

POSTGRADUATE FACULTY HANDBOOK-2026



UNIVERSITY OF ZULULAND

FACULTY OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

VISION

To be a leading Faculty, locally, nationally and globally, based in a rural setting, providing quality career-focused programmes and service through our teaching, research and community engagement.

MISSION

- To provide access to students from diverse backgrounds to an enabling and caring teaching and learning environment.
- To respond to local, national and global demand for human capital development by training learners in relevant academic and career focused programmes.
- To generate knowledge through research in the Arts and to disseminate it through publications, teaching, development and information sharing.

VALUES

- **Professionalism:** *Instilling an ethos of professionalism and commitment in the manner in which we function in lecture halls and offices toward students, colleagues, parents and other stakeholders.*
- **Honesty:** *Exercising discretionary powers in accordance with the principles of natural justice and transparency in our dealings and reports.*
- **Caring:** *Making the people we serve come first in performing our duties and displaying practices of compassion, kindness, altruism and respect.*
- **Empathy:** *Understanding the needs of each individual, the physically challenged, family and communities to which we are accountable.*
- **Teamwork:** *Cooperating with one another and with our partners in academic programmes in an open and transparent and supportive way to achieve shared goals.*
- **Integrity:** *Ensuring consistent and sound policies, procedures and service to the people.*
- **Fairness:** *Facilitating redress, equity, equality and freedom from discrimination and harassment in the workplace and in service we provide.*

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FACULTY RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. General rules

The faculty rules valid for the different qualifications, programmes and curricula contained in this faculty handbook are subject to the General Rules of the University, as determined from time to time by the Council of the University on recommendation by the Senate. The faculty rules should therefore be read in conjunction with the General Rules.

Prospective students must note that all correspondence and enquiries are to be addressed to the Registrar, University of Zululand, Private Bag X1001, KwaDlangezwa, 3886 or email admissions@unizulu.ac.za.

2. International Students

An international student must have his or her qualifications verified by the South African Qualifications Authority (SAQA) for postgraduates who have foreign undergraduate qualifications. The Office for International Students should be contacted for additional information.

3. **Recognition of Prior Learning and Credits from Other Institutions**

Recognition of prior learning (RPL) may be considered subject to the policies of the University and acceptance by the University Senate or the designated University authority. In this regard guidance will be available from the Office of the Registrar.

Credits may be granted to candidates who have completed modules at this University or other approved Higher Education Institutions, provided such application has been approved by the Faculty Board and Senate. Application must be made in the prescribed format through the Office of the Dean. A candidate who has applied for recognition of credits and whose application has been approved may be granted exemption from those modules in the relevant curriculum to a maximum of fifty (50) percent of the total credits required for the qualification. shall not be granted in respect of the exit level modules and modules credited must carry the same NQF level and credit value as the University of Zululand modules. For candidates that are coming from outside South Africa, verification of foreign qualifications by the South African Qualifications Authority (SAQA) is mandatory.

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Faculty rules supersede Departmental rules. Therefore:

- (a) Departmental rules should be in line with those of the faculty.
- (b) Where Departmental rules conflict with those of the faculty, faculty rules will apply.

GENERAL CRITERIA FOR ADMINISTRATION

Postgraduate Diploma – NQF Level 8 (Departmental rules will apply).

Departments

- ❖ Recreation and Tourism
- ❖ Information Studies

Bachelor of Arts (Honours) – NQF Level 8

The degree may be conferred in the following departments:

- ❖ African Languages and Culture (IsiZulu)
- ❖ Anthropology and Development Studies
- ❖ Communication Science
- ❖ Criminal Justice
- ❖ General Linguistics
- ❖ Geography
- ❖ History
- ❖ Information Studies
- ❖ English
- ❖ Philosophy and Applied Ethics
- ❖ Psychology
- ❖ Recreation and Tourism
- ❖ Sociology

Admission requirements

A minimum 65% average in the final-year modules in the specific discipline is required.

Where an applicant does not meet this requirement, an HOD shall tender before Faculty a motivation for admission in terms of the following criteria:

- (a) Academic record: A scrutiny of the student's full academic record may convince the faculty that the student has the potential to deliver work of the required standard.
- (b) Maturity: evidence that the student had been working in the relevant field should be favourably considered.
- (c) Special achievements: Any achievements supporting the view that the student has the ability to pursue postgraduate studies with success should be considered (like obtaining another degree or publishing a book of verse).

Curriculum

The curriculum and special requirements are indicated in the syllabuses of the relevant departments.

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Duration of Qualification

The qualification shall extend over at least one year. Subject to rule G32, this period may be extended at the discretion of the HOD.

Examinations

The examinations shall be held in June or November.

- (a) To pass, a candidate who writes all the required papers in the same examination shall obtain an average of at least 50%, with a minimum of 45% allowed in 1 paper in an Honours examination with 5 papers, or a minimum of 45% allowed in 2 papers in an Honours examination with six papers.
- (b) A candidate who does not comply with the requirements set in (a) but who obtained at least 50% in each of 3 or more papers in an examination with 5 papers, or at least 50% in each of four or more papers in an examination with 6 papers, shall retain credit for the papers passed and repeat only those papers that he or she failed.
- (c) A candidate who does not comply with the requirements set in (a) or (b) shall repeat the course as a whole, i.e. all papers.
- (d) A candidate who writes the examination in 2 parts must obtain an average of at least 50% in each part and is allowed one minimum of 45% in a part of the examination which comprises 3 papers.
- (e) A candidate who does not comply with the requirements set out in (a) but failed only 1 paper in a part of the examination, shall retain credit for the paper or papers passed and repeat only the paper failed.
- (f) A candidate who does not comply with the requirements set in either (a) or (b) shall repeat that part of the examination as a whole, i.e. all the papers of that part.
- (g) A candidate who writes the examination in two parts and who fails one part of the examination must pass this part within 3 years, following the general rule which reads: "No student may present himself more than twice for a similar examination in the same department without the permission of the Senate; this also applies to each of the 2 parts where the examination is taken in 2 parts."
- (h) Unless otherwise provided for in the rules of a department, a year or semester mark, which may or may not include a practical component, is generally taken into account only for the purpose of admission to the examination. In the absence of stipulations to the contrary, the year or semester mark carries the same weight as the examination mark in determining the final mark in those departments where a year or semester mark is provided for in the Departmental rules.
- (i) The normal requirements for internal and external examiners apply to ensure the maintenance of standards.

Other examination requirements are indicated in the syllabuses of the relevant departments. To obtain the degree with distinction a candidate shall obtain a distinction aggregate.

Master of Arts – NQF Level 9

Departments

African Languages and Culture (IsiZulu)
Anthropology and Development Studies
Communication Science
Criminal Justice

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English
General Linguistics
Geography
History
Information Studies
Philosophy and Applied Ethics
Psychology
Recreation and Tourism
Social Work
Sociology

Admission requirements and examination

- (a) A minimum of 65% average in the honours degree modules in the specific discipline is required.
- (b) Departments may have specific entry requirements approved by the Faculty Board.
- (c) Where a student is registering for an unrelated postgraduate programme / discipline, motivation must be provided by the particular Head of Department to the Dean and the Faculty Board.
- (d) The examination requirements are as set out in the syllabuses of the relevant departments.
- (e) The degree may be conferred with distinction.

Duration of Qualification

The qualification shall extend over at least one year. Subject to rule **G34 of the University Rules**, this period may be extended at the discretion of the HOD.

Doctor of Philosophy – NQF Level 10

Admission and registration

The general rules apply:

- (a) A student who wishes to enroll shall have obtained a Masters degree in the faculty concerned, unless a provision to the contrary exists in the rules of the faculty, or equivalent status shall have been conferred on him or her and he or she shall satisfy the Senate as to his or her proficiency in the prescribed field of study. A minimum of 65% in the Masters degree in the specific discipline is required.
- (b) Admission shall further be subject to approval by the Board of the Faculty on the recommendation of the HOD concerned.
- (c) A candidate shall register annually not later than 31 May.

Duration of the Qualification

The qualification shall extend over at least two years. Subject to rule **G38 of the University Rules**, this period may be extended at the discretion of the HOD of the Department.

PROGRAMMES OFFERED PER DEPARTMENT

African Languages and Culture

BA Honours in IsiZulu	1HON14
Master of Arts in IsiZulu	1MAS14
Doctor of Philosophy in IsiZulu	1DPH14

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Anthropology and Development Studies

BA Honours in Development Studies	1HON07
BA Honours in Anthropology	1HON40
Master of Arts in Development Studies	1MAS07
Master of Arts in Anthropology	1MAS40
Doctor of Philosophy in Development Studies	1DPH07
Doctor of Philosophy in Anthropology	1DPH40

Communication Science

BA Honours in Communication Science	1HON03
Master of Arts in Communication Science	1MAS03
Doctor of Philosophy in Communication Science	1DPH03

Criminal Justice

BA Honours in Penology (not offered in 2026)	1HON05
BA Honours in Criminology	1HON04
Master of Arts in Criminology	1MAS04
Doctor of Philosophy in Criminology	1DPH04

English

BA Honours in English	1HON08
Master of Arts in English	1MAS08
Doctor of Philosophy in English	1DPH08

General Linguistics

BA Honours in General Linguistics	1HON09
Master of Arts in Linguistics	1MAS09
Doctor of Philosophy in Linguistics	1DPH09

Geography and Environmental Studies

BA Honours in Geography	1HON10
Master of Arts in Geography	1MAS10
Doctor of Philosophy in Geography	1DPH10

History

BA Honours in History	1HON12
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Information Studies

Bachelor of Arts Honours in Information Sciences	1HON13
Master of Arts in Information Sciences	1MAS13
Doctor of Philosophy in Library and Information Science	1DPH13

Philosophy and Applied Ethics

Bachelor of Arts Honours in Philosophy	1HON17
Master of Arts in Philosophy	1MAS17
Doctor of Philosophy in Philosophy	1PHD17

Psychology

Bachelor of Arts Honours in Psychology	1HON18
Doctor of Philosophy in Community Psychology	1DPH19

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Recreation and Tourism

Bachelor of Arts Honours in Recreation and Tourism	1HON21
Post-graduate Diploma in Recreation and Tourism	1PDRT1
Master of Tourism (Coursework)(not offered in 2026)	1MAS21
Master of Tourism (Research only)	1MAS22
Doctor of Philosophy in Tourism and Recreation	1DPH21

Social Work

Master of Social Work	1MAS24
Master of Arts in Community Work (not offered in 2026)	1MAS23
Doctor of Philosophy in Social Work	1DPH23

Sociology

Bachelor of Arts Honours in Sociology	1HON26
Bachelor of Arts Honours in Industrial Sociology (not offered in 2026)	1HON27
Master of Arts in Sociology	1MAS26
Master of Arts in Industrial Sociology	1MAS27
Doctor of Philosophy in Sociology	1DPH26
Doctor of Philosophy in Industrial Sociology	1DPH27

FACULTY DEPARTMENTS AND PROGRAMMES

DEPARTMENT OF AFRICAN LANGUAGES AND CULTURE

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	F.N. Gumede	SSTD B Paed (UNIZULU), BA (Hons) (UNIZULU), MA (UNIZULU), PhD (UNIZULU), PGDip (DUT)
	S. Mthembu	Bachelor of Education FET (UNIZULU), BA (Hons) (UNIZULU), MA (UNIZULU), PhD (UNIZULU)
	O.N. Mbathu	BA Humanities (UJ) PGCE (UNISA), BA in African Languages (Hons) (UJ), MA (UJ), PhD (UJ)
Administrative Assistant	Vacant	

The Department offers the following programmes:

PROGRAMME	CODE
BA Honours in IsiZulu	1HON14

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Master of Arts in IsiZulu	1MAS14
Doctor of Philosophy in IsiZulu	1DPH14

Rules

1. For entry to the degree stream, students must have taken isiZulu in Matric.
2. General rules of the Department and the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences apply.
3. Students can major in isiZulu. Courses should be taken in consecutive order as per the advice of the Department.

BA HONOURS IN AFRICAN LANGUAGES AND CULTURE (1HONS14 - NQF LEVEL 8)

Requirements

To qualify for admission to the Honours course, students should have obtained a minimum pass of 65% for the third-year level. A candidate must choose 5 papers out of 10 papers. At least one paper must be chosen from Group A or Group B while Group C, which is an independent research study, remains compulsory. The independent research study must be approximately 40 pages and be typed on A4 pages in double spacing.

BA HONOURS in IsiZulu PROGRAMME

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES					
Department	African Languages and Culture					
Degree (Designator)	Bachelor of Arts Honours in IsiZulu					
CESM Category	11	Languages, Linguistics and Literature				
CESM 1st Qualifier	1112	IsiZulu				
Major Field of Study	IsiZulu					
Abbreviation	BA Hons (IsiZulu)					
Qualification Code (SAQF)	19217	Qual ID	CR	1p/1q/1r	Qual Type	70
UNIZULU Code	1HON14					
NQF Exit Level	8					
Admission Requirements	1) Any B degree with IsiZulu 2) Refer to the faculty requirements					
Minimum duration of studies	1 YEAR					
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time					
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY					
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY					
Readmission:	See General Calendar					
Total credits to Graduate:	120					

Students are expected to select at least four modules from group A & B. To do this, students should at least select one module from one group and the balance from the other group. Group C is compulsory and is an independent research component.

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GROUP A GRAMMAR

Honours Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1ZU502 Credits:20 NQF: 8	Phonology with special reference to the main language
1ZU503 Credits:20 NQF: 8	Morphology with special reference to the main language
1ZU504 Credits:20 NQF: 8	Syntax with special reference to the main language
1ZU505 Credits:20 NQF: 8	Semantics of the main language
1ZU507 Credits:20 NQF: 8	Sociolinguistics

GROUP B LITERATURE

Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1ZU508 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	Traditional Literature
1ZU509 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	Modern prose (novel, short story and essay)
1ZU510 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	Modern Drama
1ZU511 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	Modern Poetry

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1ZU513 Credits:40 NQF: 8	Independent Research study
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Master of Arts in IsiZulu - 1MAS14 - NQF Level 9

Students should have obtained a minimum of 65% at Honours level.

MASTER OF ARTS in IsiZulu PROGRAMME

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES					
Department	African Languages and Culture					
Degree (Designator)	Master of Arts in IsiZulu					
CESM Category	11	Languages, Linguistics and Literature				
CESM 1st Qualifier	1112	IsiZulu				
Major Field of Study	IsiZulu					
Abbreviation	MA (IsiZulu)					
Qualification Code (SAQF)	19485	Qual ID	DK	1Y/1Z/1a	Qual Type	72
UNIZULU Code	1MAS14 (FOR FIRST TIME ENTERING STUDENTS)					
NQF Exit Level	9					
Minimum duration of studies	2 YEARS					
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time					
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY					
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY					
Readmission:	See General Calendar					
Total credits to Graduate:	180					

TOTAL NUMBER OF CREDITS 180

Master of Arts in IsiZulu (1MAS14)

A dissertation on an approved subject. Students should have obtained a minimum of 65% at Masters level.

Masters Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1ZU700 Credits: 180 NQF: 9	Research Dissertation Masters' Research Dissertation in IsiZulu using qualitative, quantitative and mixed method approach sources

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY in ISIZULU PROGRAMME

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES					
Department	African Languages and Culture					
Degree (Designator)	Doctor of Philosophy in IsiZulu					
CESM Category	11	Languages, Linguistics and Literature				
CESM 1st Qualifier	1112	IsiZulu				
Major Field of Study	IsiZulu					
Abbreviation	DPhil (IsiZulu)					
Qualification Code (SAQF)	19485	Qual ID	CL	1F/1G/1H	Qual Type	74
UNIZULU Code	1DPH14					

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NQF Exit Level	10
Minimum duration of studies	2 YEARS
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY
Readmission:	See General Calendar
Total credits to Graduate:	360

TOTAL NUMBER OF CREDITS 360

Doctor of Philosophy in IsiZulu (1DPH14)
A thesis on an approved subject

PhD Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1ZU800 Credits: 360 NQF: 10	Thesis Doctoral Research Thesis in IsiZulu using advanced qualitative, quantitative or mixed method approaches.

DEPARTMENT OF ANTHROPOLOGY AND DEVELOPMENT STUDIES

Staff

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	M.W. Mbatha	BA (Dev. Studies) (UNIZULU), BA Hons (Dev. Studies) (UNIZULU), MA (Dev. Studies) (UNIZULU), PhD (Dev. Studies) (UNIZULU).
Administrative Assistant	Vacant	

The Department offers the following programmes:

PROGRAMME	CODE
BA Honours in Anthropology	1HON40
BA Honours in Development Studies	1HON07
Master of Arts in Anthropology	1MAS40
Master of Arts in Development Studies	1MAS07
Master of Arts in Sustainable Integrated Rural Development (No intake in 2026)	1MAS28
Doctor of Philosophy in Anthropology	1DPH40
Doctor of Philosophy in Development Studies	1DPH07

POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

Bachelor of Arts Honours in Anthropology - 1HON40; NQF Level 8
Total No of credits: 120

Admission requirements: See General Rules A14.1

Duration of Course: See General Rule A14.3

The BA Honours programme consists of intensive, mandatory coursework. Five courses are offered, running parallel for 1 year. **Admission to the Honours programme is limited to a minimum pass of 65% in Anthropology or any related field of study.**

BA HONOURS in ANTHROPOLOGY PROGRAMME

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES	
Department	Anthropology and Development Studies	
Degree (Designator)	Bachelor of Arts Honours in Anthropology	
CESM Category	20	Social Sciences
CESM 1st Qualifier	2001	Anthropology
Major Field of Study	Anthropology	
Abbreviation	BA Hons (Anthropology)	
Qualification Code (SAQF)	19214	
UNIZULU Code	1HON40	
NQF Exit Level	8	
Admission Requirements	Admission to Honours programme is limited to a minimum pass of 65% in Anthropology or any related field of study.	

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Minimum duration of studies	1 YEAR
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY
Readmission:	See General Calendar
Total credits to Graduate:	120

Honours Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1ANT501 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	History of Anthropology, trends of thought and theory: The module explores some history of some of critical anthropological theories about the understandings of social-cultural and political manifestations of a society.
1ANT502 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	Medical Anthropology The module develops and hones students' understanding of medical anthropology that studies social aspects of diseases, health, and illnesses, locating them in broader cultural, political, and socio-economic situation.
1ANT503 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	The Anthropology of Tourism The module explores the role of tourism in the social development of the host societies and socio-cultural, political and economic impacts on tourism development.
1ANT504 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	Applied Anthropology The module offers unparalleled insights into pressing social problems, whether these be related to marginalised "third" and "fourth" world population. It also aims to strengthening the post-graduate students with critical research skills on research topic development.
1ANT505 Credits: 40 NQF: 8	Research Report: The module deals with research methodology that hone students' skills in developing a scientific research paper. It includes the debates emanating within the research methods such as that of social-political context within which social research in taking place.

Bachelor of Arts Honours in Development Studies - 1HON07; NQF Level 8 Total No of Credits: 120

Admission requirements: See General Rules A14.1

Duration of Course: See General Rule A14.3

Examination

Four 3-hour papers plus one research paper.

The BA Honours programme consists of intensive, mandatory coursework. Five courses are offered, running parallel for one year. **Admission to the Honours programme is limited to a minimum pass of 65% in Development Studies or Cognate Discipline or any related field of study.**

POSTGRADUATE FACULTY HANDBOOK-2026

BA HONOURS in DEVELOPMENT STUDIES PROGRAMME

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES					
Department	Anthropology and Development Studies					
Degree (Designator)	Bachelor of Arts Honours in Development Studies					
CESM Category	20	Social Sciences				
CESM 1st Qualifier	2001	Development Studies				
Major Field of Study	Development Studies					
Abbreviation	BA Hons (Development Studies)					
Qualification Code (SAQF)	19216	Qual ID	CR	1t	Qual Type	70
UNIZULU Code	1HON07					
NQF Exit Level	8					
Admission Requirements	Admission to Honours programme is limited to a minimum pass of 65% in Development Studies or Cognate Discipline or any related field of study.					
Minimum duration of studies	1 YEAR					
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time					
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY					
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY					
Readmission:	See General Calendar					
Total credits to Graduate:	120					

Honours Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1DS501 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	Project Monitoring and Evaluation It provides students with the elements of project monitoring and evaluation in the private and public sector. Furthermore, to instill in the public sector monitoring and evaluation systems and practices that focus on delivering outcomes, improving public sector performance and enhance accountability and good governance.
1DS502 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	Rural Development The module purports at exposing students to different approaches that are used in rural development in order to ensure that they acquire practical skills to work as rural developers' specialist or facilitators at local, national or international institutions engaged with rural development
1DS503 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	Urban Development and Planning The module equips learners with skills to be able to design an LED strategy of a local municipality. Secondly, the module capacitates learners to develop a plan of a business venture.
1DS504 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	Economics of Development The module exposes students to processes and contexts – locally and internationally – of economic development that impact and influence South Africa's development potential. The module also explores strategies to influence economic development in South Africa.
1DS505 Credits: 40 NQF: 8	Research Report: The module deals with research methodology that hone students' skills in developing a scientific research paper. It includes the debates emanating within the research methods such as that of social-political context within which social research in taking place

POSTGRADUATE FACULTY HANDBOOK-2026

Masters Degree

Master of Arts in Anthropology (1MAS40) NQF Level 9; Total No of Credits 180

Admission to the MA Programme is limited to a minimum pass of 65% in Anthropology Honours, honours in a cognate discipline or any related field of study.

MASTER OF ARTS in ANTHROPOLOGY PROGRAMME

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES					
Department	Anthropology and Development Studies					
Degree (Designator)	Master of Arts in Anthropology					
CESM Category	20	Social Studies				
CESM 1st Qualifier	2001	Anthropology				
Major Field of Study	Anthropology					
Abbreviation	MA (Anthropology)					
Qualification Code (SAQF)	19799	Qual ID		1d	Qual Type	72
UNIZULU Code	1MAS40					
NQF Exit Level	9					
Admission Requirements	Admission to Masters programme is limited to a minimum pass of 65% in Anthropology Honours, honours in a cognate discipline or any related field of study.					
Minimum duration of studies	1 YEAR					
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time					
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY					
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY					
Readmission:	See General Calendar					
Total credits to Graduate:	180					

Masters Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1AN700 Credits: 180 NQF: 9	Research Dissertation Masters' Research Dissertation in Anthropology using qualitative, quantitative and mixed method approach sources

MASTER OF ARTS in DEVELOPMENT STUDIES PROGRAMME

Master of Arts in Development Studies – 1MAS07; NQF Level 9

Total No of Credits 180

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES
Department	Anthropology and Development Studies
Degree (Designator)	Master of Arts in Development Studies

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CESM Category	20	Social Studies				
CESM 1st Qualifier	2001	Anthropology				
Major Field of Study	Community Development					
Abbreviation	MA (Development Studies)					
Qualification Code (SAQF)	19646	Qual ID	DK	1c	Qual Type	72
UNIZULU Code	1MAS07					
NQF Exit Level	9					
Admission Requirements	Admission to Masters' programme is limited to a minimum pass of 65% in Development Studies Honours, honours in a cognate discipline or any related field of study.					
Minimum duration of studies	1 YEAR					
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time					
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY					
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY					
Readmission:	See General Calendar					
Total credits to Graduate:	180					

Masters Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1DS700 Credits: 180 NQF: 9	Research Dissertation Masters' Research Dissertation in Development Studies using qualitative, quantitative and mixed method approach sources

MASTER OF ARTS IN SUSTAINABLE INTEGRATED RURAL DEVELOPMENT (COURSE WORK) PROGRAMME (NO INTAKE FOR 2026)

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES					
Department	Anthropology and Development Studies (2517)					
Degree (Designator)	Master of Arts in Sustainable Integrated Rural Development (Course Work)					
CESM Category	20	Social Sciences				
CESM 1st Qualifier	2099					
CESM 2nd Qualifier	2099					
Abbreviation	MA Sustainable Integrated Rural Development (Course Work)					
Qualification Code (SAQF)	118465	Qual ID	DK	1l	Qual Type	72
UNIZULU Code	1MAS28 (FOR FIRST TIME ENTERING STUDENTS)					
NQF Exit Level	9					
Minimum duration of studies	1 YEAR, 6 MONTHS					
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time					
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY					

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Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY
Readmission:	See General Calendar
Total credits to Graduate:	180

Masters Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1SRD701 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	Advanced Project Management The aim of this module is to equip students with the necessary theoretical (and practical) skills for project management in the pursuit of rural development.
1SRD702 Credits: 20 NQF: 9	Food Security The purpose of the module is to develop an advanced understanding of contemporary aspects of food security in the sense outlined by the United Nations Committee.
1SRD721 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	Entrepreneurship This module aims at providing in-depth understanding of rural entrepreneurship and cooperatives with appropriate competencies in rural economic development.
1SRD722 Credits: 30 NQF: 9	Integrated Sustainable Rural Development: Contemporary Issues The module aims to explore contemporary theories, issues, and ideas in the policy and practice of sustainable integrated rural development.
1SRD700 Credits: 90 NQF: 9	Research Project The purpose of the research project /mini dissertation is to show that the student is able to carry out supervised research, has a grasp of the research tools in the chosen field and is familiar with the more important publications on the subject. The mini-dissertation research project is undertaken during the first year by full-time students. The research project culminates in a well-bound mini dissertation of limited scope and usually does not exceed 15 000 words of text, which constitutes 50% of the Degree.
1SRD731 Credits: 20 NQF: 9	Environmental Management This module will provide students with an understanding of the role of Environmental Management and other sustainable development (SD) initiatives in the provision of integrated sustainable rural development initiatives.
ISRD732 Credits: 20 NQF:8	Rural Development: Perspectives and Theories The module aims to explore contemporary theories, issues, ideas in the policy and practice of sustainable and integrated development.

The examination shall consist of a 3-and-a-half-hour paper on each of the theoretical modules, and a research project. (The Faculty Honours Examination Rules apply *mutatis mutandis*.)

A dissertation on an approved subject

Doctor of Philosophy in Anthropology (1DPH40) NQF Level 10; Total No of Credits 360

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY in ANTHROPOLOGY PROGRAMME

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES
Department	Anthropology and Development Studies
Degree (Designator)	Doctor of Philosophy in Anthropology

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CESM Category	20	Social Studies				
CESM 1st Qualifier	2001	Anthropology				
CESM 2nd Qualifier	200101	Anthropology				
Major Field of Study	Socio-Cultural Anthropology					
Abbreviation	DPhil (Anthropology)					
Qualification Code (SAQF)	19793	Qual ID		1D	Qual Type	74
UNIZULU Code	1DPH40 (FOR FIRST TIME ENTERING STUDENTS)					
NQF Exit Level	10					
Admission Requirements	Admission to PhD programme is limited to a minimum pass of 65% in Anthropology MA, MA in a cognate discipline or any related field of study.					
Minimum duration of studies	2 YEARS					
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time					
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY					
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY					
Readmission:	See General Calendar					
Total credits to Graduate:	360					

PhD Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1AN800 Credits: 360 NQF: 10	Thesis Doctoral Research Thesis in Anthropology using advanced qualitative, quantitative or mixed method approaches.

Doctor of Philosophy in Development Studies – 1DPH07; NQF Level 10
Total No of Credits 360

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY in DEVELOPMENT STUDIES PROGRAMME

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES					
Department	Anthropology and Development Studies					
Degree (Designator)	Doctor of Philosophy in Development Studies					
CESM Category	20	Social Studies				
CESM 1st Qualifier	2001	Anthropology				
CESM 2nd Qualifier	200101	Socio-Cultural Anthropology				
Abbreviation	DPhil (Development Studies)					
Qualification Code (SAQF)	19795	Qual ID	CL	1C	Qual Type	74
UNIZULU Code	1DPH07 (FOR FIRST TIME ENTERING STUDENTS)					
NQF Exit Level	10					
Admission Requirements	Admission to the PhD programme is limited to a minimum pass of 65% in Development Studies MA, MA in a cognate discipline or any related field of study.					
Minimum duration of studies	2 YEARS					

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Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY
Readmission:	See General Calendar
Total credits to Graduate:	360

PhD Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1DS800 Credits: 360 NQF: 10	Thesis Doctoral Research Thesis in Development Studies using advanced qualitative, quantitative or mixed method approaches.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATION SCIENCE

Staff

Professor	G.M. Naidoo	BA (Hons), MA (UNIZULU), D.Phil (UNIZULU), CPRP (PRISA), PGDHE (UKZN)
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Technical Administrator	N.P. Makhanya	BA Psych (UKZN)

The Department of Communication Science offers the following programmes:

PROGRAMME	CODE
BA Honours in Communication Science	1HON03
Master of Arts in Communication Studies	1MAS03
Doctor of Philosophy in Communication Studies	1DPH03

POSTGRADUATE FACULTY HANDBOOK-2026

POSTGRADUATE COURSES IN COMMUNICATION SCIENCE

BA Honours in Communication Science - 1HON03; NQF Level 8

Total No. of Credits: 120

Description

The Honours qualification provides research skills through projects that relate to Communication Science. This course allows students to conduct research projects in the following areas: Public Relations, Business Communication Management, Advertising, Organisational Communications, Public Speaker or Spokesperson and Journalism. The course is designed to teach the student the basic techniques of thesis writing. The graduate is allowed to enter into the Masters programme upon completion.

Structure of the Honours

The programme is over 1 year and the curriculum consists of 4 modules over both semesters.

Rules

See General Calendar

BA HONOURS in COMMUNICATION SCIENCE PROGRAMME

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES					
Department	Communication Science (05)					
Degree (Designator)	Bachelor of Arts Honours: Communication Science					
CESM Category	05	Communication, Journalism and Related Studies				
Major Field of Study	Communication Studies					
Abbreviation	BA HONS: Comm. Sci					
Qualification Code (SAQF)	19199	Qual ID	CR	1U	Qual Type	70
UNIZULU Code	1HON03					
NQF Exit Level	8					
Admission Requirements	A minimum 60% average of the final-year modules of a completed bachelor's degree in Communication Studies (or equivalent) is required. Where an applicant does not meet this requirement, a HOD may tender before Faculty a motivation for admission in terms of the following criteria: Academic record: A scrutiny of the student's full academic record may convince the faculty that the student has the potential to deliver work of the required standard; Maturity: evidence that the student had been working in the relevant field should be favourably considered. Special achievements: Any achievements supporting the view that the student can pursue postgraduate studies with success should be considered, also refer to the faculty requirements					
The minimum duration of studies	1 YEAR					
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time					
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY					
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY					

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Readmission:	See General Calendar
Total credits to Graduate:	120

BA Honours in Communication Science Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1CS501 Credits: 30 NQF: 8	Fundamentals of Research This module teaches learners to design a scientific research proposal and concerns the choosing of a research topic as well as understanding outcomes. Proposal design, ethics, integrity, and security & quality assurance are also covered.
1CS502 Credits: 30 NQF: 8	Literature Survey Students will be able to construct a scientific literature review based on their area of research. Field of Specialisation: Literature Survey based on one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Public Relations ○ Print Media (Journalism) ○ Mass Media (Radio, Film and Television) ○ Educational and Development Communication
1CS503 Credits: 30 NQF: 8	Communication Research Methods The student will be able to identify and implement a feasible research methodology in their study. Research methods and selective research approaches and the design of the conceptual model will also be covered.
1CS504 Credits: 30 NQF: 8	Applied Communication Research The student will be able to analyse and interpret data, as well as report on conclusions and recommendations. Question design and implementation, data analysis, and recommendations and conclusion writing will also be covered.

Master of Arts in Communication Science - 1MAS03; NQF Level 9

Total No. of Credits: 180

Description

The Masters qualification is research-based projects that relate to Communication Science. Research projects focus on the following areas: Public Relations, Business Communication Advertising, Organisational Communications and Journalism. This graduate is allowed to enter into the Doctoral programme.

MASTER OF ARTS in COMMUNICATION SCIENCE PROGRAMME

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES	
Department	Communication Science (05)	
Degree (Designator)	Master of Arts in Communication Science	
CESM Category	05	Communication, Journalism and Related Studies
Major Field of Study	Communication Studies	
Abbreviation	MA: Communication Science	

POSTGRADUATE FACULTY HANDBOOK-2026

Qualification Code (SAQF)	8869	Qual ID	DK	1e	Qual Type	72
UNIZULU Code	1MAS03					
NQF Exit Level	9					
Admission Requirements	1) BA: Honour's degree in Communication Science or related field 2) Refer to the faculty requirements					
Minimum duration of studies	2 YEARS					
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time					
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY					
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY					
Readmission:	See General Calendar					
Total credits to Graduate:	180					

Masters Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1CS700 Credits: 180 NQF: 9	Research Dissertation Masters' Research Dissertation in Communication Science using qualitative, quantitative, and mixed-method approach sources

Doctor of Philosophy in Communication Science - 1DPH03; NQF Level 10

Total No. of Credits: 180

Description

The Doctoral qualification is research-based projects that relate to Communication Science. Research projects focus on the following areas: Public Relations, Business Communication Advertising, Organisational Communications and Journalism.

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY in COMMUNICATION SCIENCE PROGRAMME

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES					
Department	Communication Science (05)					
Degree (Designator)	Doctor of Philosophy in Communication Science					
CESM Category	05	Communication, Journalism and Related Studies				
Major Field of Study	Communication Studies					
Abbreviation	DPhil: Communication Studies					
Qualification Code (SAQF)	19792	Qual ID	CL	JI	Qual Type	74
UNIZULU Code	1DPH03					
NQF Exit Level	10					
Admission Requirements	Masters degree in Communication Science or related field					
Minimum duration of studies	3 YEARS					

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Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY
Readmission:	See General Calendar
Total credits to Graduate:	360

Description

The doctoral qualification is researched-based projects that relate to Communication Science.

Research projects focus on the following areas: Public Relations, Business Communication Advertising, Organisational Communications and Journalism.

PhD Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1CS800 Credits: 360 NQF: 10	Thesis Doctoral Research Thesis in Communication Science using advanced qualitative, quantitative, or mixed-method approaches.

DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Staff

Professor	J. Steyn	NDip Police Management (Tech SA), BA (Criminology and Psychology) (UNISA), B Tech: Policing (Tech PTA), M Tech: Policing (Tech PTA), D Tech: Policing (TUT)
Associate Professor	J.M. Ras	BTh, BA Hons (Biblical Languages), MTh, DTh (US); BA Hons (Psychology), MA (Psychology), DPhil (Psychology), DPhil (Criminal Justice) (UNIZULU)
	K Naidoo	B Proc (UKZN), LLM (UNISA), LLD (UZ), PGDip in Higher Education (Rhodes University)
Senior Lecturer & HOD	S. Dlamini	BSocSci (Criminology) (UKZN), BSocSci Hons (Criminology) (UKZN), MSocSci (Criminology) (UKZN), PhD (Criminology) (UKZN), PGDip in Higher Education (UKZN)
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Lecturer	Z.N. Snyman	BSocSci (Criminology and Psychology) (UKZN), BSocSci Hons (Criminology) (UKZN), MSocSci (Criminology) (UKZN)
Administrative Assistant	Vacant	

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The Department offers the following programmes:

PROGRAMME	CODE
BA Honours in Criminology	1HON04
Master of Arts in Criminology	1MAS04
Doctor of Philosophy in Criminology	1DPH04

Bachelor of Arts Honours in Criminology – 1HON04; NQF Level 8

Total No. of Credits: 120

Admission requirements

The minimum requirements to be registered for the Bachelor of Arts Honours in Criminology degree, a student must have successfully completed a three-year South African Qualifications Authority (SAQA) recognised bachelor's degree in criminology or related field, in minimum required time, and an overall third-year average of at least 65%.

Examination

Four teaching module examination papers plus a research treatise (research paper).

BA HONOURS IN CRIMINOLOGY PROGRAMME

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES					
Department	Criminal Justice					
Degree (Designator)	Bachelor of Arts Honours in Criminology					
CESM Category	19	Public Management and Services				
CESM 1st Qualifier	1905	Criminal Justice and Corrections				
CESM 2nd Qualifier	190507	Criminalistics and Criminal Science				
Major Field of Study	Criminology					
Abbreviation	BA Hons (Criminology)					
Qualification Code (SAQF)	114874	Qual ID	CR	1v	Qual Type	70
UNIZULU Code	1HON04					
NQF Exit Level	8					
Minimum duration of studies	1 YEAR					
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time					
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY					
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY					
Readmission:	See General Calendar					
Total credits to Graduate:	120					

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Honours Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1CR501 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	Fundamental Criminology (Compulsory module) Cutting-edge key readings (including theories [and theory triangulation]) of the nature and extent (crime/s, crime causation, crime maintenance, crime consequences, and future crimes) of the science of criminology are extensively explored, described, analysed, explained, and globally applied to the safety and security environment from an African lens.
1CR502 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	Criminological Research Methodology (Compulsory module) Teaching of intermediate to advanced Positivist -, Hermeneutics -, Semiotics -, and Pragmatic criminological research, including descriptive and interpretive (parametric and non-parametric) statistics, with the aim of adequately preparing registered students to conduct independent research. Criminological research proposal writing, and funding applications, is a salient focus of the module content.
1CR508 Credits: 40 NQF: 8	Research Article (Compulsory module) Treatise. Registered students are empowered to conduct criminological research of limited scope with an appointed supervisor and write a scientific report on the outcome. Registered students are prepared to conduct independent research at the masters' level.
Select any TWO of the following elective modules:	
1CR503 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	Juvenile Criminology (Elective module) Advances in juvenile criminology from leading scholars and practitioners. Current state of juvenile criminology, while also assessing where the speciality has been, and defining where it should go in years to come. Developments in juvenile criminology theories, research, and policy, as well as cultural changes and legal shifts. Summaries of juvenile criminology trends from around the world. Central issues in the scholarly literature, such as social learning theories, opportunity theories, criminal processing, labelling and deterrence, gangs and crime, community-based sanctions and re-entry, victimisation, and fear of crime.
1CR504 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	Monistic Studies of Crime (Elective module) The focus in this module is on the analysis of specific crimes, with reference to violent crimes. Attention is given to the reconstruction of crime scenes, the investigation of crime, the state of mind of offenders, and practical lessons that we can be learned to prevent these crimes in future.
1CR505 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	Victimology (Elective module) This module is an in-depth analysis of all aspects related to victims. Becoming a victim. The meaning of justice for victims. The evolution of the discipline: retrospectively and prospectively. History and theoretical structure of victimology. Research methods in victimology. Key findings of the latest South African Victims of Crime Report. Patterns of victimisation. Responses to criminal victimisation. Victimisation and restorative justice. Victims and social divisions. Victimology in Africa.
1CR506 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	Traffic Criminality (Elective module) The module Traffic Criminality provides a comprehensive overview to the subject, exploring why it and its enforcement have rarely been taken seriously. It considers a range of driving and traffic offenses by drivers and theft offenses involving vehicles and provides a theoretical criminological lens through which to consider road crime. Notably, it surveys the role of wider society in road traffic offending. Data sources; key characteristics; links with collision involvement and mainstream crime; theories and theoretical concepts; and countermeasures.

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1CR507 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	Crime Prevention (Elective module) The module Crime Prevention is an in-depth analysis of all crime prevention policing strategies and measures that aim to prevent and reduce crime. More specifically, the three-pronged approach to crime reduction; the PANDA crime reduction model; problem scanning; analysing crime problems; understanding crime patterns; how the police can impact crime; nominating a strategy; deploying a crime reduction strategy; assessing outcomes; evidence-based policing; and leadership and crime management.
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Master of Arts in Criminology - 1MAS04; NQF Level 9

Total No. of Credits: 180

MASTER OF ARTS in CRIMINOLOGY PROGRAMME

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES					
Department	Criminal Justice					
Degree (Designator)	Master of Arts in Criminology					
CESM Category	19	Public Management and Services				
CESM 1st Qualifier	1905	Criminal Justice and Corrections				
CESM 2nd Qualifier	190507	Criminalistics and Criminal Science				
Abbreviation	MA (Criminology)					
Qualification Code (SAQF)	114878	Qual ID	DK	1f	Qual Type	72
UNIZULU Code	1MAS04					
NQF Exit Level	9					
Admission Requirements	To be registered for the Master of Arts in Criminology, a South African Qualifications Authority (SAQA) recognised honours degree in criminology or related field, obtained in minimum time, and an overall minimum average of 65%, are required.					
Minimum duration of studies	1 YEAR					
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time					
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY					
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY					
Readmission:	See General Calendar					
Total credits to Graduate:	180					

Duration of the proposed degree

The curriculum shall extend over at least 1 year.

Examination

The examination shall consist of a full research dissertation on an approved topic. This may be supplemented with an oral examination if the Department of Criminal Justice deems said fit.

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Masters Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1CR700 Credits: 180 NQF: 9	Research Dissertation Full masters' research dissertation in criminology.

Doctor of Philosophy in Criminology - 1DPH04; NQF Level 10

Total No. of Credits: 360

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY in CRIMINOLOGY PROGRAMME

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES					
Department	Criminal Justice					
Degree (Designator)	Doctor of Philosophy in Criminology					
CESM Category	19	Public Management and Services				
CESM 1st Qualifier	1905	Criminal Justice and Corrections				
Abbreviation	DPhil (Criminology)					
Qualification Code (SAQF)	114875	Qual ID	CL	1M	Qual Type	74
UNIZULU Code	1DPH04					
NQF Exit Level	10					
Minimum duration of studies	2 YEARS					
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time					
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY					
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY					
Readmission:	See General Calendar					
Total credits to Graduate:	360					

A full research thesis on an approved topic in criminology.

DPhil Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1CR800 Credits: 360 NQF: 10	Thesis Full doctoral research thesis in criminology.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

Staff

Professors	Vacant	
Associate Professor	A. Akpome	BA (Hons) English and Literary Studies (Delta State University, Nigeria), BA (Hons), MA, D. Litt. et. Phil English (UJ)
Senior Lecturer & HOD	L. Mafu	BA (Zimbabwe), BA Hons (UNISA), MA (Zimbabwe), Graduate Certificate in Education (Zimbabwe), DLitt et Phil (UNISA)
Lecturers	K. Gqibitole	MA (KwaZulu-Natal), Secondary Teachers Diploma (Mxenge), PhD (KwaZulu-Natal)
	W.S. Nkabinde	B. Paed (Hons), MA (UNIZULU), PhD (UNIZULU)
	V. Ndabayakhe	Diploma (RAU), BA (Hons), MA (UNIZULU), PhD (NWU)
	F.M. Ringwood	BA English and Communication (UJ), English Lit. Hons (Wits), English Publishing MA (Wits), PhD (UNIZULU)
	B. Phakathi	MA in English (UNIVEN), PhD (UNIZULU)
	I.B. Rawlins	BA Hons, MACW (Rhodes), CELTA (Cambridge)
	M. Malimela	BA (Hons), MPhil (UCT)
	J. du Plessis	BA Communication Studies (NWU), BA Hons English (NWU), MA English (NWU)
	S.W.N. Kanyile	MA (English) (UNIZULU), BA Hons English (UNIZULU), ACE: Educational Leadership (UNIZULU), DESP (Esikhawini College of Education). BA. Theo (Great Commission Bible College).
Administrative Assistant	L. Dimba	Dip HR Management (Varsity College), BusMan Secretarial Certificate (Swinton Road Technical College)

The Department offers the following programmes:

PROGRAMME	CODE
BA Honours in English	1HON08
Master of Arts in English	1MAS08
Doctor of Philosophy in English	1DPH08

BA Honours in English - 1HON08; NQF Level 8

Admission requirements

A candidate who has achieved a mark of less than 65% in English III will not normally be admitted to the degree.

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BA HONOURS in ENGLISH PROGRAMME

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES					
Department	English (11)					
Degree (Designator)	BA Honours in English					
CESM Category	11	Languages, Linguistics and Literature				
CESM 1st Qualifier	1102	English Language and Literature				
CESM 2nd Qualifier	110201	English Language and Literature, General				
Major Field of Study	English					
Abbreviation	BA Hons (English)					
Qualification Code (SAQF)	8807	Qual ID	CR	1x	Qual Type	70
UNIZULU Code	1HON08					
NQF Exit Level	8					
Admission Requirements	A minimum of 60% in English III.					
Minimum duration of studies	1 YEAR					
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time					
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY					
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY					
Readmission:	See General Calendar					
Total credits to Graduate:	122					

The degree may only be taken full-time (1 year). Students are required, in consultation with the HOD, to choose 5 papers from the following list:

Honours Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1EN510 Credits: 23 NQF: 8	Paper 1 English Language Studies: 1EN511 English Syntax 1EN512 English Semantics 1EN514 English Sociolinguistics
1EN520 Credits: 23 NQF: 8	Paper 2 Literacy Criticism & Theory
1EN530 Credits: 23 NQF: 8	Paper 3 Period Studies, e.g.: 1EN531 English Renaissance Literature 1EN532 English Romantic Literature 1EN534 The Victorian Period
1EN540 Credits: 23 NQF: 8	Paper 4 Area Studies, e.g.: 1EN541 African Literature in English 1EN542 Southern African Literature in English

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1EN570 Credits: 23 NQF: 8	Paper 7 Studies in World Literature
1EN590 Credits: 30 NQF: 8	Paper 9 Research Paper

Note:

1. Students may choose up to 2 papers from another department in the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, if this is approved by the Heads of both departments.
2. The options offered in any year will depend on the availability of staff as well as on student interests.
3. Any of the main headings (i.e., those whose code numbers end with "0") may be subdivided.
4. 1EN590, the Research Paper, is compulsory.

Master of Arts in English - 1MAS08; NQF Level 9

A dissertation on an approved subject

MASTER OF ARTS in ENGLISH PROGRAMME

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES					
Department	English (11)					
Degree (Designator)	Master of Arts in English					
CESM Category	11	Languages, Linguistics and Literature				
CESM 1st Qualifier	1102	English Language and Literature				
Major Field of Study	110201	English Language and Literature, General				
Abbreviation	MA (English)					
Qualification Code (SAQF)	19489	Qual ID	DK	1g	Qual Type	72
UNIZULU Code	1MAS08 (FOR FIRST TIME ENTERING STUDENTS)					
	AMAS08 (FOR RETURNING STUDENTS)					
NQF Exit Level	9					
Admission Requirements	A minimum mark of 65% at BA Honours level is required.					
Minimum duration of studies	1 YEAR (& 2 YEARS)					
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time					
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY					
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY					
Readmission:	See General Calendar					
Total credits to Graduate:	180					

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Masters Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1EN700 Credits: 180 NQF: 9	Research Dissertation Masters' Research Dissertation in English using qualitative, quantitative, and mixed method approach sources

Doctor of Philosophy in English - 1DPH08; NQF Level 10

A thesis on an approved subject

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY in ENGLISH PROGRAMME

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES					
Department	English (11)					
Degree (Designator)	Doctor of Philosophy in English					
CESM Category	11	Languages, Linguistics and Literature				
CESM 1st Qualifier	1102	English Language and Literature				
Major Field of Study	110201	English Language and Literature, General				
Major Field of Study	English					
Abbreviation	DPhil (English)					
Qualification Code (SAQF)	19479	Qual ID	CL	1L	Qual Type	74
UNIZULU Code	1DPH08					
NQF Exit Level	10					
Admission Requirements	A minimum mark of 65% at Masters' degree level, or the equivalent.					
Minimum duration of studies	2 YEARS					
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full Time					
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY					
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY					
Readmission:	See General Calendar					
Total credits to Graduate:	360					

PhD Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1EN800 Credits: 360 NQF: 10	Thesis Doctoral Research Thesis in English using advanced qualitative, quantitative or mixed method approaches.

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DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL LINGUISTICS AND MODERN LANGUAGES

Staff

Associate Professor and HOD	E.M. Mncwango	BA (Hons, Linguistics), MA (UNIZULU), ABET Certificate (SA), DPhil (UNIZULU), Leadership Programme (USB-ed), Postgraduate Diploma in Higher Education (UKZN)
NGAP Lecturer	R. X. Masonto	BA, BA Hons (UL), PGCE, BED (Hons) (SA); MA (UL), D. Phil (UNIZULU)
Lecturer	K. P. Nkosi	National Diploma (TUT), B. Tech in Language Practice (TUT); MA (TUT), D. Phil (TUT).

The Department of General Linguistics & Modern Languages offers the following programmes:

PROGRAMME	CODE
BA Honours in General Linguistics	1HON09
Master of Arts in General Linguistics	1MAS09
Doctor of Philosophy in General Linguistics	1DPH09

BA Honours in General Linguistics - 1HON09; NQF Level 8

Total No. of Credits: 120

Admission requirements

To qualify for the Bachelor of Arts Honours degree in General Linguistics, a student must have successfully completed a three-year South African Qualifications Authority (SAQA) recognised bachelor's degree in General Linguistics or related field, and achieved an overall third-year average of at least 65%.

Before being admitted to the Honours degree programme, students should have an undergraduate degree, preferably in Linguistics, English or isiZulu. Other languages may also be considered by the department.

The Honours programme is designed to improve employment prospects for language teachers, language practitioners, translators, interpreters, publishers, and other related professions.

BA HONOURS in GENERAL LINGUISTICS PROGRAMME

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES	
Department	General Linguistics & Modern Languages (11)	
Degree (Designator)	Bachelor of Arts Honours in General Linguistics	
CESM Category	11	Language, Literature & Literature
CESM 1st Qualifier	1101	Linguistics, Comparative & Related Language Studies and Practices
CESM 2nd Qualifier	110101	Linguistics
Major Field of Study	Linguistics	

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Abbreviation	BA Hons (General Linguistics)					
Qualification Code (SAQF)	9041	Qual ID	CR	1y	Qual Type	70
UNIZULU Code	1HON09					
NQF Exit Level	8					
Admission Requirements	1) Refer to the faculty requirements.					
Minimum duration of studies	1 YEAR					
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time					
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY					
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY					
Readmission:	See General Calendar					
Total credits to Graduate:	122					

Honours Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1GL501 Credits: 23 NQF: 8	Syntax This module offers grammar of language – sentence structure, rules, etc. It also offers traditional and modern approaches in linguistics, the interconnectedness between syntax and other areas of language studies.
1GL502 Credits: 23 NQF: 8	Sociolinguistics In sociolinguistics the focus is on the study of language in relation to social factors, including differences of regional, class, and occupational dialect, gender differences, language and culture, bilingualism, etc.
1GL503 Credits: 23 NQF: 8	Psycholinguistics Psycholinguistics is the study of the mental aspects of language and speech. It is primarily concerned with the ways in which language is represented and processed in the brain. The module focuses on language processing, lateralisation, aphasia, etc.
1GL504 Credits: 23 NQF: 8	Language Theory & Practice The module focuses on theoretical principles in language teaching and learning. Students will be required to critique the presented approaches: the traditional, structural, situational and communicative approaches. Some syllabuses will be evaluated, in terms of communicative teaching design and effectiveness.
1GL505 Credits: 30 NQF: 8	Original Research Paper Students will be expected to use insights which they gained from the course as a whole to write an extended essay of about 5000 – 8000 words. Topics on which they will write may vary from psycholinguistics, sociolinguistics, syntax, etc. There will be guidance and supervision provided by the Department on the writing of the extended essay.

Master of Arts in General Linguistics - 1MAS09; NQF Level 9

Admission requirements

To qualify for the Master's degree in General Linguistics, a student must have successfully completed an Honours qualification recognised by the South African Qualifications Authority (SAQA) in General Linguistics or related field and achieved a mark of at least 65%.

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A dissertation on an approved topic.

MASTER OF ARTS in GENERAL LINGUISTICS PROGRAMME

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES					
Department	General Linguistics & Modern Languages (11)					
Degree (Designator)	Master of Arts in General Linguistics					
CESM Category	11	Languages, Linguistics and Literature				
CESM 1st Qualifier	1101	Linguistic, Comparative and Related Language Studies and Practices				
CESM 2nd Qualifier	110101	Linguistics				
Major Field of Study	Linguistics	Major Field of Study				
Abbreviation	MA (General Linguistics)					
Qualification Code (SAQF)	9041	Qual ID	DK	1H	Qual Type	72
UNIZULU Code	1MAS09					
NQF Exit Level	9					
Admission Requirements	Refer to the faculty requirements.					
Minimum duration of studies	1 YEAR					
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time					
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY					
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY					
Readmission:	See General Calendar					
Total credits to Graduate:	180					

Masters Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1GL700 Credits: 180 NQF: 9	Research Dissertation Masters' Research Dissertation in General Linguistics using qualitative, quantitative and mixed methods approaches.

Doctor of Philosophy in Linguistics - 1DPH09; NQF Level 10

Admission requirements

To qualify for the Doctor of Philosophy degree in Linguistics, a student must have successfully completed a Master's qualification recognised by the South African Qualifications Authority (SAQA) in General Linguistics or related field and achieved a mark of at least 65%.

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY in GENERAL LINGUISTICS PROGRAMME

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES					
Department	General Linguistics & Modern Languages (11)					
Degree (Designator)	Doctor of Philosophy in General Linguistics					

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CESM Category	11	CESM Category
CESM 1st Qualifier	1101	CESM 1st Qualifier
CESM 2nd Qualifier	110101	CESM 2nd Qualifier
Major Field of Study	Linguistics	Major Field of Study
Abbreviation	DPhil (General Linguistics)	
Qualification Code (SAQF)	Qual ID	Qual Type
	CL	1K
UNIZULU Code	1DPH09	74
NQF Exit Level	10	
Admission Requirements	Refer to the faculty requirements.	
Minimum duration of studies	2 YEARS	
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time	
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY	
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY	
Readmission:	See General Calendar	
Total credits to Graduate:	360	

A thesis on an approved topic.

PhD Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1GL800 Credits: 360 NQF: 10	Thesis Doctoral Research Thesis in General Linguistics using advanced qualitative, quantitative or mixed methods approaches.

DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY AND ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

Staff

Professor	I. Moyo	PhD, (UNISA), MA cum laude (UWC), MEd (Higher Education Studies), cum laude (UCT), MA, BA Hons, GRAD CE (University of Zimbabwe), PGDip (Higher Education Studies) cum laude (UKZN), SMDP (Stellenbosch University)
Senior Lecturer	M.L. Mdoka	BSc. Hons (Applied Physics, NUST), GradDip Meteorology (Australia), MSc (Climatology), PhD (Climatology) (UCT).
Lecturer & HOD	K. Phinzi	BSS, BScHons (UKZN), MSc Environmental Science (UKZN), PhD Earth Sciences (University of Debrecen)
Lecturer	N.P. Ndimande	BAHons (UNIZULU), MS.c(Oklahoma State), PhD Geography and Environmental Studies (Stellenbosch University)
Lecturer	N. Xulu	BScHons (UNIZULU), MSc (UNIVEN)
Lecturer	A.T. Mthembu	BPaed, BEd, BA Honours, MA, STD. (UNIZULU)

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Lecturer (n-GAP)	J. Mzimela	BSc, BScHons (UKZN), MSc Environmental Science (UKZN), PhD (UNIZULU)
Sen. Laboratory Assistant	L.C. Shongwe	BA Environ.Plan. & Dev, BAHons (UNIZULU)
Administrative Assistant	D. Khumalo	NSC (Swinton Rd Col), BCom (UNIZULU), BAHons (UNIZULU)

The Department offers the following programmes:

PROGRAMME	CODE
BA Honours in Geography	1HON10
Master of Arts in Geography	1MAS10
Doctor of Philosophy in Geography	1DPH10

Postgraduate Degree Programmes

BA Honours in Geography - 1HON10; NQF Level 8
Total No. of Credits: 120

Admission Requirements

To be admitted to BA (Hons) in Geography a candidate shall have passed Bachelor of Arts degree in Geography and Environmental Studies or an equivalent qualification.

Curriculum for BA (Hons) Geography

Five modules including the research project are to be completed.

4GES501 and the research project [4GES509] are compulsory.

A student must choose three modules after consultation with the HOD and will be determined by the student's undergraduate background and the availability of suitably trained staff members in a particular year.

A research project on an approved research topic to be chosen after consultation with a panel of staff members. Research is to start as soon as lectures commence.

A student must have acquired Proficiency in qualitative methods and computer techniques prior to working on the research project report. A written or oral test can be required to satisfy the HOD in this respect.

Students who did not do GIS at undergraduate level should take undergraduate level GIS (4HYD222) concurrently with their Honours modules. A student must obtain at least 50% in GIS, otherwise they will have to repeat it before an Honours degree is confirmed complete.

BA in HONOURS in GEOGRAPHY PROGRAMME

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES
Department	Geography (14)
Degree (Designator)	Bachelor of Arts Honours in Geography

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CESM Category	14	Physical Science				
CESM 1st Qualifier	1405	Geography and Cartography				
CESM 2nd Qualifier	140599	Geography and Cartography, Other				
Major Field of Study	Geography					
Abbreviation	BA Hons in Geography					
Qualification Code (SAQF)	96601	Qual ID	CR	1z	Qual Type	70
UNIZULU Code	1HON10					
NQF Exit Level	8					
Minimum duration of studies	1 YEAR					
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time					
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY					
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY					
Total Credits to graduate	120					

Honours Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
4GES501 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	History, Philosophy & Methodology of Geography The module is intended to provide students with background knowledge about the history and philosophical thought of geography. The history of geography will focus on the development of geography through the ages. The module will give an insight into the philosophy of the subject. The module will expose the students to the methodology of the discipline.
4GES503 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	Environmental Management This course introduces the student to environmental management concepts, its problems, concepts, problems and policies. It provides the skills and knowledge to research and understand the issues related to environment and sustainable development. The course also introduces students to major environmental issues confronting a developing society.
4GES509 Credits: 40 NQF: 8	Research Project The course is aimed at preparing students with skills for independent scientific research. Under guidance from academic staff, students undertake pure or applied research on a topic of their choice relating to the field of Geography. This course builds on research skills gained in 4GES322 during level 3.
TWO modules may be selected from the following with approval from both Heads of Departments	
4GES505 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	Urban Geography The module is intended to provide students with background knowledge about the key elements of urban geography, in particular those that relate themselves more to third world countries as against first- and second-world countries. It will examine philosophies and methodologies and principles relating to (a) current evolving methodologies (b) external and internal relationships among cities (c) problems associated with cities.
4GES506 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	Rural Geography This course aims to encourage discussion of what <i>rural</i> means in a country that has undergone both political and economic transition. It aims to assess rural development approaches. Attention will be paid to what characterises rural areas in the developing world and draw comparisons with the developed world.

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1DS503 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	Urban Development & Planning
1RRT501 Credits: 16 NQF: 8	Resources Management
4HYD504 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	Water Resources Management

Master of Arts in Geography - 1MAS10; NQF Level 9

Total No of Credits: 180

Admission Requirements

To be admitted to MA in Geography a candidate shall have passed Bachelor of Arts (Hons) degree in Geography and Environmental studies or an equivalent qualification.

Curriculum

A dissertation (1GES700) on an approved topic. An oral examination on the contents of the dissertation may be required. Also see General Rules.

MASTER OF ARTS in GEOGRAPHY PROGRAMME

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES					
Department	Geography (14)					
Degree (Designator)	Master of Arts in Geography					
CESM Category	14	Physical Science				
CESM 1st Qualifier	1405	Geography and Cartography				
CESM 2nd Qualifier	140599	Geography and Cartography, Other				
Major Field of Study	Geography					
Abbreviation	MA in Geography					
Qualification Code (SAQF)	19865	Qual ID	DK	1V	Qual Type	72
UNIZULU Code	1MAS10					
NQF Exit Level	9					
Minimum duration of studies	1 YEAR					
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time					
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY					
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY					
Total Credits to graduate	180					

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Masters Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1GE700 Credits: 180 NQF: 9	Research Dissertation Masters' Research Dissertation in Geography using qualitative, quantitative and mixed method approach sources

Doctor of Philosophy in Geography - 1DPH10; NQF Level 10 Total No of Credits: 360

Curriculum

A thesis (1GES800) on an approved topic. An oral examination on the contents of the thesis may be required. Also see General Rules and consult with the HOD.

DOCTOR IN PHILOSOPHY in GEOGRAPHY PROGRAMME

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES					
Department	Geography (14)					
Degree (Designator)	Doctor of Philosophy in Geography					
CESM Category	14	Physical Science				
CESM 1st Qualifier	1405	Geography and Cartography				
CESM 2nd Qualifier	140599	Geography and Cartography, Other				
Major Field of Study	Geography					
Abbreviation	DPhil (Geography)					
Qualification Code (SAQF)	96601	Qual ID	CL	10	Qual Type	74
UNIZULU Code	1DPH10					
NQF Exit Level	10					
Admission Requirements	To be admitted to Doctor of Philosophy in Geography a candidate shall have passed Masters degree in Geography and Environmental studies or an equivalent qualification.					
Minimum duration of studies	2 YEARS					
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time					
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY					
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY					
Total Credits to graduate	360					

PhD Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1GE800 Credits: 360 NQF: 10	Thesis Doctoral Research Thesis in Geography using advanced qualitative, quantitative or mixed method approaches.

POSTGRADUATE FACULTY HANDBOOK-2026

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

Staff

Senior Lecturer &HOD	S.H. Ntuli	B. PAED, SSTD, BA (Hons), MA, DPhil (UNIZULU)
Lecturers	M.P. Mbatha	B.A, BA Hons, MA, PhD (UNIZULU), PGDip Higher Education (UKZN)
	N.N.A. Mthembu	B.A, BA Hons, MA, (UNIZULU)
Administrative Assistant	T.F. Khumalo	N Cert (Secretarial & Business Studies) (Swinton Road Technical College)

The Department offers the following programmes:

PROGRAMME	CODE
Bachelor of Arts Honours in History	1HON 12

BA Honours in History – 1HON 12; NQF Level 8

Total No of Credits: 120

Duration of Course: One Year (Full Time)

Admission to the BA Honours in History programme is limited to students in possession of:

- A suitable bachelor's degree in history,
- Students must have obtained at least 65% in their third-year modules.

Honours in History [NQF Level 8] is a one-year (full time) programme designed to cater mainly for individuals who want to improve their knowledge in History. The programme consists of 120 credits obtainable after completing five (5) prescribed modules (2 core and three electives). To register for an Honours degree in History, the student must have obtained at least 65% in their third year.

BA HONOURS IN HISTORY PROGRAMME

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES	
Department	History	
Degree (designator)	Bachelor of Arts Honours in History	
CESM Category	2003	History
CESM 1ST Qualifier		
Major field of study	History	
Abbreviation	BA HONS (HISTORY)	
Qualification Code (SAQF)		
UNIZULU Code	1HON12	
NQF Exit Level	8	
Admission Requirements	Admission to Honours programme is limited to a minimum pass of 65% in History or any related field of study.	
Minimum duration of studies	1 Year	
Presentation mode of subjects	Full Time	
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY	

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Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY
Total No of Credits	120

Subject Code	Module Name
Subject code	Module name
1HS500 Credits: 40 NQF: 8	History Research Project This is a compulsory paper fulfilling the research requirement for Honours. Candidates are required to produce research project.
1HS501 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	Philosophical Theories of History This paper offers the philosophy of history; speculative and some typical problems, e.g. the Christian interpretation of history; linear and cyclical approaches; Vico, Spengler, Toynbee and Jaspers; defining history as science or art; objectivity and relativism; value and meaning; post-modernism in history; meta-history. This paper also offers general historiography from the Enlightenment to the present, e.g. rational, romantic and liberal historians, positivism and empiricism in history; Niebuhr and Ranke; nationalistic interpretations; Marxism; New History; the Annales; German social and economic historians since 1945; recent international trends, inter alia "everyday life" history, narrative history and global versus local history.
1HS502 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	History of KwaZulu Natal This paper offers themes on the political, social and economic history of KwaZulu-Natal, e.g. defining local and regional history, inter-cultural relations; various developments since the eighteenth century.
1HS503 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	History of South Africa This paper offers themes on the history of contemporary South Africa since 1948, e.g. defining contemporary history; political issues and constitutional changes in the post-1961 period; the Republic of South Africa in international context; recent socio-economic developments; cultural evolution and adaptation to modern technology in South Africa.
1HS504 Credits: 20 NQF:8	History of Africa This paper offers an in-depth study of specific themes from the history of Africa (excluding South Africa) since 1945, e.g. struggles for national liberation; the Organisation for African Unity; West European, Chinese, Soviet and American foreign policies in Africa.
1HS505 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	History of Europe The paper offers the history of contemporary Europe as from 1945, e.g. post-war Europe and the development of the Cold War; integration and co-operation in post-war Western Europe; the role of the USSR in Eastern Europe; movements towards détente; roles of prominent leaders in post-war Europe; the Bosnian crisis.
1HS506 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	History of Major World Powers The paper offers themes on the political, social and economic history of some major world powers since 1945, e.g. an evaluation of different post-war American presidents; J.F. Dulles as an exponent of American foreign policy; Mao Tse-tung and Chou En-lai in the rise of Red China; Chiang Kai-shek and the Republic of Free China; Stalin; Khrushchchev, Brezhnev and Gorbachev in the Soviet Union; Yeltsen, Putin and the Russian Federation; the Korean and Vietnam wars; international effects of the Cuban and Middle Eastern crises; American, Chinese and Russian relations with Africa.

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DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION STUDIES

Staff

Senior Professor	Vacant	
Professor	G.V. Jiyane	STD (Eshowe College) Cert (Online Teaching & Assessment) (Maryland, USA), B Library & Information Science (UNIZULU), B Hons LIS (UNIZULU), M LIS (UNIZULU), PhD Library & Information Science (UNIZULU)
Senior Lecturer & Acting HOD	P.N. Dlamini	Hons LIB (UNIZULU), M LIS (UNIZULU), PhD (UNIZULU)
Lecturer	M.S. Mthembu	BLIS, MA, PhD (UNIZULU)
	N.N Buthelezi	BLIS, MA (UNIZULU)
	N. Majola	BA(IS), BA(IS) Hons, MA (UNIZULU)
NGAP lecturer	N.M. Zungu	BA Information Science, Hons LIB (UNIZULU), M LIS (UNIZULU), PhD (UNIZULU)
Administrative Assistant	Vacant	

The Department offers the following programmes:

PROGRAMME	CODE
BA Honours in Information Science	1HON13
Master of Arts in Information Science	1MAS13
Doctor of Philosophy in Information Science	1DPH13

Post Graduate Diploma in Library and Information Science – 1IDIP1; NQF Level 8 (Not offered in 2025)

Total No. of Credits: 128

This is a 1-year qualification consisting of 8 semester courses. PGDLIS is open to candidates with degree qualifications other than Library and Information Science, or its equivalent, so that they can pursue careers in Library and Information management and service.

Programme or exit-level outcomes of the 1IDIP1 Postgraduate Diploma are to equip students with:

1. Appropriate understanding and practical experience in the development, services, functions and the role of technologies used in libraries and information services.
2. Appropriate knowledge and skills in general, record, knowledge and information management.
3. Appropriate knowledge and skills to identify, organise and retrieve information.
4. Appropriate knowledge of information behaviour and ethics.

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5. Digital literacy skills in Information Communication Technologies (ICTs), multimedia and library management systems.
6. Theoretical and practical research skills.
7. Information literacy and communication skills

Admission Requirements

A candidate for the Post-graduate Diploma in Library and Information Science must be in possession of an approved Bachelor's degree or any other qualification accepted by the Senate as equivalent thereto and must have passed their bachelor-degree courses with an average mark of 65%.

General rules

Rules G20 and G21 shall apply and be extended to include the Post-graduate Diploma in Library and Information Science wherever the word "degree" occurs.

POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA in LIBRARY INFORMATION SCIENCE PROGRAMME (Not offered in 2026)

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES					
Department	Information Science (06)					
Degree (Designator)	Post graduate Diploma in Library and Information Science					
CESM Category	06	Computer and Information Science				
CESM 1st Qualifier	0601	Computer and Information Science				
Abbreviation	PGDip1					
Qualification Code (SAQF)		Qual ID	CR	12	Qual Type	70
UNIZULU Code	1IDIP1					
NQF Exit Level	8					
Minimum duration of studies	1 YEAR					
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time					
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY					
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY					
Readmission:	See General Calendar					
Total credits to Graduate:	128					

Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
SEMSTER 1	
1LIS121 Credits: 15 NQF: 8	Introduction to Information Science and Information Literacy This module aims to equip students with a comprehensive understanding of Information Science and Information Literacy in an information society. Students will be introduced to both manual and computerized skills in locating, accessing and processing information according to what information is needed.

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1LIS141 Credits: 15 NQF: 8	Cataloguing theory/practical This module aims to familiarise and equip students with knowledge and skills on current cataloguing theories and practices. Students will be introduced to both manual and computerized skills theories and practices.
1LIS151 Credits: 23 NQF: 8	Research methodology This module is aimed at equipping students with basic knowledge and skills for planning, conducting and reporting research.
1LIS161 Credits: 15 NQF: 8	Readership and Children’s Literature This module aims to introduce learners to the concept of readership and how different reader groups are accommodated within a library or information-centre environment. Specific reference to the reading patterns and needs of children forms part of the module.
SEMESTER 2	
1LIS112 Credits: 15 NQF: 8	Knowledge management and Fieldwork This module aims to equip students with the basic knowledge and skills needed for Knowledge Management.
1LIS142 Credits: 15 NQF: 8	Classification theory/practical This module aims to introduce students to the methods and practices for the analysis, synthesis and evaluation of recorded knowledge and information by means of classification in general – in the library in particular.
1LIS152 Credits: 15 NQF: 8	Information Searching and Retrieval This module equips students with theoretical and practical knowledge about information sources available, and how to implement search strategies to retrieve and disseminate information for, and to, users.
1LIS162 Credits: 15 NQF: 8	Collection development This module aims to teach learners the ability to build and maintain relevant collections for their libraries or information centres

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Total No. of Credits: 120

The BIS –Honours is a postgraduate degree programme offered to aspirants who already have BA (IS) or their equivalent qualification. In order to qualify for admission, the candidate must have obtained 65% average in BA in Information Science. The programme takes 1 year full-time and consists of 7 modules, 3 of which are compulsory modules and 2 electives, i.e. a total of 5 modules must be taken from the 7. For qualification purposes a candidate shall obtain an average of at least 50% in each module.

Examination

Candidates will write 4 different examination papers for a duration of 3 – hours each paper and one research report.

The BA Honours programme consists of intensive, mandatory coursework. Five courses are offered, running parallel for one year.

NOTE: Five 3-hour papers and a research project (1IS501, 1IS503 and 1IS506 – research report) are compulsory

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Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES					
Department	Information Science (06)					
Degree (Designator)	Bachelor of Arts Honours in Information Science					
CESM Category	06	Computer and Information Science				
CESM 1st Qualifier	0601	Computer and Information Science				
Abbreviation	BA Hons in Information Science					
Qualification Code (SAQF)	8769	Qual ID	CR	12	Qual Type	70
UNIZULU Code	1HON13					
NQF Exit Level	8					
Minimum duration of studies	1 YEAR					
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time					
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY					
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY					
Readmission:	See General Calendar					
Total credits to Graduate:	120					

Honours Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1IS501 Credits: 32 NQF: 8	User Studies and Research Methods The aim of the module to enable the student to understand research concepts and application in order to plan, conduct and report research. Students will also be enabled to understand and apply user-studies, concepts and applications, largely within a defined context.
1IS502 Credits: 16 NQF: 8	Management and Administration The aim of the module to enable the students to understand and apply management theories and models, and principles to the management of modern information and knowledge systems and services within a defined context.
1IS503 Credits: 16 NQF: 8	Information Storage and Retrieval This module aims to equip students with knowledge of how information is stored and retrieved.
1IS504 Credits: 16 NQF: 8	School and Children's Libraries: Children's Literature The aim of the module is to familiarise students with aspects concerning the management of school and children's libraries, and also to familiarise them with aspects of children's literature.
1IS505 Credits: 16 NQF: 8	Document Studies The aim of the module is to familiarise students with aspects concerning the management, storage and maintenance of documents, with specific reference to the electronic era.
1IS506 Credits: 40 NQF: 8	Research report The aim of the module is to enable the students to conduct, compile and report research in LIS.

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1IS508 Credits: 16 NQF: 8	Multimedia The aim of this module is to impart to students theoretical and practical knowledge of various multimedia applications and programs, especially internet-based programs and mobile applications. Students will also be enabled to understand and apply multimedia concepts and applications, largely within a defined context.
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Methods of assessment include continuous assessment (at least 40%) and final exam (at least 60%).

Master of Arts in Information Science - 1MAS13; NQF Level 9

Masters and Doctorates focus on candidates preparing to occupy senior information and knowledge management positions, LIS theory and research and for academics and HEIs educators. To be accepted in the Masters programme, a minimum mark of 65% for the BIS Honours or BLIS is required.

Total No. of Credits: 180

MASTER OF ARTS in INFORMATION SCIENCE PROGRAMME

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES					
Department	Information Science (06)					
Degree (Designator)	Master of Arts in Information Science					
CESM Category	06	CESM Category				
CESM 1st Qualifier	0601	CESM 1st Qualifier				
Abbreviation	MA in Information Science					
Qualification Code (SAQF)	8947	Qual ID	DK	1j	Qual Type	72
UNIZULU Code	1MAS13					
NQF Exit Level	9					
Admission Requirements	Refer to Faculty Requirements					
Minimum duration of studies	2 YEARS					
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time					
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY					
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY					
Readmission:	See General Calendar					
Total credits to Graduate:	180					

Duration of the proposed degree

The curriculum shall extend over at least 2 years.

Examination

The examination shall consist of a dissertation marked by 2 external examiners approved by the HDC committee.

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Masters Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1LB700 Credits: 180 NQF: 9	Research Dissertation Masters' Research Dissertation in Information Science using qualitative, quantitative and mixed method approach sources

Doctor of Philosophy in Information Science - 1DPH13; NQF Level 10

Total No. of Credits: 360

Doctorates focus on candidates preparing to occupy senior information and knowledge management positions, LIS theory and research and for academics and HEIs educators. To be accepted in the 1DPH13 programme, a minimum mark of 65% for master's in Information Science or equivalent is required.

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY in INFORMATION SCIENCE PROGRAMME

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES					
Department	Information Science (06)					
Degree (Designator)	Doctor of Philosophy in Information Science					
CESM Category	06	CESM Category				
CESM 1st Qualifier	0601	CESM 1st Qualifier				
Abbreviation	DPhil (Information Science)					
Qualification Code (SAQF)	19869	Qual ID	CL	1E	Qual Type	74
UNIZULU Code	1DPH13					
NQF Exit Level	10					
Admission Requirements	Rules for a Doctorate in the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences shall apply.					
Minimum duration of studies	3 YEARS					
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time					
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY					
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY					
Readmission:	See General Calendar					
Total credits to Graduate:	384					

The examination shall consist of a thesis on an approved topic, subject to rules G48-G56.

PhD Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1LB800 Credits: 360 NQF: 10	Thesis Doctoral Research Thesis in Information Science using advanced qualitative, quantitative or mixed method approaches.

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DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY AND APPLIED ETHICS

Staff

Professor	A. Nicolaides	HED (Wits), BA (Unisa), BHons (Unisa), MA (Unisa), DCom (UNIZULU), DTh (UNIZULU), DPhil (UNIZULU)
Senior Lecturer & HOD	S. Ndlovu	BA (UNISA), BA (Hons) (UKZN), MA (UCT), PhD (Philosophy) (UKZN)
Lecturers	K. Magoso	BA(Hons), MA (UKZN)
	G. Lebakeng	BA (Hons), MA (UJ)
	C. Austin	BA (Hons) (UNIZULU)
	N.E. Dlodla	BA (Unisa), BA Honours (UKZN), MA (UJ)
	N. Shozi	BA Honours (UKZN), MA (UKZN)
Administrative Assistant	Vacant	

The Department offers the following programmes:

PROGRAMME	CODE
BA Honours in Philosophy	1HON17
Master of Arts in Philosophy	1MAS17
Doctor of Philosophy in Philosophy	1PHD17

BA Honours in Philosophy - 1HON17; NQF Level 8

Total No. of Credits: 120

Admission requirements

Relevant University and Faculty rules apply. Specifically, in order to qualify for admission to the Philosophy Honours course, students should have obtained a minimum aggregate pass of 65% for the third-year qualifying courses in Philosophy. Students with an aggregate mark of less than 65% at third-year level may be admitted at the discretion of the HOD.

University and Faculty rules apply to students who have not majored in Philosophy and who wish to enroll for Honours in Philosophy.

Duration of the proposed Degree

The curriculum shall extend over at least 1 year.

Examinations

Candidates have to complete a **compulsory research paper and 4 other papers** from the list below. Not all options are taught each year as they depend on the expertise available in the Department. Therefore, students must consult the HOD before they make their choices. Candidates may, after consultation with the HOD, be granted permission to do 1 paper offered by another Department at the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences. However, the candidates have to complete the compulsory Research Paper in the Department of Philosophy and Applied Ethics.

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BA HONOURS in PHILOSOPHY PROGRAMME

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES					
Department	Philosophy (17)					
Degree (Designator)	Bachelor of Arts Honours in Philosophy					
CESM Category	17	Philosophy, Religion and Theology				
CESM 1st Qualifier	1701	Philosophy				
CESM 2nd Qualifier	170101	Philosophy, General				
Major Field of Study	Philosophy					
Abbreviation	BA Hons in Philosophy					
Qualification Code (SAQF)	9095	Qual ID	CR	13	Qual Type	70
UNIZULU Code	1HON17					
NQF Exit Level	8					
Admission Requirements	Refer to the faculty requirements					
Minimum duration of studies	1 YEAR					
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time					
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY					
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY					
Readmission:	See General Calendar					
Total credits to Graduate:	120					

Honours Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1PH501 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	Epistemology This module presents a selection of epistemological theories.
1PH502 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	African Philosophy This module presents a selection of topics from African Philosophy.
1PH503 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	Philosophical Anthropology This module presents topics from the intersection of philosophy and anthropology.
1PH504 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	Applied Ethics This module deals with a selection of ethical theories and their applications.
1PH505 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	Existential Phenomenology This module presents a selection of topics from existential phenomenology, including phenomenology and existentialism.
1PH506 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	Critical Theory This module presents a selection of topics concerning Critical Theory from its origin till the present day.

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1PH507 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	A Study of Texts This module allows students to engage with contemporary and past philosophical texts.
1PH508 Credits: 40 NQF: 8	Contemporary Philosophical Debates – a Research Paper This is a compulsory paper fulfilling the research requirement for Honours. Candidates are required to produce an article-length research paper which meets the standards of a peer-reviewed journal. The work is supervised and, while publication is not a necessary condition for passing the paper, candidates will be encouraged to aim at publication in a recognised journal.

Students choose 4 of the semester modules after consultation with the HOD. The Research Paper must be completed by the end of November. The examinations for the remaining papers are written during the November/January examination sessions.

Master of Arts in Philosophy - 1MAS17; NQF Level 9
Total No. of Credits: 180

Admission requirements

Refer to Faculty requirements.

Duration of the proposed degree

The curriculum shall extend over at least 1 year.

Examination

The Philosophy Masters is by research on an approved subject. See general University rules and consultation HOD.

MASTER OF ARTS in PHILOSOPHY PROGRAMME

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES					
Department	Philosophy (17)					
Degree (Designator)	Master of Arts in Philosophy					
CESM Category	17	CESM Category				
CESM 1st Qualifier	1701	CESM 1st Qualifier				
CESM 2nd Qualifier	170101	CESM 2nd Qualifier				
Major Field of Study	Philosophy					
Abbreviation	MA (Philosophy)					
Qualification Code (SAQF)	9087	Qual ID	DK	1k	Qual Type	72
UNIZULU Code	1MAS17					
NQF Exit Level	9					
Admission Requirements	Refer to the faculty requirements					
Minimum duration of studies	1 YEAR					
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time					
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY					
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY					
Readmission:	See General Calendar					

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Total credits to Graduate:	180
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Masters Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1PH700 Credits: 180 NQF: 9	Research Dissertation Masters' Research Dissertation in Philosophy using qualitative, quantitative and mixed method approach sources

Doctor of Philosophy in Philosophy - 1PHD17; NQF Level 10
Total No. of Credits: 360

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY in PHILOSOPHY PROGRAMME

A thesis on an approved subject in Philosophy. See general University rules and consult the HOD.

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES					
Department	Philosophy (17)					
Degree (Designator)	Bachelor of Arts Honours in Philosophy					
CESM Category	17	CESM Category				
CESM 1st Qualifier	1701	CESM 1st Qualifier				
CESM 2nd Qualifier	170101	CESM 2nd Qualifier				
Major Field of Study	Philosophy	Major Field of Study				
Abbreviation	DPhil (Philosophy)					
Qualification Code (SAQF)	9081	Qual ID	CL	1A	Qual Type	74
UNIZULU Code	1PHD17					
NQF Exit Level	10					
Admission Requirements	Refer to the faculty requirements.					
Minimum duration of studies	3 YEARS					
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time					
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY					
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY					
Readmission:	See General Calendar					
Total credits to Graduate:	360					

PhD Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1PH800 Credits: 360 NQF: 10	Thesis Doctoral Research Thesis in Philosophy using advanced qualitative, quantitative or mixed method approaches.

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DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY

Staff

Senior Lecturer & Acting HOD	W.M Hlengwa	Certificate in Ministerial Excellence (Rhema Bible Training Centre); Certificate in University Education Induction Programme (Extended Learning UKZN); Diploma in Project Management (Varsity College); Bachelor of Art (Psychology & Sociology) (UKZN), Bachelor of Social Science Honours (Psychology) (UKZN), Master of Social Sciences (Health Promotion) (UKZN), Doctor of Philosophy in Community Psychology (UNIZULU), Current Studies: Master of Business Studies (UKZN)
Lecturers	V.C. Mathe	BA (Hons) UNIZULU, MA (Counselling Psychology) (UNIZULU), PhD (Community Psychology) (UNIZULU)
	L. Mashamba	Doctor of Psychology, Master of Arts (Psychology), B.A. Hons (Psychology), B.A. Arts (Psychology), University of Venda
	M. Mlangeni	Bachelor of Psychology; M.A. Clinical Psychology, UNIZULU
	C.P. Mthembu	Bachelor of Psychology; M.A. Clinical Psychology, UNIZULU
	L. Sanda	Bachelor of Arts (Psychology), B.A. Hons (Psychology); M.A. (Psychology), UNISA.
	T. Koti	BPsych(University of Zululand), Master of Arts in Counselling Psychology (Nelson Mandela University)
	A.D. Singh	BA Social Sciences (UN), BA (Hons) Psychology, MA Research Psychology (Durban Westville)
Administrative Assistant	N.N. Ngema	B. Public Administration (UNIZULU), Hons. Public Administration (UNIZULU), PGCE (UNISA), Office Management & Technology (DUT)

The Department offers the following programmes:

PROGRAMME	CODE
BA Hons (Psychology)	1HON18
Doctor of Philosophy in Community Psychology	1DPH20

BA Honours in Psychology, (1HON18) NQF Level 8

Admission to the BA Honours in Psychology programme is limited to students in possession of:

- (a) A suitable Bachelor Degree in the Social Sciences and / or Natural Sciences with Psychology as a Major or

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- (b) Students must have obtained at least 65% in their third-year modules.

Honours in Psychology [NQF Level 8] is a one-year (full time) advanced psychology programme designed to be in line with a comprehensive institution that provides students with the optimal balance between a defined post-graduate study and goal directed course options. This innovative programme has been designed to develop graduates with the key practical skills and interdisciplinary knowledge required to be the leaders of tomorrow that are globally competitive. The programme will provide the student with highly developed skills in written communication, problem-solving, critical thinking, internationally recognized research and interpersonal understanding by providing quality education and delivering competitive graduates, relevant to the capital needs of South Africa.

BA HONOURS in PSYCHOLOGY PROGRAMME

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES				
Department	Psychology				
Degree (Designator)	Bachelor of Arts Honours in Psychology				
CESM Category	18: Psychology				
CESM 1st Qualifier	1801	Psychology, General			
CESM 2nd Qualifier					
Degree (Designator)	Arts				
Major Field of Study	Psychology				
Abbreviation	BA Hons (Psychology)				
Qualification Code (SAQF)		Qual ID	112691	Qual Type	120-bachelor honours degree
UNIZULU Code	1HON18				
NQF Exit Level	8				
Admission Requirements	Refer to Faculty Rules				
Minimum duration of studies	1 YEAR				
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time				
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY				
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY				

Honours Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1PS511 Credits: 30 NQF: 8	Research Project This is a compulsory module fulfilling the research requirement for Honours. Candidates are required to produce a research project which meets the standards of a scientific project. The work is supervised and, while publication is not a necessary condition for passing the paper, candidates will be encouraged to aim at publication in a recognised journal.
1PS512 Credits: 15 NQF: 8	Statistical Methods for Psychology The aim of the unit is to enhance students' research competencies and to promote an in-depth understanding of a particular area of interest. To teach fundamental principles, methods and techniques necessary to conduct sound research analytical skills, while

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	observing and abiding by the ethical code for psychology practitioners and principles of conducting research in the South African context and globally.
1PS513 Credits: 15 NQF: 8	Psychological Interventions The module equips students with the basic theoretical understanding of therapeutic approaches in a variety of counselling situations. It aims at developing students to know their scope of practice, relevant legislation for psychological practice, and guidelines for effective interventions.
1PS514 Credits: 15 NQF: 8	Psychopathology The unit aims to increase students' understanding of psychological disorders with reference to the Diagnostic & Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders Text Revised (DSMP-V). Students will be exposed to the major clusters of psychological disorders so that they will be able to recognize the core symptoms of psychological disorders and understand the aetiological factors involved.
1PS515 Credits: 15 20 NQF: 8	Psychological Assessment The unit aims to expand students' conceptual understanding of the principles and methods of psychological assessment. This includes the notions of reliability and validity and contemporary methods used to evaluate psychometric properties of instruments. Instruments for assessing abilities and personality in various contexts, e.g., clinical, counselling, educational and organizational will be reviewed and core practical skills in implementing these instruments and interpreting results will be acquired.
1PS516 Credits: 15 NQF: 8	Ethics in Psychology In this module, students will learn about appropriate professional conduct and practice, ethical rules, regulations, guidelines, and acts applicable to the profession of psychology.
1PS517 Credits: 15 NQF: 8	Biological Psychology This unit aims to introduce the student to biological Psychology and the central role that biological processes play in psychology, as well as an introduction to neuropsychology.
1PSY518 Credits: 15 NQF: 8	Community Psychology This module aims to introduce students to knowledge on the field of community psychology which is the branch of psychology that seeks to understand relationships between environmental conditions and the development of health and well-being of people. Students will study the development of the field of community psychology and its related concepts, theories and paradigms of research and action. The course is also designed to prepare students to critically evaluate the current and evolving body of scholarly literature in psychology and the community to inform professional practice.

The examination shall consist of a series of 3-hour papers on each of the theoretical modules as well as the submission of a research project.

Doctor of Philosophy in Community Psychology (1PHD20); NQF Level 10

Total No. of Credits: 360

The PhD in Community Psychology consists of a specialised doctoral programme of studies for registered psychologists. All doctoral degrees require the completion of a thesis. In cases where the coursework formed the component of the programme, as in full-time students, **only the thesis assessment is considered for awarding a degree**. Doctoral degrees are awarded pass or fail assessments. No marks are awarded, and degrees are not awarded with merit or distinction.

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Criteria for admission to this academic programme are outlined in the University's Policy on Admission to post-graduate studies. A limited number of students will be selected in terms of academic merit and personal and professional suitability. For the student to be admitted, they must be in possession of a master's degree, either in Clinical, Counselling, Educational, Research, Neuro psychology or Health Promotion with an average of more than 65%. The programme extends over a minimum period of 3 years and maximum period of not more than five years.

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY in COMMUNITY PSYCHOLOGY PROGRAMME

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES					
Department	Psychology (18)					
Degree (Designator)	Doctor of Philosophy in Community Psychology					
CESM Category	18	Psychology				
CESM 1st Qualifier	1804	Community Psychology				
CESM 2nd Qualifier	180401	Community Psychology				
Major Field of Study	Psychology					
Abbreviation	DPhil (Community Psychology)					
Qualification Code (SAQF)	9077	Qual ID	DZ	1R	Qual Type	74
UNIZULU Code	1DPH20					
NQF Exit Level	10					
Admission Requirements	Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences rules shall apply. Candidates must present their topics at Departmental level.					
Minimum duration of studies	2 YEARS					
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time					
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY					
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY					
Readmission:	See General Calendar					
Total credits to Graduate:	360					

PhD Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1EC800 Credits: 360 NQF: 10	Thesis Doctoral research thesis in Community Psychology using advanced qualitative, quantitative or mixed method approaches.

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DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND TOURISM

Staff

Professor	I.O. Ezeuduji	BSc Hons (UNIJOS), MSc (BOKU Vienna), MBA (The Open University UK), PhD (BOKU Vienna), PGDip Higher Education (UKZN)
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Senior Lecturer	M.S. Nkwanyana	STD (Eshowe College) Travel & Tourism (RAU), Hons in Education, MNGT Law (UP), MRT (UNIZULU), PhD, UNIZULU
Lecturers	N. Linda	STD (Esikhawini College), Hotel Management Certificate (Damelin College), ABET (UNISA), PDRT, MRT (UNIZULU), PhD (UNIZULU)
	S.D. Ntshangase	B Tourism Studies (UNIZULU), BA (Hons)(UNIZULU), PGCE (UNIZULU), Master of Tourism (UNIZULU), PhD (UNIZULU)
	P.S. Mhlongo	B Tourism Studies (UNIZULU), BA (Hons)(UNIZULU), PGCE (UNIZULU), Master of Tourism (UNIZULU)
	N.M. Mabaleka	ND: Tourism Management (CPUT) BTech: Tourism Management (CPUT) MTech: Tourism and Hospitality (CPUT)
Administrative Assistant	Vacant	

The Department offers the following programmes:

PROGRAMME	CODE
Post graduate Diploma in Recreation & Tourism	1PDRT1
BA Honours in Recreation & Tourism	1HON21
Master of Tourism (Coursework) no intake in 2026	1MAS21
Master of Tourism (Research)	1MAS22
Doctor of Philosophy in Tourism & Recreation	1DPH21

Postgraduate Programmes

BA Honours in Recreation and Tourism 1HON21 NQF Level 8

Admission to the BA Honours in Recreation and Tourism programme is limited to students in possession of:

- (a) A suitable bachelor's degree in Tourism, or in the Social Sciences, or Natural Sciences,
- (b) **Students must have obtained at least 65% in their third-year modules.**

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Honours in Recreation and Tourism [NQF Level 8] is a one-year (full time) programme. This programme consists of 120 credits obtainable after completing six (6) prescribed modules (five core and one elective). The sit-in examination shall consist of a 3-hour paper on each of the theoretical modules or submission of an exam project.

BA HONOURS in RECREATION & TOURISM PROGRAMME

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES					
Department	Recreation & Tourism (2517)					
Degree (Designator)	Bachelor of Arts Honours (Recreation & Tourism)					
CESM Category	04					
CESM 1st Qualifier	040702	Tourism & Travel Services Management				
CESM 2nd Qualifier	041604	Tourism & Travel Services Marketing Operations				
Degree (Designator)	BA Hons (Recreation & Tourism)					
Major Field of Study	Tourism					
Abbreviation	BA Hons (Recreation & Tourism)					
Qualification Code (SAQF)	19149	Qual ID	CR	14	Qual Type	70
UNIZULU Code	1HON21					
NQF Exit Level	8					
Admission Requirements	Refer to Faculty Rules					
Minimum duration of studies	1 YEAR					
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time					
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY					
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY					
Readmission:	See General Calendar					
Total credits to Graduate:	120					

Honours Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1RH501 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	Natural Resource Management The aim of this module is to equip students with an in-depth knowledge of natural resource management and its relationship to tourism.
1RH502 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	Recreation & Leisure Management This module aims at students acquiring extensive theoretical and practical knowledge in the fields of recreation, leisure and sport to enable them to work as specialists in the Recreation, Leisure and Sport sector.
1RH503 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	Tourism Planning & Development The aim of this module is to equip students with full understanding of and appreciation of national tourism policies and tourism planning models. Students will also be equipped with an in-depth knowledge of natural resources management and its relationship to tourism.

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	At the end of this learning unit, a completed tourism strategic destination development plan must be submitted to the course facilitator for evaluation purposes.
1RH504 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	Marketing in Recreation & Tourism The aim of this module is to equip students to appreciate the role of the marketing function in a tourism organisation and how it relates to other functional areas of an organisation; critically evaluate the marketing strategies of an existing tourism organisation; and formulate a strategic marketing plan for a tourism organisation. At the end of this learning unit, a completed tourism strategic marketing plan must be submitted to the course facilitator for evaluation purposes. Once evaluated by the course facilitator, corrections must be made by the student where after the document will be handed over to the owner of the business.
1RH505 Credits: 30 NQF: 8	Research Project The aim of this module is to provide students with theoretical research knowledge and practical research skills. Students will work individually to design and conduct independent, qualitative and quantitative research.
ELECTIVE (This elective must be selected)	
1RH506 Credits: 10 NQF: 8	Events Management The aim of this module is to equip postgraduate students with in-depth knowledge and skills required within the events sector.

Postgraduate Diploma in Recreation and Tourism (1PDRT1) NQF Level 8

Postgraduate Diploma in Recreation and Tourism [NQF Level 8] is a two-year advanced programme designed to cater mainly for individuals already in the Recreation or Tourism industry who want to improve their work skills and knowledge. The programme consists of 120 credits obtainable after completing six (6) prescribed modules. Minimum admission requirements entail a Tourism, or Social Science, or Natural Science Bachelor's degree with an average of 65%.

The examination shall consist of a 3-hour paper on each of the theoretical modules.

POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA in RECREATION & TOURISM PROGRAMME

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES					
Department	Recreation & Tourism (2517)					
Degree (Designator)	Postgraduate Diploma (Recreation & Tourism)					
CESM Category	04					
CESM 1st Qualifier	040702	Tourism & Travel Services Management				
CESM 2nd Qualifier	041604	Tourism & Travel Services Marketing Operations				
Major Field of Study	Tourism	Recreation				
Abbreviation	PG Dip (Recreation & Tourism)					
Qualification Code (SAQF)	19873	Qual ID	EN	16	Qual Type	69
UNIZULU Code	1PDRT1					
NQF Exit Level	8					
Admission Requirements	Refer to Faculty Rules					

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Minimum duration of studies	1 YEAR
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY
Readmission:	See General Calendar
Total credits to Graduate:	120

Postgraduate Diploma Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1RT501 Credits: 16 NQF: 8	Resource Management The aim of this module is to equip students with an in-depth knowledge of resources management and its relationship to tourism.
1RT502 Credits: 16 NQF: 8	Recreation This module aims at students acquiring extensive theoretical and practical knowledge in the fields of recreation, leisure and sport to enable them to work as specialists in the Recreation, Leisure and Sport sector.
1RT503 Credits: 16 NQF: 8	Tourism The aim of this module is to equip students with full understanding of and appreciation of the role of the state, provincial and local tourism offices, convention and visitor bureaus, chambers of commerce, tourism and planning organisations, tourism promoters, tourist accommodations, attractions and other businesses, transport carriers, oil, and automotive companies, and any other company that is involved in the movement of people from their homes or businesses to destinations. At the end of this learning unit, a completed tourism strategic destination development plan must be submitted to the course facilitator for evaluation purposes.
1RT504 Credits: 16 NQF: 8	Statistical Applications This module consists of the following components: Statistical techniques; Research methodology; Computer techniques.
1RT505 Credits: 40 NQF: 8	Research Project The aim of this module is to provide students with theoretical research knowledge and practical research skills. Students will work individually to design and conduct independent, qualitative and quantitative research.
1RT506 Credits: 16 NQF: 8	Internship Students are required to do WIL for six months with a recognised agency. The student must select the recreation or tourism agency in consultation with the WIL programme coordinator. Students who have done WIL as part of their undergraduate Degree can apply for exemption with the approval of the Head of Department.

Masters Programmes in Recreation and Tourism

Two types of Masters Degree are offered:

- (a) The Coursework Master of Tourism (**No intake for 2026**)
- (b) The Full Research Master of Tourism

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Master of Tourism 1MAS21 (Coursework); NQF Level 9

Master of Tourism (Coursework) degree [NQF Level 9] is a two-year programme designed to improve individuals' recreation and tourism knowledge and working skills. The programme consists of 180 credits obtainable after completing six (6) prescribed modules. The research component forms 50% of the total value of the Degree.

Admission to this degree is limited to students in possession of:

- (a) An Honours Degree in Recreation and Tourism or a suitable Honours Degree in the Social Sciences or Natural Sciences or
- (b) A Postgraduate Diploma in Recreation and Tourism with 65% average.

MASTER OF TOURISM (COURSE WORK) PROGRAMME (No intake for 2026)

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES					
Department	Recreation & Tourism (2517)					
Degree (Designator)	Master of Tourism (Course Work)					
CESM Category	04					
CESM 1st Qualifier	040702		Tourism & Travel Services Management			
CESM 2nd Qualifier	041604		Tourism & Travel Services Marketing Operations			
Abbreviation	M Tourism (Course Work)					
Qualification Code (SAQF)	96690	Qual ID	DK	11	Qual Type	72
UNIZULU Code	1MAS21					
NQF Exit Level	9					
Minimum duration of studies	2 YEARS					
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time					
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY					
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY					
Readmission:	See General Calendar					
Total credits to Graduate:	180					

Masters Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1RM701 Credits: 24 NQF: 9	Sustainable Resource Management The aim of this module is to equip students with an in-depth knowledge of sustainable resources management and its relationship to tourism.
1RM702 Credits: 24 NQF: 9	Recreation Planning & Management This module aims at students acquiring extensive theoretical and practical knowledge in the fields of recreation, leisure and sport to enable them work as specialists in the Recreation, Leisure and Sport sector.

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1RM703 Credits: 24 NQF: 9	Tourism Development & Management The aim of this module is to equip students with in-depth knowledge of national tourism policies and tourism planning models. At the end of this learning unit, a completed tourism strategic destination development plan must be submitted to the course facilitator for evaluation purposes.
1RM704 Credits: 24 NQF: 9	Statistical & Computer Applications in Research This module consists of the following components: Statistical techniques; Research methodology; Computer techniques.
1RM705 Credits: 60 NQF: 9	Mini Dissertation The aim of this module is to provide students with an opportunity of writing a mini-dissertation in the field of Recreation and Tourism for a Masters degree. The mini-dissertation research project is undertaken during the second year of study by part-time students, and in the first year by full-time students. The research project culminates in a well-bound mini dissertation of limited scope and usually does not exceed 15 000 words of text, which constitutes 50% of the Degree.
1RM706 Credits: 24 NQF: 9	Tourism Practical Services Students are required to do WIL for six months with a recognised agency. The student must select the recreation or tourism agency in consultation with the WIL programme coordinator. Students who have done WIL as part of their undergraduate Degree can apply for exemption with the approval of the Head of Department.

The examination shall consist of a 3-and-a-half-hour paper on each of the theoretical modules, a WIL report and a research project.

Master of Tourism 1MAS22 (by Full Research); NQF Level 9

- (a) For admission to this degree, a student shall possess the Postgraduate Diploma in Recreation and Tourism or an Honours Degree in Recreation and Tourism or related Social Sciences with 65% average.
- (b) The examination consists of a dissertation on an approved topic subject to regulation G35 – G46.

MASTER OF TOURISM (RESEARCH) PROGRAMME

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES					
Department	Recreation & Tourism (2517)					
Degree (Designator)	Master of Tourism (Research)					
CESM Category	04					
CESM 1st Qualifier	040702	Tourism & Travel Services Management				
CESM 2nd Qualifier	041604	Tourism & Travel Services Marketing Operations				
Abbreviation	M Tourism (Research)					
Qualification Code (SAQF)	96690	Qual ID	DK	1m	Qual Type	72
UNIZULU Code	1MAS22					
NQF Exit Level	9					
Minimum duration of studies	2 YEARS					
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time					

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Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY
Readmission:	See General Calendar
Total credits to Graduate:	180

Masters Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1RT700 Credits: 180 NQF: 9	Research Dissertation Masters' Research Dissertation in Recreation and Tourism using qualitative, quantitative and mixed method approach sources

Doctor of Philosophy in Tourism and Recreation (1DPH21); NQF Level 10

a) Admission to the Doctor of Philosophy in Recreation and Tourism programme is limited to students who are in possession of a Masters degree in Recreation and Tourism or related Social and/or Natural Sciences with a 65% average.

B) b) This programme is absolutely research only.

C) c) For examination candidates will be expected to produce a thesis on an approved topic subject to regulation G35 – G46. Further details are available at the Department of Recreation and Tourism.

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY in TOURISM & RECREATION PROGRAMME

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES					
Department	Recreation & Tourism (2517)					
Degree (Designator)	Doctor of Philosophy (Tourism & Recreation)					
CESM Category	04					
CESM 1st Qualifier	040702			Tourism & Travel Services Management		
CESM 2nd Qualifier	041604			Tourism & Travel Services Marketing Operations		
Abbreviation	DPhil (Tourism & Recreation)					
Qualification Code (SAQF)	19870	Qual ID	CL	1n	Qual Type	74
UNIZULU Code	1DPH21					
NQF Exit Level	10					
Minimum duration of studies	2 YEARS					
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time					
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY					
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY					
Readmission:	See General Calendar					
Total credits to Graduate:	360					

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Doctor of Philosophy Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1RT800 Credits: 360 NQF: 10	Thesis Doctoral Research Thesis in Tourism and Recreation using advanced qualitative, quantitative or mixed method approaches.

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK

Staff

Professor & HOD	J.V. Rautenbach	BSocSc (SW, Psy, IndSoc) (RU), MSocSc (SW) (UFH), DPhil (SW) (NMMU)
Associate Professor	D.M. Mulqueeny	BA (SW), Honours (Industrial and Organisational Psychology), PGCE (UNISA), MBA (UFS), MSW, PhD (UKZN)
Senior Lecturers	S.S. Myeni	BSW, MA (SW) (UNIZULU), PGDIP (HE) (UKZN), PhD (UNIZULU)
Lectures	F.G. Xaba	BA(SW) (UNIZULU), (HonsBPA) (Stellenbosch), MPA(Stellenbosch), PhD (UNIZULU)
	M.M. Shabalala	BA (SW), MA (SW) (UNIZULU), Leadership Programme (Stellenbosch), PhD (UNIZULU)
	A. Tshaka	BSW, MSW, PhD (UFH)
	N.N. Mkhize	BSW, MSW (UNIZULU)
	Vacancy	
	Vacancy	
NGAP- Lecturer	N.Y. Hadebe	BSW, MSW (UNIZULU)
Administrative Assistant	B.S.P. Mkwanazi	Dip (Public Admin), B (Public Admin), PGCE (UNIZULU)

The Department offers the following programmes:

PROGRAMME	CODE
Master of Social Work	1MAS23
Doctor of Philosophy in Social Work	1DPH23
Master of Arts in Community Work (NO new intake)	AMAS24

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Master of Social Work - 1MAS23; NQF Level 9

Total No. of Credits: 180

Admission requirements

Students with an Honours degree in Social Work or a 4-year degree in Social Work are accepted in this programme and must be registered with the SACSSP. Applicants must have at least 65% for undergraduate research modules and have fieldwork experience.

Rules: Refer to Faculty rules

MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK PROGRAMME

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES						
Department	Social Work (20)						
Degree (Designator)	Master of Social Work						
CESM Category	20	Social Studies					
CESM 1st Qualifier	2008	Social Work					
CESM 2nd Qualifier	200801	Social Work, General					
Qualification Code (SAQF)	19853	Qual ID	CL	1B	Qual Type	74	
UNIZULU Code	1MAS24						
NQF Exit Level	9						
Admission Requirements	Must have a BSW degree at NQF level 8 A minimum 65% average in the final-year modules Must have a minimum of 65% for all research modules Shortlisted applicants must attend selection interviews						
Minimum duration of studies	1 YEAR						
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time						
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY						
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY						
Readmission:	See General Calendar						
Total credits to Graduate:	180						

Duration of the Proposed Degree

The curriculum shall extend over at least 1-year full time or 2 years part time.

The examination of the Research in Master of Social Work consists of a dissertation of approximately 120 typed pages on an approved subject.

Masters Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1SW700 Credits: 180 NQF: 9	Research Dissertation Masters' Research Dissertation in Social Work using qualitative or quantitative, or mixed method approach sources

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Doctor of Philosophy in Social Work - 1DPH23; NQF Level 10

Total No. of Credits: 360

Admission requirements

Students with 4-year degree in Social Work are accepted in this programme and must be registered with the SACSSP. Applicants must have at least 65% for undergraduate research modules and have fieldwork experience.

Students with Masters degree in Social Work are accepted in this programme. Registered social workers with Masters degrees in cognate disciplines may also be considered.

Refer to Faculty rules.

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY in SOCIAL WORK PROGRAMME

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES					
Department	Social Work (20)					
Degree (Designator)	Doctor of Philosophy in Social Work					
CESM Category	20	Social Studies				
CESM 1st Qualifier	2008	Social Work				
CESM 2nd Qualifier	200801	Social Work, General				
Faculty	Humanities and Social Sciences					
Abbreviation	DPhil (Social Work)					
Qualification Code (SAQF)	9045	Qual ID	CL	1B	Qual Type	74
UNIZULU Code	1DPH23					
NQF Exit Level	10					
Admission Requirements	Must have a BSW degree at NQF level 8 A minimum 65% average in the final-year modules Must have a minimum of 65% for all research modules A minimum of 65% in the Masters degree in social work (or cognate discipline) (NQF level 9) Shortlisted applicants must attend selection interviews					
Minimum duration of studies	3 YEARS					
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time					
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY					
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY					
Readmission:	See General Calendar					
Total credits to Graduate:	360					

Duration of the Proposed Degree

The curriculum shall extend over at least 2 years full time or 3 years part time

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Doctor of Philosophy Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1SW800 Credits: 360 NQF: 10	Thesis Doctoral Research Thesis in Social Work using advanced qualitative or quantitative or mixed method approaches.

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY

Staff

Senior Lecturer	P. Mzileni	BA (NMU), BA Hons (NMU), MA (NMU), Ph.D (NMU)
	S Bhoola	Diploma in Journalism (Damelin College). BSocSci (University of Natal) BSocSci Honours (University of Natal), MA (Albert-Ludwigs Universitat Freiburg, UKZN & Jawal Nehru University, New Delhi), MA (UKZN) & PhD (UKZN)
	T. Tshilongo	BA Psychology (UJ), BA Hons (NWU), MA (NWU) PhD (NWU)
	LA Hagemeyer	BA (Wits), BA Hons (Wits), MA Wits
Lecturer & Acting HOD	J Guambe	BA, BA (Hons), MA (UNIZULU) PhD (UNIZULU)
nGAP Lecturer	A. Phiwani	BSoc Sci (WSU), BSoc Sci Hons (WSU), MA <i>Cum Laude</i> (WSU), SPS certificate (RU)
Administrative Assistant	Vacant	

The Department offers the following programmes:

PROGRAMME	CODE
BA Honours in Sociology	1HON26
BA Honours in Industrial Sociology (Not offered in 2026)	1HON27
Master of Arts in Sociology	1MAS26
Master of Arts in Industrial Sociology	1MAS27
Doctor of Philosophy in Sociology	1DPH26
Doctor of Philosophy in Industrial Sociology	1DPH27

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Postgraduate Degrees

BA Honours in Sociology 1HON26; NQF Level 8

This BA Honours programme consists of intensive, mandatory coursework. Five courses are offered, running parallel for 1 year. Admission to the Honours programme is limited to a minimum pass of 65% in Sociology or Industrial Sociology.

BA HONOURS in SOCIOLOGY PROGRAMME

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES						
Department	Sociology (20)						
Degree (Designator)	Bachelor of Arts Honours in Sociology						
CESM Category	20	Social Sciences					
CESM 1st Qualifier	2007	Sociology					
Major Field of Study	Industrial Sociology						
Abbreviation	BA HONS (Sociology)						
Qualification Code (SAQF)	19193	Qual ID	CR	15	Qual Type	70	
UNIZULU Code	1HON26						
NQF Exit Level	8						
Admission Requirements	Refer to Faculty Requirements						
Minimum duration of studies	1 YEAR						
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time						
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY						
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY						
Total No of Credits	120						

Honours Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1SY501 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	Classical Sociology Theory Classical sociological theories are of a profound scope, having been created in Europe between the early 1800s and early 1900s. The work of classical sociological theorists such as Auguste Comte, Karl Marx, Emile Durkheim, Max Weber and F.W.G Hegel was important in its time and played a central role in the subsequent development of Sociology. How their ideas impact and become relevant today is studied. In addition, an amalgam of African sociological theorists, such as Frantz Fanon, Oyeronke Oyewumi, Walter Rodney, and Pumla Gqola, will be studied. African epistemologies are infused in the module in the enhancement and sustenance of the Indigenous Knowledge Systems.
1SY502 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	Research Methodology & Statistics for Sociological Research The purpose of this course is to advance the knowledge gained at an undergraduate level in social research. It advances on research philosophies and knowledge generation. A student doing this course will go through a critical analysis of the nature of scientific knowledge and its features. And trends in African philosophy.
1SY503 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	Contemporary Sociological Theory The purpose this module is to assist Sociology postgraduate students with the information on how contemporary sociologists view life situations as opposed to the classical Sociologists, from one century to another. The module will provide students with a clear

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	understanding of the evolution and revolution of societies and demonstrate that human beings are not stagnant. The course will focus on the following theories: Critical theory, Humanist theory, Interactionism, Structuralism, Social systems and Social change, globalisation and world systems theory as well as Feminist-gender theories of inequality.
1SY504 Credits: 20 NQF: 8	Selected Topic in Sociology Choice of one field, from: Sociology of development, religion, the state and politics, family and social problems, social policy, medical sociology, decoloniality and labour studies
1SY505 Credits: 40 NQF: 8	Practical Work (Field Research) The candidate is expected to choose a Research Topic in consultation with the HOD.

Master of Arts in Sociology - 1MAS26; NQF Level 9

MASTER OF ARTS in SOCIOLOGY PROGRAMME

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES					
Department	Sociology (20)					
Degree (Designator)	Master of Arts in Sociology					
CESM Category	20	Social Sciences				
CESM 1st Qualifier	2007	Sociology				
Major Field of Study	Sociology					
Abbreviation	MA (Sociology)					
Qualification Code (SAQF)	19805	Qual ID	DK	1o	Qual Type	72
UNIZULU Code	1MAS26					
NQF Exit Level	9					
Minimum duration of studies	3 YEARS					
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time					
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY					
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY					
Readmission:	See General Calendar					
Total credits to Graduate:	180					

Masters Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1SY700 Credits: 180 NQF: 9	Research Dissertation Masters' Research Dissertation in Sociology using qualitative, quantitative and mixed method approach sources

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Master of Arts in Industrial Sociology - 1MAS27; NQF Level 9

MASTER OF ARTS in INDUSTRIAL SOCIOLOGY PROGRAMME

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES					
Department	Sociology (20)					
Degree (Designator)	Master of Arts in Industrial Sociology					
CESM Category	20	Social Sciences				
CESM 1st Qualifier	2007	Sociology				
Major Field of Study	Sociology					
Abbreviation	MA (Industrial Sociology)					
Qualification Code (SAQF)	19805	Qual ID	DK	1o	Qual Type	72
UNIZULU Code	1MAS27					
NQF Exit Level	9					
Minimum duration of studies	1 YEAR					
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time					
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY					
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY					
Readmission:	See General Calendar					
Total credits to Graduate:	180					

Masters Module Structure Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1IS700 Credits: 180 NQF: 9	Research Dissertation Masters' Research Dissertation in Sociology using qualitative, quantitative and mixed method approach

Doctor of Philosophy in Sociology - 1DPH26; NQF Level 10 (ADPH26 FOR RETURNING STUDENTS)

Intensive theoretical, historical, and comparative study around the chosen, approved topic for research, guided by the supervisor and HOD, and a thesis.

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY in SOCIOLOGY PROGRAMME

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES					
Department	Sociology (20)					
Degree (Designator)	Doctor of Philosophy in Sociology					
CESM Category	20	Social Sciences				
CESM 1st Qualifier	2007	Sociology				
Major Field of Study	Sociology					
Abbreviation	DPhil (Sociology)					

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Qualification Code (SAQF)	19791	Qual ID	CI	1Q	Qual Type	74
UNIZULU Code	1DPH26					
NQF Exit Level	10					
Minimum duration of studies	3 YEARS					
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time					
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY					
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY					
Readmission:	See General Calendar					
Total credits to Graduate:	360					

Doctor of Philosophy Module Structure and Composition

Subject Code	Module Name
1SY800 Credits: 360 NQF: 10	Thesis Doctoral Research Thesis in Sociology using advanced qualitative, quantitative or mixed method approaches.

Doctor of Philosophy in Industrial Sociology (1DPH27); NQF Level 10

Intensive theoretical, historical and comparative study around the chosen, approved topic for research, guided by the supervisor and HOD and a thesis.

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY in INDUSTRIAL SOCIOLOGY PROGRAMME

Faculty	HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES					
Department	Sociology (20)					
Degree (Designator)	Doctor of Philosophy in Industrial Sociology					
CESM Category	20	Social Sciences				
CESM 1st Qualifier	200702	Sociology				
Major Field of Study	Industrial Sociology					
Abbreviation	DPhil (Industrial Sociology)					
Qualification Code (SAQF)	19791	Qual ID	CL	1P	Qual Type	74
UNIZULU Code	1DPH27					
NQF Exit Level	10					
Minimum duration of studies	3 YEARS					
Presentation mode of subjects:	Full time					
Intake for the qualification:	JANUARY					
Registration Cycle for the subjects:	JANUARY					
Readmission:	See General Calendar					
Total credits to Graduate:	360					

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Subject Code	Module Name
1SY801 Credits: 360 NQF: 10	Thesis Doctoral Research Thesis in Industrial Sociology using advanced qualitative, quantitative or mixed method approaches.