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### What does the programme entail?

This three-year BCom programme is aimed at training students in the economic and management sciences, and provides them with a broad understanding of the various functions in the areas of economic, financial and management sciences. It enables students to compile their own curricula with a view to work opportunities available in various sectors.

### Structure of the programme

#### Core modules (compulsory)

**Note:** All first-year students take the compulsory fundamental modules on academic information management and academic literacy for EMS, and all second-year students take the module titled Introduction to moral and political philosophy.

1st year	2nd year
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Economics</li> <li>Financial accounting</li> <li>Commercial law (first-year level) <b>or</b> Business law (second-year level)</li> <li>Statistics <b>or</b> Mathematical statistics</li> <li>Business management</li> <li>Informatics (accounting software)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Business law</li> <li>Communication management</li> </ul>

#### Elective modules

1st year	2nd year	Final year
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Marketing management</li> <li>Industrial and organisational psychology</li> <li>Public administration</li> <li>Mathematics</li> <li>Informatics</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Business management</li> <li>Marketing management</li> <li>Industrial and organisational psychology</li> <li>Public administration</li> <li>Statistics <b>or</b> Mathematical statistics <b>or</b> Mathematics</li> <li>Informatics</li> <li>Economics</li> <li>Business accounting</li> <li>Taxation</li> <li>Financial management</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Business management</li> <li>Marketing management</li> <li>Industrial and organisational psychology</li> <li>Public administration</li> <li>Statistics <b>or</b> Mathematical statistics <b>or</b> Mathematics</li> <li>Economics</li> <li>Business accounting</li> <li>Taxation</li> <li>Labour relations</li> <li>Labour law</li> </ul>

### Minimum admission requirements

Programmes	Minimum requirements for NSC/IEB for 2024		
	Achievement level		APS
	English Home Language or English First Additional Language	Mathematics	
BCom [3 years]	5	4	30

**Careers:** Although the degree does not lead to a specific vocational outcome it does, to some extent, offer students opportunities to determine their own career paths as it allows them to compile their own curricula with a view to future work opportunities in all sectors.

**Note:** Accounting at school is not a subject requirement for any of the BCom and BAdmin programmes.

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### Who are the ideal candidates?



This programme caters for the needs of students who:

- Are interested in obtaining a BCom degree
- Are competent and interested in diverse study areas
- Are undecided about which major to select
- Require flexibility in selecting modules
- Do not want to specialise too early in their studies

### What makes this programme unique?



This programme is suitable for students with broad academic interests that are not met by the fixed curricula of other BCom degrees. Students are offered the opportunity to determine their own career outcomes, within limits, as it enables an in-depth exploration of various elective modules during undergraduate studies.

### Career opportunities



Depending on curriculum composition, students can choose to specialise in a specific field by pursuing postgraduate studies in:

- Economic sciences
- Financial sciences
- Management sciences



‘Throughout my life I have always been somewhat indecisive. I knew what I was good at but had trouble finding a degree programme that incorporated my varied interests. Enrolling for the BCom degree—a general commerce programme informally known as the ‘BCom own choice’—has allowed me to explore my passion and combine

modules from different degrees that are not traditionally found together in one programme. I am interested in various subjects, such as Labour Law, Strategic Management, Business Accounting and Auditing, and this programme has allowed me to include these in my course and to become the well-rounded individual I have always wanted to be.’

**Ifrah Rage** – BCom