

# University of Pretoria Yearbook 2021

## MAgric Rural Development (02256003)

<b>Department</b>	Agricultural Economics, Extension and Rural Development
<b>Minimum duration of study</b>	2 years
<b>Total credits</b>	180
<b>NQF level</b>	09

### 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

- BAgricHons degree (or equivalent) **or** BInstAgrarHons degree (or equivalent) **or** relevant honours degree

Note: Additional modules may be required in order to reach the desired level of competency

## 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.

## Pass with distinction

The MScAgric degree is conferred with distinction on candidates who obtain a final average mark of at least 75% and a mark of at least 75% for the dissertation/mini-dissertation from each of the members of the examination panel. Where a member of the examination panel awards a mark of less than 75% for the dissertation/mini-dissertation, that member of the examination panel must offer, in writing, support for his/her decision, or indicate in writing that he/she supports the examination committee's decision to confer the degree with distinction.



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## Curriculum: Year 1

**Minimum credits: 90**

Core credits: 90

### Core modules

Food policy 833 (LEK 833) - Credits: 15.00

Measuring and monitoring food security 834 (LEK 834) - Credits: 15.00

Institutional economics 882 (LEK 882) - Credits: 15.00

Advanced rural finance 884 (LEK 884) - Credits: 15.00

Agricultural and rural development 885 (LEK 885) - Credits: 15.00

Research methodology 888 (LEK 888) - Credits: 15.00

## Curriculum: Final year

**Minimum credits: 90**

Core credits: 90

### Core modules

Mini-dissertation: Rural development 894 (LEK 894) - Credits: 90.00

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