



Learning outcomes

The curriculum provides the graduate with the necessary professional knowledge and competencies to achieve the programme purpose and outcomes:

- ▶ Apply theories and concepts to identify key human settlement development needs, with consideration of their contexts
- ▶ Relate the basic principles and procedures in research, data analysis and capacity building among communities, human settlement units and staff.
- ▶ Apply theory and models of policy and strategy formulation and programme and project management.
- ▶ Interpret and apply legal and regulatory frameworks, processes, legislation, and contracts.
- ▶ Critically evaluate and explain finance and other forms of human settlement assistance.
- ▶ Appraise comparative land-use planning, management and delivery systems.
- ▶ Evaluate the roles, responsibilities and functions of social, rental and cooperative housing institutions and public-private partnerships.
- ▶ Integrate knowledge to plan, facilitate and manage social, economic and environmental development towards sustainable integrated human settlement development.
- ▶ Explain critical contemporary issues in public administration and apply best practices.
- ▶ Represent human settlements in Integrated Development Planning (IDP) and implementation.
- ▶ Manage and administer human settlement units at operational, middle-, senior- or top management levels.
- ▶ Co-ordinate and negotiate with stakeholders, educate communities and resolve conflict.
- ▶ Understand and oversee the technical design and construction aspects of houses, infrastructure and services in co-operation with planning, built environment and other professionals.
- ▶ Apply theories, principles and best practice guidelines of property planning, development, management and valuation with due regard for the legislative framework and relevant property legislation.

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**Nelson Mandela
Metropolitan
University**
for tomorrow

Bachelor of Human Settlements Development



Faculty of Engineering, the Built Environment
and Information Technology





Duration of the programme: 4 years full-time study

Curriculum for the BHSD degree

First year

- ▶ Human Settlement Management (NEW)
- ▶ Public Administration
- ▶ Economics
- ▶ Computer Literacy
- ▶ Accounting
- ▶ Sociology
- ▶ Political Studies
- ▶ Local Government Law (NEW)

Second year

- ▶ Human Settlement Management (NEW)
- ▶ Public Administration
- ▶ House Design and Services (NEW)
- ▶ Business Management
- ▶ Commercial Law
- ▶ Sociology



Third year

- ▶ Human Settlement Management (NEW)
- ▶ Public Administration
- ▶ House Construction and Maintenance (NEW)
- ▶ Construction Management (Special) (NEW)

Fourth year

- ▶ Human Settlement Management (NEW)
- ▶ Integrated Development Management (NEW)
- ▶ Property Development and Management (NEW)
- ▶ Statutory Law Relating to Human Settlements (NEW)
- ▶ Statistical Methods for Behavioural Sciences
- ▶ Research Methodology and Treatise (NEW)

For more detailed information please refer to the Prospectus of the Faculty of Engineering, the Built Environment and Information Technology.

Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University will offer the new degree programme, Bachelor of Human Settlement Development (BHSD), from 2014. This degree is sponsored by the National Minister of Human Settlements through the Chair for Human Settlements Development and Management. From 2016 the programme will earn subsidy from the National Department of Higher Education and Training.

This degree was developed from the need for more sustainable human settlements; cities and towns that are well planned, have sound infrastructure (buildings, roads, services), are socially acceptable, economically viable, environmentally friendly and worthy of political and institutional support contributing to a better quality of life for individuals and households and ensuring a more proactive human settlements sector and a stable and productive society. The purpose of the BHSD programme is to provide learners with specialist knowledge, skills, and competencies necessary to speed up human settlement development in South Africa, equipping them to create, upgrade and maintain sustainable human settlements. It will prepare them to fulfill the primary responsibilities of managing all the processes involved and co-ordinating all the stakeholders. Alongside the built environment and other professionals, the human settlement development and management professionals will be able to create improved living environments to enhance the quality of life of inhabitants.

Admission requirements

National Senior Certificate (NSC) requirements

- ▶ An Admissions Point Score (APS) of 36.
- ▶ Minimum statutory NSC requirements for degree entry must be met.
- ▶ English, Afrikaans or isiXhosa (Home Language or 1st Additional Language) on at least a level 3 (40-49 %).
- ▶ NSC achievement rating of at least 4 (50-59%) for Mathematics or at least 6 (70-79%) for Mathematical Literacy.
- ▶ Applicants who do not meet the requirements for direct admission and have an APS of between 28 and 35 may be referred to write the Access Assessment Test before a decision is made on whether or not to admit the applicant to the course.

The NMMU Admissions Point Score (APS) system allocates the following point values:

NSC Rating	NSC %	Points for APS	% for APS
		8	90-100%
7	80-100%	7	80-89%
6	70-79%	6	70-79%
5	60-69%	5	60-69%
4	50-59%	4	50-59%
3	40-49%	3	40-49%
2	30-39%	2	30-39%
1	0-29%	0	0-29%

Senior Certificate requirements

- ▶ A Senior Certificate with matriculation exemption/endorsement.
- ▶ A School Performance Score (SPS) of 32.
- ▶ Mathematics (HG = E symbol or SG = C symbol).

The NMMU School Performance Score (SPS) system allocates the following point values to the six best matriculation symbols:

Grade 12 symbol	A	B	C	D	E	F
HG	8	7	6	5	4	3
SG	6	5	4	3	2	1

