

## Bachelor Degree of the Built Environment in Urban and Regional Planning (BBURPI)

**Location:** Steve Biko Campus (S3 Level 4)

### Description of the Programme

The Department of Town and Regional recognises the need to effectively respond to the socio-economic transformation challenges facing South Africa. The Department is committed to the principle of autonomy; academic freedom and rejects any form of racism, sexism and/or sectarianism. We are committed to developing a planning profession that is relevant and appropriate to the needs of the community, government, planning institutions and the private sector.

The work of a Town and Regional Planning Technical Planner is of a diverse nature and embraces inter alia: surveying tasks, planning surveys, the analysis and presentation of data by means of maps, graphs, diagrams and sketches, assistance in the preparation of town planning schemes and the construction of scale models for proposed schemes, and the use of technologies such as Computer Aided Draughting (CAD) and Geographic Information Systems (GIS).

There is also an increasing demand for planners to develop and use community participation models and methods in their everyday work. He or she is employed by private sector, planning firms, local provincial authorities and the civil service, and service organisations.

### Career opportunities

Both technical planners and professional planners work in government departments at municipal, provincial and national levels. In the private sector, there are career opportunities in planning firms and a range of other sectors such as community organisations and property development.

### Entry Requirements

DEPARTMENTAL NSC REQUIREMENTS		DEPARTMENTAL SENIOR CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS		
NSC Degree Entry	NSC Rating Code	A Senior Certificate or equivalent qualification.		
Compulsory Subjects		Compulsory Subjects	HG	SG
English (home) OR English (1st additional)	4 5	Mathematics	E	D
Mathematics	4	English (First Language)	D	C
Recommended subjects: one of the following is required		English (Second Language)	B	
Geography	4	Recommended subjects: one of the following is required		
History	4	Geography	D	C
		History	D	C
Physics or Life Sciences	4	Physics	D	C
And one 20 credit subject	4	Biology	D	C

Mathematics (N4) at a score of 50% and above is treated as the equivalent of NSC Mathematics with a rating of 4.

**Additional Entry Requirements:** Applicants are required to undergo an interview and selection test.

RATING CODE	RATING	MARKS %
7	Outstanding achievement	80-100
6	Meritorious achievement	70-79
5	Substantial achievement	60-69
4	Adequate achievement	50-59
3	Moderate achievement	40-49
2	Elementary achievement	30-39
1	Not Achieved	0 - 29

### 1) National Senior Certificate (NSC) Requirements with a degree pass:

Mathematics: Level 4 (Adequate achievement, 50%-59%)

English (Home): Level 4 (Adequate achievement, 50%- 59%)

**OR**

English (First additional): Level 5 (Substantial achievement, 60%-69%)

### Admission Requirement based upon Work Experience, Age and Maturity

For admission to entry level degree studies:

A person may, subject to such requirements as the Senate may determine, be admitted if such a person is in possession of a National Senior Certificate, Senior Certificate or an equivalent certificate, but lacks the minimum requirements for admission to the degree provided that:

- The person shall have reached the age of 23 in the first year of registration and shall have at least:
  - Three years' appropriate work experience; and/or
  - Capacity for the proposed instructional programme, which shall be assessed by a Senate-approved admission test; and the person has obtained
- A conditional certificate of exemption from the Matriculation Board (when in possession of the Senior Certificate (SC)); OR has met
- The requirements for Senate discretionary admission (when in possession of the NSC or equivalent), where Senate is satisfied the applicant has shown sufficient academic ability to ensure success, and that the person's standard of communication skills, and/or work experience are such that the person, in the opinion of the Senate, should be able to complete the proposed instructional programme successfully.
- The person's application for admission in terms of work experience, age and maturity is approved prior to registration.

**Applicants intending to gain admission through work experience, age and maturity must submit their applications at least four months before commencement of the academic year.**

### Year 1 Semester 1

Planning Design 1A	PLDS111
Site Surveying 1	SSRV101
Statistics for the Built Environment	STBE101
Academic Literacy	ACDL101
Settlement History	STHS101

### Year 1 Semester 2

Planning Design 1B	PLDS211
Urban Planning Theory and Practice	UPTP101
Communication Literacy	CMCL101
Cornerstone 101	CSTN101
Sustainable Earth Studies	SERS101

### Year 2 Semester 1

Planning Design 2A	PLDS211
Urban Planning Theory	UPTH201
Management Principles and Project Management	MPPM101
Research Methods 1	RMDS201
Introduction to Principles of Law	IPLW101
The Global Environment	GENV101

### Year 2 Semester 2

Planning Design 2B	PLDS221
Environment Management and Techniques	EVMT101
Regional Development and Planning	RDVP101
Geographic Information Systems 1	GISY201
Economics for the Built Environment	ECBE101
Sociology and Society	SSCY101

### Year 3 Semester 1

Planning Design 111A	PLDS311
Planning Law	PLLW101
Transportation Planning and Infrastructure	TPLI101
Research Methods 11	RMDS101
Geographic Information Systems 11	GISY201
Applied Land Economics for the Built Environment	ALEB101

### Year 3 Semester 2

Planning Design 111B	PLDS321
Planning Sustainable Cities and Regions	PSCR101
Research Project	RPRO101
Public Management and Planning	PMPL101
Restorative Justice	RSJS101
Planning Design 111B	PLDS321

**Closing date for applications:** 30 September 2018

**CAO Code:** DUD-BUR

### Application Forms

Contact the **Central Applications Office (CAO)**  
(C.A.O. code: DUD-BUR)

### Address letters to:

#### Central Applications Office

Private Bag X06  
Dalbridge 4014  
Tel: (031) 2684444  
Fax: (031) 2684422  
Apply Online: <http://www.cao.ac.za>

### Professional Organisations

The following are planning and professional organisations that a graduate may wish to join:  
South African Planning Institute (SAPI)  
E-mail: [sapi@worldonline.co.za](mailto:sapi@worldonline.co.za)  
Phone: 011-425-4502  
Fax: 011-425-4502

#### South African Council for Planners (SACPLAN)

Postal Address:  
The Registrar  
The South African Council for Planners  
P O Box 1084  
Halfway House  
Midrand 1685

Graduates are encouraged to join the Council and Institutes which provides a forum for technicians and planners.

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