

# Start your future career in Journalism

Diploma in Journalism



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## Are you a newshound?

Journalism is a powerful agent for informing, entertaining and influencing public opinion by collecting, writing and distributing news, opinion and features on print, online and broadcast platforms.

From investigating the injustices of society to keeping tabs on celebrities, storytelling is at the heart of it all.

<b>YOU WILL LIKE THIS IF</b>	You are confident, have strong writing abilities, have a keen interest in local and international affairs, read more than the average person and enjoy telling stories.
<b>YOU WILL STUDY AT</b>	80 Roeland Street, Cape Town
<b>YOU WILL STUDY FOR</b>	Three years, full-time

## YOUR SUBJECTS

### FIRST YEAR

- Mass Communication & Politics 1
- Professional Literacy Studies
- Mass Communication & Culture 1
- News Writing 1
- Media Design 1
- Media Production 1

### SECOND YEAR

- Mass Communication & Politics 2
- Mass Communication & Culture 2
- Generalist News Writing 2
- Specialist News Writing 2
- Media Design 2
- Media Production 2

### THIRD YEAR

- Generalist News Writing 3
- Specialist News Writing 3
- Media Design 3
- Media Production 3
- Professional Practice 3 (Work Integrated Learning)

**Your on-the-job training**

You are required to do **6 months of in-service training** at a CPUT-accredited employer during your third year of study.



## YOUR FUTURE SELF

### Future studies

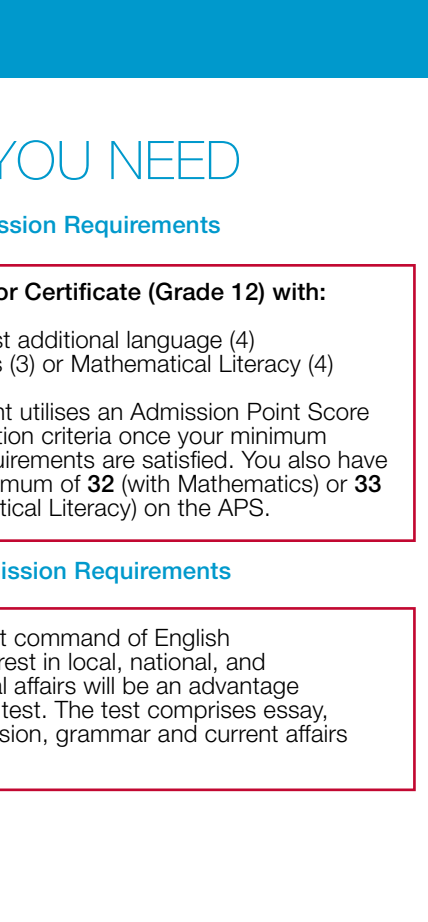
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### Future industries

- Broadcasting
- Print media
- Online media
- Corporate Communications

### Future career

- News reporter
- News anchor: Radio and television
- Sports reporter
- Photojournalist
- Fashion journalist
- Technical writer
- Business journalist
- Foreign correspondent
- Freelance journalist
- Business-to-business (B2B) reporting
- Sub-editor
- Content producer
- Content editor
- Multimedia journalist



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## WHAT YOU NEED

### Minimum Admission Requirements

**National Senior Certificate (Grade 12) with:**

- English (5)
- Home or First additional language (4)
- Mathematics (3) or Mathematical Literacy (4)

The department utilises an Admission Point Score (APS) as selection criteria once your minimum admission requirements are satisfied. You also have to score a minimum of **32** (with Mathematics) or **33** (with Mathematical Literacy) on the APS.

### Additional Admission Requirements

- An excellent command of English
- A keen interest in local, national, and international affairs will be an advantage
- A selection test. The test comprises essay, comprehension, grammar and current affairs sections.

**DISCLAIMER**

Meeting the minimum requirements does not guarantee admission. This information is subject to change based on approval and accreditation of HEQSF aligned qualifications during 2018/ 2019.

Admission requirements may therefore differ between the existing qualification and the HEQSF aligned qualification. Please consult the CPUT website or faculty for updated information. Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the information in this pamphlet; however the University reserves the right at any time, if circumstances require to make changes to any of the published details.

## HOW TO APPLY

**MANUAL APPLICATIONS**  
 Do you qualify to apply manually?

**Please note:** a non-refundable application fee will be applicable. Manual applications are only available to the following persons:

- Applicants applying for RPL (Recognition of Prior Learning)
- Non-South African citizens
- South-African citizens with international qualifications
- Applicants with permanent residence in South Africa
- Refugee asylum seeker temporary permit/ formal recognition of refugee status in the RSA

- 1 Choose a qualification
- 2 Complete an application form
- 3 Gather your documents (i.e. certified copies less than three months old)
- 4 Fill in the application form
- 5 Pay the application fee
- 6 Hand deliver or post your form and certified copies of documents to our District Six, Bellville, Mowbray, or Wellington Campuses (Admin buildings)
- 7 Follow-up and get your admission status via the online application tracking system by visiting [www.cput.ac.za/study/track](http://www.cput.ac.za/study/track)

**ONLINE APPLICATIONS**  
 Do you qualify to apply online?

The following persons may only apply online, i.e. no manual applications will be allowed:

- South African citizens with South African qualifications
- Returning students with a break in studies (more than 1-year break)

- 1 Choose your qualification by consulting this brochure or the website
- 2 Gather your documents (i.e. certified copies less than three months old)
- 3 Download the online application guide available on our website for information on how to apply online
- 4 Complete your application online by visiting [www.cput.ac.za/study/apply](http://www.cput.ac.za/study/apply)
- 5 Follow-up and get your admission status via the online application tracking system by visiting [www.cput.ac.za/study/track](http://www.cput.ac.za/study/track)

**CLOSING DATES**

**31 JULY**  
International applicants

**31 JULY**  
South African citizens