



# Frequently Asked Questions:

## Let's prepare for your university application



### When do applications open?

The application periods for the 2026 intake are as follows:

- **Applications open:** 1 April 2025
- **Selection courses close:** 30 June 2025

**All applications and residence placement applications close:** 31 August 2025

### How can I apply for residence placement?

Applications for residence placement open on 1 April and close on 31 August. Indicate your intention to apply for residence placement during your application for study. Once you have received a conditional offer, you can choose your top three residence preferences and complete your application.

### What are the admission requirements for my chosen course?

To find the specific admission requirements for your course, please visit: <https://studies.nwu.ac.za/undergraduate-studies/fields-study-2026>.

### What do I need to apply to NWU?

To create an [application profile](#), use a valid and personal email address. This email will be your username for logging in. After you create your profile, you will receive a temporary password. Once updated, you will log in using your email address and the new password.

### What documents do I need to upload with my application?

- Keep your ID document and final Grade 11 or 12 results ready in digital format.
- The documents must be individually scanned as they are uploaded separately. Preferably in PDF, jpeg, etc.

### Can I change my course after I have applied?

Once your application has been submitted, making changes is difficult as the admissions process starts immediately. Please review your application carefully before submitting it to avoid any problems.

### Can I change my course if my application is unsuccessful?

No, you can only apply once per academic year. Carefully consider your two study choices to ensure that you meet the bachelor's degree pass requirements, admission criteria, and that they align with your career goals.

### If my second choice at NWU is accepted, can I still be considered for my first choice?

NWU's admissions process only allows you to be accepted into one course of study. If your second choice is accepted, you will not be considered for your first choice.

### How can I contact NWU?

- **WhatsApp:** +27 (0) 60 070 2606
- **Email:** [studies@nwu.ac.za](mailto:studies@nwu.ac.za)
- **Phone:** 0860 169698

**Please note:** When contacting NWU, please include your application number, chosen course, faculty, and contact details. This will help us to assist you quickly and efficiently!

### How do I access the application portal?

Log into your application profile at: <https://applynow.nwu.ac.za/OnlineApplication/>.

### 5 Easy Tips for a Seamless Application Process:

1. Have an active email address ready.
2. Know the minimum admission requirements for your chosen study fields.
3. Prepare your supporting documents in digital format.
4. Create your application profile and fill in all fields accurately.
5. Accept your conditional offer within the specified timeframe.

### How do I retrieve my username or password?

Your username is your email address. To reset your password, go to: <https://applynow.nwu.ac.za/OnlineApplication/Account/ForgotPassword> and follow the instructions.

### What do the following statuses mean?

- **"Application Submitted":** Your application has been sent to NWU and is currently under review.
- **"Application Verified":** NWU has confirmed your submitted information, including academic qualifications and required documents. Your application has been reviewed and accepted based on this information.

### What is a conditional offer?

A conditional offer means that you have been assessed on the basis of your Grade 11 results to determine whether you meet the minimum admission requirements for your chosen degree. If you meet these requirements and any additional selection criteria, you will receive a conditional acceptance. To secure final acceptance, you must achieve similar results in your final National Senior Certificate (matric)

### How long do I have to accept my conditional offer?

You have 15 days to accept your conditional offer. We recommend that you accept it as soon as possible so that you can proceed with your application.

### How long will it take to receive feedback on my application?

We aim to provide feedback promptly, but the assessment process may vary from faculty to faculty. You can check the status of your application on your profile dashboard by logging in to: <https://applynow.nwu.ac.za/OnlineApplication/>.

What happens next? You decide at the NWU campus open days:

- 10 May 2025 – Mahikeng Campus
- 17 May 2025 – Potchefstroom Campus
- 24 May 2025 – Vanderbijlpark Campus

For more information, please visit: <http://studies.nwu.ac.za/open-days>



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