APPLYING TO UNDERGRADUATE STUDY

1. SEARCHING THE UNIVERSITY’S ACADEMIC PROGRAMMES

- The University of Zululand has two Campuses,
  i. Richards Bay Campus that offers Certificates and Diploma academic programmes and
  ii. KwaDlangezwa Campus which offers Degree programmes
- Please visit the Central Applications Office – CAO website at www.cao.ac.za and click on the following links:
  - Programmes and
  - Programme list

2. APPLICATION FEE AND CLOSING DATES FOR ACADEMIC ADMISSION

- 30 August for Social Work
- 30 September for Nursing Science
- 31 October for other programmes
- Please consult the CAO booklet or website at www.cao.ac.za for application fees and the method of payment.

3. APPLYING TO STUDY

- GRADE 12 Learners, International and Transferring students may apply
- Candidates may apply online or download the application form from the CAO website.
- Please visit the Central Applications Office – CAO website at www.cao.ac.za and click on the following links:
  - Apply and
  - Apply now

4. CERTIFIED COPIES OF THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS MUST ACCOMPANY EACH APPLICATION:

- Identity Document
- diploma or degree certificate (if available)
- An academic record with conduct in respect of studies at another tertiary institution
- Proof of payment of the non-refundable application fee (see relevant fee above);
- Matric results/certificate

Foreign students must in addition provide:

- Valid passport and study permit
- SAQA verification certificate
- Proof of financial means (bank statements, bursaries, cash available/traveller’s cheque to
- cover envisaged living expenses during the sojourn in the Republic and to pay tuition fees)

It is strongly advised that foreign students approach the South African Embassy in their home countries for more information or requirements before they come to the Republic of South Africa to study. Alternatively, applicants may visit the Department of Home Affairs at www.dha.gov.za

5. UNIVERSITY OF ZULULAND ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

SPECIFIC ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS AND OR ADDITIONAL ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Each Faculty has its own specific requirements and prospective students are strongly advised to consult the admissions office for more information and advice on these requirements. Also see points calculation tables below to guide you on the calculation of points.

a. ADMISSION TO DEGREE PROGRAMMES (after 2007)

The minimum admission requirement is a National Senior Certificate (NSC) with a minimum of 30% in the language of learning and teaching of the higher education institution as certified by Umalusi, coupled with an achievement rating of 4 (Adequate Achievement, 50-59%) or better in four subjects chosen from the following recognized 20-credit NSC subjects (which will be known as the designated subject list):

(Accounting, Agricultural Sciences, Business Studies, Dramatic Arts, Economics, Engineering Graphics and Design, Geography, History, Consumer Studies, Information Technology, Consumer Studies, Information Technology, Languages (one language of learning and teaching at a higher, education institution and two other recognized language subjects), Life Sciences, Mathematics, Mathematical Literacy, Music, Physical Sciences, Religion Studies, Visual Arts)

b. ADMISSION TO DEGREE PROGRAMMES (prior 2008)

An old Senior Certificate (obtained prior 2008) with an endorsement that the holder has complied with the minimum statutory matriculation requirements for admission to a bachelor's degree study at a University in the Republic of South Africa

MATURE AGE CERTIFICATE

Applicants who do not meet the requirements in sub sections (a) and, (b) but obtained a Senior certificate/school leaving certificate from the matriculation examination or an equivalent certificate, and seek to qualify for conditional exemption, may be considered for academic programmes specifying “Matric Exemption” provided that they are 23 years old and above and meet the other requirements.
FOREIGN CONDITIONAL EXEMPTION

In case of applications for “foreign” conditional exemption certificates, applicants can either apply via the University or directly to the Matriculation Board.

For detailed information please consult the HESA-enrol website at http://www.hesa-enrol.ac.za/mb

CONTACT DETAILS

Postal address: PO Box 3854, PRETORIA 0001, South Africa.

Physical address: Building 3, UNISA Sunnyside North Campus, corner Mears and Rissik Streets, Sunnyside, Pretoria.

Fax address: +27 (0) 86 677 7744/12 481 2922

Telephone number: +27 (0) 10 591 4401

Electronic address: exemption@hesa-enrol.ac.za

c. ADMISSION TO DIPLOMA PROGRAMMES (after 2007)

The minimum admission requirement is a National Senior Certificate (NSC) with a minimum of 30% in the language of learning and teaching of the higher education institution as certified by Umalusi, coupled with an achievement rating of 3 (Moderate Achievement, 40-49%) or better in four recognized NSC 20-credit subjects. In addition, applicants must have an achievement rating of 3 (40%) in Life Orientation; and an achievement rating of 3 (40%) in English as First Additional Language (FAL), or 4 (50%) in English as Home Language;

d. ADMISSION TO DIPLOMA PROGRAMMES (Prior 2008)

If an applicant holds a Senior Certificate with at least 5 subjects on Higher and or Standard Grade, such an applicant may be eligible to apply for a diploma programme.

(not applicable to students who wrote the new National Senior Certificate examination from 2008).

e. ADMISSION TO HIGHER CERTIFICATE

The minimum admission requirement is a National Senior Certificate (NSC) with a minimum of level 2 (30% or higher) in the language of learning and teaching of the higher education institution and one home language as certified by the Council for General and Further Education and Training (Umalusi). In addition, applicants must have four recognized NSC 20 credit subjects. Institutional and programme needs may require appropriate combinations of recognized NSC subjects and levels of achievement. For example, an institution may determine that a Higher Certificate in Marketing requires in addition to the NSC a specified level of attainment in English and an associated recognized subject.
CALCULATING YOUR POINTS

TABLE 1. NATIONAL SENIOR CERTIFICATE (NSC) POINTS CALCULATION TABLE

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Points are calculated on the best six subjects excluding life orientation.

TABLE 2. SENIOR CERTIFICATE (SC) CALCULATION TABLE

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f. APPLICATION STATUSES

- You may track your application to study at UNIZULU by visiting the CAO website at www.cao.ac.za or contact the Admissions Office at 035 902 6030/6718/6051 or email at Admissions@unizulu.ac.za
- Please note CAO does not select applicants, it is the University that selects applicants and put the following statuses on the CAO Webpage:
  - Waiting for a decision
  - Firm offer
  - Conditional offer
  - Regret

g. OFFERS (CONDITIONAL AND FIRM OFFERS)

- All selected applicants are notified via sms as soon the offer has been made by the University
- Selected applicants are also sent a registration package with the following:
  - Letter
  - Information brochure and
  - Acceptance Offer Form
- Candidates must respond within the prescribed period and are advised to quote the University Student Number at all times when contacting the University.
h. REGISTRATION OF FIRST TIME ENTERING STUDENTS

- You must receive a Firm Offer in order to be eligible to enrol for our academic programme
- All successful candidates are expected to observe the Registration dates, pay the minimum initial registration deposit 4 days before registration

- BANKING DETAILS:

  BANK : ABSA  
  ACCOUNT HOLDER : UNIZULU  
  BRANCH CODE : 632 005  
  ACCOUNT NUMBER : 18800 00051  
  REFERENCE NUMBER : (Your Student Number)

i. ACCOMMODATION

All applicants are expected to apply online by visiting the University website at www.unizulu.ac.za and click on the following link: Resonline.unizulu.ac.za

j. SENIOR MERIT BURSARIES

The University of Zululand budgets each year for students who perform outstandingly academically, and offer Merit Bursaries. The criteria to qualify are as follows:

- Full time registered undergraduate students;
- Registered for degree programmes;
- Having passed 50 percent of their modules by distinction, and the other 50 percent by:
  a combination of first class passes and passes, in the previous year or year last registered;
- Not having failed any module in that year; and
- Not having alternative funding in the same year, except for NSFAS.

k. MATRIC MERIT BURSARIES

The University of Zululand budgets each year for matriculants who opt to enroll, and offer Matric Merit Bursaries. The criteria to qualify are as follows:

- The student must have passed matric by achievement levels 7 and 6 only;
- Must have applied for admission and been accepted by the institution to do a full time degree programme;
- Must enrol with University of Zululand; and
- Must continue to perform and not fail a module or repeat a year, to continue to receive the bursary in subsequent years.
I. RECTOR’S ASSISTANCE FOR THE NEEDY

The UZ Foundation fundraise on behalf of the University of Zululand, to obtain donations to assist the University in its various academic endeavours. Among these is the Rector’s Assistance for the Needy Students. The criteria to qualify are as follows:

- The student must be a full time registered student with the University;
- Must have performed at an average of 100 percent to 75 percent, in the previous year or last registered;
- Doing an undergraduate programme;
- Submit proof of neediness;
- Must not have received alternative funding in the same year; and
- Must provide proof of family situations, e.g. orphans.

m. FINANCIAL AID

Financial Aid Bureau/NSFAS +2735-902-6307