

# NELSON MANDELA

UNIVERSITY

## STUDENT ACCOUNTS GUIDE 2026



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**GENERAL CONDITIONS**

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## General Conditions for 2026

Fees and conditions are determined by the NELSON MANDELA UNIVERSITY Council and are subject to amendment without prior notice. The fee rules and conditions apply to all students registered with the Nelson Mandela University.

### 1. NELSON MANDELA UNIVERSITY CAMPUS NAMES

South Campus	Missionvale Campus
North Campus	George Campus
2 <sup>nd</sup> Avenue Campus	Ocean Science Campus

### 2. LIABILITY AND CONDITIONS

- 2.1 All registered students shall be liable for the prescribed fees for the relevant period and are subject to the conditions as specified in the application form.
- 2.2 To view the rules and regulations please visit the online version at [www.mandela.ac.za/studentaccounts/guide](http://www.mandela.ac.za/studentaccounts/guide).
- 2.3 **The contract with the Nelson Mandela University**, which forms part of the Application for Admission to the Nelson Mandela University and which was signed or electronically accepted by the student and/or his/her guardian/surety, **legally binds the student to pay the full account for a particular period as determined by the Nelson Mandela University.**
- 2.4 The student's **liability is not affected nor reduced through ignorance** on the part of the student (or his/her guardian/surety) regarding the rules and regulations of the Nelson Mandela University or of the invalidity of his/her registration in terms of the said rules and regulations.
- 2.5 **By signing and submitting the registration form (electronically or otherwise), the student and or his guardian/surety accepts responsibility for the payment of all prescribed fees** (irrespective of whether an emailed statement is not received/read by the student).
- 2.6 A student shall not be allowed to enrol (including recess or short course programme registrations) or add/change modules before all overdue financial obligations have been met in full.
- 2.7 **It is the responsibility of a student to validate his/her account sent via email for omitted module(s), timetable clashes and to verify the presentation periods of the registered modules. Such errors / omissions / clashes must be reported in writing to the Faculty Administrator before the closing date for registration changes.**
- 2.8 **Should a student not attend lectures and neglect to give written notice of cancellation within the stipulated cancellation periods, such a student will be held liable for payment of all tuition fees and/or residence fees for the full study period.**
- 2.9 If the Nelson Mandela University Council temporarily or permanently suspends a student's privileges as a student, or temporarily or permanently suspends admission as a student, such student qualifies only for the normal cancellation credit refunds if the registration is cancelled (date of suspension).
- 2.10 A change in the degree or diploma and/or individual modules for which a student has enrolled for may result in a change in tuition fees. It is the student's responsibility to ensure that all amendments are reflected correctly on his/her account before the closing date for registration. Normal cancellation credits apply for the old qualification.
- 2.11 **It is the responsibility of the student to forward account statements (sent via email or otherwise) to the person/party responsible for payment thereof if not him / herself.**
- 2.12 **The academic records and examination results of all students who fail to settle their accounts by the payment dates will not be released, diploma/degree certificates will not be issued and the viewing of examination scripts will not be permitted until all outstanding financial obligations towards that qualification have been met in full and the settlement payment reflects on the student account.**
- 2.13 Outstanding accounts for previous academic periods will be forwarded to the University's external collection agents if the student is not registered for the next/following academic period.

### 3. DEFINITION OF TERMS

- 3.1 **South African students** – Students in possession of an identify document issued in the RSA.
- 3.2 **International students** – Students with identity documents other than that of the RSA and students with refugee identity documents issued by the RSA (Non-SADC students) are regarded as International students. For SA identity documents submitted before 1 April for first semester and 1 September for second semester registrations, the fees payable by SA students would then be applicable and the student's fees account would be adjusted accordingly.
- 3.3 **SADC students** - Students from a country in the South African Development Community, namely Angola, Botswana, Congo, Lesotho, Madagascar, Malawi, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Seychelles,

- Swaziland, Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe.
- 3.4 **Curriculum** – Prescribed compulsory and/or elective modules for a diploma / degree divided into years, semesters, terms or trimesters.
- 3.5 **Year module** – Runs from January to November.
- 3.6 **Semester module** – A module offered over a six-month period.
- 3.7 **Trimester or Term module** – A module offered over a maximum of three-month period
- 3.8 **Registration.** The student is officially enrolled after the registration information is captured and submitted online. Manually submitted registration forms completed and signed by the student confirms registration. Modules will then reflect on the certificate of registration
- 3.9 **Module identification** – The module code is displayed in the reference column of the account statement and indicates the level of study.

#### 4. ADDRESSES

- 4.1 Correspondence sent by the Nelson Mandela University will be deemed received/delivered (in case of email) by the addressee.
- 4.2 Student account statements are only e-mailed to the student’s Nelson Mandela University student e-mail address and to the alternative email address provided by the student.
- 4.3 Students are advised to make use of the alternative self-service facilities provided by the Nelson Mandela University to view their accounts. Also refer to paragraph 13 in this guide.
- 4.4 **Students are responsible to update their personal information details on the Student Portal.**
- 4.5 **It is the responsibility of the student to make enquiries should he/she not receive an account.**
- 4.6 As required by law, the Nelson Mandela University must be notified in writing within 14 days of any address changes and students should specifically indicate to which addresses the changes apply, e.g. the postal and/or account and/or study and/or next of kin addresses. These addresses can be changed online via the student portal or by email to [studentbio@mandela.ac.za](mailto:studentbio@mandela.ac.za)
- 4.7 Students must provide the Nelson Mandela University with 4 addresses and one thereof must be a physical residential address.
- 4.8 For paper-based mail from the respective Nelson Mandela University departments the required addresses are:

<b>POSTAL address</b>	Registration, Residence, Graduation documentation and other related correspondence
<b>STUDY address</b>	Exam Timetables and related correspondence
<b>NEXT OF KIN address</b>	Correspondence directed to guardians, parents, etc
<b>ACCOUNT address</b>	Student accounts and related correspondence

- 4.9 It is important that the student is informed of his/her account status to validate registration details in respect of omitted or erroneous subjects, non-payment by sponsors/employers, etc.
- 4.10 The **account address** refers to the student’s OWN address and it is NOT the sponsor’s/employer’s address.
- 4.11 For recipients of a sponsorship, Nelson Mandela University requires an official confirmation letter of the sponsorship/employer before the student will be able to register.
- 4.12 Sponsor/employer address details (if applicable) are **recorded separately** therefore the student’s **account address** should **not be the same** as that of the sponsor. The Nelson Mandela University sends two statements at a time, i.e. one to the sponsor’s/employer’s address and a copy statement is emailed to the student.

#### 5. FEES PAYABLE

##### 5.1 Application fees (International students only)

- 5.1.1 Application fees are only applicable to International students. An International student application will not be processed before the applicable fees in the table below have been paid.
- 5.1.2 Application fees are not refundable under any circumstances.
- 5.1.3 Application fees are not applicable to Nelson Mandela University international students who continue their studies consecutively.
- 5.1.4 Application fees does not form part of the student account therefore it will not reflect on the student account statement. Enquiries with regards to application fee payments should be addressed to [intfees@mandela.ac.za](mailto:intfees@mandela.ac.za). Bank details for the payment of international application fees indicated in paragraph 9.

### APPLICATION FEES PAYABLE

2026	Online applications	No charge
	International – all applications – payable annually	R 500
2027	Online applications	No charge
	International – all applications – payable annually	R 500

#### 5.2 Enrolment fees

- 5.2.1 Enrolment fees of **R1770** will be debited to students' accounts at registration and are payable annually. For semester one qualifications the enrolment fee is payable by 30 April year qualifications by 20 June and semester 2 qualifications by 30 September.
- 5.2.2 Post-doctoral students are liable for enrolment fee payable upfront.
- 5.2.3 Enrolment fees are not refundable.
- 5.2.4 A student remains liable for the enrolment fee in the event of a cancellation. The enrolment fee then becomes payable immediately.

#### 5.3 Down-payments

- 5.3.1 The down-payment is the first advance payment towards tuition fees and must be paid before registration can commence. Accounts in arrears must also be settled in full.
- 5.3.2 The student account must reflect a credit balance sufficient to cover the required down-payment(s) before registration is enabled.
- 5.3.3 Should a student wish to register for **modules costing less than the required down-payment, the cost of the modules as well as the enrolment and/or other related fees are payable in full before registration.**
- 5.3.4 Students registering for **in-service/practical training modules / occasional studies need to pay the full cost** thereof as well as the enrolment fee in advance. Written confirmation of such module(s) is required from Faculty Administration prior to registration for Student Accounts to calculate the exact amount payable.
- 5.3.5 **International students are required to pay all fees in full upfront.** A non-refundable acceptance deposit of **R4000** is required to secure a place of study for international students.

#### 2026 DOWN-PAYMENT AMOUNTS PAYABLE BEFORE REGISTRATION

PROGRAMME	FULL TIME	PART TIME
<b>Degree programmes, Postgraduate diplomas and related Occasional studies (BTech / Adv Dip / Masters / Doctorates)</b>	<b>R10 600</b>	<b>R6 200</b>
<b>Medical degree (inclusive of device and non-tuition fee levies): First year</b>	<b>R22 900</b>	
<b>Enrolment fee</b>	<b>R1 770</b>	<b>R1 770</b>
<b>Diploma / Certificate programmes and related Occasional studies</b>	<b>R7 500</b>	<b>R5 200</b>
<b>RESIDENCES (Students at all campuses)</b>	<b>R8 600</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS</b>	<b>100% Upfront</b>	<b>100% Upfront</b>

#### 5.4 Down-payment exemptions

- 5.4.1 The following students are exempt from paying the down-payments, **provided that the outstanding debt is fully settled before registration:**
- 5.4.1.1 Successful NSFAS candidates.
- 5.4.1.2 Exchange students from partner institutions with whom the International Office has formal agreements.
- 5.4.1.3 Students with approved staff subsidy.
- 5.4.1.4 Students qualifying for grants / bursaries where the Nelson Mandela University is the fund administrator.
- 5.4.1.5 Prior to registration, written confirmation of the grant or bursary is required from the faculty/department concerned. The amount should exceed the applicable required down-payment. If the amount is less than the required down-payment, the student will be expected to pay the difference before registration.
- 5.4.1.6 Sponsored students provided that the value of the sponsorship exceeds the required down payment.
- 5.4.1.7 The letter of authority must be submitted **annually** and must meet the requirements of the Nelson Mandela University. The sponsorship letter must:
- 5.4.1.7.1 Contain the student number.
- 5.4.1.7.2 Be on an official company letterhead.
- 5.4.1.7.3 be addressed to the Nelson Mandela University.

- 5.4.1.7.4 be **signed by the employer**.
- 5.4.1.7.5 specify the employer's commitments.
- 5.4.1.7.6 may **NOT** be subject to academic performance.
- 5.4.1.7.7 **confirm sponsorship** (an application for a loan or bursary is not acceptable).
- 5.4.1.7.8 indicate that the payments will be made directly to the Nelson Mandela University, not to the student (including bank loan confirmation letters).
- 5.4.1.8 e-mailed notification of sponsorship must include the confirmation letter on an official company letterhead and emailed to studentaccounts.employers@mandela.ac.za
- 5.4.1.9 if the sponsorship is for a specified amount, the amount should exceed the applicable required down-payment. If the amount is less than the required down-payment the student will be expected to make up the difference before registration will be allowed.
- 5.4.1.10 the letter of authority is subject to the approval of the Nelson Mandela University.
- 5.4.1.11 sponsorship documentation for the current registration will only be considered if the student's outstanding debt of previous years is paid in full prior to registration.
- 5.4.1.12 the signee of the sponsorship letter may not be the student or a relative.
- 5.4.1.13 the sponsorship letter is submitted before 01 October. Sponsorship letters for registration of the current academic year will not be accepted after 1 October annually.
- 5.4.1.14 International students who have applied to pay their fees as PER SEMESTER or per GUARDIAN ARRANGEMENT and have approval from the international office for such an exemption. Applications are reviewed on their individual merit and terms and conditions apply.

## 6. LATE ENROLMENT FEES

- 6.1 Students are required to enrol on the published registration dates.
- 6.2 Enrolment and amendments after these dates will result in penalties as specified below.
- 6.3 The full cost of the modules, enrolment fee and late enrolment fee are payable upfront for enrolments that take place after the payment due dates of the respective module(s).
- 6.4 **It is the responsibility of students to validate their accounts for registration processing errors and/or omitted modules and inform their Faculty Administrator immediately.**
- 6.5 **No reduction in tuition fees is granted to students who are allowed to register late for a module(s) and no extension of the normal payment dates will be considered for such module(s).**
- 6.6 **Students should ascertain the date and time of an upcoming registration online via the University's website.**
- 6.7 Late enrolment fees raised will not be reversed on the grounds of not having received academic registration information sent by the Nelson Mandela University as all information is available online.
- 6.8 Students registering for in-service/practical training modules are liable for late enrolment fee if they register outside of the formal registration period and additional modules are registered simultaneously.
- 6.9 Late enrolment fee does not apply to first year research Masters, first year Doctoral enrolments and for the re-submission of the thesis/dissertation for graduation purposes.
- 6.10 Late enrolment fee is not applicable to International Masters and Doctoral students, Study Abroad, Exchange, Internship and English Skills programme students.
- 6.11 A student remains liable for the late enrolment fee in the event of a cancellation.
- 6.12 If a late application results in a student registering after the official registration period, the student will be liable for a late enrolment fee.

### 2026 LATE ENROLMENT LIABILITY

BLOCK	DATE	AMOUNT
00	From 09 February 2026	R 1 000
02	From 16 July 2026	R 1 000

## 7. PAYMENT DATES

- 7.1 The Nelson Mandela University Council has determined the conditions for the payment of fees, therefore extension for settlement of the account cannot be granted on the grounds of not having received an account statement.
- 7.2 A student shall not be allowed to enrol or add/change modules at any stage unless the financial obligations have been met in full.
- 7.3 Accounts reflect various payment dates indicating the latest date by which the payment must reach the Nelson Mandela University. If a module's block code is changed it could in some instances result in an earlier payment date as it is determined by the block code of the module.
- 7.4 The payment dates cannot be extended under any circumstances as the Nelson Mandela University does not permit installment arrangements beyond the respective payment dates.

- 7.5 The Nelson Mandela University uses the services of external debt collectors for the collection of overdue accounts and the student will be held liable for all costs incurred.
- 7.6 Not receiving an account does not relieve students of the obligation to pay by the payment dates.
- 7.7 Refer to paragraph 10 for payment defaulting implications.
- 7.8 International students are required to pay all fees in full prior to registration.

#### **ACCOUNT PAYMENT DEADLINES**

<b>TUITION FEES</b>	<b>BLOCK CODE</b>	<b>PAYMENT DATE</b>
Semester 1 modules	01	30 April 2026
Year modules	00	20 June 2026
Semester 2 modules	02	30 September 2026
Term 1 modules	6	30 April 2026
Term 2 modules	7	30 April 2026
Term 3 modules	8	30 September 2026
Term 4 modules	9	30 September 2026
Trimester 1 modules	08	30 April 2026
Trimester 2 modules	09	20 June 2026
Trimester 3 modules	10	30 September 2026
<b>RESIDENCE FEES SEMESTER 1</b>		
Residence registration fees	01	30 April 2026
Residence breakage fees	01	30 April 2026
Residence fees	01	30 April 2026
<b>RESIDENCE FEES SEMESTER 2</b>		
Residence registration fees	02	30 September 2026
Residence breakage fees	02	30 September 2026
Residence fees	02	30 September 2026
<b>ENROLMENT FEE</b>		
Enrolment fee Year	00	20 June 2026
Enrolment fee Semester 2	02	30 September 2026
<b>RE-EXAM FEES</b>		
January/February re-exams		29 February 2026
July re-exams		31 August 2026

## **8. PAYMENT METHODS**

### **8.1 Guidelines and conditions**

- 8.1.1 For student account payments via direct bank deposits or electronic banking, the student number (without the 's' prefix) is always required to ensure the correct allocation of payments made.
- 8.1.2 For any other payments made to the University, the surname and initials, ID number/date of birth, qualification name, student number and the purpose of the payment are required.
- 8.1.3 The Nelson Mandela University accepts no responsibility for the incorrect allocation of payments received without valid student numbers or incorrect student numbers.
- 8.1.4 It is the responsibility of the student to verify the student number and the amount paid on the issued receipt.
- 8.1.5 All payment documentation should be retained as proof of payment.
- 8.1.6 No monies should be paid to any University official other than the Nelson Mandela University cashiers at the various campuses. Students must insist on an official receipt as proof of payment.
- 8.1.7 Only bank stamped deposit slips, official electronic payment confirmations to the Nelson Mandela University's bank accounts and official Nelson Mandela University receipts issued at the official Nelson Mandela University Cashier Pay Points will be accepted as valid proof of payment.
- 8.1.8 Future dated electronic payments are not acceptable to the Nelson Mandela University.
- 8.1.9 No claim may be instituted against the Nelson Mandela University for:  
payments sent by post that were not received by the Nelson Mandela University

- payments received later than the deadline dates
- payments that were misappropriated due to the payer's neglect
- payments erroneously captured by the bank official or an invalid bank account.
- 8.1.10 Direct bank payments transferred to an incorrect student account can only be re-allocated if the original proof of payment is presented to the Nelson Mandela University and the payment is confirmed on the Nelson Mandela University's bank statement.
- 8.1.11 Dye-stained notes will not be accepted by the Nelson Mandela University.
- 8.1.12 No receipts will be issued for payments made via the Nelson Mandela University's bank account.

## 8.2 **Methods of payment:**

Cash, Master and Visa Card payment at the Cashier Pay Points on the Nelson Mandela University Campuses  
 Direct bank deposits  
 Electronic banking  
 Payment gateway via the Nelson Mandela University secured website at:  
<https://paymentgateway.mandela.ac.za/>

### 8.2.3 **Online Payments via the Nelson Mandela University website**

Payments in respect of registration down-payments, student account payments, printing credits, meals, copy shop and International application fees can be made online via the secured link:  
<https://paymentgateway.mandela.ac.za/>

### 8.2.4 **Master and Visa Card Payments**

- 8.2.4.1 Card transactions can only be accepted if presented by the card holder him-/herself.
- 8.2.4.2 No 'cash back' transactions are allowed on card payments.

### 8.2.5 **Direct Bank Deposits and Electronic Banking (w.r.t. Down payments and Student account payments)**

- 8.2.5.1 It is important that the **student number** (without the 's' prefix) is stated as the **deposit reference** on the deposit slip. This will allow the Nelson Mandela University to associate the payment with the student account.
- 8.2.5.2 The beneficiary must be the Nelson Mandela University.
- 8.2.5.3 For Electronic banking, kindly ensure that the bank details of the Nelson Mandela University are captured correctly and that the Nelson Mandela University is indicated as the beneficiary.
- 8.2.5.4 Electronic banking is at the payer's own risk.
- 8.2.5.5 Internet and direct bank deposit payments are only transferred to students' accounts after these payments are reflected on the Nelson Mandela University's bank statement and if accompanied by a valid student number.
- 8.2.5.6 The proof of payment for Electronic payments **MUST** indicate that the transaction was **successfully** completed.
- 8.2.5.7 It remains the student's responsibility to ensure that payments reach the Nelson Mandela University timeously. Due to the 48-hour Interbank processing delay, direct bank deposits and Electronic payments may take up to 2 business days to reflect on the Nelson Mandela University's bank account.
- 8.2.5.8 **Exam results will only be released after the payment reflects on the student account.**  
 International transactions may take longer than 4 days.  
 Registration is blocked until the required payment reflects on the student account.
- 8.2.5.9 If your payment is not recorded on your account after 2 days, please inform the Student Account office immediately and present proof of the payment. (studentaccounts@mandela.ac.za)
- 8.2.5.10 Retain the proof of payment in the event of an enquiry.
- 8.2.5.11 **International students to send proof of payment to intfees@mandela.ac.za**

## 9. **BANKING DETAILS OF THE NELSON MANDELA UNIVERSITY**

- 9.1 The banking details and instructions apply to all campuses of the Nelson Mandela University for bank deposits and electronic payments.
- 9.2 Instructions must be followed meticulously with regards to the different reference requirements for the respective types of payments to ensure the correct allocation of the payments.
- 9.3 For student account payments via direct bank deposits or electronic banking, the student number (without

the 's' prefix) is always required to ensure the correct allocation of payments made. For any other payments made to the University, the surname and initials, ID number/date of birth, qualification name, student number and the purpose of the payment are required.

### **STUDENT ACCOUNT PAYMENTS ONLY**

**DESIGNATED ACCOUNT 08 026 5855 IS FOR STUDENT ACCOUNT PAYMENTS ONLY AND WILL THEREFORE ONLY ACCEPT THE STUDENT NUMBER AS REFERENCE**

(This account is NOT for International student account payments)

Student account payment items:

DOWN-PAYMENTS	ENROLMENT FEES
INTEREST	LAB BREAKAGE DEPOSITS
LATE ENROLMENT FEES	LIBRARY FINES / MATERIALS
LIBRARY EQUIPMENT LOST / DAMAGES	TUITION FEES
RE-EXAM FEES	RESIDENCE BREAKAGE DEPOSITS
RESIDENCE FEES	RESIDENCE REGISTRATION FEES
OFF-CAMPUS RESIDENCE LEVIES / TRANSPORT / ADMIN FEES / WI-FI FEES	

SOCIETY FEES

Bank:	Standard Bank
Branch:	Stanley Street, Gqeberha
Branch code:	051001
Account name:	Nelson Mandela University Student Deposit
Type of account:	Current
<b>Account no:</b>	<b>08 026 5855</b>
<b>Reference:</b>	<b>YOUR student number (<u>important</u>: without the "s" prefix)</b>
Contact number:	Your contact number is required

Retain your proof of payment in the event of an enquiry. Enquiries in respect of the direct deposits for the above-mentioned items not reflecting on the student account after the 2 days have expired must be referred to STUDENT ACCOUNTS at [studentaccounts@mandela.ac.za](mailto:studentaccounts@mandela.ac.za) and include the proof of payment.

The Nelson Mandela University will not be issuing receipts for direct bank / electronic payments. Direct bank or electronic payments do NOT reflect immediately on your student account. Allow for a 48-hour Interbank processing delay.

### **SUNDRY FEE PAYMENTS**

Sundry fees and payments thereof do not reflect on the student account. Kindly follow the instructions meticulously to ensure correct allocation of the payment. Enquiries in respect of these direct deposits must be referred to the **respective departments**.

Choose from the prefix code list the item in respect of which the payment is made and add the code as a prefix to your student number in the reference field of the deposit slip, applicant's initials and surname, e.g. 'BG-123456789' for Absentia fees.

<u>Prefix</u>	<u>Item</u>
BG	ABSENTIA FEES
BR	ACADEMIC RECORDS
BT	COMPETENCY TESTS
BR	DETAILED STUDY RECORD
BR	DUPLICATE DIPLOMA / DEGREE CERTIFICATES
BX	EXEMPTION FEES / STUDY ELSEWHERE FEES
BH	KEY REPLACEMENTS
BL	LATE SUBMISSION OF TREATISE/DISSERTATION/THESIS
BM	MEALS
BE	REMARKING OF EXAMINATION SCRIPTS
BK	STUDENT CARD REPLACEMENT
BV	VACATION ACCOMMODATION
BW	WRITING OF EXAMINATION AT NON-NELSON MANDELA UNIVERSITY VENUES
BA	PRINTING CREDITS
BF	DATA CENTRE

Bank: Standard Bank  
Branch: Stanley Street, Gqeberha  
Branch code: 051001  
Account name: NELSON MANDELA UNIV-MAIN  
Type of account: Current  
Account no: 08 026 3011

**Reference: PREFIX CODE (SEE ABOVE) + student number**

Send payment receipt to the respective department indicated in the communiqué received by you. Indicate clearly the item paid on the payment notification.

### **INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PAYMENTS**

(International Students making payments from a foreign country)

International transactions may take longer than 4 days before reflecting on the student account. Enquiries in respect of international student direct deposits must be referred to the Nelson Mandela University International office at [intfees@mandela.ac.za](mailto:intfees@mandela.ac.za)

Bank: Standard Bank of South Africa Limited  
Branch: Stanley Street, Gqeberha South Africa  
IBAN code: 051001  
Account name: NELSON MANDELA UNIV-MAIN  
Type of account: Current  
**Account no: 08 026 3011**  
Swift code: SBZA ZAJJ  
**Reference: YOUR student number (very important)**  
Email payment receipt to: [intfees@mandela.ac.za](mailto:intfees@mandela.ac.za)

### **BANKING DETAILS FOR STUDENT SPONSORSHIPS**

Bank: Standard Bank  
Branch: Stanley Street, Gqeberha  
Branch code: 051001  
Account name: NELSON MANDELA METRO UNIV-MAIN  
Type of account: Current  
Account no: 08 026 3011  
**Reference: Company name**

- All payments made by sponsors must be accompanied by the list of names, student numbers and the breakdown of payment per student to ensure correct distribution.
- All distribution lists must be sent to studentaccounts.employers@mandela.ac.za

## **10. PAYMENT DEFAULTING IMPLICATIONS**

- 10.1 The Nelson Mandela University applies the following policy for **payments not made by the deadline dates:**
- 10.1.1 Withholding of study records for any fees not paid in full by payment dates. Electronic payments or bank deposits must reflect on the student account before results will be released.
- 10.1.2 Withholding the student's examination results and/or diploma or degree certificates.
- 10.1.3 Prohibiting the viewing of exam scripts.
- 10.1.4 Prohibiting the re-registering of the student.
- 10.1.5 Prohibiting registration changes / module additions (including recess module or short course registrations).
- 10.1.6 Prohibiting the re-admittance of the student in the Nelson Mandela University's residences.
- 10.1.7 Excluding / evicting students from the Nelson Mandela University's residences.
- 10.1.8 Overdue accounts are subject to interest charges.
- 10.1.9 Instituting legal action on overdue accounts. The student will be held liable for all costs incurred. Re-registration will be prohibited until written confirmation of full settlement of the referred account is received from the collecting agent. Registration is subject to the payment of the respective upfront down-payment(s).

## **11. CANCELLATIONS**

- 11.1 Students who wish to terminate their formal studies at the Nelson Mandela University must do so by written notification to the respective **Faculty Managers**.
- 11.2 Telephonic or verbal cancellations cannot be accepted.
- 11.3 Residence cancellations must be directed to the Student Housing department.
- 11.4 Students remain liable for the enrolment fee and late registration fee (where applicable) irrespective of the reason for cancellation.
- 11.5 After the termination of studies by a student, the full outstanding balance will immediately become due and payable and the Nelson Mandela University will exercise the right to take the necessary steps to recover the full outstanding balance immediately.
- 11.6 The following cancellation conditions apply:
- 11.6.1 Only written cancellations directed to and received by the faculty will be valid.
- 11.6.2 The cancellation instruction must be dated and signed or emailed by the student.
- 11.6.3 The date on which the Nelson Mandela University **receives** the cancellation will be deemed the official cancellation date, not the date of the cancellation letter as such.
- 11.6.4 Students will not qualify for any credit should they neglect to submit a cancellation by the stipulated deadline dates.**
- 11.6.5 In the event of an emailed cancellation instruction, the receiving date is regarded as the actual cancellation date. The sender is advised to retain the proof of submission for future reference.
- 11.6.6 In the case of the English Skills course, the cancellation dates will be the same as those applicable to Semester 1 and Semester 2 listed below.

- 11.6.7 For students excluded from any course or module due to unsatisfactory academic progress or misconduct as stipulated by the Nelson Mandela University's rules and regulations, the cancellation credits listed in the table below will apply.
- 11.6.8 If the Nelson Mandela University Council temporarily or permanently suspends a student's privileges as a student, or temporarily or permanently suspends admission as a student, such student qualifies only for the normal cancellation credit refunds if the registration is cancelled (date of suspension).
- 11.6.9 Students that have misdirected themselves in respect of their course of study will only qualify for credit if the cancellation takes place within the stipulated cancellation dates.
- 11.6.10 Should a student fail to attend classes and neglect to submit a written cancellation before the deadline dates (refer to table below) the student will be liable for payment of fees for all registered modules.**
- 11.6.11 International students remain liable for the enrolment fees, late enrolment fee (if applicable) as well as the International Student Administrative Fee in the event of an enrolment cancellation.
- 11.6.12 MBA, Masters and any other block release programmes with electives offered over a block period will not be liable for any fees if they cancel up to and including ONE DAY BEFORE the block commences. If they cancel on the day the block starts, they are liable for full fees of the module.
- 11.7 Special considerations for cancellation credit:
- 11.7.1 Medical unfitness. For applications for additional credit, a full report from a medical practitioner with regards to the medical condition is required. This will be taken into consideration for possible credit but it is subject to the University's final approval.
- 11.7.2 Death of the student. A certified copy of the death certificate is required.

2026 TUTION FEES CANCELLATION DATES AND LIABILITY					
PERIOD	Lectures start / End	BLOCK	START DATE	END DATE	LIABILITY %
Year	09 Feb – 21 Oct	00	01 Jan	09 Mar	0
		00	10 Mar	27 Jul	50
		00	28 Jul	31 Dec	100
Sem 1	09 Feb – 22 May	01	01 Jan	09 Mar	0
		01	10 Mar	20 Apr	50
		01	21 Apr	31 Dec	100
Sem 2	13 Jul – 21 Oct	02	01 Jan	27 Jul	0
		02	28 Jul	07 Sep	50
		02	08 Sep	31 Dec	100
Term 1	09 Feb – 25 Mar	6	01 Jan	09 Mar	0
		6	10 Mar	31 Dec	100
Term 2	07 Apr – 22 May	7	01 Jan	20 Apr	0
		7	21 Apr	31 Dec	100
Term 3	13 Jul – 26 Aug	8	01 Jan	27 Jul	0
		8	28 Jul	31 Dec	100
Term 4	03 Sep – 21 Oct	9	01 Jan	21 Sep	0
		9	22 Sep	31 Dec	100
Trim 1	19 Jan – 30 Apr	08	01 Jan	20 Feb	0
		08	21 Feb	06 Mar	50
		08	07 Mar	31 Dec	100
Trim 2	11 May – 31 Jul	09	01 Jan	29 May	0
		09	30 May	19 Jun	50
		09	20 Jun	31 Dec	100
Trim 3	11 Aug – 06 Nov	10	01 Jan	04 Sep	0
		10	05 Sep	18 Sep	50
		10	19 Sep	31 Dec	100
MBA Year		00	01 Jan	27 Mar	0
		00	28 Mar	24 Jul	50
		00	25 Jul	31 Dec	100
<b>MBA ELECTIVE MODULES</b>					
UP TO 1 DAY BEFORE THE START OF THE MODULE					0
THEREAFTER					100

## 12. INTEREST ON OVERDUE ACCOUNTS

- 12.1 Interest at prime rate, as determined by the Reserve Bank, is charged **on payments in arrears** and is **calculated monthly on the overdue amounts on the day of calculation.**
- 12.2 **Interest is raised on an account at the beginning of the month, and it is in respect of the previous 30 days' amounts in arrears.**
- 12.3 **Interest raised will not be waived or reversed under any circumstance.**
- 12.4 Sponsored students and Nelson Mandela University bursary candidates will be liable for interest on any shortfall not covered by the bursary and not paid by the due dates.
- 12.5 Students are advised to confirm the latest balance owed to ensure that the payment covers the full outstanding amount.

## 13. SELF-SERVICE ACCESS TO STUDENT INFORMATION

- 13.1 Students have 24/7 access to their accounts or balances via self-service information facilities.
- 13.2 **Non-receipt of an account does not relieve the student of the obligation to pay.**

### SELF-SERVICE ENQUIRY FACILITIES

#### Student Portal

Students can access their student accounts via the Nelson Mandela University Student Portal. <http://www.mandela.ac.za/student/default.htm> - Login with the secured pin number.

#### Student Enquiry System (KIOSK)

Students at all the Gqeberha Campuses can print their own financial statements at the information Kiosks. More options available on the Kiosks are:

Exam Results  
Exam Timetable  
Proof of Registration  
Progress Report  
Full Academic Record

## 14. RESIDENCE FEES

### 14.1 Residence down-payments

- 14.1.1 All outstanding academic and residential debt must be settled before the down-payments can be paid.
- 14.1.2 The residence down-payment of **R8 600** is expected of every prospective resident student before residence registration.
- 14.1.3 The residence down-payment is the first advance payment towards residence fees.
- 14.1.4 Residence registration is subject to the academic enrolment of a student.
- 14.1.5 The residence fee is raised on the account when the student submits the registration for occupancy of the room.
- 14.1.6 Applications for residence accommodation exceed the number of available rooms by far, therefore it is very important to make the required payments in good time.

### RESIDENCE DOWN-PAYMENTS, DEPOSITS & REGISTRATION FEES

FEE PAYABLE	RESIDENCE	AMOUNT	FREQUENCY	DUE BY
Down-payments	All residences	R8 600	Annually	Before registration
Registration fees	All residences	R 410	Semester	30 Apr / 30 Sep
Breakage deposit	Student Village 1-6	R 960	Semester	30 Apr / 30 Sep
	Indwe, Ikamva	R 590	Semester	30 Apr / 30 Sep
	Sol Plaatjie	R 590	Semester	30 Apr / 30 Sep
	Blocks M - S	R 590	Semester	30 Apr / 30 Sep
	Blocks 1 - 8	R 590	Semester	30 Apr / 30 Sep
	Other residences	R 480	Semester	30 Apr / 30 Sep
	Off-campus	Differentiated	Semester	Payable to the landlord

## **14.2 Residence breakage deposits**

- 14.2.1 All students that register for accommodation in the Nelson Mandela University residences will be liable for a breakage deposit as per the table above which is raised on the student account.
- 14.2.2 The breakage deposit will be adjusted automatically for students transferring between residences if the breakage deposit amounts differ.
- 14.2.3 The residence breakage deposit will be retained as a deposit against damage to Nelson Mandela University property. In cases where the claims/breakages exceed the deposit paid, the balance of the claim/breakages will be charged to the student's fee account.
- 14.2.4 The residence breakage deposit is refundable to non-returning students upon completion of the Application for Refund of Breakage Deposit form (obtainable from Student Housing) by the student after having permanently left the residence.
- 14.2.5 The breakages claim form must be submitted to the Residence Manager for sign off in respect of breakages. The student must present the form to Student Accounts.
- 14.2.6 On receipt of the claim form, breakages will be debited to the student deposit account (if applicable).
- 14.2.7 Refunding of the residence breakage deposit is on condition that the student account has been settled in full. **No refund will be processed one month prior to any payment date except if the student account for the year is in credit.**
- 14.2.8 For returning students, the previous years' residence breakage deposit is credited annually to the student account at the start of registration and no refunds will be considered before or during the formal registration process. Refunds in respect of the residence breakage deposit are on condition that the student account has been settled in full.

## **14.3 Down-payment exemptions**

- 14.3.1 The following students are exempted from paying the residence down-payment, **provided that the outstanding debt is fully settled before registration:**
  - 14.3.1.1 Sponsored students where the sponsor's commitment covers the accommodation fee
  - 14.3.1.2 NSFAS successful candidates
  - 14.3.1.3 Nelson Mandela University bursary students if the award will cover tuition and residence down-payments. Prior to registration written confirmation of the grant/award amount is required from the faculty/department concerned. If the amount is less than the required down-payments, the student will be expected to make up the difference before registration.

## **14.4 Residence registration fees**

- 14.4.1 Students staying in any of the Nelson Mandela University residences are liable for a residence registration fee of **R410 per semester**.
- 14.4.2 The fee is debited to the student's account per semester.
- 14.4.3 The payment date for semester 1 residence registration fees is 30 April and 30 September for semester 2.
- 14.4.4 The residence registration fee is not refundable under any circumstances.
- 14.4.5 A student remains liable for the registration fee in the event of residence cancellation.

## **14.5 Re-admittance residence conditions**

- 14.5.1 The residence selection is subject to the academic performance of students.
- 14.5.2 Only full-time students (formal studies only) can apply.
- 14.5.3 Residence fees for semester 1 must be fully paid by 30 April
- 14.5.4 Residence fees for semester 2 must be fully paid by 30 September.
- 14.5.5 **Students with outstanding semester 1 residence related fees will not be re-admitted for residence for the second semester until the first semester's debt is settled.**

## **14.6 Fees per Residence**

- 14.6.1 Upon registration, residence fees are raised per semester for the full academic period.
- 14.6.2 Residence fees cover only the academic semesters and exclude all recess periods.
- 14.6.3 Accommodation fees will be debited for the full month in which the student was registered in the residence, irrespective of the day of month the registration was processed.

**2026 RESIDENCE FEES**

<b>OFFICIAL UNIV RESIDENCES</b>	<b>UNIT</b>	<b>PER ANNUM</b>	<b>PER SEMESTER</b>
<b>GUEST QUARTERS (49)</b>	Single	R 40 760	R 20 380
<b>LILIAN NGOYI (18, 59) CLAUDE QAVANE (19, 60) SARAH BAARTMAN (20, 50)</b>	Single Double	R 41 100 R 36 400	R 20 550 R 18 200
<b>SOLOMON MAHLANGU (17, 58)</b>	Small Large	R 41 100 R 36 400	R 20 550 R 18 200
<b>YOLANDA GUMA (401, 406) CHARLOTTE MAXEKE (201) HECTOR PIETERSEN (240 – 249)</b>	Single Double	R 41 100 R 36 400	R 20 550 R 18 200
<b>INDWE (264) IKAMVA (265)</b>	Shared small Shared large Single small Single large	R 45 620 R 47 120 R 54 220 R 56 500	R 22 810 R 23 560 R 27 110 R 28 250
<b>STUDENT VILLAGE (115 – 120)</b>	Single 2 sharing 3 sharing	R 69 360 R 63 420 R 58 680	R 34 680 R 31 710 R 29 340
<b>SOL PLAATJIE (277 – 284)</b>	Single en-suite units 2-sharing units for disabled 2-sharing units 3-sharing units 4-sharing units	R 67 760 R 53 920 R 53 920 R 53 920 R 53 920	R 33 880 R 26 960 R 26 960 R 26 960 R 26 960
<b>SSV BLOCKS M - S (2001- 2006) BLOCKS 1 – 8 (2017 – 2024)</b>	Single 2 sharing	R 67 920 R 53 920	R 33 960 R 26 960
<b>GEORGE – RESIDENCES (303 – 306) KIEPERSOL, OUKRAAL, REEVA STEENKAMP, INDLOVUKAZI</b>	Single Double	R 43 140 R 38 040	R 21 570 R 19 020
<b>GEORGE – HOUSES (308 – 362) SNEEZEWOOD, QUERCUS, MATUMI, KREMEDART, TAMBOTI, TAEDA, KAUNDA NTUNJA, NATHANIEL JULIES</b>	Single Single smaller Double Double smaller	R 44 600 R 43 120 R 39 500 R 38 040	R 22 300 R 21 560 R 19 750 R 19 020
<b>GEORGE – PATULA (363)</b>	Single Double	R 43 120 R 39 500	R 21 560 R 19 750
<b>GEORGE – BAVELILE HLONGWA (364 – 368)</b>	Single Units 1 - 5	R 44 600	R 22 300
<b>GEORGE – WINDHEUWEL (371 – 383) RICHARD MAPONYA, MIETA LEHOLO</b>	Double Single Single larger Single largest	R 39 500 R 43 120 R 44 600 R 54 700	R 19 750 R 21 560 R 22 300 R 27 350
<b>GEORGE – JONNY CLEGG (384) GEORGE – NADINE GORDIMER (385) GEORGE – UMDONI (386)</b>	All units	R 39 520	R 19 760
<b>GEORGE – SINDISO MAGAQA HEIGHTS (340 – 343)</b>	Single Double	R 45 560 R 42 280	R22 780 R21 140

- 14.6.4 Room changes are dependent on the previous semester's residence fees being paid in full.
- 14.6.5 A student may cancel residence registration only after giving notice of at least two months.
- 14.6.6 In the event of a student failing to notify the Residence Manager of their withdrawal, the student will remain liable for residence fees until such time that the Residence Manager is informed of the vacancy of the room.
- 14.6.7 Students who cancel from the 02 May 2026 will be liable for the fees for the entire first semester. The same applies for second semester cancellations from 02 October 2026. This will not apply in the case of a

- student's death or on the recommendation of a medical practitioner with accompanying evidence.
- 14.6.8 Students are responsible for their own laundry.
  - 14.6.9 Residence fees do not include provision for meals.
  - 14.6.10 Credits for late occupancy of residence will only be considered on confirmation from the Student Housing Management provided that the room was not reserved for the student and that the required down-payment has been paid.
  - 14.6.11 Residence occupancy after the payment date 30 April for first semester and 30 September for second semester is subject to immediate payment of the residence fee until the end of the respective semester.
  - 14.6.12 The residence fee for personal carers of students with physical needs is charged at a rate of 1.5 of the monthly fee over 10 months **if the student chooses to stay at PGSV and share the single flat unit.**
  - 14.6.13 **Instead of a down-payment, International students are expected to pay 50% of their annual residence fees prior to registration and the balance thereof is due before the start of the second semester**

#### 2026 RESIDENCE CANCELLATION LIABILITY

PERIOD	START DATE	END DATE	% LIABILITY
Semester 1	01 Jan 2026	01 Feb 2026	0
	02 Feb 2026	01 Mar 2026	20
	02 Mar 2026	01 Apr 2026	40
	02 Apr 2026	01 May 2026	60
	02 May 2026	30 Jun 2026	100
Semester 2	01 Jan 2026	10 Jul 2026	0
	11 Jul 2026	01 Aug 2026	20
	02 Aug 2026	01 Sep 2026	40
	02 Sep 2026	01 Oct 2026	60
	02 Oct 2026	31 Dec 2026	100

#### 14.7 Accredited Off-campus accommodation

- 14.7.1 Nelson Mandela University has officially contracted external service providers for off-campus accommodation to accommodate students that cannot be housed in on-campus accommodation. This also includes NSFAS funded students provided they comply with the selection for off-campus accredited accommodation by Student Housing and Financial Aid.
- 14.7.2 **Accommodation in off-campus units is strictly an agreement between the specific landlord and the student.**
- 14.7.3 The 2026 Accommodation fees were not finalised by the Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET) and the National Student Financial Aid Scheme (NSFAS) at the time of publishing. For the most up-to-date information on accommodation fees, please contact Student Housing directly.
- 14.7.4 The big accredited off-campus accommodation service providers are listed on the Off-Campus Accommodation website.
- 14.7.5 There are several small off-campus facilities that have been accredited to accommodate less than 20 students each in various areas in Gqeberha and George.
- 14.7.6 The estimated monthly rentals for smaller properties vary depending on the standard of living in the respective facility, internet accessibility, whether electricity is included and the frequency of cleaning services, etc.
- 14.7.8 Off-campus accommodation service providers are liable for an accommodation levy, admin fee, wi-fi levy and an off-campus transport levy (if applicable) which is charged to the student account. These amounts are payable per month.
- 14.7.9 For further clarification on off-campus housing please contact the Off-Campus Housing office at: 041 5044736 or email to [offcampusaccommodation@mandela.ac.za](mailto:offcampusaccommodation@mandela.ac.za).
- 14.7.10 **NSFAS funded students: NSFAS will be paying out only the maximum amount per year (at the time of publishing the 2026 capping amount have not been finalised yet), however, the increase as per DHET prescribed rate takes effect on the rental fee of the previous year.**  
**If the student takes up accommodation priced higher than the maximum amount per year, it is the student's responsibility to pay the top-up difference.** The top-up by the student is payable directly to the service provider.

#### 14.8 Vacation accommodation

- 14.8.1 For students requiring vacation accommodation for e.g. re-exams, recess programmes, etc. the payments

- in respect of such accommodation is payable **in advance in cash**.
- 14.8.2 The rate is R100 per day for all self-catering residences.

#### **14.9 New occupancies / room changes / cancellations / vacating of rooms**

It is advised that room changes, new occupancies and cancellations only be done at the end of a month as residence fees are determined per month.

##### **14.9.1 New occupancies**

- 14.9.1.1 All students are advised to complete and sign the Check-In forms before room occupation.
- 14.9.1.2 Students will take full responsibility for the state and condition of the room they are about to occupy for the semester.
- 14.9.1.3 There is a different form for each residence and the forms can be requested from the respective Residence Managers.

##### **14.9.2 Room changes**

- 14.9.2.1 For room changes done during a month, students will be liable for the full cost of that month's residence fees of the vacated room as well as the full month's fees for the new room.
- 14.9.2.2 For new occupancy during a month, students will be liable for the full cost of that month's rental.

##### **14.9.3 Cancellations**

- 14.9.3.1 Students must cancel their accommodation in writing addressed to Residence Admission and Placement office (RAPO) or via e-mail to [resadmissions@mandela.ac.za](mailto:resadmissions@mandela.ac.za).
- 14.9.3.2 The cancellation notification must contain the Name, Student number, Current housing assignment, Reason for cancellation
- 14.9.3.3 Cancellations will be processed only after a student has officially withdrawn from the residence, removed the personal belongings from the room and returned the room keys to the Residence Manager.
- 14.9.3.4 **All residence cancellations are subject to a two calendar months' notice period.**
- 14.9.3.5 The two-calendar months' notice period will not apply in the case of the death of a student or if cancelled for medical reasons, on the condition that written recommendation of a medical practitioner with accompanying evidence is submitted.
- 14.9.3.6 In the event of students failing to notify the Residence Manager of their withdrawal, the students will remain liable for residence fees until such time that the Residence Manager is informed of the vacancy of the room.

##### **14.9.4 Vacating of Rooms**

- 14.9.4.1 The proper check-out procedure must be followed when a room is vacated at the end of the semester. Failing to follow proper procedure waives individuals' rights to appeal any/all damage charges.
- 14.9.4.2 When a student vacates a room, all original furniture must be in the room and the room should be free of litter and all personal items.
- 14.9.4.3 Students will be billed if furniture needs to be assembled and/or replaced, if extra cleaning is necessary or if personal items are removed by the University.

##### **14.9.5 Residence Regulations**

- 14.9.5.1 Contravening residence regulations may result in expulsion.
- 14.9.5.2 Offenders may summarily be suspended from the Nelson Mandela University and/or residence pending the holding and outcome of a formal disciplinary hearing.
- 14.9.5.3 **Squatting and sub-letting will, under no circumstances, be permitted in residences.**
- 14.9.5.4 **No alcoholic beverages or narcotics may be brought into the residences.**
- 14.9.5.5 No resident may bring firearms or any other dangerous articles into a residence without written permission from the Vice-Chancellor.
- 14.9.5.6 The Nelson Mandela University does not insure the personal property of students in residence therefore students need to arrange their own insurance cover.
- 14.9.5.7 Cooking in all private rooms is strictly prohibited. Cooking may only be done in designated areas in non-self-catering residences.

#### **15. MEALS**

- 15.1 The residence accommodation tariffs indicated in paragraph 14 do not include the provision of meals.
- 15.2 All students are expected to pay advance deposits for meals. **Such payments should not be made via the student account, but directly into the Meal Management System account at the Nelson Mandela**

**University Cashiers or electronically into the Nelson Mandela University's bank account (refer to paragraph 9 Nelson Mandela University's banking details, Sundry Fee payments).** For card payments, direct link: <https://paymentgateway.mandela.ac.za/>

- 15.3 The costs of meals ordered by students are deducted from the credit balance of their meal accounts.
- 15.4 The **estimated** cost for 3 meals per day of the standard menu option for 2026 amounts to R32 760. (VAT inclusive). This figure is provided as a guideline and excludes any snacks, soft drinks and tea or coffee. The figure is based on 252 academic days for 2026 (which includes weekends but excludes holidays for 2026).
- 15.5 **Unused meal credits are transferred to the student's fee account at year-end.**
- 15.6 The following meal costs for 2026 for the Standard Meal of the Day is applicable (VAT inclusive):

MEAL OF THE DAY	STANDARD MEAL
Breakfast	R 30.00
Lunch	R 50.00
Supper	R 50.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>R 130.00</b>

- 15.7 For further information / enquiries regarding the Meal Management System, please contact:  
Meal Management System Administrator  
K-Project Room 125  
North Campus  
Gqeberha  
Enquiries: +27 41 504 3341  
E-mail: [mmsadmin@mandela.ac.za](mailto:mmsadmin@mandela.ac.za)

## 16. STUDENT SPONSORSHIPS

### 16.1 Guidelines for sponsorship letters

- 16.1.1 Correspondence in respect of sponsorship to be sent to: [Studentaccounts.employers@mandela.ac.za](mailto:Studentaccounts.employers@mandela.ac.za)
- 16.1.2 **A letter of authority on an official company letterhead is annually required prior to registration when a sponsor grants financial assistance in respect of student fees.**
- 16.1.3 Letters of authority will only be accepted from **pre-approved companies** and is subject to the approval of the Nelson Mandela University.
- 16.1.4 Sponsorship letters in respect of previous debt is not accepted.
- 16.1.5 Sponsored students will be exempted from the down-payments, provided that the value of the sponsorship exceeds the required down payment.
- 16.1.6 The letter of authority must be submitted **annually** and must meet the requirements of the Nelson Mandela University. The sponsorship confirmation letter must:
  - 16.1.6.1 contain the student number;
  - 16.1.6.2 be on an official company letterhead;
  - 16.1.6.3 be addressed to the Nelson Mandela University;
  - 16.1.6.4 be **signed by the employer**;
  - 16.1.6.5 specify the employer's commitments;
  - 16.1.6.6 not be subject to academic performance;
  - 16.1.6.7 **confirm sponsorship** (an application for a loan or bursary is not acceptable);
  - 16.1.6.8 indicate that the payments will be made directly to the Nelson Mandela University, not to the student (including bank loan confirmation letters);
- 16.1.7 e-mailed notification of sponsorship must have the confirmation letter on an official company letterhead attached;
- 16.1.8 if the sponsorship is for a specified amount, the amount should exceed the applicable required down-payment. If the amount is less than the required down-payment the student will be expected to make up the difference before registration will be allowed;
- 16.1.9 the letter of authority is subject to the approval of the Nelson Mandela University;
- 16.1.10 the signee of the sponsorship letter may not be the student or a relative;

### 16.2 Sponsorship conditions

- 16.2.1 **Re-registration is subject to the full settlement of the account balance prior to registration and no extension for payment will be granted.**

- 16.2.2 The academic records and examination results of all students who fail to settle their accounts by the payment dates will not be released to the student/parent/sponsor, diploma/degree certificates will not be issued and the viewing of examination scripts will not be permitted until all outstanding financial obligations have been met in full.
- 16.2.3 **As the official contract (Nelson Mandela University Student Application form signed or electronically submitted by the student) is between the Nelson Mandela University and the student, the student or the surety will be held liable for the full balance of the account should the sponsor fail to pay the account.**
- 16.2.4 Statements will be sent to both sponsors and students, provided that the student's account address is not the same as that of the sponsor.
- 16.2.5 Non-payment of the student account by the sponsor and transactions excluded from the sponsorship will be the responsibility of the student and is payable by the deadline dates.
- 16.2.6 Communication between the student and the sponsor is essential to ensure that the payments are received by the payment dates.
- 16.2.7 The Nelson Mandela University does not involve itself in disputes between the sponsor and the student.
- 16.2.8 Payments made by sponsors must be accompanied by the list of names, student numbers and the breakdown of payment per student to ensure correct distribution.
- 16.2.9 No refunds will be made available to students unless the account has been fully settled and reflects a credit balance.
- 16.2.10 Written consent from the sponsor is required before an application for a refund or a request for the use of credit balances for other purposes (e.g. recess programmes), will be considered.
- 16.2.11 Monthly allowances / refunds to students will not be accommodated.
- 16.2.12 Correspondence and payments in respect of book allowances should be dealt with directly with the bookshop/s and not via the Nelson Mandela University.
- 16.2.13 It is the responsibility of the student to submit his/her examination results/progress reports to the sponsor.

#### **BANKING DETAILS FOR STUDENT SPONSORSHIPS**

Bank:	Standard Bank
Branch:	Stanley Street, Gqeberha
Branch code:	051001
Account name:	NELSON MANDELA UNIV-MAIN
Type of account:	Current
Account no:	<b>08 026 3011</b>
<b>Reference:</b>	<b>Company name</b>

- All payments made by sponsors must be accompanied by the list of names, student numbers and the breakdown of payment per student to ensure correct distribution.
- All distribution lists must be sent to **[studentaccounts.employers@mandela.ac.za](mailto:studentaccounts.employers@mandela.ac.za)**

#### **17. BOOKSHOP CONTACT DETAILS**

- 17.1 Only tuition and residence fees can be charged to the student account.
- 17.2 Quotations and invoices for books must be obtained from bookshops and must be paid directly to them.
- 17.3 Correspondence and payments in respect of book allowances should be dealt directly with the bookshop and not the Nelson Mandela University. Bookshop contact details are:

Van Schaik Bookstores	Address	Contact
South and North Campuses	Van Schaik Bookstore Sanlam Student Village PO Box 20062 Humewood Gqeberha 6013	Tel: +27 41 583 3171 Fax: +27 41 583 2418 E-mail: <a href="mailto:vspe@vanschaik.com">vspe@vanschaik.com</a> E-mail: <a href="mailto:nireena.pillay@vanschaik.com">nireena.pillay@vanschaik.com</a> Contact: Nireena Pillay
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## 18. MASTERS & DOCTORAL DEGREES

18.1 Doctoral degrees are offered on full research dissertation only, with the exception of the ProDBA qualification which is a combination of course work as well as a treatise.

18.2 Masters degrees are offered on either a full research dissertation or course work (per subject) basis. Full research dissertations have the following fee structure:

### Masters degrees

Year of Registration	Study period	Percentage or cost full-time fees	Percentage or cost part-time fees
First	1	100	100
Second	2	100	34*
Third	3	100	34*
Fourth	4	110	34*
Fifth	5	110	37*
Sixth and thereafter		110	37*
Re-submission	R	R5920 + enrolment fee	R5920 + enrolment fee
1 <sup>ST</sup> Year registration > 30 April	Z	R5920 + enrolment fee	R5920 + enrolment fee

\*Approximate percentage

### Doctoral degrees (excluding ProDBA qualification)

Year of Registration	Study period	Percentage or cost full-time fees	Percentage or cost part-time fees
First	1	100	100
Second	2	100	34*
Third	3	100	34*
Fourth	4	100	34*
Fifth	5	110	34*
Sixth	6	110	34*
All subsequent years		110	34*
Re-submission	R	R6760 + enrolment fee	R6760 + enrolment fee
1 <sup>ST</sup> Year registration > 30 April	Z	R7600 + enrolment fee	R7600 + enrolment fee

\*Approximate percentage

### Course work Masters (Treatise only, excluding ProDBA qualification)

Year of Registration of Treatise	Percentage or cost full-time or part-time
First	100
Second and thereafter	R6720 + enrolment fee

### **18.3 Registration renewal**

- 18.3.1 Students must renew their registration on an **annual** basis for the full period of study until he/she has fulfilled all the prescribed requirements for the degree.
- 18.3.2 The renewal of registration must take place in terms of the dates stipulated in the Nelson Mandela University Almanac.
- 18.3.3 The research project can be cancelled should a student neglect to register for the research dissertation during any year before the prescribed date.
- 18.3.4 Should a student interrupt his/her studies, such a student will, upon re-registration, be liable for 100 percent of the first year's fees for the applicable degree.
- 18.3.5 International students are eligible to pay the full Foreign Masters & Doctoral Fee in addition to the fees below.

### **18.4 Graduation**

- 18.4.1 For the degree to be awarded at graduation, the treatise / dissertation / thesis must be submitted by the stipulated date as per the Nelson Mandela University Almanac.
- 18.4.2 A late submission fee is payable by the student. Refer to paragraph 32.
- 18.4.3 If the examination of a candidate's treatise / dissertation / thesis is not completed in time for the degree to be awarded at the ensuing graduation, the candidate must re-register for the academic year concerned and will be liable for the applicable fees.

### **18.5 Research Scholarship**

The funds of the Nelson Mandela University Postgraduate Research Scholarships are released per semester and are subject to the required acceptance of scholarship conditions being signed and progress reports submitted as per dates advertised by Research Development. Refunds can only be considered if the student account balance is in credit and **if approved by RD office.**

### **18.6 Payment dates / late enrolment fees**

- 18.6.1 **Irrespective of the date of enrolment, no reduction in tuition fees is granted to students who are allowed to register late and no extension of the normal payment dates will be considered.**
- 18.6.2 Accounts are payable according to the Payment Deadlines (paragraph 7 in this guide). Irrespective of the date of enrolment, Full research Masters and Doctoral fees are payable 20 June of the year of enrolment (30 September for semester 2 modules).
- 18.6.3 The total cost of study is payable upfront for re-submissions (study periods R) and first year registrations after 30 April (study period Z) as per paragraph 18.2 above. Late enrolment fee is not applicable to these types of registration.
- 18.6.4 First registration of Masters and Doctoral dissertation registrations are excluded from late enrolment fees. Masters by course work, continuation of Masters and Doctorates and the MBA programme are not exempted from late enrolment fees.
- 18.6.5 Late enrolment fee is payable after the end of the formal registration period.

## **19. INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS**

- 19.1 International students are required to pay all their fees before registration.
- 19.2 International students are classified as SADC (South African Developing Countries) or Non-SADC students. Refer to paragraph 3.
- 19.3 If a student is **NOT** in possession of a RSA Identity document, RSA Non-SA Citizenship Identity document or Refugee Status, he/she will be liable for the fees applicable to International students.
- 19.3.1 **Exceptions:**  
**If a student obtains any of the above before 1 April (1<sup>st</sup> semester) the full amount of R24 620 will be refunded or alternatively by the 1<sup>st</sup> September (2<sup>nd</sup> Semester) R12 300 will be refunded.**
- 19.4 **The International Office handles all International and SADC student admission, registration and account enquiries.**
- 19.5 A new applicant who has been admitted for 2026 must pay a non-refundable acceptance deposit of **R4 000**. This amount will be posted to student fee account. Applicants that do not subsequently register will forfeit this deposit.
- 19.6 **Off-campus Accommodation:**
- 19.6.1 **All rental is payable in advance:** Deposits are payable directly to the service providers.  
Off campus accredited accommodation – fully payable in advance  
On campus accommodation – fully payable in advance

- 19.7 Please note **NO** accounts are printed for international students.
- 19.8 Student statements are e-mailed to students with outstanding library penalties and re-exam fees raised on the student account and it remains the student's responsibility to ensure the account is cleared prior to leaving South Africa.
- 19.9 International students are required to pay in cash for all sundry fees such as societies, printing costs, bio-kinetics, Internet fees, etc.

### INTERNATIONAL FEES PAYABLE

Student Type	Code	Enrolment Fee	Late Enrolment Fee	Foreign Admin Fee per Annum or semester	Study Abroad Admin Fee	Foreign Tuition Fee	Module Fee
Refugees	R 1	R 1770	R1000	-	-	-	-
English (Sem 1)	R 3	R 890	-	R3650	-	R 22960	-
English (Sem 2)	R 4	R 890	-	R3650	-	R 22960	-
Non- SADC students	Y 1	R 1770	R1000	R7300	-	R 24620	SA Fees
SADC students	Y 2	R 1770	R1000	R7300	-	-	SA Fees
Ad hoc students	Y 3	R 450	-	-	-	-	-
Study Abroad (per sem)	Y4, Y5	R 890	-	-	R8940	R 14150	SA Fees
Interns	Y 6	R 890	-	R8940	-	-	SA Fees
Exchange students	Y 7	R 890	-	R8940	-	-	SA Fees
Masters & Doctorates	Y 8	R 1770	-	R7980	-	-	SA Fees
Post Doctorates	Y 9	R 450	-	-	-	-	-
MBA	X 1	R 1770	R1000	R7300	-	R24620	SA Fees
Graduate Scholar	X 3	R 890	-	-	-	-	-

- 19.6.6 The student remains liable for the enrolment fee, late enrolment fee (if applicable) as well as the Foreign Student Admin Fee in the event of the cancellation of enrolment.
- 19.6.7 The adjustment of the Foreign Tuition Fee, if applicable, will depend on the enrolment cancellation date.

### 20. FAMILY REBATES ON TUITION FEES

- 20.1 Students from the same biological parents, under the age of 30 where three or more **fully dependent children are concurrently registered full-time** at the Nelson Mandela University **for the same academic year** can apply for a rebate on tuition fees (formal programs only).
- 20.2 The full prescribed tuition fees are payable by the first two children registered.  
The third child registered, pays 50% of the prescribed tuition fee.  
Any children registered after the third child will pay no tuition fee.
- 20.3 The rebate is only applicable to active modules, therefore module cancellations / enrolment changes or enrolment cancellations executed during the academic period will affect the allocated rebate of the beneficiary/ies.
- 20.4 **The benefit of family rebate is applicable to the first and second enrolment per module only, including the registration of recess programme modules (applicable only to the students that qualify for the rebate).**
- 20.5 **The benefit will be limited to only one change of study direction for any student that qualifies for family rebate.**
- 20.6 An Application for a Family Rebate on Tuition Fees form must be completed at the start of each academic period and must be supported by the following documentation:  
ID documents of all the respective children studying at the Nelson Mandela University  
ID documents of both the parents of the students  
Academic records of the students (will be provided by the Nelson Mandela University).
- 20.7 **The family rebate concession is not applicable to International students.**
- 20.8 The University retains the right to withdraw or amend this benefit at any time after due process and with due reason.

### 21. PROSPECTIVE GRADUATES

- 21.1 Examination results are withheld from ALL prospective graduates with outstanding accounts. Students with outstanding accounts on the deadline date will not receive their graduation certificates at the graduation ceremony or any subsequent ceremony. Certificates will only be released after the account balance is settled.

- 21.2 In the event of degree/diploma certificates having to be mailed, an absentia fee is payable. Refer to paragraph 32.
- 21.3 Students who register for outstanding requirement modules in respect of graduation will be exempted from paying the enrolment fee and late enrolment fee provided that no other modules are registered for the current academic year.

## **22. ACCOUNT REFUNDS**

- 22.1 Refunds can only be requested if the student account reflects a credit balance. The year-end closing date for refund requests is 04 December 2026.
- 22.2 Refunds will only be approved by the Nelson Mandela University provided that no payment is in arrears.

### **22.3 Refund Conditions**

- 22.3.1 No refunds will be processed one month prior to any payment date (28 February, 30 April, 20 June, 31 August and 30 September) except if the student account for the full year is in credit.
- 22.3.2 Payments made via the Nelson Mandela University's bank account are verified before such refunds are processed. The payment must be matched to the Nelson Mandela University's bank statement.
- 22.3.3 **Sponsored students can only be refunded the down-payments made by them after payment from their sponsor is received, provided that the amount claimed does not exceed the available credit on the account (donor's T and C's apply).**
- 22.3.4 **For payments made by parties other than the student, written consent from the payer is required before the refund request can be considered.**
- 22.3.5 A request for a refund must be in writing and / or signed by the applicant. A minimum of 3 days is required for processing.
- 22.3.6 Refund requests must be sent to [Studentaccounts@mandela.ac.za](mailto:Studentaccounts@mandela.ac.za) and not to an individual staff member's email address.
- 22.3.7 No monthly refunds/payments will be administered on behalf of sponsors and parents to students or third parties.
- 22.3.8 In the event of a refund request for a non-registered student such refund will only be processed as a once-off refund in the name of the student.
- 22.3.9 Refunds to any third party are subject to the approval of the Nelson Mandela University.

### **22.4 EFT refunds**

- 22.4.1 Only Electronic fund transfers (EFT) are available to students provided that a bank account record exists at the Nelson Mandela University for the student.
- 22.4.2 Submitting of bank details to the University is mandatory for refund request.
- 22.4.3 The designated 'Bank Account Record' form must be completed
- 22.4.4 The bank details must be duly completed, signed and stamped by your bank.
- 22.4.5 Certain banks have the facility to download an electronically stamped bank confirmation letter which can be emailed to [studentaccounts@mandela.ac.za](mailto:studentaccounts@mandela.ac.za).
- 22.4.6 It is the student's responsibility to notify the Nelson Mandela University of any change of his/her banking details previously submitted.
- 22.4.7 Third party refunds require supporting documents.
- 22.4.8 **The Nelson Mandela University is indemnified against any claim arising from the transfer of funds to the bank account as supplied by the student.**
- 22.4.9 **In the event of any loss suffered as a result of any details provided being incorrect, the Nelson Mandela University cannot be held liable for such a loss.**

## **23. ACCOUNT INFORMATION**

- 23.1 All account related matters to be referred ONLY to the Student Accounts section at [studentaccounts@mandela.ac.za](mailto:studentaccounts@mandela.ac.za), **except for the International Office that handles all International student matters. For international student account enquiries email to: [intfees@mandela.ac.za](mailto:intfees@mandela.ac.za)**
- 23.2 Statements for debit balances only and related communiqué are sent via E-mail to the student's Nelson Mandela University e-mail address and to the alternative email address provided by the student.
- 23.3 All communiqué sent will be deemed received/read by the student. Previously sent statements can be retrieved on the Student Portal under My Information, My Official Mandela University Documents, Stored Documents.
- 23.4 Students must verify transactions on their accounts to ensure that all registered modules are reflected correctly.

- 23.5 **Omitted modules and account discrepancies** must immediately be reported to their Faculty Administrator.
- 23.6 The Nelson Mandela University must be informed in writing within 14 days of any address or contact detail changes.
- 23.7 Students are advised to validate and update their address records at the Student Records section or via the Nelson Mandela University Student Portal or by email to studentbio@mandela.ac.za
- 23.8 **Statements emailed to students by the Nelson Mandela University will be deemed to be correct unless errors are reported within a 30-day period from date of statement.**
- 23.9 **Nelson Mandela University Council determines the conditions for the payment of fees therefore extension of the payment date for settlement of the account cannot be granted or on the grounds of not having received a statement or for modules registered after the payment dates.**
- 23.10 It is the responsibility of the student to make enquiries at the Student Accounts office and/or at [studentaccounts@mandela.ac.za](mailto:studentaccounts@mandela.ac.za) or request a statement should he/she not have received a statement via email within 60 days of registration.
- 23.11 **Not receiving an account does not relieve students of the obligation to pay by the payment dates.** Should you not receive your accounts via e-mail, use the self-service facilities (paragraph 13 in this guide) to obtain an account.
- 23.12 Student Account related enquiries can be addressed to [studentaccounts@mandela.ac.za](mailto:studentaccounts@mandela.ac.za) or on telephone number ☎ +27 41 504 4364.
- 23.13 Account balances quoted to students only include transactions processed up to the time of the enquiry. Payment deadline dates are not extended for late account debit entries.
- 23.14 Study materials provided by the Nelson Mandela University can only be charged to the student account if the account reflects a credit balance and approved by the payee or sponsor.
- 23.15 No charges other than the officially approved fees will be levied on the student account.
- 23.16 Compensation for lost and damaged library equipment/material and disciplinary fines are immediately payable and may be recovered from the responsible student or will be debited against his/her student account.
- 23.17 Services provided by independent contractors and/or third parties will not be charged to the students' accounts.

## 24. AVAILABILITY OF ACCOUNTS / PROOF OF REGISTRATION

- 24.1 Account statements are e-mailed to the student's Nelson Mandela University student e-mail address and the alternative email address provided by the student from mid-March and monthly thereafter.
- 24.2 The respective payment dates indicate the dates that amounts are fully payable. The final payment date is 30 September 2026.

### 24.3 Sponsors

- 24.3.1 The address details of sponsors (if applicable) are recorded separately.
- 24.3.2 The student's account address should therefore not be the same as that of the sponsor.
- 24.3.3 The Nelson Mandela University sends a statement to the sponsor's/employer's address and a copy to the student's Nelson Mandela University e-mail address and the alternative email address provided by the student.
- 24.3.4 It is important that the student is always informed of his/her account status to validate registration details for omitted or erroneous subjects, non-payment by sponsors/employers, etc.
- 24.3.5 If the account address of the student is the same as the sponsor's address, other mailed student account correspondence will not reach the student.

### 24.4 Proof of Registration

- 24.4.1 The document is issued after the registration is submitted or can be printed via the Student Portal.
- 24.4.2 It is only a confirmation of the registered modules / qualification and an indication of the cost per module.
- 24.4.3 A Proof of Registration is **NOT an account and does not reflect all financial transactions of the student account.**
- 24.4.4 Students should check the Proof of Registration for registration errors. Modules listed without fee values, are incorrect and should be reported to Student Accounts immediately.
- 24.4.5 The document can be requested via the 24/7 Self-service facility via the Student Portal or from the Information kiosks on all the campuses.

## 25. FUNDI ACCOUNTS

- 25.1 Registration of Fundi students is subject to an official confirmation of the approved loan, provided that the loan amount covers the outstanding balance (if applicable) and/or the down-payment.
- 25.2 **Fundi students will not be permitted to receive their results or graduate until the Fundi payments reflect on their student accounts, clearing any overdue payment agreements and interest.**
- 25.3 **No refunds in respect of Fundi payments may be made to any student without written approval of Fundi Head Office.**
- 25.4 Refunds to Fundi can only be approved for accounts in credit.
- 25.5 Students are liable for collection charges if the overdue accounts have been referred to collecting agents prior to receiving confirmation of the approved loans from Fundi.
- 25.6 Prosecuted accounts can be withdrawn provided that the approved loan amount covers the full balance, inclusive of costs.

## 26. BURSARIES, LOANS AND AWARDS (NELSON MANDELA UNIVERSITY ADMINISTERED)

### 26.1 Financial Aid Applications

- 26.1.1 Students are expected to do proper financial planning and explore all available financial avenues before embarking on their studies.
- 26.1.2 Students are encouraged to apply for bursaries from sources outside the Nelson Mandela University.
- 26.1.3 The Nelson Mandela University offers various types of financial assistance to full-time students, namely:
  - 26.1.3.1 Bursaries administered by the Nelson Mandela University using funds provided by donors or trustees.
  - 26.1.3.2 Bursaries and study loans administered by other organizations, to which applications must be directed.
  - 26.1.3.3 University bursaries based on academic performance for which no application is required. No such bursaries will be paid to students receiving NSFAS funding.
- 26.1.4 Nelson Mandela University administered bursaries/loans will firstly be used to cover amounts due on the student's fee account.
- 26.1.5 Students applying to Nelson Mandela University for financial assistance should **not assume** that the application will be successful, as the number of applications received exceeds the available loans / bursaries / awards.
- 26.1.6 **It is the student's responsibility to verify the student account for erroneous/omitted module(s) or other fees not raised and to immediately report such errors or omissions to the respective Faculty Administrator as well as Student Accounts.**
- 26.1.7 **Late module additions or late residence registrations are not guaranteed to be covered by the bursary or loan.**
- 26.1.8 Transactions not covered by bursaries or loans will be the responsibility of the student and are payable by the normal deadline dates.
- 26.1.9 Financial aid applications (excluding NSFAS) are done via the University website (cycle restrictions apply).
- 26.1.10 Direct financial aid enquiries to: [FinancialAid@mandela.ac.za](mailto:FinancialAid@mandela.ac.za) or ☎ +27 41 504 1111 **as well as NSFAS RELATED enquiries.**
- 26.1.11 A bursaries brochure, bursary advertisements and application forms are available for download on the Nelson Mandela University Financial Aid webpage (<http://finaid.mandela.ac.za>).

### 26.2 Financial Aid applications / conditions

- 26.2.1 Only South African citizens may apply for Nelson Mandela University administered funding. Students applying for Financial Aid must be studying or intend to study at the Nelson Mandela University.
- 26.2.2 Applications for financial assistance from funds administered by the Nelson Mandela University must be made on a designated form (if applicable).
- 26.2.3 Applications must be correctly completed to avoid delays in the application being processed.

### 26.3 Nelson Mandela University administered bursaries, loans and merit awards

- 26.3.1 Recipients of Nelson Mandela University administered bursaries/ loans/ merit awards are exempted from paying down-payments, provided that:
  - 26.3.1.1 written confirmation of financial assistance is received prior to registration
  - 26.3.1.2 the amount exceeds the required down-payment
  - 26.3.1.3 the previous year's fees have been paid in full and
  - 26.3.1.4 the application was made before the closing date, where applicable.
- 26.3.2 **The cancellation of studies/modules will result in the reversal or pro rata reversal of bursary/loan allocations and the student will be liable for the entire account balance.**

## **26.4 Bursary Refunds**

- 26.4.1 Refunding of credit balances is subject to confirmation by the fund administrators.
- 26.4.2 Conditions may apply in respect of multiple sources of funding.
- 26.4.3 **Refunding of University bursaries based on academic performance is only done in the second semester, provided the student has a credit balance on the student account.**
- 26.4.4 **No refunds will be processed one month prior to any payment date (28 February, 30 April, 20 June, 31 August and 30 September 2026) except if the student account for the full year is in credit.**
- 26.4.5 International students who have been awarded bursaries are liable to pay their fees in full prior to registration. When the bursary has been allocated, they will be entitled to the refund on their account on condition that this is approved by the bursar.

## **26.5 NSFAS**

- 26.5.1 Students can apply for NSFAS funding online on the NSFAS website ([www.nsfas.org.za](http://www.nsfas.org.za)). Application for 2026 academic year closed on 15 November 2025.
- 26.5.2 Applications are assessed by NSFAS based on the academic results and financial need of the applicant.
- 26.5.3 Awaiting the outcome of an application does not relieve a student of the obligation to pay registration down-payments or settle their debt by the respective payment dates.
- 26.5.4 NSFAS bursary amounts are determined by NSFAS according to the family's financial need.
- 26.5.5 Additional fees excluded by NSFAS are society fees, gym fees, re-exam fees, agency fees (Health Science), breakage deposits, etc.
- 26.5.6 Fees not covered by NSFAS are for the student's own account.
- 26.5.7 Once a student's application for NSFAS is successful, the allocation of any funds will only take place when students' details appear on NSFAS Funded list for the Nelson Mandela University.
- 26.5.8 Successful NSFAS funded students do not need to re-apply for the following year
- 26.5.9 Late module additions or late residence registrations are not guaranteed to be covered by the bursary or loan.**

## **27. STUDENT E-MAIL / INTERNET ACCESS / PRINTING & COPYING / DATA CENTRES**

Access to all services provided will be controlled by a username and password. The services are provided to all registered students at the Nelson Mandela University by the Information Communication Technology (ICT) department and are subject to the relevant rules and regulations as set out at: [https:// dept.mandela.ac.za/infosec/SitePages/Guidelines.aspx](https://dept.mandela.ac.za/infosec/SitePages/Guidelines.aspx) and at <http://my.mandela.ac.za/irc/?ircno=901>

### **27.1 E-mail**

- 27.1.1 Each student will automatically be issued with a username that will consist of an appropriate dedicated prefix followed by the student number, e.g. s20010203.
- 27.1.2 Proof of registration and the initial password for all services will be printed on the confirmation of registration form issued during registration. Please note that all passwords are case-sensitive.
- 27.1.3 Students can do a Self-Service password reset by going to this link <https://passreset.mandela.ac.za/passwordreset/> Students need to "Enroll" on this website first and then do the "Reset Password".
- 27.1.4 The e-mail address and login username for e-mail is e.g. [s20010203@mandela.ac.za](mailto:s20010203@mandela.ac.za)
- 27.1.5 Official Nelson Mandela University communication will be e-mailed to this address only and not to any other addresses. **Correspondence sent via e-mail will be deemed received by the student.**

### **27.2 Internet access**

- 27.2.1 The Web Portal address is <http://students.mandela.ac.za>
- 27.2.2 Internet access is provided as a managed system to ensure a fair service for all users. Usage volumes are being monitored and ICT Services reserves the right to impose restrictions and limitations on use.
- 27.2.3 Faculties have the right to limit Internet access to certain sites to manage the availability of specialized and general training computers.

### **27.3 Printing and Copying**

- 27.3.1 Students in general pay for printing and copying services against pre-paid credits.
- 27.3.2 All Nelson Mandela University printing and copying services are managed with a single system called PaperCut.
- 27.3.3 PaperCut credits may be used for copying, printing or scanning on any student imaging facilities across all campuses.

- 27.3.4 Certain laboratories are equipped with colour copy and print facilities as well as black and white copy and print facilities.
- 27.3.5 At registration students will be allocated with printing credits to the value of approximately R50.00.
- 27.3.6 Additional printing credits can be purchased (minimum amount applies) from the Nelson Mandela University Cashiers on the various campuses and also using the online payment gateway on the following link by selecting Printing Credits from the drop-down list: <https://paymentgateway.mandela.ac.za/PaymentOption.aspx>.
- 27.3.7 Such printing credits are automatically uploaded. Should this not happen, a call can be logged with helpdesk via sending an email to [helpdesk@mandela.ac.za](mailto:helpdesk@mandela.ac.za). Proof of payment needs to be attached.
- 27.3.8 An amount of approximately R100 will be reserved as available printing credits for the following year and the remaining balance of unused credits will be transferred to the student's fee account at year-end.
- 27.3.9 For any assistance on using the PaperCut system, please visit <https://students.mandela.ac.za/students/media/Store/documents/Papercut%20Print%20Billing%20System/HOW-TO-PRINT-TO-THE-NEW-PAPERCUT-PRINT-BILLING-SYSTEM.pdf>

**27.4 Architecture Data Centre**

- 27.4.1 Students in general pay for the Data Centre services (paper and stationery) against prepaid credits.
- 27.4.2 Credits can be purchased (minimum amount applies) from the Nelson Mandela University Cashiers on the various campuses.
- 27.4.3 Such credits are automatically uploaded. Should this not happen, the receipt must be taken to the Data Centre staff to have the credits uploaded manually.
- 27.4.4 An amount of approximately R100 will be reserved as available credits for the following year and the remaining balance of unused credits will be transferred to the student's fee account at year-end.
- 27.4.5 You can view your data centre account balance on the student portal under My information, Student Information Access System.

**28. STUDENT SOCIETIES**

- 28.1 Membership to societies is not compulsory.
- 28.2 The membership fees vary and after application, society subscription fees are annually charged to students' accounts.
- 28.3 The payment dates for subscription fees are 30 April for members who join in the first semester and 30 September for members who join in the second semester.
- 28.4 Payment dates will not be extended for late entries charged to the student account after these dates.
- 28.5 Students must verify transactions on their accounts to ensure that all society membership fees are reflected.

**29. NELSON MANDELA UNIVERSITY EQUIPMENT FOR USE OFF-CAMPUS**

- 29.1 In all instances where a student of the Nelson Mandela University borrows equipment belonging to the Nelson Mandela University for off-campus use for a purpose related to the fields of studies, it is deemed that such equipment have been received by the student in good order and condition, unless the student notifies the Nelson Mandela University of any defect forthwith upon receipt of the equipment.
- 29.2 All risk in respect of damage caused to the equipment, or loss, whether by theft or otherwise, during the period of loan by the student, shall vest in the student who shall be responsible to return the equipment to the Nelson Mandela University in the same condition in which it was at the date of taking the equipment into his/her possession.
- 29.3 The student shall be responsible for repair of any damage that the equipment may have sustained during the period of loan, irrespective of the cause of such damage. The cost of such repairs will be recovered from the student or debited against the student's fees account.
- 29.4 If the equipment is lost, stolen or damaged beyond economic repair, the student shall be responsible for the replacement of the equipment with similar equipment, of the same quality and condition to the equipment loaned from the Nelson Mandela University. The replacement costs will be recovered via the student's fees account.

**30. SERVICE HOURS FOR STUDENT ACCOUNTS / CASHIERS / INTERNATIONAL OFFICE (Weekdays only)**

Campus	Office	*Hours	Lunch	Closed	Recess
North	Cashier	08:30 – 16:00	Closed	13:00 – 13:45	Open
South	Cashier	08:30 – 16:00	Closed		Open
	Accounts	08:30 – 16:00	Open		Open
2 <sup>nd</sup> Avenue	Cashier/Accounts	08:30 – 16:00	Closed	13:00 – 13:45	Closed

Missionvale	Cashier/Accounts	08:30 – 16:00	Closed	13:00 – 13:45	Open
George	Cashier	08:30 – 16:00	Closed	13:00 – 13:45	Open
	Accounts	08:30 – 16:00	Closed		Open
International Office	Accounts	09:30 – 15:00	Open		Open

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**31. DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC – PRE-TERTIARY DEPARTMENT**

31.1 Fees for first semester are due by 30 April and second semester fees are due by 30 September.

31.2 General conditions apply for payment methods and payment default implications.

31.3 If a student wishes to discontinue lessons, he/she must give written notice of such intention to the Head of the Department of Music.

31.4 Students shall be liable for fees up to the end of the semester in which such written notice is received.

31.5 All correspondence regarding part-time students, scholars and concerts should be addressed to: The Head, Department of Music, PO Box 77000, Nelson Mandela University, Gqeberha, 6031.

**31.6 Fees payable for the Pre-Tertiary Music Section per semester are:**

Lesson duration	Amount per semester
30 minutes	R 2800
45 minutes	R 4200
60 minutes	R 5600
60 minutes (group tuition)	-
Hire of instruments	R 1100
Theory	R 950

**32. SUNDRY FEES**

32.1 Sundry fees refer to fees other than tuition and residence fees.

32.2 Sundry fees are not refundable under any circumstances unless otherwise stated in the fee definition below. International students are required to pay all fees in advance.

32.3 No charges other than the enrolment, tuition, late enrolment, re-exam, residence, residence registration fees, lab/residence breakage deposits, lost library books and fines, off-campus registration fees and levies, disciplinary fines and society membership will be levied on a student account.

**Details of Sundry Fees are on the next page.**

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<b>1</b>	<b>Absentia Fee</b>	In the event of graduates' diplomas / degree certificates having to be mailed, an absentia fee is payable. Use Bank account 080263011 for Absentia Fee payments	R 300
<b>2</b>	<b>Academic Records (Courier fee not included)</b>	Academic records will only be issued if the student's account has been settled by the due dates and the prescribed fee is paid. A fee is charged for academic records collected in person. Use bank account 080263011 for Academic Record payments	R 30
<b>3</b>	<b>Application Fees</b>	Applications will not be processed before the application fee have been paid. International students to take note of bank payment details in paragraph 9 of the booklet	Refer item 5.1
<b>4</b>	<b>Competency Test</b>	Competency tests will be scheduled at the beginning of the respective semesters. A fee is charged per student per test. When a student passes a competency test, the candidate may apply for and receive exemption from the corresponding module through the normal procedure, i.e. completing the prescribed document and paying the Study Elsewhere fee. Use bank account 080263011 for Competency Test payments	R 460
<b>5</b>	<b>Detailed Academic Record (including Syllabi, etc) Courier fee not included</b>	Detailed academic records will only be issued if the student's account has been settled by the due dates and the prescribed fee is paid. Use bank account 080263011 for Detailed Study Record payments	R 840
<b>6</b>	<b>Duplicate Diploma / Degree Certificates</b>	A duplicate diploma / degree certificate may be issued upon presentation of the original certificate and payment of the prescribed fee where after the damaged certificate will be destroyed. In the event of a lost certificate the payment must be accompanied by a satisfactory sworn statement that the certificate has been lost and describing the circumstances leading to its loss. In addition, the student must undertake to return the duplicate should the original be recovered, without the right to reclaim the amount paid. In both instances the word "Duplicate" shall appear on the duplicate certificate. Use bank account 080263011 for Duplicate Certificate payments	R 550
<b>7</b>	<b>Enrolment Fees</b>	Enrolment fees shall be debited to students' accounts upon registration and are payable every year of registration (refer to paragraph 5.2). This item is raised on the student account. Use bank account 080265855 for the Enrolment fee payment	R 1 770
<b>8</b>	<b>Key or Student Card</b>	A fee is charged for every replacement card or key. Use bank account 080263011 for Key /	R 200

	<b>Replacement</b>	Card Replacement payments	
<b>9</b>	<b>Laboratory Deposits (maximum per Module)</b>	Students using laboratories and/or specialized equipment will be levied with a laboratory deposit per module. Breakages will be debited against these deposits. Should the amount be insufficient, the student account will be debited with the difference. The deposit, less any breakages, is refundable to the student account annually by end November. In cases where there is a claim against a student and no deposit was levied, the costs will be charged to the student account. Laboratory deposits are levied for certain modules in the Departments of Biochemistry, Botany, Chemistry, Microbiology, Pharmacy, Physics, Zoology and Engineering. This item is raised on the student account. Use bank account 080265855 for the Lab deposit payment	Cost
<b>10</b>	<b>Late Enrolment Fees</b>	A penalty is payable for enrolments outside the formal registration periods as per the Nelson Mandela University Almanac. Refer to paragraph 6. This item is raised on the student account. Use bank account 080265855 for the Late Enrolment fee payment	R 1 000
<b>11</b>	<b>Late Submission of Treatise/Dissertation/Thesis</b>	A penalty is payable in advance for late submission of a treatise/dissertation/thesis for the awarding of a masters/doctoral degree at the April graduation. Use bank account 080263011 for Late Submission of Research payments	R 1 250
<b>12</b>	<b>Lost / Damaged Library Equipment / Materials / Fines</b>	Compensation for lost and damaged library equipment / material / fines are immediately payable and may be recovered from the responsible student or debited against his / her student account. Use bank account 080265855 for the Library fines / Materials payment	Cost
<b>13</b>	<b>Module Credit/s / Study Elsewhere Fees (Recognition of prior learning)</b>	Students apply at the faculty concerned for the granting of credits for modules studied elsewhere. Module Credit/Study Elsewhere fees are payable per application upon submitting the application for module credits and are not refundable under any circumstances. In the case of International students, the Foreign Administration fee is also payable if the student is studying in S.A., i.e. has a valid study permit. Use bank account 080263011 for Study Elsewhere payments	R 1210
<b>14</b>	<b>Re-Examination</b>	The fee per module will be debited to the student's account after the re-exam has been written, (e.g. second exam for same module in the same exam period). Payment dates for the re-exams are 29 February and 31 August respectively. This item is raised on the student account. Use bank account 080265855 for the Re-exam payments	R 540

15	<b>Registration for Examination Purposes Only</b>	Students exempted from class attendance or students repeating modules pay the full fees prescribed for the modules concerned. This item is raised on the student account. Use bank account 080265855 for the Module payment	Cost of Module
15	<b>Re-marking of Examination Scripts</b>	Students shall pay a fee per module for the re-marking of examination scripts. The student shall also be liable for all costs that the Nelson Mandela University may incur in connection with the posting or the transportation of moderators from outside Gqeberha to re-mark the scripts. Use bank account 080263011 for Remark of Exam Scripts payments	R 520
17	<b>Residence Breakage Deposit</b>	The residence breakage deposit will be retained as a deposit against damage to Nelson Mandela University property. Use bank account 080265855 for the Residence Breakage Deposit payment	Refer item 15.2
18	<b>Residence Off-campus levies</b>	Off-campus accommodation students are liable for off-campus levies which are charged to the student account. The amounts are payable per semester. Use bank account 080265855 for the Off Campus Residence Levies payment	Differentiated amounts
19	<b>Residence Registration Fees</b>	Students staying in any of the Nelson Mandela University residences are liable for a residence registration fee. Refer to paragraph 14.4. This item is raised on the student account and is not refundable. Use bank account 080265855 for the Residence Registration fees payment	R 410 per semester
20	<b>Writing of Examination at Non- Nelson Mandela University Venues – within South Africa</b>	Students who write their examinations at an approved centre other than Nelson Mandela University venues within South Africa are liable for a fee per module, per examination. Use bank account 080263011 for Writing of Exams at other Venue Fee payments	R 780
21	<b>Writing of Examination at Non- Nelson Mandela University Venues – Abroad</b>	Students who write their examinations at an approved centre other than Nelson Mandela University venues abroad are liable for a fee per module, per examination. Use bank account 080263011 for Writing Exams Abroad payments	R 1 240

**Mandela University has done everything reasonable to ensure that the information contained in this document is accurate, valid and applicable at the time of publication on 12 January 2026.**

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