted on the tuition fees for each of the students. Three or more students – 20% rebate is granted on the tuition fees for each of the students. 	Apply before 31 March.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This rebate is only applicable on tuition fees. Students must apply annually. Students must apply in writing. The 2.5% discount for early payment will not be given on the family rebate Application forms are available on www.up.ac.za/feesfunding or at the Client Service Centre.
Summer School and Winter School	Full tuition fees are payable for the modules taken.	Fees are payable with the rest of the student account.	When modules are repeated, the full tuition fee will be charged again.
Fees paid by bursars	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bursaries may or may not cover the full costs of study. Ensure that you are aware of the full value of your bursary. 	External companies or other institutions that sponsor students with bursaries, need to make the required payments to the students' accounts by the same dates as if the students were paying the accounts themselves. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Half (50%) of the student account is payable before or on 30 April. The full (100%) student account is payable before or on 31 July. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students must submit written proof from the sponsors of the bursary awarded to them prior to registration, otherwise the registration fee will be payable by the student. Students remain responsible for their student accounts if their bursary sponsor does not pay the account.
Credit balances	Amounts in credit on your account are payable.	Payment depends on the source of the credit balance.	The Refund form is available on www.up.ac.za/feesfunding or at the Client Service Centre (CSC).
Other living costs	These costs are not included on the account.	Payment should be done as required, for example books, food, travel, stationery, printing and internet.	Students should manage these costs themselves.
Cancellation fees Discontinuation of studies and discontinuation of a module	Refer to www.up.ac.za/feesfunding .	Payment of these fees are determined by the official date the University was notified in writing of the discontinuation.	In cases where discontinuation is due to the hospitalisation or death of a student, cancellation fees may be waived if sufficient proof is provided.

Accommodation on UP campuses

Campus	Single rooms (2014 amount)*	Double rooms (2014 amount)*
Hatfield		
Ladies' residences: Asterhof, Erika, Jasmyn, Katjeepering, Madelief, Klaradyn, Magrietjie, Nerina	R29 700	R27 500
Ladies' residence: Nerina (new wing)	R33 100	
Men's residences: Kollege, Maroela, Mopanie, Taaibos	R29 700	R27 500
Men's residences: Boekenhout, Olienhout	R32 000	R29 700
Men's and ladies' residence: TuksVillage	R33 100	
Groenkloof		
Ladies' residences: Zinnia, Lilium, Inca	R29 700	R27 500
Men's residence: Kiaat	R29 700	R27 500
Mamelodi		
Men's and ladies' residence: Tuks Naledi		R27 500
Onderstepoort		
Men's and ladies' residence: Onderstepoort	R29 700	R27 500
Men's and ladies' residence: Onderstepoort (new wing)	R36 000	
Prinshof		
Ladies' residence: Curlitzia	R29 700	R27 500
Men's residence: Olympus	R31 500	
Men's and ladies' residence: Hippokrates (single room)	R39 100	

*Amounts will be adjusted for 2015.

Contact information

Tel: +27 (0)12 420 3111
 Email: csc@up.ac.za
 Website: www.up.ac.za/accommodation
www.up.ac.za/feesfunding

Private accommodation

The University can unfortunately not provide accommodation to all applicants, as the demand exceeds the available places. The following private facilities may be considered for alternative private accommodation:

Private accommodation in the vicinity of Hatfield Campus

Accredited men's residence	Telephone number	Email and/or website
Sonop	+27 (0)12 460 5723/7830	toniev@sonop.org.za
Accredited accommodation	Telephone number	Email and/or website
Midcity	+27 (0)12 426 3400 +27 (0)82 887 4165	www.midcity.co.za
South Point	+27 (0)80 078 833 687	www.staysouthpoint.co.za
The Fields (City Property)	+27 (0)12 362 4473/4504	propworld@cityprop.co.za
Urban Nest	+27 (0)12 343 5138	info@urbannest.co.za

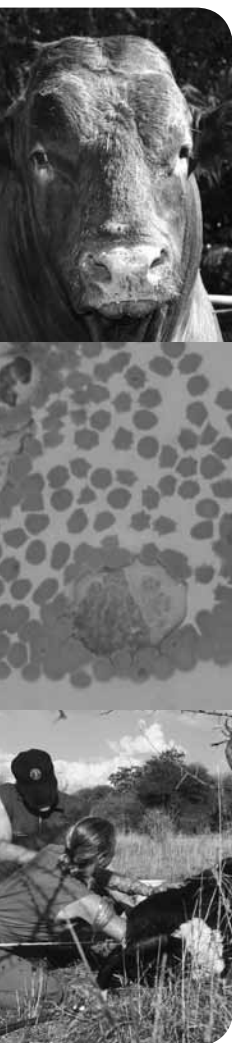
Private accommodation in the vicinity of Prinshof Campus

Accredited accommodation	Telephone number	Email and/or website
Craig's Place (City Property)	+27 (0)12 319 8700	propworld@cityprop.co.za
Jakaranda Lodge	+27 (0)12 330 2424	bookings@jaklodge.co.za

Alternative private accommodation

Accredited accommodation	Telephone number	Email and/or website
190 On-Suite	+27 (0)12 322 0277 +27 (0)82 551 8676	conradk@mmaphuti.co.za www.mmaphuti.co.za
Arlon Property	+27 (0)12 362 5499/1868	arlon@icon.co.za
Off Campus Rental	+27 (0)12 362 6123 +27 (0)83 438 2548	ocrental@telkomsa.net





UP Open Day

Date: 24 May 2014
Time: 08:00-14:00

The following persons should attend the UP Open Day:

- Grade 12 learners (final school-year) who have received confirmation that they have been provisionally admitted to a study programme
- Grade 12 learners (final school-year) who meet the admission requirements and wish to hand in their application forms
- Grade 11 learners who are fairly certain that they will apply at UP
- the parents of the abovementioned learners

Sport

Sport represents a significant part of student life. The University of Pretoria provides students with opportunities to participate in a variety of sporting disciplines at club, national and international level. The University also boasts excellent sports facilities, which are highly regarded both nationally and internationally.

The LC de Villiers Sports Grounds are centrally located and are easily accessible to students. TuksSport has a large number of sports clubs and is currently the largest source of athletes for a variety of sports disciplines and national teams. TuksSport forms a vital part of the UP experience. You are therefore encouraged to choose the University of Pretoria for an outstanding sports and academic career.

Contact information

Tel: +27 (0)12 420 6060
Fax: +27 (0)12 420 6095
Email: sportinfo@up.ac.za
Website: www.up.ac.za/sport

High Performance Centre (hpc)

The University of Pretoria's High Performance Centre (hpc) is Southern Africa's first elite performance sports facility.

Contact information

Tel: +27 (0)12 362 9800
Fax: +27 (0)12 362 9890
Email: info.hpc@up.ac.za

TuksSport High School

Tel: +27 (0)12 343 4527
Fax: +27 (0)86 636 4019
Location: TuksSport Study Centre
Technical Building (Building 5)
Groenkloof Campus
cnr Leyds Street and
George Storrar Drive, Groenkloof

Student Affairs

The Student Affairs offices are located in the Roosmaryn Building on the Hatfield Campus. The Department of Student Affairs has two divisions: Student Support and Student Development.

Student Support Division

This division includes student health, student counselling and the Unit for Students with Special Needs.

Services provided by the Student Support Division include the following:

- academic development (career counselling and assessment, study methods and reading courses, stress management, psychometric testing, time management and career planning)

- potential development (conflict management, communication skills, goal setting and problem solving)
- individual and relationship counselling (interpersonal problems, stress, depression, eating disorders, life trauma, emotional problems and the development of life skills)

Contact information

Tel (office hours): +27 (0)12 420 2333
Tel (after hours): +27 (0)12 420 2310/2760
24-hour crisis line: +27 (0)80 000 6428 (toll free)
Email: ethel.mothamme@up.ac.za
Location: Student Centre (opposite Pie City)
Hatfield Campus
Office hours: 07:30–16:00

Groenkloof Campus

Tel: +27 (0)12 420 5687
Location: R505 Sports Centre

Hatfield Campus

Tel: +27 (0)12 420 2333
Location: Student Centre (opposite Pie City)

Mamelodi Campus

Tel: +27 (0)12 842 3724
Location: Student Health Centre

Onderstepoort Campus

Tel: +27 (0)12 529 8476
Location: Arnold Theiler Building
(Student Administration Offices)

Prinshof Campus

Tel: +27 (0)12 420 2333
Location: 8th floor
Basic Medical Sciences Building

Student Development Division

This division includes all student governance structures and organised student life initiatives:

- Student Forum (SF)
- Student Representative Council (SRC)
- Constitutional Tribunal (Student Court)
- day houses
- faculty houses (www.up.ac.za/facultyhouses)
- over 100 religious, cultural, academic, political and other societies
- Tuks Top Junior/Senior and ENACTUS UP
- Mentorship programme
- service providers:
 - TuksRAG (Reach Out and Give)
 - Stuku (student culture)
 - *Perdeby* (student newspaper)
 - Tuks FM (campus radio station)
 - Student Sport

Contact information

Tel: +27 (0)12 420 6600/1411
Location: Roosmaryn Building
Hatfield Campus

Day houses

If you are not living in a residence, but would like to have a great student life, then you should consider joining one of the day houses on campus. This will give you the opportunity to take part in organised student life activities such as rag and sport, as well as cultural and social events.

You can join one of the official day houses: Vividus Men, Vividus Ladies, Zeus or Luminous. An annual membership fee is payable. Don't miss out – be sure to sign up with the day house of your choice!

Contact information

Website: www.up.ac.za/dayhouses

Faculty houses

By default, all students (day and residence students) belong to the faculty house of the faculty in which they are registered. Faculty houses have an academic focus and play an important role in linking students and lecturers in the faculty.

There are no membership fees payable to join a faculty house, but students have the option to purchase items such as T-shirts or to attend camps and other events for which fees are charged. Typical activities include personal and professional as well as development opportunities, such as presentations by speakers on various topics and excursions to relevant industries. Faculty houses are also involved in various community service projects. Some faculty houses participate in sport leagues.

The faculty house also serves as a link with the class representative system in the faculty.

Contact information

Website: www.up.ac.za/facultyhouses

Library services

The Department of Library Services is host to a world-class modern academic research library network spread over the campuses of the University. This service is aligned to the University of Pretoria's faculties with customised services for undergraduates, postgraduates, staff, alumni and visiting academics. All services are designed to create a gateway to global information and support learning, teaching and research through interaction with professional staff.

Key initiatives include an e-service (online), access to wide-ranging print and electronic collections, the Learning Centre at the Merensky Library and online assignment support for undergraduate students, an online reference service (Ask-a-Librarian), wireless hot spots, search engines to access electronic journals, books and databases, electronic theses and dissertations, an institutional repository, various audiovisual materials, dedicated facilities for the physically challenged and postgraduates, and interlending library facilities to national and international collections. All of these actively contribute to a world-class learning environment.

Contact information

Website: www.library.up.ac.za and
www.library.up.ac.za/mobi

International students

All non-South African citizens must report to the International Students Division in the Client Service Centre on the Hatfield Campus prior to registration. The Client Service Centre will be open from 6 January 2014. The international students' special orientation programme will take place on 17 and 19 January 2014. Students can obtain more information from the International Students Division in the Client Service Centre.

Non-South African citizens will have to submit proof of legal status in South Africa, as well as proof of adequate medical aid cover at the International Students Division in the Client Service Centre before they will be able to register.

Contact information

Tel: +27 (0)12 420 3111
Email: csc@up.ac.za
Website: www.up.ac.za/ISD
Location: Client Service Centre
Hatfield Campus

Supporting documents

Please note that students must have photocopies ready before going to the International Students Division in the Client Service Centre. Copies can be made at the Xerox Copy Centre in the Student Centre on the Hatfield Campus.

All non-South African citizens will have to show their original documents and submit two photocopies of the documents listed below:

- the International Students Information form, completed and signed
- a valid passport or an ID (in the case of students with permanent residence in South Africa)
- a valid study permit endorsed for studies at the University of Pretoria or one of the following:
 - an asylum-seekers permit
 - a Certificate of Refugee Status
 - a diplomatic passport (not a diplomatic card) and a diplomatic permit
- proof of medical cover (medical cover must be paid a year in advance, January to December)

The abovementioned documents must be submitted to an international consultant and the information must be captured before you can register.

Study permit

Every non-South African citizen is required to have a valid passport and temporary residence permit, such as a study permit, endorsed for studies at the University of Pretoria. Non-South African citizens wishing to enter South Africa should only apply for study permits once an official letter of admission has been received.

How to apply for a study permit

You are required to apply for a study permit at the South African High Commission, Embassy, Consulate or Trade Mission in your country of residence or the nearest South African High Commission, Embassy, Consulate or Trade Mission. The SADC countries are Angola, Botswana, DR Congo, Lesotho, Malawi, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Seychelles, South Africa, Swaziland, Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

The following documents should be submitted to the South African Embassy or Consulate in order to obtain your study permit:

- a passport valid for not less than 30 days after the intended study period
- proof of payment of an administrative fee (as required at the time by the Department of Home Affairs of South Africa)
- confirmation of South African medical cover and proof of payment of membership fee to a medical aid scheme registered with the Council for Medical





- Schemes in South Africa. Cover must be valid for the duration of one academic year (January to December)
- an admission letter from the University stating the following:
 - the duration of the study programme;
 - confirmation that the admitted student is not taking the place of a local student; and
 - undertaking to inform the Department of Home Affairs if the student deregisters.
 - a medical report (less than six months old) by a registered medical practitioner
 - a radiological report (less than six months old)
 - proof of the availability of funds to cover tuition fees and self maintenance for the duration of studies in South Africa
 - a police clearance certificate for the past six months or longer if the applicant is older than 18 years of age
 - details regarding arranged accommodation while in South Africa

Other documents that may be required are the following:

- a yellow fever vaccination certificate
- a certificate or other documentary proof of marital status (eg married, widowed, divorced or separated)

Repatriation guarantee

A cash deposit equal to a return ticket to the country of origin (repatriation guarantee) may be required.

Change of institution (study permit holders)

The University may only register a student for academic studies once the prospective applicant has produced a valid study permit. It usually takes at least six weeks for an application to be processed. It is also important to note that a study permit is issued to study at one institution and a student would have to apply for a change of conditions, should they want to change institutions. This can be done in South Africa in the municipal area applicable to the new institution of study.

Before applying for this permit, a student must obtain a release letter from the current institution, stating that this institution has no objections to the transfer.

Change of conditions (study permit holders)

A change to the conditions of a study permit should be available in a situation where a student holds a valid study permit with a condition to study at another institution in South Africa (other than the one the student is applying to). This is usually the case with learners and students studying at South African high schools, colleges and other academic institutions. Their permits would therefore need to be endorsed with a condition to study at the institutions mentioned above. In order to register at the University of Pretoria, the permit will need to be endorsed for the applicant to study at the University of Pretoria. Application for a change to the conditions of a study permit constitutes a new application for a study permit. Although the applicant will need to complete a separate form, the requirements are the same as those for the initial application for a study permit.

Please note the following:

- These forms are available on the internet (www.home-affairs.gov.za). They can also be collected at any South African visa-issuing authority (Department of Home Affairs offices, consulates or embassies).
- This information is meant to serve as a guide only. Requirements for studying in South Africa are

subject to change and each application is treated as an individual case. Always make enquiries before travelling to South Africa.

- The holder of a study permit for studies at a higher education institution may conduct part-time work, but the period for undergraduate students may not exceed 20 hours per week; and for postgraduate students the period may not exceed 20 hours per week, for as long as their study permits are valid.

Medical cover for study permit holders

Non-South African citizens who are holders of study permits, or who wish to apply for a study permit must, in terms of South Africa's Immigration Act, have sufficient medical aid cover for the duration of their stay in South Africa. Non-South African citizens intending to study at the University of Pretoria can join one of the following medical aid schemes:

Momentum Health (Ingwe option)

Membership fees are payable in advance annually.
 Tel: +27 (0)12 671 8511
 Email: studenthealth@momentum.co.za
 Website: www.ingwehealth.co.za

BestMed Medical Scheme (Blueprint student option)

Membership fees are payable in advance annually.
 Tel: +27 (0)12 339 9800 or
 +27 (0)86 000 2378 or
 +27 (0)86 000 BEST
 Fax: +27 (0)12 323 4106 or
 +27 (0)12 339 9900
 Email: lineyl@curemed.co.za

Higher Education South Africa (HESA)

A full or foreign conditional exemption certificate is a prerequisite and applicable to non-South African citizens and to students who do not have a South African National Senior Certificate (NSC) qualification or Independent Examination Board (IEB) qualification and who want to enrol for undergraduate studies at the University of Pretoria. This certificate can only be obtained from HESA.

HESA requires the following documentation when applying for a full or foreign conditional exemption certificate:

- copies of foreign qualifications certified as correct by the registrar of a South African university, a South African Embassy or Consulate in a foreign country or a public notary – result slips, faxes and copies certified by a commissioner of oaths are not acceptable
- a certified copy of your South African identity document (in the case of permanent residents only) or a valid foreign passport reflecting your full names and date of birth, passport number and photograph or a certified copy of your birth certificate
- a completed M30E form (<http://hesa-enrol.ac.za> – follow the link to Applications)

Contact information

Tel: +27 (0)10 591 4401/2
 Fax: +27 (0)12 481 2922/2718
 Email: exemptions@hesa-enrol.ac.za
 Website: www.hesa.org.za
 Location: Building 3 Level 1
 Unisa Sunnyside Campus
 Pretoria
 Postal address: PO Box 3854
 Pretoria 0001

South African Qualifications Authority (SAQA)

Postgraduate applicants must have all previous post-school qualifications evaluated by SAQA when applying for postgraduate study programmes at the University of Pretoria.

Contact information

Call centre: +27 (0)12 431 5000/70
 Helpdesk: +27 (0)86 010 3188
 Fax: +27 (0)12 431 5039
 Website: www.saqa.org.za
 Location: SAQA House
 1067 Arcadia Street
 Hatfield
 Postal address: Postnet Suite 248
 Private bag X06
 Waterkloof 0145

Evaluation of foreign qualifications:

Tel: +27 (0)12 431 5070
 Helpdesk: +27 (0)86 010 3188

Admission Point Score (APS) conversion

The following tables can be used to convert your marks/symbols into an Admission Point Score (APS) when applying for studies at the University of Pretoria (UP).

Admission Point Score (APS) Conversion Table

APS (requirement level for subjects as well as overall APS)	NSC/IEB	SC HG M-score	SC SG M-score	HIGCSE NSSC HL	AS-Level	IB SL	IGCSE/ GCSE/ NSSC OL/ O-Level	IGCSE/ GCSE/ NSSC OL/ O-Level
							Grade 11*	Grade 12**
7	7 (80–100%)	A		1	A	7	A	
6	6 (70–79%)	B	A	2	B	6	B	
5	5 (60–69%)	C	B	3	C	5	C	A
4	4 (50–59%)	D	C	3	D	4	C	B
3	3 (40–49%)	E	D	4	E	3	D	C
2	2 (30–39%)	F	E			2	E	D/E
1	1 (0–29%)	G	F			1	F	F/G

Admission Point Score (APS) Conversion Table only for Cambridge Advanced Level and IB Higher Level

APS		A-Level	IB HL
Requirement level for subjects	Requirement level for overall APS		
7	10	A	7
6	8	B	6
5	7	C	5
4	6	D	4
3	5	E	
2	4		
1	3		

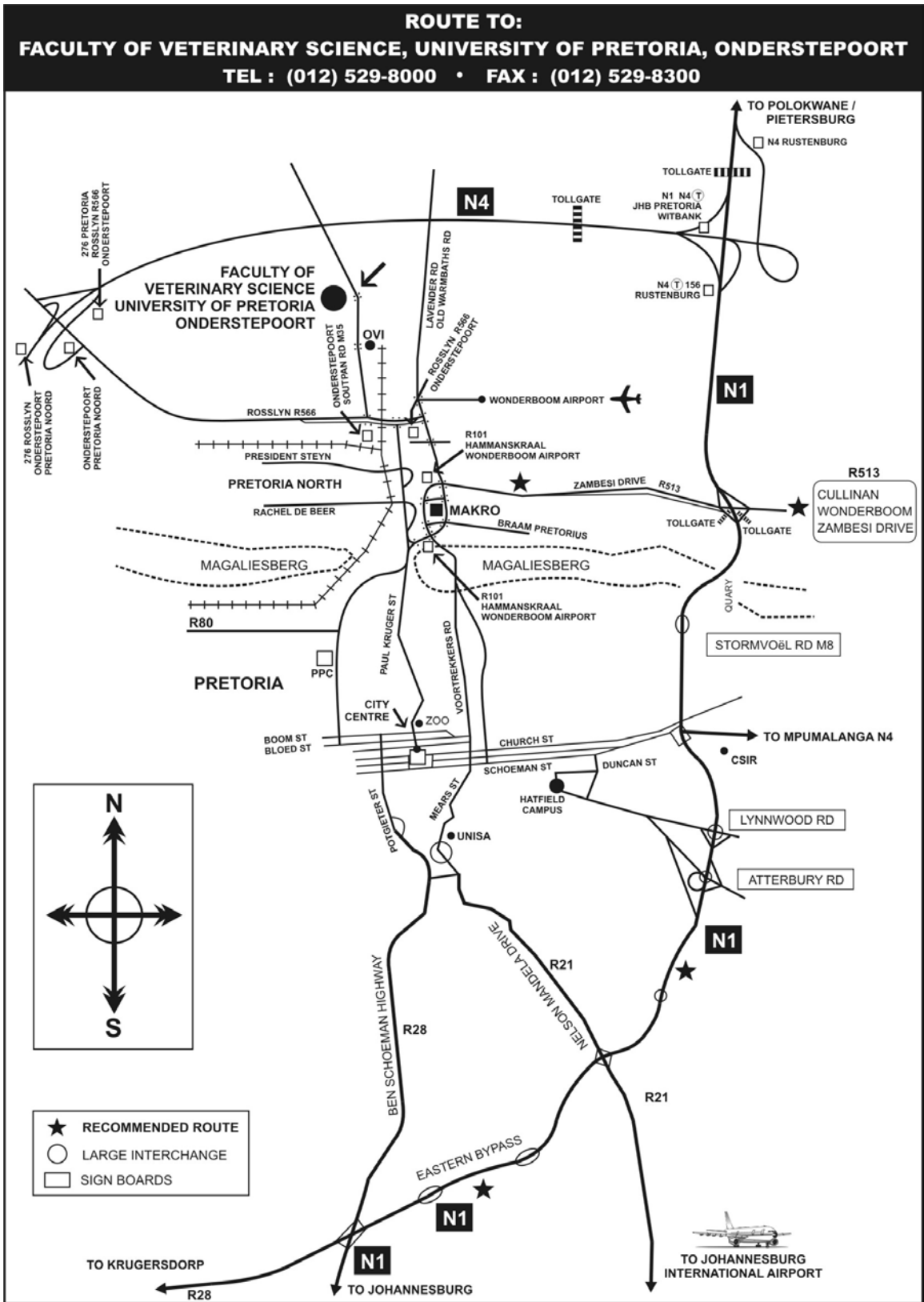
NSC	– National Senior Certificate (completed Grade 12 in and after 2008)
IEB	– Independent Examination Board
SC HG	– Senior Certificate Higher Grade (completed Grade 12 before 2008)
SC SG	– Senior Certificate Standard Grade (completed Grade 12 before 2008)
HIGCSE	– Higher International General Certificate of Secondary Education
A-Level	– Advanced Level
AS-Level	– Advanced Subsidiary Level
IB	– International Baccalaureate Schools (Higher Levels and Standard Levels)
IGCSE	– International General Certificate of Secondary Education
GCSE	– General Certificate of Secondary Education
NSSC	– Namibia Senior Secondary Certificate
O-Level	– Ordinary Level

*Grade 11 = IGCSE/O-Level: APS conversion for Grade 11 equivalent qualifications only and for conditional admission and selection purposes

**Grade 12 = IGCSE/O-Level: APS conversion for Grade 12 equivalent qualifications – not for final admission and must be taken together with Advanced Subsidiary Level and Advanced Level for exemption purposes



Route map





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