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(General)

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Part Time

A. PROGRAMME INFORMATION

This Part-time MBA programme is designed to equip its graduates for managerial success in all types of organisations and to meet the needs of a dynamic and growing economy. It provides an advanced course for students aspiring senior positions in an organisation. It aims at producing graduates capable of critical evaluation at an advanced level of the core business disciplines of economics, finance and accounting, marketing, strategic management, quantitative methods, information systems and operations management. It will thus prepare managers to assume key positions of responsibility and perform in a wide variety of specific assignments within an organization. It has also got the added value of training students to start their own businesses.

The MBA combines a blend of modules in fundamental management disciplines and specialist modules in various areas of management. The programme emphasises communication and interpersonal skills as well as the conceptual and technical skills critical to managerial careers and are intended primarily to meet the needs of people of the managerial community.

B. PROGRAMME AIMS

The programme aims at equipping students with General Management knowledge and skills to operate effectively and efficiently as managers.

C. PROGRAMME OBJECTIVES

The part time MBA programme aims and objectives are to provide:

- A systematic understanding of organisations, their management, and the changing external environment in which they operate;
- A theoretical and practical grounding in the key disciplines of modern business and their application to business and management;
- And develop key cognitive, problem solving, qualitative, quantitative, computing, interpersonal, group working and research skills; A critical awareness, informed by the

latest theory and practice, of business management, and the changing external environment in which they operate;

- A practical understanding of how established techniques of research and enquiry are used to enhance theory and practice in relation to the management of businesses;
- To develop critical thinking and communications skills, thereby allowing our graduates to conduct research independently and to be able to evaluate the work of others;
- Professional and personal growth of the student in a challenging yet friendly atmosphere;
- The opportunity for course members to study a series of self-contained intensive modules and to learn through action taking and through teamwork.

PART I REGULATIONS

D. GENERAL ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

As per UTM'S Admission Regulations, and 'Admission to Programmes of Study at Masters Degree Level'.

E. PROGRAMME REQUIREMENTS

Admission decisions will be made by the School of Business Management and Law on a case to case basis.

Candidates must either be:

Graduates of a recognised university or other institutions of higher education with at least a lower second class honours degree or holders of an approved professional qualification deemed equivalent to an honours degree.

Or

A recognized Diploma in the relevant field with at least 5 years of work experience.

Or

An approved professional qualification recognized as being equivalent to an honours degree

Or

Other honours graduates or holders of an equivalent qualification may be admitted if they produce evidence which satisfies the School Board of their competence to pursue the programme;

Or

Other qualifications and/or experience which demonstrate that a candidate possesses appropriate knowledge and skills at standard acceptable by the Academic Council.

Overseas Candidates

Overseas candidates whose first language is not English and who do not hold a degree or equivalent professional qualification taught in English will be required to produce evidence of their competence in English.

F. PROGRAMME MODE DURATION

Part Time: **2** years, comprising **4** Semesters

G. TEACHING AND LEARNING STRATEGIES

The programme will employ a wide variety of teaching methods, including lectures, individual or group projects, presentations, workshops, case studies, field visits and talks by guest speakers. Self-learning will be the key feature of the programme, enabling students to explore, investigate and research into the various topics, interact with practitioners, and work in teams on projects.

H. STUDENT SUPPORT AND GUIDANCE

In addition to traditional lectures, group tutorials or individual tutorials may be arranged for students.

I. ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS

As per UTM's Regulations and Policy.

J. CREDIT SYSTEM

1 module = 3 credits as indicated in programme document (Each 3 credit module is taught over 15 weeks or equivalent block teaching)

Project / Dissertation = 9 credits

Post-Graduate Certificate: 18-21 credits

Post-Graduate Diploma (in area of registration): 30-33 credits

Master: 42-45 credits (inclusive of project/dissertation)

K. STUDENT PROGRESS AND ASSESSMENT

- Written examination shall be of duration of 3 hours for modules except where the paper is assessed by 100% Coursework.
- All modules are normally assessed over 100 marks, except for project/dissertation which will carry 300 marks.
- The overall pass mark for a module shall be 40%.
- All modules must be passed in the examinations, coursework and other forms of assessment (unless assessed 100% by coursework).
- The modules assessed by exams will be assessed as follows: (unless otherwise specified):
 - written examinations contributing to 70% of the total marks

- Continuous assessment carrying 30% of total marks. Continuous assessment can be based on seminars and/or assignments or class tests.
- Where a module is assessed by both, coursework and exams, a minimum of 40% should be attained in
 - a) Coursework, and
 - b) Examination

Grading

Undergraduate / Postgraduate		
<i>Overall Marks</i>	<i>Grade</i>	<i>Remarks</i>
$70 \leq X \leq 100$	A	Excellent
$60 \leq X < 70$	B	Very Good
$50 \leq X < 60$	C	Good
$40 \leq X < 50$	D	Satisfactory
$X < 40$	F	Referred

L. EVALUATION OF PERFORMANCE

All modules carry equal weight, except for dissertation which counts for the equivalent of 4-5 modules. The percentage mark contributes a 100% weighting towards the degree classification.

Note: APPLIED PROJECT/DISSERTATION

Candidates should compulsorily submit a business related project at the end of the final semester of the programme or a dissertation. The scope of the research will be assessed and

approved through a project proposal that will be due after completion of Business Research Methods module. The project will mainly involve real business problems solving situation or will be on business administration themes as approved by the post graduate dissertation committee. The project should be around 15000-20000 words and may have to be defended in a viva-voce as may be decided by the Post-Graduate Dissertation Committee but for which no specific mark is allocated.

M. AWARD CLASSIFICATION

Overall weighted mark y(%)	Classification
$y \geq 70$	MBA with Distinction
$60 \leq y < 70$	MBA with Merit
$40 \leq y < 60$	MBA
$y < 40$	No Award

Part II – PROGRAMME STRUCTURE AND PLAN

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N. PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

Semester 1			
Code	Modules	Hrs/Wk	Credits
ECON5101	Economics for Managers	2 + 1	3
ACCF5101	Financial & Managerial Accounting	2 + 1	3
MGMT5214	Operations Research	2 + 1	3
MMIS5208	Business Information Technology	2 + 1	3

Specialisation Modules:

Semester 2			
Code	Modules	Hrs/Wk	Credits
MGMT5219	Production and Operations Management	2 + 1	3
MKTG5120	Marketing Management	2 + 1	3
HRMT5127	Human Resource Management	2 + 1	3
LLAW5312	Business and Labour Laws	2 + 1	3

Semester 3			
Code	Modules	Hrs/Wk	Credits
ENTR5114	Entrepreneurship Theory and Skills	2 + 1	3
MGMT5310	Strategic Management	2 + 1	3
MGMT5205	Project Management	2 + 1	3
QUAN5413	Business Research Methods	2 + 1	3

Semester 4			
Code	Modules	Hrs/Wk	Credits
DISS5000	Applied Project /Dissertation		9
	Workshops/Seminars		