

Accessing the Bloemfontein Campus from 3 November 2014

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1. Staff and students without dual-frequency cards

Staff and students can continue to use their current staff and student cards to access the Bloemfontein Campus through its five gates.

You will continue to swipe your cards against the card readers, holding it not further than 20 mm from the reader, for the boom to open. Card holders therefore have to physically stop in front of the boom in order to get access to the campus.

In the meantime you can pay for your card:

- Electronic fund transfer at ABSA or
- At the UFS Cashiers on the Thakaneng Bridge

New dual-frequency cards will be in stock from Friday 14 November 2014.

2. Staff and students with dual-frequency cards

Staff and students using their dual-frequency cards, should:

- Reduce speed
- Hold the card in a vertical position at the driver's side window, in the direction of the long-distance reader

It is therefore not necessary to stop in front of the boom. On holding your card upright, in line with the card reader, the gate will open automatically and you will be able to drive through (keep your card outside your window; the card reader cannot operate through tinted windows).

Please note that this arrangement only applies to incoming lanes. On leaving the campus, the card has to be swiped. This is due to the number-plate recognition technology installed at exits for additional security.

If the long-distance reader does not work, the dual-frequency card can still be used at a tag reader.

3. Visitors without access cards

The licence disks of persons visiting the campus (without access cards) will be scanned.

Please apply online at www.ufs.ac.za for your dual-frequency card. Cards will be in stock from Friday 14 November 2014. The cost per card is R60.

4. Visitors with dual-frequency access cards

See point 2. Follow the same procedure as staff and students with dual-frequency access cards.

5. Special offer for staff and students extended

The special offer of R30 per access card has been extended to the end of November 2014. To qualify for this offer, staff and students may pay the R30 for a dual-frequency card at the bank or cashiers on the Thakaneng Bridge no later than 28 November. The cost of dual-frequency cards for staff and students will increase to R60 per card from 1 December 2014.

Please note that only people with vehicles need to apply for dual-frequency cards.