

15 APRIL 2026

MAY 2026 GRADUATION: UPDATED GRADUATION GUIDELINES

Dear Graduand

Congratulations on successfully fulfilling the academic requirements for your qualification. In recognition of this important milestone and its significance for your future academic and professional journey, Walter Sisulu is pleased to host the forthcoming in-person graduation ceremony for you and your family.

Walter Sisulu Executive Management has approved the arrangement that graduands must graduate at the campuses where they studied and completed their qualifications during the 2025 academic year. As a result, there will be changes to the dates, times, and campuses applicable to certain qualifications. New individual graduation invitation letters, containing the updated details, will be generated and sent to each graduand via their Walter Sisulu email address. Kindly note that the newly issued invitation letter will supersede the previous invitation letter.

Please take note of the following important arrangements relating to the ceremony and the issuance of your degree, diploma, or certificate:

Confirmation of Graduation Status

Graduands are requested to confirm their graduation status on the Walter Sisulu [Student Portal](#) using their student number and PIN.

Verification of Personal Details

Certification details are generated automatically from the information provided during the initial online application for admission to Walter Sisulu. You are therefore requested to verify that your full names correspond exactly with those reflected on your Identity Document. Should any discrepancy be identified, you are advised to contact the Administration Office on your campus without delay, and no later than 24 April 2026, to make the necessary corrections.

Graduation Ceremony Details

Walter Sisulu will confer all degrees, diplomas, and certificates at the respective campuses on the dates and at the venues set out below:

DATE	FACULTY	CAMPUS
Monday, 04 May 2026	1. Morning session 08h00 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Faculty of Economics and Financial Sciences 2. Afternoon session 13h00 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Faculty of Natural Sciences Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences 	Mthatha, NMD – Great Hall
Tuesday, 05 May 2026	3. Morning session 08h00 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Faculty of Education 4. Afternoon session 13h00 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Faculty of Education 	Mthatha, NMD – Great Hall
Wednesday, 06 May 2026	5. Morning session 08h00 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Faculty of Law, Humanities and Social Sciences 	Mthatha, NMD – Great Hall
Thursday, 07 May 2026	1. Morning session 08h00 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Faculty of Education 2. Midday session 12h00 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Faculty of Education 3. Afternoon session 15h00 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Faculty of Education 	Komani, Masibulele – Great Hall
Friday, 08 May 2026	4. Morning session 08h00 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Faculty Management and Public Administration Sciences 	Komani, Masibulele – Great Hall

Monday, 11 May 2026	<p>1. Morning session 08h00</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment, and Information Technology <p>2. Midday session 12h00</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment, and Information Technology Faculty of Management and Public Administration Sciences <p>3. Afternoon session 15h00</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Faculty of Law, Humanities and Social Sciences Faculty of Natural Sciences 	BCC, Potsdam – Great Hall
Wednesday, 13 May 2026	<p>1. Morning session 08h00</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Faculty of Management and Public Administration Sciences <p>2. Afternoon session 13h00</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Faculty of Management and Public Administration Sciences 	Butterworth – Great Hall
Thursday, 14 May 2026	<p>3. Morning session 08h00</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Faculty of Management and Public Administration Sciences <p>4. Afternoon session 13h00</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Faculty of Management and Public Administration Sciences Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment, and Information Technology 	Butterworth – Great Hall
Friday, 15 May 2026	<p>5. Morning session 08h00</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment & Information Technology 	Butterworth – Great Hall

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Faculty of Management and Public Administration Sciences	
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Faculty and qualification-specific schedules are available on page 6 of this communication and on the University website. The official graduation programme, listing all graduands by faculty and by session, will also be published on the University website. In addition, individualised invitation letters will be sent directly to each graduand's registered email address.

Guest Access

Each graduand is permitted to invite a maximum of two guests. Please note that additional family members or guests will not be allowed access to the campus. However, they will be able to view the ceremony online from their homes.

E-Tickets

The University will issue electronic tickets for admission to the ceremony. Your access e-ticket, together with those of your two guests, will be available for download from a link provided on the graduation webpage from 27 April 2026.

Academic Dress

All graduands are required to wear the appropriate academic dress, comprising a gown, hood, and mortarboard, relevant to their qualification. The order form, provided by the University's officially appointed service provider, House of Graduates, is available on the University website.

Financial Clearance

Please note that your degree, diploma, or certificate will be released only once all outstanding financial obligations to the University have been settled. For account-related inquiries, please contact the relevant campus office as follows:

Mthatha:

studentdebtorsmth@wsu.ac.za

Butterworth:

studentdebtorsbtw@wsu.ac.za

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Komani:

studentdebtorskom@wsu.ac.za

Buffalo City Campus:

studentdebtorsbcc@wsu.ac.za

Special Needs

Graduands with specific physical requirements or accessibility needs are requested to inform the Examinations Department in advance so that the necessary arrangements may be made.

Additional Notes

Please note that no refreshments will be provided at the ceremony. Academic records will remain accessible online via the Student Portal using your student number and PIN. Graduands are also encouraged to complete the graduation survey in order to provide feedback on their academic and student experience.

[Graduate Destination Survey May 2026 – Fill out form](#)

QR Code:



For further information regarding the graduation ceremonies, please visit the [iYunivesithi Walter Sisulu](#) website.

Walter Sisulu looks forward to celebrating this important achievement with you.

GRADUATION SCHEDULE PER CAMPUS AND PER SESSION

APPROVED QUALIFICATION NAME	DATE & CAMPUS
FACULTY OF ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL SCIENCES	MTHATHA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Diploma in Accountancy ● Diploma in Financial Information Systems ● Diploma in Internal Auditing ● Advanced Diploma in Cost and Management Accounting ● Bachelor of Commerce ● Bachelor of Commerce in Business Management ● Bachelor of Commerce in Economics ● Bachelor of Accounting ● Bachelor of Accounting Science ● Bachelor of Commerce Honours in Business Management ● Bachelor of Commerce Honours in Economics ● Master of Commerce 	<p>04 MAY 2026</p> <p>08:00</p>
FACULTY OF NATURAL SCIENCES	MTHATHA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Diploma in Pest Management ● Bachelor of Science in Applied Mathematics ● Bachelor of Science in Applied Statistical Sciences ● Bachelor of Science in Biological Sciences ● Bachelor of Science in Chemistry ● Bachelor of Science in Computer Science ● Bachelor of Science in Environmental Studies ● Bachelor of Science in Mathematics ● Bachelor of Science in Pest Management ● Bachelor of Science in Physics ● Bachelor of Science Honours in Computer Science ● Bachelor of Science Honours in Botany ● Bachelor of Science Honours in Chemistry ● Bachelor of Science Honours in Computer Science ● Bachelor of Science Honours in Geography ● Bachelor of Science Honours in Mathematics ● Bachelor of Science Honours in Physics ● Bachelor of Science Honours in Zoology ● Master of Science in Chemistry ● Master of Science in Geography ● Master of Science in Physics ● Master of Science in Zoology ● Doctor of Philosophy in Natural Sciences 	<p>04 MAY 2026</p> <p>13:00</p>

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FACULTY OF MEDICINE AND HEALTH SCIENCES	MTHATHA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Bachelor of Science in Health Promotion ● Bachelor of Health Sciences in Medical Orthotics and Prosthetics ● Bachelor of Medical Sciences ● Bachelor of Medicine in Clinical Practice ● Bachelor of Nursing ● Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery ● Postgraduate Diploma in Chemical Pathology ● Postgraduate Diploma in Health Promotion ● Bachelor of Medical Science Honours in Medical Microbiology ● Bachelor of Science Honours in Biochemistry ● Bachelor of Science Honours in Physiological Sciences ● Master of Science in Physiological Sciences ● Master of Science in Medical Microbiology ● Master of Medicine in Psychiatry ● Master of Medicine in Orthopaedic Surgery ● Master of Medicine in Paediatrics and Child Health ● Master of Medicine in Surgery ● Master of Medicine in Obstetrics and Gynaecology ● Master of Medicine ● Master of Medicine in Family Medicine ● Master of Public Health ● Doctor of Philosophy in Health Sciences 	<p style="text-align: center;">04 MAY 2026</p> <p style="text-align: center;">13:00</p> <p style="text-align: center;">04 MAY 2026</p> <p style="text-align: center;">13:00</p>
FACULTY OF EDUCATION	MTHATHA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Bachelor of Education in Senior Phase and Further Education and Training Teaching (Specialising in Maths, Science and Technology) ● Bachelor of Education in Senior Phase and Further Education and Training Teaching (Specialising in Technical Vocational Education) ● Bachelor of Education in Senior Phase and Further Education and Training Teaching (Specialising in Consumer Science and Management Science) ● Postgraduate Certificate in Education in Senior phase and further Education and Training phase Teaching ● Bachelor of Education Honours ● Postgraduate Diploma in Inclusive Education ● Master of Education ● Doctor of Education 	<p style="text-align: center;">05 MAY 2026</p> <p style="text-align: center;">08:00</p>
FACULTY OF EDUCATION	MTHATHA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Diploma in Adult and Community Education and Training ● Bachelor of Education in Foundation Phase Teaching ● Bachelor of Education in Senior Phase and Further Education and Training Teaching (Specialising in Humanities) ● Bachelor of Education in Senior Phase and Further Education and Training Teaching (Specialising in Languages) ● Bachelor of Education in Senior Phase and Further Education and Training Teaching (Specialising in Creative Arts) ● Bachelor of Education in Senior Phase and Further Education and Training Teaching (Specialising in Economic and Management Science) 	<p style="text-align: center;">05 MAY 2026</p> <p style="text-align: center;">13:00</p>

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FACULTY OF LAW, HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES	MTHATHA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bachelor of Arts • Bachelor of Social Science • Bachelor of Laws • Bachelor of Psychology • Bachelor of Social Work • Bachelor of Arts Honours • Bachelor of Social Sciences Honours • Master of Arts • Master of Laws • Master of Social Work 	<p>06 MAY 2026</p> <p>08:00</p>
FACULTY OF EDUCATION	KOMANI
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bachelor of Education in Foundation Phase Teaching • Bachelor of Education Honours • Master of Education 	<p>07 MAY 2026</p> <p>08:00</p>
FACULTY OF EDUCATION	KOMANI
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bachelor of Education in Senior Phase and Further Education and Training Teaching (Specialising in Economic and Management Science) • Bachelor of Education Honours in Inclusive Education 	<p>07 MAY 2026</p> <p>12:00</p>
FACULTY OF EDUCATION	KOMANI
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bachelor of Education in Senior Phase and Further Education and Training Teaching (Specialising in Humanities) • Bachelor of Education in Senior Phase and Further Education and Training Teaching (Specialising in Maths, Science and Technology) • Postgraduate Certificate in Education in Senior phase and further Education and Training phase Teaching • Bachelor of Education in Senior Phase and Further Education and Training Teaching (Specialising in Languages) 	<p>07 MAY 2026</p> <p>15:00</p>
FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION SCIENCES	KOMANI
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diploma in Human Resources Management • Advanced Diploma in Human Resources Management • Diploma in Local Government Finance • Diploma in Public Management • Advanced Diploma in Public Management 	<p>08 MAY 2026</p> <p>08:00</p>
FACULTY OF ENGINEERING, BUILT ENVIRONMENT AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	BUFFALO CITY
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diploma in Information and Communication Technology in Application Development • Diploma in Information and Communication Technology in Business Analysis 	<p>11 MAY 2026</p> <p>08:00</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diploma in Information and Communication Technology in Support Services • Diploma in Information and Communication Technology in Communication Networks. • Advanced Diploma in Information and Communication Technology in Application Development • Advanced Diploma in Information and Communication Technology in Communication Networks 	
FACULTY OF ENGINEERING, BUILT ENVIRONMENT AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	BUFFALO CITY
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diploma in Building Technology • Diploma in Civil Engineering • Diploma in Electrical Engineering • Diploma in Mechanical Engineering • Advanced Diploma in Civil Engineering • Advanced Diploma in Electrical Engineering • Advanced Diploma in Mechanical Engineering 	<p>11 MAY 2026</p> <p>12:00</p>
FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION SCIENCES	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advanced Diploma in Journalism • Diploma in Journalism • Higher Certificate in Versatile Broadcasting 	<p>11 MAY 2026</p> <p>12:00</p>
FACULTY OF LAW, HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES	BUFFALO CITY
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diploma in Fashion • Diploma in Fine Art • Advanced Diploma in Fine Art 	<p>11 MAY 2026</p> <p>15:00</p>
FACULTY OF NATURAL SCIENCES	BUFFALO CITY
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diploma in Analytical Chemistry • Diploma in Consumer Science in Food and Nutrition • Advanced Diploma in Chemistry 	<p>11 MAY 2026</p> <p>15:00</p>
FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION SCIENCES	BUTTERWORTH
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diploma in Local Government Finance • Diploma in Public Relations Management • Advanced Diploma in Public Relations Management • Advanced Diploma in Business Administration • Bachelor of Administration • Bachelor of Administration Honours • Master of Public Administration 	<p>13 MAY 2026</p> <p>08:00</p>

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FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION SCIENCES	BUTTERWORTH
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diploma in Human Resources Management • Advanced Diploma in Human Resources Management • Diploma in Public Management • Advanced Diploma in Public Management 	<p>13 MAY 2026</p> <p>13:00</p>
FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION SCIENCES	BUTTERWORTH
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diploma in Administrative Management • Advanced Diploma in Administrative Management • Diploma in Marketing Management • Advanced Diploma in Marketing Management • Diploma in Office Management and Technology • Diploma in Small Business Management • Diploma in Sport Management 	<p>14 MAY 2026</p> <p>08:00</p>
FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION SCIENCES	BUTTERWORTH
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diploma in Hospitality Management • Diploma in Tourism Management • Advanced Diploma in Tourism • Diploma in Policing 	<p>14 MAY 2026</p> <p>13:00</p>
FACULTY OF ENGINEERING BUILT ENVIRONMENT AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	BUTTERWORTH
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diploma in Building Technology • Diploma in Civil Engineering 	<p>15 MAY 2026</p> <p>08:00</p>
FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION SCIENCES	BUTTERWORTH
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diploma in Management • Advanced Diploma in Management 	<p>15 MAY 2026</p> <p>08:00</p>

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