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What does the programme entail?

The Bachelor of Commerce specialising in Agribusiness Management programme provides an overview of the global agricultural and food sector. It enlightens students on how business and science issues affect the functioning of the agricultural sector. The programme cultivates problem solvers who contribute to ensuring food security for the world's population.



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 Introduction to moral and political philosophy.

1st year	2nd year	Final year
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Economics Statistics Business management Financial accounting Marketing management Informatics (accounting software) Communication management 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Economics Financial management Agricultural economics Business law 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Economics Agricultural economics



Who are the ideal candidates?

This programme is the ideal choice for students who:

- Have a strong business acumen
- Love the outdoors
- Enjoy science



What makes this programme unique?

- The programme caters for students with diverse interests and proficiencies, ranging from business to science.
- It is presented in collaboration with the UP Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences.



'I have always wanted a chance to enter a field that is out of the ordinary, and that is how I came across agribusiness management. The agricultural sphere is diverse and greatly interested me because the land and country we live in present many opportunities.

Throughout my three years at UP, I have found that agricultural studies significantly affect our day-to-day lives. The biggest highlight for me was when I was introduced to my second-year agricultural economics lecturer, Deon Scheepers. He managed to make the theory 'real' by showing the practical implications in each lecture. He taught me how to think big and not to take the understanding of the work for granted because everything links to the real world.

My career aspiration is to obtain my honours degree in agricultural economics, broaden my knowledge of agricultural policies, and venture into the private sector by working with agribusinesses around the world. My personal life goal is to use the experience of being an agricultural economist to become a commercial farmer. To start my journey, I would love to take part in a graduate programme to gain all the necessary practical experience and work towards being a full-time agricultural economist.'

Andile Rarane – Bachelor of Commerce specialising in Agribusiness Management





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Career opportunities



Banks, finance and investment companies

Evaluation of financing, insurance and investment opportunities in the agricultural sector and food ecosystem



Farming enterprises and input companies

Development of marketing and sales strategies for agricultural inputs, such as seeds and fertiliser, or products such as fruit or meat



Producer and commodity organisations

Promotion of the interests of producer and commodity groups and their economic sustainability through service to members



Food processors and manufacturers

Development of marketing strategies and conducting business analysis as part of the business management division of large food manufacturers



Logistics and marketing division in companies

Trade and shipment of commodities such as maize and cotton



The public sector

Development and implementation of government policies and legislation for the agricultural and food sector

Minimum admission requirements

Programmes	Minimum requirements for NSC/IEB for 2026		
	Achievement level		APS
	English Home Language or English First Additional Language	Mathematics	
Bachelor of Commerce specialising in Agribusiness Management [3 years]	5	5	30

Careers: The degree offers diverse career choices. Opportunities exist in banking, finance and insurance; policy design and implementation; research and consultation; food processing and manufacturing; commodity trading on global and local stock markets; logistics and supply chain operations; and business management in agricultural companies, to name but a few.

Note: Accounting at school is not a subject requirement for any of the Bachelor of Commerce and Bachelor of Administration programmes.

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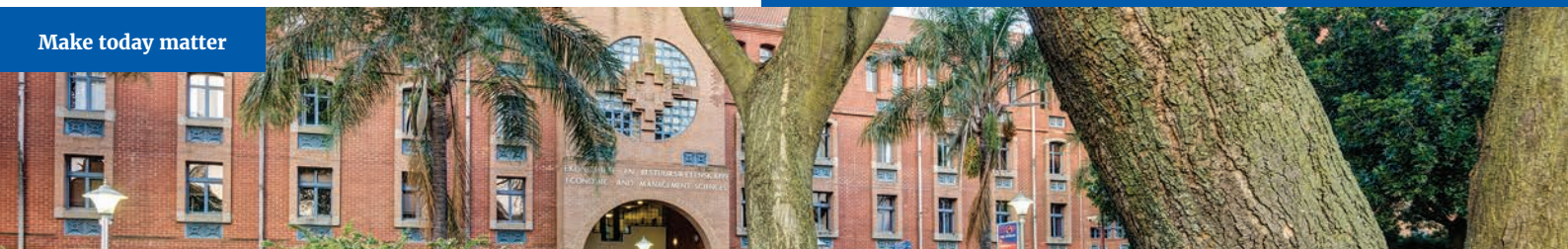
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Minimum requirements for
applicants with a school
leaving certificate not issued
by Umalusi (South Africa)



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Refer to the International undergraduate prospectus at www.up.ac.za/programmes > Undergraduate > Admission Information or [click here](#) for more information.

- The closing date for applications for programmes in this faculty is 30 June.
- Meeting the minimum admission requirements does not guarantee admission into a programme.

FACULTY OF ECONOMIC AND MANAGEMENT SCIENCES Programmes	Minimum requirements for 2026									
	Achievement level									
	Compulsory subjects	GCSE #		HIGCSE NSSC HL	AS Level	A Level	IB		KOMBI ABITUR	KCSE
		The qualifications in the two columns below will be considered only for conditional admission. If final AS and/or A levels have been completed, these two columns will not apply. It can also not be used for final admission and/or registration.			GCE CIE NSSC AS	GCE CIE CGCE UACE WAEC ZGCE	IB SL	IB HL		
		CIE	UK							
IGCSE LGCSE BGCSE EGCSE O Level NSSC OL CGCE UCE NECO WAEC WASSCE ZGCE		England Wales Northern Ireland Pearson Edexcel GCSE								
Bachelor of Commerce in Accounting Sciences	English Mathematics	C B	4 6	3 2	C B	E D	4 5	3 4	60-69% 70-79%	B B+
Bachelor of Commerce specialising in Investment Management										
Bachelor of Commerce specialising in Econometrics										
Bachelor of Commerce specialising in Financial Management Sciences	English Mathematics	C C	4 4	3 3	C C	E E	4 4	3 3	60-69% 60-69%	B B
Bachelor of Commerce specialising in Economics										
Bachelor of Commerce specialising in Law										
Bachelor of Commerce specialising in Statistics and Data Science										
Bachelor of Commerce specialising in Agribusiness Management										
Bachelor of Commerce specialising in Information Systems										
Bachelor of Commerce [3-year programme]	English Mathematics	C D	4 3	3 3	C D	E E	4 2	3 2	60-69% 50-59%	B C+
Bachelor of Commerce specialising in Business Management										
Bachelor of Commerce specialising in Supply Chain Management										
Bachelor of Commerce specialising in Marketing Management										
Bachelor of Commerce specialising in Human Resource Management										
Bachelor of Administration specialising in Public Administration	English Mathematics	C E	4 2	3 4	C E	E E	4 2	3 2	60-69% 40-49%	B C
Bachelor of Commerce [4-year programme]	English Mathematics	D E	3 2	3 4	D E	E E	2 2	2 2	60-69% 40-49%	C+ C

Only English with at least a C symbol on this level can be used for final admission.