SCHOOL OF PUBLIC MANAGEMENT, GOVERNANCE AND PUBLIC POLICY

MA (public management and governance) research (M7044Q)

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**PURPOSE**
The purpose of this qualification is to provide students the tools and skills to effectively and independently apply research methodology skills and all the related activities thereto, to prepare a research proposal, dissertation and report the results for academic submission.

**RULES OF ACCESS**
An honours degree in Public Governance, Public Administration or Public Management and Development or a similar recognised qualification with 65% for all modules attempted and 65% in the research component (at honours level). In certain instances, the General Regulations with reference to the MPhil degree may be applied by the dean in consultation with the head of the Department of Public Management and Governance in order to admit a student to the programme. The student must confer in advance with the head of the Department of Public Management and Governance about the feasibility of the intended study.

**FULL-TIME CURRICULUM / PART-TIME CURRICULUM**
A dissertation on a relevant topic is required. Refer to the Academic Regulations of the University for MA Programmes.

**DURATION OF STUDIES**
The maximum period of registration for the master’s degree is one year full-time or two years part-time.

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**RESEARCH TIME:** 100%

**DISSERTATION: PUBLIC MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE** (PMG9X13/PMG9X14)

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**CALCULATION CRITERIA**
Full Period Mark Weight – 100%

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**OUTCOMES**
Students should be able to:
- critically analyse the purpose, components and process for compiling a dissertation for academic submissions to demonstrate a research dissertation in respect of own context in the subject discourse,
- plan outline of dissertation and demonstrate the application of research methodology and principles for academic purposes,
- conduct independent research and critically develop an appropriate research proposal in order to evaluate an issue in the area of the subject discourse, and
- compile, submit and review dissertation.