

Faculty of Science Orientation Programme 2025

SCIENCE: Orientation Programme 2025

Group A Majors	Archaeology, Biology, Environmental & Geographical Science, Geology, Quantitative Biology, Marine Biology, Ocean & Atmosphere Science
Group B Majors	Artificial Intelligence, Business Computing, Computer Science, Computer Engineering
Group C Majors	Biochemistry, Chemistry, Genetics, Human Anatomy & Physiology
Group D Majors	Applied Statistics, Applied Mathematics, Astrophysics, Mathematical Statistics, Mathematics, Physics, Statistics & Data Science

WEDNESDAY - 5 FEBRUARY

GROUP	GROUP 1 - 10		VENUE	
08H00	Registration and welcome		Sarah Baartman Hall	
09H00	Welcome to UCT by academic and student leadership		Sarah Baartman Hall	
10H00	What is Science: A/Prof Pippin Anderson		Sarah Baartman Hall	
11H00	BSc Curriculum Overview: Prof Bordy		Sarah Baartman Hall	
12H00	Maths Choices: Harry Wiggins / Ruach Slayen		Sarah Baartman Hall	
13H00	LUNCH			
GROUPS	GROUP 1 - 5	VENUE	GROUP 6 - 10	VENUE
14H00	Curriculum Pathways: Cesarina Edmonds-Smith	Chris Hani LT	Introduction to Computing and Digital Literacy: OLS	SciLab A, B, C, D
15H00	Introduction to Computing and Digital Literacy: OLS	Chris Hani LT	Curriculum Pathways: Cesarina Edmonds-Smith	Chris Hani LT
16H00	Q&A with Senior Student Advisors and Deputy Dean Undergrad Matters & SSA			Sarah Baartman Hall

THURSDAY - 6 FEBRUARY

GROUPS	GROUP 1 - 5	VENUE	GROUP 6 - 10	VENUE
08H00	Arrival and welcome	PD Hahn 1	Arrival and welcome	PD Hahn 2
09H00	What is Science: Dr Miengah Abrahams	PD Hahn 1	Navigating Amathuba: Thomas King / Shanali Govender	PD Hahn 2
10H00	Navigating Amathuba: Thomas King / Shanali Govender	PD Hahn 1	What is Science: A/Prof Colleen O'Ryan	PD Hahn 2
11H00	Department Talks by HODs	PD Hahn 1	Department Talks by HODs	PD Hahn 2
13H00	LUNCH			
GROUP 1 - 10				
INFORMATION SESSION 1				
14H00	Group A Majors	PD Hahn 1	Group B Majors	PD Hahn 2
14H30	Group B Majors	PD Hahn 1	Group A Majors	PD Hahn 2
INFORMATION SESSION 2				
15H00	Group C Majors	PD Hahn 1	Group D Majors	PD Hahn 2
15H30	Group D Majors	PD Hahn 1	Group C Majors	PD Hahn 2
16H00	Q&A with Senior Student Advisors and Deputy Dean Undergrad Matters & SSA			Chris Hani LT

FRIDAY - 7 FEBRUARY

GROUPS	GROUP 1 - 10	VENUE
08H00	Arrival and directions	Outside PD Hahn
09H00	Group A Majors - Cluster based advice: Student Advisors	James 3A
	Group B Majors - Cluster based advice: Student Advisors	Chris Hani LT
	Group C Majors - Cluster based advice: Student Advisors	MCB LT2
	Group D Majors - Cluster based advice: Student Advisors	JAMES 4A
13H00	LUNCH	
14H00	Online registration support in labs: OLs	SciLab A, B, C, D
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MONDAY - 10 FEBRUARY

GROUPS	GROUP 1 - 5	VENUE	GROUP 6 - 10	VENUE
09H00	Insights from OLs: What I wish I knew on Day 1	PD Hahn 1	Insights from OLs: What I wish I knew on Day 1	PD Hahn 2
10H00	Science Faculty Support Structure: Mohammed Kajee	PD Hahn 1	Careers Services: Safia Lagerdien	PD Hahn 2
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11H00	Campus Tours and Library Tours: Orientation Groups - Leaving from PD Hahn			Upper Campus
13H00	LUNCH			
	GROUP 1 - 10			
14H00	Science Faculty Hike - Upper Campus Leaving from PD Hahn			PD Hahn
16H00	Touch base with OLs			PD Hahn

TUESDAY - 11 FEBRUARY

GROUPS	GROUP 1 - 5	VENUE	GROUP 6 - 10	VENUE
09H00	Insights from OLs: Consent	PD Hahn 1	Insights from OLs: Consent	PD Hahn 2
10H00	Disability Services: Lesego Modutle	PD Hahn 1	SWS Counselling Services: Nadia Williams	PD Hahn 2
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11H00	Academic Integrity: Prof Bordy	PD Hahn 1	How to even UCT: Mohammed Kajee	PD Hahn 2
12H00	How to even UCT: Mohammed Kajee	PD Hahn 1	Academic Integrity: Prof Bordy	PD Hahn 2
13H00	LUNCH			
	GROUP 1 - 10			
14H00	Further training in Computing and Digital Literacy OLs Social event - Movie			SciLabs A, B, C, D
16H00	Touch base with OLs			PD Hahn

WEDNESDAY - 13 FEBRUARY

GROUPS	GROUP 1 - 5	VENUE	GROUP 6 - 10	VENUE
09H00	Insights from OLs: Culture Shock at UCT	PD Hahn 1	Insights from OLs: Culture Shock at UCT	PD Hahn 2
10H00	Science is Tough (But So Are You!): Mohammed Kajee	PD Hahn 1	Library Orientation: Auliya TJ Badrudeen	PD Hahn 2
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11H00	CPS: Sidwell Ntshibilikwana	PD Hahn 1	Building a culture of consent: Stella Musungu	PD Hahn 2
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13H00	LUNCH			
GROUPS	GROUP 1 - 5	VENUE	GROUP 6 - 10	VENUE
14H00	Science Orientation Closing: Prof Suleman	PD Hahn 1	Science Orientation Closing: Prof Bordy	PD Hahn 2
16H00	Touch base with OLs			PD Hahn

THURSDAY - 13 FEBRUARY

GROUPS	GROUP 1 - 10	VENUE
ALL DAY	DSA Welcome Festival / FIRST YEAR FESTIVAL	UCT RUGBY FIELD

FRIDAY - 14 FEBRUARY

GROUPS	GROUP 1 - 10	VENUE
ALL DAY	Amathuba Course review (online) Evaluation and feedback (online) Registration Further Assistance OLS	ONLINE