

## **ADMISSION TO M-STUDIES FOR EDP LEARNERS**

The admission requirements for the MPA are as follows:

1. A Bachelor's degree with Public Administration as a major subject.
2. Some Working Experience – preferably in the public sector

The above would enable the applicant to be directly admitted to the MPA

For applicants who have a Bachelor's degree which does not have Public Administration as a major subject, the admission requirements are:

1. A Bachelor's degree
2. Two modules – SOB111 & SOB 112 (students are required to do and pass these modules before being admitted to the mainstream programme of MPA)
3. Some Working Experience – Preferably in the public sector.

Applicants who do not have work experience but have Public Administration as a major subject in their degrees, may apply for admission to the MPhil- Public Administration.

Students with a background of PALAMA modules, we could assess their suitability on the above-mentioned criteria and thereafter those who meet the admission requirements we will look at the courses they already have and decide which of those we will be able to credit them with. I suppose that we will be able to credit them in a manner indicated in our discussions earlier. Thereafter, they will have to do the two outstanding modules and the treatise in order to get their degrees.

When applying for admission to the bridging modules (SOB111 & SOB112), applications will have to be accompanied by comprehensive CV's indicating work experience so that the department can satisfy itself whether it is appropriate to directly allow access to the MPA without the bridging programme in cases where learners do not have Public Administration as a major subject in their undergraduate degrees. Where the department find it appropriate, it would mean that the bridging modules may not be necessary.

Applicants with a degree and who completed the 6 core modules and who comply with the requirements of the NMMU may apply to enrol for the M.Tech (Business Administration) which is a full research Master's.

Attention must be drawn to the fact that completion of the EDP does not mean automatic access to an M-programme. Various factors may influence admission, such as the availability of study leaders etc.

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