



FACULTY OF ARTS & DESIGN

ACADEMIC PLANNING 1st SEMESTER 2025

Dear Design Studies student, welcome to the 2025 Academic Year. We wish you everything of the best in your studies. The following dates give you a broad outline for the First Semester. Other important dates and events will be communicated to you via myTUTOR or in your study guides.

DEPARTMENT OF DESIGN STUDIES			
Undergraduate Programmes			
Qualification Code	Qualification Name	Year	Activities
DPFD19	Diploma in Fashion Design and Technology	1 st Year	<p>03 February 2025, report to the department at 9:00 for orientation and welcome programmes. Orientation is scheduled for 03 – 07 February 2025.</p> <p>Classes commence on 10 February 2025, as per your timetables that will be issued during orientation.</p> <p>Term 1 ends on the 28th of March 2025.</p> <p>Term 2 starts on the 07th of April 2025.</p> <p>Your 1st booster week is scheduled for the 24th to 28th of March 2025.</p> <p>Your 2nd booster week is scheduled for the 2nd to 6th of June 2025.</p> <p>First Semester contact classes will be completed on the 6th of June 2025.</p> <p>The first Semester ends on the 30th of June 2025.</p> <p>Assessments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Internal evaluations are scheduled for the 16th to 20th of June 2025.• Assessments for theory modules will be scheduled during the entire Semester, according to your study guides.



		2 nd Year	<p>Classes commence on 03 February 2025, as per your timetables.</p> <p>Term 1 ends on the 28th of March 2025.</p> <p>Term 2 starts on the 07th of April 2025.</p> <p>Your 1st booster week is scheduled for the 24th to 28th of March 2025.</p> <p>Your 2nd booster week is scheduled for the 2nd to 6th of June 2025.</p> <p>First Semester contact classes will be completed on the 6th of June 2025.</p> <p>The first Semester ends on the 30th of June 2025.</p> <p>Assessments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Internal evaluations are scheduled for the 16th to 20th of June 2025. • Assessments for theory modules will be scheduled during the entire Semester, according to your study guides.
		3 rd Year	<p>WIL 3 placements will take place during term 1.</p> <p>Your placement will start on 03 February 2025, and you will have 8 weeks to complete your 7 weeks of placement until the end of term 1 on the 28th of March 2025.</p> <p>Term 2 classes commence on the 7th of April 2025, as per your timetables.</p> <p>Your booster week is scheduled for the 2nd to 6th of June 2025.</p> <p>First Semester contact classes will be completed on the 6th of June 2025.</p> <p>The first Semester ends on the 30th of June 2025.</p> <p>Assessments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Internal evaluations are scheduled for the 16th to 20th of June 2025. • Assessments for theory modules will be scheduled during the entire Semester, according to your study guides.
ADFD20	Advanced Diploma in Fashion Design and Technology	4 th Year	<p>Classes commence on 10 February 2025, as per your timetables.</p> <p>Term 1 ends on the 28th of March 2025.</p> <p>Term 2 starts on the 07th of April 2025.</p> <p>Your 1st booster week is scheduled for the 24th to 28th of March 2025.</p> <p>Your 2nd booster week is scheduled for the 2nd to 6th of June 2025.</p> <p>First Semester contact classes will be completed on the 6th of June 2025.</p> <p>The first Semester ends on the 30th of June 2025.</p> <p>Assessments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Internal evaluations are scheduled for the 16th to 20th of June 2025. • Assessments for theory modules will be scheduled during the entire Semester, according to your study guides.

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Postgraduate Programmes			
PDDE21	Postgraduate Diploma in Design	Postgrad	<p>17 February:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Postgraduate Diploma in Design face-to-face welcome and orientation takes place on campus on Monday 17 February. Report directly to the Building 25, VISCOM Lecture Hall on Monday 17 February, 9:00. Attendance is compulsory. <p>24 February:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Research Bootcamp (On-campus) 09:00 – 16:00 <p>24 February – 7 March:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bootcamp in person on campus 09:00 – 12:00 <p>10 – 28 March: Research Bootcamp (online) various time slots.</p> <p>31 March – 4 April: TUT recess</p> <p>2 May: Mark 1 Year Modules.</p> <p>20 June: Mark 2 Year Modules.</p> <p>2 – 13 June: Postgraduate Diploma mid-year evaluation.</p>
MDDG20	Master of Art and Design	Postgrad	<p>No, online consultations must be scheduled.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Face-to-face consultations on appointment if required.
DDDG20	Doctor of Art and Design	Postgrad	<p>No, online consultations must be scheduled.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Face-to-face consultations on appointment if required.

