

Access control during major events at the Bloemfontein Campus

As from 3 November 2014, the UFS started to enforce access control at all five gates of the Bloemfontein Campus. This was done to further tighten security measures.

To prevent traffic congestion at the gates, the booms at entrance gates will be opened during major events, such as graduations and open days. The first major event in the near future is the December graduation on 11 December 2014.

Among others, work is still going on at the Main gate. On completion of the project, access control will be enforced at the different gates as follows:

1. Gate 1 (Nelson Mandela Drive)

For outgoing traffic, lane 1 (furthest from the guardhouse) and lane 2 will be used by card holders. Lane 3 (closest to the booth) will be used by service providers with access cards.

For incoming traffic, lanes 2 and 3 were set aside for use by service providers only. Lanes 1 and 4 will be used by card holders only.

2. Gate 2 (Badenhorst Street)

Only persons with valid access cards will be able to enter and leave through this gate.

3. Gate 3 (Wynand Mouton Drive)

The gate at Wynand Mouton Drive is earmarked for use by valid card holders. This includes students, staff and persons doing business on campus. Parents dropping off and fetching their children for sports, as well as service providers of the UFS, such as architects, may apply for valid access cards (those persons will have to provide proof that they have business on campus – complete the online application form and sign the declaration).

4. Gate 4 (Furstenburg Street)

Only persons with valid access cards will be able to enter and leave through these gates, the same as at Gate 3.

5. Gate 5 (DF Malherbe Drive) – VISITORS

Once the project is completed at the five gates, all visitors to the campus who are not in possession of a valid access card and need assistance and/or directions, will be referred to the Visitor's Centre at Gate 5 (DF Malherbe Drive). This includes, among others, parents, family and friends of students, as well as conference delegates. Visitors will sign in at the Visitor's Centre.

The dual-frequency card:

The dual-frequency cards available at the Card Division on the Thakaneng Bridge are currently out of stock. New cards will be delivered on Friday 14 November 2014.

The R30 offer for new cards (only staff and students) was extended until the end of November 2014. To qualify for this offer, staff and students can 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 will increase to R60 per card as from 1 December 2014.

Non-UFS staff and students will continue to pay R60 for an access card. The online application form is available on the UFS web (see web cover page at www.ufs.ac.za, read access control article, among others).

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

Persons without access cards will, however, still be able to gain access to the Bloemfontein Campus. If you have a valid staff or student card, you will be able to swipe it past the card reader. If you do not have a card, your vehicle's licence disc will be scanned.