

THE NEW BA

ONE PROGRAMME. INFINITE POSSIBILITIES.

BACKGROUND

The fourth industrial revolution needs critical thinkers who can select from a range cognitive tools and epistemic attitudes to solve problems and create solutions.

Our new BA combines 17 of our previous programmes into one interdisciplinary and highly customizable offering.

All the same subjects are still available. But you don't have to take them in a prescribed combination. You can mix them up however you like, as long as the timetable allows.

THE NEW BA: HOW IT WORKS

You must take at least 2 majors (you may choose up to 3): e.g. Politics and Philosophy.

At least two thirds of your modules (including those that are part of your majors) must be from the Faculty of Humanities.

You may take any combination of majors and modules that the timetable permits, subject to satisfying any prerequisites.

You may take modules from another Faculty if timetable permits and you satisfy the requirements (see full list of majors below).

ADVANTAGES

WIDER KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS BASE through breaking down discipline boundaries

MORE CHOICE: you choose what you study, in what combinations, depending on your interests and career goals

USING TECHNOLOGY FOR NEW PEDAGOGIES, including online and blended learning

MORE SMALL-GROUP TEACHING (TUTORIALS), developing critical thinking and articulatory skills

PROBLEM-BASED LEARNING, using knowledge from different domains to solve complex problems

INCREASED EMPLOYABILITY by building creative problem solvers that employers are demanding

WHAT IF I WANTED TO STUDY SOMETHING AND NOW I CAN'T?

You can!

Everything that was previously available in separate programmes remains available within the new BA.

But now you can combine subjects in more ways.

FULL LIST OF MAJORS IN THE BA

Module	Faculty	Admission Requirement
Anthropology	Faculty of Humanities	APS 27; English 5
Communication and Media Studies	Faculty of Humanities	APS 27; English 5
Development Studies	Faculty of Humanities	APS 27; English 5
English	Faculty of Humanities	APS 27; English 5
History	Faculty of Humanities	APS 27; English 5
Language Practice	Faculty of Humanities	APS 27; English 5
Languages (Afrikaans, French, isiZulu, Modern Greek, Sepedi)	Faculty of Humanities	APS 27; English 5
Linguistics	Faculty of Humanities	APS 27; English 5
Politics and International Relations	Faculty of Humanities	APS 27; English 5
Philosophy	Faculty of Humanities	APS 27; English 5
Psychology	Faculty of Humanities	APS 27; English 5
Religion Studies	Faculty of Humanities	APS 27; English 5
Sociology	Faculty of Humanities	APS 27; English 5
Strategic Communication	Faculty of Humanities	APS 27; English 5
Economics	College of Business and Economics	APS 27; English 5 AND Mathematics 3
Geography	Faculty of Science	APS 27; English 5 AND Mathematics 4 AND Geography 4 OR Life Sciences 4 OR Physical Sciences 4 OR Technical Sciences 4
Marketing Management	College of Business and Economics	APS 27; English 5 AND Mathematics 4
Public Management and Governance	College of Business and Economics	APS 27; English 5
Industrial Psychology	College of Business and Economics	APS 27; English 5 AND Mathematics 4

MORE ABOUT OUR OFFERINGS: ARTS & HUMANITIES

The Arts and Humanities majors offered are:

- History
- Philosophy
- Religion Studies

The majors make excellent combinations with more applied subjects and may give students an edge in careers calling for abstract and critical thought. Many of the modules are also available as electives.

MORE ABOUT OUR OFFERINGS: COMMUNICATION STUDIES

The programmes and majors previously offered by the School of Communication are now combined into two highly customisable majors, fully updated for the new world of work and the fourth industrial revolution. The

new majors reside within the BA and may either be taken together or combined with another major, for an interdisciplinary pair of majors.

- Communication and Media Studies
- Strategic Communication

Students who would have applied for the previous Communication programmes will be able to cover the relevant, updated content within the new BA by majoring in one or both of the new Communication majors.

MORE ABOUT OUR OFFERINGS: LANGUAGES

The School of Languages offers majors in:

- English
- Languages (Afrikaans, French, isiZulu, Modern Greek, Sepedi)
- Language Practice
- Linguistics

Students wishing to qualify for a career in Language Practice may specialize by combining the three language/linguistics majors, and will receive additional practical and internship opportunities.

MORE ABOUT OUR OFFERINGS: SOCIAL SCIENCES

Social science majors are:

- Anthropology
- Development Studies
- Politics and International Relations
- Psychology
- Sociology

MORE ABOUT OUR OFFERINGS: SPECIALISATIONS

Within the single BA programme, some of our majors can be combined in special ways to prepare you for specific careers. If you choose one of these specialisations, you will be guided through what to take to prepare you for the specific requirements.

Our specialisations are:

- Language Practice: 3 majors (Language Practice, Linguistics, Languages) with further internships at 3rd year, suitable for intending language practitioners (e.g. interpreters)
- Politics, Philosophy and Economics (offered by a different Faculty): 3 majors that are often combined for an internationally recognized combination that suits those going into politics, policy, journalism, etc.
- School Subjects: a combination of specified majors such as History and Geography that provides the basis for a career in education.

WHICH COMBINATIONS CAN I TAKE?

When you register, you will be advised which combinations will be permitted by the timetable.

In some cases you may be permitted for combinations that lead to clashes, if the majors in question are delivered using blended technologies. In these cases, you will be alerted and asked to agree before you can register.

OUTSIDE THE BA: OUR SOCIAL WORK PROGRAMMES

Aside from our BA, the Faculty of Humanities continues to offer its two professional degrees in social and community work, hosted by our Department of Social Work. These are:

- B (Social Work)
- BA (Community Development and Leadership)

These are separate degree programmes, and are not affected by the transition to the new BA.

MORE INFORMATION

Still have questions? That's okay. You can contact:

- The Programme Coordinator Ms Suzette Folscher: suzettef@uj.ac.za
- Any Head of Department (details on the departmental website)

For administrative queries (e.g. changing majors, registering for clashing majors) please contact the Faculty Office.