



Masters in Law (Corporate Law) (04250102)

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Synopsis of Masters in Law (Corporate Law)

The Master's programme in Corporate Law comprises four modules: Corporate Law, Securities Law, Takeover Law and a dissertation on a Corporate Law topic of the student's choice.

This is a unique and special programme, as admissions are limited and students must pass an entrance test, ensuring that only the best students are admitted and that they receive individual attention, resulting in optimal class interaction.

There is a basic curriculum, but as a result of the flexibility built into the curriculum, topical issues are taught and discussed as they occur. Top practitioners and leaders in the field of Corporate Law present guest lectures on topical Corporate Law issues or on matters in which they have acted as counsel. This makes the course unique. Although the focus remains academic, and the students gain an in-depth knowledge of Corporate Law and related subjects, it also provides an extremely valuable practical dimension that enables students to apply their newly acquired knowledge immediately.

	Module code	Credits
Research Methodology	RHP 801	5
Research Proposal	RHP 803	5
Mini-dissertation [<i>Prerequisite RHP 801 and RHP 803</i>]	MND 800	100
and		
Company Law [<i>Prerequisite: must pass entrance test</i>]	MKR 801	30
International Take-overs and Reorganisations [<i>Prerequisite: must pass entrance test</i>]	TOR 802	30
Law of Securities [<i>Prerequisite: must pass entrance test</i>]	LRR 801	30

Please note:

Admission to the LLM Corporate Law programme is subject to an entrance test. The aim of the entrance test is to ascertain if students have the necessary basic knowledge of Corporate Law. There is no minimum pass percentage, but only the top ten students will be accepted to this programme.



CONTENTS OF THE STUDY PROGRAMME

LRR 801 Law of Securities 801

Academic organisation: Mercantile Law

Prerequisite: Must pass an entrance test

Contact time: 2 lpw

Period of presentation: Semester 2

Language of tuition: Double medium

Credits: 30

Module content:

This module deals with aspects of the following topics:

- (a) Shares and debentures
- (b) Capital rules
- (c) Acquisition of capital and quasi shares
- (d) Secondary markets

MKR 801 Company Law 801

Academic organisation: Mercantile Law

Prerequisite: Must pass an entrance test

Contact time: 2 lpw

Period of presentation: Semester 1

Language of tuition: Double medium

Credits: 30

Module content:

This module deals with aspects of the following topics:

- (a) The company concept
- (b) Capacity and representation of the company
- (c) Duties of the company director
- (d) Minority protection

TOR 802 International Take-overs and Re-organisations 802

Academic organisation: Mercantile Law

Prerequisite: Must pass an entrance test

Contact time: 2 lpw

Period of presentation: Semester 2

Language of tuition: Double medium

Credits: 30

Module content:

This module deals with aspects of the following topics:

- (a) South African take-overs and re-organisations
- (b) International (USA and EU) take-overs and re-organisations
- (c) Competition law

RHP 803 Research Proposal 803

Academic organisation: Law Dean's Office

Period of presentation: Year

Language of tuition: Double medium

Credits: 5

Module content:

Development and presentation of a research proposal. (A research proposal must be submitted to the supervisor and not later than the first semester of the second year of registration for the LL.M degree, prior to commencing with the writing of the mini-dissertation).

RHP 801 Research Methodology

Academic organisation: Department of Jurisprudence

Contact time: Period of intensive lectures during Summer School or Winter School

Period of presentation: February or July

Language of tuition: Double medium

Credits: 5

Module content:

- (a) Planning and organizing a research project
- (b) Drafting a research proposal: Hypotheses and Research questions
- (c) Theory in research and Methodological approaches to legal research
- (d) Language
- (e) Citation and ethics of citation
- (f) Drafting of chapters and presentation