

# RESEARCH METHODOLOGY ONLINE

CREDIT BEARING NQF 8, 16 credits

Being able to compile an academically and methodologically sound research proposal is critical for any student to be considered for possible postgraduate studies. Students applying for Master's or some of the PhD programmes come from different backgrounds. They often lack the necessary background in research methodology to allow them to conduct research at the required level. This often leads to students not being considered for Master's or PhD studies who otherwise might qualify for further studies. This fully ONLINE Research methodology programme will assist students to obtain research methodology skills to design and execute research at an honours level but at the same time to be considered for possible Master's and PhD studies.

## PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

This programme is presented as eight (8) online units. Students can sign in on a daily basis to access study material and instructions for a particular unit. A student can interact via e-mail with the programme administrator between 8:00 and 16:00 weekdays who will arrange contact with the facilitator, too answer questions and or to discuss topics, if there is a need. Once the programme material is successfully completed, students will start with their simulated research project for which a total of 96 hours have been allocated. Therefore, a total of 160 hours is required for this short learning programme awarding students with 16 credits.

## LEARNING OUTCOMES

At the end of the programme, students will be able to:

- Explain the research process used in research
- Identify and describe the appropriate research paradigm for a study
- Choose a research method that is appropriate for a research project
- Write a literature review for research
- Write a research proposal for a research project
- Collect and conduct basic analysis of qualitative data
- Collect and conduct basic descriptive statistics on quantitative data (part 1)
- Collect basic inferential statistics on quantitative data (part 2)

## OPTIONAL – FOR CREDITS

Research project and report: Integrate and apply the above themes to conduct a research project and write a structured report.

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Prospective Master's, PhD and students who need a refresher Research Methodology module are typical of the students who are expected to enrol for this programme. However, any student who is in possession of a NQF 7 qualification can apply. Access to the Internet are prerequisites for enrolment in the programme.

## DURATION

This is a fully online programme. The duration of the programme is 3 months. The curriculum is designed to allow students to learn at their own pace to a large extent.

## ASSESSMENT

Students will be assessed online using a variety of methods, such as Multiple Choice Questions; individual written assessments; peer evaluations; and the final research project and report

## CREDITS

Students may apply for credits towards an Advanced Diploma; BA or BCom Honours Research Methodology module.



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## APPLICATION DETAILS

To apply, click on either of the links below:

- For FIRST TIME (new) applicants to the UJ: [https://registration.uj.ac.za/pls/prodi41/wuj012pkg.wuj012\\_startup](https://registration.uj.ac.za/pls/prodi41/wuj012pkg.wuj012_startup)
- For RETURNING students: [https://registration.uj.ac.za/pls/prodi41/w99pkg.mi\\_login](https://registration.uj.ac.za/pls/prodi41/w99pkg.mi_login)

When applying use the token **IPPMCEP** in CAPS. Email your documents to [ujappdocs@listsrv.uj.ac.za](mailto:ujappdocs@listsrv.uj.ac.za) and copy [agnesma@uj.ac.za](mailto:agnesma@uj.ac.za) with only your student number in the subject line.

After selection you will be informed of the registration procedure. Registration will take place in January of the following year.

*Please note: NO NSFAS funding is available for this qualification.*

## PAYMENT

100% payment is required upon registration for this SLP.

## CONDITIONS OF CANCELLATION

Should students wish to cancel their registration of this SLP within the first seven days, a 50% refund will be granted. No refund will be granted after this period.

## WHO CAN YOU CONTACT?

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