BACCALAUREUS AGRICULTURAE HONORES Study code 5510

B.Agric.Hons.

INFORMATION

STUDY AIMS

The aims of this degree are:

- (a) to give the student the opportunity to do in-depth specialisation of his/her choice to broaden his/her knowledge with respect to agriculture, rural development and agricultural management;
- (b) to prepare the student for further post-graduate study;
- (c) to lead the student in independent study of the main subject or field of specialisation; and
- (d) to develop, through the Honours degree in Agricultural Management, the student's managerial skills in a variety of functional areas in agricultural enterprise management and development and the management of agricultural businesses.

Module codes

Attention is drawn to the fact that the numerical parts of the course codes for Honours modules do not have the same meaning as for the undergraduate modules. The alphabetical part indicates the specific subject name. The digit 6 indicates that it is an Honours module and the second and third numbers indicate the specific subject. The date of examination in the specific module will have to be determined after consultation with the specific Departmental Chairperson. When the second digit is a 9, it indicates a seminar/mini dissertation/assignment.

REGULATIONS

Nota Bene: The general regulations for Honours degrees (General Regulations A55 to A78) apply mutatis mutandis to this faculty.

Reg. H18 - Admission

- (a) See General Regulation A56.
- (b) A student must have a B.Agric. degree on the condition that he/she can also, with permission of the Dean be allowed, with a qualification that is regarded of equal value to the degree by the Senate, or a qualification that has been achieved on the grounds of a standard of competence or other means regarded as adequate by the dean for the aims of the study; and
- (c) the student must prove to the departmental/centre head that he/she has adequate knowledge to justify admission to this study.
- (d) Apart from the above-mentioned requirements for admission to the degree course, the head of department can also, with written confirmation from the Director: Student Administration, expect a student to complete certain additional courses before the student will be admitted to the study or the degree is awarded.

Reg. H19 - Pass requirements

As specified in the different curricula.

Reg. H20 - Compulsory modules

Apart from the requirements of General Regulation A56 (b), a student will also have to acquire the under-mentioned qualifications before he/she will be admitted to the Honours degree in Agricultural Management:

- (a) basic efficiency in the use of the computer, more specifically in spreadsheet and word processing programmes, and
- (b) students who do not have this efficiency, may simultaneously with the commencement of the study on recommendation of the departmental/centre head and with approval of the Dean of the Faculty, take such a course.

Reg. H21 - Curricula for the B.Agric.Hons. degree

(a) Specialisation in Agricultural Management - Study code 5531

Eight examination papers of one and a half hours each, of which four are written in the first semester and four in the second semester and two oral examinations - one (LBB601 and LBB602) in the first semester and one (LBB605 and LBB693) in the second semester. All modules are 15 credits each.

Module Code Subject

LBB601 Advanced Agricultural Management - management styles, approaches and analysis of the environment, the organisation of information, as well as the organisation and control of enterprises.

COMPULSORY TOUR: VISIT TO FARMING ORGANISATIONS

LBB602	Financial Agricultural Management - the influence of risks on management decisions, the evaluation of economic and financial viability of capital projects and the effect of income tax thereon, the strategic financial management of an agricultural business.
LBB603	Plant Production Management - physical, economic and financial planning of all cash crops, fruit, vegetables and perennial cultivated (planted) pastures for an agricultural business.
LBB604	Animal Production Management - physical, economic and financial planning of all livestock (including wildlife), as well as a fodder-flow planning for an agricultural business.
LBB605	Strategic Agricultural Marketing Management - the development of marketing strategies for successful farming.
LBB606	Strategic Human Resources Management in Agriculture - the development of strategies to improve productivity of human resources on farming level.
LBB607	Association Agreements and Agribusiness Management - an evaluation of different association agreements that can be used in agriculture; much attention is given to agribusiness management of a farming operation in a changing environment.
LBB693	Integrated Agricultural Planning - it focuses on the integration of all aspects of an agricultural business where a farm planning module must be developed in a mini-project.

COMPULSORY TOUR: VISIT TO AGRIBUSINESSES

Specialisation in Irrigation Management

An examination of three hours in each of LBB609, BSB601, BSB602 and BSB603 must be written, while a mini dissertation on a project assignment in BSB693 is compulsory. All modules are 24 credits each.

Module Code LBB609

Subject

Advanced Agricultural Management and Financial Agricultural Management - the identification of management styles; approaches and analysis of the environment; the organisation of information as well as the organisation and management of branching. The student will be able to determine the risk of the managing decisions, the evaluation of economic and financial vitality of capital projects, the determination of the effect of income tax on it and the strategic financial management of an agricultural organisation in practise.

(c) Specialisation in Wildlife Management

Four papers of three hours in LBB609, NLB601, NLB602 and NLB603, as well as the integrating of the theoretical principles of wildlife management in a practical assignment/project (NLB693) is required. All modules are 24 credits each.

Module Code LBB609

Subject

Advanced Agricultural Management and Financial Agricultural Management - the identification of management styles; approaches and analysis of the environment; the organisation of information as well as the organisation and management of branching. The student will be able to determine the risk of the managing decisions, the evaluation of economic and financial vitality of capital projects, the determination of the effect of income tax on it and the strategic financial management of an agricultural organisation in practise.