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STUDENT SUPPORT

University life is not always plain sailing. While some students settle down quickly and easily, others need a bit of assistance and support along the way. Through the office of Student Affairs, the University can provide assistance of all kinds; free and confidential support from the Counselling Centre, professional and comprehensive primary healthcare from the Health Care Centre and the caring and sensitive warden staff who are ready to go the extra mile to ensure that students are happy and able to focus on their studies.

Some students know where they are headed; others might need a little guidance, whatever the case, students have access to a Career Centre which offers year-round advice and workshops to help students with their future career plans. A well-subscribed Graduate Recruitment Programme runs during the third term where more than 60 national and international employers visit to recruit students. Further details are available in the Academic and Student Support Booklet.



SUBJECTS & FINANCE

LIST OF SUBJECTS:

- Accounting
- Afrikaans & Netherlandic Studies
- isiXhosa
- Anthropology
- Biochemistry & Microbiology
- Botany
- Chemistry
- Chinese
- Classical Studies
- Computer Science
- Drama
- Economics & Economics History
- Education
- English
- English Language & Linguistics
- Environmental Science
- Fine Art
- French
- Geography
- Geology
- German
- History
- Human Kinetics & Ergonomics
- Ichthyology & Fisheries Science
- Information Systems
- Journalism & Media Studies
- Legal Practice
- Management
- Mathematics (Applied & Pure)
- Modern Fiction
- Music & Musicology
- Pharmacy
- Philosophy
- Physics & Electronics
- Political & International Studies
- Psychology
- Sociology
- Statistics
- Zoology & Entomology

DISABILITY SUPPORT

Which students can we help?

- Students with hearing impairments
- Students with mobility impairments
- Students with sight impairments
- Students with learning impairments such as dyslexia
- Students diagnosed with disabilities or chronic conditions that might negatively affect their studies such as Asperger's Syndrome and diabetes

For more information, contact:

Tel: 044 603 8276
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This booklet is a summary of great deal of information. For much more detail, everything you could possibly want to know, go to <https://www.ru.ac.za/admissiongateway>.

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Visit our website: <https://www.ru.ac.za>

Prospective students:
<https://www.ru.ac.za/studentlife>

Download application:
<https://www.ru.ac.za/admissiongateway>



STUDENT FEES:

Fees are set by the University Council during October or November each year; the exact fees will be published in the fees' booklet sent to all students in December.

If you are offered an academic place at the University, you will be asked to pay a non-refundable deposit to book your academic place and residence (if required). The deposit will be credited to your account when you register. Full details of the amount due will be detailed in the letter of offer.



STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS:

Merit Scholarships:

South African NSC Candidates:

APS	Humanities & Commerce	Science & Pharmacy
53 - 56 points	Full Tuition	Full Tuition
51 - 52 points	R35 251	Full Tuition
49 - 50 points	R33 779	R33 779
47 - 48 points	R29 940	R29 940

South African candidates with foreign qualifications calculated on final grade 12 results, no applications required.

APS	Humanities & Commerce	Science & Pharmacy
>=48 points	Full Tuition	Full Tuition
46 - 47 points	R35 251	Full Tuition
44 - 45 points	R33 779	Full Tuition

Sport Scholarships:
Awards are made at the end of each year. The awarding of these is based on the achievements and performance of a student throughout the year. Two Sutherland Old Rhodian bursaries are awarded to first-time entering students.

National Student Financial Aid Scheme (NSFAS):
The NSFAS student-centred means that all applications must be submitted directly to NSFAS online at <https://www.nfas.org.za>.

For further information, please contact:
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4. FACULTIES

1. FACULTY OF COMMERCE:

The Faculty of Commerce offers three degrees at the undergraduate level and comprises four departments: Accounting, Economics, Information Systems, and Management. The faculty prepares its graduates for the leading roles they will be expected to play in their professional lives in the new millennium.

Degrees	Subjects	Fields
Bachelor of Business Science	38-44 (Dean's discretion) 45+ (Provisional offer) English Level 4 (50-59%) Mathematics Level 6 (70-79%)	Computer Science, Economics, Information Systems, Management and Quantitative Management
Bachelor of Commerce (BCom) 3 years	34-39 (Dean's discretion) 40+ (Provisional offer) English Level 4 (50-59%) Mathematics Level 6 (50-59%)	General Curriculum, Accounting, Law, and Inter-faculty
Bachelor of Economics (BEco) 3 years	34-39 (Dean's discretion) 40+ (Provisional offer) English Level 4 (50%) Mathematics Level 4 (50%)	Environmental Economics, Mineral Economics, Social Sciences and Business Sciences
BCoM Extended Studies 4 years	34-37 Mathematics (50%)	Additional Literacy and Numeracy Courses

2. FACULTY OF HUMANITIES:
The Faculty of Humanities is by far the largest faculty at Rhodes University with 11 academic departments and 2 schools, it offers a rich variety of courses within four broad categories.

1. Arts: Drama, Fine Art, isiXhosa, English, Afrikaans, English Language and Linguistics, French, German, Latin, Greek and Chinese
2. Languages: isiXhosa, English, Afrikaans, English Language and Linguistics, French, German, Latin, Greek and Chinese
3. Professional Courses: Accounting, Economics, Information Systems, Management and Quantitative Management
4. Social Studies: Sociology, Psychology, Anthropology, Political Studies, History, Philosophy, Art History and Visual Culture and Classical Civilisation

The Faculty of Humanities offers a very wide range of possible degrees and course combinations. Students can major in Journalism and Politics, Classics and French, German, isiXhosa, Afrikaans or any other language offered or Management and Industrial Sociology or Organisational Psychology. Accounting and Economics are also offered. English or Philosophy, Anthropology, Computer Science and Music, Mathematics, Drama or Linguistics. There are many possible combinations; students are requested to read the rules of their degree programme carefully before applying for admission.

The faculty offers an excellent liberal arts education – an education for life which is formative for any career choice. A liberal arts education provides students with critical reasoning skills, in particular the ability to think logically and rationally, to analyse and evaluate, to organise complex material in coherent ways. A humanities degree enhances students' ability to understand the views of others, to communicate well, to cope with ambiguity and uncertainty, and to work effectively in teams. It allows students to engage with the past and to formative moments of their histories, societies, and their identities. It allows students to enjoy works of art and literature, and to appreciate language and culture above and beyond what is taught in courses or courses which are more immediately career-oriented than the liberal arts education. Specialised degrees in Journalism or Fine Art or Music are offered. However, the Faculty of Humanities offers a wide range of degrees. A liberal arts degree opens worlds; it provides education and not training. As such, it provides students with critical skills and characteristics, which are so important for our individual and national development.



3. ADMISSIONS

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

NSC AND IEB:
The application will only be considered for admissions to the University if the applicant qualifies for a bachelors degree study and the applicant satisfies the University's requirements.

Calculate Your Admission Point Score (APS):

Subject	Points
English Home Language	7,8
isiXhosa Home or Additional Language	7,4
Mathematics or Mathematics Literacy	6,5
Life Sciences	7,5
Accounting	7,2
Life Orientation	0
History	6,9
TOTAL	43,3

Dean's Discretion:
If the applicant does not meet the required admissions point score (APS) of 45+ points for automatic acceptance, you may still be considered for a place at the Dean's discretion. Such placements are usually offered to applicants with an APS of a minimum of 36-44 points with some special conditions (see extended studies programme). It is, therefore, essential to give full information when completing the application form as this information will form part of the discretion-making process by the Dean.

Recommended Subject List:

Accounting, Agricultural Science, Business Studies, Consumer Studies, Dramatic Arts, Engineering Graphics & Design, Economics, Geography, History, Information, Technology, Languages, Life Sciences, Mathematics or Mathematical Literacy, Music, Physical Science, Religion Studies and Visual Arts.

PLEASE NOTE: Some programmes also require portfolios during the application process.



Applicants must note that obtaining the minimum requirements does not guarantee acceptance.

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