

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:



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

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 PBL Room
11h45 - 13h10	Lunch	
13h15 - 16h00	Online Digital Abilities	Online Education Campus (Glass Lab)

GTS WEEK 1

Day 4 - Friday, 23 January 2026

Time	Activities	Venue
09h00 - 10h00	Panel Discussion (DRU, CCDU & Campus Health)	The Great Hall
10h00 - 10h15	Q&A Session	
10h15 - 10h30	MC Introduction	
10h30 - 11h45	Introduction to FYE and FYE Mentorship (STPU)	
11h45 - 13h10	Lunch	
13h15 - 16h00	Wits Campus: Explore and Conquer (Campus Tour)	Wits Sibanye-Stilwater 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	
13h15 - 16h00	DRU	Linder Auditorium
	Transformation Committee	
	NESS Ambassador Programme	
	Wrap It Up	
	Meet the HSSC	

GTS WEEK 2

Day 7 - Wednesday, 28 January 2026

Time	Activities	Venue
09h00 - 11h45	Climate Change and Me What is Climate Change and Me? An introduction to climate change at university	Online (Education Campus, Glass Lab)
11h45 - 13h10	Lunch	
13h15 - 16h00	Climate Change and Me What does climate change mean for me?	Online 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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Day 8 continued - Thursday, 29 January 2026

Time	Activities	Venue
13h15 - 13h30	MC Introduction	Linder Auditorium
13h30 - 14h30	Panel Discussion (STPU/TEEO/GEO/SRC)	
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	Lunch + Activations (Wits Sibanye-Stillwater Infinity Bridge, Library Lawns and Amphitheatre)	
13h15 - 16h00	Climate Change and Me Climate Change and Me based games Meet your tutors Q&A	Library Lawns

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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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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