

# University of Pretoria Yearbook 2021

# BCom extended programme (07139923)

Department	Economic and Management Sciences Dean's Office
Minimum duration of study	4 years
Total credits	88
NQF level	07

# Programme information

The programme is aimed at the training of students in the Economic and Management Sciences who do not meet the prescribed admission requirements for a BCom degree.

This is the ideal starting point for students who are interested in studying towards BCom degrees in Management or Financial sciences. Students must apply during October of their first year to transfer to the Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences (Hatfield Campus). Placement in BCom (Accounting Sciences) and BCom (Investment Manage-ment) cannot be guaranteed as these are selection programmes where numbers are limited. All modules must be passed in the first year to transfer to any of the BCom programmes.

The first year is presented on the Mamelodi Campus.

# 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.

#### **Transferring students**

### 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** 



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#### **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

**University of Pretoria website: click here** 

Minimum requirements

Achievement level

English Home Language or

English First Additional
Language

NSC/IEB AS Level NSC/IEB AS Level

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

**Note**: The first year of study is presented at the Mamelodi Campus. Admission to the second year of study at the Hatfield Campus is subject to selection.

### Additional requirements

- a. General Regulations G.1 to G.15 (with the exception of Regulation G.11.2(c)) apply to a bachelor's degree.
- b. A student may not take more than the prescribed number of modules per semester unless the Dean decides otherwise.
- c. A student may take a module not listed as an elective module only if the prior approval of the Dean has been obtained.
- d. A student who is in possession of a bachelor's degree may not present any modules passed for that degree for another field of specialisation or degree in this Faculty. (See General Regulations G.8 and G.9)
- e. A module already passed may only be repeated with the approval of the Dean.
- f. A module passed may not be taken into account for more than one degree or field of specialisation.
- g. It remains the student's responsibility to ascertain, prior to registration, whether all the modules he/she intends taking can be accommodated in the class, test and examination timetables.
- h. The Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences supports an outcomes-based education system and places a high premium on the development of specific academic competences. Class attendance in all modules and for the full duration of all programmes is therefore compulsory for all students.
- i. The Dean has the right of authorisation regarding matters not provided for in the General Regulations or the Faculty Regulations.

<sup>\*</sup> 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.



# Other programme-specific information

- Students who wish to continue with a BCom degree programme in Economics or Investment Management need to have obtained a level 4 or higher in Grade 12 Mathematics and must register for WTW 133.
- Students who wish to continue with a BCom (Economics) degree programme need to register for WTW 144 after completing WTW 133.
- Students who wish to continue with BCom (Econometrics) degree programme need to have obtained a level 4
  or higher in Grade 12 Mathematics and will need to register for WTW 135 and WTW 143.
- Students who want to do any other BCom degree programme register for BAM 133, STK 133 and STK 143 and must meet the minimum requirements set out in the EMS Transfer Guide as published on the EMS Website on an annual basis, to transfer to their BCom degree of choice.
- Only students who have obtained a level 4 in Grade 12 Mathematics can register for WST 133 and WST 143 and these modules are required for students wishing to continue with a BCom (Econometrics degree) programme. These modules are also available as electives for students who wish to transfer to the BCom (Economics) degree programme.

Selection from the second academic year onwards, to be discussed with the Student Administration of the Faculty and will follow the guidance in the EMS Transfer Guide. The following gives an overview of credits awarded for modules completed at the Mamelodi Campus when successful BCom Extended programme students transfer to BCom degree programmes on the Hatfield Campus:

- AIM 111 and AIM 121 as currently presented on the Hatfield Campus.
- STK 133 and STK 143 equivalent to STK 110.
- STK 133 and STK 143 will give BCom students admission to STK 120 and its equivalent to STK 110.
- WST 133 and WST 143 is equivalent to STK 110.
- WST 133 and WST 143 will give BCom students admission to either WST 153 or STK 120.
- Students must register for STK 120 in the first semester of the second year.
- FRK 133 and FRK 143 equivalent to FRK 111.
- OBS 133 and OBS 143 equivalent to OBS 114.
- Students wishing to do a BCom degree focussed on Accounting are strongly advised to enrol for FRK 111 in the first semester of their second year and must also register for INF 183.

It is the responsibility of students to ensure before registration, that their curricula comply with all the requirements of the applicable regulations.

## Promotion to next study year

According to General Regulation G.3 students have to comply with certain requirements as set by the Faculty Board.

- a. A student must pass at least 4 core semester or 2 core year modules to be admitted to the subsequent year of study.
- b. If a student has passed less than the required minimum of 4 core semester or 2 core year modules, he/she will not be readmitted to the Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences. Such a student may apply in writing to the Faculty's Admissions Committee to be readmitted conditionally with the proviso that the Admissions Committee may set further conditions with regards to the student's academic progress. The Faculty's Admissions Committee may deny a student's application for readmission.
- c. If a student has been readmitted conditionally, his/her academic progress will be monitored after the first semester examinations to determine whether he/she has complied with the requirements set by the



- Admissions Committee. If not, his/her studies will be suspended.
- d. A student whose studies have been suspended because of his/her poor academic performance has the right to appeal against the decision of the Faculty's Admissions Committee.
- e. A student may be refused promotion to a subsequent year of study if the prescribed tuition fees are not paid.
- f. A student may be refused admission to the examination, or promotion to a subsequent year of study or promotion in a module (if applicable) if he/ she fails to fulfil the attendance requirements. Class attendance in all modules and for the full duration of all programmes is compulsory for all students.

### Pass with distinction

- a. A degree may be awarded with distinction provided the candidate meets the following criteria:
- i. Completes the degree within three years;
- ii. Obtains a Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) of 75%;
- iii. Repeated passed modules will not be considered. The initial pass mark of module will be used when calculating the GPA.
- b. A degree will only be awarded with distinction to transferees from other degrees in the Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences, other faculties and from other universities who still complete their bachelor degrees within three years (including the years registered for the other degree and credits transferred and recognised).
- c. The GPA will be not be rounded up to a whole number.
- d. Exceptional cases will be considered by the Dean.

### General information

### Minimum requirements for bachelor's degrees; semester and year modules; new regulations

- 1. Students who commenced their studies before 2015 must complete the programme in terms of the curriculum of the year in which they commenced their studies, or in terms of the curriculum of the year in which they switched to their current field of specialisation. Students who prefer to do so may, however, apply to change over to the latest curriculum, but then they should comply with all the requirements thereof and they may not revert to the regulations of an earlier year.
- 2. Students who are registering for a degree programme for the first time from 2015 onward must take the modules indicated under the particular field of specialisation.



### Curriculum: Year 1

Minimum credits: 88

#### **Additional information:**

- Students who are aiming to transfer to the BCom Economics and BCom Investment Management should register for WTW 144.
- Students who are aiming to transfer to the BCom Econometrics should register for WTW 135.

### **Core modules**

Academic information management 111 (AIM 111) - Credits: 4.00 Academic information management 121 (AIM 121) - Credits: 4.00 Pacie business mathematics 133 (PAM 133) - Credits: 9.00

Basic business mathematics 133 (BAM 133) - Credits: 8.00

Financial accounting 133 (FRK 133) - Credits: 8.00 Financial accounting 143 (FRK 143) - Credits: 8.00

Language, life and study skills 133 (LST 133) - Credits: 8.00 Language, life and study skills 143 (LST 143) - Credits: 8.00

Business management 133 (OBS 133) - Credits: 8.00 Business management 143 (OBS 143) - Credits: 8.00

Statistics 133 (STK 133) - Credits: 8.00 Statistics 143 (STK 143) - Credits: 16.00

Academic orientation 120 (UPO 120) - Credits: 0.00 Mathematical statistics 133 (WST 133) - Credits: 8.00 Mathematical statistics 143 (WST 143) - Credits: 8.00

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.