

Application and Closing Date

Application at UP and GSTM

Any person who wishes to apply at the University for the first time, or after an interruption of studies: Please complete the –

- on-line University Application Form or download a hard copy at www.up.ac.za/gstm/mem_mpm-applications; and
- download and complete the Department's Application Form at the same website.

Please fax or e-mail both the above-mentioned application forms to the Programme Administrator, Mrs Tanya van Zyl.

The closing date for applications for 2017 is 31 October 2016.

Programme Fees

Fees indicated are as in 2016 and might be increased with approximately 10% in 2017.

The total fee in 2016 was R 100 000. The fee includes tuition, textbooks, study material and meals on campus. These fees, inclusive of an approved increase in 2017, apply to students completing the programme within the prescribed two-year period. The fees are typically payable as follows: 60% in the first year, and 40% in the second year. Where necessary, arrangements can be made to pay each year's portion in two equal installments. In the case of the programme not being completed in the prescribed two years, a re-registration fee of approximately R 8 000 for a third (final) year is payable. The University reserves the right to increase fees annually. Students who do not have South African citizenship are liable for an additional amount of approximately R 2 700 per annum administration fee.

Distance examinations are arranged for students who apply, but at an extra cost of R 600 per examination paper within the RSA and SADC countries and R 1 300 per examination paper for international countries. Examination fees are reviewed annually, and could thus be higher in 2017. Fees will be finalised towards the end of the year, typically during November.

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Certificate Programmes in Project Management

The Graduate School of Technology Management (GSTM) offers several certificate programmes in project management with Enterprises at University of Pretoria. The goal with these programmes is to develop individual and organisational skills for individuals and organisations that do not want to go the formal degree route or do not comply with the admission criteria for doing a masters programme.

Completion of the certificate courses will not qualify you for entrance to MPM.

One year courses in Project Management

- Programme in Project Management (PPM)
www.ppm.up.ac.za
- Advanced Programme in Project Management (APPM)

Short courses in Project Management

- Project Management Principles and Practices
- Project Management Principles and Practices in Organisations

Method of presentation

Lectures and group work during course days. Assessment takes the form of practical assignments that solve real problems in the workplace.

Further information on Certificate Programmes

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Masters in Project Management MPM 2017

Project Management

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in technology. Project managers are generalists that are exposed to all aspects of the organisation. This exposure also prepares them for positions as general managers.

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Gerhard Viljoen, 2014

Purpose of the MPM

The purpose of the Masters in Project Management (MPM) is to provide relevant, high-level project management education for the practicing engineer and scientist pursuing a career in project management in primarily technology-based enterprises. While the programme teaches the fundamentals of project management in its simplest form, of more importance is learning to integrate projects with a company's strategic intent. Another strong focus of MPM is on the people, financial, and cost management side of projects. Many companies are focusing on core business and outsourcing other processes. The programme also covers the key elements of procurement and legal aspects of project management (specifically labour law and contract law).

International Accreditation



The MPM Programme, offered by the Graduate School of Technology Management (GSTM) was awarded full accreditation in 2008 by the Global Accreditation Center for Project Management Education Programs (GAC), of the Project Management Institute, USA.

Domain Specialisation

Domain specialisation allows an exciting and meaningful expansion of the programme. The domain model provides the opportunity for a number of derivatives based on a single platform with a similar architecture, while responding to

the specific needs of various industries. Students complete their first study year and then follow the general programme option or select a domain for their second year. Summary of the two available domains:

Construction Management Domain

This domain is aimed at the Construction Industry including three specialised Construction Management modules. An overview of the construction business is provided with specific focus on the project management aspects thereof. International best practise, entrepreneurship and unique South African challenges are addressed.

Engineering Services Management Domain

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Learning Model

The programme is offered on a part-time, modular basis over two years. The time available for class attendance is limited. Student/lecturer contact is crucial. In view of the above, candidates are expected to free themselves completely from other duties during block weeks. Candidates will be expected to work in the evenings and over weekends during study blocks, and attendance is compulsory.

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integral part of learning and personal development. A balance between theory and practice, individual and group activity, class contact and distance support, is strived at. A personal development programme is integrated into the academic activities of the MPM.

Assessment

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Qualifications Awarded

Two types of qualifications are awarded: MEng (Project Management) and MSc (Project Management), depending on the undergraduate qualification of the student. Course structure, content and duration are nominally the same in both cases.

Admission and Selection

Admission is competitive and a selection committee carefully screens applicants. Selection procedures may include a personal interview. Compliance with the criteria does not guarantee admission.

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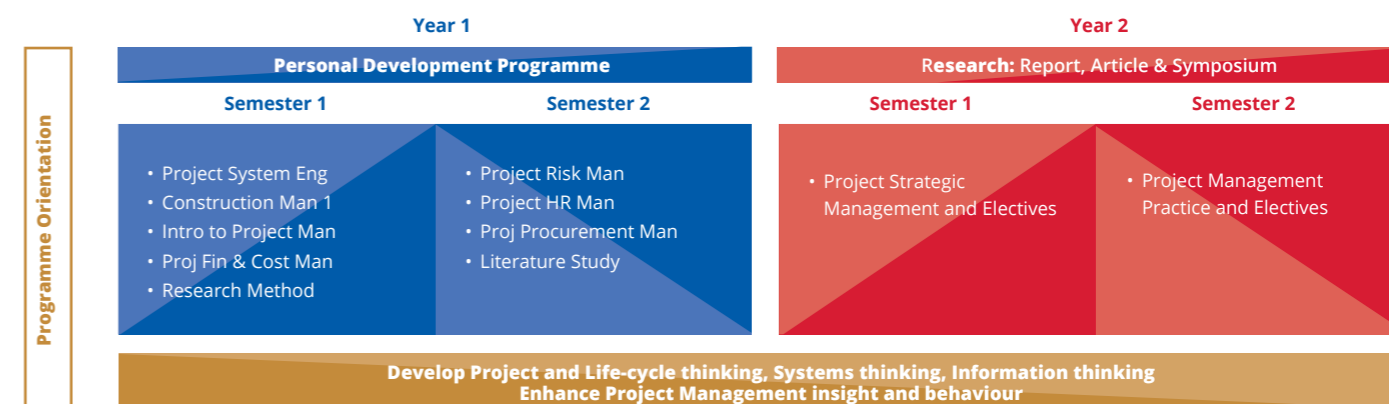
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Candidates for the MSc degree must be in possession of a BSc degree as well as a BSc Honours degree (four study years) in a suitable scientific field and also have at least 3 years' relevant postgraduate experience.

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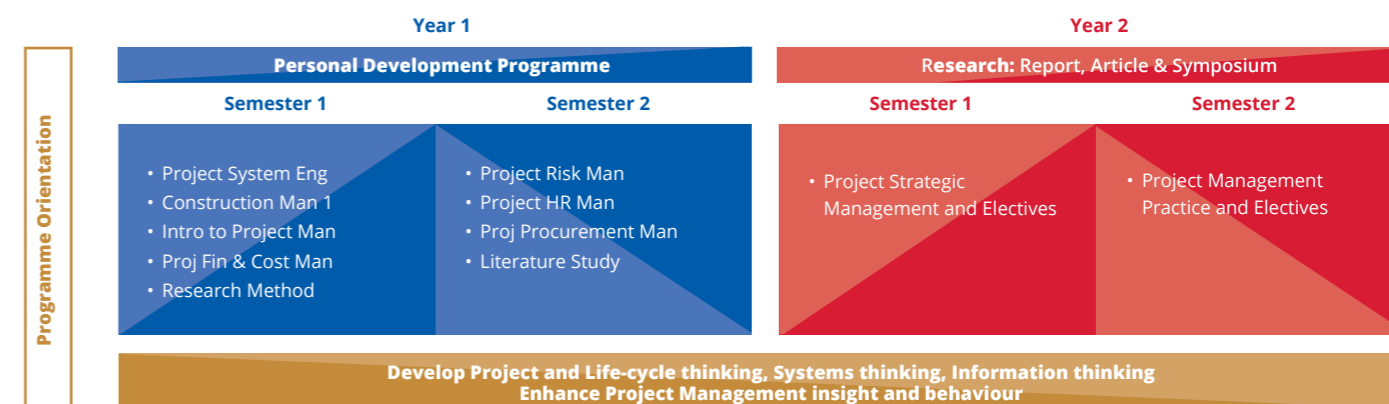
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