

# University of Pretoria Yearbook 2025

## MPhil specialising in Supply Chain Management (Coursework) (07255285)

**Department** Business Management

**Minimum duration of study** 1 year

**Total credits** 180

**NQF level** 09

### Programme information

Supply chain managers oversee some of the most essential business processes affecting the profitability of firms today. These managers are responsible for synchronising the flow of products, information, and funds between their organisations and both their suppliers and customers in a way that adds value for the end consumers of their products.

The programme content focuses on key issues such as the fundamental theory of supply chain management, contemporary issues in supply chain management and strategic management and leadership.

The programme consists of coursework and a research article. The coursework part of the degree programme is offered during the first and second semester of the first year of study and the research article during the second semester. The coursework is presented by means of five contact sessions per module during the first and second semester. Contact block weeks will take place after-hours on a Monday to Thursday evening from 17:30 – 21:00 during the first semester and on a Monday evening from 17:30 – 21:00 during the second semester. Attendance of the contact sessions is compulsory. All lectures, tests and examination sessions will be conducted at the University of Pretoria's main campus in Hatfield. Students have a maximum of two years to complete the MPhil degree but it is advisable to complete the programme in one year.

### Admission requirements

1. Relevant honours degree  
or  
Relevant postgraduate diploma (PGDip)
2. A weighted average of at least 60% for the honours degree or postgraduate diploma

### 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 Academic Regulation G36, apply with the necessary changes to mini-dissertations.

A pass mark of at least 50% is required in the examination of each module.

## Research information

Refer to General Academic Regulation G39.

### **Article for publication**

Refer to General Academic Regulation G39.13.

## Curriculum: Final year

### Core modules

Research methodology 804 (NME 804) - Credits: 20.00

Strategic management 811 (OBS 811) - Credits: 20.00

Supply chain management 817 (OBS 817) - Credits: 25.00

Contemporary issues in supply chain management 818 (OBS 818) - Credits: 25.00

Mini-dissertation: Research article 898 (OBS 898) - Credits: 90.00

### General Academic Regulations and Student Rules

The [General Academic Regulations \(G Regulations\)](#) and [General Student Rules](#) apply to all faculties and registered students of the University, as well as all prospective students who have accepted an offer of a place at the University of Pretoria. On registering for a programme, the student bears the responsibility of ensuring that they familiarise themselves with the General Academic Regulations applicable to their registration, as well as the relevant faculty-specific and programme-specific regulations and information as stipulated in the relevant yearbook. Ignorance concerning these regulations will not be accepted as an excuse for any transgression, or basis for an exception to any of the aforementioned regulations. The G Regulations are updated annually and may be amended after the publication of this information.

### Regulations, degree requirements and information

The faculty regulations, information on and requirements for the degrees published here are subject to change and may be amended after the publication of this information.

### University of Pretoria Programme Qualification Mix (PQM) verification project

The higher education sector has undergone an extensive alignment to the Higher Education Qualification Sub-Framework (HEQSF) across all institutions in South Africa. In order to comply with the HEQSF, all institutions are legally required to participate in a national initiative led by regulatory bodies such as the Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET), the Council on Higher Education (CHE), and the South African Qualifications Authority (SAQA). The University of Pretoria is presently engaged in an ongoing effort to align its qualifications and programmes with the HEQSF criteria. Current and prospective students should take note that changes to UP qualification and programme names, may occur as a result of the HEQSF initiative. Students are advised to contact their faculties if they have any questions.