

NELSON MANDELA
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2022

Your guide to
First Year Success

GQEBERHA AND GEORGE



The importance of *Orientation*

Meet your classmates plus
First Year Success Mentor(s)
before your Academic
sessions start.

Equip you with skills to
attain your qualification in
record time!!!!

Get to know the Mandela
campuses, facilities,
environment and understand
university terminology.



Helps you explore all the
different tools and resources
to support you on your
university journey.

You will feel confident
and prepared
to start your
university adventure.



Greater awareness of diversity
will help you to understand and
respect the many different
cultures and beliefs on campus.

You will
build social
relationships
with: Buddies,
peers and staff.



YOUR GUIDE TO **First Year**

2022

IMPORTANT

The way forward

Read this guide before you arrive on campus to have an idea of what to expect.

Contact us

If you are unsure about anything, do not hesitate to call or email us:

Tel: +27 41 - 504 3654/3595

E-mail: Duncan.Estrais@mandela.ac.za OR

Zintle.Magele@mandela.ac.za OR

Litemba.Ndendela@mandela.ac.za

Call Nelson Mandela University Contact Centre on +27 41 - 504 1111 OR

See: Useful contact details @ Nelson Mandela University in this guide

Please note: Registration information can be found in the Registration Guide.



Orientation.mandela.ac.za



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GUIDE TO STUDENT DISCIPLINARY CODE

A student shall be guilty of misconduct if he/she:

- Conducts himself/herself in such a way, which either in fact is, or could be, prejudicial to the good name of the University, the maintenance of order and discipline at the University, or the proper performance of the work of the University;
- Infringes any rule or policy of the University that is applicable to students;
- Refuses to submit to the authority of any legitimate decision of the Council, the Senate, or other authoritative body or staff member of the University;
- Encourages a fellow student to commit any act of misconduct;
- Conducts himself/herself in any other respect in an unbecoming, improper or disgraceful way on any of the University campuses or elsewhere as a student of the University;
- Takes into the examination or test room, or has in his/her possession whilst in the room, any books, memoranda, notes, devices, or any paper whatsoever, excepting answer books, other books, papers or device that have been authorised by the invigilator;
- Aids, or attempts to aid, another candidate or obtains, or attempts to obtain, aid from another candidate or communicates, or attempts to communicate, in any way with another candidate during an examination or test;
- Uses University computers or other equipment in an unauthorised or inappropriate manner;
- Commits an act of plagiarism, including the copying of another student's assignment, or commits copyright infringement;
- Uses, possesses or distributes alcohol on University premises without obtaining the necessary approval from the relevant University authority;
- Uses, possesses or distributes drugs illegally on University premises.

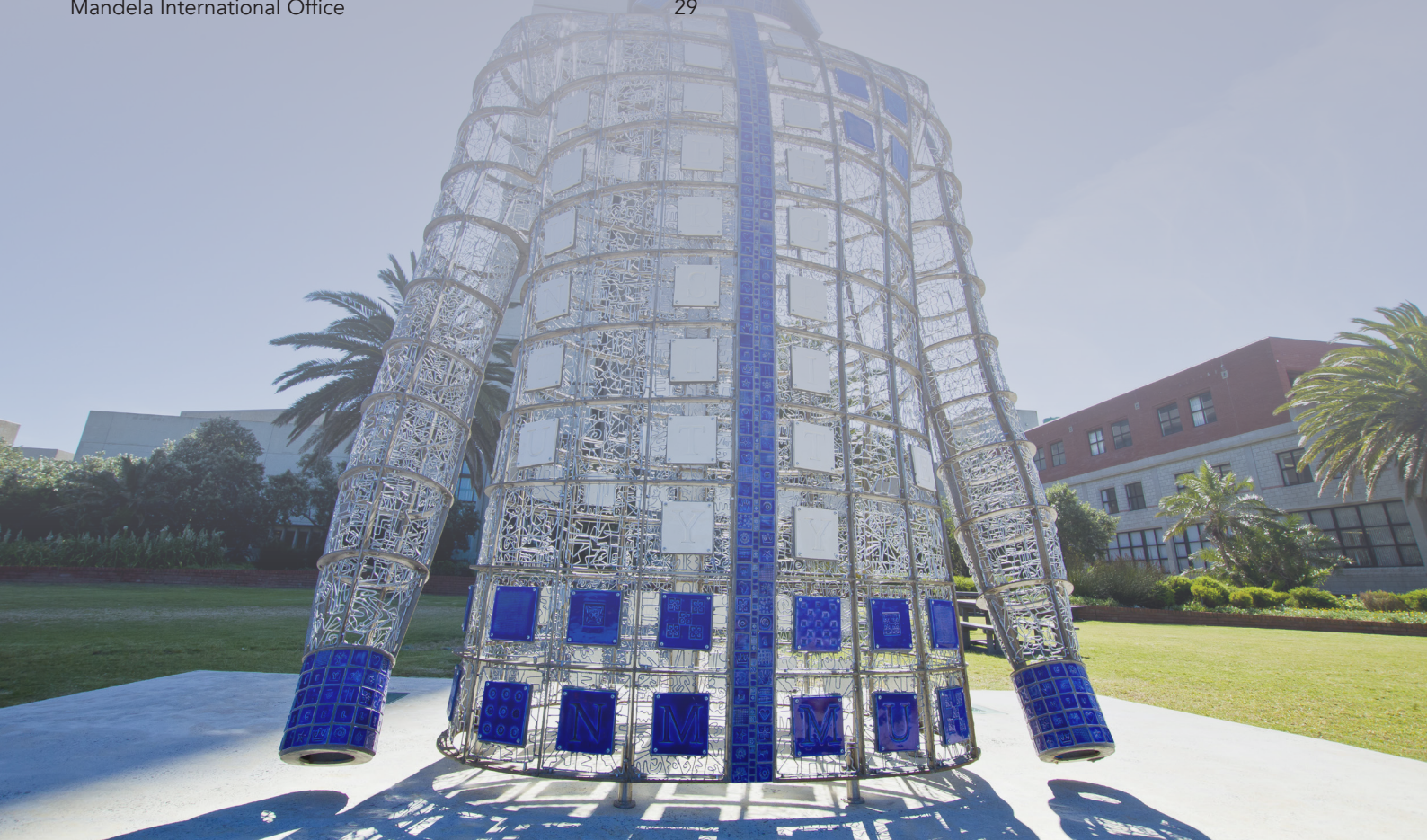
Please visit the link below to view the policy.

<http://studev.mandela.ac.za/studev/media/Store/documents/SRC/3-203-Discipline.doc>

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Message from the Vice-Chancellor

Welcome to Nelson Mandela University – the only university in the world to carry the name of our former President, an internationally renowned statesman and icon, Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela.

Choosing to join us will probably be one of the best decisions of your life.

Here you will find a new world – a different way of life, exciting knowledge, fresh skills and memorable experiences. This is a golden opportunity to discover yourself and the untapped potential lying within you.

It is what our iconic namesake, Nelson Mandela, would have wanted – a chance for you to grow in knowledge, to embrace core values of humanity and to always strive towards creating a better, more socially-just world.

Nelson Mandela University offers you the space to achieve this and more.

Apart from a vast portfolio of academic programmes, outstanding facilities, research, engagement and other opportunities, the University's values of excellence, integrity, Ubuntu, diversity, responsibility, respect for the natural environment and social justice guide all our actions.

**We encourage you
to aspire to these
values and strive to
serve a cause larger
than yourself.**

I encourage you to make the most of the years that lie ahead, for being at a university is a great privilege. I would like to encourage you to participate in all aspects of university life, both within the teaching and learning domain and beyond-the-classroom – in clubs, societies, seminars, public debates, sport, doing voluntary work and participating in the range of programmes and projects we are engaged in in our neighbouring communities and, of course, making new friends.

Ours is a cosmopolitan, international and multicultural university. Take advantage of this by engaging with students and staff from different corners of the earth. Learn from each other and together strive to change the world for the better.

Nelson Mandela University offers a rich and diverse spectrum of academic programmes organised into seven faculties spread across seven campuses in Gqeberha and George. Here, you will find dedicated staff members willing to assist and guide you on your journey from first to final year of study. Our aim is to foster a student-centred learning experience and we encourage you to make full use of the many opportunities at our University.

The University offers a wide range of learning resources – modern library facilities, online networks with vast databases, enrichment and remedial support programmes, student counselling services, tutoring and advisory services. Make full use of these services, ensuring you have optimal support in pursuit of your academic responsibilities.

Make use of this opportunity to acquire a rich educational experience – one that is not only academic but also socially compassionate – for creating a more socially-just, equal society and a sustainable planet for all.

We thank you for entrusting your dreams to us. It's you who make us want to do better, because it's you, our students, who give our institution a human face – through your achievements, and the choices that you make as a result of having been part of the Nelson Mandela University family.

I wish you an exciting journey. Make the most of it and in the not too distant future, I hope to see you on the Graduation stage!



**All the best for 2022.
Professor Sibongile Muthwa
Vice-Chancellor**

Welcome

from the DVC: Learning and Teaching

A warm welcome to students in the Class of 2022

You have every reason to feel proud that you are one of only a few young adults in your age group who has the opportunity to study at university.

However, very soon you will discover that there's a big jump from being a learner in Grade 12 to being a student at Nelson Mandela University. One of the most important challenges you will have to master is adjusting to how learning works at university and the greater independence that is required of you, which comes along with the responsibility to exercise your freedom of choice wisely.

Nelson Mandela University is deeply committed to equity and redress in terms of access to university studies and equity of outcomes. As a result, the university has adopted an "access for success" approach and has a number of mechanisms in place to broaden access and enhance success. Nelson Mandela University's approach to student success has its roots in a 'student lifecycle approach'. Consequently, student support and development is linked to the main stages of the student lifecycle, namely:

- Pre-entry advice and career/programme guidance
- Admissions, registration and transition
- Negotiating the first year of studies
- Progressing and thriving through the study programme
- Preparing for the world of work and life in the 21st century.

While a number of development and enrichment opportunities, activities and programmes are provided to students across all years of study, Nelson Mandela University intentionally focuses on growing your success in the first year of your studies, in order to lay a firm foundation on which you can build. Among the activities that we offer first years are:

1. A First Year Success@Mandela transition programme, offered before lectures start, to help you to settle into your academic studies and become part of our campus communities. So, choose to participate in this programme.

2. In keeping with our "online first approach" to student support and development, we have a range of resources and videos on websites such as <http://orientation.mandela.ac.za>; <http://counselling.mandela.ac.za> or click on the Academic Success section of the Keys to Success site on the Student Portal: <http://academicsuccess.mandela.ac.za>

3. An important component of effective learning in the 21st century and for you to develop as a lifelong learner is to expand the way that you use technology to enhance your learning. This involves more than just learning to use a device (e.g., smartphone, tablet, and laptop) effectively. Being a digitally literate citizen involves, for example, developing competence in searching for and reading online articles and reports; using digital reproduction to create new, meaningful materials from existing ones; constructing knowledge from a nonlinear, hyper textual navigation; evaluating the quality and validity of information; and having a mature and realistic understanding of the "rules" that prevail in the cyberspace (Eshet-Alkalai, 2004, p. 93).

Nelson Mandela University has many ways to assist you in developing your digital literacy. For example, all our programmes include a computer literacy module and our Library and Information Services offer a range of opportunities to both enhance your information literacy and to develop and maintain academic integrity when navigating sources and resources in cyberspace. Please approach these modules and opportunities as being critically important to your development as a 21st-century citizen and not as being something that is on the margins of your university studies and thus unimportant.

“It is what we make out of what we have, not what we are given, that separates one person from another.”

Nelson Mandela

4. Peer learning opportunities such as Supplemental Instruction (SI), tutorials, mentoring, the First-Year Success programme, and the peer helper initiative, provide you with small group learning experiences facilitated by trained senior students. As first-year classes are often large, some of the most meaningful learning happens when you meet in small groups with your peers.

5. As you progress through your studies, grab hold of opportunities to develop yourself holistically both in your learning programme as well as in co-curricular activities outside of the classroom (e.g., get involved in student societies, leadership development, sport, being a peer learning facilitator, community engagement projects, and so on). Nelson Mandela University has a unique Co-curricular Record (CCR) in which the learning outcomes that you develop through co-curricular activities is formally acknowledged.

This means that when you graduate you not only have a transcript of your formal academic activities, but you also have one of your co-curricular learning, which can enhance applications for jobs, prestigious scholarships, and so on. Equally important is the fact that co-curricular activities help you to develop into the best person that you can be. You need to take responsibility to build the entries on your CCR from your first year onwards, aligned to aspects that you want to develop in yourself.

For you to get maximum benefit from your time at Nelson Mandela University, you need to play an active role by:

- Taking responsibility and being accountable
- Attaining a sense of belonging to the Nelson Mandela University community/communities
- Being open to personal growth and purpose development
- Contributing to dynamic learning opportunities
- Navigating your learning.

You are at the start of a very exciting moment in your life's journey. Good luck! Make the most of it.



Professor Cheryl Foxcroft
DVC: Learning and Teaching



from the **First Year Success@Mandela Team**

Coming to university for the first time is often an exciting, life-changing experience. However, it can also be challenging and stressful. The transition usually involves major changes, like leaving friends and family for the first time, getting to grips with a new course and discovering new ways of doing things, as well as facing new expectations.

As a new university student, you are expected to work independently; you also need to adjust to university teaching methods and to the university-level academic environment, which may be significantly more challenging than your previous educational experiences. In addition, some of you will have to adjust to new living arrangements. It is for some of these reasons that the first year is widely recognised as the most challenging year for a student.

It is therefore normal to experience some difficulties while adjusting to your new life at university. However, we have put strategies in place to assist you in negotiating a successful transition to the demands of higher education. These strategies are devised to help you to identify resources for learning effectively, establish relationships with fellow students and lecturing and professional support staff, improve your academic and life skills, which are necessary to succeed. Respected researchers in first-year transition have found that students who attend transition programmes are more likely to stay in their courses, and also perform better academically.

The First Year Success@Mandela programme for first-year students is the first of these strategies to help you on your new journey. NB! The programme is much more than showing you where the places are!

The programme will help you manage the new challenges you will be faced with, how2 succeed at university, and so on. We have academic, wellness, social, cultural and sports events planned for you. It is compulsory to attend all academic events and highly recommended that you attend the others.

On your arrival, you will be assigned to a How2 Buddy. The How2 Buddies are senior students who have navigated the path before you, and have been carefully selected and trained to assist you in small groups through your transition.

This programme is only the start of activities designed to help you adjust successfully in your transition to university. Your How2 Buddy will also “buddy” you for the first term.

The First Year Success@Mandela programme is a crucial kick-off for you. We hope you will make full use of this important opportunity.

Enjoy your university experience. We wish you every success in your studies!

Warm Regards, The First Year Success Team



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Students with concerns should contact their faculty or use the following links or email addresses for assistance:

TRACK YOUR ADMISSION STATUS

<https://www.mandela.ac.za/Study-at-Mandela/Admission/Admission-dashboard>

RESIDENCE ADMISSIONS STATUS

<https://studenthousing.mandela.ac.za>

FINANCIAL AID & BURSARIES

<https://finaid.mandela.ac.za>

NSFAS PORTAL

<https://www.nsfas.org.za/content/>

INTELLIMALI

<https://www.intellimali.co.za>

OFF-CAMPUS STUDENT HOUSING

<https://ocho.mandela.ac.za>

MY FUTURE AT NELSON MANDELA UNIVERSITY

<https://myfuture.mandela.ac.za>

FIRST-YEAR SUCCESS ORIENTATION PROGRAMME

<https://orientation.mandela.ac.za>



- **Financial Aid:** FinancialAid@mandela.ac.za
- **Pin/Password/Student Number Verification:** helpdesk@mandela.ac.za
- **Student Housing:** resadmissions@mandela.ac.za
- **Off-Campus Student Housing:** offcampus.accommodation@mandela.ac.za
- **General Enquiries:** info@mandela.ac.za
- **Orientation Programme:** orientation@mandela.ac.za



<https://orientation.mandela.ac.za>

Gqeberha Campus

Numbers You Might Need

Accounts (Payments & Queries)

Cashier (M)	041 504 1287
Cashier (N)	041 504 3224
Cashier (S)	041 504 2513
Cashier (2nd Ave)	041 504 3838
Student Accounts (S)	041 504 4364

Arts, Culture & Heritage

Main Office	041 504 2508
Student Societies (S)	041 504 4551

Biokinetics Centre	041 504 2603
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Access and Enrolment

Office (North Campus)	NO OFFICE
Office (South Campus)	041 504 4993/ 4811/1504
Office (Missionvale Campus)	041 504 1018
Office (George Campus)	044 801 5194

Student Health Services

South	041 504 2174
North	041 504 1149
Second	041 504 3762
Missionvale	041 504 1373
George	044 801 5125

Contact Centre	041 504 1111
George Contact Centre	044 801 5111

Universal Accessibility & Disability Services (UADS)	041 504 2313
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George Campus	044 801 5041
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Emergencies (all hours)

Security (North)	041 504 2342
Security (South)	041 504 2482/ 2009 (9999 from campus)
Security (N)	041 504 3636/3483
Security (2ndAve)	041 504 3710
Security (M)	041 504 1231/1439
Security (Bird Street campus)	041 504 4785
Security (Ocean Sciences)	041 504 4948

Assessment and Graduation

Office (North Campus)	041 504 1000
Office (2nd Avenue Campus)	041 504 3876
Office (Missionvale Campus)	041 504 3216/ 2105
Postgraduate Office (North Campus)	041 504 9968/ 4326/3326

Financial Aid Office

Bursaries (NSFAS)	041 504 9971
Bursaries (Non-NSFAS)	041 504 9926
Bursaries George Campus	044 804 5130
Busaries Missionvale Campus	041 504 1242

Career Services

South	041 504 2619
North	041 504 3540
Info Desk	041 504 2208

Help Desk: ICT Queries	041 504 3000
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Library

General enquiries (S)	041 504 2294/4315
General enquiries (N)	041 504 3410
General enquiries (2nd Ave)	041 504 3851
General enquiries (M)	041 504 1269
George Campus	044 801 5151/5152

Mandela International Office	041 504 2161
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Sport

Madibaz Sport Front Office	041 504 2165
Facilities Consultant (S)	041 504 2555
Sport Manager (M)	041 504 1244

Emthonjeni -

Fountain of Student Wellness

South Campus	041 504 3229/2700
North Campus	041 504 3894
Second Ave Campus	041 504 3857
Missionvale Campus	041 504 1235
George Campus	044 801 5047
Higher Health 24hr Tollfree	0800 36 36 36 or
Mental Health Helpline	SMS 43336
Suicide Emergency Lines	0800 21 22 23 (08:00-20:00) /

	0800 12 13 14 (20:00-08:00) /
	0800 567 567 or sms 31393

Substance Abuse	0800 12 13 14 or SMS 32312
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Cipla 24hr Mental Health Helpline	0800 456 789
Gender-based Violence Support	0800 456 789 or SMS for call back *120*7867#

Life Line (Counselling available 24/7) or www.lifelinesa.co.za	0861 322 322
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Student Records	041 504 4699
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Student Systems, Records and Registration

Gqeberha Campuses	041 504 3229/2700
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Student Interests: SRC	041 504 2681
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Student Entrepreneurship Service Desk	041 504 4371
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George Campus Numbers You Might Need

Concerns	Contact person / resource	Telephone
General enquiries	Willize Venter: Reception, Admin Building	044 801 5111
Registration queries	Elise Labuschagne: Mopani - Faculty of Science Nonkululeko Nokhepheyi: Mopani - Faculty of BES & EBET	044 801 5048 044 801 5566
Account queries	Stacey Swigelaar: Admin Building Zandile Mpange; Admin Building	044 801 5098 044 801 5053
Residences	Khululwa Mvango: Outeniqua (Female res) Anathi Masebeni: Stinkwood Residence (Male res)	044 801 5034 044 801 5136
Off Campus Accommodation	Theo Barnes - Kiepersol	044 801 5139
Communication & Stakeholder Liaison	Monica Tshangana: Admin Building	044 801 5081
Medical services	Sister Mietjie Kock: George Clinic Doctor visits on Thursdays	044 801 5062
HIV/AIDS Counselling	Antoinette Piet: George Clinic	044 801 5126
Private patients	Contact Mediclinic, York Street	044 803 2000
Outpatient services	George Provincial Hospital Municipal Clinics	044 874 5122 044 874 9215
Van Schaik's Contact Details	Van Schaik George Campus Shop 1, Maroela House Email: Henriet.kostopoulos@vanschaik.com Van Schaik CBD Courtney Street, PreCap Centre	044 801 5088 087 106 7360/61/62
Academic problems	Contact your Director of School (DoS) or Programme Co-ordinator Management Sciences: Dr. Takalani Ramukumba B.Com: Catherine Fourie Natural Resource Management: Dr. Anton Schmidt	044 801 5561 044 801 5572 044 801 5575 044 801 5043
Emthonjeni - Fountain of Student Wellness	Emthonjeni - Fountain of Student Wellness: Room 014, Mopani The Emthonjeni - Fountain of Student Wellness office provides student counselling services on the George Campus. Appointments can be made through Ms Ilona Joshua on 044 - 801 5047 or by e-mailing Ilona.joshua@nmmu.ac.za	044 801 5051

Counselling services include personal, study, life-skills and career counselling.

All counselling interviews are private and confidential.

There is a Career Resource Centre where career and bursary information is available.

Development services include leadership training, academic skills, new student orientation, life skills training, career skills and personal development.

Concerns	Contact person / resource
Academic and financial administration	Staff from the financial and academic administration departments are available to assist with queries.
Transport	There is a bus service between town and George Campus, see notice boards for details. This service runs regularly during the day.
Refreshments	Regular meals and snacks can be bought from the dining room or cafeteria – either using a prepaid account or on a cash basis. Catering queries can be directed to the catering manager, Mrs Wilma Windwaai on 044 801 5032 . Arrangements to deposit funds into the meal account should be made through the Finance Office, Zandile Mpange on 044 801 5053 .
Accommodation	The main residences on campus are, Outeniqua (women), Kalander (female), Kamassi (male), Umdoni (male), Phoenix (male) plus a number of houses that are used for student accommodation. The residence managers can be contacted for further information on 044 801 5034 (ladies) and 044 801 5136 (males) . The residence managers assisted by the House Committee, look after student needs.



Student finance	Students are responsible for financing their own fees. Limited bursaries and study loans are available. For more information contact Natasha Thorne at the Financial Aid office on 044 801 5130 .
Library	The library is open from 07:30-20:00 Mondays to Fridays and 09.00-13.00 on Saturdays. Librarian: Kenny Tshukudu, on 044 801 5151/5152 . A student card must be presented to access the library.
Computer facilities	There is 24-hour computer access which is monitored by security. To access these facilities, a student card must be presented. Additional ICT information can be obtained from Rethabile Khamali 044 801 5044 or Rethabile.Khamali@mandela.ac.za

Student life

Interests	Contact person / resource
Student societies and life	An excellent way to make friends and develop your knowledge, skills and experience is to join one of the many student societies or clubs. These are run by students for students and are open to all students who subscribe to the specific aims of the society. If you wish to know more about a particular society, contact the society leaders or Student Affairs, Ms Noxolo Nombembe, on 044 801 5058 . Watch the notice boards for news of societies' activities.
Sport on campus	All George Campus students are members of the sports club which gives them access to all the sports facilities. Students are encouraged to participate in sporting activities for the sake of their physical well-being, to develop leadership skills and to meet fellow students. Contact the Sport Officer Hugo Loubser on 044 801 5037 or Mr Mthunzi Hewu on 044 801 5179 for further queries.

Societies and clubs

Societies	
Revamp	Karaoke
The influencer	TRIBE
ABASSA	Bcom society
This girl wins	Pool society
Sisterhood	Forestry association
Expressive rhythm	DJ society
TASA	Choir
Seventh day Adventist	Methsoc
Book it	Agriculture society
Hope church	Chess
Marketing	SCO
Entrepreneur development society	George sustainable timber systems
Discover life	Green campus forum
Political Societies	
SASCO (South African Student Congress)	
DASO (Democratic Alliance Student Organization)	
Effsc (Political Society)	



2022 Academic Year

What you need to know



#2022 AY



Dear *Students*

We look forward to welcoming you as you start your studies at Nelson Mandela University in 2022. From **24 January** our First-Year Success (FYS) Buddies will be engaging with you online. The FYS Orientation programme will start from **31 January** and lectures will start on **14 February 2022**.

You probably have many questions about whether you need to attend all your classes, tutorials, lab and studio work, etc. on campus, or if some of this can be done online.

A *Safe Campus* Environment

The good health and safety of all our staff, students and publics remains a paramount guiding principle.

We are committed to ensuring a safe and successful academic year during the coronavirus pandemic.

National alert level regulations require everyone to mask-up, practise physical distancing and to sanitise their hands.

Likewise, the University must adhere to COVID-19 compliance regulations, which include ensuring our venues conform to ventilation requirements, physical distancing expectations and all other hygiene protocols. We also limit the number of academic activities on campus to safely support students and staff.

Vaccinations are the leading prevention strategy

to protect students and staff from COVID-19 and to help end the pandemic. Vaccinations are now

widely available at no cost and there are vaccination sites on our campuses.

We strongly encourage everyone to take up the opportunity to be vaccinated as this fosters a safer campus environment for everyone.

The good health and safety of all our staff, students and publics remains a paramount guiding principle.

**GET
YOUR**



VACCINE

As we continue to learn to co-exist with the pandemic, the University has established a consultative team to develop a framework to guide our decisions, inclusive of vaccination advisory measures, to continue to foster a safe environment and ensure a successful start to #2022AY.

In turn, students will be asked to commit to COVID-19 requirements before accessing campus. By doing so, students will be committing to behaving in safe ways and adhering to COVID-19 health and safety protocols.

Study Delivery Differs from Programme to Programme

In general, some programmes will be fully online, while others will be a blend of content taught online and in person mask-to-mask and experiential learning (e.g. lab and studio work, practical sessions, and clinical training) being mask-to-mask on campus or in the workplace.



Where a programme only delivers learning online, students do not have to come onto campus. This means that these students can learn remotely (e.g. from home or a student residence, see Online Requirements box) and they will be provided with learning and psychosocial support.



Where a programme requires mask-to-mask on-campus sessions, these students must be living on or around the campus where their programme is offered in Gqeberha or George. It is thus important that these students make the necessary accommodation arrangements.

Your faculty will notify you if you are required to attend on-campus activities or if you can learn remotely online. You can also check this yourself by selecting your faculty below and then finding your programme to see if you must attend on-campus mask-to-mask activities or if you can learn online.



#SaveLives as we **#Start2022AY**



Find your Programme

by selecting the appropriate faculty from the list below:



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- ☒ Business and Economic Sciences
- ☒ Education
- ☒ Engineering, the Built Environment and Technology
- ☒ Health Sciences
- ☒ Humanities
- ☒ Law
- ☒ Science

Return-to-campus Protocols

Reminder for students coming to campus:



Wear your mask



Show and scan your student card



Show results of self-screening



Your temperature will be taken

Online Learning Requirements & Support

Students who learn **online** will need a:

- Laptop or desktop computer
- Smartphone
- Reasonably stable connection
- Place to study to effectively learn online from home (remotely).



Students who do not have access to all of **these** will need to be in Gqeberha or George to use the University's general and specialised computer labs and Wi-Fi on campus and in on- or accredited off-campus student residences, so that they can engage in online learning.

Registration



Students can get all registration-related information [here](#).

You will get your student card after registration

Furthermore, first year students can access details regarding our orientation programme [here](#).

Stay informed



Lastly, I would like to encourage you to stay in touch with us. Visit the **Nelson Mandela University website**, the **coronavirus webpage** and **social media platforms** for regular updates and to check your student email for communication from the University.



Professor Cheryl Foxcroft, DVC: Learning and Teaching



Ultimate READY4UNI GUIDE



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ALL PACKED?

Are you ready and packed to go? We are excited to meet you. Let's make sure you have everything you need before you say your goodbyes and head over our way:

- **Certified copies:** Matric certificate, ID, any qualifications
- **Proof of university acceptance** (and residence if applicable)
- **Accommodation** (studenthousing.mandela.ac.za)
- **Funding** (finaid.mandela.ac.za)



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WHERE TO?

All set? It is important to know your next step. Have you heard of the First-Year Success Programme? Contact the FYS-team and get connected to FYS Buddies (senior students) who are trained to get you started. Check out our Orientation website for useful resources:

- **Drone footage:** Orientation.mandela.ac.za
- **FYS video:** <https://youtu.be/Wbtw7i4kPz4>
- **FYS social media platforms**



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HAPPY LANDING

A bit anxious? We have put together an Orientation programme that will have you ease most of those anxieties and get you ready for your Uni career.

- **Get connected with your FYS buddy**
- Findit.mandela.ac.za
- **Download First-Year Guide** from our website and Faculty programme



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OH! THE PLACES YOU WILL GO

WELCOME! Plans? Here is what is coming up:

- **Welcoming Ceremony**
- **FYS Programme**
- **Know yourself and others**
- **Campus Festivals**



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FIND YOUR WAY

Are you settling in and is Nelson Mandela Uni feeling like home yet?

Remember your FYS Buddies are a whatsapp text away. Missed FYS Orientation? Email the FYS team on Orientation@mandela.ac.za - they will link you to a FYS buddy ASAP .



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YOU'RE READY TO GO

Now that you know how to read your timetables, where to find what books, know how to navigate around campus, Uni lingo, the shuttle stop and so much more: you're good to go for first day of lectures.

We wish you all the best for your studies.

Safety and Security at Nelson Mandela University

While the University does its best to ensure your safety on campus, you also have a role to play. Be watchful of your belongings, do not display valuable items in public and take precautions to avoid placing yourself at risk.

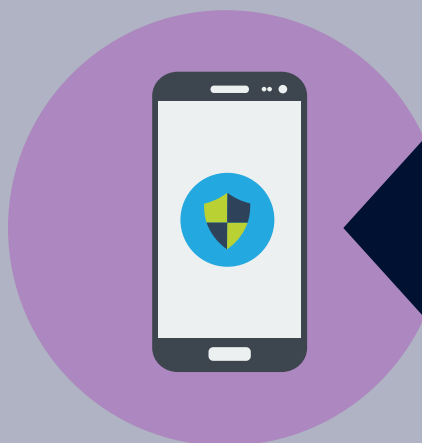
Theft is the most common crime on campus. The best means of prevention is to reduce or remove the opportunity.

Criminals are particularly interested in students, since students tend to have expensive laptop computers, cell phones, iPods and other gadgets – and all of these things are light, portable and very easy to sell and convert into cash. So, don't make yourself a vulnerable and easy victim.

Nelson Mandela University is fully committed to maintaining a stable and safe environment to allow students to study with peace of mind. Take care.

The campus has security personnel on duty around the clock. If you feel threatened by anyone or witness anything suspicious, call the central control room on 041-504 3483 or 2009 from any internal campus telephone, 041-504 2482 on South Campus, 041-504 4785 at Bird street Campus, 041-504 3710 at 2nd Avenue Campus, 041-504 4948 at Ocean Sciences Campus, 041-504 1231 on Missionvale Campus and 044-801 5114 at George Campus. There is also an anonymous Crime Line on 041-504 9998.

The MEMEZA! (meaning SHOUT!) Yellow whistle campaign is an anti-gender-based violence initiative to improve our safety. Get your yellow whistle from the libraries and campus clinics.



Save emergency numbers on your phone

Central Emergency Line: 041 504 2009 (Gqeberha)
Security: 044 801 5138 (George)

North Campus:	041 504 3636/2342
South Campus:	041 504 2482
Missionvale Campus:	041 504 1231
2nd Avenue Campus:	041 504 3710
Bird Street Campus:	041 504 4785
OMARR (Control Room)	044 801 5183
Main Gate	044 801 5114
24/7 Toll Free	0800 801 911
Whatsapp Crime Line:	064 178 3343

The 24 hours crisis helpline operated by Lifeline: 0861322322 or www.lifelinesa.co.za



Education's
purpose is to
replace an
empty mind
with an
open one.

Malcolm Forbes

Guidelines from the

First Year Success@Mandela Team

How to help your son or daughter succeed

Here are specific things you can do to help your son or daughter achieve academic success:

Encourage them to attend the first-year orientation programme. Events in this programme provide a critical link between high school and first-year university and are designed to help first-year students build a support network, access campus resources and understand the intellectual expectations of university. Research indicates that students who participate in orientation programmes settle into university life more quickly than those who don't.

Encourage them to treat academic efforts like a full-time job. If a full-time student can commit to a 35 to 40-hour academic week (hours in class and hours spent studying), he/she increases his/her likelihood of being successful. Research has shown that students who see university as a part-time job do not fare as well.

Share the idea that intellectual work can be fun. University is a major responsibility, but it is also an exciting opportunity for students to experience new ideas. Encourage your son/daughter to take courses that interest him/her. Lecturers and student counsellors can assist in finding courses that both fulfil the requirements for the degree/diploma and spark the student's intellectual curiosity.

Share that attending class is the first and most important component of student success. Irrespective of whether or not a lecturer has an attendance policy, it is of vital importance that all lectures are attended. Some courses have very specific attendance requirements that affect the student's year mark. University is expensive and students should strive to get their money's worth from the experience.

Encourage him/her to get involved in campus activities since this helps them to network, build relationships and develop leadership skills. This also improves their marketability in terms of future employment.

Encourage him/her to develop an attitude for success. A positive attitude will add considerably to the student's success. Parents have significant influence over the new university student's sense of self-confidence and self-worth. To maintain your son's/daughter's confidence, your communications with him/her should always be encouraging.

Encourage him/her to seek help from the Financial Aid Office should additional finance for studies be required.

Encourage him/her to identify problem areas at an early stage and to seek help to overcome them. Typical examples of problems are:

- Stress experienced from feeling overwhelmed
- Adapting to a new learning and living environment
- Homesickness
- Feeling lonely before friendships and activities become established
- Difficulty managing money
- The challenge of dealing with new-found freedom
- Remind your son/daughter about the importance of attending orientation!



Glossary

Getting to grips with university jargon

As you start university, you will be confronted with a whole new vocabulary – words like semester, DP and VC. To make things easier, we've compiled a glossary of terms to help you understand what's happening around you.

For a more comprehensive list please go to Information and Tools on the student portal.

AS	Applicant Score – points allocated to your school subjects for admission to tertiary institutions
BA	Bachelor of Arts degree
BCom	Bachelor of Commerce degree
BSc	Bachelor of Science degree
BTech	Bachelor of Technology degree
Credit	The recognition obtained when a student passes examinations or tests to comply with conditions needed for completion of a qualification
Dean	Head of a faculty
DP	Duly performed certificate – some academic departments have minimum requirements for course work and class marks, before you are allowed to write the exam. If you have achieved these minimum requirements, you “get” a DP – usually indicated on a class list posted on a notice board before exams start
DVC	Deputy Vice-Chancellor - those who are second in charge. Nelson Mandela University has three of them
Faculty	A collection of schools and departments focusing on similar fields of study e.g. Faculty of Science
Faculty administrator	Assists with registration, cancellation of modules
First Year Success (FYS) Orientation Programme	First Year Success (FYS) Programme welcomes the student before their journey begins and then links students up with appropriately trained senior students who support them in the initial year of their journey by providing direction and support
HOD	Head of Department – in charge of a specific academic department
MBA	Master's degree in Business Administration
Module	A self-contained unit of learning that forms part of the course
NSFAS	National Student Financial Aid Scheme, a loan scheme to enable students to borrow money for their studies
Postgraduate	What you become when you complete your degree
Registrar	Responsible for student administration and institutional governance
RPL	Recognition of Prior Learning, the acknowledgement of the knowledge a student possesses as a result of prior learning
Senate	The body that governs academic policies and procedures in respect of teaching, learning, research and academic functions
Semester	First half of the academic year
SRC	Student Representative Council
Undergraduate	If you are doing your first degree, diploma or certificate
VC	Vice-Chancellor, the highest managerial position of a tertiary institution

Mandela University Campus specific Virtual Tours and Faculties



Click on the links below to start your virtual tour ...



GEORGE CAMPUS

<https://georgecampus.mandela.ac.za>

MISSIONVALE CAMPUS

<https://missionvale.mandela.ac.za>



2ND AVENUE CAMPUS

<https://2ndave.mandela.ac.za>

NORTH CAMPUS

<https://is.mandela.ac.za/Campuses/North-Campus>



OCEAN SCIENCES CAMPUS

<https://oceansciences.mandela.ac.za>

SOUTH CAMPUS

<https://is.mandela.ac.za/Campuses/South-Campus>



NELSON MANDELA UNIVERSITY FACULTIES

Faculty of Humanities: <https://humanities.mandela.ac.za>

Faculty of Business & Economic Sciences: <https://business.mandela.ac.za>

Faculty of Education: <https://education.mandela.ac.za>

Faculty of Engineering, the Built Environment & Technology: <https://ebet.mandela.ac.za>

Faculty of Health Sciences: <https://health.mandela.ac.za>

Faculty of Law: <https://law.mandela.ac.za>

Faculty of Science: <https://science.mandela.ac.za>



[LINK TO CAMPUS MAPS & MAPS BUDDY](#)



Nelson Mandela University In Brief

Nelson Mandela University, a new generation university whose students are nicknamed Madibaz, is named after one of the greatest men of the modern era, Nelson Mandela, popularly known as Madiba.

We'd like to think we share many of the former president's greatest attributes – integrity, honesty, leadership and a zeal for developing our great multicultural nation.

Our Vision

To be a dynamic African university, recognised for its leadership in generating cutting-edge knowledge for a sustainable future.

Our Mission

To offer a diverse range of quality educational opportunities that will make a critical and constructive contribution to regional, national and global sustainability.

Our Values

- Diversity
- Excellence
- *Ubuntu*
- Social justice and equality
- Integrity
- Environmental stewardship

Our enthusiasm at Nelson Mandela University lies in laying the groundwork for life-long learning, by providing you with a first-class education. Nelson Mandela University wants to help you reach your full potential and assist you in making your dreams and aspirations become a reality.

You are one of over 28 000 students spread across six campuses, five of which are in Gqeberha and the other in George. We have seven faculties, tip-top facilities and offer a lifestyle that is the envy of many.

Reasons to be proud

We pride ourselves in:

- Being the only South African university situated in a nature reserve
- Having internationally-recognised quality programmes
- Offering academic support programmes
- Personal, career and academic assessment
- Having renowned partnerships with local, national and international companies and other universities
- Being multicultural. Nine per cent of our student body come from outside South Africa
- Producing graduates who are sought-after the world over.

Diversity

Excellence

Ubuntu

Social justice
and equality

Integrity

Environmental
stewardship

What we can do for you.

Gqeberha & George Services

Accommodation

On-campus accommodation

You have chosen to live in well-resourced, professionally staffed, homely accommodation located on a premier site next to the sea. Here you will meet students from a variety of backgrounds and be challenged intellectually, culturally and in the sports arena. Expect to learn a variety of new and exciting skills which will enhance your personal development. Our university residences are a haven for hardworking, diligent, creative and progressive young people. For any queries concerning fees, catering and other concerns, please contact the Residence Admissions and Placements office or visit our website for more exciting and current updated information.

STUDENT HOUSING		
Central Admissions Office	For All Residence Enquiries & Applications	041 504 1415/16 041 504 3690
Campus	Name of residence	Contact numbers
South	Claude Qavane (Xanadu) (first-year males) Solomon Mahlangu (Unitas) (senior males) Sarah Baartman (Melodi) (first-year females) Lilian Ngoyi (Veritas) (senior females)	Manager: 041 504 4547 041 504 2405 041 504 2402 041 504 2485
	Renaissance Postgraduate Student Village (mixed gender)	Manager: 041 504 3941
North	Charlotte Maxeke (Lebombo) (Junior females) Hector Pieterse (Letaba) (Junior males)	Manager: 041 504 9107 Manager: 041 504 3049
	Sanlam Student Village Sanlam Student Village Indwe (Senior females) Ikamva (Senior males) Sol Plaatje (Protea) (mixed gender)	Manager: 041 504 4506 Manager: 041 504 4746 Manager: 041 504 3572
Second Avenue	Yolanda Guma (Oceana) (separate housing for males & females)	Manager: 041 504 3839
George	Residence Halls	Manager: 044 801 5034
	Residential Houses	Manager: 044 801 6136

Call the relevant Manager for general enquiries or visit our website: mandela.ac.za/studenthousing

Off-campus accommodation

Students requiring off-campus accommodation may call:		
Campus	Contact person	Contact numbers
Gqeberha	E-mail: offcampus.accommodation@mandela.ac.za	Tel: 041 504 4735/6 Fax: 041 504 9661 082 416 3673 (emergencies)

Arts, Culture and Heritage Department

South Campus: 041 504 2508

George Campus: 044 801 5098

Arts and Culture is a vibrant unit that makes a substantial contribution to the enhancement of your university experience, contributing to your holistic development and enrichment of campus life. The department provides you with the opportunity to express your talents by joining a wide range of interactive, cultural and active societies. These societies are diverse and include performing arts, dancing, music, drama and choirs.

Campus Health Service

South Campus: 041 504 2174

North Campus: 041 504 1149

Missionvale Campus: 041 504 1373

Second Avenue Campus: 041 504 3762

Medical assistance is available on your campus. When you are not feeling well or are in need of information about any health-related issue, visit Campus Health Services. A comprehensive primary health care service is available, on every campus. Various free services are available e.g. HIV testing and treatment, contraceptives, etc. All services are provided by registered health care professionals. Please phone the numbers above to make an appointment to consult with us.

Student Success

Our vision is

- To align with your success story.
- To challenge you, the student, to develop your academic strategies and behaviours in order to become confident, independent and successful graduates.
- To create learning communities that will connect and help you grow further in your success journey.
- To support you through different training programmes such as Supplemental Instruction(SI), First Year Success Buddy, mentoring and tutoring, and providing continuous support through our Keys to success programme.

Your story matters! Contact us: Ronelle Plaatjes
North Campus, R-Block, Room 110,
Ronelle.Plaatjes@mandela.ac.za 041 504 9055

Co-Curricular Record

While in university, it is important to not only achieve your goals related to your academics, but also to develop yourself in ways that will help you be a potential employee that employers want to hire. You are encouraged to develop yourself in 16 key areas believed to be traits attractive to employers, both locally and globally.

Whether it be through campus leadership positions like First Year Success Buddies, BtC and Res Mentors or involvement in experiences like societies or community involvement sites, co-curricular activities provide opportunities in which you can develop these key skills. Additionally, you can receive formal recognition for the learning achieved through these out-of-the classroom activities with the Co-Curricular Record (CCR). The CCR serves as a companion to your Academic Record and formally acknowledges your participation in approved co-curricular activities, including the learning outcomes achieved through participation. It is never too early to start developing yourself for your future career. For more information on the CCR, please contact Kim Elliott at kelliott@mandela.ac.za

Contact Centre - 041 504 1111

info@mandela.ac.za | mandela.ac.za

This one-stop information hub will handle enquiries on study programmes for prospective and current students, support admissions processes, registration support, student account enquiries, information on exam rules, venues and dates and time, graduation support, student orientation, student records and general university and faculty support in directing enquiries to the correct department or employee.



Financial Aid

The Financial Aid Office is there to assist students financially. Not all students qualify for assistance and financial aid is granted on the basis of certain financial and academic criteria. If you would like to apply for financial aid, please visit one of the following offices:

FINANCIAL AID OFFICES

Campus	Office	Telephone
North	New Admin Building	041 504 3096
Missionvale	Building G38	041 504 1242
George	Finance Office	044 801 5098/5563

Do you know about our Scholar Merit scheme?

Scholar merit is an automatic award. It is based on your final Matric or National Senior Certificate results and is calculated according to a point system. For enquiries please phone the Financial Aid offices or visit our university website (mandela.ac.za) for further information pertaining to bursaries & our student merit awards.

Questions about your student fees or account?

If you are not sure about the financial status of your student account, please visit the Student Fees Accounts department. Make sure you have checked the due dates for payment of accounts and cancellation of modules.

How does not paying your account affect you?

- You may not be allowed to re-register
- Your exam results / diploma / degree may be withheld
- Your account may be referred to external debt collectors with costs
- You may be evicted from residence.

Financial planning

Ensure that you have sufficient money on arrival as your bursary might not cover certain expenses such as food, transport and rent. You must have cash for services like printing and photocopying throughout the year. Please read all documentation sent to you by the Financial Aid office. If you are unsure about anything, please contact them. It is important to come prepared.

Career Services

Career Services offer:

- Law Recruitment Programme annually during April
- Computer Science and IT Careers Fair in March, which targets computer-related qualifications
- Careers Fair, which gives an opportunity for students from all disciplines to interact with employers during week two of semester two

- Graduate Recruitment Programme (February - April and July until mid-September)
- Accounting and Law day, specifically for Accounting and Law students, in July/August
- Part-time jobs which are offered throughout the year to undergraduate students
- Bursaries provided by the companies are advertised through the office
- Job Placement
- Work Integrated Learning / Experiential Learning Placement (for students to complete the compulsory experiential learning/work-based component of academic programmes)
- Service Learning Placement
- Work Preparedness Training.

Offices	Contact person
South Campus - Main Building (opposite the cashiers)	041 - 504 2951
North Campus – R block, room 12, Co-operative Education and Service Learning	041 - 504 3540



careerservices@mandela.ac.za
careerservices@mandela.ac.za



<http://careerservices.mandela.ac.za>



Nelson Mandela University: Career Services



https://www.instagram.com/NMU_CareerServ/



https://twitter.com/NMU_CareerServ



[linkedin.com/in/career-services-nelsonmandela-university-aa3539209/](https://www.linkedin.com/in/career-services-nelsonmandela-university-aa3539209/)

HIV/AIDS Unit

South Campus

Director: Dr Rosemary Chimbala Kalenga 041 504 2344

Admin assistant: Anri van der Merwe 041 504 2876

The unit strives to be recognised for its leadership role in driving a sustainable comprehensive response to mitigate the health, and socio-economic impact of HIV & Aids on students, staff and the broader community through governance, teaching and learning, research, community engagement and service provision.

Programmes developed, supported or facilitated by the unit are informed by evidence-based research and have a comprehensive approach encompassing the domains of prevention, treatment, care and support. Local and international students are encouraged to enquire about and become involved in the various research projects that the unit undertakes.

Missionvale Campus
Library



Library and Information Services

South Campus: 041 504 2281

North Campus: 041 504 3410

George Campus: 044 801 5004

Second Avenue Campus: 041 504 3851

Missionvale Campus: 041 504 1269

Business School: 041 504 2044

Nelson Mandela University has six libraries, five of which are situated on the Gqeberha campuses, and one on the George campus.

All registered students and staff at Mandela are entitled to free membership of the Library and Information Services (LIS). Students must present their student cards annually at the Circulation Desk to register as library users.

Registered library users have access to the following services at all libraries:

- Short loan collection of books, articles and class notes that are in high demand
- Study collection with multiple copies of prescribed textbooks
- Inter-branch loans of library material between the different campus libraries
- Interlibrary Loans (This service is only available to registered masters and doctoral students and staff)
- Computer work stations for accessing Online Library Catalogue, full-text electronic databases and online journals
- Assistance with and training in finding information for assignments and research
- Self-service photocopiers/printers and areas for reading, studying, group discussion, viewing and listening.

A range of Library and Information Services Guides, Posters and the Library Website (library.mandela.ac.za) provide further information about services, facilities and information resources.

Mandela International Office

South Campus

Tel: 041 504 2161

Building 87, South Campus

international@mandela.ac.za

international.mandela.ac.za

Nelson Mandela University is home to more than 1500 international students from over 60 countries around the world. The majority of international students are from the African continent.

Nelson Mandela University's Mandela International Office (MIO) is on South Campus. Its main objectives are to comprehensively internationalise the University and to bring the benefits of internationalisation to local students and the local community by establishing mutually beneficial partnerships with like-minded universities across the globe.

One of the strategic imperatives of the MIO is to increase the international footprint of the university, with an emphasis on African engagement but also the expansion of our student recruitment initiatives and partnerships across the globe. All this is done to build global links for our university, add to Nelson Mandela University's diversity and provide both our local and international students with opportunities to extend their academic, research and social networks.

The MIO assists international students and visitors during their time at Nelson Mandela University. Main services offered by the MIO include:

- International student admissions
- Documentation for visas and visa renewal
- International student orientation
- International student finance
- Liaison with faculty, residences and departments on behalf of international students
- Assistance with academic and wellness support
- Intercultural functions, engagement and excursions
- Community engagement

Study abroad opportunities for South African students

The MIO provides study abroad opportunities to South African second- to final year students registered at Nelson Mandela University. Opportunities are provided to students to enrol for one semester abroad at a partner university. For more information contact international@mandela.ac.za or visit the Office for International Education.

Peer Helping

Peer helping is based on the well-researched fact that students often seek out their friends when they experience concerns, frustrations, or when they have to make decisions. The Peer Help Programme equips carefully selected and trained students to further develop and refine their natural helping skills. Peer Helpers get trained and supervised to provide listening, understanding and support to fellow students (their peers) – and to refer them to available resources. They are also provided with opportunities to organise and implement a range of psycho-educational initiatives in decision-making on matters such as life-style enhancement, career development and employability, as well as learning and academic skills. The ultimate aim of Peer Helping is to assist students in creating beneficial living and learning environments, making their university life as meaningful and enjoyable as it is meant to be!

As a first year student you can benefit from the support provided by Peer Helpers, enquire from the following offices:

Missionvale Campus: 041 504 1106

North Campus: 041 504 3222

South Campus: 041 504 2511

Second Avenue Campus: 041 504 3854

George Campus: 044 801 5047

Sport

"Success in Sport, Success in Academics, Success in Life"

While the primary function of Nelson Mandela University is academic, the value of the holistic development of students and establishing of a culture of participation and competition is central to the institution's focus on the well-being of students.

Madibaz Sport offers a wide variety of competitive and recreational sport programmes for students and staff, as well as for the wider University community. These provide opportunities to participate in sport and recreation ranging from informal and social games for fun and enjoyment, to highly competitive leagues where skills are tested against the best in the province and country. In addition, through the various high performance programmes coordinated by the Madibaz High Performance Complex, Nelson Mandela University plays a major role in the process of developing elite and potentially elite players.

Madibaz Sport provides club members with excellent sport facilities, scientifically-based coaching programmes and organisational and administrative support.

For an application form or more information contact the Madibaz Sport (formerly the Sport Bureau) at:
Gqeberha: 041- 504 2165 or George: 044 – 801 1511

Emthonjeni - Fountain of Student Wellness

George Campus: 044 801 5051 / 801 5168 / 801 5047

South Campus: 041 504 2511

North Campus: 041 504 3222

Second Avenue Campus: 041 504 3854

Missionvale Campus: 041 504 1106

Who are we?

We are professionally qualified and experienced Student Counsellors who are registered psychologists and educators. Our team also includes supervised national and international graduate interns-in-training. A team of Peer Helpers (students trained in communication and helping skills) is also available to support you.

We offer you:

- A free, private, confidential, individual professional counselling service
- Numerous group programmes presented in collaboration with your lecturers, other staff and Peer Helpers and packaged in relation to: academic issues, career choice and planning, wellness and personal, social and emotional concerns
- An Orientation Programme for new students
- A variety of self-help pamphlets, web-based materials and DVDs on most of the topics mentioned above.

Student Governance and Development (SGD)

North Campus: 041 504 3229

South Campus: 041 504 3351

Second Avenue Campus: 041 504 3894

Missionvale Campus: 041 504 1235

George Campus: 044 801 5029

This department contributes towards the holistic development of students. Its core functions are the training and development of student leadership, the coordination of student life and events and supporting student governance structures such as the Student Representative Council (SRC). All students are invited to join a society of choice; the societies are categorised as academic, religious, developmental and political.

BtC – Beyond the Classroom Leadership Development

BtC – Beyond the Classroom Leadership Development Student Governance and Development (SGD) believes that all students, (not just those who hold formal leadership positions) are potential leaders.

This unit offers workshops that assist in the development of creative, independent, community-minded students who will contribute towards a positive living and learning community and assist in the creation of a vibrant student life and experience at the university. Join the Beyond the Classroom (BtC) Leadership programme which starts early in March. Contact Deidre.Potgieter@mandela.ac.za for further details.

Annual Nelson Mandela Convention - as part of its agenda embraces youth development from the NYP framework point of view and therefore, the initiative is a reflection of annual gathering of young people in youth development spaces and Higher Education spaces to engage on key pillars that contribute to youth development index. The purpose of the initiative is to open dialogue among youth and ensure policy initiatives and programs that reflect co-ordinated strategy for empowerment of youth in general. For more information please contact Mr Bernard Sebake on (041) 504 3351, email Bernard.Sebake@mandela.ac.za

Student Entrepreneurship Service Desk:

Assists students to embrace an entrepreneurial ethos through practical evidence, which happens through entrepreneurship workshops, symposiums throughout the year and provides students with business opportunities both on and off campus to deliver graduates with practical understanding of the socio-economic challenges in the society and add value. For more info visit the Desk at North Campus K-project building, email entrepreneurship@mandela.ac.za or contact Karen Snyman 0415043561.

Universal Accessibility & Disability Services

South Campus: 041 504 2313

E-mail: disability@mandela.ac.za

Embizweni, ground floor, office number 57

Nelson Mandela University would like to ensure that students with disabilities do not experience unfair discrimination due to their particular challenges. This unit strives to ensure that reasonable accommodation, reasonable adjustment concerning accessibility, examinations and other academic concessions are made to meet your needs. Services currently available include portable devices for recording of study materials and enhancing quality of hearing devices, on-loan wheelchairs for hard-to-negotiate areas, special work areas in the libraries and general computer laboratories equipped with magnification and scanning software, and a wheelchair-friendly vehicle to assist with specific transportation needs.

As every case needs to be individually assessed, please register your special needs with the university's Universal Accessibility & Disability Services as soon as possible, preferably the year prior to registration and application. At your first appointment you will need to provide medical documentation from an appropriate professional. The goal of the consultations between students and the Universal Accessibility & Disability Services is to identify the impact of disability on the student and to maximise opportunities for independent participation.

We offer:

- Confidential, professional individual consultation sessions
- Workshop and information sessions for students
- A link to support organisations and networks relevant to your disability
- Training on assistive devices and software.

Familiarise yourself with the Policy on Persons living with Disability, copies of which are available at this unit or on the Portal. Bursaries for students with disabilities are available on an annual basis, upon application through the Financial Aid Office.

Supplemental Instruction

All faculties and George campus:

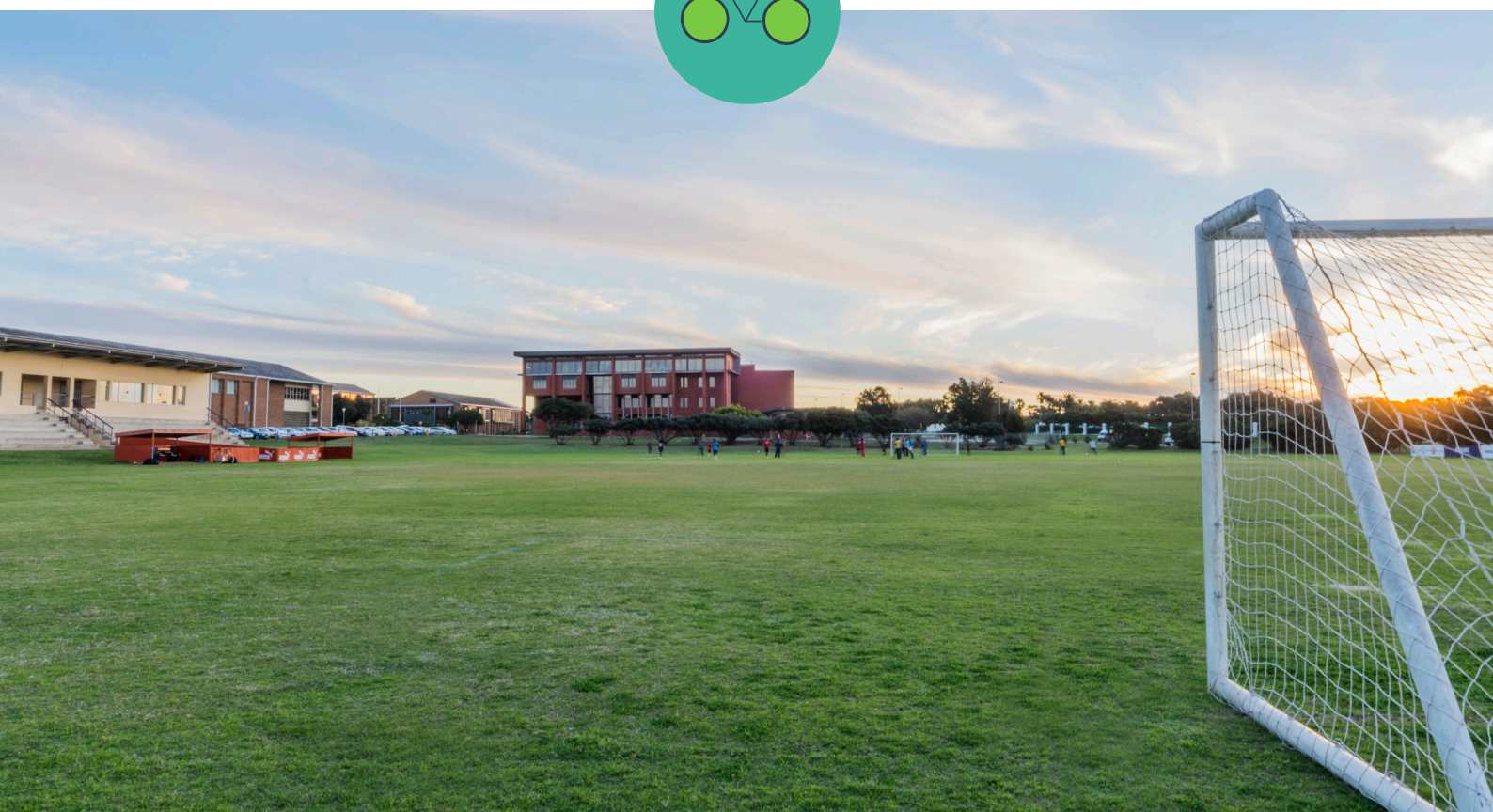
Liesl Smith: 041 504 2118

What is SI?

SI is a student academic assistance programme that increases student performance and retention. The SI facilitators are senior students themselves, who have successfully completed the course concerned. They offer regular, out-of-class, peer-facilitated sessions after attending the lectures. The programme is offered to all students in the selected courses, predominantly at first-year level.

Where is it offered?

SI is currently only available in selected courses at the South, North, Second Ave, Missionvale and George campuses. Departmental notice boards and lecture announcements will tell you where to find your sessions. For more information please visit: <https://si.mandela.ac.za/>





The University Shop corporate gift and clothing store

Sanlam Student Village (Main Store):

shop@mandela.ac.za or 041 504 4371

Mon - Fri 09:00 - 15:30

Missionvale Student Centre:

shopmv@mandela.ac.za or 041 - 504 1369

Tue - Thur 11:00 - 13:00

The University Shop is a project of the Alumni Association and was established as a brand development tool. By wearing Nelson Mandela University branded items, students, staff, alumni and friends can show their affinity and support for the institutional brand. You can visit the one-stop shop for all University branded clothing, bags, folders and stationery. The best sellers include hoodies, backpacks, caps, golf and t-shirts and pens.

Writing Centres

South Campus: Room 12, Building 10, Lower Ground Floor: 041 504 2686. Linda.Mostert@mandela.ac.za

Room 14, Building 10, Lower Ground Floor: 041 504 2927.
Writing respondents

Second Avenue Campus: Room 015, Building 410: 041 504 3773. Gino.Fransman@mandela.ac.za

George Campus: Room 003, Mopani Building, Saasveld Road: 044 801 5105.

Shann.Kieswetter@mandela.ac.za

Missionvale Campus: Room 0108, Building 512, 0415041275.
Andile.Mhlahlo@mandela.ac.za

Consultants in the Writing Centres work with your

lecturers on the teaching and learning of the different kinds of writing as well the audience, purpose, structure and style of each.

Once they have agreed a writing development strategy with your lecturer, you can phone or email them for an appointment or can email your draft writing to them for advice and feedback.

To email your draft to them, go to your Student Portal and click on their logo to get to the website. At the bottom of the first page, click 'Fill in the registration form' and, after completing the form, upload your draft (with your lecturer's instructions).

Writing Centres do not offer an editing service. If you need an editor, there is a list of editors (with details of how much they charge) on our website.





Student Success Coaching 2022



One-on-one
high impact
connection



Enhancing
your strategic
academic skills
for success



Helping you
to navigate
academic
challenges



Connecting you to
relevant academic
and support
programmes

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.....
{ Your success is in **your hands** }

To contact your Student Success Coach, email: LearningDevCoaching@mandela.ac.za

Sexual Harassment

Nelson Mandela University is committed to providing a safe environment with mutual respect and free from all forms of discrimination and harassment, including sexual harassment. Sexual harassment means any unwanted or unwelcome, implicit and/or explicit sexual advances (non-verbal, verbal, physical, etc.) which are offensive and distressing to a person. The Sexual Harassment Policy outlines the procedures to deal with sexual harassment complaints by staff and students in a fair and sensitive manner, ensuring that it stays confidential. Anyone who experiences sexual harassment is encouraged to express his or her complaint without fear of prejudice.

Where to go for help:

The Campus Health Service on your campus:

South 041 504 2174
North 041 504 1149
Second Ave 041 504 3762
Missionvale 041 504 1374
George 044 801 5062
Vuyo Ngcofe, GBV case coordinator, *51842
Vuyo Ndita, GBV counsellor, *51742

tme.mandela.ac.za/sexual-harassment
E harassment@mandela.ac.za

Gender-Based Violence

Gender-Based violence encompasses the spectrum of abuse directed at individuals and groups based on their specific gender role in society. It is experienced disproportionately by women and is perpetrated predominantly by men. Women and girls are the most at risk and most affected by gender-based violence. However, boys and men can also experience gender-based violence, as can sexual and gender minorities. Regardless of the target, gender-based violence is characterised by the use and abuse of physical, emotional, psychological and/or economic power and control. It is well documented that the consumption of substances (e.g. alcohol, drugs) can diminish self-control and exacerbate aggression, and act as catalysts for acts of gender-based violence. Gender-based violence on campus manifests in the following ways:

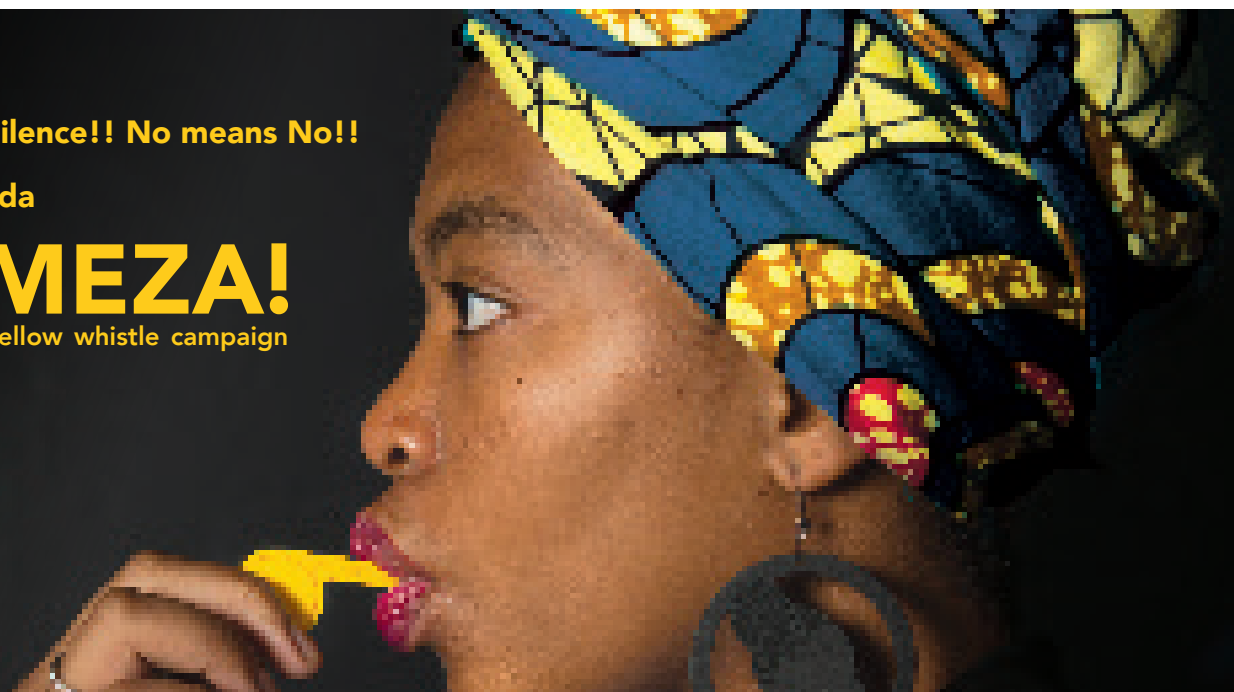
- Grading or rating of appearance by verbal comment, or wolf whistling, or other noises;
- Stalking and repeated, unwanted requests for dates;
- Derogatory comments, including in relation to people's gender non-conformity;
- Rape; Sexual assault;
- Physical assaults by intimate partners, or against individuals perceived as gender non-conforming;
- Requests/demands for sex in exchange for improved marks, accommodation in residences, or other needs and benefits;
- Spying, or intruding upon women in residences while bathing or dressing;
- Streaking and flashing;
- In abusive relationships, preventing, or interfering with, a partner's studies, including withholding fees; and
- Murder by an intimate partner.

Break the silence!! No means No!!

#IAmAmanda

MEMEZA!

yellow whistle campaign









Get the most out of Studying

Avoid **distractions**

Before you start studying, find a quiet space where you won't be disturbed.



Use **study groups** effectively

Groups help make new concepts easy to understand, assist in completing assignments quickly and the students help teach each other.



Review **notes and class material** regularly

Successful students review what they've learned regularly in the effort of making new concepts easier to understand. After making notes, keep your work organised—have a system.



No two people learn **the same way**

We all learn differently and over time you will find study techniques and strategies that suit you.

Avoid **procrastinating**

Procrastination leads to rushing and rushing is the number one reason for mistakes.



Set **specific goals**

Setting study goals to work towards will give the study session a sense of direction and ultimately make the session more productive.



Plan when to **study**

Successful students schedule specific times throughout the week for studying - and they stick to it! **Keep your eye on assignments and test dates.**



Don't **cram**

It is important to remember that if you want to be successful, you should avoid cram sessions but have short, regular study sessions.



Pre-read the **material** before lectures

This is the first step in studying. It helps you familiarise yourself with terms used in class and helps you gain a basic understanding of the topic. It helps you follow the lecture more easily.



ONLINE LEARNING REQUIREMENTS AND SUPPORT KIT



1



Access to a laptop/desktop computer/smartphone.

Reasonably stable connectivity and sufficient data.



STAY CONNECTED

2



3

A quiet place to study and to effectively learn online from home.



4

A comfortable chair, headsets, notebook and an online calendar.

An online folder/storage to save and keep your study notes/material safe.



5



6



Lastly, have study snacks and take study breaks. You don't wanna sleep while studying.

getdigiready: Become Digitally Literate

<http://getdigiready.mandela.ac.za/>

<https://myfuture.mandela.ac.za/>

If you are an unregistered, but admitted first year or senior student, you are strongly encouraged to participate in the academic activities until you are able to register. In this way, you will not fall behind with your studies.

Keeping up with your Lectures

Go to Physical or Online Class Prepared

"Always have a plan and believe in it. Nothing happens by accident" - Chuck Knox, NFL Coach

1. Pre-read ahead of class to help you follow the lecturer and lecture content more easily. This is also the first step in the study process.
2. Use a file/binder to keep notes organised. Pages can be removed for later review and handouts can be inserted for cross-referencing.
3. Read assigned material and previous class notes. Make notations about material or concepts you don't understand. Look up unfamiliar vocabulary to make understanding easy.

Improve Your Listening Skills

"Learn how to listen and you will prosper even from those who talk badly" - Plutarch (A.D. 46-120)

1. Start by entering the classroom with a positive attitude. Approaching lectures with a positive attitude allows you to be open-minded and enables you to get the most out of the information presented.
2. Make a conscious effort to pay attention. Concentrate on concentrating.
3. Switch off your phone at the start of a lecture. Being offline for 40 minutes won't kill you.
4. Adapt to whatever direction the lecturer takes. Try to stay present even when the lecturer digresses from the main topic. "Zoning out" makes you lose out.

Take Effective Notes

"Learn, compare, collect the facts" - Ivan Petrovic Pavlov (1849—1936)

1. Start each new lecture on a new page. Date and number each page.
2. Write on one side of the paper.
3. Leave blank spaces for comments.
4. Bring highlighters to class. Highlighting notes will help remind you of their importance later.
5. Develop a system of acronyms, abbreviations or symbols that you can use at your own discretion.
6. Note all unfamiliar vocabulary.
7. Summarise or paraphrase your notes as much as possible.

Pay Close Attention to Content

"There is a great difference between knowing a thing and understanding it" - Charles Kettering (1876—1958)

1. Knowing what and how to write down is sometimes difficult. Rely on details, facts, explanations and don't forget examples that are mentioned. One should also pay attention to information that is repeated by the lecturer or words that have been spelled out or emphasised. Listen to the lecturer's tone of voice for emphasis.

Review and Edit Your Notes

"Ideas won't keep; something must be done about them" - Alfred North Whitehead (1861—1947)

Reviewing your notes is an important part of note-taking and essential to increasing your learning capacity. It is advised, by accomplished academics, to review notes within 24 hours of taking them. Going over your notes regularly will help increase and maintain memory retention.



1 Schedule

Set aside a schedule . Mark all fixed commitments such as class attendance and tutorials. Add in study time for each day, and then for research, projects and assignments.

2 Use a Planner

A planner can be an effective and easy way to help you organise your time. Enter your daily lecture timetable. Make use of your diary to plan for the year. Enter main events such as Exams, Assignments, Tests and Sport Fixtures, etc. You will need to plan your time every week.

3 Avoid Marathon Study Session

A couple of hours each day will help you to remember more than 8 hours at once. Schedule your study time over 5-6 days instead of packing it into 1-2 days.

4 Be Flexible with your time

Relax and enjoy the extra time you discovered. Spare some time for recreational and co-curricular activities such as sports, hobbies and interests.

Tips for Time Management



My Student Budget Planner

Tips to budgeting the Randela way

Step 1 Monthly Income

Family Support	
Student Loans	
Wages	
Savings	
Other	
TOTAL	R

Step 3 Direct Expenses

Accommodation	
Meals	
Books and Supplies	
Entertainment	
Other	
TOTAL	R

Step 2 Grants

Bursary	
Scholarship	
NSFAS	
TOTAL	R

Step 4 Remaining Balance

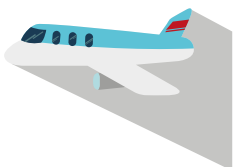
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See the link below for the online fee estimation:
mandela.ac.za/Academic/Courses-on-offer/Career-study-fields

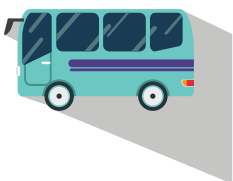




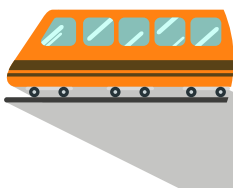
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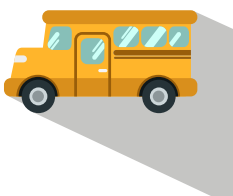
The Chief Dawid Stuurman International airport is about a ten-minute drive from the University. You can get to the campus by shuttle or cab. Find the numbers for different cab services below.



The main long-distance bus services travelling to Gqeberha are Translux, Greyhound, Intercape and City-To-City. They all stop at Greenacres Shopping Centre and the train station in the city centre. You can travel from Greenacres to Nelson Mandela University with a public bus, by cab/UBER or by mini-bus taxi. From the train station, you can take a public bus or mini-bus taxi, which can be found right across the road from the station.



The Algoa Bus Service as well as a mini-bus taxi service runs from the Norwich Terminal across the road from the train station. Alternatively, you can take a cab or UBER.



A mini-bus taxi service runs from Greenacres Shopping Centre to the University, between 07:30—18:00. They will transport you to the city centre (Norwich Terminal), where you transfer to a different mini-bus taxi that will take you to the University.

Campus Shuttle Service

The Nelson Mandela University offers a shuttle service which runs through Summerstrand all the way to places like Kariega in an effort to make the University more accessible to everyone. Shuttles are available at South, North, Second Avenue and Missionvale campuses and run on a specific timetable.



Parking discs will be handed out during Registration

Cab Services

Air Taxi: 0822113874; Beach Cab: 0834761079;
Sisa: 0764260145; Hunter Cabs: 0415855500

Shuttle

Blunden 0414514803; Van Rensburg Shuttle Services 0415834435 or 0836543242. Alternatively, enquire at the Info Centre at the airport.

Algoa Bus Service

0414041200 or 0801421444 - Free call for timetable information

Troubleshooting guide

(With some fun and some serious causes and solutions!)

PROBLEM	POSSIBLE CAUSE	SOLUTION
Nervous about being at varsity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not sure if I'll make it; not sure what to expect I'm the first person in my family to come to varsity Don't know anyone 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attend First Year Success Programme; find your First Year Success buddy; go to Emthonjeni – Fountain of Student Wellness See above Join How2 to make friends quickly; add us on Facebook or follow us on Instagram.
Missed orientation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What's orientation??? Not cool to attend orientation Got better things to do Not registered yet Was busy with Admission or Financial Aid Did not have bus/taxi fare I have a part-time job; had to work No place to stay yet Couldn't find the orientation venue 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contact the orientation team; inbox us. WHAT???!? Ja, surfing 101 will help you pass! Get moving! Join a group asap Find out about late orientation Heard of swapping shifts? Should've planned ahead? Ever heard of asking?
Failed a test, module or exam	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What test??? Were we writing today? Didn't attend most lectures Turned up at wrong venue Allocated too little time to study Didn't understand the work Didn't have the right notes Don't have a good study method Babalas (SA slang for hangover) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use your free University diary - write in it! This is not a correspondence university – attend class Make sure you know the venue, join the campus tour in How2! You can't watch every series ALL the time ... Attend time management workshop - see Keys to Success on Student Portal Talk to lecturer; Join SI; form study group; talk to mentor or buddy It's high time you got organised Attend note-taking workshop Attend study workshop - see Keys to Success on Student Portal Zero sucks!
Missed a test or an exam	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Oops! Had the wrong date/time Sick Grandma was sick Test clashed with your hot date Huh? No teachers to remind me? My cat went missing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Double check ahead of time Provide medical certificate Sorry, no excuse Score points with g/friend - but how will that help you pass Chem 101? You're a big boy now! Use your diary 0 sucks, hey!
Missed lectures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eish, 7:45 is too early! Not an important subject 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Partying until 03:00 the night before is not an option Get up earlier All subjects are important. Attend all classes!
Feeling homesick	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No friends Different culture Missing Mama's food Missing my boyfriend 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Join How2 to make friends quickly Talk to a student counsellor Attend Homesickness Workshop Join a club or society Attend Diversity Workshop You'll survive ... Absence makes the heart grow fonder
Don't have the finances to pay for the rest of my course	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Course fees don't come cheap Did not make provision long ago Parents do not have the means 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pop in at Financial Aid for assistance Get a loan or bursary, or a part-time job
Didn't do well in assignment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wasn't sure what to do Oops, didn't know I was supposed to reference Didn't know lecturers subtract marks for late submission Academic terminology not clear – haaibo, can't lecturers speak plain English? Lost course outline 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Speak to your lecturer ahead of time Visit the Writing Centre Plagiarism is a BIG no, no! Read referencing rules – see Infowise Get organised! Use your free University diary Talk to other students or SI Leader Read, read, read ... Being organised contributes to success
Don't know what to expect in tests/exams	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Didn't attend lectures Lecturer was vague about test 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Speak to lecturer, buddy, mentor or seniors Get hold of old question papers (library or intranet)

PROBLEM	POSSIBLE CAUSE	SOLUTION
Don't understand section of the work	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Didn't attend class · Lecturer doesn't explain the work properly 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Life's tough, hey ... attending lectures is your job, old chap · Consult lecturer & other students · Attend SI · Prep for class - pre & post read
Don't know where to find notes on the university intranet	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Don't know how to use the intranet or the university portal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Attend How2 · Ask lab assistant for help
Didn't get a DP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · What's a DP? · Didn't hand in assignment · Failed class tests · Poor attendance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Find out sooner rather than later · Yeah, you should have done it! · See you next year bud · So you didn't know you get marks for attending lectures?
Excluded from exam	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Received a warning! · Failing your subjects 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · See a student counsellor at your campus · Join a study group or attend a study skills workshop
Poor study skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Don't know what your learning style is · This is not high school – parrot fashion does not work · Studying the night before is not studying 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Speak to a student counsellor · Attend a study skills workshop
Not checking your university e-mails	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Do we have e-mail? · Not sure how · Using your personal e-mail (gmail etc) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · So now you know ... · Ask your buddy or lab assistant · Failing to check university mail will result in missing out on important information
Don't know photocopying system	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Not familiar with University system 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Ask your How2 buddy
Not enjoying my course	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Don't understand the work or course · It's not what I thought it would be · Not my first choice · Not challenging enough 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · See your buddy or SI leader · See a Student Counsellor
Wrong course choice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · A girl I liked was doing the course ... · Because my dad said so · Didn't have enough information · Followed the money instead of my passion 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · She's dating your best friend – look where that got you! · Dads can be tough. See a Student Counsellor · See a Student Counsellor · Eish!
Will I get a job when I graduate?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · That depends ... · Poor academic record · Poor planning for after graduation · No work experience 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Develop personal skills beyond the classroom · Develop yourself holistically · Get good general knowledge · Join a club or society; become buddy, mentor or SI leader · Work hard from first year · Develop yourself from first year · Get a part time job; visit Graduate Placement office



How to *thrive* in 1st year

10 guidelines that you should follow to make the best of your time at varsity:

1 Go to all orientations including the campus tour.

2 Get organised by buying an organiser, a big wall calendar, etc. to help you know when assignments are due.

3 Go to class and don't skip the 07:45am lecture. You'll receive vital information about what to expect in tests, changes in due dates, etc.

4 Seek a balance between social and academic life.

5 Get involved on campus like joining a society and making plenty of friends.

8 Make connections with students in your classes.

6 Take advantage of the study resources on campus like tutors (SI) or form study groups.

7 Take responsibility for yourself and your actions.

10 Keep track of your money by creating a budget.

9 Prioritise your life and stick to deadlines.



Student to Student What to Expect

“At first I thought the programme was to merely guide me, helping me find my way both on and off campus but there was more to orientation. I learnt how to not just survive but thrive as a first year student. I could achieve this by simply just pre-reading, attending lectures, post-reading and summarising. I am genuinely thankful for my buddies and for the programme as a whole because it has and still is helping me to become the best student and best version of myself that I could possibly be.”

- Luyanda Khombisa, Polokwane, 1st year BCom Accounting



“There are very few who can say that they weren't anxious during the first few days of orientation. I was one of those nervous people. Mainly because I wanted to meet new people, people who by the end of the year would be my friends. Going on the tour around the campus provided an opportunity to speak to many of my classmates who have become my friends. I remember the inside jokes that our First Year Success Buddy shared with us and even though it took almost a year to understand, I find myself laughing at them now. Orientation in a nutshell was a chance for me to connect with a small group of people and get to know the University in a way that is different to that of a high school perspective”

- Zara Poorun, Gqeberha, 1st year Bachelor of Architectural Studies



“My experience of the First-Year Success Orientation programme was a great one in terms of making friends before academic lectures started. I got to meet my classmates and learned more about the campus I will be attending. The First-Year Success Buddies helped me a lot, because at first, I was scared and knew nobody around. So, the buddies helped to boost my confidence, introduced me to my other peers, we played fun games and they also shared a few strategies on how to pass our course. In my opinion, I would say the First-Year Success Orientation programme is a great programme and I think it helps many students get used to the university life, much easier.”

- Rendani Mnisi



“The First-Year Success Orientation programme was very informative and helped me to navigate my way around the University and different campuses. The FYS Buddies were extremely helpful, bubbly and always made our environment fun and enjoyable. I would highly recommend the upcoming first year students to attend the First-Year Success Orientation Programme at Nelson Mandela University.”

- Sitha Mpako, Gqeberha, Accounting Diploma



“Totally had an awesome kick-start of varsity life; with the ice-breakers to ease each student's nerves to enable them to be comfortable around each other. The games which were informative, as well as the relevant information I needed about the course I was studying, the faculty and the campus at which I was based. It was a beneficial experience and absolutely worth attending...”

- Azwindini Hilton Mashapa, Johannesburg, 2 Year Nursing



Social Media Guidelines

You may not realise it, but responsible use of social media is a very important issue. When communicating on social media channels, you are potentially putting yourself out there for the world to see – not just your friends, as you may think. Here are some guidelines to help you to act responsibly as a student of Nelson Mandela University.



Do's:

- ▶ Post your accomplishments and achievements
- ▶ Display your passions!
- ▶ Show your service
- ▶ Share your travels



Don'ts

- ▶ Indicate any illegal activity
- ▶ Expose too much skin
- ▶ Parade your personal displays of affection
- ▶ Be overly negative

Facebook privacy settings

Do you know how to change your Facebook privacy settings? Have you ever considered the fact that people you don't even know are able to view your Facebook profile and every status update, comment, or photo you post or get tagged in? Have you ever considered the fact that your lecturers, professors, advisors, parents, employers, etc. can view everything you post on Facebook?

Eight points to remember when posting on social media channels:

1. Will anyone really care about this content besides me?
2. Will I offend anyone with this content? If so, who? And does it matter?
3. Is this appropriate for a social portal, or would it best be communicated another way?
4. Will I be OK with absolutely anyone seeing this?
5. Is this post too vague? Will everyone understand what I'm saying?
6. Am I using this as an emotional dumping ground? Should I maybe use a different outlet?
7. Am I using too many abbreviations in this post and starting to sound like a teenager?
8. Is this reactive communication or is it well thought-out?

NB! If you bring the University into ill-repute in your social media posts, you may find yourself with disciplinary action being taken against you. So please think before you post and remember that your personal brand could be at stake!



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Follow us on Twitter (@MandelaUni)



Watch us on YouTube (@MandelaUni)





**It's a good idea to get involved
Join a society to fully develop yourself**

RELIGIOUS SOCIETIES

ACTS (Assoc of Catholic Tertiary Students)	APOSTOLIC FAITH MISSION
ANGLICAN SOCIETY	BANTU CHURCH OF CHRIST ASSOCIATION
BELIEVERS LOVE WORLD	CHI ALPHA CAMPUS MINISTRIES
CHRISTIAN STUDENTS ASSOCIATION	CITY OF LIGHT STUDENT MINISTRIES
COMPLETE LIFE IN CHRIST	GOD'S REVIVAL MOVEMENT
FAMILY CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP	JOS (Jesus the Only Solution)
LIGHTHOUSE CHAPEL INTERNATIONAL	METHSOC
MUSLIM STUDENT ASSOCIATION	NEW APOSTOLIC STUDENT SOCIETY
RUCC FORCE CAMPUS MINISTRIES	SCO
TASA (Twelve Apostles)	SDASM
UCAN (United Christians at NMU)	UPRESS (Presbyterian)
VISION UNLIMITED	WELLS OF LIFE
WORD OF LIFE	ZCCSF (Zion Christian Church Student Fellowship)
YOTKOG	

POLITICAL SOCIETIES

EFFSC	SASCO
DASO	PASMA

ACADEMIC SOCIETIES

AGRICULTURE SOCIETY	COMPUTER SOCIETY
BOTANICAL SOCIETY	ECONOMICS SOCIETY
CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SOCIETY	FINANCIAL PLANNING
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH	HUMAN RESOURCES
HMS (HUMAN MOVEMENT SCIENCE)	LIFE DIET SOCIETY
LAW STUDENT SOCIETY	MANAGEMENT SOCIETY
LOGISTICS	TOURISM
BLACK LAWYERS ASSOCIATION	

DEVELOPMENTAL SOCIETIES

ABASA (Advancement of Black Acc Students)	ABSIP
ISEESO	AIESEC
AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL	BMF NMU CHAPTER
DEBATING	THOTASA
EMBO BLACK MOVEMENT	COMMUNITY AMBASSADORS SOCIETY
IAISA	ELOQUOR (LGBTI)
LEAD	ENACTUS
PROMATHS ALUMNI SOCIETY	TTACCSO
STUDENT ALUMNI SOCIETY (SAS)	GREEN CAMPUS INITIATIVE
UNASA	MASIFUNDE
UNAKO	SA RED CROSS SOCIETY
YOUTHQUAKE	ZAMSOC

NB: New societies may be added and some may be dissolved due to inactivity.





Desired Graduate Attributes Profile

Through benefitting from a life-changing educational experience, Nelson Mandela University graduates and diplomates will be known for demonstrating:

In-depth disciplinary/interdisciplinary knowledge

- The ability to engage in the expanding knowledge base of their disciplines/ professions. Excellence in both the art and science of their disciplines/professions.
- Awareness of the latest advances in and technical competencies required by their disciplines/professions.
- Leadership in the production of new knowledge and understanding through inquiry, critique and synthesis.
- An appreciation of the interdisciplinary nature of knowledge that combines breadth and depth of understanding.
- An awareness of the global context of their disciplines/professions.

Social awareness and responsible citizenship

- Commitment to ethical conduct, social awareness and responsible citizenship.
- An acknowledgment of and respect for constitutional principles and values such as equality, equity, quality, humanity, diversity and social justice.
- Respect for and awareness of the environment in all its manifestations.
- A commitment to improving local, national and global environmental sustainability.

Adaptive expertise

- The ability to apply knowledge and skills in a range of contextual and conceptual frameworks.
- Ability to anticipate and accommodate change, ambiguity and differing views.
- Self-management including the ability to work autonomously, exercise initiative, and apply time management and organisational skills.
- The capacity to sustain intellectual curiosity and a willingness to improve personal performance through self-reflection, the pursuit of lifelong learning, and building networks.

Creativity and innovation

- Ability to think creatively and to generate a range of innovative ideas that are appropriate to the particular context.
- Innovation in their approach to and solution of complex problems.
- Commitment to innovative thinking to advance scholarly excellence.

Critical thinking

- Openness to new ideas.
- The ability to understand, interrogate and apply a variety of theoretical and philosophical positions and objectively assess the merits of competing and alternative perspectives.
- The capacity for critical reflection.

Intra- and interpersonal skills

- Self-awareness.
- The ability to relate to and collaborate with others, individually or in teams, to exchange views and ideas and to achieve desired outcomes.
- The ability to function in a multicultural and multilingual context.

Communication skills

- The ability to articulate ideas and information confidently and coherently in visual, verbal, written and electronic forms to audiences of different sizes in a range of situations.
- Respect for the multitude of voices, stories, perspectives and knowledge systems.



After School Chill-outs

FOOD ON THE MOVE

All the major fast food outlets can be found at various points in The Bay. You can order in food from McDonald's, which is 24-hour and has a drive-thru, KFC & Barney's Tavern located at Shark Rock Pier. There are many other franchises such as Wimpy, Debonairs and Steers, located mainly in the Boardwalk or Summerstrand areas. These restaurants deliver. There are also food trucks spread out across the different campuses where you can get food at affordable prices.

EATING OUT

If you just fancy something light, reasonable and close by, then try:

- Debonairs Pizza
- Roman's Pizza
- Charlie's
- Nandos
- Steers
- La Fiesta
- Rocco Mama's
- Mike's Kitchen
- Baakens Valley Market @ Tramways Building: first Saturday every month
- Goodnight Market @ Tramways Building: monthly gathering of Gqeberha's top artisanal food vendors on selected Thursday nights

Around Missionvale Campus:

- Lifa & Mafa Braai Place

EATING IN

Feeding the inner man/woman is pretty important, so we've put together students' favourite food spots. If you don't have the time and need a quick bite to eat then head for:

- Rendezvous, Cassies and Flavas Halaal Café at South Campus next to the Kraal
- Van's Tuckshop at the taxi rank at South Campus
- South Campus/Cafeteria
- Flavas Halaal Café, North Campus
- 2nd Avenue Cafeteria
- Missionvale Campus cafeteria in the Student Life Centre
- Food trucks on various campuses

BOOZIN' AND CRUISIN'

And when your thirst and hunger need a boost, you might want to check out the following local hotspots:

- Barney's Tavern
- BeerShack
- Company
- News Cafe
- Cubana
- Finnezz
- Savages Fine Foods
- This Is Eat
- Cubata
- The Dockside
- White Tiger

SHOW ME ENTERTAINMENT

Student life is not just about studying, eating and boozing ... There are other forms of entertainment namely:

- Boardwalk (Summerstrand): movies, ten pin bowling, go-karts, putt putt, arcade, casino etc.
- Walmer Park and Greenacres Shopping Centres have cinemas and many restaurants
- Seaview Lion and Game Park
- Opera House in Central has many theatre performances all year round
- Paintballing
- The beaches - loads of free fun in the sun
- Baywest Mall - ice-skating, movie theatres, game arcade and restaurants
- Music performances at the University hosted by the Music Department
- Park Run @ Hobie Beach
- Volunteering with 67Hours

SHOW ME THE SHOPS

There are other ways to spend the weekend as a student, why not explore the malls and shopping centres:

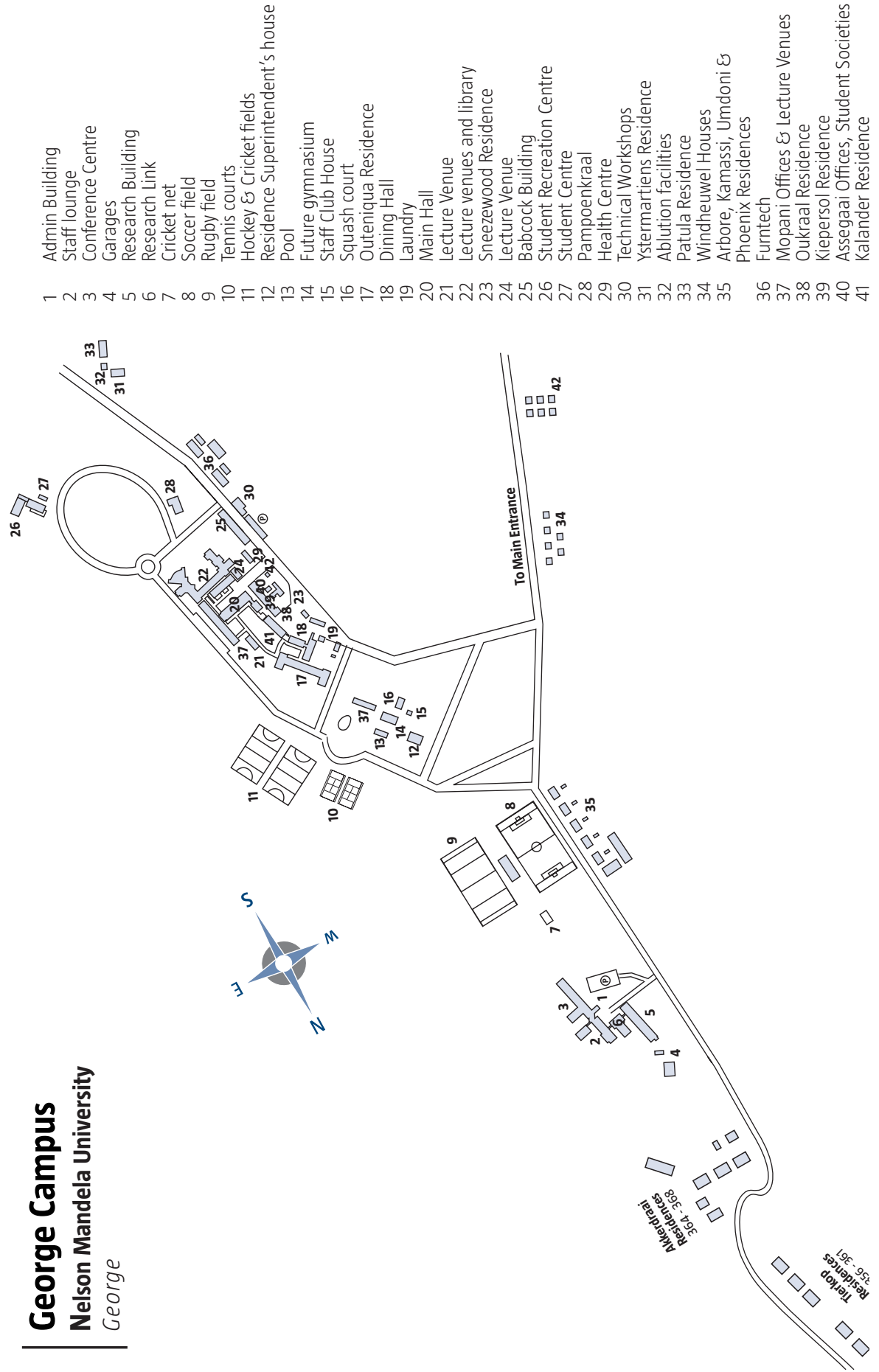
- Walmer Park Shopping Centre
- Greenacres Shopping Centre
- Baywest Mall
- Kenako Mall
- Cleary Park Shopping Centre
- Pier 14 Shopping Centre
- Govan Mbeki Street has many shops that offer variety and affordability

Due to COVID-19, please follow all Health Protocols when you decide to go to any of the Chill-out places. Have fun and be safe.

George Campus

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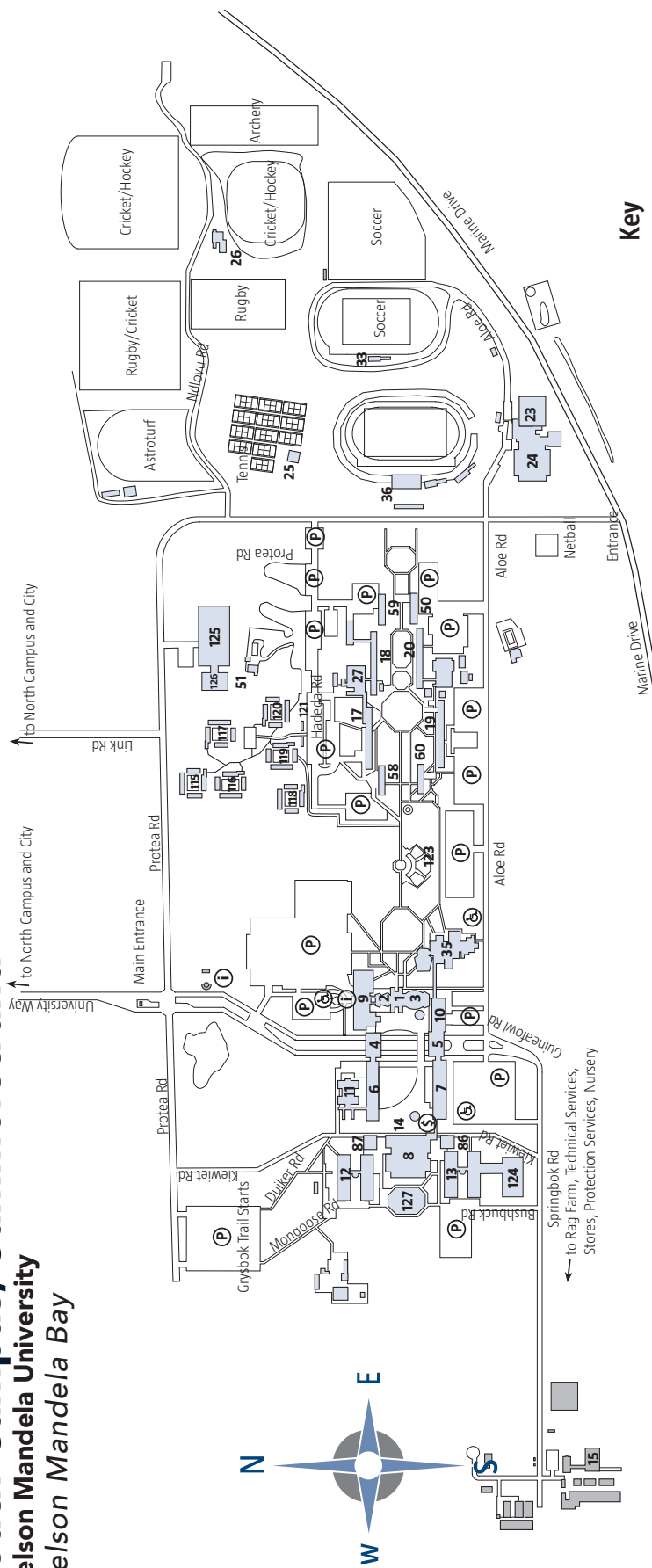
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South Campus, Summerstrand

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Key

- ① Information
- Ⓟ Parking
- ♿ Disabled Parking
- Ⓢ ATM

- 1 Main Building
- 2 Council Chamber
- 3 Auditorium
- 4 Old Mutual Lecture Halls
- 5 Sanlam Lecture Halls
- 6 Education, Writing Centre & ABSA Computer lab
- 7 M & P Building
- 8 Library & School of Architecture
- 9 Embizweni
- 10 Music
- 11 Education
- 12 Biological Sciences
- 13 Physics & Chemistry

- 14 Food Court
- 15 Technical Services/Procurement
- 17 Solomon Mahlangu Residence Main Block
- 18 Lilian Ngoyi Residence Main Block
- 19 Claude Qavane Residence Main Block
- 20 Sarah Baartman Residence Main Block
- 23 Fitness & Aquatics Centre
- 24 Indoor Sport Centre & Madibaz Sport Offices
- 25 Tennis Clubhouse
- 26 Cricket Clubhouse
- 27 Study Centre (Lilian Ngoyi Res)
- 33 Soccer Clubhouse
- 35 Building 35
- 36 Stadium & Clubhouse

- 50 Sarah Baartman Annex
- 51 Mahlangu/Ngoyi Clubhouse & Pool
- 58 Solomon Mahlangu Annex
- 59 Lilian Ngoyi Annex
- 60 Claude Qavane Annex
- 86 Goldfields South
- 87 Goldfields North (International Office)
- 115-120 Renaissance Postgrad Student Village
- 121 Housing Administration
- 123 Building 123
- 124 Centre for High Resolution Transmission Electron Microscopy (CHRTM)

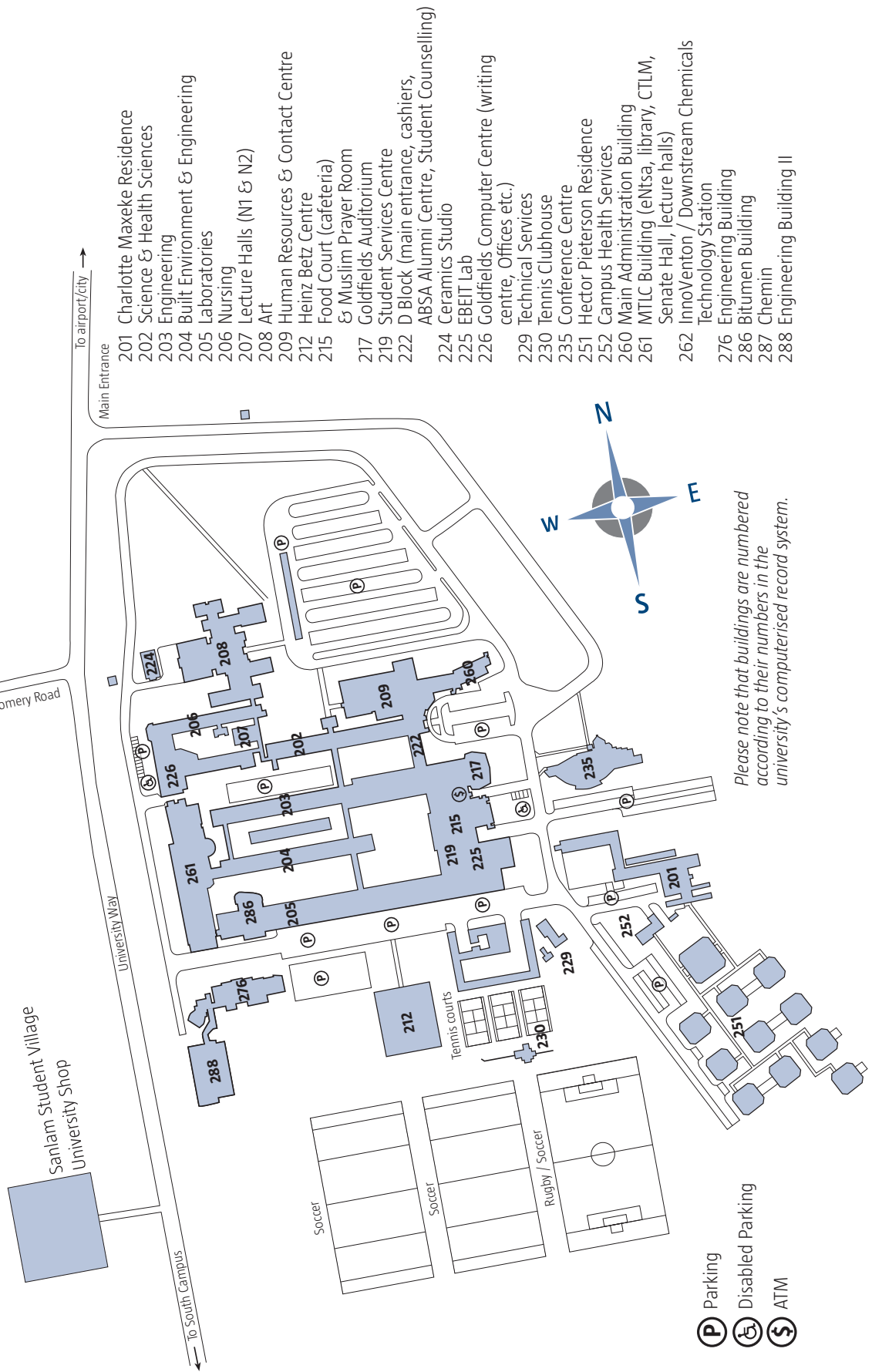
- 125 High Performance Complex
- 126 Dietetics
- 127 Life Sciences

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North Campus, Summerstrand

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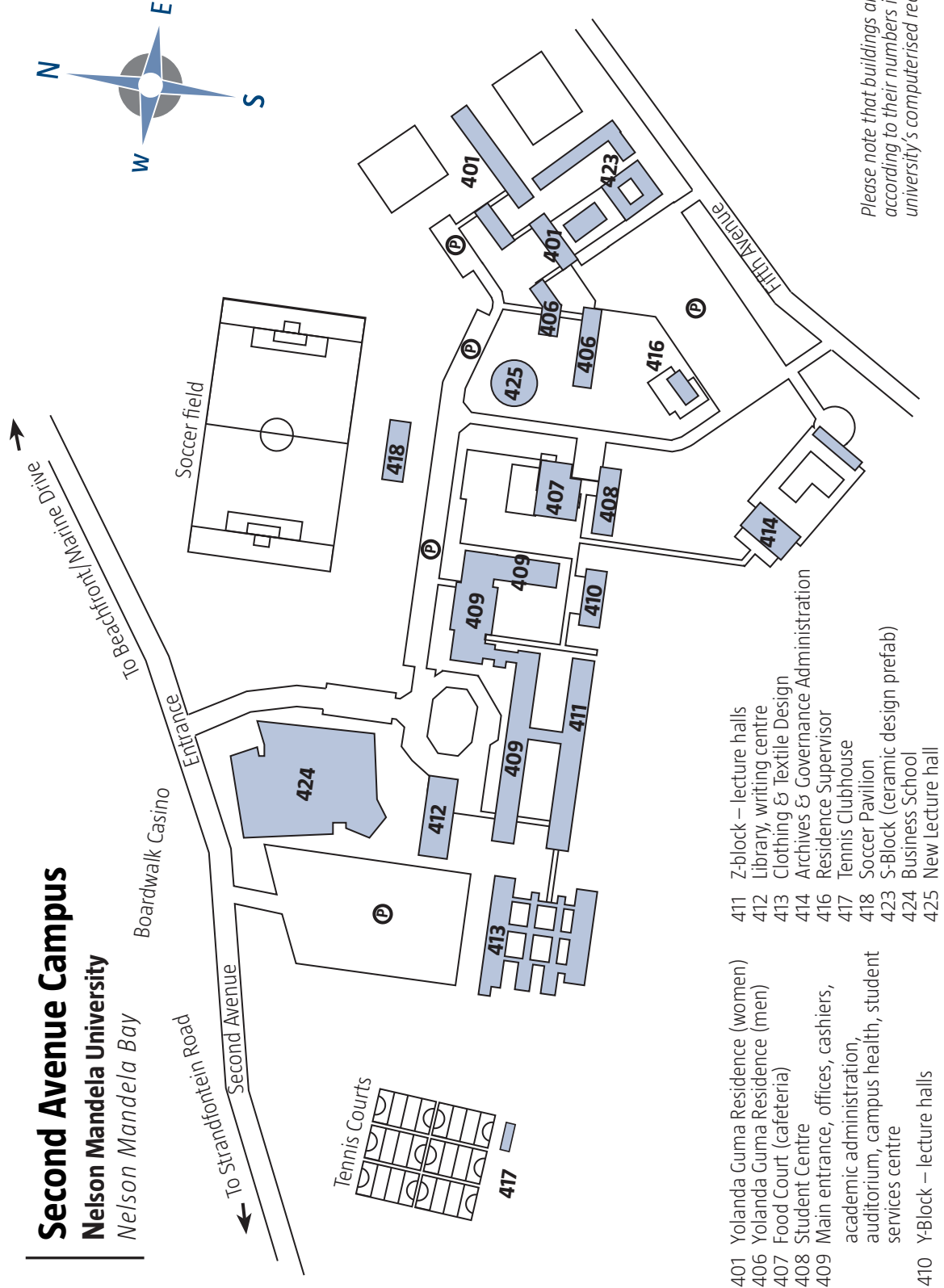
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Second Avenue Campus

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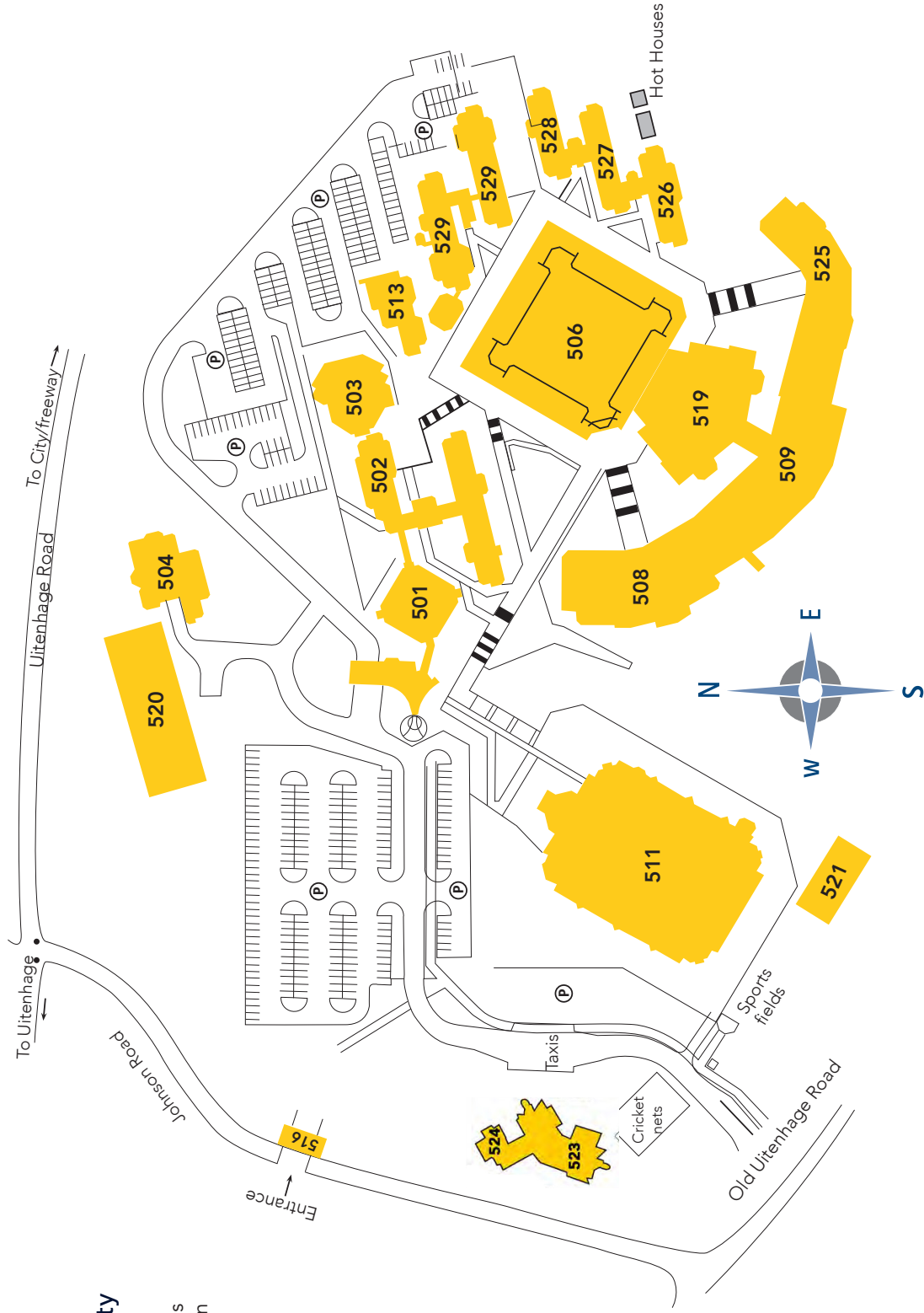
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Missionvale Campus

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- 501 Registration Building Campus Clinic, Admissions, Protection Services & Law Clinic
- 502 Academic Offices & Administration (Psychology, ICT Services)
- 503 Conference Centre
- 504 Technical Services
- 506 eKhaya Student Centre
- 508 Lecture Hall A
- 509 Lecture Hall B
- 511 Indoor Centre & gym
- 513 Psychology Building
- 516 Entrance
- 519 Multi-Purpose Lecture Venues
- 520 Library
- 521 Sports Fields
- 523 Education Building
- 524 Education Admin Building
- 525 Clinical Skills
- 526 Basics Centre
- 527 L & O Centre
- 528 Medilab Centre
- 529 Science & Anatomy Centre

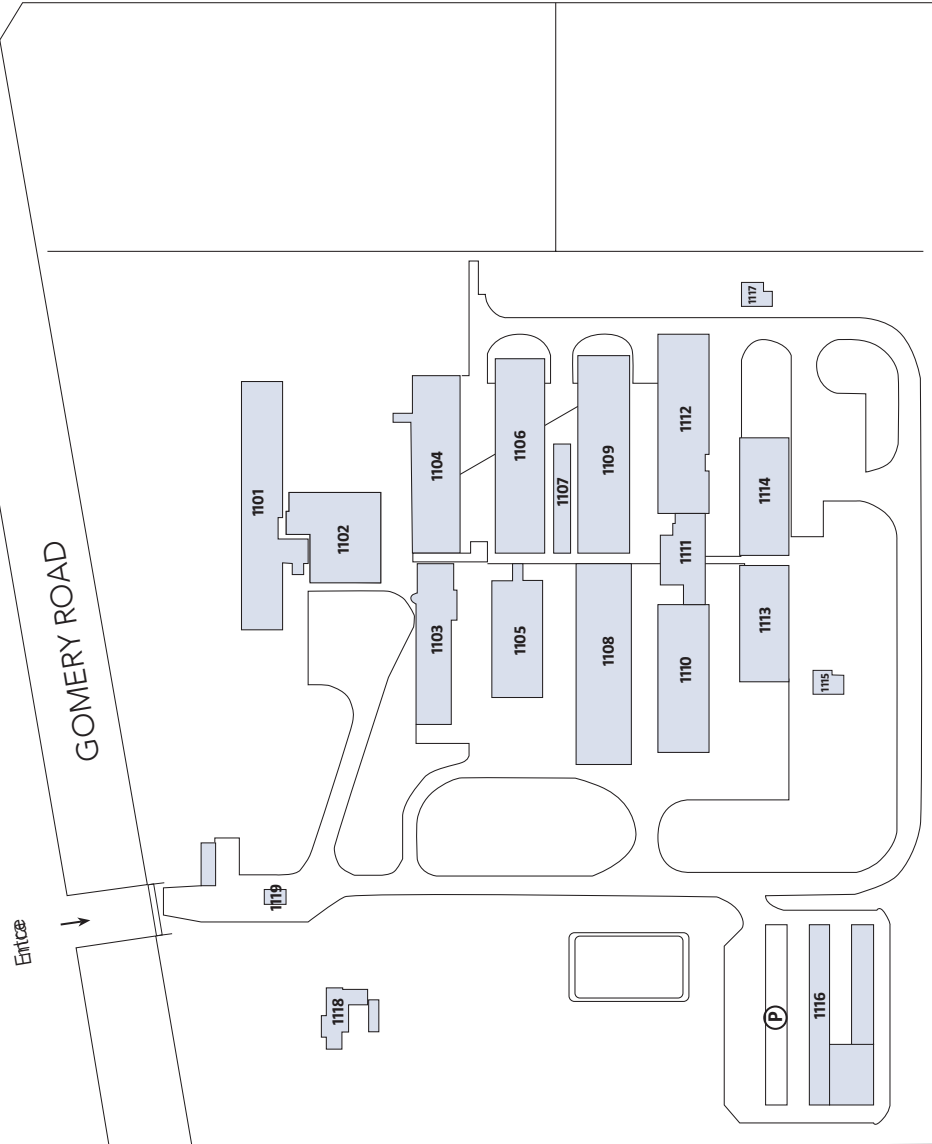
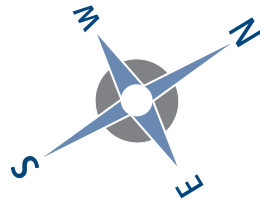


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Ocean Sciences Campus, Summerstrand

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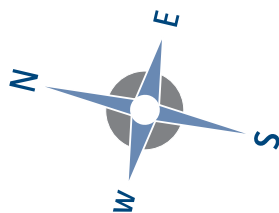
UNIVERSITY WAY

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| 1101 | A Block |
| 1102 | B Block |
| 1103 | C Block |
| 1104 | D Block |
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| 1106 | F Block |
| 1107 | G Block |
| 1108 | H Block |
| 1109 | I Block |
| 1110 | J Block |
| 1111 | K Block |
| 1112 | L Block |
| 1113 | M Block |
| 1114 | N Block |
| 1115 | P Block |
| 1116 | Q Block |
| 1117 | R Block |
| 1119 | Entrance |

Bird Street Campus

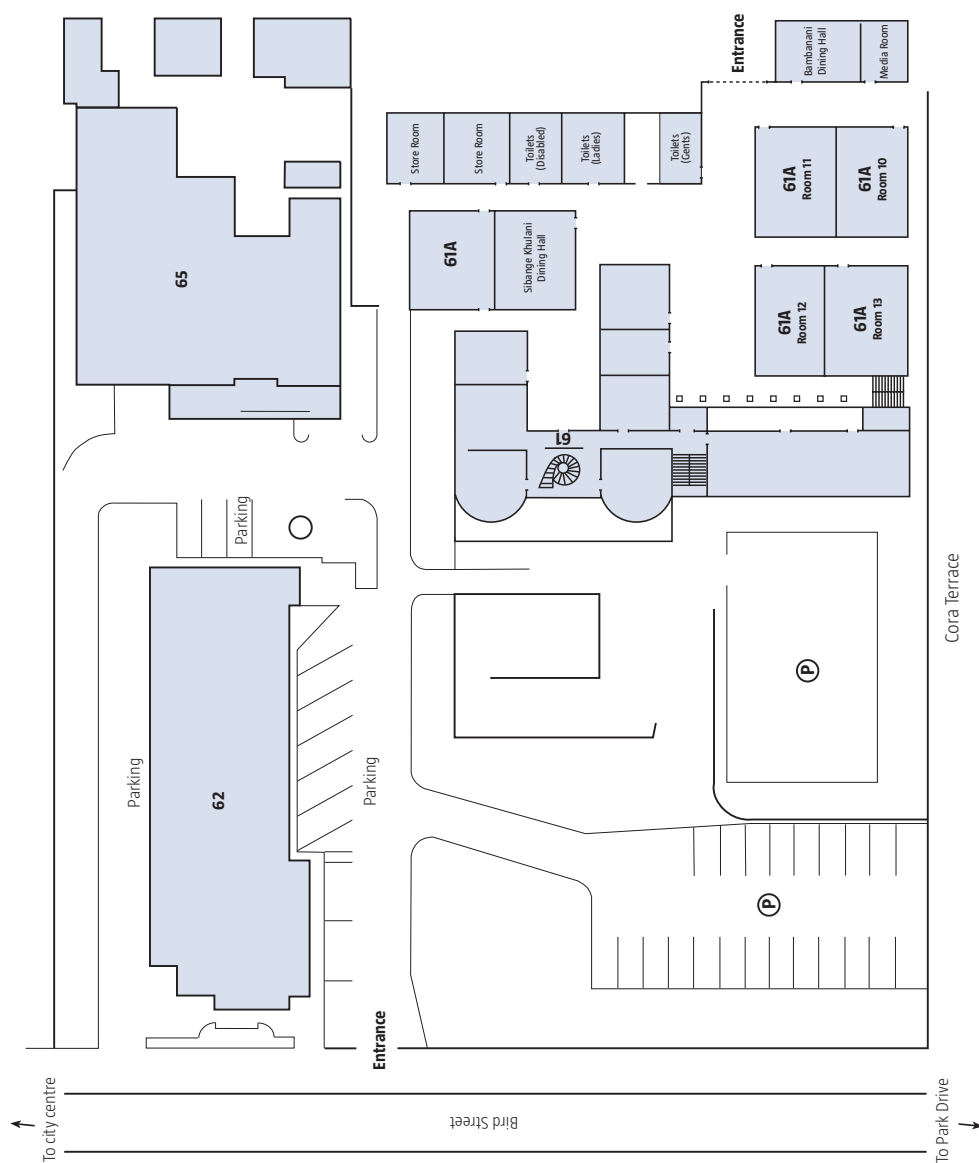
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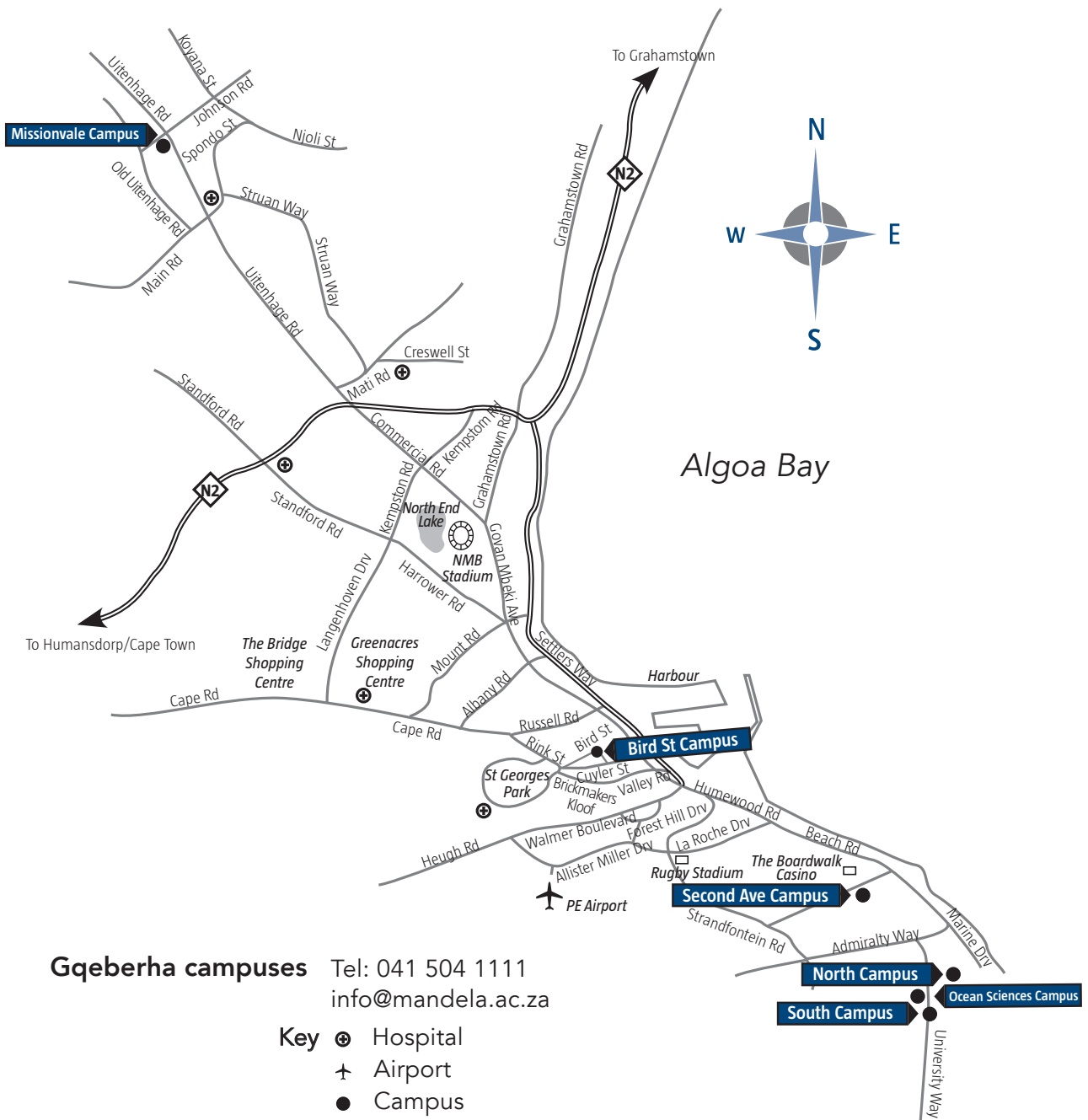
- 57 Refugee Rights Centre/Law in Action
- 62 Felsted Building
- 65 Wegspring Building
- 61 Eendrag Building/Art Gallery
- 61a Art Studios

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Inter-campus map

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- Key**
- ⊕ Hospital
 - ✈ Airport
 - Campus
 - Arterial Road
 - = Highway

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