University of Pretoria Yearbook 2023

BCom (Law) (07130152)

Department	Economics
Minimum duration of study	3 years
Total credits	417
NQF level	07

Programme information

The purpose of this package in law is to provide broad formative education but it does not lead to any specific career outcomes. The student is, however, enabled to continue with the LLB degree (which is career-specific) or a BComHons. The skills acquired may be applied in either the private or public sectors.

Admission requirements

Important information for all prospective students for 2023

The admission requirements below apply to all who apply for admission to the University of Pretoria with a **National Senior Certificate (NSC) and Independent Examination Board (IEB) qualifications. Click here for this Faculty Brochure.**

Minimum requirements Achievement level		
English Home Language or English First Additional Language	**Mathematics**	**APS**
NSC/IEB	NSC/IEB	
5	5	**32**

Life Orientation is excluded when calculating the APS.

You will be considered for final admission to degree studies if space allows, and if you have a National Senior Certificate (NSC) or equivalent qualification with admission to bachelor's degree studies, and comply with the minimum subject requirements as well as the APS requirements of your chosen programme.

Applicants with qualifications other than the abovementioned should refer to the Brochure: Undergraduate Programme Information 2023: Qualifications other than the NSC and IEB, available at click here.

International students: Click here.

Transferring students

A transferring student is a student who, at the time of applying at the University of Pretoria (UP) is/was a registered student at another tertiary institution. A transferring student will be considered for admission based on NSC or equivalent qualification and previous academic performance. Students who have been dismissed from other institutions due to poor academic performance will not be considered for admission to UP.

Closing dates: Same as above.

Returning students

A returning student is a student who, at the time of application for a degree programme is/was a registered student at UP, and wants to transfer to another degree at UP. A returning student will be considered for admission based on NSC or equivalent qualification and previous academic performance.

Note:

- Students who have been excluded/dismissed from a faculty due to poor academic performance may be considered for admission to another programme at UP, as per faculty-specific requirements.
- Only ONE transfer between UP faculties and TWO transfers within a faculty will be allowed.
- Admission of returning students will always depend on the faculty concerned and the availability of space in the programmes for which they apply.

Closing date for applications from returning students

Unless capacity allows for an extension of the closing date, applications from returning students must be submitted before the end of August via your UP Student Centre.

Additional requirements

General Academic Regulations G1 to G15 apply to a bachelor's degree.

1. A student may not take more than the prescribed number of modules per semester unless permission has been obtained from the Dean.
2. A module that has already been passed may only be repeated with the approval of the Dean.
3. 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.
4. 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 of all modules and for the full duration of all programmes is therefore compulsory for all students.
5. The Dean has the right of authorisation regarding matters not provided for in the General Academic Regulations or the Faculty regulations.

Other programme-specific information

Credits will increase if Business accounting is chosen as a major.

Advisory note: BCom (Law)-students whose aim it is to obtain an LLB degree, must note that one of the requirements for the LLB degree is a language module from the Faculty of Humanities to the value of 12 credits from the following list: ENG 118, ENG 110, ENG 120.

It is advisable for BCom (Law) students to combine Business management with Economics as a major, Business accounting with Financial management or alternatively Business accounting with Taxation.

Note: See the alphabetical list of modules for prerequisites of all modules

- FRK 122 is a terminating module. If FRK 122 is selected, a candidate will not be able to continue with Accounting at the 200- and 300-level. Also note that FRK 121 may be a prerequisite for a number of other modules (eg FBS 210 and 220) and it is the responsibility of the candidate to ensure that he/she makes the appropriate choice between FRK 121 and 122.
- BCom Law students will only be allowed to take Financial management 210, 220, 310 and 320 (FBS 210, 220, 310 and 320) if Financial accounting is also taken at 200- and 300-level.

- OBS 124 must be taken as an extra module if OBS is taken at 300-level.
- If Taxation is chosen as a major on final-year level, Business accounting on second-year level (BAC 200) must be included in the curriculum.

Please note: Students whose aim is to obtain the LLB degree after completion of the BCom in Law degree, is advised to contact the Student Administration of the Faculty of Law for advice on which additional modules may be taken whilst doing their undergraduate study. Please note, however, that permission must be obtained from the Dean of the Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences for extra modules to be taken.

BCom (Law) students who wish to register for additional law modules do so in terms of the Faculty of Law yearbook of the academic year in which they registered for the first time.

"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:

- a module passed at 300-level shall only be recognised for degree purposes if the corresponding prescribed module(s) at 200-level has/have been passed, unless the Dean decides otherwise;
- the following modules which are offered at 300-level only, are also considered "major subjects": Labour law 311 (ABR 311), Labour relations 320 (ABV 320), and International business management 359 and 369 (OBS 359 and 369); and
- only two 14-week modules, or the equivalent thereof, that are not preceded by the 100- and 200-level modules, may be taken for degree purposes. In other words, at least four 14-week modules must be taken at 300-level that are preceded by the 100- and 200-level, except for modules offered on 200- and 300-level only.

It is thus the responsibility of students to ensure before registration, that their curricula comply with all the requirements of the applicable regulations.

Promotion to next study year

According to General Academic Regulation G3 students have to comply with certain requirements as set by the Faculty Board.

1. In order to register for the next year of study a student must pass at least 60% of the official credits listed for a year level of study for a three-year programme.
2. A student will be deemed to be in the second, third or a more senior year once he or she enrols for any module in any of these levels of study.
3. If a student has passed less than the required minimum of at least 60% of the official credits listed for a year level, he/she will not be readmitted to the Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences. Such a student may apply in writing to the EMS Appeals Committee to be readmitted conditionally – with the proviso that the Appeals Committee may set further conditions with regard to the student's academic progress. The Committee may deny a student's application for readmission.
4. 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 EMS Appeals Committee. If not, his/her studies will be suspended.
5. A student whose studies have been suspended because of his/her poor academic performance has the right to appeal against the decision of the EMS Faculty Appeals Committee.
6. 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.

General information

Application of amended programme regulations
Refer to General Academic Regulation G5.

University of Pretoria Programme Qualification Mix (PQM) verification project

The higher education sector has undergone an extensive alignment to the Higher Education Qualification Sub-Framework (HEQF) across all institutions in South Africa. In order to comply with the HEQSF, all institutions are legally required to participate in a national initiative led by regulatory bodies such as the Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET), the Council on Higher Education (CHE), and the South African Qualifications Authority (SAQA). The University of Pretoria is presently engaged in an ongoing effort to align its qualifications and programmes with the HEQSF criteria. Current and prospective students should take note that changes to UP qualification and programme names, may occur as a result of the HEQSF initiative. Students are advised to contact their faculties if they have any questions.

Curriculum: Year 1

Minimum credits: 151

Fundamental modules

Academic information management 111 (AIM 111) - Credits: 4.00
Academic information management 121 (AIM 121) - Credits: 4.00
English 110 (ENG 110) - Credits: 12.00
English for specific purposes 118 (ENG 118) - Credits: 12.00
English 120 (ENG 120) - Credits: 12.00
Jurisprudence 110 (JUR 110) - Credits: 15.00
Jurisprudence 120 (JUR 120) - Credits: 15.00
Academic orientation 104 (UPO 104) - Credits: 0.00

Core modules

Economics 110 (EKN 110) - Credits: 10.00
Economics 120 (EKN 120) - Credits: 10.00
Financial accounting 111 (FRK 111) - Credits: 10.00
Financial accounting 121 (FRK 121) - Credits: 12.00
Financial accounting 122 (FRK 122) - Credits: 12.00
Informatics 183 (INF 183) - Credits: 3.00
Business management 114 (OBS 114) - Credits: 10.00
Law of persons 110 (PSR 110) - Credits: 10.00
Roman law 120 (ROM 120) - Credits: 10.00
Statistics 122 (STC 122) - Credits: 13.00
Statistics 110 (STK 110) - Credits: 13.00
Statistics 120 (STK 120) - Credits: 13.00

Elective modules

Business management 124 (OBS 124) - Credits: 10.00

Curriculum: Year 2

Minimum credits: 124

Core modules

Law of succession 222 (ERF 222) - Credits: 15.00
Specific contracts 220 (KTH 220) - Credits: 15.00
Law of contract 211 (KTR 211) - Credits: 15.00
Consumer protection 220 (VBB 220) - Credits: 15.00

Elective modules

Business accounting 200 (BAC 200) - Credits: 32.00
Taxation 200 (BEL 200) - Credits: 32.00
Economics 214 (EKN 214) - Credits: 16.00
Economics 224 (EKN 224) - Credits: 16.00
Economics 234 (EKN 234) - Credits: 16.00
Economics 244 (EKN 244) - Credits: 16.00
Financial management 210 (FBS 210) - Credits: 16.00
Financial management 220 (FBS 220) - Credits: 16.00
Business management 210 (OBS 210) - Credits: 16.00
Business management 220 (OBS 220) - Credits: 16.00
Statistics 210 (STK 210) - Credits: 20.00
Statistics 220 (STK 220) - Credits: 20.00

Curriculum: Final year

Minimum credits: 142

Core modules

Law of delict 320 (DLR 320) - Credits: 15.00
Insolvency law 310 (ISR 310) - Credits: 10.00
Entrepreneurial law 320 (ODR 320) - Credits: 12.00
Law of things 310 (SAR 310) - Credits: 15.00
Payment methods 320 (VHD 320) - Credits: 10.00

Elective modules

Business accounting 300 (BAC 300) - Credits: 40.00
Taxation 300 (BEL 300) - Credits: 40.00
Economics 310 (EKN 310) - Credits: 20.00
Development economics 315 (EKN 315) - Credits: 20.00
Economics 320 (EKN 320) - Credits: 20.00
Economics 325 (EKN 325) - Credits: 20.00
Financial management 310 (FBS 310) - Credits: 20.00
Financial management 320 (FBS 320) - Credits: 20.00
Business management 310 (OBS 310) - Credits: 20.00
Business management 330 (OBS 330) - Credits: 20.00
Statistics 310 (STK 310) - Credits: 25.00
Statistics 320 (STK 320) - Credits: 25.00

Regulations and rules

The regulations and rules for the degrees published here are subject to change and may be amended after the publication of this information.

The General Academic Regulations (G Regulations) and General Student Rules apply to all faculties and registered students of the University, as well as all prospective students who have accepted an offer of a place at the University of Pretoria. On registering for a programme, the student bears the responsibility of ensuring that they familiarise themselves with the General Academic Regulations applicable to their registration, as well as the relevant faculty-specific and programme-specific regulations and information as stipulated in the relevant yearbook. Ignorance concerning these regulations will not be accepted as an excuse for any transgression, or basis for an exception to any of the aforementioned regulations.

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