

Accountancy@UJ

Advanced Diploma in Accountancy

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



What are the requirements for the Advanced Diploma?

In order to qualify for applying for the **Advanced Diploma** a student needs to be in possession of a National Diploma, obtained within the last three (3) years. In the **final year** of study, the student must have the following subjects:

- Accounting;
- Taxation; and
- Auditing or Internal Auditing.

Students with a National Diploma must also either have;

- passed Maths for Diploma students; or
- have a score of 4 or more for Mathematics (NOT Maths Literacy) in Grade 12.

Students, whom enrolled as a first year for a Diploma in College of Business and Economics (CBE) (previously FEFS) in 2015 or later, with an APS score below 4 for Maths or with Grade 12 Mathematic Literacy will only be considered after completion of the Mathematics for Finance and Business 1A and 1B modules offered by the CBE at the University of Johannesburg to all first year Diploma students.

What is the difference between the Advanced Diploma and the Bridging Programme?

The Advanced Diploma is offered to a student with a National Diploma in Accounting to allow a student to bridge from a National Diploma to Honours in either Taxation or Internal Auditing, should they meet the minimum requirements for the Honours in either Taxation or Internal Auditing programme. The Bridging Programme is offered to students who have obtained a degree and need to improve academic results to obtain entry into the Honours in either Taxation or Internal Auditing or for students who do not have the right subjects for entry into the Honours in either Taxation or Internal Auditing to complete those subjects. The bridging programme is also suitable for students with a BTech in Accounting who wish to pursue a Honours degree.

What subjects are offered on the Advanced Diploma?

For a student with a National Diploma, the subjects are:

- Accounting;
- Taxation;
- Auditing;
- Financial Numeracy (semester 1 only); and
- Business Citizenship (semester 2 only).

When are the classes?

The classes are Mondays to Thursdays from 16:20 – 19:20.

Where are the classes presented?

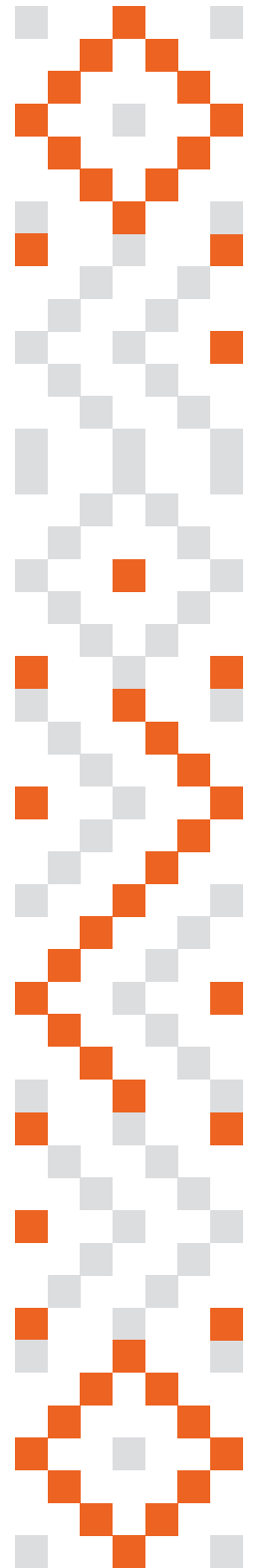
On the Auckland Park Kingsway Campus.

Does this mean that the Advanced Diploma is a part-time course?

The Advanced Diploma course is **not a part-time course**, even though the lectures are in the evenings. The classes are a duplication of third year degree classes, presented by the same lecturers that lecture the degree students. The free time during the day is needed to study and consult.

Are there any cut-off points in the course?

A student needs a minimum of 40% in **each** of the 3 year subjects as well as have passed Mathematics, (a minimum of 40% is required to be eligible to write the Mathematics final assessment) in the first semester in order to continue with the Advanced Diploma after the June assessments. At the end of the year, a student will need a minimum of 40% to be eligible to write the final assessments in the subjects at the end of the year. **All subjects must be completed and passed in one year.** Each students is only eligible to register for the Advanced Diploma **ONCE**.



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What is the cost of the course?

There is a registration fee payable at registration, together with an ITC levy and a portion of the class fees (R3 750). These fees will be detailed in the acceptance letter. The cost of the course is determined by the University of Johannesburg. The class fees are approximately R35 000 (excluding textbooks and registration fees). These fees will be increased for the following academic year.

What do I have once I have completed the Advanced Diploma?

You will be in possession of an Advanced Diploma.

What can I do after I have completed the Advanced Diploma?

You will be able to apply for the Honours in either Taxation or Internal Auditing, with a choice between taxation and internal auditing as a core module.

The Honours programme is only offered on a **full-time** basis.

What are the requirements for the Post Graduate Diploma in Accounting?

A potential student must be in possession of a B Com or have successfully passed the Advanced Diploma. A potential student must have appropriate knowledge of Accounting, Taxation and Auditing (NQF level 6). You need a minimum of 60% for Accounting, Taxation and Auditing or Internal Auditing in order to be eligible for the Honours in either Taxation or Internal Auditing.

Please note that these are minimum requirements for application only. Space is limited and is based on academic performance.

Does this mean that if a student does the Advanced Diploma they can become a Chartered Accountant (CA)?

No, the Advanced Diploma does not make you eligible to apply for the Post Graduate Diploma in Accounting Sciences.

What are the options if a National Diploma student wishes to become a CA?

Should a student wish to become a CA after their National Diploma, they will get credits for some of their first year subjects. A **minimum** of two years will be spent to complete the BCom degree. Once a student has successfully completed the degree they may apply for a bridging certificate in the theory of accounting (BCTA), which is a one year course. Upon successful completion of the BCTA and meeting the minimum academic entry requirements they may apply for the Post Graduate Diploma in Accounting Sciences.

When do the applications for the Advanced Diploma open

The applications are open in May through to October, on-line via the UJ website.

The qualification code for the Advanced Diploma in Accountancy is ADIA01.

When is the closing date?

Please refer to the UJ website for the official closing date.

Please note that space on the programme is very limited and will be allocated based on academic performance. No late applications will be accepted.

International students / International qualification must contact the Division for Internationalisation at the University – contact telephone number 011 559 4517.

Applications for International students open on 1 June and close mid August.

