

Department of Research and Innovation Support

Information sheet

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Academic year

The academic year comprises two semesters.

Semester 1: January to June Semester 2: July to December

Closing dates for applications of incoming exchange/studyabroad or elective students

Semester 1: 30 September for January the following year Semester 2: 31 March for the second semester in the current year.

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Academic requirements			
Language requirements	The English level required f	or all international	
	exchange students will be:	Test of English as	
	a Foreign Language (TOEF	L). Minimum	
	marks required are: Writing	,	
	Reading: 21,Listening: 27 T		
		otal. 93, tillough	
	the medium of English		
English language course	An English language course		
Areas and subjects evaluate to evaluate	Enquire at patrick.lenahan@		
Areas and subjects available to exchange students	All courses, except selection negotiated between student		
Courses at master's level	Courses can be taken on m		
	depending on each faculty's		
Choosing modules at UP	Each prospective exchange		
	negotiate his/her own subje the relevant academic depa		
	subjects/modules offered at		
	Pretoria (UP) is available at		
	http://www.up.ac.za		
On the top menu of the Home page, click on Study at UP.		Study at UP	
On the drop-down menu, select either Undergraduate or Postgraduate.		Undergraduate/ Postgraduate	
On the left-hand menu, expand Study information.		Study	
and the service of th		information +	
Click on Yearbook information.		Yearbook	
		information	
Select your relevant yearbook and choose your subjects/modules. Please note that you may			
not choose year subjects/modules. Only semester subjects/modules will be taken into			
account for academic credits.			

Credits and grading	Each student will carry a normal study load per semester. Credits obtained will depend on the number of modules prescribed for a specific degree programme.
Grading of credits	Grading values are given in percentages. The minimum pass for each module taken is 50%.
Accommodation	

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	The ISD will assist students in obtaining
Formal UP accommodation	accommodation on campus. However,
	accommodation will be allocated on a first

	and first comed basis and is not	
	come, first served basis and is not	
	guaranteed. Accommodation is situated in Hatfield and the	
	surrounding areas.	
	Exchange students must apply for	
	accommodation via the ISD when applying to	
	study at UP.	
	Accommodation fees will be communicated in	
	due course by Department of Residence	
	Affairs and Accommodation.	
Alternative accommodation	Private accommodation companies on	
	campus will assist students in finding	
	accommodation, should formal	
	accommodation not be available.	
Immigration		
Study visa	As soon as they have been admitted,	
	students must apply for study visas at the	
	South African High Commission in their home	
	countries or nearest neighbouring country.	
Compulsory medical cover	Students must join Momentum Health (Ingwe	
, ,	option) in order for them to be registered.	
	Health insurance or foreign medical cover will	
	not be accepted. Students can apply online	
	at www.ingwehealth.co.za.	
	Medical cover must be paid in advance for	
	the full period for which the study visa is	
	issued. No exceptions will be made.	
General information		
Special orientation programme	The ISD hosts a special orientation	
	programme for all newcomers to UP. It is	
	compulsory for all exchange and study	
	abroad students to attend this programme.	
Estimated living costs	It is advised that students prepare to spend	
	at least R5 000, 00 (ZAR) per month for the	
	duration of their stay.	
Leisure time	South Africa offers a range of activities that	
	people from abroad will enjoy. ISD staff	
	members can assist you in organising field	
	trips, etc.	