

GENERAL PROGRAMME INFORMATION

MASTER'S IN EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT (structured programme)

PROGRAMME INFORMATION: See Calendar ('Jaarboek') 2021 Part 6 & Part 1

1. **Aims of the programme:** The aim of this programme is to equip educators to identify the potential of any learner with special education needs in her/his unique context (formal and informal school communities), to prevent and identify learning barriers, and to support schools and communities in this regard.

2. **Requirements** (see Calendar 2021 Part 6 from p. 65)

Admission requirements

1. A BEdHons degree (NQF Level 8) and an approved teaching qualification; OR
2. An honours degree (NQF Level 8) approved for this purpose by SU Senate, and an approved teaching qualification (additional study in Education may be required of the candidates); OR
3. Another combination of studies both academic and professional, deemed appropriate by Senate for the purpose of joining the intended programme, including the combination of a four-year professional degree that has no Education component and an approved education diploma/certificate (supplementary study in Education will be required in the case of such candidates); OR
4. In some manner have attained in his/her particular field of study a standard of competence deemed adequate by Senate (supplementary study in Education will be required in the case of such candidates). Recognition of Prior Learning should have been obtained before application;
5. An overall average of 60% in BEdHons or equivalent study;
6. You must preferably have passed a module in research methodology at honours level.

Other requirements

1. Since this is a selection programme, prospective students must apply on-line before the **end of June of the preceding year**.
2. Normally, a maximum of 10 students are admitted to the programme, which is presented only if at least 8 students have registered for it.
3. The mode of presentation in this programme is **contact teaching, on campus** (block sessions after hours and some weekends).
4. Since the intake for the programme is done biennially, interested parties should make enquiries before they apply by phoning 021 808 2308 or 021 808 4831. **Our next new intake is for 2022. Apply by the end of June 2021 for 2022.**
5. It is recommended that candidates have a minimum of two years' teaching experience.

3. **Closing date for applications** (see Calendar 2021 Part 6 also): **30 June 2021**

4. Selection:

The selection process takes place in **two phases**.

- **Phase 1:** During this phase all applications will be screened for compliance with the basic admission requirements listed above.

- **Phase 2:** Candidates who meet the basic requirements will be invited to attend **Phase 2** of the selection process.
- **Dates:** Wednesday **August** or Thursday **August 2021**
- **Venue:** Room 1039, Faculty of Education, Ryneveld Street, Stellenbosch
- **Documentation:** e.g. CVs, reference reports and further information will be requested.

5. **Duration:** This part-time programme is presented over a minimum of two academic years.

- 1st year comprises **academic modules, approval of research proposal** and **ethical clearance**.
- 2nd year comprises completion of **thesis**.
- The mode of presentation is contact teaching and on-line platform SUNLearn activities. **Compulsory contact sessions take place during late afternoons (from 16:00) twice per week and/or on some Friday afternoons and some Saturdays. Thesis supervision takes place during office hours.**

6. **Structure of programme:** see Calendar 2021 Part 6, pages 71–72 for the modules covered.

APPLICATION PROCESS

- Postgraduate application forms should be completed [online](#) or obtained from the administration section of the University Client Services: info@sun.ac.za | 021 808 9111.
- Should you have difficulties with on-line applications, or not have access to electronic facilities, you may contact Stellenbosch University Client Services at info@sun.ac.za | 021 808 9111.
- If you are registered at the SU during the year when you apply, you need to email Ms Euné Louwrens, the Faculty Administrator at Administration A, indicating that you want to apply for the M Ed Educational Support Programme. You will also be required to provide evidence that you meet the basic requirements (during the month of **May**). Also contact her with regard to administrative and programme enquiries eel@sun.ac.za.

CALENDER

Download Education Faculty Calender [here](#).

COST OF PROGRAMME

See [Calendar 2021 Part 3](#) (see p. 11) or contact Client Services: info@sun.ac.za | 021 808 9111.

FURTHER ENQUIRIES ABOUT APPLICATIONS

Contact **SU Client Services** at info@sun.ac.za / 021 808 9111.

You can also chat live on [Let's Talk](#) (right side at the bottom of the webpage).

Faculty administration

- Mr Erik van Zyl: 021 808 4831 erik@sun.ac.za
- Ms Euné Louwrens: 021 808 9111 eel@sun.ac.za

Departmental enquiries

Visit the [Department of Educational Psychology](#) website or contact:

- Ms Cyrildine Fortuin, Departmental Officer cfortuin@sun.ac.za 021 808 2308 (administrative and selection)
- Prof Estelle Swart, Programme Manager estelle@sun.ac.za (academic)

PLEASE NOTE

Submission of an application form does not ensure that you will automatically be invited to the selection interviews.

