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Dear Student

Further to our [last communication](#) regarding the mid-year academic requirement calculation for residence re-allocation, the end-of-year credit requirements (implementation from 2024 onwards), as well as the mid-year credit requirements (implementation from 2025 onwards), were approved by the Rectorate as set out in Table 1:

Table 1: Credit requirements for residence re-allocation

Academic year	Year status	% cumulative credits passed for residence re-allocation (mainstreams)	% cumulative credits passed for residence re-allocation (ECP)
1	Mid-year	65%	60%
	End of year	60%	60% In the faculties Engineering, AgriSciences and Science, a 100% credit requirement will apply.
2	Mid-year	80%	60%
	End of year	80%	60%
3	Mid-year	80%	60%
	End of year	80%	60%
4	Mid-year	80%	60%
	End of year	80%	60%
5	Mid-year	80%	60%
	End of year	80%	60%

The points of departure are as follows:

1. The credit calculation for final re-allocation to a residence will be based on the same principles as the calculation of academic programme progression of the institution. Please refer to communication that was sent to you in this regard ([Update to SU's progression rules and credit weighting system](#)).
2. **The percentage credit requirement for residence re-allocation is 10% higher than for programme progression and re-admission due to the limited spaces in residences.**
3. This stipulation is also applicable to students who follow an Extended Curriculum Programme (ECP). Where applicable, the residence requirement will be 10% higher than the programme progression requirement.



4. The credit requirement for residence re-allocation in the first year is set lower to help accommodate the challenges that may come with transitioning to a new academic environment.
5. There is also an alignment between the mid-year and end-of-year credit requirements for residence re-allocation.
6. As for Tygerberg campus, the use of the weighted average to rank students will continue.

For the calculation of the year-end credit requirements for residence re-allocation please see Addendum A.

For your convenience, please find the links to the following important information on residence allocation:

[Residence Placement Policy](#)
[Guidelines for the implementation of the Policy](#)

Please keep in mind that accommodation is not included in your academic offer. You are responsible for securing your own accommodation, at your own cost, before you arrive on campus for registration/attendance of lectures in 2025. Visit www.maties.com for more information on [residences](#) and [private accredited accommodation](#).

If you need more information, please contact our Client Services at info@sun.ac.za or 021 808 9111.

Warm regards

Student Accommodation Office



Addendum A

CREDIT REQUIREMENT FOR RE-ALLOCATION IN RESIDENCE

a. Determine required credits for the academic year as published in the Yearbook

- Exclude additional modules (modules that do not contribute towards your qualification).
- Transferred credits via the Credit Accumulation Transfer process will be accounted for and included only where applicable to the current programme.
- Exclude credits for modules discontinued before the specified due date.
- Include credits for modules discontinued after the due date as published in the Yearbook.
- Credits for short courses are not considered for credit calculation.

b. Determine proportion credits passed for 2024

c. Determine proportion credits passed for 2024 (weight): Credits passed (b) divided by required credits (a).

Example

For a student studying a three-year BA (International Studies) programme, the requirements for residence re-allocation will be as follows (See Table 1 below):

- In year one (first year) a student will be required to achieve a minimum **60%** of the total programme credits required of a BA (International Studies) Programme i.e. 76 credits out of the required 126 credits.
- In the second year, a student will be required to achieve a minimum of 80% of the total programme credits required of a BA (International Studies) Programme i.e. 203 credits out of the required 254 credits.
- Therefore, in year three, the student needs to pass **80%** (299 credits) of the 374 total programme credits required.

Table 1: The yearly cumulative credit requirement for residence re-allocation

Programme Name	Period Year	Programme Credits required	Percentage credit required for residence re-allocation (end of year)	Cumulative credit requirement for residence re-allocation (end of year)	Total Programme Credits	Cumulative credit requirement for programme progression
BA (International Studies)	Year1	126	60%	76	126	63 (50%)
BA (International Studies)	Year2	128	80%	203	254	178 (70%)
BA (International Studies)	Year3	120	80%	299	374	262 (70%)