

Multilingualism, diversity & social justice

The NWU supports Multilingualism and therefore the Faculty of Education offer the following languages in the BEd Programme:

Did you know?



English

Sesotho

Afrikaans

IsiZulu

Setswana



What is Multilingualism?

Multilingualism is the ability to communicate fluently in more than one language.

Importance of language:

Language should be **INCLUSIVE**



The Golden rules to abide to for Inclusivity:

When in a conversation **speak a language that everyone grasps**

Mutual respect – ALL languages have a history

Try to learn to **greet each other in different languages**



Important things to remember:

Interpreters are available in classes per request during contact sessions.

Some **study material** may be **available in both Afrikaans and English**

If you attend your classes in Afrikaans, you are **allowed to answer your assignments or examinations in English.**

For B Ed students:



Language is even more important according to the Department of Basic Education. At the end of your 4 years, **you will have to be certified in three languages on different levels of proficiency that you can use in your career.** Therefore, you will have several language modules in the BEd Programme.

The benefits of multilingualism practices in education **include the creation and appreciation of cultural awareness**, the addition of academic and educational value, **the enhancement of creativity, social adjustment, and the appreciation of local languages.**

Use this opportunity to become part of the Bee Hive.

Think of your mother tongue as the Queen Bee and the additional languages worker bees that empowers you and teaches you to navigate your future career. BEE an Asset