

THE NEW BA

ONE PROGRAMME. INFINITE POSSIBILITIES.

BACKGROUND

A world undergoing radical change and ongoing technological revolution needs critical thinkers who can work with a range of cognitive skills and from across multiple knowledge domains to find solutions to today's highly complex problems.

In response to this reality the Faculty of Humanities is offering an exciting new interdisciplinary and highly customisable degree offering.

Now you can register for a BA in which you can choose your own preferred combinations of Humanities subjects. In other words, you can create your own BA from the 17 Humanities subjects that are available at UJ. In addition to this flexibility, you will even be able to combine them with subjects selected from other faculties.

THE NEW BA: HOW IT WORKS

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

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 and majors from any other Faculty if timetable permits and you if satisfy any prerequisites.

ADVANTAGES

You will be succesful in the world of work by learning the thinking and learning skills that draw on theory and methods in different intellectual domains. By breaking down interdisciplinary boundaries we are helping you to learn how to think critically, flexibly and creatively.

You will find your degree personally relevant because you will choose what to study, and in what combinations, depending on your own interests and career goals.

You will have more time because we are delivering more of the learning content through online and blended learning technologies. This gives you the flexibility to combine courses more easily, and will also allow us to make the most of our classroom contact time. Rather than delivering large volumes of

content in lectures, we can use contact time (for example, in small group tutorials) to develop your critical thinking, interpersonal and communication skills.

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

These majors develop your capacity for the contextually sensitive, abstract and independent critical thinking that would be essential for any work that would require, for example, an ability to write and to influence opinion, or to inform important decisions.

Many of the modules in these courses 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 to the challenges we face in the fourth industrial revolution. These two new majors may either be taken together or either of them combined with another major from another discipline.

- 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:

- African Languages (Sepedi, isiZulu)
- English
- Languages
- Language Practice
- Linguistics

Students wishing to qualify for a career in Language Practice may specialise 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: 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, if the majors in question are delivered using blended technologies, you may be permitted for combinations that could lead to timetable clashes. 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.