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### **Academic Programmes for 2017**

#### **Doctoral programmes**

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## Doctoral programmes in Forestry and Wood Sciences

### DSc programme in Forestry and Wood Sciences (DScFor)

*The degree DSc can be awarded to you if you –*

- have held, for at least five years, a PhD of this University or another qualification considered suitable in the opinion of Senate; or
- have held, for at least seven years MScFor degree of this University or another qualification considered suitable in the opinion of Senate;
- have carried out advanced original research and/or creative work to the satisfaction of the University;
- have submitted an original and high-quality published work(s)\* that convinces Senate that you have made a real and influential contribution to the enrichment of knowledge in the field of agricultural or forestry sciences or food science; and
- Have taken an oral examination, if required by the examiners, to the satisfaction of the University.

*As a candidate for the DSc degree you must –*

- have been enrolled for at least one academic year at this University before the degree can be awarded;
- Give the Registrar written notice of at least one year of your intention to present yourself as a candidate for the degree and include in the notification the title(s) and extent of the proposed work(s). If Senate accepts the application, a supervisor and examiners will be appointed.

You must provide before 1 September, for graduation in December, or before 1 December of the previous year, for graduation in March, four copies of the work(s) which you want to submit to the University, accompanied by a declaration that it is your own work and that it has not been submitted to another university in order to obtain a degree. Where a considerable part of the work(s) submitted has not been published only in your name, you must provide satisfactory evidence that shows which part of the work is your own. Furthermore, you must state who conceived the work, under whose guidance it took place and who executed, processed and put it in writing. You must also indicate which part of the work, if any, you, or a co-author, have already submitted to this or any other university in order to obtain a degree.

The general rules for doctoral degrees concerning the appointment of examiners, as given under Higher Degrees in Part 1 (General) of the University's Calendar, also apply to the DSc degree.

\* The term 'published work' refers to work that has been published in a scientific journal, a magazine, pamphlet or book freely available to the public, either in libraries or from some retail outlet. The reason why publication is required is to ensure that the work submitted is available for criticism by experts in the subject concerned. Examiners have the discretion to disregard a submitted work if, in their opinion, it was not readily available for criticism because it was:

- hard to come by, or
- Submitted for the degree too soon after publication.

You may also submit your other publications with little or no connection with the particular subject in which the main study has been performed in support of your application

### *Programme Description*

For the DSc degree a number of advanced original research and/or creative work in Forestry and Natural Resource Sciences or Wood and Wood Products Sciences is required. Additionally original and previously published work(s) of a high standard are required that show that you have made a real and exceptional contribution to the enrichment of the knowledge base in Forestry and Natural Resource Sciences or Wood and Wood Products Sciences.

Students choose between 998 Forest Science or 998 Wood Product Science.

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## **Application process:**

To apply please identify a study leader and finalise the research project and first proposal.

Then apply online at:

- <http://www0.sun.ac.za/pgstudies/>

For more information on the programs offered at the Department of Forest and Wood Science, please visit the following links:

- Calendar 2017  
<http://www.sun.ac.za/english/Documents/Yearbooks/Current/AgriSciences.pdf>
- Website of department: <http://www.sun.ac.za/forestry>

