

SCHOOL OF ACCOUNTING, FINANCE AND ECONOMICS (SAFE) PROGRAMME REQUIREMENTS AND REGULATIONS

ACADEMIC CERTIFICATE PROGRAMMES

Graduate Certificates and Diplomas are pegged at Level 7 and Postgraduate Certificates and Diplomas Level 8 of the Fiji Qualifications Framework.

CERTIFICATE IN OFFICIAL STATISTICS

Programme Requirements: The Certificate in Official Statistics consists of six courses.

Courses: EC101, OS101, OS102, PD101, UU100, EC203.

CERTIFICATE IN POPULATION STUDIES & DEMOGRAPHY

Programme Requirements: The Certificate in Population Studies & Demography consists of six courses.

Courses: GS100, OS101, PD101, UU100, UU114, PD200.

DIPLOMA PROGRAMMES

DIPLOMA IN ACCOUNTING STUDIES

Programme Requirements: The Diploma in Accounting Studies consists of twelve courses.

Courses: AF101, AF102, AF108, AF121, FM101, UU114, AF201, AF210 plus two of BF101, EC100, MG101 plus one 200 level and one 300 level AF or BF or FM course.

DIPLOMA IN ECONOMICS

Programme Requirements: The Diploma in Economics consists of twelve courses.

Courses: EC101, EC102, OS101, OS102, UU100, UU114, EC201, EC202, EC203, OS201, OS202, and either EC301 or EC302.

DIPLOMA IN OFFICIAL STATISTICS

Programme Requirements: The Diploma in Official Statistics consists of twelve courses.

Courses: EC101, EC102, OS101, OS102, PD101, UU100, UU114, EC203, OS201, OS202, OS203, PD200.

DIPLOMA IN POPULATION STUDIES & DEMOGRAPHY

Programme Requirements: The Diploma in Population Studies & Demography consists of twelve courses.

Courses: EC100, GS100, OS101, OS102, PD101, UU100, UU114, GS201, OS201, PD200, PD301, PD303.

BACHELOR'S DEGREE PROGRAMMES

BACHELOR OF COMMERCE

The Bachelor of Commerce is a three year programme comprising twenty four courses of which eight courses are at 100 level, eight courses are at 200 level and eight courses are at 300 level including two 100 level and two 200 level university courses.

The disciplines permitted as a major for the Bachelor of Commerce Degree in 2021 are:

Accounting

Admission Requirements:

To be admitted to an Accounting major from a Senate recognised Year 13/Form 7 or equivalent examination, a person shall have passed Mathematics in that examination.

Students majoring in Accounting will be exempted from UU100, but must take UU100A. They may take UU100 if they wish

Courses for a Single Major: AF101, AF102, AF121, FM101, UU100A, UU114, AF201, AF208, AF210, UU200, UU204, AF301, AF302, AF304; plus two other 300 level AF courses and at least two other 300 level AF or BF or FM courses.

Courses for one major in a Double Major:

AF101, AF102, AF121, FM101, UU114, AF201, AF208, AF210, UU200, UU204, AF301, AF302, AF304 plus one other 300 level AF course.

Courses for a Minor:

AF101, AF102, AF201 or AF208, AF210; plus one 300 level AF or BF or FM course.

Economics

Admission Requirements:

To be admitted to an Economics major from a Senate recognised Year 13/Form 7 or equivalent examination, a person shall have passed Mathematics in that examination.

Courses for a Single Major: EC101, EC102, UU100, UU114, plus one of FM101, OS101, OS102, PD101, plus EC201, EC202, EC203, UU200, UU204, plus EC301, EC302, EC303, EC304; plus at least two from: EC306, EC307, EC308, EC311, OS301, OS302, PD301, PD303.

Courses for one major in a Double Major:

EC101, EC102, plus one of FM101, OS101, OS102, PD101; plus UU100, UU114, EC201, EC202, EC203, UU200, UU204; plus EC301, EC302 plus at least one from EC303, EC304, EC306; plus one (if needed) from: EC307, EC308, EC311, OS301, OS302, PD301, PD303.

Courses for a Minor:

EC101, EC102; plus EC201 or EC202; plus EC203; plus one 300 level EC course.

Finance

Courses for a Single Major: AF101, AF108 or EC101 or EC102, FM101, FM102, UU100, UU114, AF205, AF208, FM201, FM202, UU200, UU204, FM301, FM302, FM303, FM305, AF315.

Courses for one major in a Double Major:

AF101, AF108 or EC101 or EC102, FM 101, FM102, UU100, UU114, AF208, FM201, FM202, UU200, UU204, FM301, FM302, AF315 plus one of FM303, FM305.

Courses for a Minor: AF101, FM101, FM102; plus two 200 level FM courses or one 200 level FM course and one 300 level FM course.

Official Statistics

Courses for a Single Major: OS101, OS102, PD101, UU100, UU114, ST131, OS201, OS202, OS203, PD200, UU200, UU204 plus OS301, OS302, OS303, PD301, PD303, EC303 plus any other 300 level EC course.

Courses for one major in a Double Major:

OS101, OS102, UU100, UU114, ST131 plus OS201, OS202, OS203, UU200, UU204, OS301, OS302, OS303, plus any other 300 level EC or PD course.

Courses for a Minor: OS101, OS102, OS201 or OS202 plus OS203, and any 300 level OS course.

Population Studies & Demography

Courses for a Single Major: Not offered as a single major.

Courses for one major in a Double Major:

GS100 or GE102, EC100 or EC102, PD101, UU100, UU114; plus at least one of: OS101, OS102, GE102; plus GS201, OS201, PD200, UU200, UU204; plus PD301, PD303, OS301 and EC307.

Courses for a Minor: PD101, GS100, PD200, PD301, PD303.

BACHELOR OF COMMERCE - PRESCRIBED PROGRAMMES

There is one interdisciplinary Bachelor of Commerce programme that does not follow the usual programme requirements for major and minor disciplines but instead has a largely prescribed set of courses, across discipline boundaries.

BACHELOR OF COMMERCE IN PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTING

The Bachelor of Commerce in Professional Accounting consists of 24 courses, of which eight are at 100 level, eight are at 200 level and eight at 300-level as listed below.

Courses: AF101, AF102, AF108, AF121, EC101 or EC102, FM101, UU114, UU100, AF201, AF208, AF205, AF210, UU200, UU204 plus any two 200 level courses, AF301, AF302, AF304, AF308 plus any four 300 level courses.

POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

Graduate Certificates and Diplomas are pegged at Level 7 and Postgraduate Certificates and Diplomas Level 8 of the Fiji Qualifications Framework.

INFORMATION RESEARCH SKILLS

All students registering in Postgraduate programmes are required, in their first semester of studies, to complete 14.5 hours of Information Research Skills conducted by the Library.

POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN COMMERCE

The Postgraduate Diploma in Commerce is offered in the following majors: Accounting, Professional Accounting, Economics, Official Statistics, Population Studies & Demography.

The general admission requirements for the Postgraduate Diploma are:

- i) A USP Bachelors degree with a grade point average (GPA) of at least 3.0 in the 200 and 300 level courses of the relevant discipline;
- ii) A tertiary qualification deemed by Senate or its delegate to be equivalent to clause (a);
- iii) A professional qualification deemed by Senate or its delegate to be equivalent to clause (a);
- iv) In exceptional cases, demonstrated experience or achievement deemed by Senate or its delegate to be sufficient; or
- v) Have met the mature student admission criteria.

Notwithstanding the provisions set out above, Senate or its delegate may require applicants to demonstrate their suitability for admission by carrying out such work and/or sitting for such examinations as it may determine. A 400 level course taken as a qualifying course for the Postgraduate Diploma may become part of a future postgraduate programme.

ACCOUNTING

Programme Requirements: The Postgraduate Diploma in Commerce (Accounting) consists of four courses.

Courses: AF413, AF418; plus two 400 level courses from the following: AF411, AF412, AF414, AF415, AF438.

PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTING

Admission Requirements:

- i) To be admitted to the Postgraduate Diploma in Commerce (Professional accounting) a person shall have at least one year of experience in commerce, industry or government after completing a Bachelors degree with a major in Accounting from a recognised tertiary institution.

Programme Requirements: The Postgraduate Diploma in Professional Accounting consists of five courses.

Courses: Any five courses from the following: AF401, AF402, AF405, AF420, AF431, AF432, AF433, AF434, AF435, AF436, AF437, AF439, and AF440.

ECONOMICS

The Postgraduate Diploma in Commerce (Economics) consists of four courses.

Courses: EC401, EC402, EC403, EC404.

POPULATION STUDIES & DEMOGRAPHY

The Postgraduate Diploma in Commerce (Population Studies & Demography) consists of four courses.

Courses: PD401, PD402; plus two 400 level courses chosen from the following; EC404, DG415, DG410.

POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN FORENSIC ACCOUNTING & FRAUD INVESTIGATION

Admission Requirements:

To be admitted to the Postgraduate Diploma in Forensic Accounting & Fraud Investigation a person shall have at least one year of experience in commerce, industry or government after completing a Bachelors degree with a major in Accounting from a recognised tertiary institution.

Programme Requirements: The Postgraduate Diploma in Forensic Accounting & Fraud Investigation consists of five courses.

Courses: AF401, AF402, AF405, AF420 and AF432.

MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAMMES

MASTER OF COMMERCE IN ACCOUNTING

The Masters programme consists of a full thesis. To be admitted to a Master of Commerce in Accounting a person shall obtain a Postgraduate Diploma in Accounting.

MASTER OF COMMERCE IN ECONOMICS (THESIS OR SRP)

The Masters programme consists of (a) a thesis or (b) two appropriate postgraduate courses and a Supervised Research Project.

MASTER OF COMMERCE IN ECONOMICS (COURSEWORK)

Note: The Masters programme consists of eight courses, including the four core courses offered under the Postgraduate Diploma in Commerce (Economics).

Courses: EC401, EC402, EC403, EC404 plus any four from EC405, EC406, EC407, EC408, EC410, EC412, EC414, EC415, EC417.

MASTER OF COMMERCE IN PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTING

To be admitted to a Master of Commerce in Professional Accounting programme a person shall have at least one year of experience in commerce, industry or government after completing a Bachelors Degree with a major in Accounting from a recognised tertiary institution.

The Masters programme consists of any ten courses from:

AF401, AF402, AF405, AF420, AF431, AF432, AF433, AF434, AF435, AF436, AF437, AF439, AF440, BF401, BF402, FM401.

MASTER OF COMMERCE IN OFFICIAL STATISTICS

The Masters programme consists of a thesis or two postgraduate courses plus a Supervised Research Project.

MASTER OF COMMERCE IN POPULATION STUDIES & DEMOGRAPHY

The Masters programme consists of a thesis.