

# University of Pretoria Yearbook 2021

## MPhil Strategic Communication Management (Coursework) (07255244)

**Department** Division Communication Management

**Minimum duration of study** 1 year

**Total credits** 180

**NQF level** 09

### Programme information

There will not be an intake of new students for each degree every year. It remains the students' responsibility to establish that the degree they wish to apply for, will indeed be offered.

### Admission requirements

1. Relevant honours degree **or** relevant postgraduate diploma
2. A cumulative weighted average of at least 60% for the honours degree or postgraduate diploma

### Additional requirements

Additional specialisation in Communication Management and/or Business Management and/or Marketing Management will be advantageous.

### Other programme-specific information

There are no electives and all modules must be passed.

### Examinations and pass requirements

The pass mark for both a dissertation and a mini-dissertation is 50%. The provisions regarding pass requirements for dissertations, contained in General Regulation G.12.2, apply mutatis mutandis to mini-dissertations. A pass mark of at least 50% is required in the examination of each module.

### Research information

The weight of the research article for publication contributes 50% towards the total requirements for the degree.

#### **Dissertations/mini-dissertations, curricula and modules**

1. The degree programme requires that a dissertation/mini-dissertation must be submitted in a field of study chosen from the fields covered for the honours degree, provided that the Dean may, on the recommendation

of the relevant head of department/Postgraduate Committee, approve the replacement of the required dissertation by the successful completion of a prescribed number of module credits and a mini-dissertation/research article.

2. Information on modules, credits and syllabi is available, on request, from the relevant head of department/Postgraduate Committee.
3. A module in Research Methodology is compulsory in all programmes. The Dean may, on the recommendation of the relevant head of department/Postgraduate Committee, waive the prerequisites.
4. Sufficient number of bound copies of the dissertation/mini-dissertation must be submitted to the Head: Student Administration for examination, after permission is granted by the supervisor.

### **Article for publication**

The draft article should be based on the research that the student has conducted for the dissertation/mini-dissertation and be approved by the supervisor concerned. The supervisor should then have the opportunity to take the paper through all the processes of revision and resubmission as may be necessary and/or appropriate in order to achieve publication.

### **Submission of dissertation/mini-dissertation**

A dissertation/mini-dissertation is submitted to the Head: Student Administration/departmental Postgraduate Office, before the closing date for the various graduation ceremonies as announced annually.

For examination purposes, a student must, in consultation with the supervisor, submit a sufficient number of bound copies and/or e-copies of the dissertation/mini-dissertation, printed on good quality paper and of good letter quality, to the Head: Student Administration/departmental Postgraduate Office. Permission to submit the dissertation/mini-dissertation in unbound form may be obtained from the supervisor concerned on condition that a copy of the final approved dissertation/mini-dissertation is presented to the examiners in bound format or electronic format.

In addition to the copies already mentioned, each successful student must submit a bound paper copy as well as two electronic copies of the approved dissertation/mini-dissertation to the Head: Student Administration/departmental Postgraduate Office in the format specified by the faculty and in accordance with the minimum standards set by the Department of Library Services, before 15 February for the Autumn graduation ceremonies and before 15 July for the Spring graduation ceremonies, failing which the degree will only be conferred during a subsequent series of graduation ceremonies.



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## Curriculum: Final year

**Minimum credits: 180**

### Core modules

[Communication management theory 810](#) (KOB 810) - Credits: 25.00

[Strategic communication management 811](#) (KOB 811) - Credits: 25.00

[Research methodology 804](#) (NME 804) - Credits: 20.00

[Strategic management 811](#) (OBS 811) - Credits: 20.00

[Mini-dissertation: Research article 898](#) (OBS 898) - Credits: 90.00

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