

# BEd in Foundation Phase Teaching

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The Bachelor of Education in Foundation Phase Teaching programme trains students to teach young children between the ages of three and nine years. Students completing the programme can choose to specialise in either Early Childhood Development (three to six years) or Foundation Phase (Grades 1 to 3).

Students who are compassionate, hardworking, and committed to the teaching profession excel in this programme.

The Bachelor of Education in Foundation Phase Teaching degree programme is accredited. Students who have completed this degree programme possess diverse pedagogic skills that enable them to teach different learning areas (Home Language, First Additional Language, Mathematics, and Life Skills) and differentiate the curriculum for access by learners in schools. Furthermore, the programme equips the student with the unique skills and attributes required to identify learning difficulties during the formational stages of development and provide interventions for learning success.

For more information, please consult the Faculty webpage.

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## Career Opportunities

Teachers and training officials at pre-primary or primary schools

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## Programme Code

09133013

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## Closing Dates

- **SA** – 30/06/2025
- **Non-SA** – 30/06/2025

## Admission Requirements

### Important information for all prospective students for 2026

The admission requirements below apply to all who apply for admission to the University of Pretoria with a **National Senior Certificate (NSC) and Independent Examination Board (IEB) qualifications**. [Click here](#) for this Faculty Brochure.

#### Minimum requirements

Achievement level	
English Home Language or English First Additional Language	APS
NSC/IEB 4 (50-59%)	<b>28</b>

Life Orientation is excluded when calculating the APS.

Applicants currently in Grade 12 must apply with their final Grade 11 (or equivalent) results.

Applicants who have completed Grade 12 must apply with their final NSC or equivalent qualification results.

Please note that meeting the minimum academic requirements does not guarantee admission.

Successful candidates will be notified once admitted or conditionally admitted.

Unsuccessful candidates will be notified after 30 June.

Applicants should check their application status regularly on the UP Student Portal at [click here](#).

**Applicants with qualifications other than the abovementioned** should refer to the International undergraduate prospectus 2026: Applicants with a school leaving certificate not issued by Umalusi (South Africa), available at [click here](#).

**International students:** [Click here](#).



## Transferring students

A transferring student is a student who, at the time of applying at the University of Pretoria (UP) is/was a registered student at another tertiary institution. A transferring student will be considered for admission based on NSC or equivalent qualification and previous academic performance. Students who have been dismissed from other institutions due to poor academic performance will not be considered for admission to UP.

**Closing dates:** Same as above.

## Returning students

A returning student is a student who, at the time of application for a degree programme is/was a registered student at UP, and wants to transfer to another degree at UP. A returning student will be considered for admission based on NSC or equivalent qualification and previous academic performance.

### 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, as per faculty-specific requirements.
- Only ONE transfer between UP faculties and TWO transfers within a faculty will be allowed.
- Admission of returning students will always depend on the faculty concerned and the availability of space in the programmes for which they apply.

## Closing date for applications from returning students

Unless capacity allows for an extension of the closing date, applications from returning students must be submitted before the end of August via your UP Student Centre.

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## Minimum duration of study

4 years, full-time

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## Faculty Notes

**Registration recommendation:** A valid police clearance certificate (PCC) is recommended to enrol for a Bachelor's degree in Education. In terms of the Children's Act (2005), all registered Bachelor of Education students have to declare their status under oath in terms of part B of the National Child

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Protection Register (NCPR).

English will be the language of teaching and learning (including lectures, tutorials and assessments) for all academic modules in the undergraduate programmes, except in cases where modules or programmes require the use of a language other than English. Modules that provide professional preparation requiring separate English and Afrikaans classes will be identified and will be explicitly listed as such. Modules of the BEd (Foundation Phase Teaching), namely English, Afrikaans and an indigenous African language that are language context specific, will continue to be offered in current language contexts due to the recognition of the need for home-language teaching in the foundation environment, as specified in the Policy on Minimum Requirements for Teacher Education Qualifications (Gazette 38487 of 19 Feb 2015). The teaching practice modules will allow both English and Afrikaans assessments, depending on the language of tuition at the schools where the teaching practice was performed.

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.

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## Enquiries about the programme

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**How to apply**

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# Online Application





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

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