



HOW TO APPLY TO Durban University of Technology (DUT)

Ignite your creativity

INSTRUCTIONS BELOW:
FIRST-TIME UNDERGRADUATE APPLICANTS

1
Identify the course you wish to study.
DUT Programmes can be found in the 2026 Career leaflets and Study Opportunities. [CLICK HERE](#)

2
Have your mobile phone and an active email address ready, as you require both to access and complete the online application.

3
New applications for applicants who are applying into a university for the FIRST TIME must be completed through the Central Application Office (CAO) online platform (<https://www.cao.ac.za/>) before the closing date.

4
When completing online application please ensure that you **attach/upload certified copies of your identity document and Final Grade 11 & Grade 12 certificate** (June/ Trial report if you have not written your final examination).

5
The application must reach the CAO office before the **closing date of 30 September 2025** (Please refer to specific programmes for relevant closing dates, as some programmes close earlier than 30 September 2025).

6
Pay application **fee of R250 (SA Citizen) or R300 (International applicants)** when submitting your application.
Your application will only be active once payment is received.

7
Make sure that your application AND fee reach the CAO before the closing date.

8
Applicants will be notified via email/ SMS, of the outcome of their application.

9
Kindly consult the CAO webpage at www.cao.ac.za for any changes or update on your application.

Important Notes:

- Meeting the minimum entry requirements for your programme of choice, does not guarantee acceptance.
- Submission of a completed application does not guarantee selection/ admission, or that you may register.
- Your application is evaluated by the university. Should your evaluation outcome be positive, you will receive a notification from CAO and Acceptance package/ communication directly from the university.
- If you have indicated in your application that you require residence, you will also receive correspondence from Housing Department once the outcome of your application is finalised and positive.
- Applicants who have studied at DUT/other University must apply using the following link [Online Applications \(dut.ac.za\)](#)



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THE MINIMUM ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMISSION TO DUT

South African Matric/ Grade 12

HIGHER EDUCATION QUALIFICATIONS SUB-FRAMEWORK (HEQSF)		
Higher Certificate	Diploma	Bachelor's Degree:
A National Senior Certificate (NSC) as certified by the Council for General and Further Education and Training (Umalusi), with a minimum achievement rating of 3 for English.	a National Senior Certificate (NSC) as certified by the Council for General and Further Education and Training (Umalusi), with a minimum of achievement rating of 3 for English and a minimum achievement rating of 3 in four recognised NSC 20-credit subjects.	a National Senior Certificate (NSC) as certified by the Council for General and Further Education and Training (Umalusi), with a minimum achievement rating of 3 for English and a minimum achievement rating of 4 in four NSC 20-credit subjects chosen from the NSC designated subject list.

NCV LEVEL FOUR		
Higher Certificate:	Diploma:	Bachelor's Degree:
A National Certificate (Vocational) Level four with at least 50% in English.	A National Certificate (Vocational) Level four with the following minimum requirements: At least 50% in three fundamental subjects including, English; and At least 60% in three compulsory vocational subjects.	A National Certificate (Vocational) Level four with the following minimum requirements: At least 60% in three fundamental subjects, including English; and At least 70% in four compulsory vocational subjects, chosen from the National Certificate (Vocational) Level four subjects.

INTERNATIONAL SECONDARY SCHOOL RESULTS

If you have an international secondary school results or IEB/ICGSE, you will need to have your statement of results evaluated to ensure equivalence to the National Senior Certificate. This means your international secondary school results must be evaluated by either the South African Qualification Authority (SAQA) for Diploma or Universities South Africa (USAf) for Degree Courses

For SAQA application and queries, visit www.saqa.org.za.
For USAf Matriculation Board Evaluation application and queries, visit <http://mb.usaf.ac.za>.

International applicants are required to check the International Brochure for detailed information on the admission process: International Education and Partnerships (IEP) (dut.ac.za)

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APPLICATION PROCESS FOR NSFAS

You can apply online using a smart phone, tablet or computer by following these simple steps:

1

Go to www.nsfas.org.za and click on the 'myNSFAS' tab

2

Create a myNSFAS account

3

Click on the ***APPLY*** tab and answer the questions on the screen

4

Upload the required supporting documents then click on ***submit***

After you click on 'submit', your application reference number will appear on the screen. The reference number will also be sent to the cellphone number and email address you provided.

Please note that your application for funding is not guaranteed and subject to NSFAS Terms and Condition.