

SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS MANAGEMENT

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1. Introduction

The Advanced Diploma in Management (Code: A34MGQBMQ) is an NQF level 6 under graduate programme in commerce, offered by the Department of Business Management. The qualification aims to develop learners who aspire to improve their managerial capabilities for junior and middle management levels in organisations. This brochure provides information on the programme courses and the facilitation thereof, the admission procedure, the various opportunities for students and other relevant information.

2. Programme goals

The purpose of this qualification is to develop the applied and practical competencies of the student in the acquisition, understanding and application of strategic management principles. It provides an intensive, focused and applied specialisation within the field of management to ensure that students have a deep and systematic understanding of current thinking, practice, theory and methodology in the field of strategic management.

3. Who would benefit from this programme?

Students in possession of a diploma who are interested in developing themselves as junior and middle managers and require certain exposure to certain managerial competencies in order to manage organisations more effectively and efficiently, thereby contributing broadly to a more prosperous society, could benefit from studying towards the Advanced Diploma in Management.

4. The tuition model

This programme is presented over 12 months on a full-time basis. Classes will be weekday evenings and class attendance is compulsory. The use of technology (for example, the Internet, E- mail, uLink (Blackboard), Microsoft Word) is a requirement to write and present assignments, receive learning material, research topics and utilise opportunities for interactive discussions.

5. The language of tuition

Classes and the study material are presented in English. Therefore, class discussions and student participation will take place in English.

6.1 Modules Offered

The programme consists of nine (9) compulsory modules and NO electives. The programme is presented over ONE year. Students have to enroll for five (5) modules in the 1st semester (14 weeks), and four (4) modules in the 2nd semester.

Class attendance is compulsory. Classes (lectures) normally take place four times a week. This is just a guideline as venue availability determines the time table. The course starts in February and MUST be completed within one (1) year (two semesters).

The full-time modules are as follows:

FIRST SEMESTER			SECOND SEMESTER		
MODULE NAME	MODULE CODE	NQF CREDITS	MODULE NAME	MODULE CODE	NQF CREDITS
Financial Management A	FMA01A1	12	Financial Management B	FMA01B1	12
Operations Management	OPS01A1	12	International Management	INT01B1	12
Research Methodology: Management	RMD01A1	12	Management Practice	MNP01B1	24
Risk Management	RIM01A1	12	Project Management	PJM01B1	12
Strategic Management	STR01A1	12			
	5 Semester Modules	60 Credits		4 Semester Modules	60 Credits

6.2 Module description

6.2.1 Financial Management A (FMA01A1)

The purpose of this module is to equip the non-financial specialists with basic knowledge in the various fields of cost accounting. Students need to understand how cost accounting contributes as an integrated discipline to the different dynamics within a business environment.

6.2.2 Operations Management (OPSO1A1)

The purpose of this module is to provide students with the skills to create and manage the processes of operational management and to manage supply chain relationships to gain market share and customer satisfaction.

6.2.3 Research Methodology: Management (RMD01A1)

The purpose of this module is to give practical guidance to business students who are required, as part of their programme, to formulate a research proposal towards a final assessment. Each Lecture Unit is structured around a particular topic and the different aspects relating to research methodology are described and explained.

6.2.4 Risk Management (RIM01A1)

The purpose of this module is to provide students with the skills to evaluate project, operational, financial and strategic risk in the business context.

6.2.5 Strategic Management (STR01A1)

The purpose of this module is to provide students with the ability to apply the broad principles of strategic management which include strategic planning and strategic implementation.

6.2.6 Financial Management B (FMA01B1)

The purpose of this module is to equip the non-financial specialist with the basic knowledge in the various fields of management accounting. Students need to understand how management accounting contributes as an integrated discipline to the different dynamics within a business environment.

6.2.7 International Management (INT01B1)

The purpose of this module is to equip students with the skills to conclude international contracts.

6.2.8 Management Practice (MNPO1B1)

The purpose of this module is to focus on equipping students with the ability to implement strategies within an organisation.

6.2.9 Project Management (PJMO1B1)

The purpose of this module is to equip students with the necessary skills to procure resources, develop a project plan, manage and successfully complete a project.

7. Assessment Practices

Students in this programme are continuously assessed through formal and informal formative- and final summative assessments. You are referred to the Academic Regulations (10.2) for assessment details.

Formative assessment consists of: theoretical and practical group assignments, poster presentations, class discussions based on additional reading and case studies, theoretical and practical individual assignments and class assessments, and formal module assessments.

For a semester module three assessment (which includes a final assessment/ exam) must be done. A student must obtain a semester module mark of 40% to gain examination entry. The module mark is calculated according to each module's unique composition.

Supplementary opportunity is not given automatically should a student fail one or two modules. The Academic Regulations guides this process. A sub-minimum mark of 40% must be achieved for the examination paper or examination equivalent assignment submission. A final mark is calculated as follows: the module mark counts 50% and the examination mark counts 50%. Students pass this module if they have a final mark of at least 50%. Students obtain the Advanced Diploma in Business Management if they pass all ten modules that comprise the qualification. A supple

8. Class participation

Class attendance and active participation are very important because we learn from one another. Your opinions and thoughts on the assigned material and on the reading of current news articles that focus on events in the study field are important. Constructive contribution may include observations and questions about the course material as well as current events and answers to questions raised by fellow students. Examples from your personal and/or organisation's experience are appropriate forms of contributions. Expect to be called upon to provide to partake in class discussions.

9. Opportunities for interaction

9.1. Initiated by the students

Students are encouraged to create opportunities to interact and learn, such as an Entrepreneurship/Innovators Club, Consulting Projects, Mentoring Projects, and Community Outreach Projects. The programme management supports and assists these initiatives.

9.2. Initiated by the Programme Manager

Additional opportunities for interaction and learning are offered to students, including an orientation-day function at the beginning of the year, a year-end function and various guest speakers from the industry during the academic year.

9.3. Group work (Cooperation)

Task group work is an important part of this course where students should be able to work together to complete assignments or tasks. The Department of Business Management annually awards prizes to the best academic performers in the various programmes offered by the department, including the Advanced Diploma in Business Management programme.

10. Future studies

After completion of the Advanced Diploma in Management, advanced study could be undertaken in one of the following: Postgraduate Diploma in Business Management, Honours Degree in Strategic Management. Thereafter, students can proceed to the MCom Business Management or MBA. The Department of Business Management also provides the opportunity to obtain a Doctoral (Business Management) degree, in which research is undertaken under the guidance of a study leader (supervisor).

11. Admission requirements

An applicant must hold a Diploma in Management or an appropriate NQF level 6, 360 credit Diploma or appropriate NQF level, 360 credits Bachelor's Degree specialising in Management with an average of 60%.

12. How to apply

The application period is 1 August – 31 October 2024. Successful candidates will be notified towards the end of November.

It is compulsory for applicants to apply with or at our Enrolment Centre before completing the Advanced Diploma in Management Departmental application form.

Please be advised that all applicants are subjected to a screening process.

At our Enrolment Centre we have TWO different methods of applying. You have the option to choose only ONE, please use the below URL and click on application process to make your selection. URL (Student Enrolment Centre) www.uj.ac.za/EN/StudyatUJ/

Please select ONE of the following TWO methods:

i. Online Web Application – FREEii. Paper-based Application – R200.00

After you have completed your application (method ONE or TWO), please inform the Department of Business Management. Who will then email the compulsory departmental application form to you. Contact person details as follow:

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