

2026 UNDERGRADUATE APPLICATION DOCUMENTS

Please note: more than one of the following requirements might be applicable to you.

Your original documents must be stamped and signed by the awarding institution. Copies of the official documents must be certified. Certification can be done by a notary public, or a Commissioner of Oaths. If you use Postal or Police services, please ensure that the stamp includes the date, name, signature, and rank of the officer.

CURRENTLY IN FINAL SCHOOL YEAR

SOUTH AFRICAN SCHOOL SYSTEM

- Final Grade 11 assessment: School results as per the Department of Education guidelines.

INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL SYSTEM

- Pre-final (Grade 11) results received from the issuing body: If you are enrolled in an international school system, for example, Cambridge, International Baccalaureate (IB) or a USA High School Diploma, you must apply using your pre-final (Grade 11) results, as well as;
- Final-year subjects with levels: Please also supply an official list of subjects taken in the final year of school (grade 12/13) with levels for the official subjects, including rewrites (confirmed by the school), e.g. a report, a letter from the school or a statement of entry.

To ensure you meet the requirements for Matriculation Exemption, please visit the Universities South Africa website <http://mb.usaf.ac.za> for more information on Matriculation Exemption.

ALREADY COMPLETED SCHOOL (No previous tertiary studies)

SOUTH AFRICAN SCHOOL SYSTEM

- Final Grade 12 assessment: National Senior Certificate (NSC) or IEB/Statement of symbols or Statement of symbols of final school results.
- Repeating/Upgrading or Re-mark: Please indicate on the application if you are improving results. You will be able to upload the document when entering your school information.

INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL SYSTEM

- Final-year results with levels/percentages: Official final results received from the issuing body (Cambridge International, International Baccalaureate, etc.)
- Completed pre-final (Grade 11) results received from the issuing body: If you were enrolled in an international school system, for example, Cambridge, International Baccalaureate (IB) or a USA High School Diploma, you must apply using your completed pre-final (Grade 11) results.

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If you completed the American high school system, you must also provide the necessary exemption documents as per the USAf website at <https://mb.usaf.ac.za/united-states-of-america/>.

It usually is only possible to apply for a formal certificate of University Exemption during your first year of registration, so you might not yet have it available when you register for the first time. You will, however, be able to register, if you qualify for Matriculation Exemption as assessed by the University.

All previous studies MUST be declared (including Stellenbosch University), regardless of whether they were/were not completed. We make use of the Department of Higher Education and Training to verify previous tertiary studies for all applicants. Your application and/or registration will be rejected/cancelled if you do not disclose all studies.

CURRENTLY ENROLLED AT A TERTIARY INSTITUTION (INCLUDING STELLENBOSCH UNIVERSITY)

Final school-leaving results

Refer to the information that we require for various school systems in the previous section of this document.

Proof of registration

Official proof of registration from the tertiary institution which includes your subjects/modules for the current year you are enrolled for with provisional grades if available at the time of application.

Academic record

Full academic transcript for each academic year completed.

We will unfortunately not be able to accept online results/documents obtained from self-service portals.

PREVIOUSLY COMPLETED/REGISTERED FOR ONE OR MORE TERTIARY QUALIFICATIONS AT A TERTIARY INSTITUTION (INCLUDING STELLENBOSCH UNIVERSITY)

Degree(s), Diploma(s) and Certificate(s)

An official copy of the qualification(s) you've completed is required if you have graduated already.

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QUALIFICATIONS AT A TERTIARY INSTITUTION
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Proof of completion

Proof of completion will be accepted temporarily if you have completed the qualification but have yet to graduate. For international qualifications and South African Higher Education Institutions, proof of completion should not be older than one year.

Academic record

An official copy of your full academic record (each year of enrolment), whether the qualification was completed or not, is required.

NON-ACADEMIC DOCUMENTS WE COULD REQUIRE

Student Support Form

Applicable to all students with one or more disabilities who needs additional support.

Immigration Status Permit

Your proof of permanent residency, refugee, or asylum-seeking status if you are not a South African citizen.

Visual Arts Portfolio

All applicants applying to BA Visual Arts are required to send their completed portfolio to visualartapplication@sun.ac.za no later than 1 September.

Student contract

If you accept any offer made to you by Stellenbosch University, you will be required to submit a contract upon acceptance.

Please visit www.su.ac.za or the 'Guideline Document' section of the application portal to access a downloadable copy of the above-mentioned documents.

Make sure your electronic copies are clear and legible and that we can easily read everything on the page. If we can't, we will ask you to resubmit the document, which will slow down your application. We prefer PDF documents, but you can also upload doc, docx, jpg, jpeg, and png files.

