

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 **12 DECEMBER 2026**



RECRUITMENT EVENTS

HOLIDAY WORKSHOP	11 July
DEANS Q & A	24 July
DEANS Q & A	14 August
OPEN DAY	22 August
TEACHER'S INFO WEBINAR (ONLINE)	8 September
DEANS Q & A	11 September
OPEN DAY	10 October
DEANS Q & A	6 November

FIRST THURSDAYS EVENTS

NATIONAL FIRST THURSDAY EVENT	2 July
NATIONAL FIRST THURSDAY EVENT	6 August
NATIONAL FIRST THURSDAY EVENT	3 September
NATIONAL FIRST THURSDAY EVENT	1 October
NATIONAL FIRST THURSDAY EVENT	5 November

ACADEMIC EVENTS

AFDA ANNUAL GRADUATION FESTIVAL	November TBC
AWARDS EVENING	26 November

ALUMNI REUNION VINTAGE WATCH PARTIES

GQ ALUMNI REUNION VINTAGE WATCH PARTY	22 October
DBN ALUMNI REUNION VINTAGE WATCH PARTY	23 October
JHB ALUMNI REUNION VINTAGE WATCH PARTY	23 October
CPT ALUMNI REUNION VINTAGE WATCH PARTY	23 October

POSTGRADUATE INFO SESSIONS

NATIONAL POSTGRADUATE INFO SESSION	19 August
NATIONAL POSTGRADUATE INFO SESSION	4 November



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