

Information sheet for PGCE students about course registration 2025.

Dear PGCE students.

Please read the information below carefully before registering online. If you still have queries after reading this, please contact the relevant person or website link as indicated under “queries” at the end of this document.

COMPULSORY COURSES

The following courses are **compulsory** for **all new** PGCE students, and you will register for all 4 of these courses.

	Course code								Course title
1	E	D	N	3	2	0	0	W	EDUCATION
2	E	D	N	3	2	0	8	W	LOLT ENGLISH
3	E	D	N	3	2	0	6	W	SCHOOL EXPERIENCE SP & FET
4	S	L	L	3	1	1	4	W	XHOSA COMMUNICATION FOR EDUCATORS

Note the following:

- While you must register for EDN3208w (English LOLT), there is NO actual course for EDN3208w, and no fees are charged. At the end of the year, you will receive a PA (pass) for EDN3208w to indicate that you are proficient in using English as a language of learning and teaching (LOLT).
- While you must register for SLL3114w (Xhosa Communication for Educators), you may be exempted from isiXhosa **after** registration on the production of NSC or undergrad certificate or completion of a proficiency test after registration. In order to be exempted, you will need to bring a copy of your NSC certificate (the language can have been studied at either Home Language level or First or Second Additional Language level), or your university transcript. Please make sure you bring a **certified copy of the original certificate/ transcript**, as we will need to keep the copy for our records. The isiXhosa course is convened and taught by the School of Languages and Literature (SLL), and those staff members will provide you with information about exemption during the orientation session on 14 February 2025.

METHODS' COURSES

You will all need to sign up for your teaching methods' courses. These are the courses that will train you into the specificity of teaching school subjects. For example, if you have majors in English and History, you will sign up for EDN 3229w (English) and EDN 3235w (History). If you have studied isiXhosa for 2 years and Geography for 3 years, you will register for EDN3247w (isiXhosa) and EDN 3232w

(Geography). **You will receive an email, prior to registration and curriculum advice, which indicates the Methods subjects you are eligible for.**

Please note the codes for the current methods courses on offer:

EDN3222W Accounting SP & FET Education.....
EDN3223W Afrikaans SP and FET
EDN3224W Visual Arts SP and FET
EDN3225W Dance Studies FET
EDN3226W Design Studies FET
EDN3227W Dramatic Arts FET
EDN3228W Economics SP & FET
EDN3229W English SP & FET
EDN3231W French SP & FET
EDN3232W Geography SP & FET
EDN3235W History SP & FET
EDN3238W Life Sciences FET
EDN3239W Lifeskills (Life-Orientation) SP & FET.....
EDN3250W Physical Education SP & FET.....
EDN3240W Mathematics SP & FET
EDN3241W Music Choir Training SP & FET.....
EDN3242W Music Theory and History SP & FET
EDN3243W Natural Sciences SP.....
EDN3244W Physical Sciences FET
EDN3247W Xhosa SP & FET
EDN3248W Mathematics SP & Mathematics Literacy FET

You are **only** allowed to sign up for methods' courses in subject areas that you have studied at undergrad level **for at least two years**. In most cases, you will sign up for two methods' courses. You may register for a maximum of 3 methods' courses, but only if you have the requisite undergraduate credits.

EXPLANATION OF METHODS SUBJECTS: ELIGIBILITY AND GENERAL INFO

Please note the following:

1. 1 year (30 credits – at least) of Mathematics or half Mathematics and half Statistics is accepted for EDN 3248w (Mathematics Senior Phase & Maths Literacy FET).
2. Students who have only 1 undergrad teaching subject in Drama or Dance or Mathematics or History or French, need to sign up for their method subject AND EDN4200w (Research Paper in School Subject Content).
3. All Fine Art students, register for 3224w (Visual Arts) and EDN3226w (Design Studies).

4. Students who have Psychology 3 (120 credits at least) may sign up for EDN 3239w (Lifeskills/Life Orientation). *You may **not** sign up for this course if you have only 2 years of Psychology.*
5. Students wishing to take EDN3244 (Physical Science FET) or EDN3238W (Life Sciences SP & FET) **are automatically required to take** EDN3243W (Natural Sciences SP).
6. All Music students will sign up for EDN3241W (Music Choir) and EDN3242W (Music Theory).
7. **Returning students:** please contact the PGCE Programme Convenor asap at kate.angier@uct.ac.za and copy nicole.lesch@uct.ac.za
8. UCT fees are charged per course, so an extra methods' course will cost extra – see the [Fees guide](#) or see pages 80-81 in the [Fees Booklet](#)
9. For general PGCE issues, please also study the [FAQs for current students](#). Once you have registered, sign up for the UCT mobile app to access UCT services: <http://uctmobile.uct.ac.za>. Go to either the iTunes App store or the Google Play store and search for **University of Cape Town**.
10. Once you have registered, please use ONLY your myuct email address to communicate with the School of Education staff.
11. Please complete all forms in **sentence case** during the PGCE year.

QUERIES & CURRICULUM ADVICE

Please check your email from Ms Nicole Lesch regarding your eligible Methods Subjects. Please only contact us if you have read the above and still have queries. Please note the **subject-specific** person to email and we will get back to you as soon as possible. **Please DO NOT email multiple Curriculum Advisors:**

- **Life and Sciences and Natural Sciences:** Associate Prof Rudiger Laugksch (rudiger.laugksch@uct.ac.za)
- **Physical Sciences:** Associate Professor Annemarie Hattingh (Annemarie.hattingh@uct.ac.za)
- **Maths SP&FET and Maths SP&Lit:** Dr Shaheeda Jaffer (shaheeda.jaffer@uct.ac.za)
- **Dance, Drama, Visual Art, Design or Music:** Dr Kate Angier (kate.angier@uct.ac.za)
- **All other Methods' courses:** Dr Soraya Abdulatief (soraya.abdulatief@uct.ac.za) or Dr Kate Angier (kate.angier@uct.ac.za)
- **General queries:** Mr Litha Tyulu, the PGCE Administrator for day-to-day administrative assistance, at (litha.tyulu@uct.ac.za).