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**Note:** The information reflected in this brochure is subject to changes in regulations relating to COVID-19. The National Benchmark Test (NBT) is no longer a requirement for any undergraduate programme in 2022. Amendments reflect in this digital version. (Updated on 27 April 2021).

### Message from the Dean

In the Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology (EBIT) we educate our students with a view to the future and train them for careers in which, through innovation and technology, they can change the world and improve our quality of life.

Prof Sunil Maharaj Dean: Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology

We prepare you for a future beyond your imagination so that you will be able to cope with situations similar to what we experienced during the COVID-19 pandemic.

As the Fourth Industrial Revolution (4IR) progresses, the EBIT Faculty continues to focus on re-inventing itself. To ensure that it remains globally competitive and a leader, we actively collaborate with international universities, government departments and industry, and focus on producing high-quality research to make UP a leading research-intensive university. This has borne fruit, as evidenced by the 2020 US News and World Report Rankings of the Best Global Universities for Engineering, which placed UP Engineering in the No. 1 position in Africa!

We continually improve our teaching and learning activities to assist our students to succeed in their studies and go to great lengths to bring the world of work to the lecture room. EBIT offers 29 undergraduate degree programmes, and our degrees are accredited by national and international statutory and professional bodies. The Faculty is organised into four Schools:

- The School of Engineering
- The School for the Built Environment
- The School of Information Technology
- The Graduate School of Technology Management

We follow a hybrid teaching model and have superb laboratory facilities. Learning is facilitated by a motivated team consisting of committed and dedicated academics who are supported by a highly competent administrative staff and student advisors who work together to serve our students' best interests.

This Faculty, which has more than 25 research chairs and entities, attracts high-quality students and staff and is well equipped

about research and teaching facilities. Our activities include artificial intelligence (AI), Big Data Science, robotics, machine learning, green buildings planning and construction, urban citizenship, information and communications technology (ICT), technology innovation, water and environmental engineering, green energy, minerals and materials beneficiation, smart cities and intelligent transportation.

Through our close ties with our industry partners, we continually search for opportunities for collaboration to enhance the relevance of our academic programmes and enable our students to acquire scarce and highly specialised skills, which explains the high demand for our graduates. Data shows that 90% of EBIT graduates are employed within six months of graduation. Our students can now also start their own businesses on campus through the hi-tech business incubator TuksNovation NPC.

The Faculty strives to accommodate as many students as possible who meet the admission criteria. Since places are limited, we recommend that learners who excel in their studies apply early. Prospective students are also encouraged to visit our website for further information and to submit their online applications without delay.

We look forward to receiving your application to join one of our degree programmes for an enriching and rewarding experience in EBIT. I will be delighted to welcome you in 2022!

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#### Important information for all prospective students for 2022

- The admission requirements and general information in this brochure apply to students who apply for admission to the University of Pretoria with a National Senior Certificate (NSC) and Independent Examination Board (IEB) qualifications.
- Applicants with qualifications other than the abovementioned should refer to:

   Brochure: Undergraduate Programme Information 2022: Qualifications other than the NSC and IEB, available at www.up.ac.za/programmes > Admission information.
  - Brochure: Newcomers Guide 2021, available at www.up.ac.za/programmes > Admission information.
  - Website: www.up.ac.za/international-cooperation-division.
- School of Tomorrow (SOT), Accelerated Christian Education (ACE) and General Education Diploma (GED): The University of Pretoria no longer accepts qualifications awarded by these institutions.
- National Certificate (Vocational) (NCV) Level 4: The University of Pretoria may consider NCV candidates, provided they
  meet the exemption for bachelor's status criteria and the programme requirements.

#### Important faculty-specific information on undergraduate programmes for 2022

The closing date is an administrative admission guideline for non-selection programmes. Once a non-selection programme is full and has reached the institutional targets, then that programme will be closed for further admissions, irrespective of the closing date. However, if the institutional targets have not been met by the closing date, then that programme will remain open for admissions until the institutional targets are met.

- The following persons will be considered for admission: Candidates who have a certificate that is deemed by the University to be equivalent to the required National Senior Certificate (NSC) with university endorsement; candidates who are graduates from another tertiary institution or have been granted the status of a graduate of such an institution, and candidates who are graduates of another faculty at the University of Pretoria.
- Life Orientation is excluded when calculating the APS.
- Grade 11 results are used for the conditional admission of prospective students.
- A valid qualification with admission to degree studies is required.
- Minimum subject and achievement requirements, as set out in the table below, are required.
- Conditional admission to the four-year programmes in the School of Engineering is guaranteed only if a prospective student complies with ALL the requirements as indicated in the table.
- Admission to ENGAGE in the School of Engineering will be determined by the NBT and NSC results, achievement levels of 5 for Mathematics, Physical Sciences and English, and an APS OF 30.
- Students may apply directly to be considered for the ENGAGE programme.
- All modules will be presented in English, as English is the language of tuition, communication and correspondence.

Note: Our programmes are accredited by the Engineering Council of South Africa (ECSA), and our degrees meet the requirements for professional engineers in SA.

#### University of Pretoria website www.up.ac.za/ebit

National Benchmark Test website www.nbt.ac.za

|  | Minimum requirements for NSC and IEB for 2022                    |             |                   |     |
|--|--|-------------|-------------------|-----|
| Programmes   | Achievement level  |             |                   |     |
| SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING  | English Home Language<br>or English First<br>Additional Language | Mathematics | Physical Sciences | APS |
| BEng (Industrial Engineering)<br>[4 years]<br>Closing dates:<br>SA – 30 September<br>Non-SA – 31 August  | 5  | 6           | 6                 | 35  |
| Careers: Industrial engineers design, test, implement and manage a wide range of man/machine systems for production and the delivery of services. Organisational matters that require optimisation include site selection and layout of facilities, manufacturing, inventory control, materials handling, supply chain management, quality management, cost control, financial services, maintenance, reliability, computer simulation, information systems, human resources and business law. |  |             |                   |     |
| BEng (Chemical Engineering)<br>[4 years]<br>Closing dates:<br>SA – 30 September<br>Non-SA – 31 August  | 5  | 6           | 6                 | 35  |

**Careers:** Chemical engineers are involved in industrial processes that convert raw materials to products with a higher economic value. This is achieved using physical, thermal, chemical, biochemical and mechanical changes and processes. Chemical engineers apply their specialised knowledge in the petroleum, food, minerals processing, power generation and the paper and pulp industries, water and effluent treatment, and environmental engineering activities, including air pollution control. Like those in other engineering disciplines, chemical engineers are involved in research and development, techno-economic evaluation, equipment and plant design, process control and optimisation, construction, commissioning, operation and management, and the marketing and distribution of the final products.

|  | Minim  | um requirements for N  | SC and IEB for 2022  |                              |
|--|--|--|--|------------------------------|
| Programmes   | Achievement level  |  |  |                              |
| SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING  | English Home Language<br>or English First<br>Additional Language                                       | Mathematics  | Physical Sciences  | APS                          |
| <b>BEng (Civil Engineering)</b><br>4 years]<br>Closing dates:<br>5A – 30 September<br>Non-SA – 31 August   | 5  | 6  | 6  | 35                           |
| Careers: Civil engineers design, build and maintain constructions suc<br>irports, power stations, towers, waterworks and outfall installations.<br>of large asset portfolios.  |  |  |  |                              |
| SEng (Electrical Engineering)<br>4 years]<br>losing dates:<br>A – 30 September<br>Ion-SA – 31 August   | 5  | 6  | 6  | 35                           |
| areers: Electrical engineers are active in the generation, storage, tra<br>nergy. Electrical engineers design, supervise the construction, overs<br>or municipalities, residential areas, commercial buildings, factories, n<br>nanagement and smart lighting all fall within the scope of electrical e  | ee the optimal operation and<br>nines and industries. Rail trar  | l assure perfect and timely n  | naintenance of all electrical  | installations                |
| <b>BEng (Electronic Engineering)</b><br>4 years]<br>Iosing dates:<br>A – 30 September<br>Ion-SA – 31 August  | 5  | 6  | 6  | 35                           |
| areers: Electronic engineers are active in various fields, such as tele<br>etworks), entertainment and medicine (magnetic resonance imaging<br>lectrocardiograms (ECGs), rehabilitation engineering and biokinetics<br>ombs, night vision, laser systems), transport (e-tags, speed measurir<br>ystems (face and speech recognition), banking (ATMs), commerce, rc | g, X-rays, cardiopulmonary re:<br>), integrated circuit design, bi<br>ng, railway signalling, global p | suscitation, infrared tomogra<br>oengineering, military equip<br>ositioning system (GPS) and | aphy, electroencephalograr<br>ment design (vehicle electro<br>mapping), 'smart' dust, safe | ns (EEGs),<br>onics, smart   |
| Eng (Mechanical Engineering)<br>4 years]<br>losing dates:<br>A – 30 September<br>lon-SA – 31 August  | 5  | 6  | 6  | 35                           |
| Tareers: Mechanical and aeronautical engineers are concerned with<br>uclear reactors, aeroplanes, engines and turbines, robots and biom<br>lesign, testing and improvement of mechanical, electrical, pneumatic<br>onditioning and refrigeration, aerospace systems and aircraft/missik<br>team turbines, nuclear power reactors, petrol engines, cooling tower    | edical systems. Areas of spec<br>and hydraulic systems), mar<br>e engineering, vehicle engine          | ialisation include product de<br>ine engineering and naval ar<br>ering, maintenance engineer | esign and manufacturing (su<br>chitecture, biomedical eng                                  | uch as the<br>ineering, air- |
| Eng (Metallurgical Engineering)<br>4 years]<br>losing dates:<br>A – 30 September<br>lon-SA – 31 August   | 5  | 6  | 6  | 35                           |
| areers: Metallurgical engineers unlock the riches of deposits of met<br>ou'll find metallurgical engineers where valuable minerals are recove<br>to useful materials as well as into high-performance products. Area<br>erformance, advanced manufacturing processes, including laser-ass  | ered from ore, where metals<br>s of specialisation include mi  | are produced from the mine<br>nerals processing, extractive                                  | erals and where the metals<br>metallurgy, materials engir                                  | are convertene               |
| (Eng (Mining Engineering)<br>4 years]<br>Iosing dates:<br>A – 30 September<br>Ion-SA – 31 August   | 5  | 6  | 6  | 35                           |
| areers: Mining engineers have a wide range of opportunities, name<br>nineral resources), financial evaluation and management (mine designining and drilling contracting (mining, tunnelling, shaft sinking, mine<br>nining marketing and mining administration at national, provincial ar  | n, financial evaluation of min<br>development, ore evaluation  | ies, mine feasibility studies, r   | nine environmental impact  | studies),                    |
| <b>Eng (Computer Engineering)</b><br>4 years]<br>losing dates:<br>A – 30 September<br>lon-SA – 31 August   | 5  | 6  | 6  | 35                           |
| areers: Computer engineers are active in all fields of the informatio<br>omputer systems, software engineering, computer and communicat<br>nd automation, data security, e-commerce, pattern recognition (face<br>oftware and communication technologies to optimise system perfor   | ions networks, wireless sens<br>and speech recognition) and  | or networks, embedded soft   | ware, electronics, smart co  | ntrol systems                |
| ngineering Augmented Degree Programme (ENGAGE)<br>5 years]<br>losing dates:<br>A – 30 September<br>lon-SA – 31 August  | 5  | 5  | 5  | 30                           |
| <b>Jote:</b> The admission requirements above are relevant to prospective and idates who do not comply with the minimum admission require  |  |  | the minimum admission r  |                              |



|   | Minimum requirements for NSC and IEB for 2022   |   |   |  |  |
|---|---|---|---|--|--|
| Programmes  | Achievement level   |   |   |  |  |
| SCHOOL FOR THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT  | English Home Language<br>or English First<br>Additional Language  | Mathematics   | Physical Sciences   | APS  |  |
| <b>3Sc (Architecture)</b><br>3 years]<br>Closing date:<br>5A – 31 July<br>Non-SA – 31 July  | 5   | 4   | 4   | 27   |  |
| Vill only be considered as first study choice.<br>ielection programme: Selection includes an interview.<br>Careers: The BSc (Architecture) degree programme enables graduate<br>rchitectural technologists. The qualification is the first step to future r |   |   |   |  |  |
| BC (Construction Management)<br>3 years]<br>losing dates:<br>A – 30 September<br>lon-SA – 31 August   | 5   | 5   | or Accounting   | 30   |  |
| areers: After completing the three-year undergraduate degree prog<br>ubcontracting. On completion of the ensuing one-year honours prog<br>ecome much wider, including project management, property develop<br>nvironment.                                   | ramme, graduates can regist   | ter as professional construc  | tion managers and opportu   | inities  |  |
| ISC (Real Estate)<br>3 years]   | 5   | 5   | or Accounting   | 30   |  |
| losing dates:<br>A – 30 September<br>Ion-SA – 31 August   | C   | J   | 4   | 50   |  |
| areers: Apart from a future in areas such as property investment, pr  | operty finance and facilities.  | and property management   |   |  |  |
| egree in real estate can lead to registration as professional property  | valuers. Career opportunitie  | s encompass the entire spe  |   |  |  |
| legree in real estate can lead to registration as professional property<br>intrepreneurs in the private sector or as employees in the private, go<br>Sc (Quantity Surveying)<br>3 years]  | valuers. Career opportunitie  | s encompass the entire spe  |   |  |  |
| egree in real estate can lead to registration as professional property<br>ntrepreneurs in the private sector or as employees in the private, go<br>(Sc (Quantity Surveying)   | valuers. Career opportunitie  | s encompass the entire spe  | ctrum of the property secto   |  |  |
| egree in real estate can lead to registration as professional property<br>ntrepreneurs in the private sector or as employees in the private, go<br>Sc (Quantity Surveying)<br>Byears]<br>losing dates:<br>A – 30 September                                  | valuers. Career opportunitie<br>vernment or semi-governme<br>5<br>ancial and contractual servic<br>e first step towards registratic | s encompass the entire spe<br>int sectors.<br>5<br>es and advice to clients in th<br>on as quantity surveyors. Th | ctrum of the property secto<br>or Accounting<br>4<br>ne building and construction<br>e ensuing one-year honours | ar, whether a<br>30<br>h industry, a<br>s programm |  |

as private consultants to the public and private sectors, the majority are employed by government, research agencies (such as the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) and the Human Sciences Research Council (HSRC)), non-governmental organisations, community-based organisations, major financial institutions and property development groups. The qualification will enable graduates to register as professional town and regional planners with the South African Council for Planners.



Careers: Graduates will differentiate themselves in an application environment by choosing one of the following options: data science, genetics, geographical information systems, IT and enterprises, IT and law, IT and music or software development.

#### BIS (Information Science) [3 years] Closing dates: 4 - 28 SA - 30 September Non-SA - 31 August

If informatics is selected at the first-year level, an achievement level of 4 is required in Mathematics.

**Careers:** Information and knowledge managers (manage information and knowledge resources), information or e-commerce specialists (organise, retrieve and add value to information), consultants on information products (services and systems), information brokers (act as infopreneurs and buy and sell information products and services), and system specialists/analysts/technologists (develop information systems)

| BIS (Publishing)<br>[3 years]<br>Closing dates:<br>SA – 30 September<br>Non-SA – 31 August  | 5 | -  | 28 |
|---|---|----|----|
| <b>Careers:</b> Entry-level job opportunities include assisting specific role-players in the publishing value editors and production or marketing managers), market or picture research, copyright negotiation distribution and delivery. |   |    |    |
| BCom (Informatics) Focus area: Information Systems<br>[3 years]<br>Closing dates:<br>SA – 30 September<br>Non-SA – 31 August  | 5 | 54 | 30 |

This programme is administered by the Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences.

Careers: Data scientist, IT auditor, IT entrepreneur, IT tax specialist, e-business consultant, programmer, business analyst, project manager, CIO, CTO and knowledge manager

### School of Engineering: Highlights

The Engineering Council of South Africa has granted all programmes offered by the School of Engineering at the University of Pretoria accreditation. The School is one of the largest of its kind in the country in terms of student numbers, graduates and research contributions. It offers programmes in all the major engineering disciplines. Many specialisations are also offered at both the undergraduate and postgraduate levels.

Through the innovative and relevant research undertaken in its seven departments, the School of Engineering provides its students with the necessary training to enable them to make a considerable contribution to engineering in South Africa and abroad. The departments are Chemical Engineering; Civil Engineering; Electrical, Electronic and Computer Engineering; Industrial and Systems Engineering; Materials Science and Metallurgical Engineering; Mechanical and Aeronautical Engineering; and Mining Engineering.

The School maintains close ties with industry through several research chairs in all its departments. These include chairs in Maintenance Engineering, Pyrometallurgy, Fluoro-material Science and Process Integration, Carbon Technology and Materials, Reaction Engineering, Water Utilisation and Environmental Engineering, Railway Engineering, Industry Leadership 4.0 and Broadband Multimedia Communications. It also has a number of research centres and institutes, such as the Hub for Energy Efficiency and Demandside Management, the Advanced Engineering Centre of Excellence, the Industrial Metals and Minerals Research Institute, the Centre for Telecommunications Engineering for the Information Society, the Centre for Asset Integrity Management, the SAIW Centre for Welding Engineering and the Carl and Emily Fuchs Institute for Microelectronics, to name but a few. Each department excels in its own research, but the consolidation of research activities is encouraged, and several sustainable research groups have been formed to make an impact worldwide.

### Department of Chemical Engineering

#### **BEng (Chemical Engineering)**

#### What does the programme entail?

The American Institution of Chemical Engineers (AICHE) defines chemical engineering as a branch of engineering that is concerned with the application of physical and natural sciences that is gained through study, experience, and practice with good judgment to develop economic ways of using materials and energy for the benefit of humankind. Thus the discipline involves all aspects of the industrial processes that, in the broadest sense, convert raw materials into higher-value products using combinations of physical, chemical, thermal, biochemical and mechanical changes.

The programme provides you with the necessary foundation to ensure that once you graduate, you will be able to make creative contributions to the world's ever-increasing needs by:

- converting natural resources into efficient and useable forms of energy;
- developing more durable, lighter and renewable materials;
- designing more efficient, environmentally friendly processing plants;
- applying biotechnology to convert raw materials into products in a sustainable way;
- designing processes to ensure that limited natural resources, such as water, can be reused; and
- leaving a clean and sustainable environment behind for future generations.

A solid foundation in chemistry, physics, mathematics and biology is combined with the principles of the conservation of mass, energy and momentum, followed by the application of the economic tenets when designing equipment so as to ensure lucrative processes that will contribute to economic and industrial growth.

The programme is aimed at producing graduates who can develop new and innovative processes, ensuring continued growth to satisfy the abovementioned needs.

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#### **Career opportunities**

Chemical engineers are increasingly making their unique abilities available in areas as diverse as the automotive industry and the biomedical field, in addition to the traditional areas where their unique approach and understanding of the relevant principles lead to development in the petroleum, minerals, paper, food and textile industries. These industries are collectively referred to as the process industries, which is why chemical engineers are often called process engineers. Water purification and water treatment, biorefinery/waste valorisation, the design and operation of such processes and the protection of the environment from pollution are further areas in which chemical engineers make invaluable contributions.

One of the characteristic qualities of chemical engineers is their ability to examine an engineering problem at different levels, from using their detailed knowledge to manipulate the behaviour of molecules under very specific conditions applying their expertise to study and explain the effect of large chemical plants on a country's economy and environment. Apart from the opportunity to be part of a team that successfully plans, designs and operates large processing plants, chemical engineers can also specialise in the development and application of advanced computer-based methods to design, control and optimise processes.

A chemical engineer may be involved in any of the stages of a typical project, which are:

- research and development;
- techno-economic evaluation;
- modelling, design and optimisation;
- plant construction and commissioning;
- plant operation and management;
- problem-solving in manufacturing or in product applications; and
- manufacturing and marketing of equipment and products.

#### **Chemical Engineering at UP**

In addition to producing sought-after graduates in chemical engineering, we conduct research that has led to worldclass contributions in water utilisation and environmental engineering, advanced materials development and applications, bioreaction engineering and process systems design, control and optimisation.

People with widely divergent interests and temperaments can find themselves in interesting and challenging careers in chemical engineering. Many projects require teamwork, where the ability to act as a team member and as a team leader is important. This discipline is exceptionally suited to women, and the number of females in our student complement is continuously growing. In the past three years, 40% of the Department's graduates were female.

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#### First year

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|---|---|
| First semester                              | Second semester                                 |
| <ul> <li>Graphical communication</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Mathematics</li> </ul>                 |
| Calculus                                    | <ul> <li>Electricity and electronics</li> </ul> |
| <ul> <li>Physics</li> </ul>                 | <ul> <li>Statics</li> </ul>                     |
| <ul> <li>General chemistry</li> </ul>       | <ul> <li>General chemistry</li> </ul>           |
| <ul> <li>Chemical engineering</li> </ul>    | <ul> <li>Chemical engineering</li> </ul>        |
| <ul> <li>Humanities and social</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>Humanities and social</li> </ul>       |
| sciences 1                                  | sciences 2                                      |

Workshop practice

| Second year                                     |   |  |  |
|---|---|--|--|
| First semester                                  | Second semester                             |  |  |
| Calculus  | <ul> <li>Mathematics</li> </ul>             |  |  |
| <ul> <li>Differential equations</li> </ul>      | <ul> <li>Numerical methods</li> </ul>       |  |  |
| Chemistry                                       | Chemistry                                   |  |  |
| <ul> <li>Programming and information</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Electrical engineering</li> </ul>  |  |  |
| technology                                      | <ul> <li>Engineering statistics</li> </ul>  |  |  |
| <ul> <li>Strength of materials</li> </ul>       | <ul> <li>Thermodynamics</li> </ul>          |  |  |
| <ul> <li>Chemical engineering</li> </ul>        | <ul> <li>Community-based project</li> </ul> |  |  |

- Chemical engineering materials
- Community-based project

#### Third year **First semester** Second semester Engineering management Engineering activity and Transfer processes group work Biochemical engineering Process dynamics Mass transfer Kinetics Chemical engineering Laboratory Professional and technical Chemical engineering communication design

Practical training

| Fourth year                             |  |
|---|--|
| First semester                          | Second semester                          |
| <ul> <li>Particle technology</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Design project</li> </ul>       |
| <ul> <li>Process synthesis</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>Process analysis</li> </ul>     |
| <ul> <li>Process control</li> </ul>     | <ul> <li>Research project</li> </ul>     |
| <ul> <li>Reactor design</li> </ul>      | <ul> <li>Specialisation</li> </ul>       |
| <ul> <li>Research project</li> </ul>    | <ul> <li>Chemical engineering</li> </ul> |
| <ul> <li>Practical training</li> </ul>  | practice                                 |

### **Department of Civil Engineering**

#### BEng (Civil Engineering)

Civil engineers create facilities that improve the quality of people's lives and environments. This process entails research into the proposed facility, followed by the planning, design and construction of the facility, as well as its continued maintenance. Civil engineers design, build and maintain constructions such as tower blocks and skyscrapers, dams, canals and pipelines, roads, bridges, tunnels, railway lines, airports, power stations, towers, waterworks and outfall installations.

Since these facilities have a long lifespan and a direct impact on the community and environment, civil engineers are trained to deal not only with the analytical aspects of design but also to liaise and consult directly with communities and individuals to design, build and maintain such facilities cost-effectively and to the benefit of humankind. Facilities designed by civil engineers form the infrastructure for wealth and job creation, for instance, in the manufacturing and housing industries.

The development of information technology and computer software that make continuous data collection, mathematical modelling and designs more effective has drastically changed the nature of civil engineering in that it enables civil engineers to concentrate on the more fundamental aspects of developmental work and design. Continuous evaluation of infrastructure health supports the extension of the functional life of infrastructure through its inputs into maintenance engineering. The worldwide trend towards environmental awareness increasingly impacts on the civil engineer's working methods. Information technology, and environmental engineering and management, increasingly form a greater part of the training, so that a civil engineer can still be provided with a broad-based qualification that offers challenging, fulfilling and highly adjustable career opportunities throughout a career lifespan of from 40 to 50 years.

In 2020, the Department inaugurated its new Engineering 4.0 facility, which includes state-of-the-art laboratories and training facilities to support the training and education of the engineers of the future.

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#### First year First semester Second semester Graphical communication Mathematics Calculus Physics General chemistry Statics Materials science Electricity and electronics Humanities and social Humanities and social sciences 1 sciences 2 Workshop practice Second year **First semester** Second semester Calculus Mathematics Differential equations Numerical methods Strength of materials I Structural analysis Geology for engineering Pavement materials and Programming and design information technology Engineering statistics Strength of materials II Community-based project Community-based project Third year **First semester** Second semester Hydraulics Professional and technical communication Geotechnical engineering Hydraulics Civil building materials Structural analysis Reinforced concrete design Civil engineering economics Transportation engineering Soil mechanics Steel design Timber design **Civil engineering** measurement techniques Fourth year **First semester** Second semester Civil environmental Hydraulics Research project management Steel design Civil engineering Reinforced concrete design Construction management Infrastructure planning Computer applications in Engineering professionalism civil engineering Detailed design

Practical training

The newly built Engineering 4.0 Complex, which is managed by EBIT's Department of Civil Engineering research and training facilities, including a concrete testing of materials for the road construction industry will take place, as well as an accelerated pavement testing Pretoria that can be monitored to study data related engineering for Africa's infrastructure development.



### **Department of Electrical, Electronic and Computer Engineering**

#### **BEng (Computer Engineering)**

#### What does the programme entail?

Computer engineering is one of the three internationally accepted and closely related subdisciplines of the traditional field of electrical engineering (electrical engineering, electronic engineering and computer engineering). Computer engineering is the most dynamic and rapidly growing engineering discipline in the vast and constantly expanding field of information and communication technology (ICT). There is hardly a technological system in the world that does not rely on computer engineering. It involves a combination of electronics, computer systems (hardware and software) and communication systems. A computer engineer is someone with a talent for optimising electronic systems with dedicated computing systems and control software. This includes computer and communication networks of all sizes—from a couple of microcontrollers to the worldwide web. It is essential to know what this career entails before enrolling for the programme.

A computer engineer has a good understanding of the basic sciences and a sound education in the theoretical and practical aspects (including design methodology) of electronics, digital systems, computer systems and control software. With the dramatic increase in computing and storage capabilities, as well as a decrease in size and cost, most technological systems include components of computer engineering.

The computer engineering degree at the University of Pretoria was developed in 1998 to deliver graduates able to undertake the most demanding challenges of the ICT world in all its forms. Examples of computer engineering include cell phone technology, car-control computers for engine management, entertainment systems, security systems, air-conditioning systems, active suspension and anti-lock braking systems (ABSs), which all use the principles of sensing, computing and actuation under optimised software control. This is the fastest-growing new discipline in engineering, and job opportunities for graduates exist all over the world.

Computer engineering is used in the following fields in particular: telecommunications, computer networking, cell phone operations, computer system companies, military technologies (avionics, night vision, electronic warfare, drones), transport technologies, internet banking, security systems, consumer equipment, modems,

hand-held scanners, voting, medical systems (portable and remote diagnostic recorders), robotics, entertainment equipment, global positioning system (GPS) navigation, measurement and control software, and fibre-optic (self-healing) networks.

A computer engineer has to be innovative and must keep abreast of new technologies and developments in both software and hardware. Some computer engineers move very quickly into management, where their analytical, synthetic, managerial and leadership skills enable them to reach the highest levels of corporate management.

The aim of computer engineering is to integrate electronics, computing and control systems in the best way possible to ensure fast, small and powerful systems. Typical subsystems include sophisticated software for artificial intelligence, biometrics, radio frequency (RF) subsystems and real-time applications, software engineering, human language technologies, e-commerce, m-commerce, billing software, data security and various networking applications, such as storage area networks.

#### **Career opportunities**

Computer engineering graduates have access to a wide range of job opportunities. These include working for a company (large or small) anywhere in the world as an employee, being an entrepreneur or being self-employed. Research and development opportunities are available in the fields of communication, computer systems, networking and peace-keeping operations, and in medical, transportation, software and electronics companies in South Africa and all over the world. This provides opportunities for innovation: thinking of a problem to be solved and coming up with a solution and even possibly patenting the idea. The academic programme at the University of Pretoria prepares students to become leaders in the field of computer engineering—with excellent financial rewards and professional satisfaction.

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| First year  |  | Third year  |   |
|---|--|---|---|
| First semester  | Second semester  | First semester  | Second semester   |
| <ul> <li>Physics</li> <li>Calculus</li> <li>Electricity and electronics</li> <li>Imperative programming</li> <li>Humanities and social sciences 1</li> <li>Recess Training:</li> <li>Information technology practice</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>Mathematics</li> <li>Statics</li> <li>Program design:<br/>Introduction</li> <li>Humanities and social<br/>sciences 2</li> <li>Operating systems</li> </ul>          | <ul> <li>Engineering management</li> <li>Microprocessors</li> <li>Analogue electronics</li> <li>Intelligent systems</li> <li>Electromagnetic<br/>compatibility</li> <li>Recess Training:</li> <li>Information technology<br/>practice</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Engineering activity and<br/>group work</li> <li>Computer engineering<br/>design</li> <li>Software engineering</li> <li>Control systems</li> <li>Digital communications</li> </ul> |
| Second year   |  | Fourth year   |   |
| First semester  | Second semester  | First semester  | Second semester   |
| <ul> <li>Calculus</li> <li>Differential equations</li> <li>Data structures and<br/>algorithms</li> <li>Electrical engineering</li> <li>Materials science</li> <li>Professional and technical<br/>communication</li> <li>Community-based project</li> </ul> Recess Training: <ul> <li>Introduction to<br/>programming and computer<br/>simulations</li> <li>Information technology<br/>practice</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Mathematics</li> <li>Numerical methods</li> <li>Linear systems</li> <li>Digital systems</li> <li>Engineering statistics</li> <li>Community-based project</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Project</li> <li>Engineering professionalism</li> <li>DSP programming and<br/>application</li> <li>Computer engineering:<br/>architecture and systems</li> <li>e-Business and network<br/>security</li> </ul> Recess Training: <ul> <li>Practical training and report</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Project</li> <li>Research project</li> </ul>   |



#### **BEng (Electronic Engineering)**

#### What does the programme entail?

Electronic engineering is one of the three internationally accepted and closely related subdisciplines in the traditional field of electrical engineering (electrical engineering, electronic engineering and computer engineering). Electronic engineering entails the vast and continuously expanding field of the 'electronic world and era'. There is hardly a technological system in the world that does not rely on electronics and electronic engineering. An electronic engineer is someone with a talent for introducing new and upgrading old technologies.

An electronic engineer has a good understanding of the basic sciences and a sound education in the theoretical and practical aspects (including design methodology) of electronics and electronic engineering systems. The drastic increase in the development of new electronic systems globally makes it essential for electronic engineers to be well prepared for the work.

Our electronic engineering degree programme was developed over many years to provide exactly what the industry expects from such an engineer. This is an exciting world, and since the 'half-life' of microelectronics and photonics is only approximately two-and-a-half years, there are constant improvements and developments.

Electronic engineering is used in almost all information, communication and technology (ICT) application fields, especially those of telecommunications (cell phones, broadcasting, internet service providers (ISPs), telecommunications companies (Telcos), global positioning systems (GPSs), transport (aeroplanes, ships, trains, motor cars), consumer equipment (iPods, induction stoves, fridges, microwaves, television sets), peace-keeping operations (avionics, night vision, electronic warfare, drones), medicine (bioengineering, diagnostic systems, rehabilitation engineering, intensive care units, laser surgery), robotics (mechatronics, mine robots, spacecraft), entertainment (video games, shows, casinos), mining, manufacturing, navigation, communication, satellite surveillance (day and night), access control (face recognition) and photonics (lasers, optical fibres, networking).

Electronic engineers need to be innovative and have to ensure that they keep abreast of new technologies. Some electronic engineers move very quickly into management, where their analytical, synthesis, managerial and leadership skills are used to reach the highest levels of corporate management. Several of this Department's graduates have sold their ideas (patents) for vast sums.

Electronic engineering aims to do things faster, cheaper, in smaller sizes and with much more control and artificial intelligence. Typical subsystems that form part of larger electronic systems are amplifiers, transmitters, receivers, control systems, sensor systems, power supplies, radio frequency (RF) subsystems, micro and nanoelectronics and microprocessors, digital signal processors (DSPs) and field-programmable gate arrays (FPGAs). Most electronic systems use a standard process of measurement (sensing) and calculate/compare/store information and controlled outputs (actuators) with extensive computing and communication power.

#### **Career opportunities**

Electronic engineering graduates have access to a wide range of job opportunities, which include working for companies (large or small) anywhere in the world as employees, or being entrepreneurs or self-employed. Research and development opportunities are available at South African electronics and microelectronics companies and research institutes (such as the CSIR), and at universities all over the world. Graduates in electronic engineering have the opportunity to be innovative, ie to identify real-life problems and to come up with solutions, which they might be able to patent. The academic programme at the University of Pretoria prepares students to become leaders in the field of electronic engineering—with excellent financial rewards and professional satisfaction.

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#### **First year** Second semester **First semester** Mathematics Graphical communication Calculus Physics General chemistry Statics Materials science Electricity and electronics Humanities and social Humanities and social sciences 1 sciences 2 Second year First semester Second semester Calculus Mathematics Differential equations Numerical methods Dynamics Engineering statistics Electrical engineering Linear systems Imperative programming Digital systems Professional and technical Community-based project communication Community-based project **Recess Training:** Introduction to programming and computer simulations Third year Second semester **First semester** Engineering management Engineering activity and group work Electromagnetism Analogue electronics Microwaves and antennas Microprocessors Stochastic communication • Modulation systems systems Control systems Electronic engineering design Fourth year **First semester** Second semester Project Project Engineering professionalism • Research project DSP Programming and application Advanced electronics Automation

#### **Recess Training:**

Practical training and report

### Infographic

### **Electrical, Electronic and Computer Engineering (EECE)**

This is the largest department of its kind at a university in South Africa and we have the largest number of specialisation fields in electrical, electronic and computer engineering.

#### **Electrical Engineering**

Electrical Engineering focuses on the generation, distribution, conversion and efficient utilisation of electrical energy to the electrical grid; for industrial, commercial and residential applications; power line communications as well as coal-fired, hydro and nuclear power stations.



#### **Electronic Engineering**

Electronic Engineering deals with applications of electronics and this includes:

- Telecommunications (television, radio, cellular)
- Bioengineering
- Signal processing
- Optics
- Power electronics
- Electromagnetism
- Control systems
- Microelectronics
- Electronic design
- Embedded systems

#### **Computer Engineering**

Computer Engineering focuses on hardware and software.

- Hardware includes the field of robotics, digital signal processing, optical networks and communication systems.
- Software includes artificial intelligence, e-commerce systems, network security, and the design of operating and embedded systems.

Computer Engineering focuses on the combination of hardware and software to provide optimal solutions to real-world problems.



### Infographic

#### Industries at which you can expect to find a career:



#### **Electrical Engineering**

Applications of Electrical Engineering extend to coal-fired, hydro and nuclear power stations; power line communications and building and railway wiring. There is now also an intense focus on demand side management and energy efficiency to ensure effective and efficient use of our valuable energy resources both renewable and non-renewable.



#### **Electronic Engineering**

Electronic Engineering can be applied to telecommunications (television, radio, cellular communications, optical communication and more), industry (control systems and power electronics), military, transport and bioengineering.



#### **Computer Engineering**

In short, computer engineers design and optimise computers and computing systems for use in robots, cell phones, cars, wireless networks and cyber security.

Computer engineers specialise in combining hardware and software to produce optimal solutions to problems.

#### **Minimum admission requirements**

| Durante and  | Minimum requirements for NSC and IEB for 2022                    |             |                   |     |  |
|--|--|-------------|-------------------|-----|--|
| Programmes   | Achievement level  |             |                   |     |  |
| SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING  | English Home Language<br>or English First<br>Additional Language | Mathematics | Physical Sciences | APS |  |
| <b>BEng (Electrical Engineering)</b><br>[4 years]<br>Closing dates: SA – 30 September, Non-SA – 31 August  | 5  | 6           | 6                 | 35  |  |
| <b>Careers:</b> Electrical engineers are active in the generation, storage, transmission, distribution and utilisation of electrical energy. There is a bright future in renewable energy. Electrical engineers design, supervise the construction, oversee the optimal operation and assure perfect and timely maintenance of all electrical installations for municipalities, residential areas, commercial buildings, factories, mines and industries. Rail transport, water pumping, electrical grids, telecommunications, energy management and smart lighting all fall within the scope of electrical engineering.   |  |             |                   |     |  |
| <b>BEng (Electronic Engineering)</b><br>[4 years]<br>Closing dates: SA – 30 September, Non-SA – 31 August  | 5  | 6           | 6                 | 35  |  |
| Careers: Electronic engineers are active in various fields, such as telecommunications (fixed networks, wireless, satellite, television, radar and radio frequency networks), entertainment and medicine (magnetic resonance imaging, X-rays, cardiopulmonary resuscitation, infrared tomography, electroencephalograms (EEGs), electrocardiograms (EEGs), rehabilitation engineering and biokinetics), integrated circuit design, bioengineering, military equipment design (vehicle electronics, smart bombs, night vision, laser systems), transport (e-tags, speed measuring, railway signalling, global positioning system (GPS) and mapping), 'smart' dust, safety and security systems (face and speech recognition), banking (ATMs), commerce, robotics, education, environmental management, tourism and many more. |  |             |                   |     |  |
| <b>BEng (Computer Engineering)</b><br>[4 years]<br>Closing dates: SA – 30 September, Non-SA – 31 August  | 5  | 6           | 6                 | 35  |  |
| Careers: Computer engineers are active in all fields of the information superhighway and the information and communication technology (ICT) world, which include computer systems, software engineering, computer and communications networks, wireless sensor networks, embedded software, electronics, smart control systems and automation, data security, e-commerce, pattern recognition (face and speech recognition) and artificial intelligence. They specialise in combining hardware, software and communication technologies to optimise system performance.  |  |             |                   |     |  |
| <b>Engineering Augmented Degree Programme (ENGAGE)</b><br>[5 years]<br>Closing dates: SA – 30 September, Non-SA – 31 August  | 5  | 5           | 5                 | 30  |  |
| Note: The admission requirements above are relevant to prospective students who will commence their studies in 2022.<br>Candidates who do not comply with the minimum admission requirements for the four-year programmes, but do comply with the minimum admission requirements-<br>for ENGAGE, must write the NBT. The National Benchmark Test (NBT) is no longer a requirement for any undergraduate programme in 2022.   |  |             |                   |     |  |

Note: The Engineering Council of South Africa (ECSA) accredits our programmes and our degrees meet the requirements for Professional Engineers in SA.

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#### **BEng (Electrical Engineering)**

#### What does the programme entail?

Electrical engineering is one of the three internationally accepted and closely related subdisciplines in the traditional field of electrical engineering (electrical engineering, electronic engineering and computer engineering). This programme covers the vast and continuously expanding field of the 'electrical energy world'. Practically all technological systems in the world rely on electrical power as a source of energy. An electrical engineer is someone with a talent for introducing alternative and renewable sources of electrical energy into everyday life.

Enormous challenges exist for utilising and storing electrical energy derived from such sources as the sun (solar energy), wind, biomass and water (hydro-energy), and even nuclear energy. In South Africa, pumped storage systems are extensively used, and new systems are under construction. The next steps in the chain from generating to utilising electrical energy are the transmission and distribution systems. The most cost-effective way of saving electrical energy is to spend a great deal of research and development time and money on sustainable energy-efficient equipment, from electrical machines to geysers and lighting.

There is a shortage of qualified electrical engineers all over the world. An electrical engineer has a thorough understanding of the basic sciences and a good education in the theoretical and practical aspects (including design, installation and maintenance methodology) of electrical engineering. Due to the current worldwide power crisis, there is an urgent need for environmentally friendly ways to generate power and energy.

Our programme in electrical engineering was developed over many years to provide exactly what the industry expects from such an engineer. There are fascinating opportunities worldwide for electrical (high-current) engineers who are capable of taking the lead in respect of sustainable and environmentally friendly electrical energy generation, transmission and utilisation. Most car manufacturers have already introduced electric cars (including series and parallel hybrid vehicles), and there are many new entrants to the market.

Electrical engineering is prevalent in almost all application fields and technologies where electrical energy is consumed. Every known piece of equipment requires a source of energy—powered by mains, batteries or photovoltaic (PV) cells—and needs the skill of an electrical engineer. The transport and manufacturing industries are excellent examples of industries in which electrical engineers use their superior skills to design, develop and maintain electrical machines (motors and generators) with control systems for optimal performance. Most ships and trains are electrically powered.

Other applications of electrical engineering include power reticulation in cities, townships, shopping malls and factories. The lighting of indoor and outdoor areas forms the basis of our daily activities. It includes lighting at sports stadiums, street lighting, safety and security lighting, task and ambient lighting, as well as lighting for offices, entertainment and many other specialist applications. Regardless of whether it is medicine, the military, entertainment, sports, education or any other field of technology, electrical engineers will be there to provide the energy and control required. An electrical engineer needs to be innovative and has to keep abreast of new developments in the field of technology. Many electrical engineers move into management positions very quickly and use analytical, synthesis, managerial and leadership skills to reach the highest levels of corporate management.

Electrical engineering aims to change the world by discovering ways to generate, transmit, distribute and utilise electrical energy in an environmentally friendly and sustainable way. Typical subsystems that may form part of larger electrical systems are electrical machines of all sizes and shapes, power electronics, control systems, power system components, power quality and network stability, lamps and lighting, power supplies, photovoltaic (PV) cells, solar geysers, space systems, robotics and energy management systems.

#### **Career opportunities**

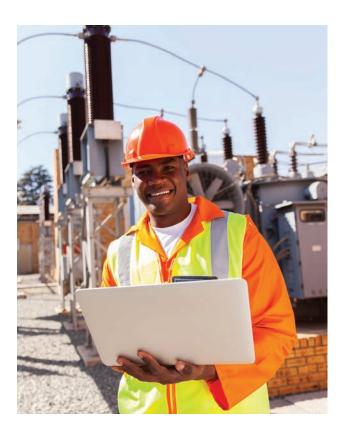
Electrical engineering graduates have access to a wide range of job opportunities, which include working for electricity utility companies, mining houses, municipalities, consulting engineers, transportation (rail and sea) companies and research organisations, locally and abroad. The advances in electrical energy generation and distribution create tremendous opportunities for entrepreneurs in South Africa and in the rest of the world. Research and development opportunities are available locally at institutions such as Denel, Eskom, the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) and Transnet.

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#### First year

### **First semester**

- Graphical communication
- Calculus
- General chemistry Materials science
- Humanities and social
- sciences 1

#### Second year

#### **First semester**

- Calculus
- Differential equations
- Dynamics
- Electrical engineering
- Imperative programming
- Professional and technical communication
- Community-based project

#### **Recess Training:**

- Introduction to programming and computer simulations
- Practical wiring

#### Second semester

- Mathematics
- Physics
- Statics
- Electricity and electronics
- Humanities and social
- sciences 2

Second semester

Numerical methods

Engineering statistics

Community-based project

Mathematics

Linear systems

Digital systems

#### Third year **First semester** Second semester Power system componentsEngineering activity and Engineering management Electromagnetism Microprocessors group work Analogue electronics . Control systems Electrical machines

- Power electronics
- Electrical engineering design

#### **Recess Training:** DSP Programming

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| Fourth year   |  |
|---|--|
| First semester  | Second semester                                    |
| <ul> <li>Project</li> <li>Engineering professionalism</li> <li>Electrical drives</li> </ul> | <ul><li>Project</li><li>Research project</li></ul> |

- Power system analysis
- Automation

#### **Recess Training:**

Practical training and report

#### **Department of Industrial and Systems Engineering**

#### **BEng (Industrial Engineering)**

#### What does the programme entail?

Industrial engineers are generally responsible for the analysis, design, planning, implementation, operation, management and maintenance of integrated systems. These systems consist of people, capital, materials, equipment, information and energy. They aim to increase the productivity of organisations and to create wealth.

#### **Career opportunities**

Since almost any organisation could benefit from the services of industrial engineers, they are employed in a wide variety of organisations in the industrial, business and service sectors.

Typical activities of an industrial engineer are:

- designing, implementing and managing production processes and equipment;
- designing and improving plant layout;
- designing and improving business processes;
- functional design and implementation of information systems;
  developing and implementing performance criteria and
- standards;
- providing support with decision-making;
- scheduling activities;
- analysing systems with the aid of mathematical and simulation models;
- undertaking economic evaluations of alternatives; and
- integrating new systems in an existing environment.

Is engineering a profession intended mainly for men? As far as industrial engineering is concerned, the answer to this question is a resounding 'No'. Women who have completed their industrial engineering degrees at the University of Pretoria have come into their own in this profession and are counted among the top achievers, both as academics and as practising engineers.

This Department is the largest of its kind in South Africa and currently has more than 500 students. Academic staff are specialists in their respective fields. Alumni of the Department have made major contributions in several spheres of society and occupy important positions in organisations throughout South Africa, while many others are employed overseas. Currently, the demand for industrial engineers exceeds the supply, and young graduates are virtually assured of employment.

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#### **First year First semester** Second semester Graphical communication Mathematics Physics General chemistry Calculus Statics Humanities and social Materials science sciences 1 Humanities and social Electricity and electronics sciences 2 Workshop practice

| Second year   |  |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|--|--|
| First semester  | Second semester  |  |  |  |
| <ul> <li>Calculus</li> <li>Differential equations</li> <li>Dynamics</li> <li>Programming and<br/>information technology</li> <li>Manufacturing and design</li> <li>Professional and technical<br/>communication</li> <li>Community-based project</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Mathematics</li> <li>Numerical methods</li> <li>Engineering statistics</li> <li>Productivity</li> <li>Thermodynamics</li> <li>Community-based project</li> </ul>  |  |  |  |
| Third year  |  |  |  |  |
| First semester  | Second semester  |  |  |  |
| <ul> <li>Engineering management</li> <li>Manufacturing systems</li> <li>Operational management</li> <li>Operations research</li> <li>Financial management</li> <li>Industrial analysis</li> <li>Practical training</li> </ul>                               | <ul> <li>Engineering activity and<br/>group work</li> <li>Industrial logistics</li> <li>Information systems design</li> <li>Simulation modelling</li> <li>Facilities planning</li> <li>Business engineering</li> </ul> |  |  |  |
| Fourth year   |  |  |  |  |
| First semester  | Second semester  |  |  |  |
| <ul> <li>Operations research</li> <li>Quality assurance</li> <li>Management accounting</li> <li>Engineering professionalism</li> <li>Business law</li> <li>Project</li> <li>Practical training</li> </ul>   | <ul><li>Project</li><li>Labour relations</li><li>Systems engineering</li><li>Engineering economics</li></ul>   |  |  |  |



### **Department of Materials Science and Metallurgical Engineering**

#### **BEng (Metallurgical Engineering)**

#### What does the programme entail?

South Africa is not only blessed with the world's largest deposits of gold, chromium, platinum, vanadium and manganese but also has extensive reserves of iron, lead, zinc, copper, nickel, coal and diamonds. The minerals industry contributes 50% of South Africa's exports and is one of the largest employers in the country. Metallurgical engineers play a key role in the production of minerals and metals and help to process metals into final products with added value. In this way, the maximum income is generated in local and international markets. Components made from metals and other materials are designed to perform optimally in all aspects of modern life.

#### **Career opportunities**

Metallurgical engineers play a key role in the process of extracting wealth from the resources of South Africa and can be involved in three major fields of specialisation:

- Minerals processing. Processing the ore to release and concentrate the valuable minerals from the mineral resources.
- Extractive metallurgy. The processing of mineral concentrates to metals through pyrometallurgy or hydrometallurgy as recovery steps.
- Materials production, performance and integrity. The development of new alloys, the production of useful materials from raw metals, forming through casting and laser-assisted 3D printing, as well as joining through welding are examples of metallurgical applications. The forensic investigation of failures is also of great importance as it contributes to insight into how materials function and fail.

Graduates in metallurgical engineering are responsible for process/component design and optimisation, commissioning, marketing, business analysis and research. There is a place for everyone with the right attitude and interest in the field of metallurgical engineering!

#### **Behind the scenes**

As the leading metallurgical engineering department in South Africa, the Department of Materials Science and Metallurgical Engineering currently plays a prominent role in the education of metallurgical engineers for the South African metallurgical and mining industries, and its graduate students are in high demand. Many graduate engineers from other disciplines take postgraduate programmes in the Department to enhance their skills in the rich minerals industry in South Africa and abroad.

Unconditional accreditation by the Engineering Council of South Africa (ECSA) is a confirmation of the quality of undergraduate teaching in the Department, and the degree currently enjoys international recognition. Staff members consult with and conduct research for industry and maintain close contact with local metallurgical industries to ensure that teaching and research are in line with industry needs. Sophisticated research equipment is available in the Department, as well as in the Industrial Metals and Minerals Institute (IMMRI), which is situated in the Department. Bursaries for metallurgical engineering students are available from various industry partners (see the website for additional information: www.up.ac.za/metal).

Students are supported in several ways by the Department.

To help them to overcome problems, a member of staff is appointed as a mentor for each student year group. For firstyear students, in particular, there is an intensive mentorship programme. The normal programme runs over four years, but we also offer a five-year programme (ENGAGE) for students who require additional support and mentoring.

The Metallurgical Student Association is elected by the student body and organises social and sports functions.

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| First semester  | Second semester   |
|---|---|
| <ul> <li>Graphical communication</li> <li>General chemistry</li> <li>Materials science</li> <li>Calculus</li> <li>Humanities and social sciences 1</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>Mathematics</li> <li>Electricity and electronics</li> <li>Statics</li> <li>Physics</li> <li>Humanities and social sciences 2</li> <li>Workshop practice</li> </ul>               |
| Second year   |   |
| First semester  | Second semester   |
| <ul> <li>Calculus</li> <li>Differential equations</li> <li>Dynamics</li> <li>Programming and<br/>information technology</li> <li>Mineralogy</li> <li>Professional and technical<br/>communication</li> <li>Community-based project</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Mathematics</li> <li>Numerical methods</li> <li>Electrical engineering</li> <li>Materials science</li> <li>Process thermodynamics</li> <li>Engineering statistics</li> </ul>     |
| Third year  |   |
| First semester  | Second semester   |
| <ul> <li>Materials science</li> <li>Minerals processing</li> <li>Engineering management</li> <li>Thermoflow</li> <li>Electrochemistry</li> <li>Practical training</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Hydrometallurgy</li> <li>Pyrometallurgy</li> <li>Refractory materials</li> <li>Mechanical metallurgy</li> <li>Engineering activity and group work</li> <li>Excursions</li> </ul> |
| Fourth year   |   |
| First semester  | Second semester   |
| <ul> <li>Process metallurgy and control</li> <li>Literature survey</li> <li>Hydrometallurgy</li> </ul>  | <ul><li>Project</li><li>Process design</li></ul>  |

- Minerals processing
- Metals processing
- Engineering professionalism
- Practical training

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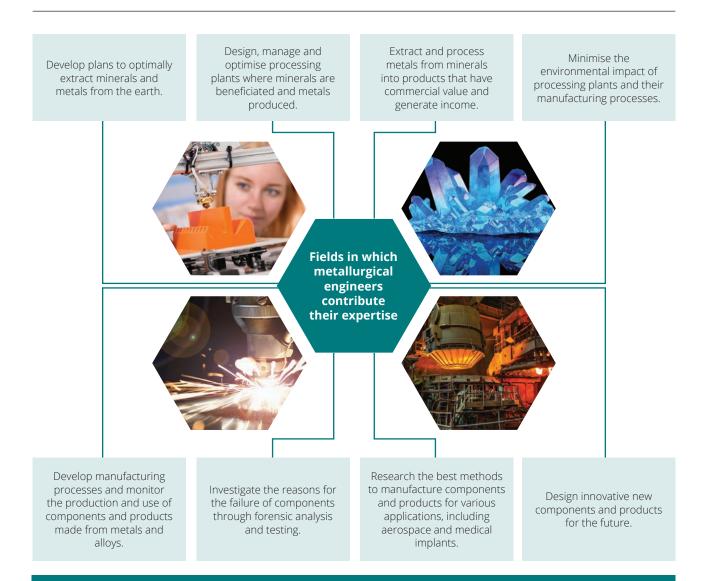
### **Materials Science and Metallurgical Engineering**

South Africa has the world's largest mineral deposits of gold, chromium, platinum, vanadium and manganese. We also have large reserves of iron, lead, zinc, copper, nickel, coal and diamonds. The minerals industry contributes to some 50% of South Africa's exports and is one of the largest employers in the country.

The Department of Materials Science and Metallurgical Engineering, established in 1958, offers the BEng (Metallurgical Engineering) degree programme, fully accredited by ECSA (2017-2021). Professional metallurgical engineers who graduate from this programme, take minerals from the phase of exploration into successful utilisation of high-performance products.

| The three main fields of specialisation in metallurgical engineering are:   |
|---|
| Minerals processing   |
| <br>Processing the ore to release and concentrate the valuable minerals contained in it.  |
| Extractive metallurgy   |
| The processing of mineral concentrates to metals through pyrometallurgy (including smelting) or hydrometallurgy<br>(including leaching) as refining steps.  |
| Materials production, performance and integrity   |
| This field entails the development of new alloys, the production of useful materials and products from raw metals, including forming through casting, 3D printing using lasers and joining through welding. The forensic investigation of failures is also of great importance. |

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#### **Careers:**

Metallurgical engineers unlock the riches of deposits of metal ores and minerals and optimise the manufacture and performance of metallic components. You'll find metallurgical engineers where valuable minerals are recovered from ore, where metals are produced from the minerals and where the metals are converted into useful materials as well as into high-performance products. Areas of specialisation include minerals processing, extractive metallurgy, materials engineering and performance, advanced manufacturing processes, including laser-assisted additive manufacturing and welding, as well as failure analysis and forensic engineering.

Careers include production engineers, plant managers, consultants, forensic engineers and researchers.

#### Minimum admission requirements

| Programmes   | Minimum requirements for NSC and IEB for 2022                    |             |                   |     |
|--|--|-------------|-------------------|-----|
| Frogrammes   | Achievement level  |             |                   |     |
| SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING  | English Home Language<br>or English First<br>Additional Language | Mathematics | Physical Sciences | APS |
| BEng (Metallurgical Engineering) [4 years]<br>Closing dates: SA – 30 September, Non-SA – 31 August | 5  | 6           | 6                 | 35  |

Note: The Engineering Council of South Africa (ECSA) accredits our programmes and our degrees meet the requirements for Professional Engineers in SA.

### **Department of Mechanical and Aeronautical Engineering**

#### BEng (Mechanical Engineering)

#### What does the programme entail?

Mechanical and aeronautical engineering entails the application of science to design, manufacture, operate and maintain mechanical and aeronautical equipment and processes. The undergraduate programme focuses on the establishment of a broad knowledge of engineering and includes topics such as dynamics, strength of materials, thermodynamics, fluid mechanics and design.

The outputs of mechanical and aeronautical engineers include products and services that add value to the economy of the country. Mechanical and aeronautical expertise is instrumental in the design and manufacture of products and services such as the provision of electricity and water, transport (road, rail and air), mining activities, mechatronics and air conditioning.

As a result of their broad technical background, mechanical and aeronautical engineers either pursue professional careers in these fields or become very successful senior managers in these industries.

#### **Behind the scenes**

The Department of Mechanical and Aeronautical Engineering is the largest of its kind in South Africa and has modern and fully equipped laboratories and computer facilities. Prospective students may rest assured that they will receive first-class education that is comparable to the best in the world, as attested by the international accreditation of the undergraduate programme by the Engineering Council of South Africa (ECSA). Lecturers in the Department are all actively involved in the industry, either as consultants or as researchers, and the Department has already received eight design awards from the South African Bureau of Standards.

Our student body is diverse, and at the undergraduate level, approximately 20% of the students are female. Alumni of the Department have made valuable contributions in several spheres of society and occupy important positions in organisations throughout South Africa. Others are employed overseas.

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The curriculum is summarised in the tables below (students specialising in aeronautical engineering conduct their final-year research and complete design projects on aeronautical topics):

| First year  |   |  |  |
|---|---|--|--|
| First semester  | Second semester   |  |  |
| <ul> <li>Graphical communication</li> <li>Calculus</li> <li>Physics</li> <li>Electricity and electronics</li> <li>Humanities and social sciences 1</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Mathematics</li> <li>Statics</li> <li>Materials science</li> <li>Humanities and social sciences 2</li> <li>General chemistry</li> <li>Workshop practice</li> </ul> |  |  |

| Second year   |   |  |  |
|---|---|--|--|
| First semester  | Second semester   |  |  |
| <ul> <li>Manufacturing and design</li> <li>Programming and<br/>information technology</li> <li>Dynamics</li> <li>Calculus</li> <li>Differential equations</li> <li>Professional and technical<br/>communication</li> <li>Community-based project</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Structural design</li> <li>Thermodynamics</li> <li>Mathematics</li> <li>Numerical methods</li> <li>Engineering statistics</li> <li>Community-based project</li> </ul>  |  |  |
| Third year  |   |  |  |
| First semester  | Second semester   |  |  |
| <ul> <li>Structural mechanics</li> <li>Thermodynamics</li> <li>Engineering management</li> <li>Machine design</li> <li>Fluid mechanics</li> <li>Practical training</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>Vibration and noise</li> <li>Solid mechanics</li> <li>Engineering activity and group work</li> <li>Simulation-based design</li> <li>Electrical engineering</li> </ul>  |  |  |
| Fourth year   |   |  |  |
| First semester  | Second semester   |  |  |
| <ul> <li>Computational fluid<br/>dynamics</li> <li>Heat Transfer</li> <li>Engineering professionalism</li> <li>Practical training</li> <li>Design project</li> <li>Research project</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Research project</li> <li>Thermal and fluid machines</li> <li>Control systems</li> </ul> Electives: <ul> <li>Aeronautics</li> <li>Maintenance engineering</li> <li>Nuclear engineering</li> <li>Vehicle engineering</li> <li>Wechatronics</li> <li>Heat and mass transfer</li> <li>Optimum design</li> <li>Fossil-fuel power stations</li> </ul> |  |  |
|   |   |  |  |



### **Department of Mining Engineering**

#### **BEng (Mining Engineering)**

#### What does the programme entail?

As a profession, mining engineering encompasses a broad spectrum of engineering work—from mine evaluation to industrial control. For instance, mining engineers may assess a new mining project as soon as the geological confirmation of a newly discovered mineral deposit has been completed. If such a mineral deposit is found to be viable, mining engineers will design the mine to exploit the mineral deposit. Where the mineral deposit is close to the surface, an opencast mine is preferred, but for deeper deposits, an underground mine will be planned. Mining engineers will coordinate the construction of such a mine and bring it to the stage where it starts producing.

A typical mine has a lifespan of 15 to perhaps 100 years. The design of the mining excavations, with their equipment and services, the planning of all the activities and the management of the operation at all levels is the responsibility of the mining engineer. This professional will also provide expert advice on rock breaking, blasting, materials transport systems, mine planning and scheduling, mechanical tunnel development, mine climate control, rock mechanics, support of excavations, devising mining methods, as well as the design and development of equipment.

#### **Career opportunities**

In addition to operational management, mining engineers are often involved in the planning and execution of research and development work. To maintain the proud position of the South African mining industry as a world leader, it is necessary to accept the challenges of technological development through extensive research and development programmes. Mining engineers fulfil the role of expert consulting engineers in various mining groups, as well as in private practice. Universities, government departments and financial institutions also employ mining engineers.

The mining industry is one of the largest industries in the country and certainly one of the most important. It supplies raw materials and energy minerals to a large variety of domestic industries, while precious metals, non-precious minerals, energy minerals and diamonds are exported to earn foreign exchange. More than 70 different minerals are currently produced in South Africa and contribute directly to the gross domestic product. The mining industry provides job opportunities to more than 400 000 people. Among these, there are obviously many employment opportunities for professionals.

#### **Behind the scenes**

Classes are still relatively small, making it possible for staff to give individual attention to students. The many technical visits that are organised offer students the opportunity to become acquainted with every aspect of the mining industry.

A characteristic of the mining engineering programme is the close group cohesion that develops among students and continues long after graduation.

**Note:** Prospective mining engineering students are advised to verify that they are medically compliant with the government requirements for working on a mine. More information can be found at www.dmr.gov.za.

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| First year<br>First semester  | Second semester   |
|---|---|
| <ul> <li>Graphical communication</li> <li>General chemistry</li> <li>Materials science</li> <li>Calculus</li> <li>Humanities and social<br/>sciences 1</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>Mathematics</li> <li>Electricity and electronics</li> <li>Statics</li> <li>Physics</li> <li>Humanities and social sciences 2</li> <li>Workshop practice</li> </ul>   |
| Second year   |   |
| First semester  | Second semester   |
| <ul> <li>Dynamics</li> <li>Programming and<br/>information technology</li> <li>Calculus</li> <li>Differential equations</li> <li>Strength of materials</li> <li>Geology for engineering</li> <li>Professional and technical<br/>communication</li> <li>Community-based project</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Surveying</li> <li>Numerical methods</li> <li>Engineering statistics</li> <li>Thermodynamics</li> <li>Mathematics</li> <li>Experiential training</li> <li>Community-based project</li> <li>Introduction to mining</li> </ul> |
| Third year  |   |
| First semester  | Second semester   |
| <ul> <li>Surface mining and geotechnics</li> <li>Thermofluids</li> <li>Minerals processing</li> <li>Engineering management</li> <li>Experiential training</li> <li>Industrial excursions</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>Explosive engineering</li> <li>Mineral economics</li> <li>Engineering activity and<br/>group work</li> <li>Mining</li> <li>Introduction to project</li> <li>Historical geology</li> </ul>                                    |
| Fourth year   |   |
| First semester  | Second semester   |
| <ul><li>Mine ventilation engineering</li><li>Mine operational risk</li></ul>  | <ul><li>Mine design</li><li>Geodynamics ore formation</li></ul>   |

#### Industrial excursions

- Project
- managementEngineering professionalismStrata control
- Structural geology
- Structural geor
- Mining



### **Student contributions**



'I am an international student, from the Democratic Republic of Congo, currently working towards completing the programme, BEng (Computer Engineering).

On my arrival at the EBIT Faculty at the University of Pretoria I received tremendous support and valuable mentoring. The orientation programme offered by the Faculty is well organised, the tuition is excellent and the support offered to international students is outstanding.

Why did I choose to study computer engineering? As a child at school I always dreamt of learning more

about how computers work and became eager to learn computation and automation. I learnt that studying computer engineering provides the necessary building blocks as it specialises in several aspects of applied electronics, intelligent systems, computer security, computer sciences, control systems, operating system, data handling, basic understanding of electric circuits and many problem-solving techniques. Since the University of Pretoria is the foremost tertiary education institution in the field of computer engineering in Africa, this is the best place to be.

I am immensely grateful to this institution for its dedication, the opportunities it offers and the experiences I have had here thus far. I am very confident that my problem-solving ability has increased enormously. With God's help I dream to start a multinational tech company that will impact the global market and revolutionise the tech industry. I would like to inspire many young Africans to believe in themselves and contribute to the industrial development of our beautiful continent.'

Mattheus Royal B Lukimuena (Department of Electrical, Electronic and Computer Engineering)



I am a young aspiring data analyst. I am dynamic, determined, driven and hard-working. I grew up in a place called New Eersterus in Hammaskraal. In 2016, I took one of the best decisions of my life when I enrolled at the University of Pretoria. I am currently pursuing an honours degree in Information Sciences, majoring in Data Management and Competitive Intelligence. In my opinion, the Department of Information Sciences is one of best departments at the University of Pretoria. Throughout my undergraduate studies, I worked in close contact with many lecturers and I never failed to be amazed by their passion, dedication and commitment. They are not only exceptional in their teaching, but they genuinely care about the general well-being of their students.

Studying information science at the Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology (EBIT) has been a privilege, and although it was challenging, it was extremely rewarding. It has opened many new possibilities that have led me to the realisation that there is indeed a market for people with my degree in the IT industry, even though many students believe that it has no practical application. Information is an essential part of our daily lives. I decided to study something that will better equip me with the knowledge and skills that would enable me to play a vital role in any industry of my choosing, and I was delighted to discover that the opportunities are endless.

The highlight of pursuing this degree was definitely being noticed by IBM, one of the top IT companies, from which I secured funding for my studies and the possibility of future employment in the company. This is an opportunity for which I will forever be grateful. It is thanks to the content of the degree course that I completed that I am now able to make a valuable contribution in my current workplace, where I have gained invaluable experience in return.

For anyone who would like to be part of an industry that is constantly growing and creating spaces for individuals who want to continue to learn, harness their skills and evolve, studying BIS (Information Science) might be a step in the right direction.'

Motlhabane Aleta (Department of Information Science)

### **Student contributions**



'I am a second-year student in the Department of Metallurgical Engineering. I enjoyed Physical Sciences in high school and since I am very inquisitive by nature I enjoy acquiring new and interesting information and challenging the norm while learning in the process. South Africa is rich in metals and I am mainly fascinated by how minerals are formed and interact, and how they are used to produce various products. I would like to major in hydrometallurgy.

> Metal plays a part in our daily lives as it is used for a vast variety of products, from jewellery to steel furniture and skyscrapers. Metallurgical engineering is the study of the interaction of metals and alloys with our surroundings and their extraction from ores.



What I appreciate about metallurgical engineering is that it provides students with an understanding of the complexity of metals and how they can be put to good use for making lives easier and safer. The extraction, processing and recycling of metals also make a significant contribution to the South African economy.'

> Zinhle Buthelezi (Department of Metallurgical Engineering)

'I grew up in QwaQwa in the Free State. As a child, I always wanted to understand how my toys worked, how they could move on their own, why bridges could support so many vehicles without collapsing and how our house could remain standing in strong wind.

I was the first member of my family to pass matric and study at a university. I am also the first engineer from my village. Historical limitations can be broken if one is brave enough to venture into the unknown and trusted in God. I am currently enrolled for an honours degree in Mechanical Engineering.

Prof Josua Meyer is considered the best professor in this field in the world, so despite offers from two other universities, I chose to come to UP. From my first year, the EBIT staff have shown a genuine interest in my studies and wellbeing. All the departments are well organised. I believe that the Department of Mechanical and Aeronautical Engineering at Tuks is one of the best in the country.

I now think differently about the problems I solve (even personal ones) and view them innovatively, rather than attempt to solve them in the traditional way. I can attest to the fact that the Faculty is not only being innovative with their research and developments, but are also producing innovative engineers. What I appreciate most about mechanical engineers is how they approach, analyse and solve problems. I dream of having my own technologically advanced engineering consulting company that will solve problems experienced by many organisations.'

#### Charles Ncubuka

(Department of Mechanical and Aeronautical Engineering)

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**BSc (Engineering** and Environmental **Geology**)

### The Engineering Augmented Degree Programme (ENGAGE)

An engineering degree is very demanding. The workload is high, the pace is fast, and the modules are academically challenging. Many students also face challenges regarding background knowledge in mathematics and physical sciences, academic literacy and information technology. They may not have the study skills to cope with the mainstream four-year programme. Furthermore, many students—even some of those who attended high-performing schools—struggle with the transition to university life due to the very large first-year classes, freedom from strict discipline and many social activities.

For this reason, the School of Engineering offers a five-year programme, called the Engineering Augmented Degree Programme (ENGAGE). ENGAGE is available in all the engineering disciplines. It provides a carefully structured curriculum that helps students to adjust to university life and cope with the academic demands of engineering studies. In ENGAGE, the volume of work is gradually increased while the support provided is decreased over a period of three years. However, the workload—the time students must spend on their studies—is high from the very beginning, so ENGAGE is not for students who do not want to work!

#### Structure of the programme

In ENGAGE, students take the same first-year modules and attend the same classes as the four-year degree programme students, but the modules are spread out over two years. In addition, for every 16-credit 100-level (first-year) module, students also take an eight-credit augmented/additional module. For example, in the first year, students take the same mathematics modules (16 credits) as the four-year degree programme students, as well as additional mathematics modules (8 credits). In additional modules, students are divided into groups of approximately 50 members to work on strengthening their problem-solving and other cognitive skills, developing conceptual understanding and acquiring the background knowledge needed for both the additional module and the corresponding four-year mathematics module.

In the first year of study, ENGAGE students take the basic sciences modules that form the foundation of engineering, namely chemistry, physics and mathematics. However, computer engineering students take mechanics instead of chemistry. ENGAGE students also take Professional Orientation, which provides an introduction to information technology skills and develops their academic and communication skills. Furthermore, first-year engineering students are required to take a module in humanities and social sciences—the HAS module.

In the second year, ENGAGE students take all the introductory (100-level) engineering modules, as well as a compulsory additional module for each. They also take one 200-level mathematics module per semester. In the third year, they take the remaining 200-level modules, but since they have already completed two 200-level mathematics modules, their workload is slightly lighter than that of the four-year degree programme students. For the last two years of their studies, ENGAGE students follow exactly the same programme as the four-year degree programme students.

All the prescribed components of ENGAGE are compulsory. Attendance at all lectures and discussion classes in the modules is also mandatory.



| Four-year programme<br>modules  | Foundation modules   |
|---|--|
| First and second years  |  |
| <ul> <li>100-level science modules</li> <li>100-level engineering<br/>modules</li> <li>200-level mathematics<br/>modules</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>An additional module<br/>for each science and<br/>engineering module</li> </ul> |
| Third year  |  |
| <ul> <li>200-level engineering<br/>modules</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>None</li> </ul>   |
| Fourth year   |  |
| <ul> <li>300-level engineering<br/>modules</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>None</li> </ul>   |
| Fifth year  |  |
| <ul> <li>400-level engineering<br/>modules</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>None</li> </ul>   |

#### Who may register for ENGAGE?

- Students may apply for ENGAGE if:
- their marks in the National Senior Certificate meet the minimum admission requirements for the four-year programme, but they would like more support.
- Please refer to the table on page 2 for the 2022 admission requirements.

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### Infographic



### **Mining Engineering**

Southern Africa is abundant in platinum, gold, chrome, copper, cobalt, diamonds, coal and iron ore.

The South African mining industry is in transition and will require fresh and inspired minds to transform the industry from a labour-intensive and low productive industry to a motivated and productive industry capable of mining in excess of 4 000 metres below the surface in the gold mining sector and in excess of 2 000 metres in the platinum mining sector. Currently, massive infrastructures advancements are taking place with new technologies being pursued. Automation and modernisation is taking place to access future ore bodies. The Department of Mining Engineering in this regard explores all potential new interventions so as to facilitate the learning experience. We also offer instructionally designed material for its mining-related subjects. This enhances the learning experience of students. The Mining Industry Study Centre, which opened its doors in October 2013, accommodates 758 students; has 252 workstations, 30 CDIO-type (conceive, design, implement and operate) venues and 296 study cubicles.

#### Virtual Reality applications in mining

The Department also involves students in immersive technology for mining applications. The Virtual Reality Centre in the Department allows this to be an important feature in mining engineering education.

#### The rewarding profession of being a mining engineer

Mining Engineering is the study and application of technological methods to effectively and safely operate a mining operation.

Mining engineers coordinate the construction of such a mine, from the planning phase to full production phase. Mining engineers conduct mine evaluations as soon as geological confirmation of a mineral deposit, are confirmed.

Mining engineers design mining excavations; manage operations at all levels; provide expert advice on rock breaking, blasting materials, transport systems and scheduling; mechanical tunnel development, mine ventilation, rock mechanics, support of excavations, mining methods, as well as the design and development of equipment.

Mining engineers will design the mine itself. If the mineral deposit is close to the surface, an opencast mine will be preferred, but for deeper deposits, an underground mine will be required.

> Mining engineers do mine planning and design. They also oversee mining projects. As consultants, they provide crucial information to decisionmakers.

### Infographic

#### The University of Pretoria provides excellent facilities to our Mining Engineering students and these include access to the:

- Kumba Mine Design Laboratory
- Kumba Virtual Reality 3D360 cylinder
- Kumba Virtual Reality 3D theatre
- ARM Laboratory
- Virtual Blasting Wall; and
- The Metallurgical, civil and mechanical engineering laboratories on the Hatfield Campus.

#### The aptitudes and skills of successful engineers include the following:

- Be able to visualise objects in three dimensions
- Have good health and stamina
- Have mathematical and scientific ability
- Be curious
- Be disciplined
- Be passionate about mining
- Have creativity and initiative
- Be responsible
- Have self-confidence
- Have organisational skills
- Command respect
- Maintain a cool head and take charge of a situation
- Have listening, speech and writing skills

### What career opportunities exist for mining engineers?

The mining industry is one of the largest industries in South Africa, producing more than **60 different minerals in over 1 000 mines and quarries**. Mining amounts to one eighth of the gross national product.

Mining engineers are employed at a wide range of companies, both locally and internationally. They are responsible



for the effective, safe and profitable operation of mining undertakings.

Mining engineering careers include that of rock engineer; mine ventilation engineer; explosives engineer; rock breaking engineer; drill and blast engineer; project engineer; mine planner and environmental engineer to mention but a few.

- Mining engineers are mining experts and they are engineers, who have a background in geology as well as in civil, mechanical and electrical engineering.
- Mining engineers research mining-related topics in order to improve safety and find better ways to extract minerals.
- Mining engineers also work in the banking sector and at the Stock Exchange, where they specialise in risk analysis and investment.
- Mining engineers are also needed for sales and marketing as well as business development of mining companies or supporting industries.

There is a shift in mining as it progresses towards mechanisation and automation through robotics. Mechanisation requires in-depth engineering skills to support and operate mobile mechanised equipment.

#### The Mining Engineering Leadership Academy

Our students have a sound academic foundation. To that, we add skills such as selfawareness, communication skills and the ability to work in multi-disciplinary settings and groups. The philosophy of the Leadership Academy programme is to expose final-year students to experiential situations, which teaches them intrapersonal and interpersonal skills. Psychometric assessments and real-life case studies hone well-rounded leadership habits.

#### **Minimum admission requirements**

|  | Minimum requirements for NSC and IEB for 2022                    |             |                   |     |
|--|--|-------------|-------------------|-----|
| Programmes   | Achievemen   |             | t level           |     |
| SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING  | English Home Language<br>or English First<br>Additional Language | Mathematics | Physical Sciences | APS |
| BEng (Mining Engineering)<br>[4 years]<br>Closing dates:<br>SA – 30 September<br>Non-SA – 31 August  | 5  | 6           | 6                 | 35  |
| Careers: Mining engineers have a wide range of opportunities, namely mining (mine management, technical management of ventilation, rock mechanics, rock breaking, mineral resources), financial evaluation and management (mine design, financial evaluation of mines, mine feasibility studies, mine environmental impact studies), mining and drilling contracting (mining, tunnelling, shaft sinking, mine development, ore evaluation), mining research, mining equipment design and manufacture, mining marketing and mining administration at national, provincial and international levels. |  |             |                   |     |
| Engineering Augmented Degree Programme (ENGAGE)<br>[5 years]<br>Closing dates:<br>SA – 30 September<br>Non-SA – 31 August  | 5  | 5           | 5                 | 30  |
| Note: The admission requirements above are relevant to prospective students who will commence their studies in 2022.<br>Candidates who do not comply with the minimum admission requirements for the four year programmes, but do comply with the minimum admission requirements-<br>for ENGAGE, must write the NBT. The National Benchmark Test (NBT) is no longer a requirement for any undergraduate programme in 2022.   |  |             |                   |     |

Note: The Engineering Council of South Africa (ECSA) accredits our programmes and our degrees meet the requirements for Professional Engineers in SA.

### School for the Built Environment: Highlights

The School for the Built Environment offers professional degree programmes in architecture, quantity surveying, construction management, real estate and town and regional planning. All these programmes are internationally recognised and accredited by their respective statutory councils, allowing students to register as members of their chosen professions.

As a School, we pursue the equitable and sustainable development of people through:

- accredited undergraduate and postgraduate programmes as professional qualifications;
- active and constructive involvement of students and lecturers in community development and service;
- academically rigorous and socially relevant research conducted by students and lecturers;
- contracted service provision to the local, provincial and national government as well as the private sector; and
- accredited continued professional development (CPD) opportunities for professionals.

Close relationships with industry and government expose students to regular engagements with practitioners and real-life projects and ensure curricula that are relevant to current and future challenges. These relationships also open doors to exciting research opportunities at the honours, master's and doctoral levels in fields such as environment behaviour studies; climate change adaptation; urban resilience; urban citizenship; green building; regenerative design and development; heritage and cultural landscapes; safe and sustainable housing and urban spaces; strategic development planning; construction cost databases, escalation and indices; well-being in the built environment; and contracts and property law.



### **Department of Architecture**

The Department of Architecture presents an undergraduate programme in architecture that explores the design of meaningful environments across varying scales, from intimate interior spaces to more significant interventions in landscapes. Specialised programmes in architecture, interior architecture and landscape architecture are introduced at the postgraduate level.

Our vision is to provide a learning environment that fosters critical and independent thinking, encourages social-ecological accountability and inspires responsive and responsible problemsolving that contributes to the improvement of society and its environment. We engage with spatial design with academic rigour that is theoretically grounded and technologically informed, and our academic programmes are locally and internationally accredited.

#### What does the programme entail?

The curriculum for the BSc (Architecture) programme integrates knowledge from the humanities, and the natural sciences to develop students' spatial design skills and aims to instil a culture of lifelong learning in graduates. Students attend classes in the following subject streams:

#### **Design and Applied Theory**

Architecture students attain half of the credits for every year of study in the significant module of design, which is presented in tandem with architectural theory to equip students with a pertinent vocabulary and theoretical underpinning. Design is a studio-based module in which projects over a range of scales and complexities are undertaken to encourage students to develop critical and independent design thinking, the ability to evaluate design within a social, cultural and ecological framework, and to explore imaginative and appropriate solutions. In the studio, design discernment is fostered through ongoing discussion, peer learning, and formal and informal assessment. The Department promotes design that is generative rather than stylistically or iconically driven, and students are encouraged to appreciate the universal (global) while engaging with the particular (local).

#### **Community and Practice**

Students participate in collaborative community projects that are directed by our research and initiatives in urban citizenship, as well as the Faculty's community engagement module. In the third year of study, the focus turns to the management of a professional practice and the legal context of construction contract law.

#### Construction

The study of construction theory, materials and methods is presented as an extension of design to enable the designer to give tangible expression to built form and realisation to an architectural concept.

#### **Design Communication**

Design communication offers students the opportunity to develop skills in harnessing especially the digital tools that are essential to designers in the twenty-first century. It deals with visual communication, digital visualisation and representation, and the management of document and building information.

#### **Earth Studies**

Earth studies introduce students to ecosystemic accountability and systems thinking to guide them towards designing for

well-being in the built environment from social, cultural and environmental points of view. It includes ecological themes that extend to approaches that underpin and inform inclusive, ecological, passive and responsive design.

#### History of the Environment

History of the environment prepares students to define their role in society and find meaning in history through the study of the self and the cultures of others. It investigates the context and meaning of cultural artefacts, including space and place, to relate form and order to the environmental, political and philosophical conditions that influenced their making. It culminates in a reading of southern Africa in the third year of study.

#### Theory of Structures

The theory of structures equips students with the theoretical knowledge and practical understanding required to analyse, plan and design critical structural components such as beams, columns and trusses from a structural engineering perspective, using timber, steel, concrete and other materials.

#### **Career opportunities**

The BSc (Architecture) degree is accredited by the South African Council for the Architectural Professions and allows graduates to enter professional practice as technologists. To be able to register as a candidate architect, landscape architect or interior architect, they need to complete two additional professional postgraduate programmes. Note that the Department recommends at least one year of work or travel before postgraduate studies are undertaken.

Through a commitment to innovation and internationally recognised programmes, the Department maintains professional qualifications of a high standard. The graduates of the Department are highly regarded both locally and abroad, in academia as well as in practice.

Architects design spaces and buildings to satisfy our daily needs and improve the environment in which we live. They need abilities and skills that range from the practical to the artistic, and from the technical to the theoretical. As professionals, they conceptualise, design and document building projects and oversee quality control during construction. Architects are ethically and legally bound through institutes and a government-controlled council, which protects the interests of the public. Architects may manage their own practices or work for other—often multidisciplinary firms, or can make contributions to the government sector and education. The majority of our graduate's work in professional practice, often in multidisciplinary firms. Still, there is a wide range of other possibilities that branch out from the spatial design disciplines: from furniture to urban design, ecological planning to entrepreneurship, as well as in research and advisory positions in the public and private sector.

#### Admission by selection

A limited number of students are admitted to the Department annually. Admission is determined by a three-part selection process explicitly developed to level the playing field between students coming from different educational and cultural backgrounds. Please refer to www.up.ac/architecture for information on the selection requirements and process.

#### **Important dates**

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| Undergraduate                                 | Minimum duration                      | Outcome (registration with SACAP)                        |
|---|---------------------------------------|--|
| BSc (Architecture)                            | Three years (full-time, studio-based) | Candidate Architectural Technologist                     |
| At least one year of work or travel reco      | rtaken.                               |  |
| Professional Postgraduate                     | Minimum duration                      | Outcome  |
| Bachelor of Architecture Honours              | One year (full-time, studio-based)    | Candidate Senior Architectural Technologist              |
| Bachelor of Landscape Architecture<br>Honours | One year (full-time, studio-based)    | Candidate Senior Landscape Architectural<br>Technologist |
| Bachelor of Interior Architecture<br>Honours  | One year (full-time, studio-based)    | Candidate Senior Interior Designer                       |
| Master of Architecture                        | One year (full-time, studio-based)    | Candidate Architect                                      |
| Master of Landscape Architecture              | One year (full-time, studio-based)    | Candidate Landscape Architect                            |
| Master of Interior Architecture               | One year (full-time, studio-based)    | Candidate Interior Architect                             |

### **Department of Construction Economics**



#### **BSc (Construction Management)**

#### What does the programme entail?

Construction management is the management of the physical construction process within the built environment and includes the coordination, administration and management of resources. The construction manager takes full responsibility in this process and can work as either the contractor or the project manager.

#### **Career opportunities**

Various job opportunities exist in the construction industry. On successful completion of the three-year programme, students can enter a career in construction management, or undertake subcontract and main contract work. On successful completion of the one-year honours degree, opportunities become far wider. The one-year honours degree focuses on further training in aspects such as financial, project and strategic management.

After registration with the South African Council for the Project and Construction Management Professions (SACPCMP), students will be able to become professional construction project managers.

#### **Duration of programme**

- BSc (Construction Management): The three-year programme will qualify BSc (Construction Management) graduates to support professionals in the construction industry with all types of construction work.
- BScHons (Construction Management): The one-year BScHons (Construction Management) programme qualifies graduates to start a professional construction management career in the construction industry and related industries. After submitting proof of prescribed professional practical experience and the successful completion of an assessment of professional competence, graduates may register with the South African Council for the Project and Construction Management Profession (SACPCMP). The honours degree requires students to work part-time at approved construction companies/firms for at least 240 hours to supplement their theoretical studies with hands-on practical experience. Students will be required to keep and submit a logbook on the prescribed template.

#### **Selection process**

Only a limited number of candidates can be accommodated, and admission is subject to selection.

#### **Behind the scenes**

The BSc (Construction Management) and BScHons (Construction Management) programmes are accredited nationally by the SACPCMP and internationally by the Chartered Institute of Building (CIOB) in the UK. The CIOB has a worldwide footprint and provides our degrees in construction management with international recognition.

The Department also offers master's and doctoral degrees, which can be obtained by submitting a thesis and passing an oral examination.

Academic literacy

Building science

Building services

Building services

Construction quantities

Civil engineering services

Community-based project

Quantities

Structures

Economics

Building organisation

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#### **First year**

#### **First semester** Second semester

- Building drawings
- Building science Academic information
- management Academic literacy
- Building services
- Quantities
- Introduction to structures
- Economics
- Mathematics

### Second year

- Second semester **First semester** Building science
- Property law Building science Statistics
- Statistics
- Financial management
- Building services
- Construction quantities
- Site surveying
- Third year

| Thind year  |  |
|---|--|
| First semester  | Second semester  |
| <ul> <li>Business law</li> <li>Building science</li> <li>Building services</li> <li>Construction management</li> <li>Financial management</li> <li>Construction quantities</li> <li>Labour Law</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Housing</li> <li>Building science</li> <li>Sustainable construction</li> <li>Construction management</li> <li>Construction quantities</li> <li>Financial management</li> <li>Introduction to construction contract law</li> </ul> |
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#### BSc (Quantity Surveying)

#### What does the programme entail?

Quantity surveyors are independent, professional consultants who are responsible for the financial management of construction projects. They provide specialised financial and contractual services, as well as advice to clients in the construction industry. They act in collaboration with, among others, architects, consulting engineers and contractors to promote the interests of the building client.

#### **Career opportunities**

Various job opportunities exist in the construction industry. The majority of quantity surveyors are employed in quantity surveying practices in the private sector.

After registration with the South African Council for the Quantity Surveying Profession (SACQSP), quantity surveyors may become partners or directors, or they could start their own professional practices. Quantity surveyors also act as project managers and valuers, provided that they are registered with the relevant councils.

Various government departments employ quantity surveyors. The property sector, banking, engineering and manufacturing industries offer further career options. Quantity surveyors also work for construction firms or establish their own building enterprises and construction companies.

#### **Duration of the programme**

- BSc (Quantity Surveying): This three-year programme qualifies BSc (Quantity Surveying) graduates to support professional quantity surveyors with all types of construction work, particularly buildings and infrastructure.
- BScHons (Quantity Surveying): The one-year BScHons (Quantity Surveying) programme qualifies graduates to start a professional quantity surveying career in the construction industry and related industries. After submitting proof of the prescribed professional practical experience and the successful completion of an assessment of professional competence, graduates may register with the South African Council for the Quantity Surveying Profession (SACQSP). The honours degree requires students to work part-time at approved quantity surveying firms for at least 240 hours to supplement their theoretical studies with hands-on practical experience. Students will be expected to keep and submit a logbook on the prescribed template.

#### **Selection process**

Only a limited number of candidates can be accommodated, and admission is subject to selection.

#### **Behind the scenes**

The three-year BSc (Quantity Surveying) and BScHons (Quantity Surveying) programmes are accredited nationally by the SACQSP and internationally by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS). The RICS has a worldwide footprint, which provides our degrees in quantity surveying with international recognition. The Department also offers master's and doctoral degrees, which can be obtained by submitting a thesis and passing an oral examination.

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| First year   | 1   |  |
|--|---|--|
| First semester   | Second semester   |  |
| <ul> <li>Building drawings</li> <li>Building science</li> <li>Academic information<br/>management</li> <li>Academic literacy</li> <li>Building services</li> <li>Quantities</li> <li>Introduction to structures</li> <li>Economics</li> <li>Mathematics</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Building organisation</li> <li>Building science</li> <li>Building services</li> <li>Quantities</li> <li>Structures</li> <li>Economics</li> </ul>   |  |
| Second year  |   |  |
| First semester   | Second semester   |  |
| <ul> <li>Building science</li> <li>Statistics</li> <li>Financial management</li> <li>Building services</li> <li>Quantities</li> <li>Site surveying</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Building science</li> <li>Statistics</li> <li>Building services</li> <li>Quantities</li> <li>Civil engineering services</li> <li>Property law</li> <li>Community-based project</li> </ul>  |  |
| Third year   |   |  |
| First semester   | Second semester   |  |
| <ul> <li>Business law</li> <li>Quantity surveying practice</li> <li>Building science</li> <li>Building services</li> <li>Quantities</li> <li>Financial management</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>Housing</li> <li>Quantity surveying practice</li> <li>Building science</li> <li>Sustainable construction</li> <li>Quantities</li> <li>Introduction to construction contract law</li> </ul> |  |

#### **BSc (Real Estate)**

#### What does the programme entail?

The study of real estate covers all aspects relating to land and buildings, including the development of land, the management of buildings (including shopping centres), the valuation of land and buildings and decision making regarding the financing of, and investment in land and buildings. Real estate/Property practitioners are professional people who work in all spheres of the property industry—also as professional property valuers.

#### **Career opportunities**

Real estate (or property) studies has developed into a specialised field requiring unique expertise in areas where the property sector represents a significant part of the South African economy. Worldwide property/real estate comprises between 40% and 50% of the world's total assets.

Apart from a future in areas such as property investment, property finance and facilities management, further studies to obtain an honours degree in real estate can lead to registration as a professional property valuer.

Career opportunities exist in the entire spectrum of the property sector, and individuals with a qualification in real estate can work as entrepreneurs in the private sector, or as employees in the private, government or semi-governmental sectors.

#### **Duration of the programme**

- BSc (Real Estate): This is a three-year programme that will qualify graduates to work in the various spheres of the property industry, including management, development and marketing.
- BScHons (Real Estate): Students who complete this one-year programme will be qualified to start a professional career in the property industry. After submitting proof of having gained the prescribed professional practical experience, and the successful completion of a professional examination, graduates may register with the South African Council for the Property Valuers Profession (SACPVP).

The honours degree requires students to work part-time at approved property companies or related businesses for at least 240 hours to supplement their theoretical studies with hands-on practical experience. They will be expected to keep and submit a logbook on the prescribed template.

#### **Selection process**

Only a limited number of candidates can be accommodated, and admission is subject to selection.

#### **Behind the scenes**

The BSc (Real Estate) and BScHons (Real Estate) programmes are accredited nationally by the SACPVP and, apart from qualifying students to work in all spheres of the property industry, enable them to become professional property valuers.

The Department also offers an MSc (Real Estate) coursework degree, as well as master's and doctoral degrees, which can be obtained by submitting a thesis and passing an oral examination.

Internationally, the MSc RE Coursework degree is accredited by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS). The worldwide footprint of the RICS provides our real estate degrees with international recognition.

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|   | First year  |   |
|---|---|---|
| / | First semester  | Second semester   |
| 5 | <ul> <li>Building drawings</li> <li>Building science</li> <li>Academic information<br/>management</li> <li>Academic literacy</li> <li>Building services</li> <li>Quantities</li> <li>Economics</li> <li>Real estate</li> <li>Mathematics</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Building organisation</li> <li>Building science</li> <li>Building services</li> <li>Quantities</li> <li>Economics</li> <li>Real estate</li> </ul>  |
|   | Second year   |   |
|   | First semester  | Second semester   |
|   | <ul> <li>Building science</li> <li>Statistics</li> <li>Financial management</li> <li>Building services</li> <li>Real estate</li> <li>Site surveying</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Building science</li> <li>Statistics</li> <li>Building services</li> <li>Civil engineering services</li> <li>Real estate</li> <li>Property law</li> <li>Community-based project</li> </ul> |
|   | Third year  |   |
|   | First semester  | Second semester   |
|   | <ul> <li>Business law</li> <li>Building science</li> <li>Building services</li> <li>Property valuation</li> <li>Real estate</li> <li>Financial management</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Housing</li> <li>Building science</li> <li>Sustainable construction</li> <li>Property valuation</li> <li>Real estate</li> <li>Introduction to construction contract law</li> </ul>         |

### **Department of Town and Regional Planning**



#### BTRP – Bachelor of Town and Regional Planning

#### What does the profession entail?

Town and Regional Planning is a profession that promotes and manages societal transformation and progressive change through the planning, design, implementation and management of interventions in the development and use of land. These interventions range from site to supranational level, and have as their aim the widening of choice, promotion of equity, ensuring sustainable human settlements and improving people's quality of life.

The guiding motive of the profession is the pursuit of innovative, inclusive, sustainable and affordable alternatives to existing settlement types. At the current juncture in South Africa's history, town and regional planning is a crucial profession in the correction of the many spatial and other imbalances in both urban and rural areas, as well as the improvement of inefficient, unjust and underperforming human settlements.

The challenge for planning lies in the fact that the different interests and expectations of stakeholders, role-players and participants for the future are often contradictory and conflictridden

A professional approach that combines sensitivity, empathy and care, coupled with strong analytical and strategic skills, is required to manage the various political, social, environmental and economic issues at stake. The ideal town and regional planner is a creative person who can put forward innovative solutions to complex problems. This mediator can reconcile diverse points of view, a strategic thinker, a passionate people's person and a good manager. Given the enormous backlogs in the areas of housing and social services and the deep levels of poverty, marginalisation and despair in the country, planners also need a strongly developed sense of social and environmental justice. They should be committed to human and community development.

#### **Career opportunities**

While most town and regional planners are employed in the three spheres of government, or act as private consultants to the public and the private sectors, they are also employed by research agencies such as the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) and the Human Sciences Research Council (HSRC), nongovernmental and development organisations, communitybased organisations, major financial institutions and property development groups.

The professional four-year BTRP qualification enables graduates to register as professional town and regional planners with the South African Council for Planners (SACPLAN), which is an official body established in terms of an Act of Parliament. The degree is internationally recognised.

#### **Duration of the programme**

The minimum period of study is four years' full-time study.

#### **Selection process**

Only a limited number of candidates can be accommodated, and admission is subject to selection.

#### Behind the scenes

Practice and theory are integrated into the programme. Lectures, practical projects and studio work focus on stimulating critical thinking, engaging students in discussion, and applying theory to real-world situations using practical problem-solving exercises. Instruction is student-centred, and the progress of each student is carefully monitored.

One of the characteristics of the Department is its desire to take on new challenges and develop innovative ways of serving the reconstruction and development of the country. We are actively immersed and involved in, and committed to inclusive and transformative community development in South Africa, mainly through research and contract work for a range of clients in all three spheres of government.

#### The programme

The programme in Town and Regional Planning equips planners with the necessary knowledge and skills to present interventions to deal with many problems on properties and in settlements and regions by focusing on the following themes: planning theory and history, land-use management and land development; settlement planning and design; strategic and integrated development planning; urban and rural regeneration; public policy preparation and review; and planning methods and techniques.

Several modules in related fields are also prescribed to ensure that students acquire a multidisciplinary perspective and the knowledge base that is necessary to provide innovative, inclusive, affordable and appropriate solutions to complex urban and rural problems.

For a list of all modules, visit: www.up.ac.za/en/town-and-regionalplanning/article/50045/undergraduate

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#### **First** year

| First year  |  |  |
|---|--|--|
| First semester  | Second semester  |  |
| <ul> <li>Planning and settlement<br/>histories before the<br/>Industrial Revolution</li> <li>Site analysis and assessment</li> <li>Introduction to planning</li> <li>Academic literacy for town<br/>and regional planning</li> <li>Academic information<br/>management</li> <li>Economics</li> <li>Statistics</li> <li>Sociology</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Planning and settlement<br/>histories since the Industrial<br/>Revolution</li> <li>Settlement analysis and<br/>assessment</li> <li>Principles of settlement<br/>design</li> <li>Economics</li> <li>Statistics</li> <li>Sociology</li> </ul>                                     |  |
| Second year   |  |  |
| First semester  | Second semester  |  |
| <ul> <li>Settlement design concepts</li> <li>Introduction to development<br/>planning</li> <li>Plan and policy analysis and<br/>assessment</li> <li>Theory and practice of land<br/>use management</li> <li>Sociology or economics</li> <li>Community-based project</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Settlement establishment,<br/>planning and housing<br/>delivery</li> <li>Municipal development<br/>planning</li> <li>Land use management<br/>practice</li> <li>Urban land development<br/>economics</li> <li>Sociology or economics</li> <li>Community-based project</li> </ul> |  |
| Third year  |  |  |
| First semester  | Second semester  |  |
| <ul> <li>Regional development<br/>planning</li> <li>Institutional and legal<br/>structures for planning</li> <li>Spatial concepts</li> <li>Sociology or economics</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Rural development planning</li> <li>Planning prospects</li> <li>Transport planning</li> <li>Municipal services provision</li> <li>Sociology or economics</li> </ul>   |  |
| Fourth year   |  |  |
| First semester  | Second semester  |  |
| <ul> <li>Planning interventions:<br/>Peri-urban and rural scales</li> <li>Planning interventions:<br/>Supranational, national and</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Planning interventions:<br/>Metropolitan scale</li> <li>Planning interventions:<br/>Supranational precinct scale</li> </ul>   |  |

- Research report
- Research methodology Professional practice

regional scales

### School of Information Technology: Highlights

The School of Information Technology (SIT) is unique and the first of its kind in South Africa. With modern laboratories and programmes in computer science, informatics and information science it offers students the advantage of an integrated approach to IT. The School offers cross-disciplinary degrees such as MIT and PhD (IT), and each of the departments also has its own selection of undergraduate and postgraduate degrees. Staff members collaborate with industry and academic partners from the African continent and the rest of the world on a variety of research projects.

The research focus areas of the Department of Informatics are data science, IS and education, IS and organisations, ICT for sustainable development and human-computer interaction. The Department of Informatics has a fullyequipped User Experience (UX) Lab with sophisticated eyetracking equipment and software. A coursework master's degree in ICT management, as well as research master's and doctoral degrees, are offered.

The Department of Information Science offers a two-year coursework master's degree in information technology (MIT), as well as research master's and doctoral degrees. It hosts the African Centre of Excellence for Information Ethics (ACEIE), which produces research on information ethics and presents awareness-raising workshops across Africa. The Department also hosts the Virtual Reality and Interaction Lab, which provides students with access to cutting-edge virtual reality equipment and is used for interaction and user experience research in virtual reality. The lab concentrates on using XR (extended reality) technology to create interactive user experiences for various applications. The main aim is to use commercial XR technologies to create user-centred solutions for complex problems from both academic and industry perspectives (http://vri.up.ac.za).

The Department of Computer Science is internationally recognised for its research in the fields of artificial intelligence, data science and digital forensics and computer and information security, and hosts the South African Initiative Chair in Artificial Intelligence, the DRS Chair in Cybersecurity, the ABSA Chair in Data Science and the Multichoice Joint Chair in Machine Learning. The Department offers a two-year coursework master's degree in big data science (MIT), as well as research master's and doctoral degrees.

### **Department of Informatics**

#### **BIT (Information Systems)**

Students who enrol for this programme study the application and use of computer and information systems in organisations. The use of information technology by organisations is growing exponentially, and new, more complex and challenging applications are being explored and developed all the time.

Informatics specialists are trained to analyse the information needs of businesses, government departments, non-profit organisations or any other organisation where information is crucial. They not only analyse the needs but also address them by designing and implementing information systems.

Nowadays, the term information systems is used to refer to computer-based systems (including mobile applications) that store and manipulate data so that people can understand and interpret information and use it for decision-making.

#### What does the programme entail?

In addition to the obvious fact that the work environment of the informatics specialist is particularly interesting, well-qualified informatics specialists can choose between many excellent job opportunities. The superiority of graduates in this field lies in their specialist stream, which may be computer auditing, information science, entrepreneurship, e-business, geography, data science management or e-taxation.

#### **Duration of the programme**

The BIT (Information Systems) programme takes a minimum of three years to complete.

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| First year  |  |  |
|---|--|--|
| First and second semesters  |  |  |
| <ul> <li>Compulsory modules</li> <li>Academic information<br/>management</li> <li>Academic literacy for<br/>information technology</li> <li>Informatics</li> <li>Business management</li> </ul> | Elective module<br>(Choose one stream)<br>• Computer auditing<br>• Information science<br>• Entrepreneurship<br>• e-Business<br>• Geography<br>• Data science management<br>• e-Taxation |  |
| Second year   |  |  |
| First and second semesters  |  |  |
| <ul> <li>Compulsory modules</li> <li>Informatics</li> <li>Business ethics</li> <li>Community-based project</li> </ul>   | Elective modules<br>(Choose one stream)<br>Computer auditing<br>Information science<br>Entrepreneurship<br>e-Business<br>Geography<br>Data science management<br>e-Taxation              |  |
| Third year  |  |  |
| First and second semesters  |  |  |
| <ul><li>Compulsory module</li><li>Informatics</li></ul>   | Elective modules<br>(Choose one stream)<br>Computer auditing<br>Information science<br>Entrepreneurship<br>e-Business  |  |

### e-Taxation **BCom (Informatics)**

### Focus area: Information Systems

#### What does the programme entail?

The BCom (Informatics) focus area is Information Systems, which is the study of the application and use of computer and information systems in organisations. The superiority of students in this field lies in their broad background in the field of economic and management sciences, which implies familiarity with the world of business.

Geography

Data science management

The use of information technology by organisations is growing exponentially, and new, more complex and challenging applications are being continuously explored and developed. In addition to the fact that their work environment is particularly interesting, many job opportunities are available to well-qualified informatics specialists.

Informatics specialists are trained to analyse the information needs of businesses, government departments, non-profit organisations or any other organisation where information is crucial. They not only analyse the needs but also address those needs by designing and implementing information systems. The term information systems is used nowadays to refer to computer-based systems (including mobile applications) that store and manipulate data so that people can understand, interpret information and use it for decision making.

The BCom (Informatics) focus area: Information Systems degree offered by the University of Pretoria is the only degree in Africa that is internationally accredited by the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET) of the USA.

#### **Duration of the programme**

The BCom (Informatics) programme takes a minimum of three years to complete.

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#### **First year**

#### **First and second semesters Compulsory modules** Elective module Computer and information Marketing management literacy Academic literacy levels An elective module that is taken only if chosen as an

- Informatics
- Financial accounting
- Economics
- Statistics
- Business management

#### Second year

#### First and second semesters

#### **Compulsory modules**

- Statistics
- Informatics
- Business law
- Community-based project
- Taxation

**Elective modules** 

(Choose one)

- Statistics
- Internal auditing
- Marketing management

Business management

Financial accounting

elective at the second- and

third-year levels.

#### Third year

**First and second semesters** 

Compulsory module

- Informatics
- Business management
- Financial accounting

**Elective modules** 

Statistics

(Choose one)

- Internal auditing
- Marketing management
- Taxation



### **Department of Computer Science**

#### **BSc (Computer Science)**

BSc (Computer Science) is the ideal programme for students who are curious about how computers work, enjoy building things carefully and systematically, have logical minds, are good at reasoning in a step-by-step way, find it fun to design things that others can use, can pay attention to detail, can recognise good style and keep working at a task until they succeed.

A BSc (Computer Science) degree from the University of Pretoria provides breadth and depth in computing skills. It equips students with problem-solving abilities and ensures that they have a solid foundation for continued learning in an IT career and for producing high-quality software.

#### What does the programme entail?

The BSc (Computer Science) degree can be completed in a minimum of three years. The curriculum conforms to the highest international standards and will give students a foundation in all the important areas of computer science. Students will study a wide variety of computer science modules that emphasise the most up-to-date ways of developing software for use in the IT industry.

This programme includes a significant number of mathematics and natural sciences modules to strengthen the kind of thinking needed for the development of software and the enhancement of problem-solving abilities. It also provides a basis for research in computer science, which often relies on a certain level of mathematical skill and maturity.

#### **Career possibilities**

Graduates follow careers in programming, system analysis, system architecture, consulting, database administration and network analysis. They can also be employed as researchers.

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#### First year

#### First and second semesters

Mathematics

Mathematics

Discrete structures

Community-based project

Mathematics

Discrete structures

Dynamical processes or

mathematical modelling

- Academic information management
- Academic literacy for IT

#### Computer science

- Program design
- Computers and algorithms
- Operating systems

#### Specified modules from:

- Statistics
- Science

#### Second year

#### **First and second semesters**

#### Computer science

- Computer organisation and architectureData structures and
- algorithms
- Netcentric computer systems
- Theoretical computer scienceIntroduction to database
- systems
- Concurrent systemsSoftware modelling

#### Specified modules from:

- Chemistry
- Mathematics
- Mathematical statistics or statistics
- Physics

#### Third year

#### First and second semesters

#### Computer science

- Software engineering
- Computer security and ethics
- Computer networks
- Programming languages
- Compiler construction

#### Specified modules from:

- Computer science
- Data science
- Information science
- Mathematics
- Mathematical statistics or statistics
- PhysicsChemistry
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#### BSc (Information and Knowledge Systems)

BSc (Information and Knowledge Systems) is the ideal programme for students who are interested in computer science, and specifically in one of the following areas of specialisation: data science, genetics, geographical information systems, IT and enterprises, law, music or software development.

#### What does the programme entail?

The minimum period for the completion of the BSc (Information and Knowledge Systems) programme, which aims to prepare students for careers in the IT industry, is three years.

Computer science has a multidisciplinary application domain, and the purpose of the programme is reflected in the composition of the curriculum, which combines computer science with other fields of study. The possibility of taking a second major other than computer science broadens the scope of the curriculum for students.

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#### First year

#### First and second semesters

- Academic information management
- Mathematics
- Academic literacy for IT
- Calculus
- eracy for IT Discrete structures

#### Computer science

- Program design
- Computers and algorithms
- Operating systems

#### Second year

#### First and second semesters

#### Computer science

- Computer organisation and architectureData structures and
- algorithms
- Computer systems
- Concurrent systemsTheoretical computer
- science
- Software modelling
- Introduction to database systems

#### Community-based project

#### Third year

| First and second semesters                           |  |  |
|--|--|--|
| Computer science                                     | Information science                    |  |
| <ul> <li>Software engineering</li> </ul>             | <ul> <li>Multimedia: Human-</li> </ul> |  |
| <ul> <li>Computer security and<br/>ethics</li> </ul> | computer interaction                   |  |
| Computer networks                                    |  |  |
| - Drogramming languages                              |  |  |

Mathematics

Discrete structures

Community-based project

Programming languages

Additional modules, as needed for the application environment options at the first-, second- and third-year levels can be chosen from one of the following fields:

- Data science
- Genetics
- Geographic information systems
- IT and enterprises
- IT and law
- IT and music
- Software development

### **Department of Information Science**

#### **BIS (Multimedia)**

BIS (Multimedia) is the ideal programme for students who enjoy working with computers and programming for multiple platforms, are interested in web design and development, would like to learn how to do animation and create computer games, and to do image, audio and video editing.

#### What does the programme entail?

Information can be communicated through various media, such as printed text, text with images, photographs, video, sound and animation. The information can be delivered in many different ways: from using a network-based technology such as the web to using personal computers and mobile devices. Information can thus be delivered in many different media (multimedia). The multimedia degree aims to provide students with the theoretical and technical know-how needed to build information products that use a variety of media and delivery systems.

#### **Career possibilities**

With the advent of all kinds of new devices that enable connection with information sources such as the web, there is a global shortage of content producers and developers.

The BIS (Multimedia) programme prepares graduates for employment in companies that require insight into both development and design. They could also become dedicated programmers or choose to further develop their skills in particular areas of interest, for example, digital video, front-end development, user experience design, game development or web development.

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#### First year

| First semester   | Second semester   |
|--|---|
| <ul> <li>Fundamental modules</li> <li>Academic information<br/>management</li> <li>Academic literacy levels</li> </ul> | <ul><li>Fundamental module</li><li>Academic literacy levels</li></ul>   |
| <ul><li>Core modules</li><li>Information science</li><li>Introduction to information science</li></ul>                 | <ul> <li>Core modules</li> <li>Information science</li> <li>Organisation and<br/>representation of<br/>information</li> <li>Information and<br/>communication technology</li> </ul> |
| Multimedia <ul> <li>Mark-up languages</li> </ul>   | <ul><li>Multimedia</li><li>Multimedia for the web</li></ul>   |
| <ul><li>Computer science</li><li>Imperative programming</li><li>Introduction to computer science</li></ul>             | <ul> <li>Computer science</li> <li>Introduction to program design</li> <li>Operating systems</li> </ul>   |
| <ul><li>Other compulsory module</li><li>Visual design</li></ul>  | Other compulsory modules <ul> <li>Visual design</li> </ul>  |

#### Visual design

| Computer arch | hitecture |
|---------------|-----------|
|---------------|-----------|

#### Second year **First semester** Second semester **Fundamental module Fundamental module** Community-based project Community-based project Core modules Core modules Multimedia Multimedia Advanced mark-up Advanced mark-up languages I languages II Multimedia and hypermedia theory Publishing Copy-editing Computer science **Computer science** Data structures and Software modelling algorithms Concurrent systems Netcentric computer systems Other compulsory module Other compulsory module Visual design Visual design Third year Second semester First semester Core modules Core modules Multimedia Multimedia Multimedia project Multimedia project Human-computer interaction • Trends Computer science\* Select at least two of the following semester modules: Software engineering Artificial intelligence Computer networks Programming languages Compiler construction Computer security and ethics Computer graphics

Database systems

\* The semester in which the modules are offered may vary from year to year.





#### **BIS (Information Science)**

The type of student for whom this qualification is ideal is interested in engaging with information and creating and sharing new knowledge across platforms, primarily digitally, but also in analogue formats.

This qualification will enable graduates to discover, organise, manage and utilise information in an ethical manner. Graduates with skills in this field are highly sought after to help informationintensive industries to meet their visions and missions and become globally competitive.

#### What does the programme entail?

The high prevalence of information and technology in the modern world implies that graduates are needed with specific competencies and skills related to the interaction between humans and information technologies. This is especially relevant concerning the technologies associated with the Fourth Industrial Revolution (and any further similar innovations).

This programme focuses on the use of information technology and the processing of information products. It is designed to train students in the management, retrieval and organisation of information, as well as teach them to package, distribute and add value to information. Students will also have the opportunity to develop their knowledge and skills in the management of information and knowledge, which are the most important resources of enterprises.

#### **Career opportunities**

- Information managers (manage information and knowledge resources)
- Information specialists (organise, retrieve and add value to information)
- Information consultants (consult on information products, services and systems)
- Information brokers (become an infopreneur and buy and sell information products and services)
- Systems specialists (analyse and develop information systems)

#### **Duration of the programme**

The minimum period for the completion of the BIS (Information Science) programme is three years.

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| First year  |   |  |
|---|---|--|
| First semester  | Second semester   |  |
| <ul> <li>Fundamental modules</li> <li>Academic information<br/>management</li> <li>Academic literacy levels</li> </ul>                              | <ul><li>Fundamental module</li><li>Academic literacy levels</li></ul>   |  |
| <ul> <li>Core modules</li> <li>Information science</li> <li>Introduction to information science</li> <li>Personal information management</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Core modules</li> <li>Information science</li> <li>Organisation and<br/>representation of<br/>information</li> <li>Information and<br/>communication technology</li> </ul> |  |
| Business management   | Business management   |  |
| <ul><li>Elective modules</li><li>Group A: *Informatics or</li></ul>   | <ul><li>Elective modules</li><li>Group A: *Informatics or</li></ul>   |  |

Group B: Any subject(s) at the first-year level
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\* If Informatics is selected as a subject at the first-year level, a minimum of 4 (50–59%) must be obtained for Mathematics.

| Second year  |  |
|--|--|
| First semester   | Second semester  |
| <ul><li>Fundamental module</li><li>Community-based project</li></ul>   | <ul><li>Fundamental module</li><li>Community-based project</li></ul>   |
| <ul> <li>Core modules</li> <li>Information science</li> <li>Information seeking and<br/>retrieval</li> <li>Social and ethical impact</li> <li>Business management</li> </ul> | Core modules<br>Information science<br>• Representation and<br>organisation<br>Business management           |
| <ul> <li>Elective modules</li> <li>Group A: *Informatics or</li> <li>Group B: Information science</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>Elective modules</li> <li>Group A: *Informatics or</li> <li>Group B: Information science</li> </ul> |
| * If Informatics is selected as a subject at the first-year level, a minimum of 4 (50–59%) must be obtained for Mathematics.   |  |
| Third year   |  |
| First semester   | Second semester  |

Core modules

Information science

management

Elective modules

science or

project

Experimental learning

Group B: Information

Information science

Information and knowledge

Group A: \*Informatics and

Business management or

• Group C: \*Informatics and

#### Core modules

- Information science
- Information organisation
- Experimental learning project

#### Elective modules

- Group A: \*Informatics and Business management or
- Group B: Information science or
- Group C: \*Informatics and Information science
- \* If Informatics is selected as a subject at first-year level, a minimum of 4 (50–59%) must be obtained for Mathematics.

#### **BIS (Publishing)**

The BIS (Publishing) programmes teaches publishing theory and skills: selecting and developing content based on the needs of the user, and appropriately packaging this content through a process of adding value. Publishing can happen in both paper-based and electronic format and includes a range of products such as books for the trade market, and publications for educational, academic and corporate readers. Publishing processes are also used in the production of mass media products such as newspapers and magazines.

#### What does the programme entail?

This programme aims to:

- provide students with knowledge of the publishing process and role-players, as well as trends and initiatives in the local and international publishing industry;
- provide students with the skills needed to perform specific tasks related to the publishing process;
- assist students in becoming responsible information intermediaries who add value to the production and dissemination of content; and
- make students aware of the social, ethical and legal responsibilities involved in the publishing process.

#### **Career possibilities**

A variety of career opportunities are available in the book publishing industry, the book retail industry and the corporate publishing environment. Content production for media houses, including magazines and other content creators, is also possible. Goal-oriented candidates can become part of this highly competitive environment at the entrance level. On-the-job experience will be needed for subsequent career development.

Some entrance-level career opportunities include the following:

- assisting specific role-players in the publishing value chain (for example, the managing director or the commissioning editor of a media house, or the editorial, production or marketing manager);
- market or picture research;
- copyright negotiations;
- copy-editing and proofreading;
- marketing and promotion; and
- distribution and delivery.

These career opportunities are available at the following places:

- local and international book publishing houses;
- bookshops and e-commerce vendors, journals, newspapers or magazines;
- the media and publicity industries;
- national and local government departments;
- the corporate and business environment;
- civil society;
- community-based publication initiatives; and
- self-publishing and consultancy enterprises.

#### **Duration of the programme**

The BIS (Publishing) takes a minimum of three years to complete.

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| First year  |  |
|---|--|
| First semester  | Second semester  |
| <ul> <li>Fundamental modules</li> <li>Academic information<br/>management</li> <li>Academic literacy levels</li> <li>Visual culture studies</li> </ul>  | <ul><li>Fundamental modules</li><li>Academic literacy levels</li><li>English for specific purposes</li></ul>   |
| <ul> <li>Core modules</li> <li>Information science</li> <li>Introduction to information science</li> <li>Personal information management</li> <li>Publishing: Introduction to publishing</li> </ul> | Core modules<br>Information science<br>Information and<br>communication technology<br>Publishing<br>The book publishing<br>environment<br>Visual culture studies |
| Marketing   | Marketing  |
| Elective modules<br>Select a modern language of<br>your choice in consultation<br>with the programme<br>coordinator.  | <b>Elective modules</b><br>Select a modern language of<br>your choice in consultation<br>with the programme<br>coordinator.                                      |
| Second year   |  |
| First semester  | Second semester  |
| <ul><li>Fundamental module</li><li>Community-based project</li></ul>  | <ul><li>Fundamental module</li><li>Community-based project</li></ul>   |
| Core modules<br>Information science<br>Social and ethical impact  | Core modules   |
| Publishing<br>• Copy-editing  | <ul><li>Publishing</li><li>The visual and production dimensions of publishing</li></ul>  |
| Type, image and applications  | Text design  |
| Elective modules<br>Continue with the language<br>selected earlier and select<br>modules in consultation with<br>the programme coordinator.   | <b>Elective modules</b><br>Continue with the language<br>selected earlier and select<br>modules in consultation with<br>the programme coordinator.               |
| Third year  |  |
| First semester  | Second semester  |

| First semester                                | Second semester                                |
|---|--|
| Core modules                                  | Core modules                                   |
| Publishing                                    | Publishing                                     |
| <ul> <li>Publishing in the digital</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Management in the</li> </ul>          |
| environment                                   | publishing environment                         |
| <ul> <li>Commissioning</li> </ul>             | <ul> <li>Publishing in the magazine</li> </ul> |
|   | and corporate environment                      |

#### Elective modules

Continue with the same language as selected in the first year of study and select one first- or second-semester module in consultation with the programme coordinator.

# EBIT WEEKS



#### EBIT Weeks are a four-day holiday programme presented by the Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology (EBIT) bi-annually for learners in Grade 10, 11 and 12.

Prospective students are offered this hands-on opportunity to obtain information regarding all the disciplines offered in the School of Engineering, Built Environment and the School of Information Technology. During this event, learners are introduced to the practical as well as the theoretical aspects in order to help them make sound career choices. Learners also obtain industry exposure on-site, or off-campus.

#### Programmes presented by the School of Engineering during the first and second EBIT Week are listed below:

- Chemical Engineering
- Civil Engineering
- Electrical Engineering
- Electronic Engineering
- Industrial Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering
- Metallurgical EngineeringMining Engineering

Programmes presented by the School for the Built Environment during the first EBIT Week are listed below:

- Construction Management
- Quantity Surveying Town and Regional Planning

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