University of Pretoria Yearbook 2021

MPhil Extractive Industry Policy, Management and Regulation (Coursework) (04251027)

Department	Public Law
Minimum duration of study	1 year
Total credits	200
NQF level	09

Programme information

Closing date for applications: SA applicants – 30 September; non-SA applicants – 31 August.
This programme is structured to allow for one year of study; therefore, the programme may be completed within two semesters (1 year), subject to fulfilment of all the requirements for the degree and payment of the full amount prescribed for the MPhil degree.
Please contact the Faculty with regard to specific regulations pertaining to MPhil degree programmes.

Admission requirements

1. LLB degree **or** BProc degree **or** relevant honours degree **or** relevant degree on SAQA level 8 **and** relevant work experience in legal aspects in South Africa or Africa
2. A weighted average of at least 65% at final-year level
3. An example of a piece of academic writing relevant to the field
4. Cover letter:

- Motivate the desire to study in the field
- Indicate previous experience in the field, if any
- Explain how the degree will be applied to contribute to sustainable development in Africa

Other programme-specific information

This is a selection-based programme and only selected applicants will be admitted to the programme.
The mini-dissertation must comprise 13 000 to 15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the table of contents and the bibliography. (The methodology and content of the mini-dissertation should reflect a multidisciplinary perspective on extractive industry policy, management and regulation.)
Any request for an extension of the period for the submission of the mini-dissertation may only be granted by the Dean on recommendation of the Postgraduate Committee.

Research information

The relevant head of department must recommend a supervisor and title for a mini-dissertation and these must be approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The mini-dissertation must be assessed and finalised as set out in the Faculty Board-approved LLM Policy Document. Mini-dissertations, where required, must be submitted in the format determined by the supervisor and approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The supervisor may likewise and subject to the approval of the Postgraduate Committee determine the research topic and the scope of the proposed research.

Pass with distinction

For the degree to be awarded with distinction a student must obtain an average of at least 75% for all the coursework modules together, as well as a minimum of 75% for the mini-dissertation. The modules must have been written for the first time.

Curriculum: Year 1

Minimum credits: 95

Core modules

Rights to and regulation of natural resources 801 (EIL 801) - Credits: 30.00
Sustainability aspects of extractive industries 802 (EIL 802) - Credits: 30.00
The South Africa Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act 803 (EIL 803) - Credits: 30.00
Socio-economic development and management of non-renewable natural resources 812 (EIL 812) - Credits: 30.00
Research methodology for human rights 801 (NRM 801) - Credits: 5.00
Research methodology 801 (RHP 801) - Credits: 5.00

Curriculum: Final year

Minimum credits: 105

Core modules

Mini-dissertation 800 (MND 800) - Credits: 100.00
Research proposal 803 (RHP 803) - Credits: 5.00

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