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What does the programme entail?

The BAdmin (Public Management and International Relations) programme is directed towards the study of Public Administration to equip students for a career in the public sector.

The degree provides in-depth knowledge of certain administrative and management practices in the South African and international public sectors. It focuses on the three spheres of government, namely the local, provincial and national levels.

Some of the key aspects studied are public financial and human resources management, international administration and management, policy and organisation studies, ethics, project management, intergovernmental relations and administrative justice.

Who are the ideal candidates?

The ideal candidates should:

- Have the desire, commitment and dedication to serve their community, their city and/or their country
- Believe in and want to be part of the moral and legal obligation that the state has towards creating a better life for all



What makes this programme unique?

The BAdmin degree is the only programme in the Faculty of EMS that combines public sector management with specialisations such as politics and international relations.

The programme exposes students to the management environment in both the public and private sectors. It enhances students' understanding of what it means to be good and responsible citizens.



Which companies employ our graduates?

Government departments, embassies, consulates, High Commissions, parastatals, non-governmental organisations, private sector companies that work extensively with government contracts.



Structure of the programme

Core modules (compulsory)

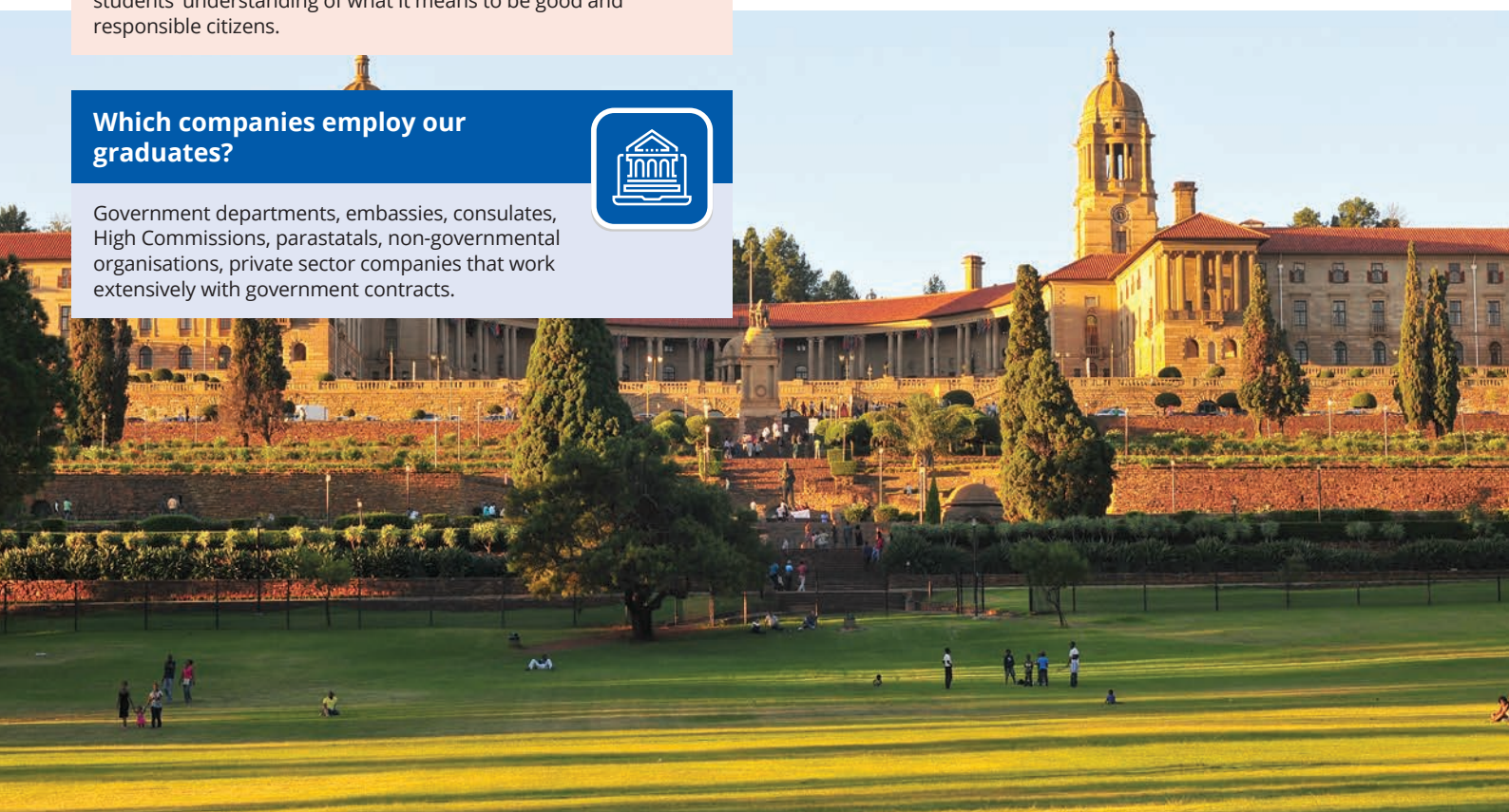
Note: All first-year students take the compulsory fundamental Academic information management modules and the module Academic literacy for EMS.

1st year	2nd year	Final year
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Public administration ▪ Politics ▪ Economics ▪ Public resource management 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Public administration ▪ Political science or International relations ▪ Communication management 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Public administration ▪ Political science or International relations

Elective modules

Note: Candidates who did not obtain at least a 4 (50–59%) in Mathematics in the final NSC/IEB examination, or did not pass Statistics (STK) 113 and 123 may not include Economics (EKN) 120, 234, 244, 310 and 320, and Statistics (STK) 110 and 120 in their curriculum. Refer to the online Yearbook at www.up.ac.za/yearbooks/home.

1st year	2nd year	Final year
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Industrial and organisational psychology or Economics ▪ Statistics ▪ French ▪ German ▪ Informatics ▪ Anthropology ▪ Criminology ▪ Sociology 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Industrial and organisational psychology ▪ Economics ▪ Public law ▪ Public management ▪ Anthropology ▪ Criminology ▪ Sociology 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Industrial and organisational psychology ▪ Economics ▪ Anthropology ▪ Criminology ▪ Sociology





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‘During the orientation week in my first year, Prof Michel Tshiyoyo said: “don’t be like the commoners that speak from the side lines, but are never willing to be part of the change, rather be one of those that bring change”. Like everyone, I’ve always known that the government has a deficit of ethical leadership, but I didn’t know how to be part of the change. The BAdmin degree has equipped me with the necessary knowledge, passion and confidence to not be a commoner but a changemaker. Furthermore, staff members in the School of Public Management and Administration (SPMA) have always availed themselves to impart wisdom and grow my patriotism. I owe it to my country to be part of the change!’

Caleb Masina – BAdmin (Public Management and International Relations)



Minimum admission requirements

Programmes	Minimum requirements for NSC/IEB for 2024		
	Achievement level		APS
	English Home Language or English First Additional Language	Mathematics	
BAdmin (Public Management and International Relations) [3 years]	5	Mathematics 3 or Mathematical Literacy 4	28
Careers: Diplomats, political analysts, managers in the public sector, local government and the private sector, non-governmental organisations, international organisations and embassies. Graduates are often employed in human resources sections and planning and general administrative divisions.			

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

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