



FACULTY OF ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY (FET)

5 October 2026

TO: FET NATIONAL DIPLOMA STUDENTS

To the students who were registered for the phased-out National Diploma but could not complete it before the programme was phased out in December 2023 and now want to transition to the new Diploma qualification, kindly read this letter to familiarise yourself with the rules and regulations attached to the transition, as approved by the Senate for the faculty.

1. Transitioning Conditions

- 1.1 Students can apply for the transition if they have been enrolled for the National Diploma within the past seven (7) years (in compliance with relevant institutional policies, including the Admissions Policy and the Procedure Governing Exemptions and Credit Requirements Policy). Students enrolled for the National Diploma previously but not registered in the past seven years are not eligible for the transition. They must register for the entire new Diploma qualification and will not be eligible for credits/exemptions.
- 1.2 Students with outstanding first-year modules at the National Diploma do not qualify for transitioning into the new Diploma qualification. They will be required to register for the entire new Diploma qualification and will not be eligible for credits/exemptions.
- 1.3 Students should first enrol and complete any other outstanding module for the second or third year before they can register for WIL and before any exemption will be given. The theory modules are thus a pre-requisite to the WIL module.
- 1.4 All students must register for Mathematics 3 (AMMAT3A) as a compulsory module where applicable.
- 1.5 All students who completed all theoretical modules in the National Diploma but have outstanding P1, P2, or both must register for WIL under the new Diploma because the new WIL measures the GA.
- 1.6 WIL registration will be compulsory, as key GAs are assessed through the WIL component.
- 1.7 The students who have not completed the NDip will be allowed to articulate using **Credit Accumulation and Transfer (CAT)** of up to 50% of the Diploma credits.

Applications must be submitted by the end of the general application window set by the University, which is Friday, 30 October 2026.

For all the students who qualify, applications should be submitted to Mrs Gapenyane Motswana on the email gapenyanes@vut.ac.za.

NB: This is the final opportunity for eligible National Diploma students to transition to the Diploma programme.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K. Abou-El-Hossein', written over a rectangular stamp or box.

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