

BCom Econometrics

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BCom (Econometrics) is a three-year full-time programme in which students are introduced to economic theory, economic policy and the statistical theory underpinning empirical analysis which is more commonly referred to as econometrics. The core modules for specialisation in econometrics are economics, mathematical statistics and mathematics. Econometrics is the measurement and quantitative analysis of actual economic and business phenomena. For the professional, econometrics is a fascinating subject that provides for the measurement and analysis of economic phenomena and the forecasting of future economic trends. Econometrics is primarily applied in the quantification and validation of economic theory as well as the analysis of real-world transactions associated with human behaviour. The discipline is relevant to public policy including health education, transportation, housing and environmental protection. The tools and results can also be applied to other disciplines, especially in the social sciences such as history, political science, sociology and psychology. Graduates are employed as analysts, consultants, researchers and traders in both the private and public sectors. The government, the South African Reserve Bank, private and commercial banks and leading local and international stockbrokers and consultancies employ graduates in econometrics. Students are strongly advised to proceed with postgraduate studies.

Econometrics is concerned with the measurement of economic behaviour, economic outcomes and the impact of economic policies. This is done using economic theory, data and statistical techniques. Econometricians are statistically and mathematically inclined.

For more information, please consult the Faculty webpage.

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Career Opportunities

Econometricians are employed by government, the central bank, private and commercial banks, leading stockbrokers and consultancies, both locally and internationally. Positions include analysts, consultants, researchers, traders or brokers, and academics. The work mostly entails statistical analysis (forecasting, structural and policy analysis) of economic and financial markets and interrelationships.

Programme Code

07130012

Closing Dates

- **SA** – 30/11/2020
 - **Non-SA** – 31/08/2020
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Admission Requirements

- The closing date is an administrative admission guideline for non-selection programmes. Once a non-selection programme is full and has reached the institutional targets, then that programme will be closed for further admissions, irrespective of the closing date. However, if the institutional targets have not been met by the closing date, then that programme will remain open for admissions until the institutional targets are met.
 - The following persons will be considered for admission: Candidates who are in possession of a certificate that is deemed by the University to be equivalent to the National Senior Certificate (NSC) with admission to bachelor's degree studies; candidates who are graduates from other tertiary institutions or have been granted the status of graduates of such institutions; and candidates who are graduates of another faculty at the University of Pretoria.
 - Life Orientation is excluded when calculating the APS.
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Transferring students

Candidates previously registered for the BCom — Extended programme

The Admissions Committee of the faculty considers applications of candidates who were previously registered for the BCom — Extended programme according to specific guidelines as stipulated in the

Transfer Guide of the Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences as published on the EMS Faculty website.

Candidates previously registered at UP or at another university

The Admissions Committee of the faculty considers applications of candidates who have already completed the final NSC or equivalent qualification and/or were previously registered at UP or at another university according to specific guidelines as stipulated in the Transfer Guide of the Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences as published on the EMS Faculty website. A complete academic record, as well as the final school leaving results, are required for such applications.

NB: Candidates who are still registered at another university must submit an academic record of their studies to the faculty as soon as possible after their final examinations. The closing date for these applications is **30 September**.

Qualifications from countries other than South Africa

- Citizens from countries other than South Africa and South African citizens with foreign qualifications must comply with all the other admission requirements and the prerequisites for subjects/modules.
- In addition to meeting the admission requirements, it may be expected from candidates to write the SAT, if required.
- Candidates must have completed the National Senior Certificate with admission to degree studies or a certificate of conditional exemption on the basis of a candidate's foreign qualifications, the so-called "Immigrant" or "Foreign Conditional Exemption". The only condition for the "Foreign Conditional Exemption" that is accepted is: 'completion of the degree course'. The exemption certificate is obtainable from Universities South Africa (USAf). Detailed information is available on the website at [click here](#)

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Minimum requirements

Achievement level

English Home Language

or English First

Additional Language

NSC/IEB

AS Level

5

C

Mathematics

NSC/IEB

AS Level

6

B

APS

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* Cambridge A level candidates who obtained at least a D and International Baccalaureate (IB) HL candidates who obtained at least a 4 in the required subjects, will be considered for admission.

Note: Accountancy is not a subject requirement for any of the BCom or BAdmin programmes.



Duration of study

3 years, full-time.

Faculty Notes

The Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences aspires to be at the cutting edge of economic, financial and management education, as well as research and community engagement within the national, African and global context. Our mission is to advance relevant knowledge and develop employable, innovative and diverse graduates to co-create value for society.

Enquiries about the programme

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How to apply



Online Application



Note: Also consult General Rules and Information on the Yearbook website for additional information.

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