

University of Pretoria Yearbook 2020

MScAgric Agricultural Economics (Coursework) (02255001)

Minimum duration of study 2 years

Total credits 180

NQF level 09

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Programme information

Residence

On the recommendation of the relevant head of department, the Dean may set specific residential requirements for the MScAgric degree.

Renewal of registration

As long as progress is satisfactory, renewal of the registration of a master's student will be accepted for the second year of the study. Registration for a third and subsequent years will only take place when the Student Administration of the Faculty receives a written motivation which is supported by the relevant head of department and Postgraduate Studies Committee.

Curriculum

Subject to programme-specific requirements, the curriculum for the MScAgric degree consists of the following:

- A dissertation; and
- Further study in the major subject/s, augmented by ancillary modules prescribed by the Postgraduate Studies Committee, on the recommendation of the head of department. Such ancillary modules may be taken simultaneously with the major subject/s. Candidates in possession of the BScAgricHons degree may be exempted from additional ancillary modules.
- Please note that not all modules will be offered in any one year.

General

Candidates are required to familiarise themselves with the General Regulations regarding the maximum period of registration and the requirements on the submission of a draft article for publication.

Admission requirements

- BScAgric major in agricultural economics
- A final grade point average of at least 60% at final-year level

Other programme-specific information

Students should complete a module in research methodology as preparation for the dissertation module.

Examinations and pass requirements

- i. The examinations in the ancillary modules should be successfully completed prior to, or simultaneously with, the examinations in the major subject/s, unless the Faculty Board decides otherwise.
- ii. General Regulation G.12.2 applies to the calculation of marks.
- iii. In order to obtain the MScAgric degree, the candidate must pass all prescribed modules, including the examination in the major subject/s, as well as the dissertation.



Curriculum: Year 1

Minimum credits:

Core = 60 credits

Electives = 30 credits

ADDITIONAL PROGRAMME INFORMATION

Select TWO electives to the value of 30 credits according to the area of specialisation:

(Note: not all electives are presented each year. The presentation of an elective module is dependent on the number of students interested in enrolling for the module)

Areas of specialisation with relevant elective modules:

Agricultural and rural development:

For this area LEK 885 is compulsory

LEK 885 - Agricultural and rural development 885

Take one additional module from the following:

LEK 812 - Agricultural policy 812

LEK 833 - Food policy 833

LEK 884 - Advanced rural finance 884

Agricultural and rural finance:

LEK 822 - Advanced agricultural finance and risk management 822

LEK 884 - Advanced rural finance 884

Food and agribusiness management:

LEK 811 - Production economics 811

LEK 813 - Agribusiness marketing management 813

LEK 823 - Advanced agribusiness management 823

LEK 883 - Agricultural supply chain management 883

Food and agricultural policy:

LEK 811 - Production economics 811

LEK 812 - Agricultural policy 812

LEK 827 - International agricultural trade and policy 827

LEK 833 - Food policy 833

LEK 834 - Measuring and monitoring food security 834

Resource and environmental economics:

LEK 811 - Production economics 811

LEK 826 - Environmental evaluation and policy 826

LEK 886 - The economics of natural resources 886

LEK 887 - Selected topics in environmental economics 887

Core modules

Applied econometrics 810 (LEK 810) - Credits: 15.00
Applied micro-economics 815 (LEK 815) - Credits: 15.00
Institutional economics 882 (LEK 882) - Credits: 15.00
Research methodology 888 (LEK 888) - Credits: 15.00

Elective modules

Production economics 811 (LEK 811) - Credits: 15.00
Agricultural policy analysis 812 (LEK 812) - Credits: 15.00
Agribusiness marketing management 813 (LEK 813) - Credits: 15.00
Advanced agricultural finance and risk management 822 (LEK 822) - Credits: 15.00
Advanced agribusiness management 823 (LEK 823) - Credits: 15.00
Environmental valuation and policy 826 (LEK 826) - Credits: 15.00
Food policy 833 (LEK 833) - Credits: 15.00
Measuring and monitoring food security 834 (LEK 834) - Credits: 15.00
Agricultural supply chain management 883 (LEK 883) - Credits: 15.00
Advanced rural finance 884 (LEK 884) - Credits: 15.00
Agricultural and rural development 885 (LEK 885) - Credits: 15.00
The economics of natural resources 886 (LEK 886) - Credits: 15.00
Selected topics in environmental economics 887 (LEK 887) - Credits: 15.00

Curriculum: Final year

Minimum credits:

Core = 90 credits

Core modules

Mini-dissertation: [Agricultural economics 892](#) (LEK 892) - Credits: 90.00

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