

# Advanced Diploma in Financial Management

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The Advanced Diploma in Financial Management (ADFM) is a one-year programme that is designed to equip Diploma students with the appropriate management accounting skills that will prepare them for the job market. The programme has a curriculum is not only broad-based and allows students to transition to BCom Honours in Financial Management and PGDip in Financial Management, but it also empowers them to be competent in managing the finance function in a digital world, should they seek employment post-completion. The programme also enables students to apply integrated knowledge and advanced conceptual thinking skills to innovatively solve complex problems in Financial Management. In addition, the students also gain competency in application, analysis and evaluation within each topic area as well as the application of integrity and ethics in a professional environment.

The programme has a case study component that allows students to gain an integrated overview of all the finance functions while also exploring how technology has contributed to the evolution

of finance professionals. It is no secret that technology has shifted the mandate of finance professionals from assembling and generating financial data to a more advisory and a business partnering role. The ADFM programme cultivates a mindset that allows students to adapt efficiently to these changes.

As the programme is accredited with Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA®), it awards students with a total of eight credits towards the internationally recognised finance qualification – Chartered Global Management Accountant (CGMA). The CGMA designation is powered by two of the world's leading accounting organisations namely, the American Institute of CPAs (AICPA®) and the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA®).

# **RULES OF ACCESS/ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

The minimum entry requirement is a Diploma in Accounting (NQF Level 6) with the University of Johannesburg (UJ). It is also possible to gain entry to the programme if you have completed a similar Diploma from another accredited University.

Due to the limited spaces available for the programme, the following additional requirements must also be met to be considered:

- Grade 12 Mathematics, with a minimum APS score of 4 (not Mathematical Literacy) in the NSC, or a Senior Certificate with a minimum D-symbol for SG Mathematics.
- Students with an APS score for Mathematics below 4, SG Mathematics below a D or Mathematical Literacy will only be considered after completion of the Mathematics for Diploma students offered by the Faculty of Science at the University of Johannesburg to all second- and third-year Diploma students interested in pursuing further studies at the University.
- First time pass of Financial Accounting 3 and Cost & Financial Management 3 and
- A 55%+ average of 55% of Financial Accounting and Cost & Financial Management (Note: Preliminary selection of students applying in their third year will be based on second year results).

A strict selection process is followed and meeting the minimum admission requirements does not guarantee acceptance into the programme as numerous applications are received annually that exceed the minimum requirements. All applicants will be subjected to a selection process as determined by the Department of Accountancy.

## **CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS**

The closing date is the **last Friday of October at 12:00** annually for foreign (i.e. non-South African resident) applicants and for South African resident applicants for study in the following academic year. All foreign applicants (i.e. international applicants) applying should consult with the International Admissions Office at the University of Johannesburg on 011 559 4517 or visit https://www.uj.ac.za/internationalstudents/

#### APPLICATION AND SELECTION PROCESS

Only online applications will be considered and you may apply via the UJ online application portal available at www.uj.ac.za.

Failure to submit all the required documentation or submitting your application late will result in your application not being considered. During the online application process, all applicants will be advised of the documents that are required to be submitted. All prospective applicants will be subjected to a selection process.

The final selection process will take place in November and students will be advised of the outcome in December, before the University closes. **No late application will be considered**.

#### **FEES**

All details regarding application status, registration details and fees can be directed to the Faculty Officer at 011 559 2362. More information about fees can be obtained from https://www.uj.ac.za/studyatUJ/Student-Finance/Documents/2019\_UJ%20FEE%20BOOK.pdf

## **COMMENCEMENT OF LECTURES**

Lectures for Advanced Diploma in Financial Management students commence within the first week of February or as determined by the University annually.

## **CURRICULUM - POSTGRADUATE STUDIES**

The Advanced Diploma in Financial Management is and NQF Level 7 programme that is presented on a full-time basis over one year.

Students must complete the programme in one year in order to be eligible for the BCom Honours in Financial Management and PGDip in Financial Management programme and they must pass all seven modules independently. There are additional admission requirements for the BCom Honours in Financial Management and PGDip in Financial Management programme and students must ensure that they do their research in advance in order to plan appropriately for their Postgraduate studies.

#### **CURRICULUM - STUDYING DIRECTLY WITH CIMA**

Students who complete the programme will also be eligible for eight (8) exemptions towards the CIMA professional qualification and can proceed to study and write the remaining eight (8) exams directly with CIMA. Further details can be obtained from https://www.cimaglobal.com/Studying/

#### MODULE CODE SEMESTER

FIRST SEMESTER		SECOND SEMESTER
SUBJECT	CODE	SUBJECT
Financial Mathematics	ADFM005	Performance Management (P2)
Performance Operations (P1)	ADFM006	Financial Management (F2)
Financial Operations (F1)	ADFM009	Enterprise Management (E2)
Enterprise Operations (E1)		
	SUBJECT Financial Mathematics Performance Operations (P1) Financial Operations (F1)	SUBJECT CODE  Financial Mathematics ADFM005  Performance Operations (P1) ADFM006  Financial Operations (F1) ADFM009

Faculty Handbook: https://www.uj.ac.za/faculties/cbe/Documents/CBE-UG-Yearbook.pdf3

# **LANGUAGE MEDIUM**

Lectures and examinations will only be presented in English.

# **LECTURES AND PROGRAMME**

Lectures will be presented by full time academics and occasional guest lecturers through a blended learning model. Accepted applicants are expected to attend lectures regularly and an attendance register may be taken at each class. The programme is not suitable for distance learning or correspondence applicants. The programme is only available on a fulltime basis.

#### **ASSESSMENTS**

Students will complete several assessments throughout the duration of each module. Assessments may take the form of written assessment opportunities (i.e. tests), as well as class assessments, assignments and/or projects. A last assessment opportunity in the form of an examination will be completed at the end of each module.

# **FURTHER ENQUIRIES**

Information regarding all programs can be found on https://www.uj.ac.za/faculties/cbe/soa/accounting/Pages/Courses-and-Programmes.aspx

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