

# FACULTY OF ENGINEERING, THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT AND TECHNOLOGY



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**2025**

Your Guide To **First Year Success**

FYS Orientation **Timetable**

South Campus  
EBET Orientation Faculty Timetable

**SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE**

Department of Architecture:  
Bachelor of Architectural Studies

Department of Architectural Technology and Interior Design:  
Diploma: Architectural Technology  
Diploma: Interior Design

Event	01 FEB 2025	Where/Platform
VC Welcoming Ceremony and School of Architecture Meet and Greet	09:00	TBC
Event	03 FEB 2025	Where/Platform
<p>Department of Architectural Technology and Interior Design and Department of Architecture</p> <p>Ladies and gentlemen, fasten your seatbelts, rev your engines, and let the adventure begin! #SoA_AmazingRace2025</p>	09:00 - 14:00	South Campus, Building 8, 2nd floor - Main Studio
Event	04 FEB 2025	Where/Platform
FYS THRIVE SESSION 1	08:00 - 16:00	
Event	05 FEB 2025	Where/Platform
<p>Department of Architectural Technology and Interior Design and Department of Architecture</p> <p>Get ready for an exciting day in the two Departments! Here's what's in store for you:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Explore our state-of-the-art facilities</li> <li>• Discover the wonders of our Data Centre</li> <li>• Familiarize yourself with the 2025 Rules and Regulations</li> <li>• Resolve any registration queries you may have</li> <li>• Get insights into the Department's recommended laptop specifications</li> <li>• Gain a comprehensive understanding of our assessment policies</li> <li>• Learn about the complaint resolution process</li> <li>• Find out about student and staff parking arrangements</li> </ul>	09:30 - 13:00	South Campus, Building 8, 2nd floor - First-Year Studios

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Understand our policies on warnings and dealing with poor performance</li> <li>• Ensure all your devices are seamlessly connected</li> </ul> <p>Kindly note that while we're set to have a fantastic time, we won't provide snacks or lunch. We kindly ask all students to bring their own provisions for the event.</p>		
<b>Event</b>	<b>06 FEB 2025</b>	<b>Where/Platform</b>
FYS THRIVE SESSION 2	08:00 - 16:00	
<b>Event</b>	<b>07 FEB 2025</b>	<b>Where/Platform</b>
<p>Department of Architectural Technology and Interior Design and Department of Architecture</p> <p>Today, students will have an interactive session with our esteemed studio staff, focusing on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Getting a grasp of Moodle and MS Teams (don't forget to bring your smartphone, laptop, or tablet for hands-on experience).</li> </ul> <p><i>Please be informed that we won't be offering snacks or lunch during the session. We kindly request all students to bring their own refreshments for the event.</i></p>	09:30 - 13:00	South Campus, Building 8, 2nd floor - First-Year Studios
<b>Event</b>	<b>10 FEB 2025</b>	<b>Where/Platform</b>
<p>School of Architecture Official Opening and Welcoming (All students)</p> <p>The introduction of the School Icebreaker project will take place during the official school welcome event, with the participation of all students. Following the commencement, students will receive instructions from their studio leader, outlining the agenda for the week ahead.</p>	09:00	South Campus, Building 8, 2nd floor - Main Studio

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Position	Who	Email
Director: School of Architecture	Mr Andrew Palframan	<a href="mailto:Andrew.palframan@mandela.ac.za">Andrew.palframan@mandela.ac.za</a>
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Head of Department: Architectural Technology and Interior Design	Mr Hyacinthe Tonga	<a href="mailto:Hyacinthe.Tonga@mandela.ac.za">Hyacinthe.Tonga@mandela.ac.za</a>
Department of Architectural Technology and Interior Design: Secretary	Ms Priya Peters	<a href="mailto:Priya.peters@mandela.ac.za">Priya.peters@mandela.ac.za</a>

North Campus EBET Orientation Faculty Timetable		
<b>School of the Built Environment and Civil Engineering:</b> Higher Certificate in Human Settlement Development Diploma in Building Bachelor of Engineering Technology in Civil Engineering Bachelor of Human Settlement Development Bachelor of Science in Construction Economics: Quantity Surveying with Financial & Bus Mgt Bachelor of Science in Construction Studies		
Event	01 FEB 2025	Where/Platform
VC WELCOMING CEREMONY	09:00	TBC
Event	03 FEB 2025	Where/Platform
Departmental Meet and Greet	09:00-10:30am	CM Department - M136 QS Department - M141 Building and Human Settlement - M154 Civil Engineering -M222
Site Visit	11:00am -15:00pm	TBA
Event	04 FEB 2025	Where/Platform
FYS THRIVE SESSION 1	08:00 - 16:00	
Event	05 FEB 2025	Where/Platform
SoBECE Presentation	09:00-13:00pm	Auditorium, North Campus
Event	06 FEB 2025	Where/Platform
FYS THRIVE SESSION 2	08:00 - 16:00	
Event	07 FEB 2025	Where/Platform

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CM Students Team Building	10:00am	TBC
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EBET Orientation Faculty Timetable

**SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING:**

Higher Certificate: Mechatronics Engineering  
Higher Certificate: Renewable Energy Engineering  
Diploma: Operations Management  
BEng Tech: Electrical Engineering  
BEng Tech: Industrial Engineering  
BEng Tech: Marine Engineering  
BEng Tech: Mechanical Engineering  
BEng Mechatronics Engineering

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Event	01 FEB 2025	Where/Platform
VC WELCOMING CEREMONY	09:00	TBC
Event	03 FEB 2025	Where/Platform
EBET Student Success Coaches	09:00-09:30	On Campus 276 - 003 Mapungubwe Auditorium
School of Engineering Faculty administrator presentation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Registration</li> <li>• Exemption</li> <li>• Sub-minimum and how does it work.</li> <li>• Cancellations process</li> <li>• Important dates</li> <li>• Online Registration</li> </ul>	09:30 - 10:00	On Campus 276 - 003 Mapungubwe Auditorium
Electrical Engineering, Higher Certificate BEng Tech: Electrical: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Departmental Meet &amp; Greet presentation.</li> <li>• Lab Tours</li> </ul>	10:30 - 12:00	On Campus: M Block 261 - M222
Industrial Engineering: Operation Management: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Departmental Meet &amp; Greet presentation.</li> <li>• Lab Tours</li> </ul>	10:30 - 12:00	On Campus: 276 - 119 Games Lab
Mechanical Engineering, Higher Certificate BEng Tech: Mechanical: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Departmental Meet &amp; Greet</li> </ul>	10:30 - 12:00	On Campus: 276 - 0003 Mapungubwe Auditorium

<p>presentation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lab Tours</li> </ul>		
<p>Marine Engineering, Beng Tech: Marine:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Departmental Meet &amp; Greet presentation.</li> <li>• Lab Tours On Campus: 261_2_M247</li> </ul>	10:30 - 12:00	On Campus: 261_2_M247
<p>Mechatronics Engineering, BEng:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Departmental Meet &amp; Greet presentation.</li> <li>• Lab Tours</li> </ul>	10:30 - 12:00	On Campus: 207-N1
<b>Event</b>	<b>04 FEB 2025</b>	<b>Where/Platform</b>
FYS THRIVE SESSION 1	08:00 - 16:00	
<b>Event</b>	<b>05 FEB 2025</b>	<b>Where/Platform</b>
WRSC111 Information Session with CH Dixie (face to face) MECHATRONICS ONLY	08:30-09:30	Building 123-007 South Campus
<b>Event</b>	<b>06 FEB 2025</b>	<b>Where/Platform</b>
FYS THRIVE SESSION 2	08:00 - 16:00	

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Department	Department Rep (Academic)	Contact Details (email)	Department Rep (Pass)	Contact Details (email)
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Industrial Engineering	Prof Ann Lourens	Ann.Lourens@mandela.ac.za	Mrs Nicole Truter	Nicole.Truter@mandela.ac.za

North Campus EBET Orientation Faculty Timetable		
<b>School of Information Technology:</b> Higher Certificate: Information Technology (User Support Services) Diploma: Information Technology (Communication Networks) Diploma: Information Technology (Support Services) Diploma: Information Technology (Software Development) Bachelor of Information Technology (BIT)		
Event	01 FEB 2025	Where/Platform
VC WELCOMING CEREMONY	09:00	TBC
Event	04 FEB 2025	Where/Platform
FYS THRIVE SESSION 1	08:00 - 16:00	
Event	05 FEB 2025	Where/Platform
Welcome to the School of IT <b>Session 1 (First compulsory session for ALL first-year students)</b> - Address by the Director and Head of Departments - Rules and Regulations - Introduction to First Year Lecturers - Timetable information - Academic discussions Digital Classroom Preparation	08:30 to 14:30	Software Development, Support Services and Communication Network, BIT and HCERT Students:  Goldfields Auditorium, North Campus
Event	06 FEB 2025	Where/Platform
FYS THRIVE SESSION 2	08:00 - 16:00	
Event	07 FEB 2025	Where/Platform
Welcome to the School of IT <b>Session 2 (Second compulsory session for ALL first-year students)</b> - Address by the Director and Head of Departments - Rules and Regulations - Introduction to First Year Lecturers	08:30 to 14:30	Software Development, Support Services and Communication Network, BIT and HCERT Students:  Goldfields Auditorium, North Campus



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Position	Who	Email
Dr Sue Petratos	EBET Faculty: North Campus Director: School of IT	<a href="mailto:sue.petratos@mandela.ac.za">sue.petratos@mandela.ac.za</a>
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Mr Shaun Vincent	Program Coordinator: Communication Networks	<a href="mailto:shaun.vincent@mandela.ac.za">shaun.vincent@mandela.ac.za</a>
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Dr Melissa Makalima	Program Coordinator: BIT	<a href="mailto:Melissa.makalima@mandela.ac.za">Melissa.makalima@mandela.ac.za</a>

### George Campus EBET Orientation Faculty Timetable

#### School of Information Technology:

Higher Certificate: Information Technology (User Support Services)

Event	01 FEB 2025	Where/Platform
VC Welcoming Address	09h00	On Campus: Furntech Building
Faculty Meet and Greet		Attendees will be directed from Furntech after the VC's Welcome
Event	03 FEB 2025	Where/Platform

Welcome to the School of IT <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction to First Year Lecturers</li> <li>• Timetable information</li> <li>• Academic discussions</li> </ul>	09h00 – 10h00	On Campus Venue: 307-0001
COMFORT BREAK	10h00 – 10h15	COMFORT BREAK
Meeting Point	10h15	Venue: 307-0001
Technology@Mandela: ICT Services Introduction Basic Computer Skills Training	10h30 – 11h45	Mopani Computer Lab
Student Voice	11h45 – 12h15	Mopani Computer Lab
BREAK	12h15 – 13h00	BREAK
FYS THRIVE SESSION 1	13h00 – 15h30	Venue: 307-0001
<b>Event</b>	<b>04 FEB 2025</b>	<b>Where/Platform</b>
<b>Event</b>	<b>05 FEB 2025</b>	<b>Where/Platform</b>
<b>Event</b>	<b>06 FEB 2025</b>	<b>Where/Platform</b>
Academic Admin	09h00 – 09h15	Venue: 307-0001
Universal Accessibility and Disability Services (UADS)	09h15 – 09h30	Venue: 307-0001
Emthonjeni Student Wellness	09h30 – 09h45	Venue: 307-0001
Academic Literacies Writing Programme	09h45 – 10h00	Venue: 307-0001
Get to Know Your Library	10h00 – 10h15	Venue: 307-0001
Student Success Coaching & Academic Support	10h15 – 10h30	Venue: 307-0001
COMFORT BREAK	10h30 – 10h45	COMFORT BREAK
Transformation Office	10h45 – 11h00	Venue: 307-0001
Campus Health Services: Campus Clinic	11h00 – 11h15	Venue: 307-0001
Madibaz Sport	11h15 – 11h30	Venue: 307-0001
Arts, Culture & Heritage	11h30 – 11h45	Venue: 307-0001
BREAK	12h00 – 13h00	BREAK
FYS THRIVE SESSION 2	13h00 – 15h30	Venue: 307-0001
<b>Event</b>	<b>07 FEB 2025</b>	<b>Where/Platform</b>

Campus Environmental Matters	09h00 – 10h00	Furntech
Campus Tour & Activities	10h00 – 15h00	Meeting Point: Furntech

### Online Registration Information Sessions

Consultation sessions are scheduled for programmes where you may require assistance with selecting your modules. Programmes with no module selection or clearly defined module selection details are not listed above. We encourage you to follow this link: (<https://ebet.mandela.ac.za/Study-Programmes/Undergraduate-Programmes/First-Year-Information/Step-by-step-Registration-Videos>) to register online for these programmes.

For **registration queries relating to the faculty**, kindly contact the relevant Faculty Administrative Consultant below or use the following link: <https://www.mandela.ac.za/www-new/media/Store/documents/Registration/2023-Staff-contact-detail-per-qualifications.pdf>

Who	Email address	Programmes (Courses assigned to you)
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Faculty Officer Ms Noxolo Mngonyama	<a href="mailto:Noxolo.Mngonyama@mandela.ac.za">Noxolo.Mngonyama@mandela.ac.za</a> 041 504 3995	School of Architecture School of Built Environment and Civil Engineering
Faculty Officer Nonkululeko Nokhepheyi (George Campus)	<a href="mailto:Nonkululeko.Nokhepheyi@mandela.ac.za">Nonkululeko.Nokhepheyi@mandela.ac.za</a> 044 801 5566	Higher Certificate in Information Technology in User Support Services (George Campus)