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MPhil Tourism Management (Coursework) (07255371)

Duration of study 1 year

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Programme information

Due to capacity constraints, there are not an intake of new students for every degree every year. It remains the applicant's responsibility to ensure that the degree they wish to apply for, will indeed be offered. In addition to the fields of specialisation, options are offered under the various specialisation fields, eg MPhil Accounting Sciences with an option in Fraud Risk Management, which enables the candidate to make a selection and expand specific focus areas within the existing fields of specialisation.

Admission requirements

Relevant BCom Honours degree or equivalent with an average of 60%.

Additional requirements

1. A candidate may be refused admission to a master's degree by the head of the department if he/she does not comply with the standard of competence in the subject as determined by the department – with the proviso that a candidate who does not comply with the required level of competence, may be admitted, provided that he/she completes additional study assignments and/or examinations.
2. The head of department concerned may set additional admission requirements.
3. Specific departments have specific requirements for admission.
4. The number of students will be determined in line with the growth strategy of the University of Pretoria as approved by the Executive.
5. Allowance will be made for the diversity profile of students.
6. A completed Postgraduate Diploma in Economic and Management Sciences can also be considered for admission to the Master's programme in Entrepreneurship.

Other programme-specific information

There are no electives and all modules must be passed.

Examinations and pass requirements

The pass mark for both a dissertation and a mini-dissertation is 50%. The provisions regarding pass requirements for dissertations, contained in General Regulation G.12.2, apply mutatis mutandis to mini-dissertations. A pass mark of at least 50% is required in the examination of each module.

Research information

The weight of the research article for publication contributes 56% towards the total requirements of the degree.

Dissertations/mini-dissertations/research reports, curricula and modules

1. The degree programme requires that a dissertation/mini-dissertation/research article must be submitted in a field of study chosen from the fields covered for the honours degree, provided that the Dean may, on the recommendation of the head of department concerned, approve the replacement of the required dissertation by the successful completion of a prescribed number of module credits and a mini-dissertation/research article.
2. Information on modules, credits and syllabi is available, on request, from the head of department concerned.
3. A module in Research Methodology is compulsory in all programmes. The Dean may, on the recommendation of the head of department concerned, waive the prerequisites.
4. Sufficient number of bound copies of the thesis/dissertation must be submitted to the Head: Student Administration for examination, after permission is granted by the supervisor.

Article for publication

A dean may require, before or on submission of a dissertation, the submission of a draft article for publication to the supervisor. The draft article should be based on the research that the student has conducted for the dissertation and be approved by the supervisor concerned. The supervisor should then have the opportunity to take the paper through all the processes of revision and resubmission as may be necessary and/or appropriate in order to achieve publication.

Submission of dissertation

A dissertation is submitted to the Head: Student Administration, before the closing date for the various graduation ceremonies as announced annually.

For examination purposes, a student must, in consultation with the supervisor, submit a sufficient number of bound copies of the dissertation, printed on good quality paper and of good letter quality, to the Head: Student Administration. Permission to submit the dissertation in unbound form may be obtained from the supervisor concerned on condition that a copy of the final approved dissertation is presented to the examiners in bound format or electronic format.

In addition to the copies already mentioned, each successful student must submit a bound paper copy as well as two electronic copies of the approved dissertation to the Head: Student Administration in the format specified by the faculty and in accordance with the minimum standards set by the Department of Library Services, before 15 February for the Autumn graduation ceremonies and before 15 July for the Spring graduation ceremonies, failing which the degree will only be conferred during a subsequent series of graduation ceremonies.

Curriculum: Final year

Core modules

Research article 891 (TBE 891)

Module credits	100.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Language of tuition	English
Academic organisation	Division of Tourism Management
Period of presentation	Year

Module content

The article equips the student to conduct independent research by executing a research project on a relevant topic, of which the findings are reported in an academic article.

Research methodology 801 (TBE 801)

Module credits	30.00
Language of tuition	English
Academic organisation	Division of Tourism Management
Period of presentation	Year

Module content

This module covers the research processes, principles and techniques necessary to conduct and interpret empirical research in tourism. It flows from the conceptualisation phase to conducting the research process up to the reporting of results in an academic article.

Strategic tourism management A 809 (TBE 809)

Module credits	25.00
Language of tuition	English
Academic organisation	Division of Tourism Management
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

This module introduces tourism as an interdependent system and focuses on the strategic importance of tourism to a country, both from an international and domestic perspective. It explains the nature and importance of tourism destination competitiveness and provides a foundation for understanding the integral and interdependent role of each major sector within the tourism industry.

Strategic tourism management B 810 (TBE 810)

Module credits	25.00
Language of tuition	English

Academic organisation Division of Tourism Management

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

This content builds on the previous module by further in-depth study of each major sector in the tourism industry and the strategic nature of its contribution to a country's tourism competitiveness within a global framework. The sectors covered are hospitality, transport (with particular emphasis on air transport), destination marketing, ecotourism, attractions and events (including sports tourism management).

The information published here is subject to change and may be amended after the publication of this information. The [General Regulations \(G Regulations\)](#) apply to all faculties of the University of Pretoria. It is expected of students to familiarise themselves well with these regulations as well as with the information contained in the [General Rules](#) section. Ignorance concerning these regulations and rules will not be accepted as an excuse for any transgression.