



INSTITUTION-WIDE INTEGRATED FIRST YEAR





The institution-wide, Integrated First Year Orientation is a comprehensive programme designed to introduce and orientate prst-year students to the array of services, facilities and aspect of university life unique to the Durban university of Technology. The objective of prst-year orientation is to provide and expose incoming prst-year students with tools and essential information that they need to be ready to become successful students. Research shows that students who attend their university's orientation programme are more likely to graduate than those who do not. Drawing from a broad scheme of theorem, the Orientation programme at DUT is designed to foster smooth transition and integration into the campus and to promote student success and retention, by putting students at the centre of the main and co-curricular activities as co-creators of their own experience.

Traditionally, the þrst year orientation programme is done through contact session for a duration of a week. However, the covid-19 pandemic and the regulations, as prescribed by the university and the national task team, has pivoted a reimagination of this initiative. DUT has since opted to conceptualise and implement a virtual orientation, whilst maintaining active participation and nurturing þrst year students into the campus life.





Day 1: Vice Chancellor's Welcome Address and Parent Day

Programme Director: **Mzwandile Khumalo** (Coordinator Student Support and Development Unit)

Virtual Tour: Take me through DUT		
Theme: Achieving Greatness together Grand Opening: Dance, Poetry and Music		
Opening Remarks, Message of Support Dean of Student: Dr M Nkonoane		
Message of Support: Mr Ntuli President of the Student Representative Council		
Introduction of the Vice Chancellor Mzwandile Khumalo Coordinator Student Support and Development		
Welcome Message Vice Chancellor and Principal: Prof T Mthembu		
Achieving greatness together promo Video		
Maintaining Academic Excellence in a University Environment Deputy Vice Chancellor Teaching and Learning: Prof N Sibiya		
Student Tribunals and Disciplinary Rules: Mrs Thembalethu Fihlela		
Engagement		
Power Hour Live session: National Student Financial Aid Scheme (link) (30min) & Standard Bank Student loans and accounts (30min)		









Day 2: Becoming a DUT Student

10:00 - 10:05	Take me through DUT Virtual Tour			
10:05 - 10:10	Opening Remarks: Programme Director DUT Radio Presenters			
10:10 - 10:15	Achieving greatness Together: Promo Video			
10:15 - 10:45	Departmer	Departmental Video Clips		
	Library	Timetable unit	Student Counselling and Health	Technology for Learning
	FYSE & REP	Admissions	Language Lab	
10:45 - 11:00	Student Engagement: Say it to Win it			
11:00 - 11:30	Departmental Video Clips			
	Student Governance and Development			
		Alumni Relations and development	Entrepreneurial Desk and Centre	Achieving Greatness Together (Video clip)
11:30 - 12:00	Campus Safety	Protection Serv	rices and Health a	nd Safety
12:00 - 13:00	Break	Break		
14:00 - 15:00	Faculty of Health Sciences	Message of welcome Prof A Ross: Interim Executive Dean Message of Support Faculty ofpcers Message of Support: Mr Nerolen Soobryan Academic development Practitioner & Academic Advisors		
	Faculty of Applied Sciences		cutive Dean pport pport: Mr Nivar Su opment Practitioner	









Day 3 : Understand Campus Life

10:00 - 10:05	Take me through DUT Virtual Tour			
10:05 - 10:10	Opening Remarks: Programme Director DUT Radio Presenters			
10:10 - 10:15	Achieving greatness Together: Promo Video			
10:15 - 11:00	Student Housing and Residence Life			
	Insika Menõs Network	Qhakaza Ladies Network	Housing Administration	House Committee
	Green Campus Initiatives	Residence Life	Residence Advisors	
11:00 - 11:05	Student Engagement: Say it to Win it			
11:00 - 11:30	Departmental Video Clips			
11:05 - 12:15	Faculty of Accounting & Informatics Message of welcome Prof Olugbara: Executive Dean Message of Support Faculty ofbcers Message of Support: Dr Rosaline Govender Academic development Practitioner & Academic Advisors			
	Faculty of Management Sciences	Message of welcome Prof Netswera: Executive Dean Message of Support Faculty ofpcers Message of Support: Dr Serathi Molokwane Academic development Practitioner & Academic Advisors		
14:00 - 15:00	Power Hour Session	Department of Sports,	nesive society: a dialogue an Arts and Culture: Social Coh relopment: Crime Prevention arvices	esion and Nation Building









Day 4: Be Engaged

10:00 - 10:05	Take me through DUT Virtual Tour			
10:05 - 10:10	Opening Remarks: Programme Director DUT Radio Presenters			
10:10 - 10:15	Achieving greatness Together: Promo Video			
10:15 - 11:00	Sport Centre Presentation			
	Soccer	Rugby	Basketball	Cricket
	Net Ball	Squash	Tennis	Golf
11:00 - 11:05	Student Engagement: Say it to Win it			
	Faculty of Engineering & the Built Environment	ng Prof Twala: Executive Dean t Message of Support		
	Faculty of Arts & Design	Message of welcome Prof Pearce: Acting Executive Dean Message of Support Faculty ofpcers Message of Support: Dr Nicolle Manjeya Academic development Practitioner & Academic Advisors		









Day 4: Continuation

14:00 - 15:00	Clubs & Societies	 Student Representative Council (SRC) South African Students' Congress (SASCO) Black Management Forum (BMF) African Cultural Students' Organization (ACUSO) South African Democratic Students' Movement (SADESMO) Students' Christian Organisation (SCO) Association of Catholics Students' Society (ACTS) Anglican Students' Society (ANSOC) Drama Society Students' Economic Forum (ECO FORUM) The Choir Association of Tertiary Zion Students' (ATEZS) Nazareth Tertiary Students' Association (NATESA) Evangelic Lutheran Church of Southern Africa Students' Organization (ELCSASSO) Seventh Day Adventist Students' Movement (SDASM) Twelve Apostles Students' Association (TASA) The Threshing Floor Bible Students' Organisation (TFBC) Disabled Students' Association (DASA) Shadows in the Rainbow/Impilo Yami LGBTI (Lesbians Gays Bisexual Transgender Intersex) African National Congress Youth League (ANCYL) Health Sciences Students' Organization (HESSO) Methodist Students' Movement (NASMO) Young Women's Network (YWN) Poetry Society Twelve Apostles Church in Christ Students; Organization (TACCSO) Young Communists League (YCL) Believers' Love World Campus Ministry (BLWCM) Economic Freedom Fighters Students Command Student Christian Fellowship (SCF)
16:00 - 18:00	Department of Student Housing and Residence Life	Power Hour Session: Understanding The Living And Learning Environment





