

The School for the Creative Economy



2026 CALENDAR

AFDA Johannesburg | Cape Town | Durban | Gqeberha | Hatfield Campuses



ALL AFDA CAMPUSES OPEN ON **5 JANUARY 2026**

ENROLMENT DATES

HC ENROLMENT	12 January - 27 February
YEAR 1 ENROLMENT	12 January - 6 February
YEAR 2 ENROLMENT	12 January - 6 February
YEAR 3 ENROLMENT	12 January - 6 February
HONOURS & PGDI ENROLMENT	12 January - 6 February
MASTERS ENROLMENT	12 January - 6 February

LATE ENROLMENT DATES

HC ENROLMENT	2 March - 8 May
YEAR 1 ENROLMENT	9 February - 24 April
YEAR 2 ENROLMENT	9 February - 24 April
YEAR 3 ENROLMENT	9 February - 27 February
HONOURS & PGDI ENROLMENT	9 February - 27 February
MFA ENROLMENT	9 February - 10 April

TERM DATES UNDERGRAD DEGREE PROGRAMMES YEAR 1 ORIENTATION + WEEK 1 | START 9 FEB

TERM 1	9 February - 10 April	TERM 3	13 July - 4 September
TERM 2	28 April - 19 June	TERM 4	5 October - 27 November

TERM DATES UNDERGRAD DEGREE PROGRAMMES YEAR 2

TERM 1	9 February - 10 April	TERM 3	13 July - 4 September
TERM 2	28 April - 19 June	TERM 4	5 October - 27 November

TERM DATES UNDERGRAD DEGREE PROGRAMMES YEAR 3

TERM 1	9 February - 2 April	TERM 3	13 July - 4 September
TERM 2	28 April - 19 June	TERM 4	5 October - 27 November

TERM DATES HONOURS & PGDI

TERM 1	9 February - 2 April	TERM 3	13 July - 4 September
TERM 2	28 April - 19 June	TERM 4	5 October - 27 November

TERM DATES MFA

RETREAT 1	2 - 6 February	RETREAT 3	29 June - 3 July
RETREAT 2	13 - 17 April	RETREAT 4	21 - 25 September

TERM DATES ALL HIGHER CERTIFICATE PROGRAMMES ORIENTATION + WEEK 1 | START 2 MARCH

TERM 1	2 March - 17 April	TERM 3	20 July - 4 September
TERM 2	11 May - 26 June	TERM 4	28 September - 13 November



ALL AFDA CAMPUSES CLOSE ON **11 DECEMBER 2026**



RECRUITMENT EVENTS

UNDERGRADUATE SNEAK PEAK DAY	28 January
APPLICATION & FUNDING DAY	7 February
HIGHER CERTIFICATE SNEAK PEAK DAY	18 February
OPEN DAY	14 March
FEE-PAYERS & TEACHERS INFO SESSION	10 April
DEANS Q&A	15 May
HOLIDAY WORKSHOP	11 July
DEANS Q&A	24 July
OPEN DAY	22 August
TEACHER'S INFO WEBINAR (ONLINE)	8 September
DEANS Q&A	11 September
OPEN DAY	10 October
HATFIELD SNEAK PEEK: ROAD TO GRADUATION	28 November

ACADEMIC EVENTS

GQEERHA GRADUATION	27 March
DURBAN GRADUATION	27 March
JOHANNESBURG GRADUATION	28 March
CAPE TOWN GRADUATION	28 March
AFDA DAY (OPEN DAY & EXPERIMENTAL FESTIVAL)	13 June
AFDA ANNUAL GRADUATION FESTIVAL	November TBC
AWARDS EVENING	26 November
ALUMNI REUNION & INDUSTRY EVENTS	
DBN ALUMNI REUNION	24 July
DBN INDUSTRY EVENT	21 October
GQ ALUMNI REUNION & INDUSTRY EVENT	22 October
JHB ALUMNI REUNION & INDUSTRY EVENT	23 October
CPT ALUMNI REUNION & INDUSTRY EVENT	23 October

POSTGRADUATE INFORMATION SESSIONS

JOHANNESBURG	CAPE TOWN	DURBAN	GQEERHA
18 August	20 August	19 August	21 August
3 November	5 November	4 November	6 November



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