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OF TECHNOLOGY**  
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# 2026 Undergraduate Minimum Admission Requirements



Note: Although certain subjects and symbols below are indicated as minimum entry requirements, it does not guarantee acceptance

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**CLOSING DATES FOR APPLICATIONS** (1st Semester and Year Students) Admission requirements for students with N3, N4, N5, and N6:  
Academic: 30 September Refer to our website for admission requirements.  
Residences: 31 October

Faculty of Applied & Computer Sciences

Faculty of Management Sciences

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL SCIENCES <i>Dip: Analytical Chemistry (3 years)</i>			DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL SCIENCES <i>Dip: Biotechnology (3 years)</i>		
Subjects	NSC endorsement	Eligibility for Diploma or Bachelor's degree	Subjects	NSC endorsement	Eligibility for Diploma or Bachelor's degree
<b>Compulsory subjects achievement level</b>			<b>Compulsory subjects achievement level</b>		
English	4	3 = 40-49% 4 = 50-59% 5 = 60-69%	English	4	3 = 40-49% 4 = 50-59% 5 = 60-69%
Mathematics or Technical Mathematics or Engineering Mathematics (TVET N4)	4		Mathematics or Engineering Mathematics or Physical Science or Engineering Science	4	
Physical Science or Engineering Sciences (TVET N4)	60%		Life Sciences	4	
Any other 3 subjects	9				
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>21 (excl. LO)</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>23 (excl. LO)</b>

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL SCIENCES <i>Dip: Agricultural Management (3 years)</i>			DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SCIENCES <i>Bachelor of Health Sciences: Medical Laboratory Science (4 years)</i>		
Subjects	NSC endorsement	Eligibility for Diploma or Bachelor's degree	Subjects	NSC endorsement	Eligibility for Bachelor degree
<b>Compulsory subjects achievement level</b>			<b>Compulsory subjects or equivalent (Standard or Higher grade system)</b>		
English	4	3 = 40-49% 4 = 50-59% 5 = 60-69%	English	4	3 = 40-49% 4 = 50-59% 5 = 60-69% 6 = 70-79% 7 = 80-89% 8 = 90-99%
Mathematics or Technical Mathematics or Mathematics Literacy	3		Mathematics	4	
Agriculture/Life Science	3/3		Physical Science	4	
			Life Science	5	
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>21 (Mathematics or Tech Maths excl. LO) 22 (Mathematics Literacy excl. LO)</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>27 (excl. LO)</b>

*Recommended: Business studies, Economics, Computer Studies, Geography*

*Applicants may be required to have industrial knowledge (i.e. job shadowing) and may undergo placement testing*

DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCES <i>Dip: Information Technology (3 years full time)</i>			DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL SCIENCES <i>Dip: Environmental Science (3 years)</i>		
Subjects	NSC endorsement	Eligibility for Diploma	Subjects	NSC endorsement	Eligibility for Diploma
<b>Compulsory subjects</b>			<b>Compulsory subjects achievement level</b>		
English	4	3 = 40-49% 4 = 50-59% 5 = 60-69% 6 = 70-79% 7 = 80-89% 8 = 90-99%	English	4	3 = 40-49% 4 = 50-59% 5 = 60-69% 6 = 70-79% 7 = 80-89% 8 = 90-99%
Mathematics or Technical Mathematics or Information Technology or Mathematical Literacy	4		Mathematics	4	
	4		Physical Science	4	
	6				
<b>APS</b>		<b>24 (Mathematics or Technical Mathematics or Information Technology, excl. LO) 26 (Mathematics Literacy, excl. LO)</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>21 (excl. LO)</b>

*A maximum of 6 subjects are taken into consideration when calculating the total APS score, excluding Life Orientation.*

DEPARTMENT OF APPLIED PHYSICAL SCIENCES <i>Dip: Non-Destructive Testing</i>		
Subjects	NSC endorsement	Eligibility for Diploma
<b>Compulsory subjects achievement level</b>		
English	3	3 = 40-49% 4 = 50-59% 5 = 60-69%
Mathematics or Technical Mathematics	3	
Physical Science or Technical Science	4	
<b>APS</b>		<b>19 (excl. LO)</b>

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Department: Accountancy			
Subjects	Financial Info. Systems	Cost & Man. Accounting	Internal Auditing
<b>NSC/NCV(4) endorsement</b>			
<b>Compulsory subjects</b>			
Accounting	4	4	4
English	4	4	4
Mathematics or Technical Mathematics or Mathematical Literacy or	3	3	3
	3	3	3
	5	5	6

*Min APS Required= 20 (Maths/Technical Maths) and 22 (Maths Lit) excl. LO - For FIS, and Cost & Man Accounting only  
Min APS Required = 20 (Maths/Technical Maths), and 23 (Maths Lit.) excl. LO - for Internal Auditing only*

Department: Human Resources Management		Department: Logistics and Supply Chain Management	
Subjects	Human Resources Management	Subjects	Logistics and Supply Chain Management
<b>NSC/NCV(4) endorsement</b>			
<b>Compulsory subjects</b>			
English	4	English	4
Mathematics or Technical Maths or Mathematical Literacy	3	Mathematics or Technical Maths or Mathematical Literacy	3
<b>One other subject</b>	4	<b>One other subject</b>	4

*Min APS Required: 20 (Maths/Technical Maths), and 21 (Maths Lit.) excl. LO      Min APS Required: 20 (Maths/Technical Maths), and 21 (Mathematic Lit) excl. LO*

Department: Marketing, Retail Business & Sport Management			
Subjects	Marketing	Retail Business Management	Sport Management
<b>NSC endorsement</b>			
<b>Compulsory subjects</b>			
English	4	4	4
Mathematics or Technical Mathematics or Mathematical Literacy	3	3	3
	3	3	3
	4	4	4
<b>One other subject</b>	4	4	4

*Min APS Required: 20 (Maths/Technical Maths), 21 (Maths Lit) excl. LO*

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Go to VUT website – [www.vut.ac.za](http://www.vut.ac.za)  
Click on "admissions new students"  
Click on "check status"  
Enter your Student or Identification number  
Click "submit"

**Diploma: Fashion, Photography, Graphic Design & Fine Art**

Subjects		Additional Admission Requirement: An additional compulsory selection criteria: Practical interview and portfolio submission.
<b>NCSA endorsement</b>		
<b>Compulsory subjects</b>		
English	4	
Mathematics or Technical Maths or Mathematical Literacy	2 (30%) 2 (30%) 3 (40%)	
<b>Total:</b>	<b>21 (Mathematics or Technical Mathematics, excl. LO)</b> <b>22 (Mathematical Literacy, excl. LO)</b>	

Matric certificate must indicate admission to Diploma

**Diploma: Food Service Management**

Subjects		Age exemption: Applicants of mature age (23 with grade 12) who do not meet the entry requirements must submit proof of permanent employ- ment in industry, working in an area related to the field of the intended study.
<b>NCSA endorsement</b>		
<b>Compulsory subjects</b>		
English	4	
Other 1 subject (Hospitality, Hotel, Tourism, Catering, Accounting, Business Studies & Consumer Studies)	4	
Mathematics / Technical Maths or Mathematical Literacy	3 4	
<b>Minimum APS required:</b>	<b>20 (Mathematics or Technical Mathematics, excluding LO)</b> <b>21 (Mathematical Literacy, excl. LO)</b>	

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Take note: A branded uniform is compulsory to wear during practicals

**Diploma: Tourism Management**

Subjects		Additional Admission Requirement: An additional compulsory selection criteria: Practical interview and portfolio submission.
<b>NCSA endorsement</b>		
<b>Compulsory subjects</b>		
English	4	
Mathematics/Technical Maths or Mathematical Literacy	3 4	
<b>1 Compulsory subject</b>	<b>4</b>	
Tourism, Geography, Business Studies & History		
<b>Total:</b>	<b>20 (Mathematics or Technical Mathematics, excl. LO)</b> <b>21 (Mathematical Literacy, excl. LO)</b>	

Matric certificate must indicate admission to Diploma

**Diploma: Public Relations**

Subjects		Additional Admission Requirement: An additional compulsory selection criteria: Practical interview and portfolio submission.
<b>NCSA endorsement</b>		
<b>Compulsory subjects</b>		
English	4	
Mathematics/Technical Maths or Mathematical Literacy	3 4	
Other Language	4	
<b>Total:</b>	<b>20 (Mathematics or Technical Mathematics, excl. LO)</b> <b>21 (Mathematical Literacy, excl. LO)</b>	

Matric certificate must indicate admission to Diploma

**Diploma: Ecotourism Management**

Subjects		Additional Admission Requirement: An additional compulsory selection criteria: Practical interview and portfolio submission.
<b>NCSA endorsement</b>		
<b>Compulsory subjects</b>		
English	4	
Biology / Life Science	4	
Mathematics / Technical Maths or Mathematical Literacy	3 4	
<b>Total:</b>	<b>20 (Mathematics or Technical Mathematics, excl. LO)</b> <b>21 (Mathematical Literacy, excl. LO)</b>	

Matric certificate must indicate admission to Diploma

**Diploma: Legal Assistance**

Subjects		Additional Admission Requirement: An additional compulsory selection criteria: Practical interview and portfolio submission.
<b>NCSA endorsement</b>		
<b>Compulsory subjects</b>		
English	5	
Other Language	3	
Mathematics/Technical Maths or Mathematical Literacy	3 4	
<b>Total:</b>	<b>23 (Mathematics or Technical Mathematics, excl. LO)</b> <b>24 (Mathematical Literacy, excl. LO)</b>	

Matric certificate must indicate admission to Diploma

**Diploma: Labour Law**

Subjects		Additional Admission Requirement: An additional compulsory selection criteria: Practical interview and portfolio submission.
<b>NCSA endorsement</b>		
<b>Compulsory subjects</b>		
English	5	
Other Language	3	
Mathematics/Technical Maths or Mathematical Literacy	3 4	
<b>Total:</b>	<b>23 (Mathematics or Technical Mathematics, excl. LO)</b> <b>24 (Mathematical Literacy, excl. LO)</b>	

Matric certificate must indicate admission to Diploma

**Diploma: Safety Management**

Subjects		Additional Admission Requirement: An additional compulsory selection criteria: Practical interview and portfolio submission.
<b>NCSA endorsement</b>		
<b>Compulsory subjects</b>		
English	4	
Mathematics/ Technical Maths or Mathematical Literacy	3 4	
<b>Total:</b>	<b>21 (Mathematics or Technical Mathematics, excl. LO)</b> <b>22 (Mathematical Literacy, excl. LO)</b>	

Matric certificate must indicate admission to Diploma

**Diploma: Policing**

Subjects		Additional Admission Requirement: An additional compulsory selection criteria: Practical interview and portfolio submission.
<b>NCSA endorsement</b>		
<b>Compulsory subjects</b>		
English	4	
Other Language	3	
Mathematics/Technical Maths or Mathematical Literacy	3 4	
<b>Total:</b>	<b>20 (Mathematics or Technical Mathematics, excl. LO)</b> <b>21 (Mathematical Literacy, excl. LO)</b>	

Matric certificate must indicate admission to Diploma

**B Ed (Senior Phase & FET Teaching)**

Subjects		Additional Admission Requirement: An additional compulsory selection criteria: Practical interview and portfolio submission.
<b>Compulsory subjects</b>		
Language of Teaching & Learning	4	
Mathematics/ Technical Mathematics or Mathematical Literacy	4 6	
Physical Science / Technical Science	3	
<b>Total:</b>	<b>22 (Mathematics or Technical Mathematics, excl. LO)</b> <b>24 (Mathematical Literacy, excl. LO)</b>	

Matric certificate must indicate admission to Bachelor's Degree

**Bachelor of Communication Studies**

Subjects		Additional Admission Requirement: An additional compulsory selection criteria: Practical interview and portfolio submission.
<b>NCSA endorsement</b>		
<b>Compulsory subjects</b>		
English	5	
Additional Language	4	
Mathematics/Technical Maths or Mathematical Literacy	3 4	
<b>Total:</b>	<b>20 (Mathematics or Technical Mathematics, excl. LO)</b> <b>21 (Mathematical Literacy, excl. LO)</b>	

Matric certificate must indicate admission to Bachelor's Degree

**ENQUIRIES**

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**TABLE 1: Diploma programmes in Engineering (Mainstream Programmes) – 3 year programmes**

Qualification	Compulsory Subjects	Minimum for the regular Diploma programme
Diploma:		
Chemical Engineering		4
Civil Engineering	Mathematics	4
Industrial Engineering	Physical Sciences	4
Mechanical Engineering	English Language	4
Metallurgical Engineering		
Electronic Engineering		
Power Engineering		
Process Control Engineering		
Computer Systems Engineering		
<b>Total: (Excluding Life Orientation)</b>		<b>24*</b>

**TABLE 2: Diploma programme in Operations Management – 3 year programme**

Qualification	Compulsory Subjects	Minimum for the regular Diploma programme
Diploma:		
Operations Management	Mathematics	4
	Physical Sciences	3
	English Language	4
<b>Total: (Excluding Life Orientation)</b>		<b>23</b>

\*Admission requirements for any of the 3-year Diploma programmes in Engineering is a National Senior Certificate with a minimum of 24 and above APS points with minimum of 4 for Mathematics, Physical Science and English (see Table 1).

**TABLE 3: Diploma programmes in Engineering (Extended Programmes) – 4 year programmes**

Qualification	Compulsory Subjects	Minimum for the regular Diploma programme
Diploma:		
Chemical Engineering		3
Civil Engineering	Mathematics	3
Industrial Engineering	Physical Sciences	3
Mechanical Engineering	English Language	3
Metallurgical Engineering		
Electronic Engineering		
Power Engineering		
Process Control Engineering		
Computer Systems Engineering		
<b>Total: (Excluding Life Orientation)</b>		<b>22**</b>

**TABLE 4: Admission requirements for prospective students with NC(V)-4 qualification**

Qualification	Compulsory Subjects	Minimum for the regular Diploma programme
Diploma:		
Chemical Engineering	Mathematics/Vocational/Technical Maths	4
Civil Engineering	Physical Science/Engineering	4
Industrial Engineering	Science/*Technical/*Vocational Science	4
Mechanical Engineering	English language	4
Metallurgical Engineering		
Electronic Engineering		
<b>ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING</b>		
Power Engineering		
Process Control Engineering		
Computer Systems Engineering		
<b>Total: (Excluding Life Orientation)</b>		<b>24**</b>

\*\*Admission requirements for any of the 4-year extended Diploma programmes in Engineering is a National Senior Certificate with a minimum of 22 APS points with minimum of 3 for Mathematics, Physical Science and English (see Table 3).

Please Note: \*Technical & Vocational Science will be used for selection into Electrical Engineering.

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**ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS FOR INTERNATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS:**

Eligibility of International qualifications will be evaluated by the International Office and SAQA.

**APPLICATION FOR ACADEMIC ADMISSION**

Please note: To avoid disappointment, prospective students are urged to apply as soon as possible.

Make sure that VUT offers the course you are interested in (this pamphlet/poster) and that you adhere to the admission requirements. Initial selection will be based on final Grade 11 or latest Grade 12 results.

How to Apply: On line applications-[www.vut.ac.za](http://www.vut.ac.za)-click on admissions new students.

The following must be submitted with your application:

1. Certified copy of South African ID document. Certified copy of passport for International applicants
2. Certified copy of Grade 11 or latest Grade 12 report (e.g June examination). Certified copy of complete results for International applicants.
3. Proof of address (Not compulsory)
4. Application fee of R110.00 for SA applicants and R120.00 for International applicants. Application forms without proof of payment will not be accepted.

BankingDetails: ABSA Bank, account number 530 861 945, branch code 632 005, use your ID number/Passport number as reference.

Proof of payment must be uploaded with on-line application

