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# Master of Management ICT Policy and Regulation Guide to Applications

## Introduction

Thank you for considering the Master of Management in the field of ICT Policy and Regulation as your chosen avenue of further study.

This document sets out the requirements and procedure to be followed by prospective applicants to the degree.

This highly-regarded degree runs under the Graduate School of Public and Development Management (P&DM) at the University of the Witwatersrand. Spread over three years, its combination of coursework and research, combined with exposure to both academic debate and expert research in the field of ICT policy and regulation is attracting high quality, committed students who are themselves establishing an intellectual milieu conducive to deep, rigorous and wide-ranging study.

The minimum period of study for a Masters is two years in the case of full-time study, and three years in the case of part-time study. The degree itself is awarded on the basis of successful completion of ten modules and a 50% research report. A regular research seminar of Masters students is an important contributing factor to successful completion of this postgraduate degree programme, as this provides a regular opportunity for participants to share knowledge, receive informed feedback, and practise presenting their work. Supervision is provided by our staff in all aspects of the research experience, particularly academic writing, networking (locally and internationally), and practical skills associated with research methods and publications. The research report of some 40 000 words in length allows you to focus on a specialist area of ICT research, and is examined by two examiners, one of whom are external to the university.

Up-to-date information on the degree can be found at <http://link.wits.ac.za/training/training4.html>.

## Eligibility

Applicants seeking admission to the Master of Management ICT Policy and Regulation degree should possess working experience at a middle to senior level in the field of ICT as it relates to policy, regulation, economics, law or technologies. Applicants should also have one of the following: an undergraduate degree or an Honours or equivalent post-graduate diploma in an applicable field. Candidates are also required to undergo an admission test.

Applications are considered according to a balanced combination of: work experience, past academic performance and admission test results. This assessment is designed to identify students who have a good chance of performing at the required level of conceptualisation and analysis, reading and writing.

## Application Process

If you consider that you meet the requirements for the degree, you should follow the steps outlined below. Once your complete application has been received, along with your admission test results, an Admissions Committee establishes whether you have the relevant qualifications and experience, and if supervision would be available. If you

meet these criteria, then you would be accepted onto the MM(ICTPR) programme.

Complete the application form, providing all the specified information, and hand it in to the Admissions Office, together with the required supporting documentation.

### **1 Complete the Application Form**

Collect an Application Form from the P&DM Admissions Office, or download it from our web site at <http://link.wits.ac.za/training/MMICTPR-Application-Form.pdf>.

Complete the application form in full with all the required information, including PART 3 of the form.

### **2 Compile the Required Supporting Documentation**

- Two recent passport-size photographs are required.
- Provide certified copies of all your academic qualifications (degrees, diplomas etc). (You will require certificates of equivalency for any non-South African degrees from the Evaluation Department, Human Sciences Research Council, Private Bag X41, Pretoria, 0001 South Africa.)
- Provide certified copies of your academic transcripts / statements of results (courses and results for each of your academic qualifications).
- Provide a one- or two-page curriculum vitae.
- Provide a two page motivation, setting out your reasons for registering on the degree and giving some indication of your intended area of research.

### **3 Submit the Completed Application Form**

Submit the completed Application Form together with the required supporting documentation to:

The Admissions Office  
School of Public & Development Management  
Parktown Campus, University of the Witwatersrand  
2 St David's Place, Parktown  
Tel: +27 11-717-3698

### **4 Take the Admissions Test**

The Admissions Office will advise you of the procedure for booking and completing this test, as well as the cost, venue and dates. Testing is done by Kathy Cannell, Psychometrist, Wits Business School + 27 11 717-3130 or [Kathy.Cannell@wits.ac.za](mailto:Kathy.Cannell@wits.ac.za).

### **Application deadlines**

Your application must be submitted by **5 December** of the previous academic year to commence study in January of the following year.

**NB. Missing application material delays the application process, please ensure that all the required documents are enclosed.**

### **Financial Support**

Applicants must make their own arrangements regarding possible scholarships or bursaries. Details and forms are obtainable from the University's Financial Aid and Scholarships Office (Private Bag 3, Wits, 2050, South Africa). Application forms for awards made by the University have to be submitted by 30 September; and for awards made by the Council for Scientific Development (for South African nationals), by 1 November.

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