

UNIVERSITY OF NAMIBIA



FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCES & VETERINARY MEDICINE

2027 Career Guidance Booklet

Made Easy

YOUR DEGREE, YOUR FUTURE

From Katima Mulilo to Keetmanshoop, Oshakati to Windhoek – this is your homegrown university.



Open your mind

HOW TO USE THIS LEAFLET

Hey there 🤗

We know career guides can feel like they're written for grandparents. This one isn't.

Below, you'll find:

- What each faculty does (no confusing academic speak)
- Every single undergraduate programme UNAM offers in 2027
- Exactly what subjects you need and what points to aim for
- Real Namibian and world careers you can get with each qualification
- Real Namibian examples – because we're preparing you for a job in London, Addis Ababa to preparing you to build Namibia.

Quick tip:

Points are indicative for 2027. Strong applications with good pass symbols can still be considered if you're slightly below. Always apply.



School of Allied Health Sciences



School of Dentistry



School of Medicine



School of Nursing & Public Health



School of Pharmacy



School of Veterinary Medicine

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You want to heal. Humans or animals – you're not fussy. You're calm in emergencies, patient with suffering, and smart enough to understand complex biology. You know that healthcare in Namibia is under pressure, and you want to help.

We have one of the lowest doctor-to-patient ratios in the world. We have one veterinary school for the entire country – and it's here. Every graduate from this faculty will find work, eventually. Every single one.

UNAM General Admission Requirements at a Glance:

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS	DEGREE	DIPLOMA
NSSCO & NSSCAS subjects	5 passes, 3 or 2 subjects at AS Level	5 passes, 3 or 2 subjects at AS Level
English Language (compulsory)	d (AS) / C (Ordinary) symbol or higher	e (AS) / D (Ordinary) symbol or higher
Points range	27 points and above (faculty specific requirement applies)	24 points and above
Mathematics	Mathematics is a requirement for most sciences and commerce qualifications	Mathematics required for some diploma programmes

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1. SCHOOL OF ALLIED HEALTH SCIENCES



What this School is about:

Not all heroes wear stethoscopes. Some are psychologists, social workers, radiographers, physiotherapists, occupational therapists. You work alongside doctors and nurses, but your skills are just as vital.

At the School of Allied Health Science, we train professionals to enhance total well-being and performance in work, life, and sports. Health and performance are about optimal well-being and not merely the absence of disease.

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PROGRAMME	WHAT'S THE ACTUAL JOB?	WHAT JOBS CAN I GET?	SPECIFIC REQUIRED SUBJECTS	POINTS
Bachelor of Arts in Psychology (Level 7)	You understand why people think, feel, and behave the way they do. You might become a counsellor, HR specialist, or researcher. (Clinical psychology requires a Master's degree.)	Counsellor, Human Resources Officer, Research Assistant, Youth Development Officer, and Career Advisor.	English (C)	27+
Bachelor of Arts in Social Work (Honours) (Level 8)	You work with vulnerable people: children in difficult homes, survivors of abuse, families in poverty. You connect them with services, advocate for their rights, and help them rebuild. This is not an easy job. It is a necessary one.	Social Worker, Child Protection Officer, Community Development Worker, Foster Care Coordinator, and Gender-Based Violence Counsellor.	English (C)	27+
Bachelor of Radiography (Diagnostic) (Honours) (Level 8)	X-rays, CT scans, MRIs. You operate the machines that see inside the human body. Doctors rely on your images to diagnose everything from broken bones to cancer.	Diagnostic Radiographer, CT Technician, MRI Technician, Ultrasound Sonographer, and Medical Imaging Specialist.	Physical Science (c), Biology (c), Mathematics (C)	33+

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Bachelor of Science in Physiotherapy (Honours) (Level 8)	Someone breaks a leg. Someone has a stroke. Someone's back hurts so badly they can't work. You help them move again. You're part coach, part healer.	Physiotherapist, Sports Rehabilitation Specialist, Paediatric Physiotherapist, Geriatric Care Specialist, and Ergonomics Consultant.	Biology (b), Physical Science (c), Mathematics (c), English (B)	34+
Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy (Honours) (Level 8)	An accident changes someone's life. They can no longer do their job, dress themselves, or cook dinner. You retrain their body and adapt their environment so they can live independently again.	Occupational Therapist, Mental Health Occupational Therapist, Paediatric OT, Assistive Technology Specialist, and Rehabilitation Coordinator.	Biology (b), Physical Science (c) or Physics (c), Chemistry (c) English (B)	34+
Bachelor in Sport Coaching (Level 7)	With this qualification, you will be working directly with athletes to improve performance, analyse tactics, and win competitions.	Strength and conditioning coach, Head/Assistant team Coach, Talent Identification Scout, School Sports Coordinator/Director and Corporate Wellness Consultant.	Biology (d)/Biology (C), English (C),	27+



2. SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY



What this School is about:

The School of Dentistry is committed to training highly skilled, ethical, and compassionate oral health professionals who can make a real difference in people's lives. Through research, innovation, and community outreach, we promote better oral health, prevent disease, and improve the overall well-being of communities in Namibia and beyond.

Here is where oral hygiene and mouths matter, because dental disease affects eating, speaking, confidence, and overall health. Namibia has very few dentists, especially in rural areas.

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Bachelor of Dental Surgery (Level 8)	You are a dentist. You treat cavities, gum disease, oral infections. You perform extractions, root canals, and cosmetic procedures. You run your own practice or work in state hospitals.	Dentist, Oral Health Therapist, Dental Surgeon, Community Dental Officer, and Private Practice Owner.	Biology (b), Chemistry (b), Mathematics (c), Physical Science (b), English (B)	35+



3. SCHOOL OF MEDICINE



What this School is about:

The School strives to deliver quality medical education and produce competent doctors who can respond to the health care needs of the Namibian people and are advocates for the poor, underserved, and marginalized in our society.

Six years of training. Countless exams. Clinical rotations where you see things you can't unsee. But at the end, you're a doctor. You save lives. You deliver babies in district hospitals. You diagnose malaria in remote clinics. You matter to Namibia and the entire world.

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Bachelor of Medicine & Bachelor of Surgery (MBChB) (Level 8)	You are a medical doctor. You work in hospitals, clinics, or private practice. You diagnose illness, prescribe treatment, perform surgery. You are one of the most trusted people in your community.	Medical Doctor, General Practitioner, Surgeon (with specialization), Paediatrician, Physician, and Public Health Officer.	Biology (b), Chemistry (c), Physics (c), Mathematics (b), English (B)	35+ (interview required)



4. SCHOOL OF NURSING & PUBLIC HEALTH



What this School is about:

Nursing is a noble profession for anyone who has the desire to care for the sick and needy in hospital and an opportunity to prevent illness in communities. Nurses are needed in all corners of the country and can operate in absence of other health care professionals. Nurses are not "assistants to doctors." Nurses are independent professionals who save lives every day. You monitor patients, administer medication, make critical decisions, and provide comfort.

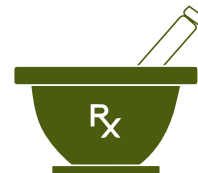
Public health specialists don't treat individuals – they treat entire populations. They design vaccination campaigns, HIV prevention programmes, and health education.

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PROGRAMME	WHAT'S THE ACTUAL JOB?	WHAT JOBS CAN I GET?	SPECIFIC REQUIRED SUBJECTS	POINTS
Bachelor of Nursing & Midwifery Science (Honours) (Level 8)	You are a registered nurse. Hospitals, clinics, home care, emergency response. You assess patients, perform procedures, educate families. You are the backbone of healthcare. Same as above, with specialized training in pregnancy, childbirth, and postnatal care. You deliver babies and support new mothers.	Registered Nurse/Midwife, Maternity Ward Nurse, Neonatal Nurse, Antenatal Educator, and Labour Ward Coordinator.	Biology (c), Maths (d), English (C)	32+



5. SCHOOL OF PHARMACY



What this School is about:

At the School of Pharmacy, you will learn to understand how medicines can heal or harm. You learn the difference. You understand how drugs work in the body, how to calculate correct doses, and how to counsel patients. You might work in a community pharmacy, a hospital, or a pharmaceutical company.

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PROGRAMME	WHAT'S THE ACTUAL JOB?	WHAT JOBS CAN I GET?	SPECIFIC REQUIRED SUBJECTS	POINTS
Bachelor of Pharmacy (Honours) (Level 8)	You are a pharmacist. You dispense medication, check for dangerous interactions, advise doctors on prescriptions, and educate patients. You are the final checkpoint before medicine enters a human body.	Pharmacist, Hospital Pharmacist, Community Pharmacist, Pharmaceutical Sales Representative, and Regulatory Affairs Officer.	Biology (b), Chemistry (b), Mathematics (B) Or Physics (B), English (C)	34+



6. SCHOOL OF VETERINARY MEDICINE



What this School is about:

This is the only veterinary school in Namibia. If you want to be a vet and stay in Namibia, this is where you do it. You'll treat cattle in Otjiwarongo, dogs in Windhoek, and maybe even rhinos in Etosha. You'll also protect human health – because many diseases jump from animals to people.

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Diploma in Animal Health (Level 6)	You act as the primary medical support for production animals (cattle, sheep, goats, pigs, and poultry) as well as horses and dogs in rural or commercial farming settings.	Veterinary nursing, Animal or Veterinary health technicians, Livestock and animal production support officers, Community-based animal health workers, Wildlife and conservation support staff and Artificial insemination of livestock.	Biology (e)/Agriculture (e), Mathematics (e), English (D), Chemistry (D)	24+
Diploma in Veterinary Nursing (Level 6)	a Veterinary Nurse is the intensive care nurse, the surgical assistant, the laboratory technician, and the inpatient caregiver all rolled into one.	Veterinary nursing, Animal or Veterinary health technicians, Livestock and animal production support officers, Community-based animal health workers, Wildlife and conservation support staff and Artificial insemination of livestock.	Biology (e)/Agriculture (e), Mathematics (e), English (D), Chemistry (D)	24+
Bachelor of Veterinary Medicine	You are a veterinarian. You treat sick animals, perform surgeries, advise farmers on herd health, and prevent disease outbreaks. Namibia needs you desperately.	Veterinarian, Livestock Health Inspector, Wildlife Vet, Veterinary Public Health Officer, and Animal Clinic Owner.	Biology (c), Chemistry (c), Physical Science (B), Mathematics (c), English (B)	35+



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Final Words

To the learner reading this:

You don't have to know exactly what you want to do for the rest of your life. Not many do at 17. But you probably know what interests you.

Look at the "What jobs can I get?" column.

Read it out loud. Does any of it make you feel something – excitement, curiosity, nervousness? That's your clue.

- If you keep looking at the mining engineering jobs, go talk to a Mining Engineer.
- If Social Work keeps catching your eye, volunteer at a children's home.
- If you're torn between three different things, good. That means you have options.

APPLICATIONS INFORMATION

Application Period: **22 May 2026 – 30 September 2026**

How to apply

- Applications are made online only, and should be completed at www.unam.edu.na/online-application
- Access the online Application Guide here: www.unam.edu.na/studyunam

Application Fees

Application fees (**non-refundable**) of N\$150.00 for Namibian students and N\$300.00 for international students should be payable into the below UNAM account or payment can be made at any UNAM Campus. Proof of application fee payment should be included as part of the application documents.

BANKING DETAILS

Account Name: University of Namibia

Bank Name: First National Bank Namibia

Account Number: 55500057621

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