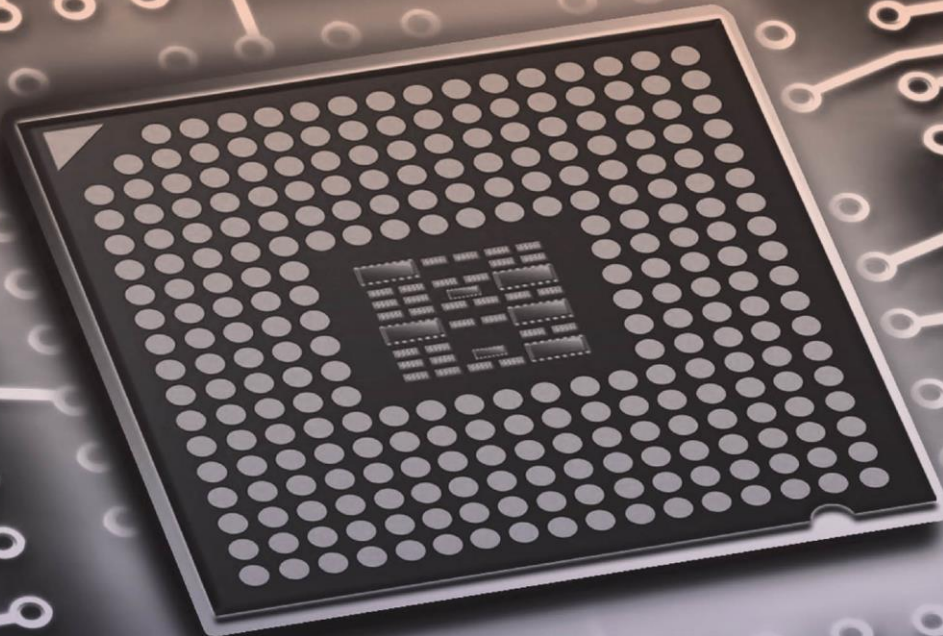




Department of Applied Information Systems
School of Consumer Intelligence and
Information Systems
Postgraduate Studies
BCom Honours in Information Technology



College of Business and Economics



BCOM HONOURS IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

1. GENERAL

Thank you for your interest in the BCom Honours in Information Technology degree at the University of Johannesburg. This document will provide a detailed overview of the programme.

2. COMPOSITION OF THE PROGRAMME

The programme is offered on a full-time or part-time basis:

Full-time	Part-time
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Completed in 12 months• Register for 9 modules (4 in the first semester and 5 in the second semester)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Completed in 24 months• Register for 5 modules (2 per semester) in the first year• Register for the remaining 4 modules in the second year

More information about the curriculum and each module is provided in Annexure A.

3. ABOUT THIS QUALIFICATION

The purpose of the qualification and programme is to develop the applied competence of the learner in analyzing, interpreting and applying information technology (IT) management principles and methods. It further develops the intellectual, research and professional skills of the learner. The qualification prepares learners to meaningfully participate in the management of information technology in organisations and as such contributing to the economic growth of the organisation.

On completion of the programme students will be able to demonstrate competence in:

- research skills (qualitative and quantitative methodology and data analysis)
- analyse and understand the interdependency between business and Information Technology
- analyse, evaluate and critically judge new technologies and its benefit to the organisation
- develop, implement and maintain an IT project environment that is conducive to organisational success
- develop and utilize information technology architectural paradigms that support organisational processes.





4. ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS


The BCom Honours programme receives many applications per year which means that students are selected based on academic merit. This means that even if you meet the criteria outlined below, your acceptance is not guaranteed.

- Access will be provided to students in possession of a BCom, BTech IT (UJ only), Advanced Diploma in Business Information Technology (BIT), or an equivalent Information Technology qualification on NQF Level 7 (3rd year level) with majors in information technology related field.
- A student must have attained a **minimum of 65%** in his/her BCom information technology, BTech IT (UJ) or Advanced Diploma in BIT majors at NQF Level 7.
- A potential student must have adequate English language proficiency by passing a literacy test.
- Selection may include an interview.

5. APPLICATION PROCESS

Applications open annually at the beginning of July and close on the 30th of September (no late applications are reviewed). The application process is purely online, no email or paper-based applications will be reviewed. Please visit UJ's website to apply. Should you experience problems with the online system please contact the Student Enrolment Centre on 011 559 4555.

Points to keep in mind:

- The initial screening process is based on your first semester 3rd year results (if you are still completing your degree) or based on your final 3rd year/BCom IT or advanced Diploma BIT results if you have already completed the degree.
 - From another University:
 - Currently studying - if you are applying when you are in your final (3rd year) you need to upload a University stamped copy of your academic record including the first semester results of your 3rd year.
 - Completed degree – when applying you must upload a University stamped copy of your academic record **and** certified copy of your degree certificate.
 - If your documents are not stamped this will result in your application being declined based on insufficient documentation provided.
 - UJ student:
 - You do not need to upload your academic record – your academic record will be linked to your application automatically.
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6. FAQs

1. *If I study part-time, can I select the modules I want to complete?*

The programme is very structured and you are required to complete certain modules at certain stages of the degree. Please refer to Annexure A for more information.

2. *If I'm working full-time, will I be able to complete the programme on a full-time basis?*

We don't recommend students who are working full-time to register on a full-time basis. The modules are made up of lots of group work and assignments which can be difficult to manage with a full-time job.

3. *Are classes compulsory?*

Yes. You can only be excused from 2 classes per semester in totality not 2 classes per subject.

4. *I have or I'm studying towards a BCom but I do not meet the entrance requirements. Specifically I don't have any Research related modules on 3rd year level. Can I still apply?*

Research on a 3rd year level is a pre-requisite therefore you will not be considered for the programme. If you do not have any research related modules on 3rd year level you are allowed to complete the module at another University or UJ itself for non-degree purposes. Please contact the College of Business and Economics on 011 559 3875 for more information on non-degree registration (please note that this is not guaranteed as space is limited for non-degree purpose registrations).

5. *My marks are below the 65% required but I do have work experience. Is this experience taken into consideration?*

Work experience is taken into consideration to some extent but doesn't guarantee a place on the programme. Please email Prof C Marnewick (cmarnewick@uj.ac.za) your academic record & CV before applying online.

6. *How much are the fees?*

The fees are approximately R30 000 per year (full-time studies) however the fees are adjusted annually and cannot be confirmed by the Department (only Student Finance can confirm – 0115593935).

7. *My company wants to pay for my fees. Can you give me a quote?*

Unfortunately, the Department cannot generate quotes for students. Please contact the Faculty of Management on 0115593875 or you can contact Student Finance directly on 0115593935.

8. *Do you have a bridging programme?*

No.

9. *What is the language policy?*

All classes are presented in English only. All assessments, research projects etc. are only completed in English.

ANNEXURE A

FULL-TIME CURRICULUM

FIRST SEMESTER

MODULES	CODE	NQF CREDITS
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY ARCHITECTURE	ITM8X02	16

IT RESEARCH METHODOLOGY	ITM8X03	16
MANAGEMENT OF IT PROJECTS	ITM8X05	16
INFORMATION SECURITY	IT8X298	16
NUMBER OF MODULES/CREDITS	4 SEMESTER MODULES	64 CREDITS

SECOND SEMESTER

MODULES	CODE	NQF CREDITS
ADVANCED MANAGEMENT OF IT PROJECTS	ITM8X01	16
INFORMATION SECURITY GOVERNANCE	ITM8X299	16
KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT	ITMX804	16
NEW DEVELOPMENT IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	ITMX806	16
STRATEGIC IT MANAGEMENT	ITMX808	16
NUMBER OF MODULES/CREDITS	5 SEMESTER MODULES	80 CREDITS

YEAR MODULE

MODULES	CODE	NQF CREDITS
RESEARCH PROJECT	ITMX807	32
NUMBER OF MODULES/CREDITS	MODULE	32 CREDITS

PART-TIME CURRICULUM

FIRST YEAR

FIRST SEMESTER

MODULES	CODE	NQF CREDITS
IT RESEARCH METHODOLOGY	ITM8X03	16
MANAGEMENT OF IT PROJECTS	ITM8X05	16
NUMBER OF MODULES/CREDITS	2 SEMESTER MODULES	32 CREDITS

SECOND SEMESTER

MODULES	CODE	NQF CREDITS
ADVANCED MANAGEMENT OF IT PROJECTS	ITM8X01	16
KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT	ITMX804	16
STRATEGIC IT MANAGEMENT	ITMX808	16
NUMBER OF MODULES/CREDITS	3 SEMESTER MODULES	48 CREDITS

SECOND YEAR

FIRST SEMESTER

MODULES	CODE	NQF CREDITS
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY ARCHITECTURE	ITM8X02	16
INFORMATION SECURITY	IT8X298	16
NUMBER OF MODULES/CREDITS	2 SEMESTER MODULES	32 CREDITS

SECOND SEMESTER

MODULES	CODE	NQF CREDITS
INFORMATION SECURITY GOVERNANCE	ITBX299	16
NEW DEVELOPMENT IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	ITM8X06	16
NUMBER OF MODULES/CREDITS	2 SEMESTER MODULES	32 CREDITS

YEAR MODULE

MODULES	CODE	NQF CREDITS
RESEARCH PROJECT	ITMX807	32
NUMBER OF MODULES/CREDITS	MODULE	32 CREDITS

Career opportunities:

- IT manager
- IT project manager
- Business analyst
- Scrum master
- Enterprise architect
- IT security manager

Ready to apply?

Visit the UJ homepage www.uj.ac.za and click on Study@UJ to apply for this qualification. All applications are done online.

Cost: Please visit the UJ Student Finance page for any queries related to the costs of this qualification. The student finance page can be accessed from the UJ home page at www.uj.ac.za. Click on Study@UJ and select Student Finance.

Bursaries / Funding: Please visit www.uj.ac.za/cbe and click on bursaries to view potential bursary opportunities. You can also visit the UJ home page at www.uj.ac.za and click on Study@UJ followed by Student Finance to view further bursary and funding opportunities.

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