

BEd Foundation Phase Teaching

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The purpose of the BEd (Foundation Phase Teaching) [Pre-primary to Grade 3] is to produce teachers who are competent to teach in this particular phase.

The future success of South Africa as a country relies on its ability to provide quality education. A career in education is not only challenging and rewarding but also makes a vital contribution to the growth and development of the nation. In order to prepare teachers, educational psychologists, managers and policymakers for this challenge, the Faculty of Education at the University of Pretoria offers qualifications that are both innovative and relevant.

Students are equipped to face new challenges once they enter the profession. Few careers are as rewarding as education, and there is no better place to prepare yourself for your future career than in the Faculty of Education at the University of Pretoria, where you can choose one of several exciting undergraduate programmes for teacher training.

For more information, please consult the Faculty webpage.

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Career Opportunities

Teachers and training officials in pre-primary or primary schools

Programme Code

09133011



Closing Dates

Applications for this plan have closed.

Admission Requirements

Important information for all prospective students for 2022

- The admission requirements 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 <u>click here</u>.
- Citizens from countries other than South Africa (applicants who are not South African citizens) should also refer to:
 - **Brochure:** Newcomer's Guide 2021, available at <u>click here</u>.
 - Website: <u>click here</u>.
- School of Tomorrow (SOT), Accelerated Christian Education (ACE) and General Education Development Test (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.

Transferring students

A transferring student is a student who, at the time of application for a degree programme at the University of Pretoria (UP) –

is a registered student at another tertiary institution, or was previously registered at another tertiary institution and did not complete the programme enrolled for at that institution, and is not currently enrolled at a tertiary institution, or has completed studies at another tertiary institution, but is not currently enrolled at a tertiary institution, or has started with tertiary studies at UP, then moved to another tertiary institution and wants to be readmitted at UP.

A transferring student will be considered for admission based on



- an NSC or equivalent qualification with exemption to bachelor's or diploma studies (whichever is applicable); and meeting the minimum faculty-specific subject requirements at NSC or tertiary level;
 or having completed a higher certificate at a tertiary institution with faculty-specific subjects/modules passed (equal to or more than 50%), as well as complying with faculty rules on admission;
- previous academic performance (must have passed all modules registered for up to the closing date of application) or as per faculty regulation/promotion requirements;
- a certificate of good conduct.

Note: Students who have been dismissed at the previous institution due to poor academic performance, will not be considered for admission to UP.

Returning students

A returning student is a student who, at the time of application for a degree programme -

is a registered student at UP, and wants to transfer to another degree at UP, or was previously
registered at UP and did not complete the programme enrolled for, and did not enrol at another
tertiary institution in the meantime (including students who applied for leave of absence), or has
completed studies at UP, but is not currently enrolled or was not enrolled at another tertiary
institution after graduation.

A returning student will be considered for admission based on

- an NSC or equivalent qualification with exemption to bachelor's or diploma studies (whichever is applicable); and meeting the minimum faculty-specific subject requirements at NSC or tertiary level; or previous academic performance (should have a cumulative weighted average of at least 50% for the programme enrolled for);
- having applied for and was granted leave of absence.

Note: Students who have been excluded/dismissed from a faculty due to poor academic performance may be considered for admission to another programme at UP. The Admissions Committee may consider such students if they were not dismissed more than twice. Only ONE transfer between UP faculties will be allowed, and a maximum of two (2) transfers within a faculty.

Important faculty-specific information on undergraduate programmes for 2022

- The closing date is an administrative admission guideline for non-selection programmes. Once a nonselection 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 are in possession of a certificate that is deemed by the University to be equivalent to the required National Senior Certificate



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.
- As soon as candidates are admitted to the BEd degree, they will be informed that they must register at the University in January of the following year. It is in the interest of prospective students, in particular those who need financial support and/or placement in a residence, to apply as soon as possible.
- English will be the only language of teaching and learning (in lectures, tutorials and assessments) for all academic modules in the undergraduate programmes, except in cases where the modules or programmes require a language other than English. Any modules providing professional preparation that requires separate English and Afrikaans classes will be identified and will be explicitly listed as such. Modules for the BEd (Foundation Phase Teaching) that are language context specific, namely English, Afrikaans and indigenous African languages, will continue to be offered in current language contexts due to the University's recognition of the need for homelanguage teaching in the foundation environment, as specified in the Policy on Minimum Requirements for Teacher Education Qualifications (Gazette 38487, 19 Feb 2015). The teaching practice modules will allow English and Afrikaans assessments according to the language of tuition of the schools in which the teaching practice was performed.
- All modules will be presented in English, as English is the language of tuition, communication and correspondence.

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Minimum requirements Achievement level		
English Home Language or English First Additional Language	APS	
NSC/IEB		
4	28	

4 years, full-time.

Faculty Notes

The Faculty of Education at the University of Pretoria continues to develop into one of the largest and



most diverse units in South Africa for the initial and advanced training of education professionals from across the world. A distinguishing characteristic of the Faculty is that it not only trains pre-service teachers but also educational psychologists, principals, researchers, programme evaluators, curriculum designers, computer education and training experts, assessment specialists, education policy analysts, community development workers and education law advisors working in national and international agencies and organisations.

Enquiries about the programme

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How to apply





Online Application





Note: Also consult General Rules and Information on the Yearbook website for additional information.

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