MIT ICT INFORMATION SCIENCE



Master's by coursework Two-year full-time degree Technology-mediated classes

Empowering the next generation of information specialists, including librarians, across the globe to thrive in the 4IR











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DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION SCIENCE



Faculty of Engineering, **Built Environment and** Information Technology

Who should apply?



The programme is intended for middle management-level library and information science (LIS) professionals. Particularly those involved in managing ICT or working in ICT-intensive environments. The aim of the programme is to build LIS capacity in order to apply modern ICT in support of a diversity of user groups, including academics, researchers, students and professionals in a variety of contexts.



The programme is open to students from all over the world through technology-mediated distance learning.

How long will it take?



This is a full-time degree at Master's level, which requires commitment and planning.

The course duration is a **minimum** of two years. Students who require more than three years to complete the degree must apply to the Dean of the Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology (University of Pretoria).

Total credits: 180 (900 hours per year for two years)

Fees and funding

This is a self-funded degree programme.

Approximate annual fee for students from South Africa and SADC: R26 000 (i.e R44 000 over two years)

Approximate annual fee for students outside South Africa or SADC: **R52 000** (i.e R88 000 over two years)

- * Non-South African students pay an additional R3 000 foreign student fee
- * An additional annual fee applies if your studies extend to a third year
- * Please confirm the latest fee information on www.up.ac.za/student-fees

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* For more information, visit: https://www.up.ac.za/school-of-information-technology/article/1906037/ masters-in-information-technology-stream-b





Course structure

MIT ICT Information Science Programme code: 12254016



core modules 90 credits



SECOND YEAR mini-dissertation 90 credits

Modules



- Institutional repositories and virtual work environments (MIT 886)
- The knowledge society and international librarianship in the 4IR (MIT 887)
- Information ethics (MIT 889)
- Data, information and knowledge management (MIT 890)
- Facilitating information retrieval and information use (MIT 891)
- IT research (MIT 892)
- Mini-dissertation (MIT 880)
- * Detailed descriptions available from: www.up.ac.za/yearbooks/2021/programmes/view/12254016

Pass requirements



A minimum final mark of 50% has to be obtained in the mini-dissertation, as well as in each of the modules of the prescribed course work. For examination entrance, a minimum of 40% is required. The Dean of the Faculty may, on the recommendation of the admissions committee, cancel the studies of a student who fails more than one module. A module may only be repeated once.



The degree is conferred with distinction on students who have a weighted average final mark of at least 75% for the course work, as well as 75% for the mini-dissertation.

Presentation

The programme is presented online through technology-mediated distance education, with no contact sessions. Although live class attendance is recommended, students can also follow the recorded sessions in their own time.



Selection criteria



The selection process is highly competitive, and will consider candidates from across the world, particularly those in LIS and allied professions. Applications are not limited to country or institution.

Applicants must meet the basic requirements for admission. This does not guarantee admission; only admissibility.

Admission requirements

Current qualifications

- Three-year first degree in LIS (or other relevant field) and a second degree in LIS(or other relevant field) (65% average pass rate)
- Master's or equivalent degree in LIS from a reputable, SAQA-accredited institution (www.saqa.org.za)
- · Past academic performance

Other

- · Proficiency in English
- · Reliable internet access

Applications



Refer to the University of Pretoria's online application process:

www.up.ac.za/online-application/article/2445192/apply-at-the-university-of-pretoria

- Select programme: MIT ICT Information Science (programme code: 12254016)
- · Submit all supporting documents
- Pay the registration fee (submit proof of registration payment to kenneth.nkanyana@up.ac.za

After your application has been processed, you will receive communication from the University of Pretoria, explaining how to access your Student Centre through the UPStudent Portal. This will enable you to track your progress and status, as well as other communications and possible outstanding items.

Important dates



Applications open: MARCH | Applications close: 31 OCTOBER Successful candidates will be informed: DECEMBER Academic programme commences: FOLLOWING MARCH

- * No late applications will be considered
- * Please consult your UPStudent Portal for notifications