FACULTY OF EDUCATION
Dynamic knowledge making for the 21st century
The Faculty of Education strives towards dynamic knowledge making for the 21st century. This implies to us contextually grounded, future oriented and globally significant teaching and research.

CAMPUS

The Faculty operates on three of the University of Johannesburg’s campuses.

The main focus of programmes at the Soweto Campus is primary school education.

The Auckland Park Kingsway Campus focuses mainly on secondary school education programmes and higher education.

The Centre for Education Rights and Transformation and the National Research Foundation (NRF) Chair in Community, Adult and Worker Education are based at the research village on the Auckland Park Bunting Road campus.

FACULTY ORGANISATION

The Faculty includes five academic departments, three research centres and four NRF Chairs

Departments

Childhood Education

The main focus of the Department of Childhood Education is teacher education and research for the primary school. The Centre for African Languages Teaching (CALT@UJ) is associated with this department.

Head of Department: Dr Sarita Ramsaroop
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Education Leadership and Management
The Department of Education Leadership and Management’s main focus is research and development in the field of education leadership. The department offers mainly postgraduate programmes and professional development programmes for school leaders. The department also offers the online Master of Education in Educational Management. [https://online.uj.ac.za/Programmes/Master-Of-Education-In-Educational-Management](https://online.uj.ac.za/Programmes/Master-Of-Education-In-Educational-Management)

Head of Department: Prof Pierre du Plessis
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Education and Curriculum Studies
The teaching and research of the Department of Education and Curriculum Studies focus mainly on secondary school education areas. It offers teaching at initial teacher education and postgraduate level. Its postgraduate offerings cater particularly for educators who are interested in researching educational theory and issues.

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Educational Psychology
The Department of Educational Psychology specialises in two broad areas, namely educational psychology and special needs education with special reference to neurodevelopmental learning needs. The department also has a strong professional development of teachers’ footprint in relation to curriculum differentiation and remedial education.

Head of Department: Dr Tumi Diale
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Science and Technology Education
The Department of Science and Technology Education has four related, yet distinct foci: Science Education, Technology Education, Mathematics Education and Learning Technologies. It is involved in initial teacher education, as well as postgraduate
and professional development programmes. The department also offers the Master of Education in Information and Communication Technology. 

https://online.uj.ac.za/Programmes/Master-Of-Education-In-Information-And-Communication-Technology

Head of Department: Prof Umesh Ramnarain
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CENTRES
The Ali Mazrui Centre for Higher Education Studies
The Ali Mazrui Centre for Higher Education Studies serves as a Pan-African centre for scholarly inquiry, training and professional development in the field of higher education.

Director of the Centre: Prof Michael Cross
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Centre for Education Practice Research
The work of the Centre for Education Practice Research (CEPR) is centred on three main areas: Knowledge production and research capacity development in primary school mathematics learning and assessment; academic reading and writing competence of students and primary school learners; and the integration of language, mathematics and science in the primary school. The CEPR and the Chair in Integrated Studies of Learning Language, Mathematics and Science in the Primary School form part of the Childhood Education Flagship area in the Faculty.

Director of the Centre: Prof Elizabeth Henning
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Centre for Education Rights and Transformation
The imperative of the Centre for Education Rights and Transformation is to make a positive contribution to knowledge creation and social transformation and to create synergy between scholarship, social action and community outreach.

Director of the Centre: Prof Salim Vally
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South African Research Chair Initiatives: National Research Foundation
The Faculty houses four National Research Foundation Chairs. Some of the objectives of these prestigious Chairs are to improve South Africa’s international research and innovation competitiveness while responding to challenges of the country.

Chair in Education and Care in Childhood.
Chair holder: Prof Jace Pillay
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Chair in Integrated Studies of Learning Language, Mathematics and Science in the Primary School.
Chair holder: Prof Elizabeth Henning
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Chair in Teaching and Learning in Post-School Education and Training.
Chair holder: vacant

Chair on Community, Adult and Worker Education.
Chair holder: Prof Salim Vally
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QUALIFICATIONS
The Faculty offers the following qualifications

SOUTH AFRICAN EDUCATION SYSTEM

INITIAL TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAMMES
- Bachelor of Education (BEd) in Foundation Phase Teaching (Grade R-3)
- Bachelor of Education (BEd) in Intermediate Phase Teaching (Grade 4-7)
- Bachelor of Education (BEd) in Senior Phase and FET Teaching (Grade 7-12)
- Postgraduate Certificate in Education (PGCE)

CONTINUOUS PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES
- Advanced Diplomas in Education (AdvDip)

POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES
- Postgraduate Diploma in Education (PGDip)
- Bachelor of Education Honours (BEd Hons)
- Master of Education (MEd)
- Doctor of Education (DEd) in Educational Psychology
- Doctor of Philosophy in Education (PhD)
Integrating research and teacher education and development

Educational Psychology: Establishing a centre of specialisation in Education for Neurodevelopmental Learning needs funded by the Department of Higher Education and Training. [www.teachme.org.za](http://www.teachme.org.za)

Childhood Education [https://knowledgeforaction.co.za](http://https://knowledgeforaction.co.za)

Centre for African Languages Teaching (CALT)

**Overall aim CALT@UJ:**
To enable practice-based research and research-based practice in the education and development of teachers who teach African languages in the foundation phase and intermediate phase of schooling and who teach through the medium of African languages in the foundation phase of schooling.

Focuses on isiZulu and Sesotho

**Scope of work**
- Initial teacher education
- Research
- Teacher development
- Material development

**Centre for Education Practice Research** with the NRF Chair in “Integrated studies in learning language, literacy, mathematics and science”

**Department of Childhood Education** with input from Department of Educational Psychology

**Service learning**

**Funda UJabule School**
SCHOOLS ASSOCIATED WITH THE FACULTY

The Funda UJabule School is situated on the Soweto Campus. This primary school serves the Soweto community and it also functions as an education laboratory and teacher education facility for the Faculty.

The Faculty of Education is the guardian of The UJ Metropolitan Academy, a secondary school with a track record of attaining excellent results.

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