



REGISTRATION INFORMATION 2026

FIRST-YEAR UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS (INCLUDING STUDENTS TRANSFERRING FROM ANOTHER INSTITUTION)

Dear Prospective UJ Student

Well done on your successful completion of the 2025 academic year.

Please take note of the following important information and dates for the 2026 academic year.

1. FINAL ADMISSION

PLEASE NOTE: Receiving this registration information letter *does not* imply in any way that you have been admitted // accepted or will be admitted // accepted for the 2026 academic year.

PLEASE NOTE: The payment of registration fees does not confirm registration // guarantee registration; you must complete the full registration process to register.

For more information on your CURRENT APPLICATION STATUS, you can view and download your most recent application letter(s) by clicking [here](#).

- 1.1 UJ will receive all final Grade 12 results from the Department of Basic Education (DBE) in January. It is not necessary to email or submit a hard copy of your results to the University, unless requested to do so.
- 1.2 Once selections have been finalised, the Student Enrolment Centre (SEC) will inform you of your admission status by SMS and // or email.
- 1.3 No notice regarding your application status is official and binding on the University unless it has been sent by email to you from the University's official email server.
- 1.4 If you have not received an email regarding your application status by 16 January 2026, you can verify your application status online by clicking [here](#).

1.5 SCAM ALERT

The University of Johannesburg (UJ) would like to warn all applicants and // or prospective students not to fall victim to individuals attempting to scam them by promising admission and // or a study space at the University. Do not trust anyone promising to assist you in return for a fee. If you encounter any suspicious activity, please report the incident immediately to the UJ ethics hotline at uj@thehotline.co.za.

2. REGISTRATION DETAILS

PLEASE NOTE: Registration opens on Wednesday, **14 January 2026 and closes on 6 February 2026** (only online // off-campus registrations will be allowed). Should there be any changes to these dates, we will notify you accordingly.

PLEASE NOTE: Register as early as possible, as programmes often fill up during the first few days of registration.

PLEASE NOTE: Spaces cannot be guaranteed.

- 2.1 Note that the registration dates may be adjusted. Any such changes will be published on the UJ website.
- 2.2 No on-campus facilities will be available for registration. All registrations are completed online and off-campus. Registrations can be done using a smartphone // tablet or any other computer facility at your disposal.
- 2.3 Follow this link <https://www.uj.ac.za/admission-aid/registration/> to access registration information and follow the step-by-step guide.
 - 2.3.1 Log onto the registration portal via ulink.uj.ac.za using your **STUDENT NUMBER** and **PASSWORD**. If you do not have a password, click on **CREATE A PASSWORD** to continue.
 - 2.3.2 To create your uLink password for the first time, all new students must complete the facial recognition verification process. If you are registering from outside South Africa, please note that a Virtual Private Network (VPN) may be required to successfully access the verification system.
- 2.4 After completing your registration, review your Proof of Registration to verify that you are registered for the correct qualification and your **FULL ACADEMIC LOAD** of modules for the entire year. Registering for a full load is essential to complete your qualification on time; failure to do so will result in a longer graduation time and may impact your funding.
- 2.5 **PLEASE NOTE:** Any *previous studies (at any higher education institution) MUST be declared to UJ when you apply. UJ reserves the right to cancel your registration if you have not disclosed your previous studies (please refer to the returning student registration information letter published on the registration website) <https://www.uj.ac.za/admission-aid/registration/>*

Only REGISTERED STUDENTS may participate in academic activities.

3. PAYMENTS

All students, including students whose fees are paid by sponsors or employers, **are required to pay the following minimum amounts to register:**

- 3.1 Day students (tuition fees) – All students not residing in the residences: **R5 950**
- 3.2 Residence students (tuition fees and residence deposit)
 - 3.2.1 Students with acceptance letters from residences: **R9 850**
 - 3.2.2 Residence students who are provisionally selected // waiting for a space in residence: **R5 950**
- 3.3 International registering students with temporary residence visas must make an upfront payment of 40% of the fees due to the University.

Payment methods:

- 3.4 Credit cards (E-payments) will reflect on your UJ student account immediately.
PLEASE NOTE: *Alternative payment methods used will not reflect immediately and may impact on securing a place.*
- 3.5 For online E-payments, please use the following link: <https://ulink.uj.ac.za>. Please refer to point 2.3.1 above.

PLEASE NOTE: You must cancel your registration at the University if you decide to discontinue or withdraw from your qualification or study programme or register at another institution. Failure to do so may mean that you will be liable for fees.

The following cancellation rules will apply:

3.7.1 Total cancellation of studies

- Cancellation on or before 25 February 2026: In this case, a total refund of the paid tuition fees and/or residence fees (where applicable) may be processed (except for the ICT levy (R500) and registration levy (R650), which is non-refundable).
- Cancellation after 25 February 2026 (see point 3.7.2 below).

3.7.2 Cancellation of modules

First Semester Modules	Second Semester Modules
Cancellation on or before 25 February 2026: No fees payable (except for the ICT levy (R500) and registration levy (R650), which are non-refundable).	Cancellation on or before 29 July 2026: No fees payable (except for the ICT levy (R500) and registration levy (R650) which is non-refundable).
Cancellation on or before 8 April 2026: 50% credit is granted (except for the ICT levy (R500) and registration levy (R650), which are non-refundable).	Cancellation on or before 2 September 2026: 50% credit is granted (except for the ICT levy (R500) and registration levy (R650) which is non-refundable).
Cancellation after 8 April 2026: No credit is granted.	Cancellation after 2 September 2026: No credit is granted.
Year Modules	
Cancellation on or before 25 February 2026: No fees payable (except for the ICT levy (R500) and registration levy (R650) which is non-refundable).	
Cancellation on or before 08 April 2026: 75% credit is granted (except for the ICT levy (R500) and registration levy (R650) which is non-refundable).	
Cancellation on or before 29 July 2026: 50% credit is granted (except for the ICT levy (R500) and registration levy (R650) which is non-refundable).	
Cancellation after 29 July 2026: No credit is granted.	

4. CHANGES TO REGISTRATION AND CANCELLATION OF STUDIES

- 4.1 Requests for cancellation or change of studies from 9 February 2026 should be submitted to the relevant Faculty // College where you are registered. Faculty // College officer details, as well as the cancellation form, can be obtained at <https://www.uj.ac.za/admission-aid/registration/>.

- 4.2 **Failure to comply will render students liable for the fees of the relevant academic year. Additionally, affected module registrations may be recorded with a 'fail' result code, which will be reflected on the student's official academic transcript.**
- 4.3 Addition of modules can only be done during the registration period (applicable only to qualifications not following a pre-set-up structure). No further addition of modules will be permitted without the approval of the Heads of Departments (HoDs), staff members who have delegated authority, and // or the Vice Dean, Teaching and Learning.
- 4.4 Telephonic cancellations will not be accepted.
- 4.5 Students who fail to notify the University officially before the prescribed dates will forfeit any claim to the reimbursement.

5. STUDENT ACCESS CARDS

Student access cards may be collected on campus (after you have registered) from **14 January 2026 until 6 February 2026** between **08:00 to 15:30** at the following venues:

CAMPUS	VENUE
APB - Bunting Road Campus	Con Cowan Building, Bring-your-own-device venue, 2 nd floor
APK - Kingsway Campus	D1 Lab 208
DFC - Doornfontein Campus	Samsung Venue, 2 nd Floor, QK Building
SWC - Soweto Campus	GNA09, Robert Sobukwe Building

Please ensure that you have your proof of registration and ID with you when collecting your student card. If you have lost your student card and need a replacement, a replacement fee of R150 for a new card must be paid on campus at the cashiers (card transactions only; no cash accepted).

6. FIRST YEAR ORIENTATION (FYO)

The First Year Orientation will be conducted on-campus. Participation in the online orientation will require access to a computer, tablet, or smartphone with internet capabilities. **Attendance is compulsory for all first years.**

For more up-to-date information about your First-year Orientation and Faculty Programmes, visit <https://www.uj.ac.za/teachinglearning/teaching-and-learning/academic-development-and-support/first-year-seminar/>. The purpose is to welcome and introduce students to the University environment, the expectations of the qualification enrolled for, various resources available to them, and to meet lecturers.

7. HANDHELD DEVICES

For minimum specifications and information about handheld devices, please use the following link: [Electronic Devices](#)

8. ACADEMIC REGULATIONS

The Academic Regulations for 2026 are available at the following link: <https://www.uj.ac.za/about/academic-calendar-and-regulations/>. They provide essential guidance on administrative issues you may encounter. It is vital that each student reads and familiarises themselves with the Academic Regulations.

9. FACULTY RULES AND REGULATIONS (YEARBOOKS) 2026

2026 Faculty Rules and Regulations (Yearbooks) are available on College // Faculty web pages. <https://www.uj.ac.za/faculties/>

10. AFRICAN INSIGHTS AND ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE IN THE 4IR

All undergraduate students will be expected to complete one of the following Short Learning Programmes: (1) 'African Insights' an introduction to the intellectual traditions and debates in Africa, or (2) 'Artificial Intelligence in the 4IR'.

The programmes are available online at <https://ulink.uj.ac.za/>. On successful completion, you will receive an electronic certificate, and this achievement will reflect on your academic record. Both programmes are stimulating and relevant. You are encouraged to complete both programmes, although completion of only one is compulsory. You may choose which one to complete.

11. TIMETABLES

The complete 2026 undergraduate lecturing- and exam (final assessment) timetables, plus semester test dates (if applicable), are available at the following link: <https://www.uj.ac.za/study-uj-and-aid/timetables/>. Other timetable-related documents (e.g., the 2026 timetable formats, faculty contact details, the abridged 2026 academic calendar, and information regarding lecturing timetable switches) are also included.

Personalised lecturing- and assessment timetables are also accessible via uLink after registration. Personalised exam timetables for all relevant exams – i.e., Main, SSA, and Special exams – will be accessible via uLink approximately 3-4 weeks before the start of the relevant exam period.

12. MERIT BURSARIES

Merit and Orange Carpet bursaries will be granted based on final Grade 12 results and will automatically be allocated to your student account. For more information, please follow this link <https://www.uj.ac.za/admission-aid/student-finance/bursaries/merit-bursaries/>

13. TRANSFER STUDENTS

A **Transfer Student** is an applicant who has previously registered for any programme at another higher education institution (whether similar or different to the one being applied for at UJ), or an applicant who had previously registered at another institution for any programme at the same level.

Spaces for transferring students are limited. An official academic record is required, together with the syllabus outline for the module for which credit is requested. Credit transfer requests must be approved by the relevant department where the qualification is registered. Please contact the College // Faculty Office for assistance.

Failure to declare previous studies may lead to your registration being cancelled. The University of Johannesburg reserves the right to verify all applications, and whether applicants have previously been registered at another higher education institution.

14. INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Students who are abroad and will still be in their home countries awaiting immigration documents during the registration period may be allowed to register conditionally under the conditions explained in point 15.

- 14.1 International students who are in South Africa at the time of registration are not eligible for conditional registration.
- 14.2 The Faculty of Science, the Faculty of Art, Design and Architecture, as well as the Faculty of Engineering and the Built Environment, do not allow conditional registrations.
- 14.3 The Division for Global Engagement will be assisting with off-campus clearance from **Monday, 5 January 2026**, and would like to encourage students to make use of the off-campus clearance and registration process. Temporary Residence Visa holders (i.e., Study, Work, Critical Skills Visa, and Relative with an endorsement to study at the University of Johannesburg or Diplomatic Permit), Special Dispensation (i.e., ZEP), need to submit proof of valid medical aid cover, registered and administered in South Africa according to the Medical Schemes Act.
- 14.4 First-time registering students with a Temporary Resident Visa (i.e., Study, Work), with an endorsement to study at the University of Johannesburg or Diplomatic Permit, need to submit certified copies of their passport and // or a valid visa.
- 14.5 Permanent Residence Permit holders, Asylum Seekers, and Refugees with valid permits are required to submit a certified copy of the permit or barcoded ID.

Compliance clearance documents i.e., medical aid and visa, must be uploaded via the registration platform on <https://ulink.uj.ac.za>.

Follow the links below for more information pertaining to document categories to be uploaded:

Visa Full Time Studies	Visa Part Time Studies	Refugee Status
Asylum Seeker	Diplomatic Visa Holders	Permanent Residence
Out Of Seat Clearance		

Should you require any additional assistance, feel free to contact our Internationalisation staff members <https://www.uj.ac.za/admission-aid/registration/> or visit <https://www.uj.ac.za/about/global-engagement/international-students/>.

15. CONDITIONAL REGISTRATION FOR ACADEMIC PURPOSES

Requests for conditional registration are approved by the relevant College // Faculty.

Conditions:

- 15.1 Registration must take place during the formal registration period.
- 15.2 Payment must be received for the applicable registration amount, which includes the non-refundable registration levy.
- 15.3 The conditional registration agreement must be signed (in addition to the standard registration agreement). The document is available on the registration page of the UJ website.
- 15.4 Submission of all required documents.
- 15.5 Where required, the attendance of in-person classes from when classes commence.

Conditional registration will expire, and registration will be cancelled by 31 March 2026, or an earlier date as determined by the Faculty // College. The standard cancellation rules regarding fees will apply. Conditionally registered students are not eligible for placement in UJ residences. Upon full registration, students may be considered for placement in UJ residence, should there be space available.

16. AGREEMENT BETWEEN UNDERAGED STUDENTS (YOUNGER THAN 18 YEARS) AND THE UNIVERSITY

All underaged applicants are required to enter into an agreement with the University before registration can take place.

If you are under the age of 18 on the day you register, you and your parent // guardian must accept the online agreement.

17. ACADEMIC CALENDAR

The University of Johannesburg Academic Calendar may be accessed at the following link
<https://www.uj.ac.za/about/Pages/Academic-Calendar-and-Regulations.aspx>

18. FACULTY / COLLEGE, INTERNATIONALISATION AND GENERAL REGISTRATION SUPPORT

The following registration support is available during weekdays 07:30 – 16:00

- 18.1 Call Centre on 011 559 4555
- 18.2 Online chat or WhatsApp platform www.uj.ac.za // 087 240 6854
- 18.3 Contact details for each Faculty // College // Division can be viewed at
<https://www.uj.ac.za/admission-aid/registration/>

LECTURES WILL COMMENCE ON MONDAY 9 FEBRUARY 2026.

We wish you success with your studies.

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