VAAL UNIVERSITY 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)
Academic: 30 September
Residences: 31 October

Admission requirements for students with N3, N4, N5, and N6:
Refer to our website for admission requirements.

Faculty of Applied & Computer Sciences

Faculty of Management Sciences

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL SCIENCES
Dip: Analytical Chemistry (3 years)

Subjects		Note
NSC endorsement Eligibility for Diploma or Bachelor's degree		
Compulsory subjects achievement level		3 = 40-49%
English	4	4 = 50-59%
Mathematics or	4	5 = 60-69%
Technical Mathematics or	4	
Engineering Mathematics (TVET N4)	60%	
Physical Science or	4	
Engineering Sciences (TVET N4)	60%	
Any other 3 subjects	9	
TOTAL	21 (excl. LO)	

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL SCIENCES
Dip: Biotechnology (3 years)

Subjects		Note
NSC endorsement Eligibility for Diploma or Bachelor's degree		
Compulsory subjects achievement level		3 = 40-49%
English	4	4 = 50-59%
Mathematics or	4	5 = 60-69%
Engineering Mathematics or	60%	
Physical Science or	4	
Engineering Science	60%	
Life Sciences	4	
TOTAL	23 (excl. LO)	

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL SCIENCES
Dip: Agricultural Management (3 years)

Subjects		Note
NSC endorsement Eligibility for Diploma or Bachelor's degree		
Compulsory subjects achievement level		3 = 40-49%
English	4	4 = 50-59%
Mathematics or	3	5 = 60-69%
Technical Mathematics or	3	
Mathematics Literacy	4	
Agriculture/Life Science	3/3	
TOTAL	21 (Mathematics or Tech Maths excl. LO)	
	22 (Mathematics Literacy excl. LO)	

Recommended: Business studies, Economics, Computer Studies, Geography

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SCIENCES
Bachelor of Health Sciences: Medical Laboratory Science (4 years)

Subjects	NSC endorsement		Eligibility for Bachelor degree
Compulsory subjects or equivalent (Standard or Higher grade system)			
	NSC Min. points	HG	SG	Note

Subjects	NSC Min. points	HG	SG	Note
English	4	D	C	3 = 40-49%
Mathematics	4	D	C	4 = 50-59%
Physical Science	4	D	C	5 = 60-69%
Life Science	5	D	C	6 = 70-79%
TOTAL	27 (excl. LO)			7 = 80-89%
				8 = 90-99%

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

DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCES
Dip: Information Technology (3 years full time)

Subjects		Note
NSC endorsement Eligibility for Diploma		
Compulsory subjects		3 = 40-49%
English	4	4 = 50-59%
Mathematics or	4	5 = 60-69%
Technical Mathematics or	4	6 = 70-79%
Information Technology or	4	7 = 80-89%
Mathematical Literacy	6	8 = 90-99%
APS	24 (Mathematics or Technical Mathematics or Information Technology, excl. LO)	
	26 (Mathematics Literacy, excl. LO)	

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

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL SCIENCES
Dip: Environmental Science (3 years)

Subjects		Note
NSC endorsement Eligibility for Diploma		
Compulsory subjects achievemen level		3 = 40-49%
English	4	4 = 50-59%
Mathematics	4	5 = 60-69%
Physical Science	4	6 = 70-79%
TOTAL	21 (excl. LO)	7 = 80-89%
		8 = 90-99%

DEPARTMENT OF APPLIED PHYSICAL SCIENCES
Dip: Non-Destructive Testing

Subjects		Note
NSC endorsement Eligibility for Diploma		
Compulsory subjects achievment level		3 = 40-49%
English	3	4 = 50-59%
Mathematics or	3	5 = 60-69%
Technical Mathematics	3	
Physical Science or	4	
Technical Science	4	
APS	19 (excl. LO)	

Department: Accountancy

Subjects	Financial Info. Systems	Cost & Man. Accounting	Internal Auditing	Note
NSC endorsement Eligibility for Diploma or Degree				3 = 40-49%
Compulsory subjects				4 = 50-59%
Accounting	4	4	4	5 = 60-69%
English	4	4	4	6 = 70-79%
Mathematics or	3	3	3	7 = 80-89%
Technical Mathematics or	3	3	3	8 = 90-99%
Mathematical Literacy or	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

Subjects	Human Resources Management
NSC/NCV(4) endorsement Eligibility for Diploma or Degree	
Compulsory subjects	
English	4
Mathematics or	3
Technical Maths or	3
Mathematical Literacy	4
One other subject	4

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

Department: Logistics and Supply Chain Management

Subjects	Logistics and Supply Chain Management	Note
NSC/NCV(4) endorsement Eligibility for Diploma or Degree		3 = 40-49%
Compulsory subjects		4 = 50-59%
English	4	5 = 60-69%
Mathematics or	3	6 = 70-79%
Technical Maths or	3	7 = 80-89%
Mathematical Literacy	4	8 = 90-99%
One other subject	4	

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	Note
NSC endorsement Eligibility for Diploma or Degree				3 = 40-49%
Compulsory subjects				4 = 50-59%
English	4	4	4	5 = 60-69%
Mathematics or	3	3	3	6 = 70-79%
Technical Mathematics or	3	3	3	7 = 80-89%
Mathematical Literacy	4	4	4	8 = 90-99%
One other subject	4	4	4	

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

APPLICATION STATUS: SELF-CHECK
Go to VUT website – www.vut.ac.za
Click on "admissions new students"
Click on "check status"
Enter your Student or Identification number
Click "submit"

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Diploma: Fashion, Photography, Graphic Design & Fine Art

Subjects

NSCA endorsement
Compulsory subjects

English	4
Mathematics or	2 (30%)
Technical Maths or	2 (30%)
Mathematical Literacy	3 (40%)

Total: 21 (Mathematics or Technical Mathematics, excl. LO)
22 (Mathematical Literacy, excl. LO)

Additional Admission Requirement:
An additional compulsory selection criteria: Practical interview and portfolio submission.

Matric certificate must indicate admission to Diploma

Diploma: Food Service Management

Subjects

NSCA endorsement
Compulsory subjects

English	4
Other 1 subject (Hospitality, Hotel, Tourism, Catering, Accounting, Business Studies & Consumer Studies)	4
Mathematics / Technical Maths or	3
Mathematical Literacy	4

Minimum APS required: 20 (Mathematics or Technical Mathematics, excluding LO)
21 (Mathematical Literacy, excl. LO)

Matric certificate must indicate admission to Diploma
Take note: A branded uniform is compulsory to wear during practicals

Age exemption: Applicants of mature age (23 with grade 12) who do not meet the entry requirements must submit proof of permanent employment in industry, working in an area related to the field of the intended study.

Diploma: Tourism Management

Subjects

NSCA endorsement
Compulsory subjects

English	4
Mathematics/Technical Maths or	3
Mathematical Literacy	4
1 Compulsory subject	4
Tourism, Geography, Business Studies & History	

Total: 20 (Mathematics or Technical Mathematics, excl. LO)
21 (Mathematical Literacy, excl. LO)

Matric certificate must indicate admission to Diploma

Diploma: Public Relations

Subjects

NSCA endorsement
Compulsory subjects

English	4
Mathematics/Technical Maths or	3
Mathematical Literacy	4
Other Language	4

Total: 20 (Mathematics or Technical Mathematics, excl. LO)
21 (Mathematical Literacy, excl. LO)

Matric certificate must indicate admission to Diploma

Diploma: Ecotourism Management

Subjects

NSC endorsement
Compulsory subjects

English	4
Biology / Life Science	4
Mathematics / Technical Maths or	3
Mathematical Literacy	4

Total: 20 (Mathematics or Technical Mathematics, excl. LO)
21 (Mathematical Literacy, excl. LO)

Matric certificate must indicate admission to Diploma

Diploma: Legal Assistance   Diploma: Labour Law

Subjects

NSC endorsement   Eligibility for Diploma
Compulsory subjects

English	5	5
Other Language	3	3
Mathematics/Technical Maths or	3	3
Mathematical Literacy	4	4

Total: 23 (Mathematics or Technical Mathematics, excl. LO)
24 (Mathematical Literacy, excl. LO)

Matric certificate must indicate admission to Diploma

Diploma: Safety Management

Subjects

NSCA endorsement   Eligibility for Diploma
Compulsory subjects

English	4
Mathematics/ Technical Maths or	3
Mathematical Literacy	4

Total: 21 (Mathematics or Technical Mathematics, excl. LO)
22 (Mathematical Literacy, excl. LO)

Matric certificate must indicate admission to Diploma

Diploma: Policing

Subjects

NSC endorsement
Compulsory subjects

English	4
Other Language	3
Mathematics/Technical Maths or	3
Mathematical Literacy	4

Total: 20 (Mathematics or Technical Mathematics, excl. LO)
21 (Mathematical Literacy, excl. LO)

Matric certificate must indicate admission to Diploma

B Ed (Senior Phase & FET Teaching)

Subjects

Compulsory subjects

Language of Teaching & Learning	4
Mathematics/ Technical Mathematics or	4
Mathematical Literacy	6
Physical Science /Technical Science	3

Total: 22 (Mathematics or Technical Mathematics, excl. LO)
24 (Mathematical Literacy, excl. LO)

Matric certificate must indicate admission to Bachelor's Degree

Bachelor of Communication Studies

Subjects

NSC endorsement
Compulsory subjects

English	5
Additional Language	4
Mathematics/Technical Maths or	3
Mathematical Literacy	4

Total: 20 (Mathematics or Technical Mathematics, excl. LO)
21 (Mathematical Literacy, excl. LO)

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 Diploma:	Compulsory Subjects	Minimum for the regular Diploma programme
Chemical Engineering		
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		
Total: (Excluding Life Orientation)		24*

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

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

*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 Diploma:	Compulsory Subjects	Minimum for the regular Diploma programme
Chemical Engineering		
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		
Total: (Excluding Life Orientation)		22**

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

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

**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*-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