

# University of Pretoria

## Closing dates for undergraduate programmes

2018



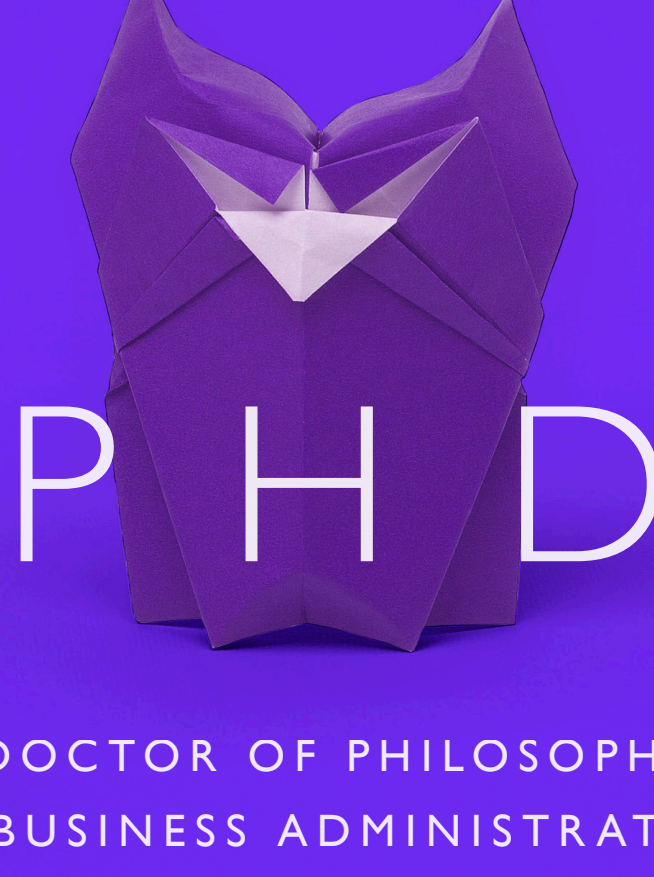
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Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences		
Programmes	Closing date for SA students	Closing date for non-SA students
All programmes in the Faculty	30 September	31 August
Faculty of Education		
Programmes	Closing date for SA students	Closing date for non-SA students
All programmes in the Faculty	30 September	31 August
Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology		
Programmes	Closing dates for SA students	Closing dates for non-SA students
BSc (Architecture) BSc (Interior Architecture) BSc (Landscape Architecture)	31 May	31 May
BTRP – Bachelor of Town and Regional Planning BSc (Construction Management) BSc (Quantity Surveying) BSc (Real Estate)	30 June	30 June
Other programmes in the Faculty	30 September	31 August
Faculty of Health Sciences		
Programmes	Closing date for SA students	Closing date for non-SA students
Higher Certificate in Sports Science	30 September	30 September
Other programmes in the Faculty	31 May	31 May
Faculty of Law		
Programmes	Closing date for SA students	Closing date for non-SA students
LLB	30 September	31 August
BA (Law) (in the Faculty of Humanities)		
BCom (Law) (in the Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences)		

Faculty of Humanities		
Programmes	Closing dates for SA students	Closing dates for non-SA students
BA (Audiology) BA (Speech-Language Pathology) BA (Fine Arts) BA (Information Design) BMus BDram – Bachelor of Drama	30 June	30 June
Other programmes in the Faculty	30 September	31 August
Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences		
Programmes	Closing date for SA students	Closing date for non-SA students
All programmes in the Faculty	30 September	31 August
Faculty of Theology		
Programmes	Closing date for SA students	Closing date for non-SA students
All programmes in the Faculty	30 September	31 August
Faculty of Veterinary Science		
Programmes	Closing date for SA students	Closing date for non-SA students
All programmes in the Faculty	31 May	31 May

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## DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION



The GSB PhD programme is an essential component of the GSB's research strategy and PhD students are a vital part of our research community. PhD students should graduate from the GSB not only with an internationally recognised PhD qualification, demonstrating thought leadership in their area of specialisation, but also a broader understanding of, and passion for, research.

In line with our research mission of "engaged inquiry in a complex world," we expect PhD candidates to make an original contribution to theory, while also addressing practical organisational or social challenges. While the primary guidance to PhD candidates is provided by the PhD supervisor, fellow PhD students and other faculty provide a rich network of support and interaction.

As part of the first-year PhD cohort, you will participate in a series of workshops – our PhD and Research Colloquia – to expose you to a range of organisational theories and research design approaches. This will culminate in a formal presentation of your proposal in the second half of the year. The purpose of these workshops is to enable the development of your proposal and also to broaden your theoretical and methodological horizons. Once your proposal is accepted, we do not expect participation in the workshops but do expect you to maintain close links to the GSB research community by attending or presenting seminars, supervising Master's research projects, and so on.

# ENGAGED INQUIRY IN A COMPLEX WORLD

## THE GSB PHD PROGRAMME IS AN ESSENTIAL COMPONENT OF THE GSB'S RESEARCH STRATEGY AND PHD STUDENTS ARE A VITAL PART OF OUR RESEARCH COMMUNITY.

### WHAT DO WE EXPECT?

As a student enrolled in the PhD programme you are expected to:

- Participate actively in the PhD and Research Colloquia in your first year of registration, including diligent preparation of readings and the submission of written exercises;
- In your first year, develop a research proposal, which will be formally presented and defended in front of a review panel, other academics, and peers;
- Agree and regularly revise with your supervisor a set of commitments and a timeline for key deliverables and submissions. These commitments will be specified in a signed Memorandum of Understanding, which needs to be revised, signed, and formally submitted at the beginning of every year;
- Keep your supervisor updated about progress within suitable, agreed timeframes;
- Take a proactive approach to identifying your learning needs and implementing suitable responses; and
- When appropriate, actively participate in the academic life of the GSB through lecturing, research seminars or co-supervision of Master's research reports.

### HOW DO I GET IN?

- Applicants need to be in possession of a recognised Master's degree (or in special circumstances, at the discretion of the Senate, an approved Bachelor's degree or qualification recognised by the Senate as equivalent).
- They must demonstrate that they have the necessary competencies in research methodology and practice that are required for the completion of an independent study research degree. Details about the application procedure are available on our website.
- Applicants will need to include with their application a nomination of a suitable supervisor. Your nominated PhD supervisor must be a full-time academic at the GSB and must be actively publishing in the scholarly literature in the field in question. GSB academics can discuss applicants' research ideas and draft proposal at their discretion, but we advise applicants not to contact potential supervisors without some preliminary research ideas. Note that it is not always possible to find a supervisor who is both suitable and available and an applicant cannot be registered if there is no available supervisor for the proposed research at the GSB.

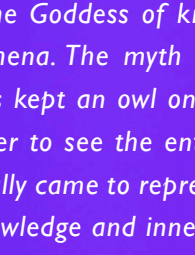
### WHAT IS THE DURATION OF THE PHD PROGRAMME?

The typical duration of a PhD project is between three and four years, if the student is dedicating the bulk of her or his time to the project. A candidate must be registered for at least two consecutive years, although registration for a year at another university may be accepted as part of that period. According to university rules, a PhD should be completed within a "reasonable time", which is generally taken to be five years. Note that the PhD process requires more dedication and time commitments than most applicants expect. We discourage application unless you can dedicate a significant amount of time on a continuous basis. A PhD cannot be a weekend endeavour!

### DATES AND FEES

Applications to the GSB PhD programme are welcome between May and September for entry into the following year's PhD Programme.

Please note that no late applications will be considered. For more information on fees, please visit [www.gsb.uct.ac.za](http://www.gsb.uct.ac.za)



*In ancient Greek folklore, the owl was sacred to the Goddess of knowledge and learning, Athena. The myth suggests that the Goddess kept an owl on her shoulder to enable her to see the entire truth. The bird eventually came to represent Athena's wisdom, knowledge and inner light.*

### BECAUSE A NEW WORLD NEEDS NEW IDEAS

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