

WELCOMING BOOKLET

2025



COMMUTER STUDENT
COMMUNITY

@AURORACSC_

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DEAR AURORIAN

2024 - 2025



Dear fellow Aurorian,

We, as your Welcoming leaders are so excited to welcome you into our community and Stellenbosch University. First of all, congratulations on your provisional acceptance at Stellenbosch University. The community is super excited for you to join us during the two weeks of welcoming that we have crafted especially for you. We hope that these two weeks will be enjoyed and that you will leave having learnt so much more about the community and Stellenbosch University. We have worked hard to make this the best possible welcoming experience for you which provides everyone a supportive, inclusive, and holistic introduction to university life. You can look forward to having engaging discussions, perceptive presentations as well as opportunities to engage with other newcomers within, and out of, our community. We can't wait to guide you in the beginning stages of transitioning into your new life, where you are free to become whatever you'd like to be one day, which aligns with our individuality value. We want you to be unapologetically yourself in the community, where we can all celebrate our differences among one another, fostering each person's individuality. We wish that you find a home-away-from-home in Aurora that encourages you to create a wonderful and well-rounded life for yourself. We trust that you will be inspired and fulfilled after having spent welcoming with the rest of your community and that it will encourage you to make the best out of the rest of your university journey. We cannot wait to see you all !

- Your Welcoming Leaders

About Aurora



Established in 1981, Aurora is the oldest and largest mixed CSC (Commuter Student Community) on the Stellenbosch campus. Aurora is well known for our participation in cultural and sporting events. As our community has grown, our participation in other activities has expanded. We offer numerous leadership opportunities to all our members beginning with the House Committee, Mentors and Seniors Committee as well as Vensters Committee and Newcomers Committee ensuring all our members are included in all structures of our beloved CSC. We have grown into a diverse and inclusive space that many can call their home away from home.



RESPECT

Demonstrating consideration, kindness, and value for others' feelings, rights, and perspectives, fostering mutual understanding and harmony

INTEGRITY

The steadfast commitment to ethical principles and honesty, even in challenging situations, reflecting our strong moral character.

AURORA'S VALUES



GEES

Spirit or soul of a person or the essence of the community's enthusiasm

INDIVIDUALITY

The expression of our unique traits, beliefs, and characteristics, highlighting personal distinctiveness

UNITY

The act of coming together as one, fostering cooperation and a sense of belonging in a group

WHAT DO WE BELIEVE IN ?

These are our values which we aim to uphold within our community

Aurora aims for inclusivity within our community, creating a safe space whereby our members are able to embrace their individuality. We strive to have our members grow as individuals, all while creating lifelong memories.

IMPORTANT

THINGS TO NOTE

1

REGISTRATION

PLACE: Jan Mouton Building
ADDRESS: De Beer Rd.
DATE: 28th January 2025
TIME: 09:00-11:00



2

Aurora CSC is a Commuter Student Community which means that it **DOES NOT PROVIDE ACCOMMODATION.**

We support private students living in private accommodation that attend Stellenbosch University. You are responsible for finding your own accommodation.

3

HUIS STANZI

The Aurora House is situated at 8 Hofmeyr street and is often referred to as 'HUIS STANZI'

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ACCOMODATION

If you require any assistance with accommodation, here is a useful link for the university with regards to off-campus living:

<https://www.sun.ac.za/english/maties/Pages/Accommodation-PrivateAccommodation.aspx>



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MORE INFO

For more information, email our Primaria at auroraprim@sun.ac.za or our Secretary General at aurora@sun.ac.za



MESSAGE FROM OUR PRIMARIA



Hello and Welcome to Aurora! First off, congratulations on your massive achievement of being provisionally accepted to Stellenbosch University and your allocation to Aurora CSC! You have achieved something truly remarkable. Wondering what Aurora is all about? Well, Aurora is a diverse and vibrant student community with the mission of assisting Aurorians to grow holistically throughout their journey here at Stellenbosch University. Our values of Individuality, Integrity, Respect, Unity and “Gees” play a vital role in our community’s success. Our goal is that throughout your University journey, you uphold these values regardless of the path you find yourself on. Whilst we are not able to offer accommodation, we are immensely proud to offer you a community outside of your degree. We aim to cater towards your needs and wants to ensure that your talents and potential are nurtured. From the joys of House Dance to the wins on the hockey

field and the must attend karaoke nights, to the inspiring community outreaches and the important CV workshops, we aim to offer a space for everyone. I hope that you will find your feet in our beloved community which will soon become a “home away from home.” Aurora has a plethora of resources to ensure your continued growth throughout your journey here. It is up to you to make use of the community which will play a pivotal role throughout your University journey. Whilst you may be feeling anxious about the transition from high school to University, rest assured that Aurora is here to support and guide you throughout your journey. We are some of your biggest cheerleaders and cannot wait to see what you achieve during your time here. Take this opportunity to make unforgettable memories and lifelong friends. Always remember that your university journey is what you make of it. So take each opportunity and see where you go! So looking forward to sharing in your journey of becoming an Aurorian! See you soon:)

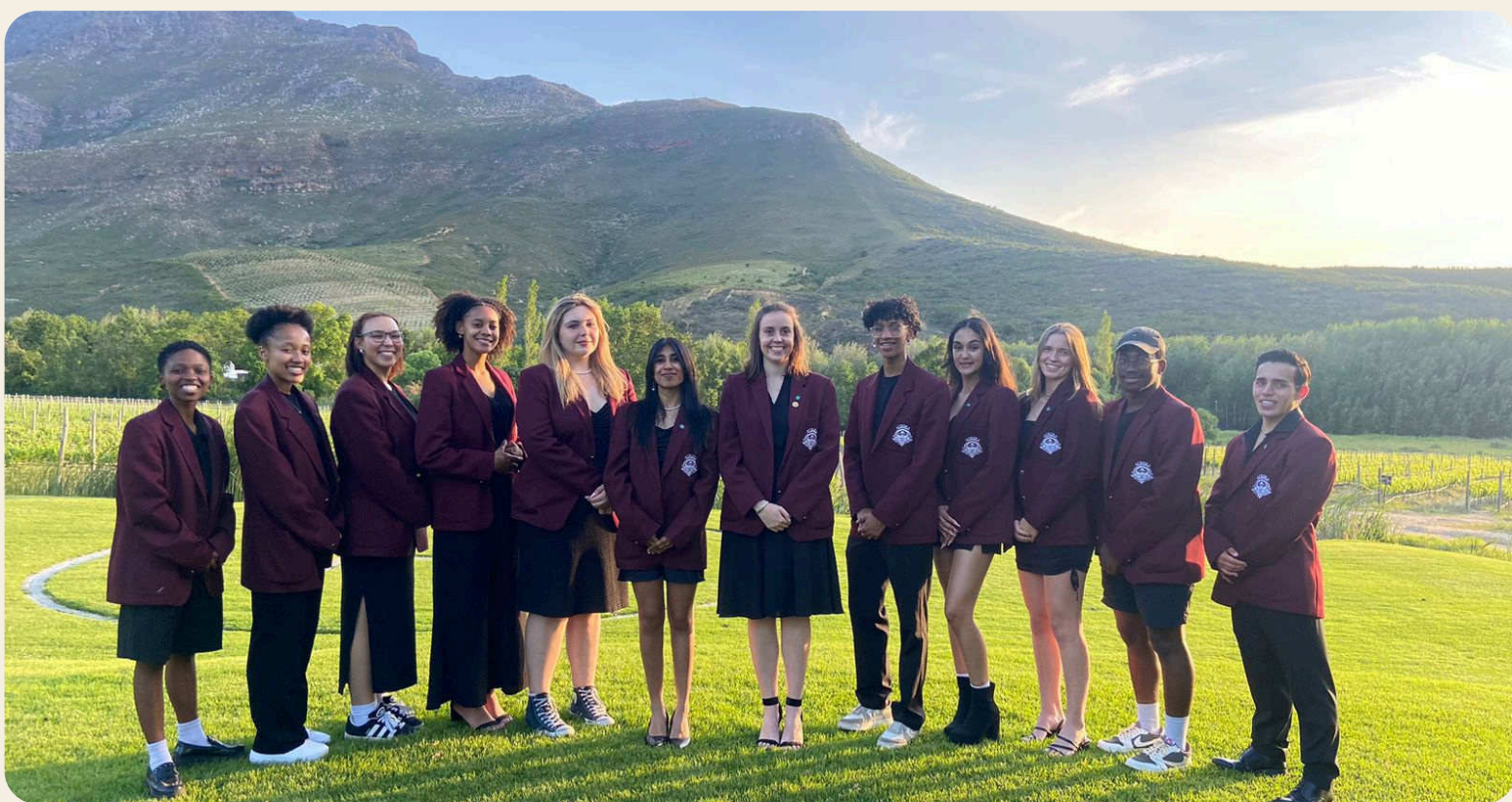
– SIAN VAN KAN

OUR FAVOURITE MEMORIES

Welcoming 2024 Throwback !



MEET THE TEAM



2025

PRIMARIA & VICE-PRIMARIA

Sian van Kan

she/her

BEd Foundation Phase (4th year)
Primaria, External Relations & Leadership
Development

Hello prospective Aurorian, Congratulations on your achievement of being provisionally accepted to Stellenbosch University and your allocation to Aurora. This is the first step that you have taken for your future! As a final year Aurorian, I can attest to the old saying, “this is going to fly by”. Take every opportunity with both hands because you never know where it might take you. This is the place where you are going to make unforgettable memories and lifelong friends. Aurora has provided me with a home away from home since my first day as a newcomer. The community will be there to support you in your journey of being here at Stellenbosch. It is truly a special place and one I am proud to welcome you to. Super keen to meet you during Welcoming. Come and chat to me about anything and everything! See you soon:)

Yeshwaria Govender

she/her

BA Humanities (4th year)

Vice-Primaria, Safety, Internal Relations,
Accountability & Discipline

Aurora is a home away from home. It is a light that will help you on your path through trials and errors of university. It is a place where you can find your group yet still stand out as a unique individual. It is the soil that will help you grow and explore the endless possibilities that Stellenbosch University has to offer in order to become a well rounded individual by the time you leave. So many of my memories are built on the foundations that Aurora offered me and I hope to continue to make more with you guys, it was where I met some of my closest friends to this day and I hope you fall in love with our community as much as I have. A bit about me is you will always find me dancing or listening to music it help keep my energy up and gives me so much joy and maybe you'll catch me speaking a bit of Chinese if you're interested. You can make so many memories in Aurora as long as you push yourself and as I always say, “You'll always make time for the things you want to” and “it's only fun if you make it fun.” That is the last words of wisdom I will pass onto you before you start your journey with us and I wish you all the best as your Vice-Primaria.



HOUSE COMMITTEE

ANDREA MOUTON



she/her
BA Humanities (4th year)
Cluster, Secretary General

Hello fellow Aurorian ! Congratulations on your provisional acceptance at Stellenbosch University and welcome to Aurora. The next few years will be the best ! Aurora will be your home away from home. A place where you will meet wonderful people, be exposed to so many opportunities and make memories you will cherish forever. May this new journey be more than what you ever could have imagined. One of my favorite memories from first year was the dream walk and Cluster Day. A fun fact about me is that I go crazy for anything history and art related. Super excited to meet you all !

she/her
LLB (3rd year)
Newcomers Committee,
Seniors Committee,
Welcoming, Wellness

Congratulations on your provisional acceptance at SU! I know this time can be nerve wrecking and exciting all at the same time, but that is why we are here to help you. This is the first step in achieving your dreams and acquiring your full potential. My name is Chaseade, but it is pronounced as 'Chassidy'. A few things you should know about me is that I love anything cherry-related, reading and One Direction. I enjoy being around people and cannot wait to meet you! Aurora has made such an impact on my life and I hope it will do the same for you. By being involved in the community, my social and leadership skills developed immensely and I have grown so much as a person. Make the best of these years, we can't wait to meet you!

CHASEADE BEYERS



HOUSE COMMITTEE

he/him
BA Sports Science (3rd year)
Connect, Sponsors, Sport

Hi Newcomers.

I am Jake Hansell, 21 years old and originally from Joburg. I joined Aurora in 2023 and have loved every minute of being part of my home away home. Aurora has been a home away from home and has helped my leadership qualities grow so that I can be where I am today and Aurora has made me into a better person, again the person I am today.

JAKE HANSELL



BATHABILE (KAMO) PITSO

she/her
BCom Financial Accounting
(3rd year)
Alumni, House Dance, Socials



Hey prospective Aurorian! Looking forward to meeting you! Aurora is a community where you are given the space to truly come as you are and be embraced for your unique self! It's been an honour to be part of such a community.

Where you hear the most outrageous laugh(sometimes) you'll find me there. I'm a lover of Christ and people! If you're in need of water, find me I probably have a bottle in my hands. Can't wait to meet you bestie!

HOUSE COMMITTEE

KÁYLEE NAIDOO



she/her

BA Humanities (3rd year)
Clothing, Social Media & Marketing,
Sustainability

Hi future Aurorians !!

Congratulations on your provisional acceptance, I hope you look forward to this journey you are about to embark on. My name is Káylee & I am so excited to invite you into our family. Moving to Stellenbosch was a dream that quickly became reality after high school. I thought it would be hard to adjust & make friends - but that's where Aurora comes in ! University is truly an unforgettable experience filled with creating life long memories, & we are here to support you in that journey. I can't wait to meet you all & make sure to follow us on Instagram @auroracsc_

- your social media rockstar x

B.Ed Intermediate Phase
Teaching (3rd year)
Finance, Social Impact

Hey Fellow Aurorians! I am Kayleigh. congratulations on your Provisional acceptance into Stellenbosch University. I enjoy gardening and reading. Aurora has defined itself as a place of happiness and family in my life. I have met so many amazing people along the way and I can't wait to meet you ! Being part of Aurora CSC has allowed me to build so many connections with people outside of my faculty that I would not have if it weren't for this community. I have made some life long friends here and I can't see what lies ahead!

KAYLEIGH MANUEL



HOUSE COMMITTEE

she/her
BA Visual Studies (5th year)
**Critical engagement,
Equipment, Huis Stanzi**

Welcome to our community! I'm one of your House Comm members and hopefully someone you can count on in your new journey here. I love all things art and creativity, being a book worm takes some creativity too, right? I'm also quite the chat box, which is why I'm so excited to lead you in critical engagement.

Let us into your University experience by creating core memories with us. This is a community that fosters an inclusive space, and a space to have fun all year round! And whatever your needs, know you can always count on your leaders. I wish you all the best <3

NADA FALENI



NDZALAMA MANYIKE

he/him
BEng Mechatronic Engineering
(3rd year)
Cluster, Head Mentor



Hi, I'm Ndzalama Manyike but I go by Zama amongst my peers. I like to believe I'm a friendly guy with a lot of quirky traits. I'm your guy if you enjoy talking about sports as most of my free time is spent watching or participating in sports, due to academics it's mainly the former lately. Outside of my studies, my other passion in life is Aurora and helping the community grow and thrive.

HOUSE COMMITTEE

SARAH READHEAD



she/her
BCom Law (4th year)
**Academics, House Dance,
Welcoming**

Hey future Aurorians! I'm Sarah Readhead, and I'm beyond excited to welcome you to our incredible family. I'm a BCom Law student, but when I'm not buried in books, you'll likely find me running, on a coffee mission, or sharing a laugh with friends.

Aurora has truly become a home away from home. It's introduced me to some of the best people, pushed me to step out of my comfort zone, and given me memories I'll cherish forever. The vibe here is all about making everyone feel welcome and part of the family. I can't wait to meet all of you and start creating unforgettable memories together!

he/him
PGCE (4th year)
Clothing, Culture, Venters

Hello Aurorians !! I welcome you to our community with the hopes that you find some sort element of family within our hypothetical 4 walls. I am your culture HC and hope to illuminate the greater Stellenbosch Community by representing all that it is YOU desire! . I also hope to keep you all drippy whilst overseeing merch and ensuring we look our best to feel our best !

I am a Singer and Songwriter and can be found vibing along to any type of music. Along with all that keeps me busy, I am an advocate for human rights and the liberation thereof and spend my free time writing poetry or spending time with family.

Aurora has provided me with such a wide lens for the world that approaches after we leave University, and I, along with my team aim to deliver that same message to you ! I have grown into the person I am and upskilled me as the years have gone by. Aurora is like the big sister that lets you hang with her cool friends that seem to welcome and accept you even if you felt they wouldn't. There is room for everyone, there is a space for everyone, there is SOMETHING for everyone. Congratulations on your new journey !

TYRON ADAMS





MESSAGE FROM OUR HEAD MENTOR

Dear Prospective Aurorians,

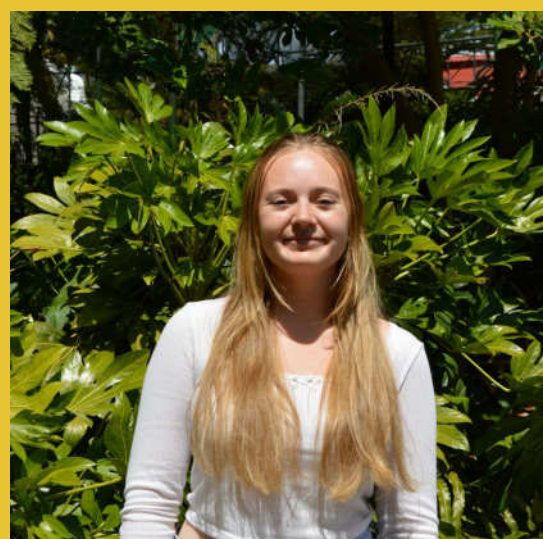
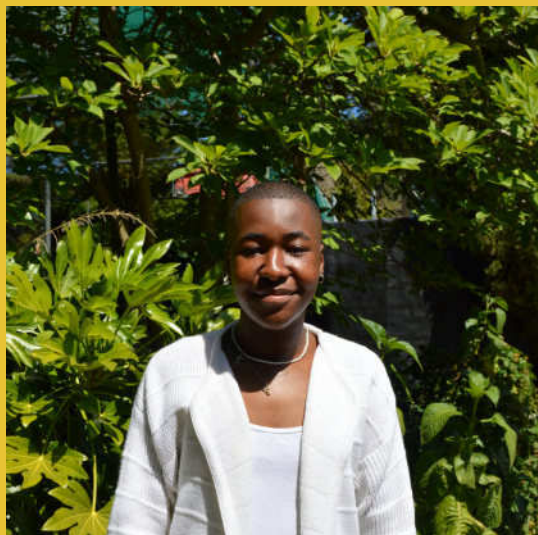
Congratulations on your provisional acceptance to Stellenbosch University and the Aurora CSC. We are thrilled to welcome you to our vibrant Maties family. Our dedicated team of Aurora CSC Mentors has been carefully selected to ensure your transition is as smooth and enjoyable as possible. Along with the rest of the leadership group, we are committed to making you feel right at home within our community. Our

Mentors have undergone extensive training to provide you with the resources and knowledge needed to support you throughout this exciting journey. Whether you have questions or need guidance, they will be there to assist, ensuring you feel confident and prepared for this new chapter of your life. Our goal is to help you have an unforgettable and enriching year, filled with personal growth and hopefully many memorable experiences.

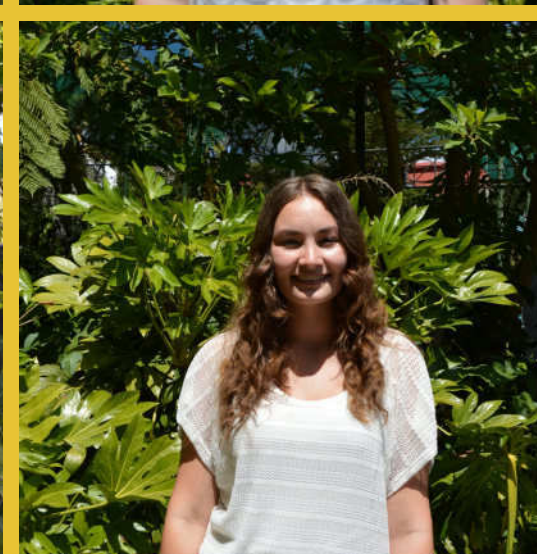
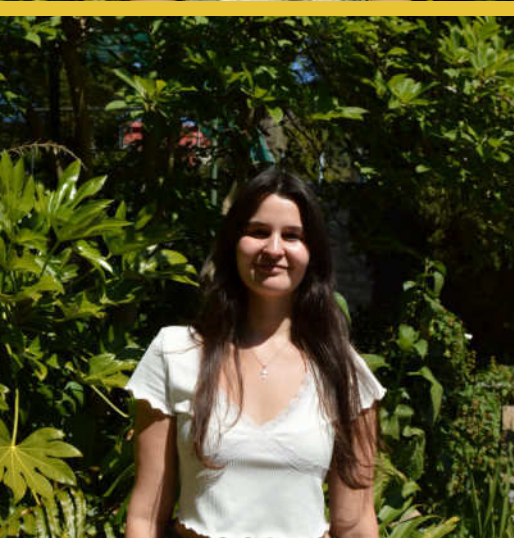
Upon your arrival at Welcoming, you will be assigned to a mentor group based on your faculty. This will offer you the opportunity to connect with others in your academic field, receive essential faculty-specific information, and begin building your network of friends and peers. We hope these connections will grow into meaningful friendships, both within and beyond your faculty, making your time at Stellenbosch even more enjoyable.

The Mentors and I eagerly look forward to meeting you and helping you create lifelong memories. We hope you enjoy a restful and joyful December and January, and we can't wait to welcome you in 2025 for an exciting new adventure!

Warm regards,
Ndzalama Manyike
Head Mentor, Aurora CSC



MEET THE MENTORS



Mentors



Abasia Boyce

B. Social Work (3rd year)

“To the guy who invented zero, thanks for nothing.”

Anke Liebenberg

BCom Management Sciences (2nd year)

“How much does a roof cost? Nothing, it’s on the house.”



Bruwer Van Tonder

BSc Animal Science (2nd year)

“Why did the students bring a ladder to class? Because it was on another level.”



Chantel Smit

BA Fine Arts (2nd year)

“What is blue and smells like red paint? Blue Paint.”



Mentors

Dayeong Kim

**BSc Molecular Biology and
Biotechnology (3rd year)**

“Which tea is hard to swallow?
Reality.”



Emma Aitken

BEd Intermediate Phase (3rd year)

“What do you call a M&M that went to
university? A smartie.”



Gizelle Classen

BA Humanities (2nd year)

“I know that they say money talks, but all
mine does is say goodbye.”



Hannah Smith

BA Humanities (3rd year)

“Why did Hannah Montana break up with
her guitar? Because it had too many strings
attached!”



Mentors



Iyaaꝓ Mnikaꝓhi

Bachelor of Accounting (2nd year)

“I’m not saying I’m Batman, but have you ever seen me and Batman in the same room?”

Jacques Isaacs

BEng Mechatronics (1st year)

“Life is like a door, never trust a cow because of the sun.”



Jenna Ker-Fox

BA Humanities (2nd year)

“What do you call a bear with no teeth? A gummy bear.”



Julia Swanepoel

BSc Food Science (2nd year)

“Why did the tomato turn red? Because it saw a salad dressing!.”



Mentors

Julian Pool

BSc Computer Science (2nd year)

“I entered 10 puns in a contest to see which would win... no pun in ten did. ”



Khanya Maseko

BA Humanities (2nd year)

“Why did Adele cross the road? To say hello from the other side.”



Kyle Coetzee

BCom Financial Accounting (2nd year)

“Did you hear about the guy who stole the calendar? His days are numbered .”



Lesedi Mamaila

BEng Mechatronics (2nd year)

“The moment is big when using a spanner.”



Mentors



Lihle Baleka

Sustainable Development (2nd year)

“Why don’t eggs tell jokes? Cause they’ll crack each other open!”

Liné Visser

BCom Industrial Psychology (2nd year)

“I keep choosing the wrong guy. It’s like a game of ‘Where’s Waldo?’ - except it’s ‘Where’s the guy who isn’t a walking red flag?’”



Makha Mntungwa

BA Humanities (2nd year)

“Why does Ronaldo clean.... because he isn’t Messi.”



Mentors

Melissa Stemmet

BCom Management Sciences (3rd year)

“What is the most charismatic rice dish?
Rizzotto.”



Ollie van der Walt

BA Humanities (2nd year)

“Why did the behaviourist cross the
road? It doesn't matter.”



Sebastian Kunz

BEng Mechanical (3rd year)

“What do you call an elephant that doesn't
matter? An irrelephant. ”



MESSAGE FROM OUR SENIORS COMMITTEE HC

Heyyy Aurorians !

Seniors Committee is a specially crafted committee created for members of Aurora from second year onwards. Seniors Committee plans and hosts offerings throughout the welcoming period, as well as throughout the academic year for the community. Hosting these offerings allows Aurorians to be supported by their community throughout their years at Stellenbosch University. Seniors Committee is mainly responsible for being involved in Welcoming, by handing out the food and merch packages. They work behind the scenes and also ensure that everything which is necessary for offerings to commence, are ready. Further, Seniors Committee hosts other offerings throughout the year, most of which are fundraisers. I'm excited to meet all of you, and hopefully see you be part of the Seniors Committee in the future.

The Seniors Committee will be your biggest supporters! So, if you ever need help or have questions during Welcoming, feel free to ask.

See you soon!



- *Chaseade Beyers*

Meet our **SENIORS COMMITTEE**





ZOE HERMAN

she/her they/them

BEng Electrical & Electronic

"Do what works, not what's
easy"



SIXOLILE MBOPA

she/her

LLB

"Life is short, and so am I"



DEZI KATSANDE

she/her they/them

BA Humanities

“Yes. Definitely. Absolutely
~The iconic Mabel Pines”

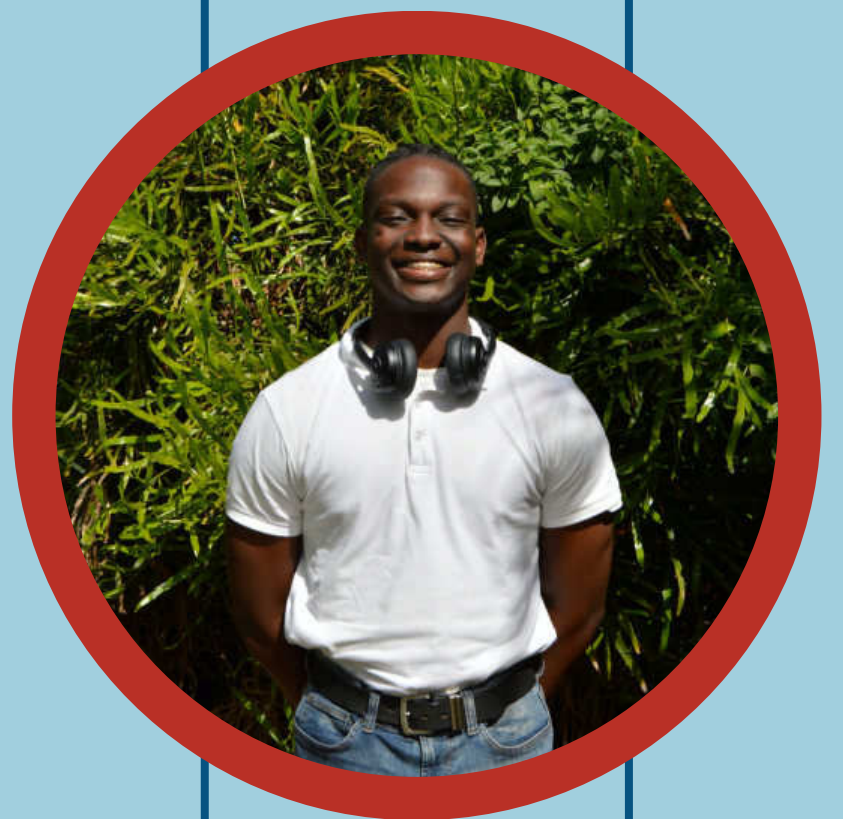


GABRIEL KATOMBE

he/him

BA Humanities

If it can be solved, there's no need
to worry. And if it can't be solved,
worry is of no use." — Dalai Lama



SESIHLE MATYENI

she/her

BA Humanities

“Welcoming you to a space where
respect, integrity, and togetherness
matter”



MESSAGE FROM OUR CSC COORDINATORS

Dear Aurora Newcomer.

Congratulations with your provisional acceptance at Stellenbosch University and a warm welcome to Aurora. Studying at Stellenbosch University is a great honour and we wish you all the best as you enter this challenging yet exciting phase of your life. As a prospective first year you stand at the beginning of an exciting period in your life.

As the Commuter Student Communities Unit at Stellenbosch University, we are responsible for managing the Aurora Community, along with its House Committee and the Mentors. We are your support network that will assist with your academic and social integration at SU. Please, if you have any questions, do not hesitate to ask. Aurora believes in a value driven system. We consider these values in all we do.

Your community will allow you to forge new paths, build new relationships and innovate in ways you never have imagined. The CSCs ensure that students, even when physically separated from one another, still remain connected to each other as well as campus life through our virtual community offerings.

We encourage you to make the most of this experience and to take a hold of each and every opportunity that comes your way. In today's world, a degree can only get you so far. Your experience at Aurora is what will allow you to go further and to leave Stellenbosch University as a well-rounded graduate. Aurora is your portal to an exciting out-of-class and co-curricular experience which will go a long way to giving you an upper hand one day when you graduate.

We look forward to meeting you and we can assure you that you will be welcomed into our community with open arms.

Regards,
Commuter Student Communities Unit

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Cluster Introduction



Respect | Critical Thinking | Camaraderie | Integrity

VicMeyr

Stellenbosch University has created eight distinct student communities known as Clusters. These Clusters serve as a central hub for both Commuter Student Communities (CSCs) and on-campus Residents. Their primary objective is to provide a space where students can engage in meaningful opportunities, build networks, foster a sense of belonging, and offer mutual peer support. Clusters play a crucial role in helping students better understand the diversity within our communities, serving as spaces where important and necessary conversations can take place. They also provide access to essential facilities like study areas and dining spaces. Within these Clusters, students have the chance to connect with others, build friendships, and contribute to a stronger sense of community. Aurora is a member of the Vicmeyr Cluster and holds the unique position of being the only CSC within it.

The Vicmeyr Cluster consists of six communities: Aurora, Dagbreek, Huis ten Bosch, Lydia, Majuba, and Minerva. These communities are located along Victoria and Hofmeyr Street. Each community embodies its own set of values, but together they share common principles that shape the identity of the Vicmeyr cluster as a whole. These shared values foster collaboration, mutual respect, and inclusivity, creating a supportive environment where each member can thrive both personally and academically.

Cluster HC's
Ndzalama Manyike
Andrea Mouton



CLUSTER CONVENORS



Mienke Rossouw

Hi there! I'm Mienke Rossouw, a third-year Applied Medical Chemistry student (so fingers crossed, I'll be designing new medicines someday!). I'm one of the two Cluster Convenors, helping bring our community together and keep things running smoothly. Outside of studies and cluster duties, I'm also a proud dog mom to six furballs, including an Australian Shepherd named Atlas who's full of personality! Fun fact: during my first week at university, I accidentally hit my eye on my desk while unpacking, so I rocked a small bruise for the rest of welcoming week. If I could survive welcoming with a smile I know you guys will be able to do so as well! Remember to follow us on the VicMeyr Instagram for any more information about the cluster :)



Braam Greeff

Hi! I'm Braam Greeff, a second-year Actuarial Science student currently residing in Dagbreek. I'm the other Cluster Convenor, and I'm passionate about helping to create a Cluster that you all feel proud to be a part of. When I'm not in the bib studying, which is more often than not, I'm somewhere on campus side-questing with friends and upholding my atrocious sleep schedule. When Welcoming concluded I felt confident that Stellenbosch University is the place I want to spend my years as a student, and I'm grateful to contribute in part to that experience for you as Newcomers. We look forward to seeing you in O-Week!



CLOTHING AND FOOD PACKAGES



Cap



2025 Shirt



Cap



Drawstring Bag



Vintage Merch



Package 1

1 x Aurora Cap
1x Aurora 2025 Shirt

R350, 00

Package 2

1 x Aurora Cap
1x 2025 Aurora Shirt
1 x Aurora Vintage Shirt

R550, 00

Package 3

1 x Aurora Cap
1x Aurora 2025 Shirt
2 x Aurora Vintage Shirt
1 x Drawstring Bag

R775, 00

Food Package

This package will include 14 meals

TBC

Please note that it is not compulsory to purchase any food or merchandise. If you choose to order food or merchandise, please note that the amount will be debited to your student account

ACCOMMODATION EXPLAINED

Dear Aurorian,

Please note that Aurora is not a residence and does not offer accommodation. We operate independently of any central living facility, and securing suitable housing is your responsibility. To assist you in your search, we've provided a list of useful links and resources:

Residences:

- Eikenhof: www.eikenhofkoshuis.co.za
- Nooitgedacht: www.nooitgedachta.co.za
- Archimedes:
www.stelliesstudentstay.co.za/archimedes.html

Stellenbosch University Accommodation:

- Visit the SU website:
www.sun.ac.za/maties/Accommodation

Additional Options:

- Stellies Student Stay:
www.stelliesstudentstay.co.za/accommodation.html

Estate Agents (Apartments and Housing):

- Neelsie Eiendomme
- Nooitgedacht Real Estate (Pty) Ltd
- Anna Basson Properties
- Lew Geffen Sotheby's International Realty Stellenbosch
- Pam Golding Properties Stellenbosch
- Leapfrog Stellenbosch
- Keller Williams Impact
- RE/MAX
- Oaktree Stellenbosch
- Engel & Völkers Stellenbosch
- Seeff Stellenbosch

We hope these resources help you find suitable accommodation.

PRE-ARRIVAL PROGRAM



MONDAY,
20 JANUARY

Mentors & Seniors
Committee
Introduction

TUESDAY,
21 JANUARY

Critical Engagement,
Academics &
Welcoming Q&A

WEDNESDAY,
22 JANUARY

Faculty Information
Session, Campus Tour

THURSDAY,
23 JANUARY

CSC Introduction,
Sustainability, Social
Impact, Culture &
Safety


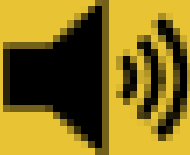



FRIDAY,
24 JANUARY

Wellness, Sports,
Available Resources &
Special Needs

SATURDAY,
25 JANUARY

Cluster, Merchandise
& Socials

WELCOMING SCHEDULE

Symbol	Meaning
	This activity involves physical movement and require high energy levels
	This activity involves loud music, cheering, singing and other high intensity sound or noise
	This activity involves interacting in large groups between (50 and 500 people at a time)
	This activity involves small groups (less than 30), or personal time or engagements that allow for low intensity interactions and less structure
	This facility or venue is accessible to students and staff with disabilities

28 JANUARY - 08 FEBRUARY

WELCOMING SCHEDULE

Tuesday, 28 January 2025

Day & Time	Offering	Venue	Symbol
09:00 - 11:00	Registration & Aurora Merchandise Handout	Jan Mouton, De Beer Rd. (TBC)	
11:00 - 12:00	Auora Meet & Greet: Who's most likely to?	Huis Stanzi	
12:10 - 13:00	Meet Your Mentor	Huis Stanzi	
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch	TBC	
14:00 - 15:00	Zumba	Jan Marias Park	
15:00 - 16:00	Maties Mastermind	Huis Stanzi	
16:00 - 16:45	Geesbou	Huis Stanzi	
16:45 - 19:00	Welcome Home & Handprint Banner	Huis Stanzi	
19:15	Home Time		

WELCOMING SCHEDULE

Wednesday, 29 January 2025

Day & Time	Offering	Venue	Symbol
08:00-09:00	Newcomer Arrival: Games and Chill	Huis Stanzi	
09:00-11:30	Aurolympics	Jan Marais Park	
11:30-13:00	Lets Talk:	TBC	
13:00-14:00	Lunch	TBC	
14:00-17:00	Where's Rory: Campus Tour	Around Campus	
17:00-19:00	Rooiplein Rendezvous	Rooiplein	
19:15	Home Time		

WELCOMING SCHEDULE

Thursday, 30 January 2025

Day & Time	Offering	Venue	Symbol
07:30-9:00	TAKE NOTE: Students in the programmes B of Occupational Therapy (OT) and B of Speech-Language and Hearing Therapy (SLHT) follow the programme for the Tygerberg campus on the morning of Thursday, 30 January 2025 and thereafter these students follow the programme of the <i>Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences</i> at the Stellenbosch campus. B of Occupational Therapy also follow the Tygerberg programme on 04 February 2025 for the whole day. On 05 February 2025 students join online session on InteracYve student support session for Newcomers. Buses will be provided for these OT and SLHT Newcomers from Stellenbosch to Tygerberg at the following times: TBC > Depart Stellenbosch campus from Merriman Avenue (bus stop at JC Smuts bridge) > Arrive at Tygerberg campus. Parents and first-years report to the Tygerberg Student Centre (TSS)		
8:30-9:00	Newcomers Arrival	Huis Stanzi	
09:00-10:00	Sun-Secrets: Academic Tech Talk	Van Der Sterr (STILL TBC)	
10:00 - 11:00	Mentor Session	Huis Stazni	
11:00-12:00	Line Dancing with Silene	Victoria Hub	
12:00-13:00	Lunch	TBC	
13:00-14:30	Let's Talk:	TBC	
14:30-15:30	Merch Handout: Drip Yourself Out & Games and Chill	Huis Stanzi	

WELCOMING SCHEDULE

Thursday, 30 January 2025 (Continued)

Day & Time	Offering	Venue	Symbol
15:30-17:00	Move to Danie Craven		
17:00-17:30	Infromal Program	Coetzenberg: Danie Craven Stadium	
17:30-18:00	Formal Program and Official Welcoming by the Rector	Coetzenberg: Danie Craven Stadium	
18:15-19:00	Danie Craven Photo	Coetzenberg: Danie Craven Stadium	
19:15-20:00	Dinner	Huis Stanzi	
20:00-22:15	Dreamwalk	Victoria Street	
22:15	Home Time		

WELCOMING SCHEDULE

Friday, 31 January 2025

Day & Time	Offering	Venue	Symbol
08:00 - 12:00	Academic Program		
12:00 - 13:00	Lunch	TBC	
13:00 - 14:00	Let’s Talk	TBC	
14:00 - 15:30	Note: Speech, Language and Hearing Therapy students follow the programme from the afternoon of 31 January 2025 on Stellenbosch campus. 14:00 – 16:00 Registration of B Occupational Therapy and B Speech, Language, and Hearing Therapy Students on the STB campus (those who cannot self-register) Administration, Block A. (STB – Zenda Jansen) See SU Welcoming Booklet		
14:00-15:30	Welcoming Fair	Coetzenburg	
15:45 - 17:00	Theatre Production	Kruiskerk	
17:00 - 18:00	Mentor Session	Mentor Discretion	
18:00 - 19:00	Dinner with Majuba	Majuba	
19:00 -21:00	Cluster Intercation	Dagbreek	
21:15	Home Time		



WELCOMING SCHEDULE

Saturday, 1 February 2025

Day & Time	Offering	Venue	Symbol
08:00 - 08:30	Newcomers Arrival	Huis Stanzi	
08:30 - 13:00	Cluster Day	Dagbreek	
13:30 - 14:00	Lunch	Huis Stanzi	
14:00 - 15:00	Mentor Session	Botanical Gardens	
15:00 - 17:00	Cone & Coffee Crawl	Stellenbosch Town	
17:00 - 19:00	Karaoke: Sing with the Swallows	Huis Stanzi	
19:15	Home Time		




WELCOMING SCHEDULE

Monday, 3 February 2025

Day & Time	Offering	Venue	Symbol
08:00 - 09:00	Newcomers Arrival + Games & Chill	Huis Stanzi	
09:00 - 12:30	Academic Program		
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch	TBC	
14:00 - 17:30	Academic Program		
18:00 - 19:00	Dinner	TBC	
19:00- 21:00	80s Disco Ball	Lydia	
21:00	Home Time		

WELCOMING SCHEDULE

Tuesday, 4 February 2025

Day & Time	Offering	Venue	Symbol
08:00 - 09:00	Newcomers Arrival	Huis Stanzi	
09:00 - 12:30	Academic Program		
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch	TBC	
14:00 - 17:30	Academic Program		
18:00 - 19:00	Baskets of Bloom: Social with Minerva	TBC	
19:15- 21:00	AGT : Aurora's Got Talent	Huis Stanzi	
21:15	Home Time		

WELCOMING SCHEDULE

Wednesday, 5 February 2025

Day & Time	Offering	Venue	Symbol
08:00 - 09:00	Newcomers Arrival + Games & Chill	Huis Stanzi	
09:00 - 11:00	Compulsory EDP session for students from the Faculty of Science, Engineering and AgriSciences (Excluding BAgric Agri-business Management EDP & BScAgric Agricultural Economics & Management EDP)		
09:00 - 12:30	Academic Program		
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch	TBC	
14:00 - 15:30	Academic Program		
15:30-17:00	Vensters Practice	TBC	
17:00 - 19:00	Where Have the Prims Gone? + Huis Neethling	Huis Neethling	
19:15	Home Time		

WELCOMING SCHEDULE

Thursday, 6 February 2025

Day & Time	Offering	Venue	Symbol
08:00 - 08:30	Newcomers Arrival	Huis Stanzi	
08:30 - 10:00	Compulsory Faculty Benchmark Test for all Newcomers of Science and AgriScience		
09:00 - 12:00	Vensters Parctice	TBC	
12:00 - 13:00	Lunch with Vesta	TBC	
13:00 - 14:00	EcoMaties	TBC	
14:00 - 15:00	Self Defence Tips & Tricks	2nd Floor of Victoria Hub	
15:00 - 16:00	Vensters Practice	TBC	
16:00 - 17:00	Give Yourself Wings	TBC	
17:30 - 21:00	Cluster Newcomers Athletics Meeting	Coetzenburg	


WELCOMING SCHEDULE

Friday, 7 February 2025

Day & Time	Offering	Venue	Symbol
08:00-08:30	Newcomer Arrival: Games and Chill	Huis Stanzi	
09:00-12:00	Social Impact Morning		
12:00 - 12:30	Lunch: Kospakkies		
13:00-13:30	Dress Rehearsal for Vensters	Cotezenburg	
14:00-16:00	Vensters Parice	Huis Stanzi	
16:00- 16:30	Geesbou	Huis Stanzi	
16:30-17:00	Mentor Session	Huis Stanza	
17:00 - 19:00	Taking Flight Ceremony	Huis Stanzi	

WELCOMING SCHEDULE

Saturday, 8 February 2025

Day & Time	Offering	Venue	Symbol
08:00 - 08:30	Newcomers Arrival	Huis Stanzi	
09:00 - 12:00	Vensters Practice		
12:00 - 13:00	Lunch	TBC	
13:00 - 14:00	Vensters Practice	TBC	
14:00 - 23:00	Connect	Welgevallen Fields	

STELLENBOSCH LINGO DICTIONARY

BIB: Stellenbosch University Library

FHARGA: Computer Centre for the BComm Faculty

FIRGA: Computer Centre for Engineering Faculty

HEMIS: Your HEMIS (Higher Education Information Management System) is one of the most important calculations made during your academic career. A calculation of credits you've achieved against credits you should have achieved.

HK/HC: House Committee

HUMARGA: Computer Centre for the BA and Education faculty students. (Third floor of the Arts (BA) building).

KLEIN SATERDAG: Wednesdays.

NARGA: Computer Centre for the Bsc (Sciences) faculty.

NEELSIE: On campus shopping centre where we can go to eat and do general errands, also houses many of the student organisations' offices as well as the SRC office.

PRIM: Short for Primaria/Primarius. This is the head leader of the House Committee.

ROOIPLEIN: The red brick and grass area between the Neelsie and library.

SECOND OPP: The second opportunity that is available for exams. (Rules differ for each module and faculty).

SRC: Student Representative Council (Our student government).

SS: Student Centre (a mostly quiet place where you can study) in the JC Smuts building.

CSCD/SSVO: Centre for Student Counselling and Development.

SUNLearn: Our University Website where your lecturer uploads all your slides and notes for each module.

Vice-Primaria/Primarius: The deputy leader of the House Committee



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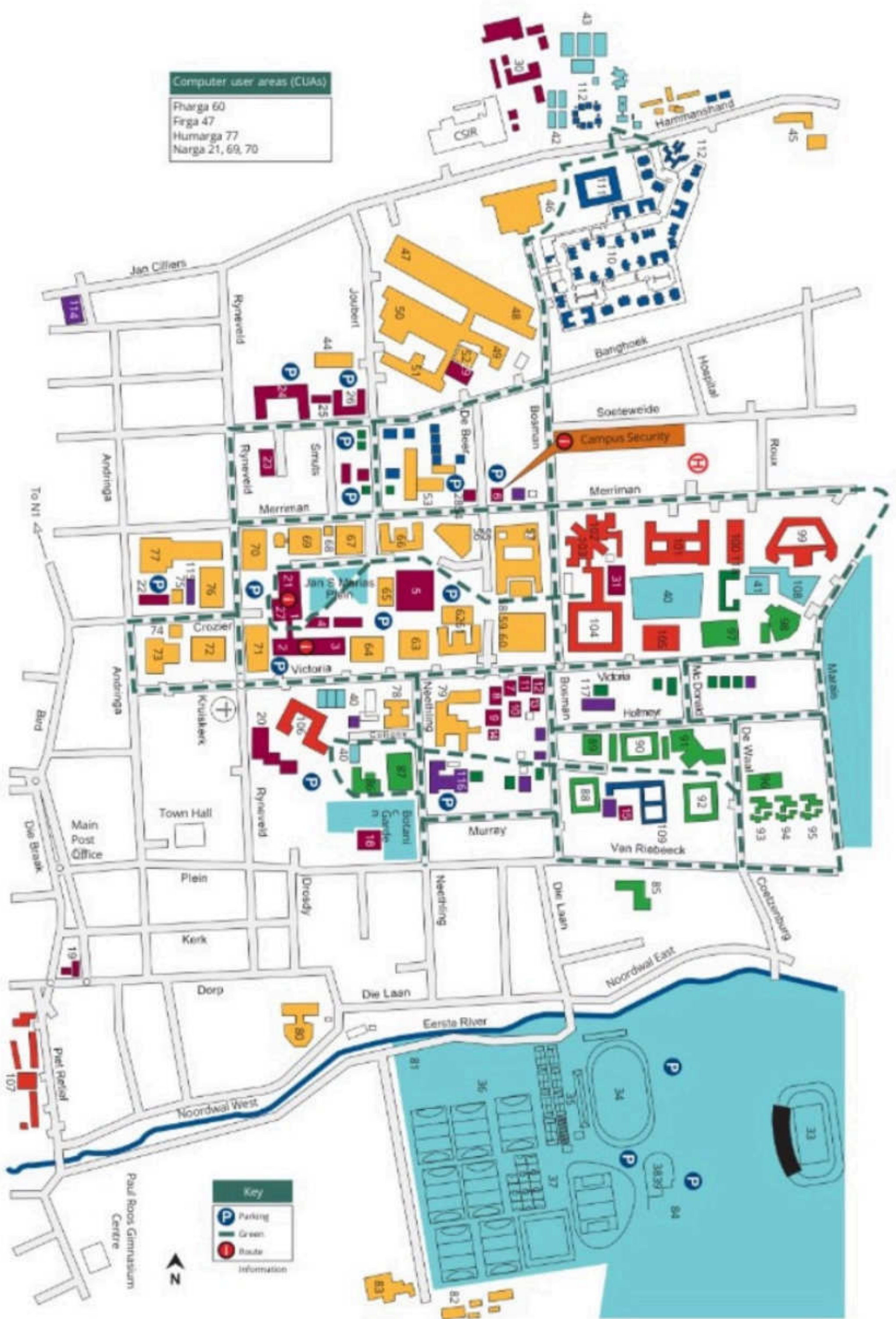
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CAMPUS MAP

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- 9 Development Office
- 10 Careers Office
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- 15 Campus Health Services
- 16 Maties Sport
- 17 DF Malan Memorial Centre
- 18 Old Conservatoire
- 19 Bureau for Economic Research
- 20 U Art Gallery
- 21 Eben Dönges Centre (Sasol Art Museum)
- 22 Telematic Services
- 23 Language Centre (Crozier Street Houses)
- 24 WAT, 115 Banghoek Road
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- 81 Paul van der Bijl Laboratories
- 82 Welgevallen Experimental Farm
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- 86 Monica
- 87 Harmonie
- 88 Heemstede
- 89 Huis ten Bosch
- 90 Lydia
- 91 Minerva
- 92 Nerina
- 93 Erica
- 94 Nemesia
- 95 Serruria
- 96 Tinie Louw Dining Hall
- 96 amaMaties hub
- 97 Sonop (Huis van Niekerk)
- 98 Irene

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- 99 Eendrag
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Cluster Athletics Newcomers Meeting



**MATIES
ATHLETICS**

The Centre for Student Life and Learning and Maties Athletics present

Cluster Newcomers Athletics meeting

**06 Feb 2025
17:30 - 20:30
at Coetzenburg
Athletics Stadium**





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