

NELSON MANDELA
UNIVERSITY



Undergraduate Programmes

General Information & Admission Requirements

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100 YEARS OF MANDELA

Welcome

Your decision to consider a university education and indeed, enrolling at Nelson Mandela University, may well be one of the most significant decisions of your career.

As you will see from this guide, Nelson Mandela University offers you an ideal environment and facilities, excellent learning opportunities, a wide spectrum of beyond-the-classroom activities and a solid values-driven base on which and in which to pursue your future dreams.

We take particular pride in bearing the iconic name of Nelson Mandela, the late legendary statesman who transformed this country through his unwavering commitment for a more just and equal society. It is a quest that our new generation university is determined to continue.

While we have the widest range of academic and professional programmes – from diploma-level through to doctorates – in the Eastern Cape, and offer all the modern facilities for a conducive learning environment, we also have a deep moral responsibility to live the legacy of Nelson Mandela.

Nelson Mandela recognised the importance of education as a force for good, and so we commit to being a destination of choice for those who are:

- Prospective pioneering change agents for a better world;
- Committed to creating jobs in an entrepreneurial economy;
- Inspired by a deep need to serve and give back.

We wish to honour Nelson Mandela – especially in the centenary year of his birth - by leading our university into a new era of transformation, innovation, development and change.

We invite you to be part of this exciting journey as a future Mandela student in growing your knowledge and understanding, and in seeking solutions with the potential to radically improve the quality of human conditions and contribute towards a more sustainable planet.

We hope to welcome you as part of the Nelson Mandela University family.

Prof Sibongile Muthwa
Vice-Chancellor



About Nelson Mandela University

Nelson Mandela University is the only university in the world that carries the name of Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela. The University embraces Nelson Mandela's challenge to be "caring, responsible and innovative", and recognises the importance of continuously growing and adapting in the pursuit of knowledge and lifelong learning. We are committed to providing a welcoming and inspiring environment that is supportive, innovative, diverse and safe. Our students need to feel they are in a place of learning and discovery, founded on strong, egalitarian values that encourage them to express themselves, stretch themselves, and seek new solutions for a better world.

The University embraces Nelson Mandela's challenge to be "caring, responsible and innovative", and recognises the importance of continuously growing and adapting in the pursuit of knowledge, emancipation and lifelong learning.

The university boasts more than a century of experience in quality higher education, research and technological innovation. We unite the best traditions of both the academic and technological worlds – from entrance level (certificate) through to research level (PhD).

- We are the largest higher education institution in the Eastern and Southern Cape;
- Over 27 000 students are enrolled on seven different campuses – six in Nelson Mandela Bay (Port Elizabeth), and one in George;
- Programmes are housed within seven faculties (Arts; Business & Economic Sciences; Education; Engineering, the Built Environment & Information Technology; Health Sciences; Law and Science), and in some cases, programmes are duplicated on more than one campus;
- The university's George Campus is situated at the foot of the Outeniqua Mountains in the picturesque coastal town of George.

With their spectacular natural surroundings – from beaches to mountains to game reserves – Nelson Mandela Bay and George are ideal places to spend your student years, offering all the advantages of city living in a friendly and safe environment.

Student services

A wide range of student services and support facilities are offered on university campuses to assist you in every aspect of student life – from what to study, to finding suitable employment after graduation. The university offers a variety of social and cultural activities, which means you can have fun while you study. There is an extensive range of sport codes, associations, societies, clubs and facilities, allowing you to make new friends, interact with your fellow students and explore subjects of mutual interest.

• **Library and Information Services**

Nelson Mandela University has a network of well-stocked libraries, computer laboratories, and student learning centres which enable students to obtain quality information resources and services required to excel in their various academic courses. These centres are located on all campuses, and also offer students with a quiet space for studying.

• **Campus Health Service**

Students have access to a comprehensive primary health care service on every campus, and qualified medical personnel to assist with any health matters which may arise. All services are rendered by registered health care professionals eg. professional nurses, medical doctors and registered counsellors.

• **Student Counselling, Career & Development Centre (SCCDC)**

The Student Counselling, Career & Development Centre (SCCDC) helps students with career choices, job-seeking skills, and any social, personal or academic problems they may have. The centre offers advice in areas such as time management, study methods, personal, social and emotional wellness, as well as career planning and employment assistance.

• **Student Development & Governance (SDG)**

This department contributes towards the holistic development of students. The core functions of this department are the training and development of student leadership, the coordination of student life & events, and supporting student governance structures such as the Student Representative Council (SRC), the Student Housing Council; faculty representatives, the Sports Council, Oppidani and Rag. They also provide students with advice on the various student societies that you could join.

• **Arts, Culture & Heritage Unit**

The Department of Arts and Culture focuses on the holistic development of students by creating opportunities for their participation in the arts. Arts and Culture provides an environment in which students are able to exercise and develop their need for cultural and artistic expression. You are provided with the opportunity to express your talents by joining a wide range of interactive, cultural and active societies. These societies are diverse and vary from performing arts, dancing, music, drama and choirs.

• **Student Representative Council (SRC)**

The SRC is elected annually in a democratic election to represent the interest of students. The SRC is the only body which the university officially recognises as speaking on behalf of the students.

• **Oppidani (day students)**

Students who do not live in a campus residence are known as Oppidani students. All non-residential Nelson Mandela University students are automatically members of the Oppidani House and are known as Oppies. Although Oppies live off campus, participation in non-academic life is encouraged. The Oppidani House Committee is the body of elected student leaders who are your link with the university and campus life.

• **Societies**

Students can become a member of numerous student-run societies enabling them to have fun with like minded students while gaining valuable leadership, communication and social skills. There are presently 76 societies active on our various campuses, and these societies are categorised as either academic, religious, developmental, social responsibility or political.

Madibaz Sport

Madibaz sport offers a wide variety of competitive and recreational sport programmes for students and staff, as well as the wider university community. These programmes provide students with the opportunity to participate in various sport and recreational activities ranging from informal social games, to highly competitive leagues where skills are tested against the best in the province and country. In addition, through the various high performance programmes coordinated by the Madibaz High Performance Complex, the university plays a major role in the process of developing elite and potentially elite players.

Madibaz sport also provides club members with excellent sport facilities, scientific based coaching programmes, which includes organisational and administrative support. Well-equipped health and

fitness centres offer professional gym facilities at student prices, and provide assistance with sport performance testing, sport specific training and injury rehabilitation.

The following clubs are offered on the various university campuses:

Athletics* • Athlons (Tri; Bi; Du- and Biathlete) • Basketball • Chess • Cricket* • Cycling • Golf • Hockey* • Judo • Karate • Netball* • Rugby* • Rowing • Soccer* • Squash* • Surfing • Swimming • Table Tennis • Tennis* • Underwater hockey • Volleyball • Water polo

*** Sports also offered on the George Campus.**

Madibaz

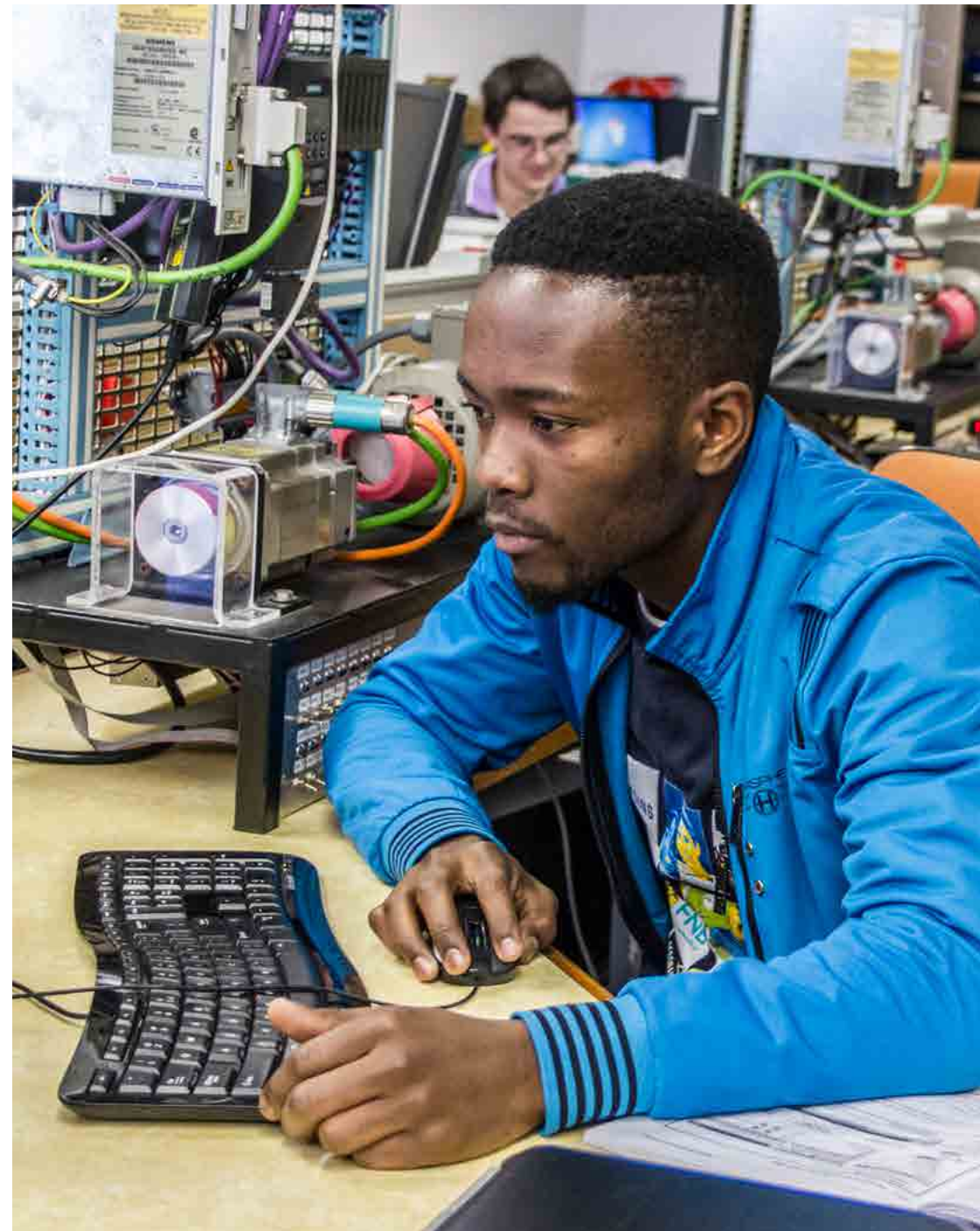
All teams have nicknames, or names by which they are popularly known. Nelson Mandela University has one too. Those who work, study and play sport at Nelson Mandela University proudly refer to themselves as Madibaz. In addition to our name, the university also boasts a mascot, named Diba.



Admission to Nelson Mandela University

Overview

- Applications for early admission should be submitted before the **August** closing date. Late applications will however be considered after this date, based on academic merit, until the **September** closing date. Places are limited and it is therefore in your best interest to submit your application early.
- Prospective students must meet the statutory minimum requirements based on the **National Senior Certificate (NSC)**, or equivalent school-leaving certificate for admission to a higher certificate, diploma or degree qualification, in order to be considered.
- Admission to an undergraduate programme will be further determined by an applicant's **Admission Point Score (APS)**. The APS system is used for allocating point values to your seven NSC subjects.
- Applicants whose **Admission Point Score (APS)** falls below the APS required for direct entry to a specific qualification, may be referred to write an access assessment test, provided that their APS falls within the indicated testing band. Provisional admission will then be based on both an applicant's school and access assessment test performance.
- Submission of a completed application form does not mean that you have been accepted as a student, or that you may register. All prospective students are selected in accordance with the admissions policy of the university, and applicants will be notified of the outcome by the admissions office.
- Provisional admission is based on levels/symbols obtained in your Grade 11 final, or Grade 12 June/September examinations. However, the final decision is based on your final Grade 12 exam results.
- Once you've submitted your form you may be required to write an access assessment test, submit a portfolio of evidence, or attend an interview. Your admission decision will then only be made once one, or all of these additional requirements have been completed.
- In addition to the general university admission requirements, each programme also has its own specific requirements.
- Applicants with international or foreign qualifications must satisfy the requirements laid down by the Matriculation Board to qualify for a certificate of exemption for a particular international or foreign school leaving qualification.
- In the case of applications by candidates who have studied at other higher education institutions accredited by the South African Qualifications Authority (SAQA), the results obtained at such institutions will be considered, together with their academic record and certificate of conduct.
- There are limits to the number of students that can be admitted to each programme.
- **If a programme is full, you may be denied admission even though you meet the minimum requirements.**
- Prospective students who **matriculated prior to 2008** must please contact the university's Admission Office to determine their admission requirements.
- For more information on the application process please contact **041 504 1111**, or visit our website (mandela.ac.za/application) before applying.
- **Please note that admission requirements are subject to change.** Information in this programme guide was correct as at **April 2018**.



How do you apply?

- Applicants can apply online by logging on to: mandela.ac.za/application;
- **Please note** that applications **only open** at the beginning of April for the next year's undergraduate intake.
- **No application fee** is required for South African citizens, but there is an application fee for International Students.
- Manual application forms for study at Nelson Mandela University can be obtained by calling (041) 504 1111, or by e-mail: info@mandela.ac.za, or collected from the University's admissions office.
- Before completing the application form, please take note of the minimum admission requirements for the programme of your choice.
- **Remember to include your cell number on your form**, as we will be sending you your application status and other important information via this number (Please do not include +27 or any spacing when you enter your cell number);
- Applications for early admissions should be submitted by **2 August 2018**.
- Late applications will still be considered up to **30 September 2018**, but as space is limited we advise applicants to submit/complete their application form before the August closing date.
- Hand in your **manual application form** and **supporting documentation**, (see the first page of the application form for a checklist), to the Admissions Office on South, 2nd Ave, Missionvale or George campuses, or post your completed form and supporting documentation to the following address:

The Admissions Office
PO Box 77000
Nelson Mandela University
Port Elizabeth
6031
South Africa

Online applications

- To apply online, you will need a valid **personal email address** and your **own cell number**;
- Online application(s) are **divided into two parts** (please ensure you complete both sections);
- Gr 12 learner(s) or gap year applicants need to complete the "**Undergraduate**" section;
- **Part 1** (basic background information) – complete all sections indicated and click apply at the bottom of the page. This does not mean that your application is complete, or that you will be considered for admission yet.
- You will be sent an e-mail with a link to **part 2**, as well as your **student number and pin**;
- Click on the link and type in your student number and pin to proceed to **part 2**;
- Ensure that all sections are "green" and that there are no sections highlighted in "red" or "yellow";
- Include **all supporting documentation** with your online application in part 2 as a PDF or JPEG formatted attachment;
- At the bottom of the page you will need to click **final submit** to send us your application.
- No changes can be made after you have submitted your application form.
- Should you require support in completing your online application, you may contact our Contact Centre on **041-504 1111** for assistance, or e-mail: onlineappdocs@mandela.ac.za

Important documentation

In order for the university to finalise your application you are requested to submit the following supporting documentation with your application:

- A certified copy of your **identity document or birth certificate** (ID document compulsory for SA Citizens – your application cannot be processed without a certified copy of your ID or birth certificate);
- A certified copy of **your latest school results** (grade 11 final, or grade 12 June/September results, or final school leaving results if you have already completed Gr 12 (e.g. if you are currently at school and apply in August submit your June results). **No grade 12 March results**;
- **Declaration** by your parent / legal guardian / surety form (downloaded from the university website if you apply online);
- A certified **copy** of your **parent / legal guardian / surety's identity document**;
- Completed disability assessments form (if applicable);
- **Copy** of your current residential / home or postal address.
- **NB:** Please note that your **student number/identity number** must clearly be indicated on all documentation submitted. Your application form cannot be processed if you do not include all supporting documentation with your application.

Language of Teaching and Learning

While Nelson Mandela University is committed to multilingualism, the predominant language of teaching and learning at the University is English. The statutory language requirements can be met by obtaining a minimum rating of 3 (40 - 49%) or higher in English, Afrikaans or isiXhosa as a home or first additional language. Some qualifications may require a higher pass mark for language(s) than what is indicated here. Please refer to the subject requirements of the qualification, before completing your application form to ensure that you meet the admission & subject requirements.

Additional requirements

Over and above the minimum APS requirement, additional subject requirements have been set. These include:

1. **Mathematics:** This is required for certain programmes. Only performance in the core Mathematics topics (papers 1 and 2) will be used when making admission decisions.
2. **Mathematical Literacy:** In view of the importance of quantitative literacy for success at higher education studies, a minimum of a 3 (40-49%) or higher for Mathematical Literacy is preferred for likely success at Higher Certificate, or 6 (70-79%) for Diploma programmes. A level 4 (50-59%) or higher for likely admission to degree programmes where Mathematics is not a requirement, unless otherwise indicated.

Admission Requirements

National Senior Certificate (NSC)

- The table below explains what you need to achieve to meet the minimum entry requirements for each type of qualification;
- It is important to note that the table refers to minimum statutory entry requirements set by the Department of Higher Education & Training;
- The University may add additional requirements for specific programmes.

Qualification	Minimum statutory entry requirement
Higher Certificate	Pass NSC, with a minimum of 30% in the language of learning and teaching of the higher education institution, together with any other university requirements.
Diploma	Pass NSC with a minimum of 30% in the language of learning and teaching of the higher education institution, coupled with an achievement rating of 3 (40–49%) or better in four recognised NSC 20-credit subjects (this excludes LO which is 10-credits), together with any other university requirements.
Bachelor's Degree	Pass NSC with a minimum of 30% in the language of learning and teaching of the higher education institution, coupled with an achievement rating of 4 (50–59%) or better in four NSC 20-credit subjects from the designated list, together with any other university requirements.

Please note that the achievement of the minimum NSC admission requirements does not necessarily guarantee admission to any programme or field of study at Nelson Mandela University.

Extended Curriculum Programmes

The transition from school to university is challenging for most young people. It is, however, even more dramatic for learners who for various reasons, find that they do not meet the minimum admission requirements for the programme of their choice. Nelson Mandela University offers a wide range of extended curriculum programmes that provide such students with the opportunity to enroll for an extended programme in order to obtain the same mainstream qualification at the end of their study career (e.g. a BCom degree). In practice, it implies that a student will complete a three-year degree or diploma programme in four years. These programmes provide an environment in which academic support and skills development are integrated with regular academic work. Additional support courses and activities in the first two years of the extended programme assist students to adapt to the university's learning environment in order to follow the mainstream courses during the last two years of study.

Designated school subjects

- If you intend to enrol for a degree programme you need to ensure that **four of your seven subjects** are from the designated list and that you obtain at least a **level 4 (50-59%)** or higher in each of them.
- You will notice that the list already includes three of the four compulsory subjects required for obtaining the NSC, namely two official languages, and Mathematics or Mathematical Literacy.
- All seven subjects irrespective of whether they are from the designated list are used to calculate your APS, unless otherwise indicated.
- A learner must have selected at least four subjects from the list below, in order to apply for a degree programme.

Accounting	Language(s)
Agricultural Sciences	Life Sciences
Business Studies	Mathematics or Mathematical Literacy
Dramatic Arts	Music
Economics	Physical Sciences
Engineering Graphics and Design	Religion Studies
Geography	Visual Arts
History	Consumer Studies
Information Technology	



How to calculate your Admission Point Score (APS)

- The APS system allocates point values to seven NSC subjects.
- Write down your relevant grade 12 subjects and the percentage (%) you have obtained in each subject.
- Allocate points according to the table below.
- Include Life Orientation (LO) when you calculate your APS (unless otherwise indicated).
- Add up the number of points you have scored for all seven subjects. If you have eight or more subjects, use Life Orientation + your six best other subjects to calculate your APS (unless otherwise indicated).
- Compare your APS against the minimum APS required for the qualification you wish to apply for.
- If your APS is lower than the direct admission requirement set for a specific qualification, refer to the testing band range to determine if your score falls within the range to be referred for an access assessment test, and that you meet the subject requirements for the qualification(s) you wish to apply for.

Admission Point Score (APS)

NSC Levels	NSC %	APS Levels	APS %
7	90 – 100%	8	90 – 100 %
7	80 – 89 %	7	80 – 89 %
6	70 – 79 %	6	70 – 79 %
5	60 – 69 %	5	60 – 69 %
4	50 – 59 %	4	50 – 59 %
3	40 – 49 %	3	40 – 49 %
2	30 – 39 %	2	30 – 39 %
1	0 – 29 %	0	0 – 29 %

APS Testing Band

In order to apply for an undergraduate qualification, your Admission Point Score (APS) must either meet the direct entry requirement or fall within the testing band indicated. If your APS score falls within the testing band you may be referred to write the Access Assessment Test before a decision is made whether to admit you to that qualification. However, if your APS falls below the testing band you will need to consider applying for an alternative qualification.

Example 1

To enrol for a diploma in analytical chemistry you will need an Admission Point Score (APS) of at least 34, as well as a pass in certain subjects in order to be considered.

NSC Subject	NSC %	NSC Level	APS points allocated
English	65 %	5	5
Xhosa	60 %	5	5
Mathematics	70 %	6	6
Physical Science	55 %	4	4
History	80 %	7	7
Life Orientation	74 %	6	6
Accounting	71 %	6	6
Admission Point Score			39

The applicant has met the minimum requirements for admission to the Diploma (Analytical Chemistry).

Example 2

To enrol for BCom (Accounting) you need an Admission Point Score (APS) of at least 38, as well as **four subjects** from the **designated list** and a pass in Language(s) and Mathematics on at least level 5 (**60-69%**).

NSC Subject	NSC %	NSC Level	APS points Allocated
English	70 %	6	6
Afrikaans	80 %	7	7
Mathematics	69 %	5	5
Accounting	65 %	5	5
Life Orientation	60 %	5	5
Physical Science	74 %	6	6
Life Sciences	81 %	7	7
Admission Point Score			41

This applicant has met the minimum admission requirements for admission to the BCom (Accounting) degree.

Access Assessment Testing

If you are informed by the admissions office that you are required to write the Access Assessment Test, it means the university wishes to give you an additional opportunity to be considered for your chosen programme, by assessing your academic proficiencies for the qualification you have applied for. We want you to succeed, therefore your test results and additional information provided by yourself at testing, are used to place you where you are likely to have the best chance of being successful, and achieving your career goals. You are responsible for contacting the **Centre for Access Assessment and Research (CAAR)** to book your test date, once you have received a sms advising you to do so.

The highly trained CAAR Consultants understand the requirements of the university programme you wish to be considered for, as well as the range of options available to you, in order to help you achieve your career goals. If necessary, they may place you in an extended programme or alternative programme that suits both your current academic proficiencies and career aspirations. If, after testing you have questions or concerns about the process, you can contact the CAAR office in resolving these and planning a way forward.

You can write the Access Assessment Test in Port Elizabeth or George on the university campuses located in these cities. You may also be tested in Cape Town, East London, Umtata, Durban, Bloemfontein, Johannesburg or Polokwane if one of these venues suit you better. The cost for testing depends on where you are tested. Testing done on the university campuses (Port Elizabeth and George) are FREE. However, tests written at centres outside of PE and George are conducted by a private psychologist who will charge a fee.

To make a booking please call **041 504 2918**, or you can also book online (caar.mandela.ac.za) only after you have been informed by the admissions office that you are required to write this test.

International/Foreign Qualifications

- South African applicants with international school-leaving qualifications will be adjudged according to the School Performance Score (SPS).
- The applicant will have to comply with the minimum SPS set for the programme applied for as well as any other additional subject requirements.

- An applicant is required to obtain a minimum of 40% for English, Afrikaans or isiXhosa at home or first additional/ second language level.
- Applicants may also be required to write the Access Assessment Test before a final decision is made.
- To calculate your SPS use the symbols/achievement rating/percentages obtained in your school-leaving examinations in order to convert them to an equivalent achievement standard on the National Senior Certificate (NSC).

Admission Point Score (APS) equivalency conversion table for International/Foreign qualifications

Admissions Point	NSC Ach Level	Sen Cert HG	Sen Cert SG	HIGCSE NSSC	IGCSE O-level	AS-level	A-level	IB HL	IB SL	KCSE
12							A			
11							B			
10										
9							C			
8	7 (90-100%)	A		1		A		7		A+,A
7	7 (80-89%)	B		2		B		6		A-
6	6	C	A	3	A	C		5	7	B+
5	5	D	B		B	D		4	6	B, B-
4	4	E	C		C	E			5	C+
3	3	F	D						4	
2	2		E							
1 or 0	1		F							

Key:

- NSC** National Senior Certificate
Sen Cert HG Senior Certificate Higher Grade
Sen Cert SG Senior Certificate Standard Grade
HIGCSE Higher International Graduate Certificate of Secondary Education
IGCSE International Graduate Certificate of Secondary Education
O-level Ordinary level
AS Advanced Subsidiary
A-Level Advanced level. An A-level represents a year's extra study beyond AS level and is regarded as worth double the points awarded to an equivalent AS grade (i.e., 10-16 points on an 8-point scale) in many instances.
NSSC Namibian Senior Secondary Certificate
IB HL International Baccalaureate Schools (Higher Levels)
IB SL International Baccalaureate Schools (Standard Levels)
KCSE Kenyan Certificate of Secondary Education



Financial facts

- Before registering as a student, you need to determine whether or not you will have sufficient funds to finance your studies. Costs involved in higher education include enrolment fees, registration and tuition fees, books, transport, meals, accommodation, sports equipment and general living expenses.
- Nelson Mandela University offers financial assistance to full-time students in the form of bursaries, merit awards, scholarships and study loans for top academic achievers.
- A number of sport grants are also available for top sports performers and those who show outstanding potential.
- The university also provides financial assistance in collaboration with the **National Student Financial Aid Scheme (NSFAS)** and Fundi for financially-needy students. These funds are awarded to students in the form of a loan.
- Admission to the university does not imply that you will receive a loan, scholarship or bursary.
- Applications for NSFAS loans must be made directly on the NSFAS website, or an application form can be obtained from the NYDA offices, and sent directly to the NSFAS office in Cape Town. The closing date for NSFAS funding is advertised on their website. Further information can be obtained from the NSFAS website – www.nsfas.org.za – or by calling 086 006 7327.
- Alternatively, Fundi is a private finance company that exclusively focuses on educational finance, assisting people who are not able to pay for their own, or the studies of their dependants, and who do not qualify for the traditional financing through the formal banking sector or government aid schemes. Fundi loans are available for study fees and books, and provide simple repayment options at an affordable interest rate to loan applicants.

For more information on financial assistance, contact the **Financial Aid Office** on (041) 504 3182/1111, website: finaid.mandela.ac.za or e-mail: financialaid@mandela.ac.za.

Scholar Merit Awards

Scholar Merit Awards are awarded to new first-year students who have achieved a specific Academic Point Score (APS), based on their final grade 12 results. The rand value of this award is determined on a sliding scale between a predetermined minimum and maximum value, and is linked to the specific APS achieved by an individual first-year student.

Applicable Rules/Criteria:

- Only South African citizens and permanent residents qualify for this award;
- This award is for one year only;
- The Scholar Merit bursary is regarded as a first payment towards tuition fees;
- Prospective students do not apply for this award, as they qualify automatically based on their final Grade 12 results, if their final APS is at least 40 or above;
- They must have passed Grade 12 not more than **2 years** prior to their first year of study. If not passed the year adjacent of their first year of study, then a **Previous Activity Form** should be completed and submitted to the Financial Aid Office before **28 February**.
- Their registration at Nelson Mandela University must be their first registration at a higher education institution;
- They must remain registered as a full-time degree/diploma student for the full academic year, otherwise the bursary is withdrawn;
- If a student cancels his/her registration in the 1st semester the full award will be forfeited;
- If a student cancels his/her registration in the 2nd semester, 50% of the award will be forfeited.
- The calculation of a student's APS is based on their final Grade 12 results (usually available in

January), and the results obtained after a re-mark are not considered.

- Students who have achieved the minimum APS (40 and above), but whose qualification for this bursary has not yet been confirmed by the University at the commencement of first year registrations, must submit a certified copy of their final Grade 12 results to the Financial Aid Office.
- Qualifying students who have only been allowed to register for the first time in the second semester, may be awarded 50% of the bursary value.
- The APS score is calculated as follows, using the table below: points are earned for each of the seven individual Grade 12 subjects, based on the percentage achieved for each subject. If a student has more than seven subjects, the seven best results are used. The points for each subject are all added to form the total APS.

APS Points	NSC Percentages
8	90 – 100%
7	80 – 89%
6	70 – 79%
5	60 - 69%
4	50 – 59%
3	40 – 49%
0	0 – 39%

- The rand value of each award is determined on a sliding scale across three bands of APS scores according to the table below.

Total Merit Points	Amount*
50 and above	R16 000
46-49	R12 000
40-45	R8 000

For more information contact the Financial Aid Office on 041 504 3182/1111 or e-mail: financialaid@mandela.ac.za

***Disclaimer:** "The University reserves the right to amend the policy with regards to the allocation of this award, and may in its sole discretion, decide to implement such amendments retrospectively".

Leadership awards

Leadership Awards are granted to head prefects (Head Boy/Head Girl), and Learner Representative Council Presidents (in cases of no Head Prefects). The value of the Leadership Award for an APS less than **40** is **R4000***. Head Prefects who score an APS of 40 and more, will receive an additional **R4000***.

- Documentary proof of your Grade 12 results, including a letter from your school verifying your leadership role must be submitted to the Financial Aid office on North Campus as soon as possible. The last day for submission of these documents is **31 March** annually.

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Student merit bursaries

Returning undergraduate students can automatically qualify for merit bursaries based on their final results in the previous year of study. All students who have passed all their modules at the first attempt and have attained a weighted average mark of 70% (subject to change) or higher, and have been registered for a minimum relative course weight of at least .800 (or 96 credits), receive a student merit bursary, the rand value of which is determined on a sliding scale. This award is only made to SA citizens.

NB: Exempted courses are not included in the minimum relative weight or credit value for merit award purposes. The value of the bursary is not a fixed amount and is determined in accordance with the available budget. These awards are only for undergraduate studies. Students intending to register for Postgraduate Diplomas or honours studies must apply for those bursaries on the prescribed form before **1 November** of the year preceding postgraduate studies.

***Disclaimer:** "The university reserves the right to amend the policy with regards to the allocation of this bursary, and may in its sole discretion, decide to implement such amendments retrospectively".

Sport bursaries

Madibaz Sport offers sport bursaries of varying amounts to sport performers who have demonstrated the ability to play sport at a high level of competition. Sport Bursaries are awarded to students by the sport department. Closing date: **28 September 2018**. Bursary application forms can be obtained from the Madibaz Sport by e-mail: sport@mandela.ac.za or by calling (041) 504 2165.

Vice-Chancellor's Scholarships

The Vice-Chancellor's Scholarship aims to recruit top performing learners from diverse socio-economic contexts, to register for a Nelson Mandela University degree or diploma qualification from their first-year, and retain and develop them while they complete their studies. The scholarship, valued at R96 000 a year, is renewable for each year of a first undergraduate degree or diploma, provided academic performance remains of the highest standard. Up to 25 Vice-Chancellor's Scholarships may be awarded each year. Vice-Chancellor's Scholarship students will also have access to other benefits and opportunities that will enhance their academic experience and leadership development. For more information contact the **Communication and Stakeholder Liaison** division on 041 504 3084 or e-mail: vcs@mandela.ac.za



Accommodation

On-campus

The university provides various affordable, comfortable on-campus accommodation options. These include the residences on the university's Summerstrand and George campuses, and the Student Villages in Summerstrand, which consist of self-catering units for senior students. As accommodation is limited, early application is essential. Prospective students should note that being offered a place in an academic programme does not mean they have been accepted into a residence. The closing date for on-campus residence applications are: **30 September 2018**. No late applications will be considered. For more information contact: (041) 504 3690/1415, or e-mail: resadmissions@mandela.ac.za, or visit their website: studenthousing.mandela.ac.za

Off-campus

Some students prefer living off-campus. Off-campus accommodation options include renting flats, houses or boarding at nearby private residences. The university offers a service to assist students in finding suitable off-campus accommodation. For more information on off-campus accommodation please contact (041) 504 4735/6 or e-mail: offcampus.accomodation@mandela.ac.za, or visit their website: ocho.mandela.ac.za.

Applying for residence accommodation

- Apply online: studenthousing.mandela.ac.za
- Please note that indicating that you require residence accommodation does not guarantee placement in any of the university's on-campus accommodation options;

- A selection process has to take place and priority will be given to applicants who have obtained excellent academic results;
- No student will be admitted to residence until she/he has been academically admitted to a university programme, or before the appropriate fees have been paid;
- Also note that residence accommodation is limited and preference will be given to applications received before the end of September;
- Please submit a residence accommodation form together with proof of your current residential/home or postal address via e-mail (resadmissions@mandela.ac.za), fax (041- 504 9765) or post (Residence Accommodation, PO Box 77000, Nelson Mandela University, Port Elizabeth, 6031).

International students

The Office for International Education provides information and assistance to prospective and current international students. Information on study programmes, fees, accommodation and study permit requirements can be obtained from this office. Please contact them on +27 (0)41 504 2161 or e-mail: international@mandela.ac.za or visit their website (international.mandela.ac.za).

The closing date for applications by international students is 31 October 2018.

Assistance for students with disabilities

Nelson Mandela University would like to ensure that students with disabilities enjoy a successful student experience, thus we strive to ensure that academic concessions, reasonable adjustments for general accessibility, test and examinations and other academic concessions, are made to meet your needs. Services currently available include assistive technologies, dedicated computer spaces equipped with assistive technologies, braille transcription support, adapted transport for those with mobility difficulties, and volunteer buddies amongst other.

As every case needs to be individually assessed, please register your special needs with the university's Disability Unit **as soon as possible, preferably the year prior to registration and application**. At your first appointment you will need to provide medical documentation from an appropriate health professional. The goal of the consultations between students and the Disability Unit is to identify the impact of a disability on the students' academic performance and to maximise opportunities for independent participation.

What can we offer you?

- Support consultation sessions to determine all support required during your academic journey;
- Orientation and information sessions on various services, support, and technologies available;
- Facilitation of support services, such as assistive technology, braille support, orientation and mobility training, access to facilities, academic support concessions, adapted transport, and identifying appropriate student housing spaces according to the disability.

Bursaries for students with disabilities are available, via an online application process, through NSFAS. Please contact NSFAS on 086 006 7327, or visit their website: www.nsfas.org.za

Please contact the **Disability Unit** on 041 504 2313/ 4756/ 2562 or e-mail: disability@mandela.ac.za for further information.



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Department of Art & Design: Introductory Studies
Department of Music
Department of Studio Arts

School of Architecture

Department of Architecture
Department of Architectural Technology & Interior Design

School of Language, Media and Culture

Department of Applied Language Studies
Department of Journalism, Media and Philosophy
Department of Language & Literature
Department of Public Relations and Communication Studies

School of Governmental and Social Sciences

Department of Public Management & Leadership
Department of Political and Conflict Studies
Department of Sociology & Anthropology

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Prospective student are advised to contact the admissions office prior to applying or refer to the faculty website and the prospectus for more information regarding any qualifications offered within the Faculty of Arts.



School Of Music, Art And Design

VISUAL ARTS

Qualification	Programme Overview	Delivery mode & duration of study	APS Testing Band	APS*	Admission Requirements*	Career Opportunities
Bachelor of Visual Art (BVA)						
Bachelor of Visual Art (BVA)	<p>The Bachelor of Visual Arts begins with a generic first year of study. On successful completion of this year students apply for selection into either the Fine Art or Design stream.</p> <p>The first-year programme provides a broad base of skills and competencies that includes visual literacy, creative problem solving, design skills, sound drafting skills, some technical and technological proficiency; the ability to work in an extended range of media, both traditional and non- traditional, and appropriate experience at developing concepts and realising these in both two- and three-dimensional form; the ability to function as part of a team and the ability to articulate concepts both visually and verbally.</p> <p>The Design streams include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fashion and Textiles • Graphic Design • Photography <p>The Fine Art streams include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drawing • Ceramics • Glass • Painting • Printmaking • Sculpture 	<p>Full-time 1 year plus Full-time 2 years</p>	22 - 31	32	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum statutory NSC requirements for degree entry must be met. • English, Afrikaans or isiXhosa (home language or first additional language) on at least a level 3 (40-49%). • Mathematics 2 (30-39%) or Mathematical Literacy 3 (40-49%) <p>Qualifying applicants will be required to prepare a prescribed portfolio, attend an interview and complete a placement assessment. Numbers are limited for this programme. The portfolio is the leading indicator.</p> <p>RECOMMENDED NSC SUBJECTS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visual Arts • Design <p>Neither of these two subjects are prerequisites for admission.</p>	See the relevant discipline fields overleaf.

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Design stream						
BVA (Fashion and Textiles)	<p>Enabling students to function within the wide parameters of the world of fashion, equipping them with the ability to adapt to the fast-changing needs of the clothing and fashion industry, and providing a range of textile knowledge are the objectives of this programme. It allows the student flexibility to respond readily to the fashion or textile influences. Individual design and product development constitutes a major part of the studies, with personal style being strongly encouraged throughout the course.</p> <p>The programme allows the student to explore interest areas of a specialised nature including formal design and merchandising as it relates to the fashion, interiors and textile industry, or technological innovation with regards to hi-tech fibres, knitting and weaving systems.</p>	Full-time 2 years			<p>Only after successfully completing the generic first-year programme are students considered for placement in the second year of the degree programme.</p> <p>Students must attend an interview and submit an interview portfolio of relevant first-year work appropriate to their proposed area of specialisation. A challenge test may also be required to finalise the selection process. Admission to the student's desired area of specialisation is not guaranteed and so it is recommended that students interview for more than one area of specialisation.</p>	<p>Clothing designer (for haute couture, ready- to-wear or mass market), pattern maker, theatre designer, fashion illustrator, fashion marketer or entrepreneur (involved in buying, merchandising, co-ordination and styling for magazines, newspapers and fashion industrial publications). Textile designer in the formal and informal industry, stylist, co-ordinator of textiles, crafter or entrepreneur, consultant, trend forecaster, researcher or teacher.</p>
BVA (Graphic Design)	<p>This programme enables students to develop creative approaches to solving graphic communication problems. The programme also provides students with comprehensive training that will equip them to establish their own business and to find productive employment as designers in advertising, publishing, packaging, and related fields within commerce and industry.</p>	Full-time 2 years			<p>Only after successfully completing the generic first-year programme are students considered for placement in the second year of the degree programme.</p> <p>Students must attend an interview and submit an interview portfolio of relevant first-year work appropriate to their proposed area of specialisation. A challenge test may also be required to finalise the selection process. Admission to the student's desired area of specialisation is not guaranteed and so it is recommended that students interview for more than one area of specialisation.</p>	<p>Graphic designers may find employment with advertising agencies, design studios, repro companies, TV stations, signage companies, web developers, packaging, illustration and animation houses. They may go into partnership with an experienced designer, work freelance or establish an independent business.</p>

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BVA (Photography)	<p>This programme equips students with a comprehensive knowledge of photographic or imaging processes, materials and apparatus, through hands-on experience in the field, studio or on professional assignment.</p>	Full-time 2 years			<p>Only after successfully completing the generic first-year programme are students considered for placement in the second year of the degree programme.</p> <p>Students must attend an interview and submit an interview portfolio of relevant first-year work appropriate to their proposed area of specialisation. A challenge test may also be required to finalise the selection process.</p> <p>Admission to the student's desired area of specialisation is not guaranteed and so it is recommended that students interview for more than one area of specialisation.</p>	Careers in commercial, fashion or advertising photography; photo finishing industries, publishing and journalism, film and video production, digital imaging technology or freelancing.
Fine Art stream						
BVA (Fine Art)	<p>This programme offers training in the following disciplines:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sculpture • Painting • Printmaking • Drawing (visualisation techniques) • Glass • Ceramics <p>The student may select two of these specialisations. Together with drawing, professional practice and art theory the accent is on research, creative practice problem solving and process skills essential for contemporary art production.</p> <p>Training in small business management, basic marketing skills, personal and professional time management, as well as communication skills is an integral aspect of the programme.</p>	Full-time 2 years			<p>Only after successfully completing the generic first-year programme are students considered for placement in the second year of the degree programme.</p> <p>Students must attend an interview and submit an interview portfolio of relevant first-year work appropriate to their proposed area of specialisation. A challenge test may also be required to finalise the selection process.</p> <p>Admission to the student's desired area of specialisation is not guaranteed and so it is recommended that students interview for more than one area of specialisation.</p>	Professional artist, animator, entrepreneur, designer, illustrator, model-maker in the theatre, television and film industry, marketing and sales representative in the arts sector, curator, conservation and display expert in the museum and gallery sector, craftsperson, teacher and lecturer.

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Bachelor of Technology (BTech) (The BTech degree forms part of the fourth year of study after completing the diploma) <i>Bachelor of Technology (BTech) degrees are to be phased out in due course and replaced with an appropriate qualification e.g. Advanced Diploma.</i>						
BTech (Ceramic Design) * <i>*(Please note that the final year for new admission into this qualification will be 2019)</i>	This programme allows the student to pursue independent study within a selected area of interest. The student will use the skills developed in the diploma programme to develop a body of work for final assessment.	Full-time 1 year Part-time 2 years			Dip (Ceramic Design) or suitable RPL. An aggregate of at least 65% in Design Technology III, Design Management III and Ceramic Practice III is compulsory. Applicants also have to qualify to submit a proposal for placement into the programme.	The programme equips a student with the necessary competencies to pursue a viable career in the field of professional ceramics either as an artist, craftsman or designer.
BTech (Fashion)* <i>*(Please note that the final year for new admission into this qualification will be 2019)</i>	This programme aims to develop students' individual creative and technical abilities in a range of fashion subjects. It will equip them with up-to-date techniques and materials that could be utilised during training and later in industry.	Full-time 1 year Part-time 2 years			Dip (Fashion) or suitable RPL. An aggregate of at least 65% for the diploma is required. A 65% pass mark in Theory of Clothing III and Applied Clothing Technology III is mandatory. Applicants also have to qualify to submit a proposal for placement into the programme.	Qualified students have the potential to become private entrepreneurs and/or buyers or designers for the mass market – including chain stores. Other career opportunities include: clothing designers (mass production and haute couture), fashion illustrators, costume designers, pattern cutters, pattern graders or supervisors.
BTech (Fine Art) * Disciplines: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sculpture • Painting • Printmaking • Drawing • Glass <i>*(Please note that the final year for new admission into this qualification will be 2019)</i>	This programme enables students to demonstrate competent skills in research methodology, to engage in critical debate and to contribute to the body of knowledge and understanding within the field of contemporary arts, to extend and broaden practical and conceptual skills to produce a coherent body of work, and to demonstrate the confidence and powers of self-criticism requisite for development as an artist.	Full-time 1 year Part-time 2 years			Dip (Fine Art) or suitable RPL. An aggregate of at least 65% in Art Theory III, Studio Work and Drawing at third-year level is mandatory. Applicants also have to qualify to submit a proposal for placement into the programme.	Qualified individuals may become artists, entrepreneurs and designers in their specialist fields, e.g. stained glass designers specialising in glass conservation or new design; art marketing, development and sales in the arts sector; curators; conservation and display experts in the museum and gallery sector; teachers and lecturers; designers and illustrators in the publishing and design industry; modelmakers in the theatre, television and film industry.
BTech (Graphic Design) * <i>*(Please note that the final year for new admission into this qualification will be 2019)</i>	This programme provides an opportunity to study creative and/or technologically advanced aspects of graphic design that have significant industrial and educational value. Recommended study areas are: graphic design history, packaging, corporate identity, education and publishing.	Full-time 1 year Part-time 2 years			Dip (Graphic Design) or suitable RPL. An aggregate of at least 65% for the diploma is required. 65% pass mark in History and Theory of Graphic Design III is mandatory. Applicants also have to qualify to submit a proposal for placement into the programme.	Qualified individuals may find careers at advertising agencies, design studios, in the printing industry, publishing, packaging, display and exhibition-related design. Lately, opportunities exist in digital media and web design, while enterprising graduates freelance or open their own studios.

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BTech (Photography)* <i>*(Please note that the final year for new admission into this qualification will be 2019)</i>	This programme will equip the student with the necessary competencies to pursue a viable career as a practitioner in the communicative, technological, creative and financial aspects of the photographic environment. Recommended study areas include reportage, documentary, portraiture, digital still-life, training videos, digital image manipulation, architecture and landscape photography.	Full-time 1 year Part-time 2 years			Dip (Photography) or suitable RPL. An aggregate of at least 65% for the diploma is required. 65% pass mark in Visual Communication III is mandatory. Applicants also have to qualify to submit a proposal for placement into the programme.	Photographers may follow careers in advertising, fashion, publishing, journalism, video production and editing, as well as digital imaging technologies. Opportunities also exist in public relations, medical, scientific, commercial and industrial photography.
BTech (Textile Design & Technology) * <i>*(Please note that the final year for new admission into this qualification will be 2019)</i>	This programme allows the student to specialise in an aspect of textile design and textile production. Since many challenges face the textile industry nationally and internationally, the focus is on originality, inventiveness and product development. An acute awareness of design development in the formal and the informal industry is cultivated to ensure competitiveness in the textile field.	Full-time 1 year Part-time 2 years			Dip (Textile Design & Technology) or suitable RPL. An aggregate of at least 65% for the diploma is required. 65% pass mark in Textile and Design Studies II and Textile Design III is mandatory. Applicants also have to qualify to submit a proposal for placement into the programme.	Qualified textile designers can design carpets, tiles, textiles; act as buyers for home fashions and apparel; be employed in the sales/marketing/merchandising fields at knitting mills or may be actively involved in interior decorating.

MUSIC

Diploma (Dip)

Diploma in Music (Curriculum 2)	This programme is designed for students who do have prior learning in music, but who do not qualify for entry to degree studies, or who, in the opinion of the head of department, do not yet meet the practical and theoretical entrance requirements for the BMus degree. However, on completion of this diploma they may vertically articulate to the BMus, retaining a maximum of 240 credits already attained in the DipMus.	Full-time 3 years	22 – 29	30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum statutory NSC requirements for diploma entry must be met. • English, Afrikaans or isiXhosa (home language or first additional language) on at least a level 3 (40-49%). • Mathematics 2 (30-39%) or Mathematical Literacy 3 (40-49%). • Admission is subject to an audition in the candidate's chosen First Instrument, during which vocal or instrumental musical performance ability must be successfully demonstrated. 	Music teacher, performer, composer, programme compiler, music journalist, arts administrator, music librarian or archivist, researcher.
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Diploma in Music (Curriculum 2) <i>(continued)</i>	It comprises compulsory modules in main instrument, music theory, aural development, music history, and music teaching methodologies, in addition to which it offers a wide variety of elective modules, including a second instrument, choral music studies, orchestration, music technology, and many more.				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A minimum standard of musical performance equivalent to grade 2 of the external examining bodies for music (Unisa, ABRSM, Trinity Guildhall) is required for admission to First Instrument: Intermediate, and a minimum standard of musical performance equivalent to grade 6 of the external examining bodies for music (Unisa, ABRSM, Trinity Guildhall) is required for admission to First Instrument: Advanced. No prior learning in music theory is required for admission to Theory of Music and Aural Development, and prior learning in music theory equivalent to grade 5 of the external examining bodies for music (Unisa, ABRSM, Trinity Guildhall) is required for admission to Music Theory, Analysis and Aural Development. 	
Diploma in Music (Curriculum 1)	This programme is focused on the adult beginner. Bridging courses in practical music, music theory and English language skills are offered. Specialisation is offered in either western art music or jazz. Successful students also have the opportunity to articulate to the BMus programme, provided that the requirements for practical music studies have been met. In so doing a maximum of 240 credits attained in the diploma may be retained towards the BMus degree.	Full-time 3 years	22 – 29	30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimum statutory NSC requirements for diploma entry must be met. English, Afrikaans or isiXhosa (home language or first additional language) on at least a level 3 (40–49%). Mathematics 2 (30-39%) or Mathematical Literacy 3 (40-49%). No prior formal music training is required for theoretical subjects or instrumental studies. Admission is subject to departmental selection based on an audition in the candidate's chosen First Instrument, during which vocal or instrumental musical ability must be successfully demonstrated. 	Careers in music teaching, music technology and choral conducting.

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Bachelor of Music (BMus)						
BMus (Music Education)	The Music Education programme develops students' critical ability to analyse theories of music education, and equips them to apply effective teaching and learning strategies in music education.	Full-time 4 years	22 – 29	30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum statutory NSC requirements for degree entry must be met. • English, Afrikaans or isiXhosa (home language or first additional language) on at least a level 3 (40–49%). • Mathematics 2 (30-39%) or Mathematical Literacy 3 (40-49%). • Practical standard equivalent to Grade 6 and music theoretical standard equivalent to Grade 5 is required. • Admission is subject to departmental selection based on an audition during which an applicant must demonstrate an acceptable performance standard. 	Music teachers.
BMus (Performing Arts)	The Performing Arts programme equips learners with the ability to work as performing artists in a creative environment, and stylistic insight into the performance requirements of music.	Full-time 4 years	22 – 29	30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum statutory NSC requirements for degree entry must be met. • English, Afrikaans or isiXhosa (home language or first additional language) on at least a level 3 (40–49%). • Mathematics 2 (30-39%) or Mathematical Literacy 3 (40-49%). • Practical standard equivalent to Grade 6 and music theoretical standard equivalent to Grade 5 is required. • Admission is subject to departmental selection based on an audition during which an applicant must demonstrate an acceptable performance standard. 	Performing musicians (solo or ensemble).
BMus (Music Technology)	The Music Technology programme offers theoretical knowledge of the practice of music technology, and the skills to record, produce and programme music in a PC-based multi-track digital/analogue recording studio.	Full-time 4 years	22 – 29	30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum statutory NSC requirements for degree entry must be met. • English, Afrikaans or isiXhosa (home language or first additional language) on at least a level 3 (40–49%). • Mathematics 2 (30-39%) or Mathematical Literacy 3 (40-49%). • Practical standard equivalent to Grade 6 and music theoretical standard equivalent to Grade 5 is required. • Admission is subject to departmental selection based on an audition during which an applicant must demonstrate an acceptable performance standard. 	Music technologist, producer, arranger, composer, electro-acoustic musician, sound engineer, independent record label owner, acoustics and sound installation consultant, technology-enabled music teacher.

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BMus (Interdisciplinary Studies)	The interdisciplinary BMus option allows students to widen the scope of their degree by adding a second, non-music area of specialisation to their programme.	Full-time 4 years	22 – 29	30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum statutory NSC requirements for degree entry must be met. • English, Afrikaans or isiXhosa (home language or first additional language) on at least a level 3 (40–49%). • Mathematics 2 (30-39%) or Mathematical Literacy 3 (40-49%). • Practical standard equivalent to Grade 6 and music theoretical standard equivalent to Grade 5 is required. • Admission is subject to departmental selection based on an audition during which an applicant must demonstrate an acceptable performance standard. 	Performing artists, music teachers, various careers in the field of music technology. Various careers wherein the combination of music with a second, non-music area of specialisation is a requirement.
BMus (General)	In addition to a core curriculum of music subjects, the BMus General allows candidates a wide scope of elective options, both within and beyond the field of music.	Full-time 4 years	22 – 29	30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum statutory NSC requirements for degree entry must be met. • English, Afrikaans or isiXhosa (home language or first additional language) on at least a level 3 (40–49%). • Mathematics 2 (30-39%) or Mathematical Literacy 3 (40-49%). • Practical standard equivalent to Grade 6 and music theoretical standard equivalent to Grade 5 is required. • Admission is subject to departmental selection based on an audition during which an applicant must demonstrate an acceptable performance standard. 	This curriculum is ideally suited to the versatile musician rather than to the musician who wishes to specialise in one particular area of music.

SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE

Diploma (Dip)

Dip (Architectural Technology)	The programme aims to produce architectural technologists who will be competent to design at the basic level and, with the aid of the latest technological equipment, perform the technical aspects of architectural practice at the intermediate level.	Full-time 3 years	26 – 31	32	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum statutory NSC requirements for diploma entry must be met. • English, Afrikaans or isiXhosa (home language or first additional language) on at least a level 3 (40–49%). • Mathematics 3 (40-49%) or Mathematical Literacy 5 (60-69%). 	The field of expertise of architectural technologists is mainly construction methods, materials, the preparation of drawings and graphic presentations and the design of small buildings such as houses.
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Qualification	Programme Overview	Delivery mode & duration of study	APS Testing Band	APS*	Admission Requirements*	Career Opportunities
Dip (Architectural Technology) <i>(continued)</i>	<p>Construction technology, design and documentation are the main areas of focus. However, because architecture by its very nature is design-orientated and because technologists are allowed to practice independently, architectural design and design theory also forms part of the programme.</p> <p>For more information on the creative portfolio and interview please phone (041) 504 9928.</p>				<p>Recommended NSC subjects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visual Arts • Design • Physical Science • Engineering Graphics & Design <p>Qualifying applicants will be required to prepare a prescribed portfolio, attend an interview and complete a placement assessment. Some applicants may be required to attend a three week preparation to architectural technology course prior to registration.</p>	<p>Employment opportunities exist with architectural practices, government institutions and property developers, or as self-employed consultants.</p> <p>The programme leads to registration as professional architectural technologists with the South African Council for the Architectural Profession who will require a two-year "candidacy" period followed by a qualifying exam. They can also follow postgraduate studies in related fields such as town planning.</p>
Dip (Interior Design)	<p>The programme aims to produce interior designers who will be competent to design the working spaces or living environments of people so that they are more efficient, comfortable and aesthetically pleasing. The focus is on the re-use of existing buildings or installations in new buildings of a variety of types but most particularly the commercial field. Design exercises are augmented by the study of interior design theory, history of interior design, soft furnishings, marketing, retail design, shop fitting, space planning and related construction technologies and building services. Design trends across the spectrum of design disciplines and the latest developments in design thinking are covered in detail.</p> <p><i>For more information on the creative portfolio and interview please phone (041) 504 9928.</i></p>	Full-time 3 years	Must meet APS directly	28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum statutory NSC requirements for diploma entry must be met. • English, Afrikaans or isiXhosa (home language or first additional language) on at least a level 5 (60–69%). • Mathematical Literacy 5 (60-69%). • Qualifying applicants will be required to prepare a prescribed portfolio, attend an interview and complete a placement assessment. <p>NSC subjects like Visual Arts, and Design are given priority during selection of candidates.</p>	Employment opportunities for interior designers exist with interior design firms, architectural practices, furniture manufacturers and suppliers and property developers, or as self-employed consultants.

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Bachelor of Technology (BTech) (The BTech degree forms the fourth year of study after completing the diploma)						
<i>Bachelor of Technology (BTech) degrees are to be phased out in due course and replaced with an appropriate qualification e.g. Advanced Diploma.</i>						
BTech: Architecture (Applied Design) * <i>*(Please note that the final year for new admission into this qualification will be 2019)</i>	<p>This design-focused course is aimed at students who wish to either transfer to the architectural programme by continuing with the two-year MArch (Professional) degree or who intend to (with some experience) practice independently as professional senior architectural technologists. The design component of the course is run concurrently with the BArch Design III class.</p> <p>Those who achieve the required 60% in Design may then register for the two-year MArch (Professional) degree programme.</p>	<p>Full-time 1 year Part-time 2 years</p>			<p>Applicants who hold a Dip (Architectural Technology) from Nelson Mandela University with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An average of 70% for Principles of Architectural Design III (final mark) and 65% as the average of the final marks for Studio Work II and III and Construction and Detailing II and III. • Applicants who don't qualify in terms of the above requirements are required to write an entrance examination set and evaluated by the Department of Architectural Technology and Interior Design. • Applicants who hold a Dip (Architectural Technology) or a first degree in Architecture from another accredited tertiary institution must sit for the entrance examination referred to in the point above. 	<p>The field of expertise of architectural technologists is mainly construction methods, materials, the preparation of drawings and graphic presentations and the design of small and intermediate buildings. Employment opportunities exist with architectural practices, government institutions and property developers, or as self-employed consultants.</p> <p>The programme leads to registration as a professional senior architectural technologist with the South African Council for the Architectural Profession who will require a two year 'candidacy' period followed by a qualifying exam. They can also follow postgraduate studies in Architectural Technology or related fields such as town planning.</p>
BTech: Architecture (Technology)* <i>*(Please note that the final year for new admission into this qualification will be 2019)</i>	<p>This qualification aims to produce senior architectural technologists who will be competent to design at the intermediate level and with the aid of the latest electronic tools, perform and control the technical aspects of architectural practice at an advanced level.</p> <p>While design forms an integral part of the course the focus remains on the practical/ technological aspects of architectural practice. This includes an emphasis on "green design" and the particular needs of developmental communities.</p> <p>Students who have completed this course may register for the third year of the BArch programme in order to gain entry into the MArch (Professional) programme.</p>	<p>Full-time 1 year Part-time 2 years</p>			<p>Applicants who hold a Dip (Architectural Technology) from Nelson Mandela University with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An average of 70% for Principles of Architectural Design III (final mark) and, 65% as the average of the final marks for: Studio Work II and III, and Construction and Detailing II and III • Applicants who don't qualify in terms of the requirements stated above are required to write an entrance exam. • Applicants who hold a Dip (Architectural Technology) or a first degree in Architecture from another accredited tertiary institution must sit for the entrance examination referred to in the point above. 	<p>The field of expertise of architectural technologists is mainly construction methods, materials, the preparation of drawings and graphic presentations and the design of small and intermediate buildings.</p> <p>The programme leads to registration as professional senior architectural technologists with the South African Council for the Architectural Profession who will require a two-year 'candidacy' period followed by a qualifying exam. As such they can work in architects' offices, the public sector or with property developers. They may also choose to practice independently.</p>

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Qualification	Programme Overview	Delivery mode & duration of study	APS Testing Band	APS*	Admission Requirements*	Career Opportunities
BTech (Interior Design)* <i>*(Please note that the final year for new admission into this qualification will be 2019)</i>	<p>This programme aims to prepare senior interior designers for larger projects.</p> <p>This design-focused course aims to produce senior interior designers who can, with some experience, practice independently as part of the team of consultants responsible for major new and adaptive re-use projects. A four-year qualification is the international pre-requisite for practice in interior design.</p>	<p>Full-time 1 year Part-time 2 years</p>			<p>Applicants who hold a Dip (Interior Design) from Nelson Mandela University:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A final mark of at least 65% for each of the following modules: Interior Design III, Design Technology III, Design Theory III, or applicants who don't qualify in terms of the above point are required to write an entrance examination set and evaluated by the Department of Architecture and Interior Design in conjunction with the external moderator(s) for the modules Interior Design IV and Design Technology IV. <p>Students from other institutions or programmes may be required to complete certain pre-diploma modules as part of their course.</p> 	<p>Employment opportunities exist with interior design firms, architectural practices, furniture manufacturers and suppliers and property developers, or as self-employed consultants.</p>

Bachelor of Architectural Studies (BArch)

BArch (Architecture)	<p>The Department of Architecture's professional architecture programme is a two-degree programme: a three-year Bachelor's degree in Architectural Studies (BArch) and a two-year Master's degree in Architecture (MArch).</p> <p>Once you have the BArch degree, should you decide not to proceed further, and once you have complied with the South African Council for the Architectural Profession's (SACAP) practical training requirements, you can register as a senior architectural technologist.</p> <p>Once you have the MArch (Professional) degree and have complied with SACAP's practical training requirements, you can register as a full professional architect.</p> <p>Please note: Prospective students will be notified in December of the outcome of their application, after all the portfolio submissions and interviews have been concluded.</p>	<p>Full-time 3 years plus Full-time 2 years</p>	24 – 33	34	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimum statutory NSC requirements for degree entry must be met. English, Afrikaans or isiXhosa (home language or first additional language) on at least a level 3 (40–49%). Mathematics 4 (50-59%). Selection is based on the submission of a creative portfolio to the department, an interview with the selection committee of the department and a discussion with them about your creative portfolio. <p><i>For more information on the creative portfolio and interview please contact 041 504 2719.</i></p>	<p>Students who choose to leave after finishing only the BArch may register as senior architectural technologists after a three-year "candidacy" period followed by a qualifying exam. Employment opportunities exist with architectural practices, government institutions and property developers, or as self-employed consultants. They can also follow postgraduate studies in related fields such as town planning.</p> <p>Graduates with a BArch who wish to proceed into the MArch (Prof) degree must obtain a minimum of 60% for Design III, or must produce an acceptable creative portfolio of works including professional experience in an architect's office.</p>
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SCHOOL OF LANGUAGE, MEDIA AND CULTURE

Qualification	Programme Overview	Delivery mode & duration of study	APS Testing Band	APS*	Admission Requirements*	Career Opportunities
Diploma (Dip)						
Dip (Public Relations Management)	<p>The programme is designed to equip candidates with the knowledge and skills needed to operate as professional public relations practitioners. The programme has been accredited with the Public Relations Institute of South Africa (PRISA).</p> <p>The programme also requires the student to undergo one year of experiential training in order to qualify for the diploma.</p>	Full-time 3 years (including 1 year in-service training)	22 – 31	32	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimum statutory NSC requirements for diploma entry must be met but a minimum NSC requirement for degree entry is strongly recommended. NSC achievement rating of at least 4 (50-59%) for home language and first additional language, which must include the language subjects to be taken in the diploma, and one of which must be English. Mathematics 2 (30-39%) or Mathematical Literacy 3 (40-49%) <p>Applicants may also be provisionally admitted on the basis of work experience, age and maturity. Admission is at the discretion of the Head of Department.</p>	Public relations practitioners will be able to perform a variety of tasks and functions, such as writing press releases, organising special events, liaising with the media, implementing internal and external communication programmes, lobbying, and conducting opinion research surveys. The list is endless, and will depend upon the kind of company or institution for which the practitioner chooses to work.
Bachelor of Technology (BTech) (The BTech degree forms the fourth year of study after completing the diploma)						
<i>Bachelor of Technology (BTech) degrees are to be phased out in due course and replaced with an appropriate qualification e.g. Advanced Diploma.</i>						
BTech (Public Relations Management) * <i>*(Please note that the final year for new admission into this qualification will be 2019)</i>	<p>The programme equips students with specialised knowledge and skills in the fields of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public Relations Communication Studies Media Studies Research Methodology and Management Practice. 	Full-time 1 year Part-time 2 years			<p>Dip (Public Relations Management) or equivalent qualification.</p> <p>An average of 60% for the two majors, Public Relations III and Communication Science III is required.</p>	Public relations practitioners will be able to perform a variety of tasks and functions, such as writing press releases, organising special events, liaising with the media, implementing internal and external communication programmes, lobbying, and conducting opinion research surveys. The list is endless, and will depend upon the kind of company or institution for which the practitioner chooses to work.

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Bachelor of Arts (BA)						
BA	<p>The programme is highly flexible and students can choose one of three possible streams:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two languages as majors; • One language and one social sciences & humanities as majors; or • Two social sciences & humanities as majors. <p>Students can choose two of the following disciplines:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anthropology • Afrikaans • Business Management • Economics • English • English language studies • History • French • Geography • Industrial Psychology • isiXhosa • Philosophy • Political Studies • Psychology • Public Administration • Sociology <p>Any other discipline may be taken as a core module, in consultation with the department and programme leader involved. The BA degree enables learners to develop communication, critical thinking and problem-solving skills that will make them flexible global players. The BA also opens up a wide variety of postgraduate study opportunities, allowing students to focus on a particular area and develop specialist expertise.</p>	Full-time 3 years	22 – 31	32	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum statutory NSC requirements for degree entry must be met. • English, Afrikaans or isiXhosa (home language or first additional language) on at least a level 3 (40–49%). • Mathematics 2 (30-39%) or Mathematical Literacy 4 (50-59%). 	The Bachelor of Arts (BA) programme allows students to choose their subjects and tailor their studies to their interests, aptitudes and career plans. Students who major in teaching subjects can follow their BA degree with a one-year postgraduate certificate in education in order to qualify to teach at high school level.

Qualification	Programme Overview	Delivery mode & duration of study	APS Testing Band	APS*	Admission Requirements*	Career Opportunities
BA (Media, Communication & Culture)	<p>The programme provides theoretical knowledge and practical skills in communications, arts and culture, language and literature, media and information technology.</p> <p>Graduates will have high levels of language competence, together with expertise in intercultural communication, practical skills for the communication industry, and the technical know-how to keep pace with the information superhighway.</p> <p>Courses offered vary from cultural studies (classical and contemporary) to advertising, design, film studies, newspaper and magazine writing. In addition students may take elective modules from subjects such as Languages (Afrikaans, English, isiXhosa and French), Philosophy, Web Design, Music Technology, Psychology and Marketing.</p>	Full-time 3 years	28 – 35	36	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum statutory NSC requirements for degree entry must be met. • English, Afrikaans or isiXhosa (home language or first additional language) on at least a level 3 (40 – 49%). • Mathematics 2 (30-39%) or Mathematical Literacy 4 (50-59%). 	Communication professionals in fields such as journalism and the mass media, video production, tourism, public relations, design, advertising and corporate communications.

SCHOOL OF GOVERNMENTAL AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Diploma (Dip)

Dip (Public Management Extended Curriculum)	<p>This programme provides alternative university access to students who have the potential to succeed, but do not meet the minimum admission requirements for the mainstream programme.</p> <p>The purpose of the programme is to integrate additional academic support and skills development with mainstream courses in order to prepare the student for a career in either the private or public sectors.</p>	Full-time 4 years	22 - 26		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum statutory NSC requirements for diploma entry must be met. In exceptional cases however, candidates who only meet the minimum NSC admission requirements for certificate entry may be considered. • English, Afrikaans or isiXhosa (home language or first additional language) on at least a level 3 (40–49%). • Satisfactory performance on the access assessment test. 	See career opportunities overleaf.
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Dip (Public Management)	The programme trains students for a career in the public sector. The programme is designed in such a way that the student is equipped with administrative and management skills relevant for a career in the private and public sectors.	Full-time 3 years	22 - 26	27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum NSC requirements for diploma entry must be met. • English, Afrikaans or isiXhosa (home language or first additional language) on at least a level 3 (40-49%). • Mathematics 2 (30-39%) or Mathematical Literacy 3 (40-49%). 	Public managers can act as general, financial or personnel managers at central, provincial and local spheres of government, as well as in related public and parastatal institutions, including the private sector.

Bachelor of Technology (BTech) (The BTech degree forms the fourth year of study after completing the diploma)

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BTech (Public Management)* <i>*(Please note that the final year for new admission into this qualification will be 2019)</i>	The programme equips students with in-depth knowledge in the fields of governmental relations, public accountability, public human resources management, public policy management, research and information management and strategic public management.	Full-time 1 year			Dip (Public Management) or equivalent qualification.	Public managers can act as general, financial or personnel managers at central, provincial and local spheres of government, as well as in related public and parastatal institutions, including the private sector.
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Bachelor of Arts (BA)

BA	<p>The School of Governmental & Social Sciences offers students the opportunity to tailor their BA studies to their interests and career plans, focusing on subjects such as Political Science, Public Administration, Sociology, Anthropology, and/or History.</p> <p>Students can choose one of three possible streams:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two languages as majors; • One language and one social sciences & humanities as majors; or • Two social sciences & humanities as majors. <p>Any other discipline may be taken as a core module, in consultation with the department and programme leader involved.</p>	Full-time 3 years	22 – 31	32	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum statutory NSC requirements for degree entry must be met. • English, Afrikaans or isiXhosa (home language or first additional language) on at least a level 3 (40 – 49%). • Mathematics 2 (30-39%) or Mathematical Literacy 4 (50-59%). 	Anthropologist, historian, archivist, socio-cultural and culture-historical curator and consultant, cultural tourism, manager, teacher, trainer, negotiator/mediator, social and political analyst, researcher and academic.
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Qualification	Programme Overview	Delivery mode & duration of study	APS Testing Band	APS*	Admission Requirements*	Career Opportunities
BA <i>(continued)</i>	<p>The BA degree enables learners to develop communication, critical thinking and problem-solving skills that will make them flexible global players. The BA also opens up a wide variety of postgraduate study opportunities, allowing students to focus on a particular area and develop specialist expertise.</p> <p>The BA programme is highly flexible and students may also include other disciplines such as Psychology, Industrial Psychology, Philosophy, Geography or language studies.</p>					
Bachelor of Administration (BAdmin)						
BAdmin (Public Administration)	<p>The Bachelor of Administration (BAdmin) is a multi-faceted and comprehensive programme which aims to develop excellence in the practice and analysis of public administration, industrial psychology, sociology, business management, and political studies.</p> <p>Students may choose from one of four streams, according to their interests and planned career path. Public Administration is common to all four streams and learners choose an additional specialisation in Industrial Psychology, Sociology, Business Management or Political Studies.</p>	Full-time 3 years	22 – 31	32	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum statutory NSC requirements for degree entry must be met. • English, Afrikaans or isiXhosa (home language or first additional language) on at least a level 3 (40–49%). • Mathematics 2 (30-39%) or Mathematical Literacy 4 (50-59%). 	Depending on the area of specialisation, learners will be equipped for careers in administrative and management divisions of the public and private sectors such as: facilitators, psychologists and human relations practitioners and in consultancy, entrepreneurship, non-government organisations and community-based organisations.

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Our Vision

To be a dynamic African university, recognised for its leadership in generating cutting-edge knowledge for a sustainable future.

Our Mission

To offer a diverse range of life-changing educational experiences for a better world.

Our Values



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