

3.1.5 BComHons (Financial Risk Management)

Admission requirements

- A BCom degree with Financial Risk Management, Financial Mathematics and Mathematical Statistics as third-year subjects.
- An average mark of at least 60% for Financial Risk Management 314 and 344.

Selection

The number of students selected will be influenced by, among other things, staff capacity and the availability of resources within the Department, as well as academic merit and University transformation objectives. As staff capacity and resources may fluctuate from year to year, the number of students selected can also differ from year to year.

If the Financial Risk Management or Mathematical Statistics background of the applicant is deemed insufficient after a case-by-case determination by the Department of Statistics and Actuarial Science, the Department may require an additional departmental assessment on third year level Financial Risk Management and Mathematical Statistics topics. Students may also be required to complete additional undergraduate Stellenbosch University Financial Risk Management and Mathematical Statistics modules along with their honours studies.

Application procedure and closing date

Apply at www.sun.ac.za/pgstudies. For South African applicants, the closing date is **31 October** of the year before your intended studies, and for international applicants, it is **30 September**.

Duration, offering type and starting date of programme

Duration: One year, full-time.

Starting date: One and a half weeks before the other classes at the University begin.

Programme's mode of delivery

Full-contact learning (face-to-face).

Enquiries and programme leader

Enquiries

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Programme leader

Prof Daniel Polakow

Department of Statistics and Actuarial Science

Programme content

You must earn a total of at least 120 credits for this programme.

Compulsory modules (108 credits)

Code	Module	Credits	Module Name	Semester
10459	731	12	Financial Risk Management A	1
10460	761	12	Financial Risk Management B	2
10660	733	12	Portfolio Management Theory A	2
10661	763	12	Portfolio Management Theory B	1
11166	734	6	Practical Financial Modelling	1
11218	793	30	Research Assignment: Financial Risk Management	Both
65250	718	12	Stochastic Simulation	1
10751	747	12	Time Series Analysis	1

Elective modules (at least 12 credits)

Code	Module	Credits	Module Name	Semester
11164	732	12	Financial Mathematical Statistics A	2
11165	762	12	Financial Mathematical Statistics B	2

Postgraduate Programmes

1. General information for all postgraduate programmes

The information in this section applies to most of the postgraduate programmes and is not repeated for each programme, so please read it through carefully. Exceptions and deviations are, however, indicated at the individual programmes.

1.1 Postgraduate programmes in the Faculty

The table below lists the postgraduate programmes up to master's level by the department, school or centre where they are offered. The campus or facility is indicated in italics where necessary. All departments, schools and centres also offer a PhD programme. For more on the PhD, see the doctoral section at the end of this chapter.

Africa Centre for Inclusive Health Management
PGDip (HIV/Aids Management)
MPhil (HIV/Aids Management)
Centre for Sustainability Transitions (CST)
PGDip (Sustainable Development)
MPhil (Sustainable Development)
Department of Business Management
PGDip (Marketing)
BComHons (Business Management)
MCom (Business Management)
Department of Economics
BComHons (Economics)
BComHons (Economics and Mathematical Statistics) [with the Department of Statistics and Actuarial Science]
MCom (Economics)
Department of Industrial Psychology
PGDip (Strategic Human Resource Management)
BComHons (Human Resource Management)
BComHons (Industrial Psychology)
MCom (Human Resource Management)
MCom (Industrial Psychology)
Department of Logistics
PGDip (Transport and Logistics)
BComHons (Logistics Management)
BComHons (Operations Research)
BComHons (Transport Economics)
MCom (Logistics Management)
MCom (Operations Research)
MCom (Transport Economics)
Department of Statistics and Actuarial Science
PGDip (Actuarial Science)
BComHons (Actuarial Science)
BComHons (Economics and Mathematical Statistics) [with the Department of Economics]
BComHons (Financial Risk Management)
BComHons (Mathematical Statistics)
BComHons (Statistics)
MCom (Actuarial Science)
MCom (Financial Risk Management)
MCom (Mathematical Statistics)
MCom (Statistics)

School of Accountancy
PGDip (Accounting)
BComHons (Management Accounting)
BAccHons
MCom (Computer Auditing)
MCom (Financial Accounting)
MCom (Management Accounting)
MCom (Taxation)
MAcc (Auditing)
MAcc (Financial Accounting)
MAcc (Taxation)
School of Public Leadership (SPL), <i>Bellville Park</i>
PGDip (Environmental Management) <i>Stellenbosch</i>
PGDip (Public Finance Management)
BComHons (Public and Development Management)
BPubAdminHons
MCom (Public and Development Management)
M (Public Administration)
MPhil (Environmental Management) <i>Stellenbosch</i>
Stellenbosch Business School, <i>Bellville Park</i>
PGDip (Business Management and Administration)
PGDip (Development Finance)
PGDip (Financial Planning)
PGDip (Futures Studies)
PGDip (Leadership Development)
PGDip (Project Management)
MPhil (Development Finance)
MPhil (Futures Studies)
MPhil (Management Coaching)
MBA

1.2 Undergraduate module requirements for postgraduate programmes

In Appendix D to this Yearbook part, you will find a table showing the minimum module requirements for admission to certain postgraduate programmes. Review this table to determine whether you meet the requirements for the postgraduate programme you wish to follow.

1.3 Selection

Every postgraduate programme in the Faculty is potentially a selection programme since the capacity of the relevant department determines the number of students that can be accommodated in each programme. This means that selection happens when more candidates apply than the department can accommodate in a specific programme. There are, however, also programmes where selection always happens, regardless of how many candidates apply. Departments may choose to list specific requirements and criteria at the relevant programme entries below or on their website or in the programme brochure.

1.4 Postgraduate assessment and examination

- Assessment is determined at modular level; therefore, consult the relevant module framework for more information.
- For the Faculty postgraduate assessment rules, you can consult the Faculty website at www.sun.ac.za/ems and look under "Current students" and then "General information" to find the link "EMS Postgraduate Assessment Rules".
- For more information and the general rules on assessment, see Part 1 (General Rules) of the Yearbook, under "Assessments and Promotions".

- For the general specifications for assignments, theses, and dissertations, consult the section "Postgraduate Qualifications" in Part 1 (General Rules) of the Yearbook.
- For specific information relating to the assignment, thesis or dissertation for an individual programme, consult the programme administrator or leader or relevant programme documentation.

1.5 Pass requirements for postgraduate programmes

The pass mark for postgraduate programmes is 50% and to pass with distinction you need 75%. More detailed information on pass requirements for individual programmes is available from the relevant programme administrator or leader.

1.6 Different campuses and facilities

Some postgraduate programmes are presented by the Stellenbosch Business School or the School for Public Leadership, both of which are on the Bellville Park campus of the University. The School of Public Leadership also presents classes at the Sustainability Institute at Lynedoch. The place where a particular diploma programme will be presented, if not Stellenbosch campus, is indicated below for each individual Programme under "Programme structure".

Disclaimer:

The content above comes from the 2025 Economic and Management Sciences Yearbook. Make sure to consult the full **Economic and Management Sciences Yearbook** to see this extract in context and to check if there have been any changes. Take special note of additional information in the yearbook under section ***2. General provisions for postgraduate programmes.***