University of Pretoria Yearbook 2021

BCom Business Management (07130068)

Department	Business Management
Minimum duration of study	3 years
Total credits	393
NQF level	07

Programme information

The purpose of the BCom Business Management programme is to empower students as responsible entrepreneurs, business managers and leaders that create shared value in an innovative manner by equipping them with the knowledge, skills and attributes for critical thinking. Although this package is intended to serve as a foundation for further study, and for the corporate environment, it also enables graduates to establish their own enterprises and to manage it.

Admission requirements

- The closing date is an administrative admission guideline for non-selection programmes. Once a non-selection programme is full and has reached the institutional targets, then that programme will be closed for further admissions, irrespective of the closing date. However, if the institutional targets have not been met by the closing date, then that programme will remain open for admissions until the institutional targets are met.
- The following persons will be considered for admission: Candidates who are in possession of a certificate that is deemed by the University to be equivalent to the National Senior Certificate (NSC) with admission to bachelor's degree studies; candidates who are graduates from other tertiary institutions or have been granted the status of graduates of such institutions; and candidates who are graduates of another faculty at the University of Pretoria.
- Life Orientation is excluded when calculating the APS.

Transferring students

Candidates previously registered for the BCom — Extended programme

The Admissions Committee of the faculty considers applications of candidates who were previously registered for the BCom — Extended programme according to specific guidelines as stipulated in the Transfer Guide of the Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences as published on the EMS Faculty website.

Candidates previously registered at UP or at another university

The Admissions Committee of the faculty considers applications of candidates who have already completed the final NSC or equivalent qualification and/or were previously registered at UP or at another university according to specific guidelines as stipulated in the Transfer Guide of the Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences as published on the EMS Faculty website. A complete academic record, as well as the final school leaving results, are required for such applications.

NB: Candidates who are still registered at another university must submit an academic record of their studies to

the faculty as soon as possible after their final examinations. The closing date for these applications is **30 September**.

Qualifications from countries other than South Africa

- Citizens from countries other than South Africa and South African citizens with foreign qualifications must comply with all the other admission requirements and the prerequisites for subjects/modules.
- In addition to meeting the admission requirements, it may be expected from candidates to write the SAT, if required.
- Candidates must have completed the National Senior Certificate with admission to degree studies or a certificate of conditional exemption on the basis of a candidate's foreign qualifications, the so-called "Immigrant" or "Foreign Conditional Exemption". The only condition for the "Foreign Conditional Exemption" that is accepted is: 'completion of the degree course'. The exemption certificate is obtainable from Universities South Africa (USAf). Detailed information is available on the website at click here

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Minimum requirements				
Achievement level				
English Home Language or English First Additional Language		**Mathematics**		**APS**
NSC/IEB	AS Level	NSC/IEB	AS Level	
5	C	4	D	**30**

* Cambridge A level candidates who obtained at least a D and International Baccalaureate (IB) HL candidates who obtained at least a 4 in the required subjects, will be considered for admission.

Note: Accountancy is not a subject requirement for any of the BCom or BAdmin programmes.

Additional requirements

a. General Regulations G.1 to G.15 (with the exception of Regulation G.11.2(c)) apply to a bachelor's degree.
b. A student may not take more than the prescribed number of modules per semester unless the Dean decides otherwise.
c. A student may take a module not listed as an elective module only if the prior approval of the Dean has been obtained.
d. A student who is in possession of a bachelor's degree may not present any modules passed for that degree for another field of specialisation or degree in this Faculty. (See General Regulations G.8 and G.9)
e. A module already passed may only be repeated with the approval of the Dean.
f. A module passed may not be taken into account for more than one degree or field of specialisation.
g. It remains the student's responsibility to ascertain, prior to registration, whether all the modules he/she intends taking can be accommodated in the class, test and examination timetables.
h. The Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences supports an outcomes-based education system and places a high premium on the development of specific academic competences. Class attendance in all modules and for the full duration of all programmes is therefore compulsory for all students.
i. The Dean has the right of authorisation regarding matters not provided for in the General Regulations or the Faculty Regulations.

Other programme-specific information

Note: See the alphabetical list of modules for prerequisites of all modules.
FRK 122 is a terminating module. Candidates will not be able to continue with Financial Accounting in the second or third year.
FBS 212 and 222 are terminating modules. Candidates will not be able to continue with Financial management at 300-level.
Specialisation modules: OBS 310, OBS 330

Major subject
To be considered a major subject the equivalent of four 14-week modules, including two at 300-level, must be passed provided that the following modules which are offered at 300-level only, are also considered major subjects: OBS 359 and OBS 370.

Promotion to next study year

According to General Regulation G.3 students have to comply with certain requirements as set by the Faculty Board.

a. A student must pass at least 4 core semester or 2 core year modules to be admitted to the subsequent year of study.
b. If a student has passed less than the required minimum of 4 core semester or 2 core year modules, he/she will not be readmitted to the Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences. Such a student may apply in writing to the Faculty's Admissions Committee to be readmitted conditionally – with the proviso that the Admissions Committee may set further conditions with regards to the student's academic progress. The Faculty's Admissions Committee may deny a student's application for readmission.
c. If a student has been readmitted conditionally, his/her academic progress will be monitored after the first semester examinations to determine whether he/she has complied with the requirements set by the Admissions Committee. If not, his/her studies will be suspended.
d. A student whose studies have been suspended because of his/her poor academic performance has the right to appeal against the decision of the Faculty's Admissions Committee.
e. A student may be refused promotion to a subsequent year of study if the prescribed tuition fees are not paid.
f. A student may be refused admission to the examination, or promotion to a subsequent year of study or promotion in a module (if applicable) if he/ she fails to fulfil the attendance requirements. Class attendance in all modules and for the full duration of all programmes is compulsory for all students.

Pass with distinction

a. A degree may be awarded with distinction provided the candidate meets the following criteria:

i. Completes the degree within three years;
ii. Obtains a Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) of 75%;
iii. Repeated passed modules will not be considered. The initial pass mark of module will be used when calculating the GPA.

b. A degree will only be awarded with distinction to transferees from other degrees in the Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences, other faculties and from other universities who still complete their bachelor degrees within three years (including the years registered for the other degree and credits transferred and

recognised).

c. The GPA will be not be rounded up to a whole number.
d. Exceptional cases will be considered by the Dean.

Curriculum: Year 1

Minimum credits: 120

Fundamental credits = 14
Core credits = 104

Additional information

- Students who obtained at least a symbol 5 (60-69%) in Mathematics in the final NSC (or equivalent) will be admitted to STK 110 and STK 120; all other students must first pass Statistics 113 and 123. STK 110 will be credited but STK 120 still needs to be passed.
- In order to register for STK 110, a student must have at least 5 (60-69%) in Mathematics in the Grade 12 examination. Candidates who do not qualify for STK 110 must register for STK 113 and STK 123.
- In order to register for STK 120, a student must comply with the following prerequisites: STK 110 GS or both STK 113 GS and STK 123 GS or both WST 133 and WST 143 or STK 133 and STK 143. FRK 122 is a terminating module. Candidates will not be able to continue with Financial Accounting in the second or third year.

Fundamental modules

Academic information management 111 (AIM 111) - Credits: 4.00
Academic information management 121 (AIM 121) - Credits: 4.00
Academic literacy for Economic and Management Sciences 124 (ALL 124) - Credits: 6.00
Academic orientation 107 (UPO 107) - Credits: 0.00

Core modules

Marketing management 120 (BEM 120) - Credits: 10.00
Economics 110 (EKN 110) - Credits: 10.00
Economics 120 (EKN 120) - Credits: 10.00
Financial accounting 111 (FRK 111) - Credits: 10.00
Financial accounting 122 (FRK 122) - Credits: 12.00
Informatics 183 (INF 183) - Credits: 3.00
Communication management 182 (KOB 182) - Credits: 5.00
Business management 114 (OBS 114) - Credits: 10.00
Business management 124 (OBS 124) - Credits: 10.00
Statistics 110 (STK 110) - Credits: 13.00
Statistics 113 (STK 113) - Credits: 11.00
Statistics 120 (STK 120) - Credits: 13.00
Statistics 123 (STK 123) - Credits: 12.00

Curriculum: Year 2

Minimum credits: 148

Additional information
FBS 212 and 222 are terminating modules. Candidates will not be able to continue with Financial management at 300-level.

Fundamental modules

Responsible management 214 (OBS 214) - Credits: 10.00

Core modules

Consumer behaviour 212 (BEM 212) - Credits: 16.00
Business law 210 (BER 210) - Credits: 16.00
Business law 220 (BER 220) - Credits: 16.00
Financial management 212 (FBS 212) - Credits: 16.00
Financial management 222 (FBS 222) - Credits: 16.00
Business management 210 (OBS 210) - Credits: 16.00
Design thinking and business innovation 211 (OBS 211) - Credits: 16.00
Business creation 212 (OBS 212) - Credits: 10.00
Business management 220 (OBS 220) - Credits: 16.00

Curriculum: Final year

Minimum credits: 125

Core modules

Industrial and organisational psychology 319 (BDO 319) - Credits: 20.00
Marketing research 314 (BEM 314) - Credits: 20.00
Business management 310 (OBS 310) - Credits: 20.00
Business management 330 (OBS 330) - Credits: 20.00
International business management 359 (OBS 359) - Credits: 20.00
Business analytics 370 (OBS 370) - Credits: 20.00
Responsible leadership 371 (OBS 371) - Credits: 5.00

The information published here is subject to change and may be amended after the publication of this information. The General Regulations (G Regulations) apply to all faculties of the University of Pretoria. It is expected of students to familiarise themselves well with these regulations as well as with the information contained in the General Rules section. Ignorance concerning these regulations and rules will not be accepted as an excuse for any transgression.