

UNIVERSITY OF THE  
WITWATERSRAND,  
JOHANNESBURG



# **GATEWAY TO SUCCESS**

## **Orientation to Academic and Student Life**

Faculty of Health Sciences



An Electronic copy of this booklet is available here:



Access the Student Guide by scanning this QR Code:



**Requirements:**

Hat, water bottle, comfy clothing, notebook and pen.  
Remember to wear sunscreen.

## GTS WEEK 1

### Day 1 - Tuesday, 20 January 2026

| Time          | Activities  | Venue                 |
|---------------|---|-----------------------|
| 09h00 - 09h10 | MC Introduction                                     |                       |
| 09h10 - 09h40 | Dean of Health Sciences                             |                       |
| 09h40 - 10h00 | Oath Taking   |                       |
| 10h00 - 10h10 | Comfort Break                                       | The Great Hall        |
| 10h15 - 10h45 | Dean of Student Affairs                             |                       |
| 10h45 - 11h45 | Adjusting to University Life<br>(CCDU/STPU)         |                       |
| 11h45 - 13h10 | Lunch   |                       |
| 13h15 - 16h00 | Building Student Communities<br>Rise against Hunger | Diggs Field & Hall 29 |

## GTS WEEK 1

### Day 2 - Wednesday, 21 January 2026

| Time          | Activities               | Venue                               |
|---------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 09h00 - 11h45 | BPharm                   | FHS Room 519                        |
|               | BHSc                     | Space Frame Exams Hall              |
|               | Physiotherapy            | FHS 514 + 516                       |
|               | MBBCh                    | FHS LT4                             |
|               | BCMP                     | Work Online                         |
|               | BNursing                 | FHS Room 517                        |
|               | BDS                      | Dental Skills Lab                   |
|               | BOHSc                    | Dental Skills Lab                   |
|               | OT                       | Work Online                         |
| 11h45 - 13h10 | Lunch                    |                                     |
| 13h15 - 16h00 | Online Digital Abilities | Online Education Campus (Glass Lab) |

## GTS WEEK 1

### Day 3 - Thursday, 22 January 2026

| Time          | Activities                                   | Venue                                       |
|---------------|--|---|
| 09h00 - 11h45 | BPharm - SAPC Registration & Overview of LMS | Marie Curie Lecture Theatre                 |
|               | BHSc - BHSc Identity                         | Space Frame Exams Hall                      |
|               | Physiotherapy                                | Physio Gym, Khanya Block                    |
|               | MBBCh  | FHS LT4                                     |
|               | BCMP   | Work Online                                 |
|               | BNursing                                     | FHS 517                                     |
|               | BDS  | Dental Skills Lab                           |
|               | BOHSc  | Dental Skills Lab                           |
|               | OT   | Khanya West Block, 1st Floor OT<br>PBL Room |
| 11h45 - 13h10 | Lunch  |   |
| 13h15 - 16h00 | Online Digital Abilities                     | Online<br>Education Campus (Glass Lab)      |

## GTS WEEK 1

### Day 4 - Friday, 23 January 2026

| Time          | Activities  | Venue                                     |
|---------------|---|---|
| 09h00 - 10h00 | Panel Discussion<br>(DRU, CCDU & Campus Health)   |   |
| 10h00 - 10h15 | Q&A Session                                       |   |
| 10h15 - 10h30 | MC Introduction                                   | The Great Hall                            |
| 10h30 - 11h45 | Introduction to FYE and FYE<br>Mentorship (STPU)  |   |
| 11h45 - 13h10 | Lunch   |   |
| 13h15 - 16h00 | Wits Campus: Explore and<br>Conquer (Campus Tour) | Wits Sibanye-Stilwater<br>Infinity Bridge |

## GTS WEEK 2

### Day 5 - Monday, 26 January 2026

| Time          | Activities                                      | Venue                               |
|---------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| 09h00 - 11h45 | BPharm - Meet the Department + Tour of Pharmacy | FHS 516                             |
|               | BHSc - The Ulwazi page                          | Space Frame Exams Hall              |
|               | Physiotherapy - Student Council                 |                                     |
|               | MBBCh   | FHS 514 & 517                       |
|               | BCMP  | FHS LT3                             |
|               | BNursing  | eZone, Khanya Block                 |
|               | BDS   | Dental Skills Lab                   |
|               | BOHSc   | Dental Skills Lab                   |
|               | OT  | FHS LT4                             |
| 11h45 - 13h10 | Lunch   |                                     |
| 13h15 - 16h00 | Online Digital Abilities                        | Online Education Campus (Glass Lab) |

## GTS WEEK 2

### Day 6 - Tuesday, 27 January 2026

| Time          | Activities                | Venue                          |
|---------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 09h00 - 11h45 | Steps to Success          | Sports Field, Education Campus |
| 11h45 - 13h10 | Lunch                     |                                |
|               | DRU                       |                                |
|               | Transformation Committee  |                                |
| 13h15 - 16h00 | NESS Ambassador Programme | Linder Auditorium              |
|               | Wrap It Up                |                                |
|               | Meet the HSSC             |                                |

## GTS WEEK 2

### Day 7 - Wednesday, 28 January 2026

| Time          | Activities  | Venue                                   |
|---------------|---|---|
| 09h00 - 11h45 | <b>Climate Change and Me</b><br>What is Climate Change and Me?<br>An introduction to climate change at university | Online<br>(Education Campus, Glass Lab) |
| 11h45 - 13h10 | <b>Lunch</b>  |   |
| 13h15 - 16h00 | Climate Change and Me<br>What does climate change mean for me?  | Online<br>Education Campus (Glass Lab)  |

## GTS WEEK 2

### Day 8 - Thursday, 29 January 2026

| Time          | Activities                             | Venue                          |
|---------------|--|--------------------------------|
| 09h00 - 11h45 | BPharm - WPSC Student Council          | eZone, Khanya Block            |
|               | BHSc - Student Council Meet & Greet    | Space Frame Exams Hall         |
|               | Physiotherapy - Department orientation |                                |
|               | MBBCh                                  | Work Online                    |
|               | BCMP                                   | Sports Field, Education Campus |
|               | BNursing                               | FHS 517                        |
|               | BDS                                    | Dental Skills Lab              |
|               | BOHSc                                  | Dental Skills Lab              |
|               | OT                                     |                                |
| 11h45 - 13h10 | Lunch                                  |                                |

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## GTS WEEK 2

### Day 8 continued - Thursday, 29 January 2026

| Time          | Activities                              | Venue             |
|---------------|---|-------------------|
| 13h15 - 13h30 | MC Introduction                         |                   |
| 13h30 - 14h30 | Panel Discussion<br>(STPU/TEEO/GEO/SRC) | Linder Auditorium |
| 14h30 - 15h00 | Q&A Session                             |                   |
| 15h00 - 16h00 | FASO Presentation                       |                   |

## GTS WEEK 2

Day 9 - Friday, 30 January 2026

| Time          | Activities   | Venue         |
|---------------|--------------|---------------|
| 09h00 - 15h00 | Spirit Games | Rugby Stadium |



## GTS WEEK 2

### Day 10 - Monday, 2 February 2026

| Time          | Activities  | Venue          |
|---------------|---|----------------|
| 09h00 - 09h10 | MC Introduction   | The Great Hall |
| 09h10 - 10h10 | The Good, the Bot and the Ethical   |                |
| 10h10 - 10h15 | MC Introduction   |                |
| 10h15 - 11h45 | Mastering your University Experience (DLU)  |                |
| 11h45 - 13h10 | <b>Lunch + Activations</b><br>(Wits Sibanye-Stillwater Infinity Bridge, Library Lawns and Amphitheatre) |                |
| 13h15 - 16h00 | <b>Climate Change and Me</b><br>Climate Change and Me based games<br>Meet your tutors<br>Q&A            | Library Lawns  |

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION

## CONTACT US

### **MBBCh/BDS/BOHSc:**

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### **BCMP QUERIES AND GEMP**

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### **BPHARM/BNURSING/BSC OT/BSC PHYSIOTHERAPY:**

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### **LATE REGISTRATON:**

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### **STUDENT SUPPORT QUERIES:**

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## **VENUE ABBREVIATIONS (CLM/EBE/HUM (main & edu)/SCI)**

OMSH - Old Mutual Sports Hall, West Campus

SMH - Solomon Mahlangu House (Senate House), East Campus

NCB - New Commerce Building, West Campus

FNB - First National Bank Building (Margo Steele School of Accountancy), West Campus

WSS - Wits Science Stadium, West Campus

WSSIB - Wits Sibanye-Stillwater Infinity Bridge

RS - Robert Sobukwe Building, East campus

OLS- Oppenheimer Life Sciences, East Campus

U-Umthombo Building, East Campus

L - Leseding Building

LT - Lecture Theatre

B - Bohlaleng Building

FHS - Faculty of Health Sciences

## **COMPUTER LABORATORIES**

(with tutors available to assist with technical aspects of the online activities)

West Campus, FNB105 and FNB 2B

East Campus, SH1101

Education Campus, Glass Laboratory

## **How to Access the Faculty Registrar's Office**

- Location: 2nd Floor Phillip V Tobias Health Sciences Building, Parktown North
- Operating Hours: Monday to Friday, 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM
- Contact Information: Phone: 011 717 2006

# SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

26 January - 30 January 2026



Monday, 26 January 2026

## Reset Monday - Amphitheatre

18h00 - 21h00



**OPEN MIC /  
ACOUSTIC SET**

Tuesday, 27 January 2026

## Games Night

Hall 29 (18h00 - 21h00)

Karaoke, Consoles,  
Indigenous &  
Board Games



Wednesday, 28 January 2026

## Cultural Night

WAM (18h00 - 21h00)

Live Music,  
Art Exhibition &  
Docu screening

Thursday, 29 January 2026

## Beer Garden

16h00 - 22h00

Sturrock Park



Thursday, 29 January 2026

## Night Race

16h30 - 19h00

Alumni House



Friday, 30 January 2026

## Freshers Party

18h00 - 02h00

Sturrock Park





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