

Commerce, Law and Management



Equipping future leaders with business, management, and legal skills

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How to structure your BCom degree

First things first

The Wits BCom includes compulsory first-year courses that build foundational knowledge in Economics, Accounting, Commercial Law, Information Systems, and Introductory Mathematics and Business Statistics. These courses prepare you for a career in the commercial and related sectors of any economy.

You can either take them as full-year courses across both semesters of the academic year, or as semester courses in the first or second semesters. In some cases, you must pass one course before proceeding to another.

Two or three majors?

The Wits BCom is a double major degree, which means you need to complete at least two full majors. But, in your second year, you can choose courses

or modules that lead to three potential majors.

By choosing three majors in your second year, you can start exploring areas of interest in more depth, but make a final decision later.

You must have at least one major from Commerce, Law and Management (CLM); your second major could be from another faculty, like Science or Humanities. However, many students take both majors from disciplines offered within CLM.

Still deciding? Go General.

One of the great benefits of a Wits BCom General degree is that you don't have to commit to your major choices in first year. Even if you choose one of the

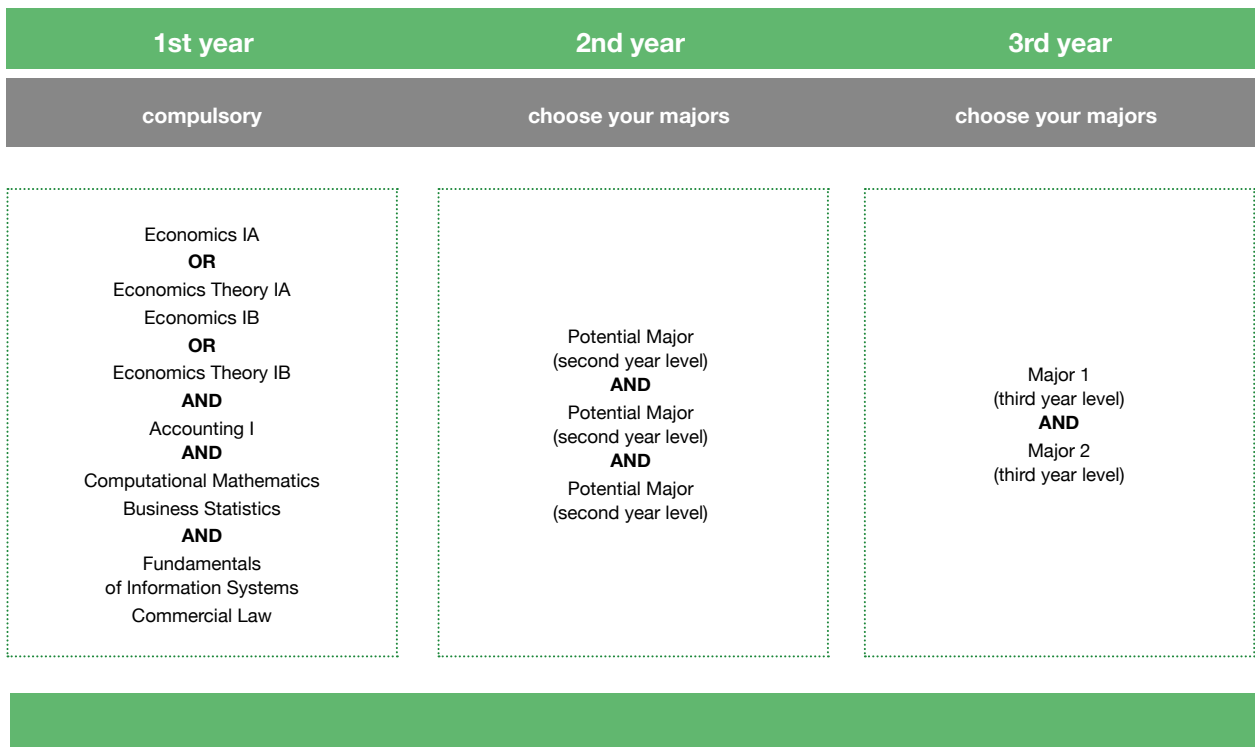
more specialised BCom degrees (e.g. BCom Law or BCom PPE), you can easily move between degrees if you change your mind later.

From second year onwards, BCom General students select their majors from either:

- Economics, Finance, Information Systems, Insurance and Risk Management, Human Resource Management, Marketing, and Management;
- Courses offered in the School of Accountancy (i.e. Auditing, Taxation, and Management Accounting); or
- Selected approved majors from other faculties.

Faculty officers can advise you on your options at registration or during the year.

Structure of the Wits BCom





Create a BCom degree that suits your career goals with our guided major combinations.

Flexible Major Combinations

■ Economics

Do you have a flair for problem-solving, reasoning, and analysis?

Are you fascinated by how money makes the world go around?

A career in Economics might be for you.

What is Economics?

Economics is the study of how, where, and why money and resources are produced, spent, and allocated by governments and businesses, and how this affects individuals. When you hear discussions about unemployment, monetary policy, budget deficit, and inflation, chances are an economist is

involved. Since all businesses, organisations, and citizens are affected by local and global economies, every commerce graduate must complete at least one year of study in Economics.

Major Combinations

- Finance
- Information Systems
- Insurance and Risk Management
- Law
- Management

OR

Politics

OR

Philosophy as part of a BCom(PPE)

Careers in Economics

- Analyst
- Chief Executive Officer
- Chief Investment Officer
- Economic Consultant
- Economist
- Investment Analyst
- Investment Banker
- Journalist
- Manager
- Political Advisor or 'Lobbyist'
- Policy Analyst
- Politician
- Researcher ■

■ Finance

Are you analytical and skilled at problem-solving and planning? Are you good with numbers and have you always been money-savvy? Consider a major in Finance.

What is Finance?

Finance is the science of managing money. This involves two broadly related activities:

- The management of money by businesses (corporate finance), government (public finance), and individuals (personal finance); and
- The process of acquiring the funds needed to operate successfully.

Finance is the engine of all economies and stock markets and is central to their success (or failure). Some of the topics you will study include investments, equity and debt, assets and liabilities, credit, mergers and acquisitions, dividend policy, initial public offerings (IPOs), and financial regulations and decision-making.

Major Combinations

- Economics
- Information Systems
- Insurance and Risk Management
- Law
- Management

Careers in Finance

- Chief Executive Officer
- Chief Financial Officer
- Chief Investment Officer
- Financial Advisor
- Financial Journalist
- Financial Risk Manager
- Investment Analyst
- Investment Banker
- Merchant Banker
- Portfolio Manager
- Public Sector Consultant
- Stock Broker ■

■ Human Resource Management

Are you a great communicator who relates well to people? Do you have excellent problem-solving skills, with the ability to 'see both sides'? Studying Human Resource Management may be a great choice for you.

What is Human Resource Management?

Human Resource Management (HRM) involves managing people within organisations to optimise their performance. HRM studies focus on people-related policies and systems. They are also concerned with change in organisations and industrial relations, such as recruitment, talent management, employee development and motivation, and compensation.

Major Combinations

- Management
- Psychology
- Law
- Information Systems
- Economics
- Marketing

Careers in Human Resource Management

- Consulting
- Human Resource Management
- Industrial Relations Management
- Management
- Negotiations
- Recruitment and Talent Management
- Strategic Planning
- Training and Development ■

■ Information Systems

Are you fascinated by the relationship between technology, people, organisations, and societies? Are you the first to download and use the latest app? Do you enjoy solving real-world problems? Information Systems might be the career path for you.

What is Information Systems?

Information Systems (IS) enable individuals, organisations, and society to gather, store, organise, protect, retrieve, share, and analyse information. Though technologies play a vital part in these systems, IS studies also focus on systems design in their entirety. This is how IS differs from information technology (IT) or computer science, which only study the technology components.

IS professionals work in all sectors of the economy, including large organisations.

Major Combinations

- Finance
- Marketing
- Computer Science
- Management
- Economics
- Law
- Psychology

Careers in Information Systems

- Application Developer
- Business Analyst
- Change Manager
- Chief Information Officer
- IT Auditor
- IT Consultant
- Project Manager
- Systems Analyst
- Technology Architect
- UX/UI Designer ■

■ Insurance and Risk Management

Does risk management and the probability of disaster fascinate you? Are you analytical and focused, with good attention to detail? A career in insurance and risk management might be for you.

What is Insurance and Risk Management?

Insurance is how companies and individuals protect themselves against the risk of loss, and against loss itself. This may involve property, life, health, or income. Insurance is a form of risk management.

Risk management refers to the way in which risks are identified, assessed, and prioritised, and the means used to minimise, monitor, and control the threat posed by unpredictable events.

Major Combinations

- Economics
- Finance
- Law
- Management

Careers in Insurance and Risk Management

- Appraiser
- Asset Manager
- Claims Adjustor
- Compliance Officer
- Insurance Analyst
- Insurance Broker
- Financial Advisor
- Sales Representative
- Underwriter

Wits offers professional development in this field outside of actuarial science studies. There is a high demand for graduates with insurance and risk management knowledge in senior management positions within this industry. ■

■ Management

Do you have a flair for planning, organising, and teamwork? Are you an effective communicator who can motivate others? Do you see yourself leading a Fortune 500 company, or as South Africa's next successful entrepreneur? If so, consider majoring in Management.

What is Management?

Management studies how organisations – be they businesses, government bodies, or non-profit organisations – are run and administrated. Topics covered include: leadership and the role of managers; managing individuals, groups, and teams; organisational development and behaviour; project management and strategic management; and the theory and practice of entrepreneurship and new venture creation.

Those with an entrepreneurial flair may start their own businesses, or become small business advisors or business consultants.

Major Combinations

You can choose from almost any discipline, because most graduates eventually move into leadership positions in their careers.

Careers in Management

- Compliance Manager
- Manager in Public Works and Health
- Manager in Tourism
- Marketing Manager
- Operations Manager
- Project Manager
- Strategic Planning Director
- Training Manager

Top Management posts include:

- Chief Executive Officer
- Chief Operating Officer
- Company President
- General Manager
- Managing Director ■

■ Marketing

Are you fascinated by trends, and why certain brands are more successful than others? Do you ever wonder what makes last season's 'must-haves' suddenly 'so last year'? Would you love to shape the world's consumer desires? Marketing could be your dream career.

What is Marketing?

The role of marketing in business is to build brand profiles and persuade people to buy products. Technology, travel, entertainment, services, apps, and games - even your favourite musician or sports team - all of these are marketed.

Marketing includes the creation and design of images and products (branding), advertising, demand creation and management, public relations, and digital marketing.

Major Combinations

- Management
- Information Systems
- Psychology
- Finance
- Economics
- Human Resource Management

Careers in Marketing

- Advertising Manager
- Brand Manager
- Events Manager
- Market Research Manager
- Project Manager
- Promotions Manager
- Public Relations Manager
- Sales Manager ■

Bachelor of Commerce (General)

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Invest in your future with a Wits BCom. Establish a strong knowledge foundation, build your intellectual capital, and take the first step towards future-proofing your career.

Bachelor of Commerce (General)

CBA00

Duration

3 years

NSC Requirements

APS

39+

English Home Language OR First Additional Language

Level 5

Mathematics

Level 5

Wait listing

Applicants with an APS of 35-38, as well as English 6 and Mathematics 6, will be wait-listed subject to place availability.

International Qualifications on page 27

Closing Date: 30 September

Careers

- Chartered Certified Accountant
- Chartered Financial Analyst
- Internal Auditor
- Management Accountant
- Management Consultant
- Professional Accountant

Programme Description

Associated with one of the highest graduate employment rates in the country, a Wits BCom makes you highly sought- after, both locally and internationally.

Curriculum

First year

- Accounting I
- Computational Mathematics I
- Business Statistics I
- Commercial Law I

Economics IA (Microeconomics)

Economics IB (Macroeconomics)

OR

Economic Theory IA (Microeconomics for Economists)

Economic Theory IB (Macroeconomics for Economists)

AND, one of the following:

Information Systems IA

OR

Fundamentals of Information Systems

Second year

Economics and Finance

Economics and Management

Finance and Management

Finance and Insurance and Risk Management

Insurance and Risk Management and Management

Marketing and Management

Marketing and Human Resources Management

Human Resource Management and Management

Third year

Economics and Finance

Economics and Management

Finance and Management

Finance and Insurance and Risk Management

Insurance and Risk Management and Management

Marketing and Management

Marketing and Human Resources Management

Human Resource Management and Management

Accounting

Bachelor of Commerce (Accounting)

CBA14

Duration

3 years

NSC Requirements

APS

39+

English Home Language OR First Additional Language

Level 5

Mathematics Level 5

Wait listing

Applicants with an APS of 35-38, as well as English 6 and Mathematics 6, will be wait-listed subject to place availability.

International Qualifications on page 27

Closing Date: 30 September

Careers

- Chartered Certified Accountant
- Chartered Financial Analyst
- Internal Auditor
- Management Accountant
- Management Consultant
- Professional Accountant

Programme Description

The three-year, full-time BCom Accounting programme includes compulsory and elective courses.

The choice of courses within the BCom Accounting programme allows you to tailor your degree to meet your career aspirations. With this degree, you can become a chartered financial analyst (CFA) in the USA or SA, a professional accountant registered with the South African Institute of Professional Accountants (SAIPA), a management accountant registered with the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA), a certified internal auditor (CIA) or a chartered certified accountant registered with the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA).

If you want to pursue the ACCA qualification, please refer to the admission requirements for the Postgraduate Diploma in Specialised Accountancy.

Curriculum

First year

Accounting I
Economics IA (Microeconomics)
Economics IB (Macroeconomics)
Commercial Law I
Computational Mathematics I
Business Statistics I
Fundamentals of Information Systems
Information Systems IA

Second year

Accounting II
Management Accounting and Finance II
Taxation II
Auditing II
Business Enterprise Law
Mercantile Law
A total of 24 credits must be taken from:
Human Resources IIA
Principles of Marketing
Consumer Behaviour
Economics IIA

Third year

A minimum total of 120 credits must be taken from the following courses-provided that you have satisfied the prerequisite courses. In order to qualify for the Bachelor of Commerce in the field of Accounting it is important to note that Accounting III must be completed.

Accounting III
Management Accounting and Finance III
Taxation IIIB
Auditing III

OR

Internal Auditing III ■

Accounting Science

Bachelor of Accounting Science

CBA08

Duration

3 years

NSC Requirements

APS

42+

English Home Language OR First Additional Language

Level 5

Mathematics

Level 6

Wait listing

Applicants with an APS of 39-41, as well as English 6 and Mathematics 6, will be wait-listed subject to place availability.

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Closing Date: 30 September

Careers

- Chartered Accountant
- Fund Manager
- Internal Auditor
- Tax Specialist

Programme Description

The Bachelor of Accounting Science (BAccSC) degree qualifies you as a Chartered Accountant. The programme includes four core areas of study: Management Accounting and Finance, Financial Accounting, Auditing, and Taxation. You will also take introductory courses in Economics, Commercial Law, Mathematics and Statistics, and Accounting Information Systems.

The curriculum is fully compliant with international accounting education requirements, as well as those of the following boards:

- South African Institute of Chartered Accountants (SAICA)
- Public Accountants and Auditors Board (PAAB)
- International Federation of Accountants (IFAC)

Once you've completed your BAccSc, you will need to

complete a Higher Diploma in Accounting (HDipAcc), which is a one-year, full-time postgraduate programme. If you successfully complete the HDipAcc, you will be eligible to write the SAICA qualifying exams (otherwise known as Board Exams).

The exams are written in two parts, and you will need to complete a three-year training contract in the accountancy profession (Training in Public Practice) or in commerce and industry (Training Outside Public Practice). After writing your first exam, you will need to choose a specialist course in either Financial Management or Auditing. You will then write the second qualifying exam. Once you have successfully completed both exams, you will be eligible to register as a chartered accountant with SAICA.

Curriculum

Please note that this degree structure is changing and is currently under development.

First year

Accounting Information Systems

Financial Accounting I

Economics IA (Microeconomics)

Economics IB (Macroeconomics)

Commercial Law I

Computational Mathematics I

Business Statistics I

Second year

Financial Accounting II

Management Accounting and Finance II

Taxation II

Auditing II

Business Enterprise Law

Mercantile Law

A total of 24 credits must be taken from the following course:

Economics IIA

OR

Principles of Marketing and Consumer Behaviour

OR

Human Resources Management IIA

Third year

Financial Accounting III

Management Accounting and Finance III

Taxation III

Auditing III ■

Bachelor of Commerce (Law)

Bachelor of Commerce (Law)

CBA13

Duration

3 years

NSC Requirements

APS

43+

English Home Language OR First Additional Language

Level 5

Mathematics

Level 5

Wait listing

Applicants with an APS of 35-42, as well as English 6 and Mathematics 6, will be wait-listed subject to place availability.

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Closing Date: 30 September

Programme Description

If you are interested in a specific field in business but also want a background in law, the specialised BCom Law degree is a good option.

Curriculum

First year

Introduction to Law

Law of Persons

Economics IA (Microeconomics)

Economics IB (Macroeconomics)

OR

Economic Theory IA (Microeconomics for Economists)

Economic Theory IB (Macroeconomics for Economists)

Computational Mathematics I

Business Statistics I

Fundamentals of Information Systems

OR

Information Systems IA

Second year

Family Law

Constitutional Law

Constitutional Law: Bill of Rights

A total of 72 credits must be taken from the following courses: At least 48 credits must make up the second year level of your second major.

- Corporate Finance II
- Investment II
- Principles of Management IIA
- Principles of Management IIB (Entrepreneurship)
- Economics IIA
- Economics IIB
- Consumer Behaviour
- Principles of Marketing
- Integrated Marketing Communications
- Retail Management
- Human Resources IIA
- Human Resources IIB (Labour relations)
- Insurance and Risk Management IIA
- Insurance and Risk Management IIB
- Information Systems IIA
- Information Systems IIB

Third year

Criminal Law

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Jurisprudence

A total of 72 credits must be taken from the following courses provided you have done the equivalent in the second year of study:

Investment and Corporate Finance III

Operations Management

Project Management

Innovation and Intrapreneurship Management

Strategic Management

Economic Science III

OR

Economic Theory III

OR

Applied Development Economics III

Insurance and Risk Management III

Marketing IIIA

Marketing IIIB

Compensation and Benefits

Human Resources and Individual Performance

Human Resources and Organisational Performance

Organisational Theory

Management and Application of Information Systems

Information Systems Development Project ■

Economic Science

Bachelor of Economic Science

CBA05

Duration

3 years

NSC Requirements

APS

42+

English Home Language OR First Additional Language

Level 5

Mathematics

Level 6

Wait listing

Applicants with an APS of 39-41, as well as English Level 5 and Mathematics Level 7, will be wait-listed, subject to place availability. Applicants interested in Actuarial Science require Mathematics Level 7 and English Level 6.

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Careers

- Actuary
- Budget Analyst
- Economist
- Field Marketing Associate
- Financial Analyst
- Industry Analyst
- Management Consultant
- Policy Analyst
- Statistician

Programme Description

The Bachelor of Economic Science (BEconSc) is a mathematically focused degree with majors in Economics and Mathematical Science.

The BEconSc is a specialist degree that builds strong analytical abilities for graduates wishing to work in fields

like economics, actuarial science, or other business and data analytics fields.

You can choose to major in Mathematical Science from Actuarial Science, Computational and Applied Mathematics, Computer Science, Mathematics, and Mathematical Statistics.

The entrance requirements for the BEconSc degree are higher than those for the BCom. You should only consider it if you have a strong mathematical ability.

Curriculum

First year

Business Accounting I
Economic Theory IA (Microeconomics for Economists)
Economic Theory IB (Macroeconomics for Economists)

Algebra I

Calculus I

AND, one of the following groups:

Computational and Applied Mathematics I

OR

Basic Computer Organisation
Discrete Computational Structures
Introduction to Algorithms and Programming

Introduction to Data Structures and Algorithms

OR

Actuarial Science I

AND

Mathematical Statistics I

Second year

Economics IIA and IIB

AND

Basic Analysis II

Multivariable Calculus

Abstract Mathematics

Linear Algebra II

Transition to Abstract Mathematics II

Introduction to Mathematical Statistics

AND, one of the following groups:

Computational and Applied Mathematics II

OR

Database Fundamentals II

Mobile Computing II

Computer Networks II

Analysis of Algorithms II

OR

Mathematical Statistics II

OR

Actuarial Science II

Third year

Economic Science III

AND, one of the following groups provided you have done the equivalent in the second year of study and complied with the pre- and co-requisite courses

Computational and Applied Maths III

OR

Software Engineering III

OR

Software Design III

AND

Formal Languages and Automata III

Advanced Analysis of Algorithms III

Operating Systems and System Programming

OR

Number Theory III

OR

Topology III

Coding and Cryptography III

OR

Rings and Fields III

Differential Geometry III

OR

Leontief Systems III

Group Theory III

Real Analysis III

Complex Analysis III

OR

Mathematical Statistics III

OR

Actuarial Science III

Information Systems

Bachelor of Commerce (Information Systems)

CBA10

Duration

3 years

NSC Requirements

APS 39+

English Home Language OR
First Additional Language

Level 5

Mathematics Level 5

Wait listing

Applicants with an APS of 35-38, as well as English 6 and Mathematics 6, will be wait-listed subject to place availability.

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Careers

The analytical, technical, business and communication skills gained through the BCom with specialisation in IS can lead to a wide range of career choices, including: Business Analyst, Systems Analyst, Consultant, Analyst Programmer, Application Developer, Technology Architect, Database Administrator, UX/UI Designer, IT Auditor, Project Manager, Change Manager, Chief Information Officer.

We regularly supply graduates to major professional services and banking organisations, including ABSA, Accenture, BSG, Deloitte, EY, First National Bank, Investec, Nedbank, PWC, Rand Merchant Bank and Standard Bank; technology organisations, including Amazon, Facebook, Google, Oracle and SAP; and telecommunications organisations, including Telkom, MTN and Vodacom. We also have many graduates working internationally.

Programme Description

The pervasiveness of technology in the knowledge

economy has resulted in increasing demand for professionals with a unique blend of analytical, technical, business and communication skills.

Information Systems are systems that allow individuals, organisations and societies to gather, store, organise, protect, retrieve, share and make sense of the information in their environments.

In Information Systems, we study what happens when technologies, people, organisations and societies interact. Technology now lies at the heart of a dynamic, information and knowledge-driven world that needs people to point the way, people who “get it”. Our analysts solve “real world” problems, using technology to build systems that allow for quicker and smarter responses to changes in dynamic and complex environments.

It is important to note that we focus on the design of end-to-end solutions of which technology may be an element, and not only on technology for the sake of technology. This is what differentiates us from other disciplines such as Information Technology (IT), Computer Science and Software Engineering.

Curriculum

First year

Information Systems IA and IB

Accounting I

Computational Mathematics I

Business Statistics I

Economic IA (Microeconomics)

Economics IB (Macroeconomics)

OR

Economic Theory IA (Microeconomics for Economists)

Economics Theory IB (Macroeconomics for Economists)

Second year

Information Systems IIA and IIB

A total of 72 credits must be taken from the following courses. At least 48 of these credits must make up the second year level of your second major. Students who wish to pursue a second major in Computer Science must be aware of the prerequisite requirements for this course.

Corporate Finance II

Investment II

Economics IIA and IIB

Consumer Behaviour

Principles of Marketing

Integrated Marketing Communications

Retail Management

Principles of Management IIBA and IIB

Entrepreneurship

Insurance and Risk Management
IIA and IIB

Human Resources IIA

Human Resources IIB (Labour Relations)

Third year

Management and Application of Information Systems

Information Systems Development
Project

A total of 72 credits must be taken from the following courses:

Investment and Corporate Finance III

Economic Science III

Economic Theory III

Applied Development Economics III

Marketing IIIA and IIIB

Operations Management

Project Management

Innovation and Intrapreneurship

Management

Strategic Management

Insurance and Risk Management III

Compensation and Benefits

Human Resource and Individual

Performance

Human Resources and Organisational

Performance

Organisational Theory



Politics, Philosophy and Economics

Bachelor of Commerce (Politics, Philosophy and Economics)

CBA12

Duration

3 years

NSC Requirements

APS

39+

English Home Language OR First Additional Language

Level 5

Mathematics

Level 5

Wait listing

Applicants with an APS of 35-38, as well as English Level 6 and Mathematics Level 6, will be wait-listed subject to place availability.

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Careers

- Academia
- Civil Service
- Development
- Diplomatic Corps
- Economics
- International Banking or Finance
- Journalism
- Politics
- Research

Programme Description

The Politics, Philosophy and Economics BCom(PPE) specialisation gives you a broad and deep understanding of the world, as well as a wide range of thinking skills required for high-level engagement.

Specialising in PPE gives you an understanding of political, philosophical, and economic ideas; the nature of political institutions; political

processes and decision-making; how economic systems work; the causes of poverty and wealth; and how to promote development.

In the first year, you will take economics, politics, and philosophy, as well as a selection of general BCom first-year subjects. From second to third year level, you will continue to major in economics and either politics or philosophy.

You can choose to do a BA(PPE) or to take politics or philosophy as part of a general BCom degree.

Curriculum

First year

Economic Theory IA
(Microeconomics for Economists)

Economic Theory IB
(Macroeconomic for Economists)

Introduction to Ethics

Introduction to Philosophy:
Knowledge and Reality I

Introduction to Political Studies I
States, Power and Governance



Computational Mathematics I

Business Statistics I

Second year

Economics IIA and IIB

A student must choose between
Politics II and Philosophy II

History of Philosophy: A Classical and
Early Modern Philosophy

AND, one of the following:

- Philosophy of Mind and Psychology II
- Philosophy of Religion II
- Philosophy of Science II
- Social and Political Philosophy II
- Theories of Justice II
- Continental Philosophy II
- African Philosophy

OR, two of the following:

- Social Theories of Modernity
- South Africa: Politics and Governance
- Black Consciousness Thought and the
Politics of Anti-Racism

A total of 48 credits must be taken from:

- Corporate Finance II
- Investment II

- Principles of Management IIA

- Principles of Management IIB (Entre-
preneurships)

- Insurance and Risk Management IIA

- Insurance and Risk Management IIB

- Human Resources IIA

- Human Resources IIB
(Labour Relations)

- Consumer Behaviour

- Principles of Marketing IIA

- Integrated Marketing Communications

- Retail Management

Third year

Economic Science III

OR

Economic Theory III

OR

Applied Development Economics III

A total of 72 credits must be selected
from either Politics III or Philosophy III,
depending of what was taken in second
year of study

AND

Epistemology and Metaphysics III

Ethics III

History of Philosophy B: Further Topics
in Modern Philosophy III

Philosophy of Social Science

Select Movements in 20th Century

Philosophy III

A selected topic in Philosophy III

Senior seminar in Philosophy

Philosophy of Language III

Symbolic Logic III

Philosophy of Art

OR

Development: Concepts and
Experiences

Liberty, Justice and the Politics of
Difference

Conflict and Stability in Postcolonial
Africa

Selected topics in Political Studies

Introduction to Comparative Politics

Politics for Public Service

Post-Colonial Politics ■

Law Programmes



You have several options if you want to study law at Wits.

If you want to practise law, you need at least an LLB degree.

While it is possible to enter an LLB at first-year undergraduate level, you are encouraged to complete a BCom or BA degree first, preferably with law as one of your majors. This gives you a feeling for general law subjects before you commit to studying law. It also develops your knowledge and skills in other disciplines, which will be useful when you practise law.

If you want to work in corporate law,

either for a law firm or in the legal department of large organisations, you should do a BCom(Law) with a second major in Finance, Management, Accounting, Taxation, or any other BCom major. However, if you want to work in human rights law, family law, constitutional law, or international law, you should begin your legal studies with a BA(Law) and pair this with courses like politics, sociology, economics, or languages.

Both the BCom(Law) and BA(Law) routes into the LLB include introductory and core LLB courses, taken over three years, which will be your majors. You can then complete your LLB degree over two years, with credits accrued during

the undergraduate degree awarded towards your LLB.

This four-year programme comprises mostly law subjects with several Humanity or Commerce subjects at first-year level. You must take certain core law subjects if you wish to graduate with an LLB. Other subjects form a set of electives you can choose from.

You can also enter the LLB if you hold any undergraduate degree, without Law as a major. In this case, you will only have to complete the law courses required in the LLB and can complete the qualification in three years.

In both cases, you will develop critical thinking and analytical skills during your first degree, which enables you to progress through the LLB.

Bachelor of Laws (two-year stream)



Bachelor of Laws (two-year stream)

LFA12

Duration

2 years

NSC Requirements

No matric APS calculation.

Wait listing

Once you have obtained a degree in BCom Law or BA Law, you may apply for the Wits two-year stream LLB programme. You will have to complete years three and four of the Wits LLB. There are no Matric admission criteria, but you must have obtained at least 65% in the final year of the BCom Law or BA Law programmes offered at Wits.

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Careers

Students studying law at Wits can consider many careers both

in the legal and related areas, bearing in mind that further study and requirements are necessary for certain roles. Roles might include:

- Advocate
- Arbitrator
- Attorney
- Conveyancer
- Judge
- Legal Advisor
- Legal Practitioner
- Legal, Risk and Compliance Consultant
- Magistrate
- Mediator
- Negotiator
- Professional Counsellor
- Prosecutor

Curriculum

Third year (first year of registration)

- Law of Succession
- Business Entities
- Contract
- Civil Procedure
- Criminal Procedure
- Ethics and Law: Theory and Practice
- Evidence
- Property
- Public International Law

Fourth year (second year of registration)

- Practical Legal Studies
- Administrative Law
- Customary Law
- Insolvency
- Labour Law

AND

- Four electives ■

Bachelor of Laws (three-year stream)

Bachelor of Laws (three-year stream)

LFA13

Duration

3 years

NSC Requirements

No matric APS calculation.

Wait listing

If you completed a degree with no law courses, you can apply for the three-year LLB, which means you would start in the second year of the degree.

There are no Matric admission criteria because we consider your academic records from your first degree. You must have obtained an average of at least 65% in the final year of an undergraduate degree to be eligible for the three-year LLB.

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Closing Date: 30 September

Careers

Students studying law at Wits can consider many careers both in the legal and related areas, bearing in mind that further study and requirements are necessary for certain roles. Roles might include:

- Advocate
- Arbitrator
- Attorney
- Conveyancer
- Judge
- Legal Advisor
- Legal Practitioner
- Legal, Risk and Compliance Consultant
- Magistrate
- Mediator
- Negotiator
- Professional Counsellor
- Prosecutor

Curriculum

Second year (first year of registration)

- Law of Persons
- Family Law
- Introduction to Law for Graduates
- Constitutional Law
- Constitutional Law: Bill of Rights
- Criminal Law
- Delict
- Jurisprudence

Third year (second year of registration)

- Law of Succession
- Business Entities
- Contract
- Civil Procedure
- Criminal Procedure
- Ethics and Law: Theory and Practice
- Evidence
- Property
- Public International Law

Fourth year (third year of registration)

- Practical Legal Studies
- Administrative Law
- Customary Law
- Insolvency
- Labour Law

AND

Four electives ■

Bachelor of Laws (three-year stream)



Bachelor of Laws (four-year stream)

Bachelor of Laws (four-year stream)

LFA14

Duration

4 years

NSC Requirements

APS

46+

English Home Language OR Additional First Language

Level 6

Mathematics

Level 5

Maths Literacy

Level 6

Wait listing

Students who come to Wits immediately after Matric may apply for the four-year LLB.

Applicants with an APS of 40-45, as well as English Level 6 AND Mathematics Level 5 OR Maths Literacy Level 6, will be wait-listed, subject to place availability.

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Curriculum

First year

Law of Persons

Family Law

Introduction to Law for LLB students

(Certificate of Competence in Computer Literacy)

AND

You must complete one or more courses from any other Faculty in the University, to the value of 36 LLB credits.

Second year

Constitutional Law

Constitutional Law: Bill of Rights

Law of Succession

Criminal Law

Delict

Jurisprudence

Third year

Business Entities

Contract

Civil Procedure

Criminal Procedure

Ethics and Law: Theory and Practice

Evidence

Property

Public International Law

Fourth year

Practical Legal Studies

Administrative Law

Customary Law

Insolvency

Labour Law

AND

Four electives ■