

# FACULTY

*At a Glance 2024*



UNIVERSITEIT VAN PRETORIA  
UNIVERSITY OF PRETORIA  
YUNIBESITHI YA PRETORIA

## Faculty of Education

Fakulteit Opvoedkunde  
Lefapha la Thuto

Make today matter

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## THE UP WAY

The University of Pretoria (UP) is one of Africa's top universities and the largest contact university in South Africa. We produce socially impactful research to find solutions for the world's most pressing issues. We have a high quality of teaching and learning inside the classroom, online and in communities. We also have support in place for our students to graduate on time as well-rounded, responsible citizens – fully prepared for the world beyond university.



### VISION

To be a leading research-intensive university in Africa, recognised internationally for its quality, relevance and impact, as also for developing people, creating knowledge and making a difference locally and globally.



### MISSION

In pursuing recognition and excellence in its core functions of research, teaching and learning, and integrating engagement with society and communities into these, the University of Pretoria will use quality, relevance, diversity and sustainability as its navigational markers.

*With UP behind your name, you can rely on a competitive, recognised qualification.*

122

Undergraduate  
programmes

806

Postgraduate  
programmes

660<sup>+</sup>

Industry-relevant  
short courses

*Our degrees are locally accredited and internationally recognised. We have agreements in place with the relevant legal accreditation bodies around the world to ensure the recognition of our programmes.*



## Fostering excellence in teaching and learning

Our educational approach has a strong focus on inclusivity and equitable access to education, but ultimately on equity of outcomes. Our committed academics have multiple approaches to teaching to ensure that students with a variety of learning strengths succeed.

Our teaching and learning approach is based on inquiry-based learning, hybrid learning and community-based learning. This means that students can ask questions and do research in their field to learn and discover answers on their own; be taught in a classroom or other formal contact environment, but also find additional activities, notes, resources and videos to supplement their classes online; or apply their knowledge in a practical way to help communities around university campuses.



## Enabling student success for an equitable future

UP is dedicated to fostering an environment where students can thrive and achieve success. We are fully committed to providing support and opportunities to our students in order to get them ready for work.

**Learn more:** [www.up.ac.za/education-innovation](http://www.up.ac.za/education-innovation)



## Promoting research with real-world impact

UP's research is focused on making a lasting impact and on changing the lives of people. Our theme-based approach leverages knowledge fields and research platforms for the greatest impact. Transdisciplinary research projects with the potential to make a real-life difference are strongly encouraged.

# FACULTY OF EDUCATION

The Faculty of Education is the largest contact faculty of education in the country, and a leader in teacher education and training. Its core function is to train quality teachers, education psychologists, leaders and managers in education. The Faculty's criteria ensures that it attracts high-performing students from all over the world.



## ACADEMIC OFFERING

**3**

undergraduate  
degree programmes

DISTANCE EDUCATION  
PROGRAMMES

**42**

postgraduate programmes:

*Adv Dip in School Leadership and  
Management, Adv Dip in Visual  
Impairment, PG Dip in TVET, PGCE,  
BEd Hons, MEd, PhD*

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## STUDENT LIFE

**6 604**

Education  
students



Percentage of  
black students

**85.37%**



**94.4%**

Undergraduate  
pass rate

Percentage of  
female students

**67.16%**

# RESEARCH EXCELLENCE

**82%**

Academic staff members  
with a doctorate

**20**

NRF-rated researchers

**82 000**

Alumni worldwide



**5**  
**RESEARCH  
CENTRES**

**1**

Diversity and Social Cohesion

**2**

Evaluation and Assessment

**3**

Study of Resilience

**4**

Visual Impairment

**5**

Living Lab for Innovative  
Teaching

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# ACADEMIC DEPARTMENTS



Humanities  
Education



Educational  
Psychology



Early Childhood  
Education



Science, Mathematics and  
Technology Education



Education Management  
and Policy Studies

# RANKINGS



**TOP 300–350**

faculties of education in the world

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**TOP 1%**

faculties of education in Africa

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**TOP 4**

faculties of education in South Africa

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## SPORT SCIENCE

HIGHER CERTIFICATE IN SPORT SCIENCE EDUCATION

**23**

of our Higher Certificate in Sport Science Education students represent South Africa in various sporting codes

Learn more: [www.up.ac.za/tukssport](http://www.up.ac.za/tukssport)

# GRADUATE SUPPORT



Producer of work-ready graduates



**100%** of students find placement to do their work-integrated learning (WIL)



**1 825** students placed for WIL to date



Partnered with **145** schools for WIL student placement

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## UNIT FOR DISTANCE EDUCATION

**4027**

students in our  
Unit for Distance Education

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*Our programmes are strengthened by our partnership with the Department of Basic Education, as well as other departments and faculties within the University of Pretoria. You will have access to some of the best infrastructure, libraries, laboratories, online study resources, lecturers and work opportunities in South Africa, together with a host of support services to help and guide you throughout your studies.*



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