

M (Public Administration)

Admission requirements

- BHons in Public Administration or a PGDip in the same Classification of Educational Subject Matter (CESM) category.

Further requirements

- You must complete your research proposal during the compulsory contact week in January/February or May and defend it orally to an academic panel. The proposal must be accepted for you to continue with the programme.

Selection

Selection is based on your prior academic performance. During selection, your average performance mark and the academic quality of your research paper in the honours programme, or a complete research proposal for the master's programme, will be considered. A copy of your honours research paper or a master's research proposal must accompany your application for this purpose. The number of students selected depends on the number of available places.

Application procedure and closing date

Contact the School of Public Leadership directly at the details under "Enquiries" below to find out about the application process and closing date.

Duration of programme and starting date

Duration: One year, full-time; two years, part-time with modular and interactive telematics education for Coursework and Thesis option

Starting date: Normally late January or early February.

Enquiries

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Programme structure

There are two options in the programme:

- *A Coursework and Thesis option* (Public and Development Management 889):
For this option, you must follow three 30-credit elective modules and an appropriate, advanced course in research methodology and academic writing skills. In addition, you must complete a 90-credit thesis with guidance from an academic study leader.
The coursework component is presented by means of modular and interactive telematics education:

- Modular presentation means that you must attend blocked contact sessions of one to two weeks of lectures in January and in May at the Bellville Park campus. Further writing workshops may also be scheduled during the course of the year to give you time for dedicated writing.
- For the interactive telematics presentations, you must attend two full days in the first semester and two full days in the second semester at an electronic study centre closer to where you live. You must also independently watch the provided video recordings and engage with study material.
- For the remaining time, you will study at home and do assignments that must be submitted electronically.
- Exams are written in Bellville or in Tshwane.
- *A Full Thesis option (Public and Development Management 879):*
This is the full research option. You must complete a course in appropriate advanced research methodology and academic writing (if you have not successfully completed such a course before) and a full thesis under guidance of an academic study leader.

Programme content

Programme module

You must earn a total of at least 180 credits for one of the options in this programme.

Code	Module	Credits	Module Name	Semester
48003	889	180	Public and Development Management (Coursework and Thesis option)	Both
48003	879	180	Public and Development Management (Full Thesis option)	Both

The modules for each option are listed below.

Compulsory module for the Coursework and Thesis option (889) (90 credits)

Code	Module	Credits	Module Name	Semester
11242	861	90	Thesis: Public and Development Management	Both

Elective modules for the Coursework and Thesis option (889) (90 credits)

- Choose three of the following modules.
- Please note that a minimum of ten students is required for a module to be presented.

Code	Module	Credits	Module Name	Semester
11269	871	30	Advanced Programme and Project Management	Both
11270	871	30	Anti-Corruption Studies	Both
58874	862	30	Capita Selecta A: Sector specialisation as requested by students	Both
58874	861	30	Capita Selecta B: Sector specialisation as requested by students	Both
11271	871	30	Comparative and Contemporary Public Management Innovation Studies	Both
60496	861	30	Integrated Community-based Development	Both
60518	861	30	Integrated Public Management	Both

60526	861	30	Integrated Public Policy Management and Analysis [Admission requirement: 60% or more in the ICT module of the honours programme]	Both
11272	871	30	Monitoring and Evaluation	Both
66370	861	30	Municipal Management and Development [Admission requirement: Local Governance in the honours programme]	Both
60488	861	30	Public Management Law	Both

Compulsory module for the Full Thesis option (879) (180 credits)

Code	Module	Credits	Module Name	Semester
11242	828	180	Thesis: Public and Development Management	Both