



**UNAM**  
UNIVERSITY OF NAMIBIA



**SOUTHERN CAMPUS**

*Student Life*



## INTRODUCTION

The Southern Campus is located in the Southern town of Keetmanshoop, the capital of the great //Kharas region. Keetmanshoop is known for its hot summers and mild winters making it compulsory to enjoy a relaxing dip in the local municipal swimming pool. People in the region are known for their southern hospitality. Keetmanshoop is 500 km away from the capital city, Windhoek, on route to South Africa. The campus is

currently situated in the Kronlein suburb adjacent to the Teacher's Resource Centre, until the new campus is completed in the Noordhoek suburb. The Southern Campus has a tranquil feel and inviting atmosphere, which will make you feel right at home. Additionally the campus offers a safe and conducive learning environment to full-time and distance students.

## ATTRACTIONS *in the Region*

The region is a known tourist destination attracting international and local tourists to the remarkable sights such as the Quiver Tree Forest, declared a national monument and the Giant's Playground, lying only 13km from Keetmanshoop. Students can also take part in the popular Fish River Canyon hiking trail, starting at the spectacular Fish River Canyon and finishing at Ais-Ais Hot Springs. The Fish River Canyon is a mere 155km from Keetmanshoop and has 1.5 billion years of geological history.

The Ai-Ais Hot Springs is at the southern end of the Fish River Canyon National Park, while the Naute Dam is found close to the town.

Brukkaros is a well-known crater about 100 km north west from Keetmanshoop, while there are several distinctive historic buildings such as the Old Post Office building, Eagle Monument, the Rhenish Missions Church and Johanniter Hans, which used to be the old hospital.



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## EVENTS *and Activities*

The Campus annual cultural festival is a hive of activity and offers students an opportunity to display their talent, to socialise and to establish ties with the local community. National artists perform at events such as the Miss and Mr. Southern Campus and students engage in singing and dancing competitions showcasing their talent.

The Westdene Suburb has the J. Stephanus Stadium for sporting events and is home to Fedics United Football Club, that is in the Namibia Premier League. Students engage in volleyball, netball and other sporting codes.

The newly built mall hosts a variety of retail shops and entices the avid shopper to frequent the establishment while the intellectuals can visit the museum in the city centre.

The Keetmanshoop Agricultural Show provides an opportunity for budding entrepreneurs to showcase their wares and make an extra dollar that can supplement their student income. The Southern Campus community takes part in making the Keetmanshoop Show a memorable event each year.

Students also take educational and leisure tours locally, nationally and regionally, giving them the necessary exposure while adding a practical component to their education. The Southern Campus choir is a very popular commodity at all events, both on and off campus - and is growing from strength to strength.

## LEARNING RESOURCES *and Facilities*

The campus is situated in the Kronlein residential area, about five minutes from the Keetmanshoop CBD. It has a well-equipped library and spacious computer lab and computers that can be accessed for academic purposes. The air-conditioned facilities provide access to world-class resources comprising online repositories and electronic journal databases that's accessible both on and off campus.

A well-resourced library on the campus grounds is open after hours and serves the local community as well. The campus boasts free Wi-Fi access all around campus and relaxation areas under the trees. The student 'hot-spot' is a popular open-air facility, where students engage informally and complete learning activities.



The campus cafeteria has friendly staff and serves a variety of food.

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## **Hostel Facilities**

The hostel is situated in the Noordhoek Suburb and has five residences for 160 students, a spacious dining hall where student cultures melt and sufficient parking space. The hostel has a swimming pool that is an oasis after classes. There are also several entertainment areas around the hostel grounds. The hostel is a mere stones' throw away from the town centre.

## **Student Bodies and Societies**

The Student Representative Council (SRC) leadership is the first line of contact and represents the student population on all platforms. They plan events such as the Cultural Festival and all student entertainment. The SRC strive to make students feel at home, while being the link to management and further offers peer-counseling services.

The campus further has the following societies and clubs:

Naomab United Football Club, Netball, Volleyball, Choir Otjiuana Cultural Group, Believers Love World (BLW), SCM (Christian Society), SCOIS (Innovation Society), Oshiwambo Cultural Group. The students started with the Southside Newsletter for students that is run independently.



If there is space, there can be focus, and if there is focus the mind can be clear, the mind can be open. At the University of Namibia the hunger for knowledge is fed by a continuous movement of solution-driven activities. Our students achieve the things they could only dream of.

UNAM offers endless opportunities for endless possibilities.







## CONTACTS

### **ACADEMIC PROGRAMMES** *Offered at the Campus*

**Faculty of Health Sciences: School of Nursing**  
Bachelor of Nursing (Clinical)

**Faculty of Education:**  
Bachelor of Education (Pre and Lower Primary)  
Diploma in Junior Primary Education

**Faculty of Economics & Management Sciences:**  
Bachelor of Business Administration (Honours)  
Diploma in Entrepreneurship and New Venture Management

The Campus also offers more than 20 academic programmes through distance education and the list is growing annually.

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