

University of Pretoria Yearbook 2019

MEd Educational Leadership (Coursework) (09250578)

Minimum duration of study 2 years

Total credits 180

Admission requirements

A candidate can be admitted if he/she holds one of the following qualifications:

- a BEdHons degree/BEd (Postgraduate); or
- an applicable honours degree and a teacher's diploma; and
- have achieved an average of at least 60% in the honours or related examination.

Senate may:

- grant a graduate of another university (either in South Africa or elsewhere) a status at the university that is equivalent to the status the student has at such other university;
- admit a person who has passed examinations at another university or institution (either in South Africa or elsewhere) which the Senate deems equivalent to or higher than the examinations prescribed for a degree at the University, which are set as a prerequisite for admission to a particular postgraduate study programme, or for the admission of such a person as a research student; or
- admit a person who in another manner has reached a standard of competence the Senate considers adequate for the purpose of postgraduate study or research at the University, as a student for a postgraduate degree, diploma or certificate.

Additional requirements

Selection is based on:

- meeting the minimum academic requirements required for admission;
- previous academic performance;
- applicable academic and/or teaching background;
- availability of supervision for the required research project;
- proven academic potential which may include academic communication and computer application skills;
- additionally, an interview may be requested;
- the requirements of professional registration bodies; and
- the discretion of the relevant head of department.

Other programme-specific information

- Renewal of registration after the two-year period is permitted only under special circumstances in which case the head of department may give approval for a limited fixed extension of this period in terms of the set procedures.
- Students will be granted two opportunities to pass NMQ 800. Unsuccessful candidates will not be allowed to continue with the programme.
- This requirement applies to both the full research as well as the coursework master's degrees.

Research information

All master's students must submit a dissertation or a mini-dissertation and must pass Research Proposal (NMQ 800). For the MEd research degree programmes, a dissertation on a topic approved by the Dean on the recommendation of the relevant head of department must be submitted, following the approval of a complete research proposal. A literature study is not acceptable.

- One publishable article based on the research that the student conducted for the dissertation or the mini-dissertation and approved by the supervisor, must be submitted. The article must be submitted at the offices of Student Administration before 15 February for the Autumn graduation ceremonies and before 15 July for the Spring graduation ceremonies.
- In addition to the copies referred to above, each successful student must submit a bound paper copy as well as two electronic copies of the approved mini-dissertation/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
- (see <http://upetd.up.ac.za/authors/publish/standards.htm#specs>), before 15 February for the Autumn graduation ceremonies and before 15 July for the Spring graduation ceremonies. Failure to meet these deadlines will result in the degree being awarded during a subsequent series of graduation ceremonies.
- All students have to submit a research proposal during the first year of registration and defend it successfully before a panel of examiners appointed by the Dean, in collaboration with the relevant head of department, Supervisor and Research Coordinator, before they can start with the research.
- Students have to apply for ethical clearance to the relevant head of department and Ethics Committee and only commence with field work once the application for ethical clearance has been approved by the Ethics Committee.
- Students have to present a progress report on the research to the supervisor annually. Continued reregistration depends on satisfactory annual progress.
- All students have to attend the research capacity building sessions on quantitative and qualitative research at master's level.

Pass with distinction

The MEd degree with coursework is conferred with distinction on a student who obtains 75% in the mini-dissertation and an average of 75% in the remaining modules.

Curriculum: Year 1

Fundamental modules

Research proposal 800 (NMQ 800)

Module credits	30.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Humanities Education
Period of presentation	Year

Module content

Development of a research proposal. Research methodology. Overview and principles of quantitative and qualitative research methodology. Data collection methods, data analysis methods, paradigm analysis and theoretical frameworks for educational studies. Global theoretical perspectives in education.

Core modules

Human and financial resources management in education 880 (HFE 880)

Module credits	30.00
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Education Management and Policy Studies
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

Continuous professional teacher development (CPTD) as part of Human Resource Management (HRM) in South Africa towards quality education. International debates on continuous professional teacher development and management. Budget construction and budget interpretation. The quality and equity debate.

Leadership and management of learning in education 880 (LBL 880)

Module credits	30.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Education Management and Policy Studies
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

This module introduces students to the principal as leader of curriculum and instruction in the school context, with the primary goal of enhancing learning. Prospective principals will acquire competence in the deployment of effective leadership strategies (including coaching and teacher appraisal) to enhance the quality of teaching and learning in their schools.

Education law 880 (OWR 880)

Module credits 30.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Education Management and Policy Studies

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

In this module students will become competent in education law matters that impact daily on the life of the school principal. The module will make extensive use of case studies of critical incidents in the school context, including human rights, equity and discrimination. In addition, students gain and learn to apply knowledge of education labour relations, the SACE code of conduct, and international comparative case studies regarding education and the law.

Mini-dissertation 895 (OWR 895)

Module credits 60.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Education Management and Policy Studies

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

Dissertation of limited scope conducted under supervision of a supervisor on any identified and selected problem in the area of education management, law and policy.

Curriculum: Final year

Fundamental modules

Research proposal 800 (NMQ 800)

Module credits	30.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Humanities Education
Period of presentation	Year

Module content

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Core modules

Human and financial resources management in education 880 (HFE 880)

Module credits	30.00
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
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Period of presentation	Semester 1

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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.