

## **MASTER OF ARTS (Structured - 2808)**

### **C.87 ADMISSION**

Unless Senate decides otherwise, a student shall be required to meet the following criteria to be enrolled for the **Master of Arts Degree – MA (as indicated in C.90)**:

An applicant must have obtained an Honours degree with an average mark of 60% to gain entrance into the Master's programme. An applicant with an equivalent qualification, prior learning, and any other form of relevant experience may, subject to the discretion of Senate, also be admitted to a Master's programme.

Rule A.2.4 is applicable and additional requirements may be determined for specific disciplines.

### **C.88 SELECTION**

Final selection shall be based on an applicant meeting the criteria as determined by the Faculty.

### **C.89 DURATION**

Unless Senate decides otherwise, the duration for the degree shall extend over one year full-time study.

### **C.90 CURRICULUM**

The following disciplines are offered in the MA structured degree:

- Anthropology
- Sociology
- English
- Ethics
- History
- Linguistics
- Religious Studies
- Theological Studies
- Women's and Gender Studies
- Philosophy

#### **C.90.1 Anthropology**

<b>Module Name</b>	<b>Module Code</b>	<b>Credits</b>
<b>Compulsory (select all modules)</b>		
Anthropological Theory 831	ANT831	30
Advanced Methods and Philosophy of Social Science 834	ANT834	30
<b>1st Enrolment Code</b>		
Master's Mini-Thesis	ANT803	
<b>2nd Enrolment Code</b>		90
Master's Mini-Thesis	ANT804	
	<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>150</b>
<b>Electives (select one module)</b>		
Advanced Anthropological Experience 832	ANT832	30
Selected Themes Anthropology Advanced (Gender) 833	ANT833	30

Health and Medical Anthropology 847	ANT847	30
Multiculturalism and Diversity (Advanced Perspectives) 852	ANT852	30
	<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>30</b>
	<b>FINAL TOTAL</b>	<b>180</b>

### C.90.2 Medical Anthropology

Module Name	Module Code	Credits
<b>1st Enrolment Code</b>		
Master's Mini-Thesis	ANT803	
<b>2nd Enrolment Code</b>		90
Master's Mini-Thesis	ANT804	
	<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>90</b>
<b>Electives (select all modules)</b>		
Biological Anthropology 835	ANT835	30
Selected Themes Anthropology Advanced (Gender) 833	ANT833	30
Health and Medical Anthropology 847	ANT847	30
	<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>90</b>
	<b>FINAL TOTAL</b>	<b>180</b>

### C.90.3 Sociology (not offered in 2023)

Module Name	Module Code	Credits
<b>Compulsory (select all modules)</b>		
Advance Sociological Theory 836	SOC836	30
Advanced Methods and Philosophy of Social Science 834	SOC834	30
<b>1st Enrolment Code</b>		
Master's Mini-Thesis	SOC803	
<b>2nd Enrolment Code</b>		90
Master's Mini-Thesis	SOC804	
	<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>150</b>
<b>Electives (select one module)</b>		
Advanced Sociology of Technology 823	SOC823	30
Advanced Sociology (Visual Culture) 839	SOC839	30
Health and Medical Sociology 847 (not offered in 2023)	SOC847	30
Advanced Studies in Animal, Society and the Environment 854 (not offered in 2023)	SOC854	30
	<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>30</b>
	<b>FINAL TOTAL</b>	<b>180</b>

### C.90.4 English

Module Name	Module Code	Credits
<b>Compulsory</b>		
<b>1st Enrolment Code</b>		
Master's Mini-Thesis	ENG803	
<b>2nd Enrolment Code</b>		90
Master's Mini-Thesis	ENG804	
	<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>90</b>

**Electives (select three modules)**

Art of Writing A 816	ENG816	30
Art of Writing B 817	ENG817	30
Digital Cultures 819	ENG819	30
Ecology and Writing 821	ENG821	30
South African Literature, Orature and Visual Cultures 823	ENG823	30
African Literature, Orature and Visual Cultures 824	ENG824	30
World Literature, Orature and Visual Cultures 825	ENG825	30
Literature and Film/Media/Digital Cultures 826	ENG826	30
Directed Reading 829	ENG829	30
Period Studies 862	ENG862	30
	<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>90</b>

**FINAL TOTAL 180**

**C.90.5 Ethics**

<b>Module Name</b>	<b>Module Code</b>	<b>Credits</b>
<b>Compulsory</b>		
<b>1st Enrolment Code</b>		
Master's Mini-Thesis	ETH803	
<b>2nd Enrolment Code</b>		90
Master's Mini-Thesis	ETH804	
	<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>90</b>

**OR**

<b>Compulsory</b>		
<b>1st Enrolment Code</b>		
Master's Mini-Thesis	REL803	
<b>2nd Enrolment Code</b>		90
Master's Mini-Thesis	REL804	
	<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>90</b>

**Electives (select three modules)**

Ethical Theory 831	ETH831	30
Theories of Responsibility 832	ETH832	30
Virtue Theory 833	ETH833	30
Public Morality 834	ETH834	30
Contemporary Issues in Ethics 835	ETH835	30
Professional Ethics 836	ETH836	30
	<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>90</b>

**FINAL TOTAL 180**

**C.90.6 History**

<b>Module Name</b>	<b>Module Code</b>	<b>Credits</b>
<b>Compulsory (select all modules)</b>		
Key Issues in History 844	HIS844	30
<b>1st Enrolment Code</b>		
Master's Mini-Thesis	HIS803	
<b>2nd Enrolment Code</b>		90
Master's Mini-Thesis	HIS804	
	<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>120</b>

**Electives (select two modules)**

Political Biography and the National Liberation Struggle in South Africa 832	HIS832	30
Visual History 835	HIS835	30
Advanced Issues in Museum and Heritage Studies 846	HIS846	30
History of Anthropology 848	HIS848	30
Activism and Archives: Struggles in and over History 849	HIS849	30
Curatorship 851	HIS851	30
Forensic History 852	HIS852	30
Oral History 853	HIS853	30
Experimental History Writing 854 (not offered in 2023)	HIS854	30
	<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>60</b>

**FINAL TOTAL 180****C.90.7 Linguistics****Module Name****Compulsory****1st Enrolment Code**

Master's Mini-Thesis

**Module Code**

LIN803

**Credits**

90

**2nd Enrolment Code**

Master's Mini-Thesis

LIN804

**Sub-total****90****Electives (select three modules)**

Research Method and Proposal 811 (not offered in 2023)	LIN811	30
Business and Organisational Communication 831	LIN831	30
Inter- and Cross-Cultural Communication 832	LIN832	30
Multilingualism 835	LIN835	30
Multilingual Education, Language Planning and Policy 836 (not offered in 2023)	LIN836	30
Formal Language Study 837	LIN837	30
Language Contact and World Englishes 838 (not offered in 2023)	LIN838	30
Language Pathology 839 (not offered in 2023)	LIN839	30
Critical Media Studies 841	LIN841	30
Language, Gender and Difference 842 (not offered in 2023)	LIN842	30
Literacy Studies 843 (not offered in 2023)	LIN843	30
Discourse Analysis 844	LIN844	30
Forensic Linguistics 849	LIN849	30
	<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>90</b>

**FINAL TOTAL 180****C.90.8 Religious Studies****Module Name****Compulsory****1st Enrolment Code**

Master's Mini-Thesis

**Module Code**

REL803

**Credits**

90

**2nd Enrolment Code**

Master's Mini-Thesis

REL804

**Sub-total****90****OR**

## Theological Studies

### Compulsory

#### 1st Enrolment Code

Master's Mini-Thesis	TST803	
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#### 2nd Enrolment Code

Master's Mini-Thesis	TST804	90
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<b>Sub-total</b>		<b>90</b>
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### Electives (select three modules)

Theory of Religion 831	REL831	30
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Religion and Society 832	REL832	30
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Old Testament Studies 831	TST831	30
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Old Testament Exegesis 832	TST832	30
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New Testament Studies 833	TST833	30
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New Testament Exegesis 834	TST834	30
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Biblical Hermeneutics 835 (not offered in 2023)	TST835	30
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Historical Christianity 836 (not offered in 2023)	TST836	30
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History of Christianity in South Africa 837 (not offered in 2023)	TST837	30
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History of Christian Doctrine 838	TST838	30
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Systematic Theology 839	TST839	30
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Theological Hermeneutics 841	TST841	30
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Homiletics and Liturgics 842	TST842	30
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Pastoral Care and Counselling 843	TST843	30
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Contemporary Christian Theology 844	TST844	30
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Theology and Development 845	TST845	30
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Contextual Christian Spirituality 846	TST846	30
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<b>Sub-total</b>		<b>90</b>
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<b>FINAL TOTAL</b>		<b>180</b>
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## C.90.9 Women's and Gender Studies

### Module Name

### Module Code

### Credits

#### Compulsory (select all modules)

Trends in Contemporary Feminist Theory 832	WGS832	30
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Feminist Research Methodology 806	WGS806	30
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#### 1st Enrolment Code

Master's Mini-Thesis	WGS803	
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#### 2nd Enrolment Code

Master's Mini-Thesis	WGS804	90
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<b>Sub-total</b>		<b>150</b>
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### Electives (select one module)

Contemporary Issues in Women's and Gender Studies 836	WGS836	30
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Women's Health and Well-being 839 (not offered in 2023)	WGS839	30
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Women and Development 809	WGS809	30
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<b>Sub-total</b>		<b>30</b>
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<b>FINAL TOTAL</b>		<b>180</b>
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## C.90.10 Philosophy

Module Name	Module Code	Credits
<b>Compulsory</b>		
<b>1st Enrolment Code</b>		
Master's Mini-Thesis	PHI803	
<b>2nd Enrolment Code</b>		
Master's Mini-Thesis	PHI804	90
	<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>90</b>
<b>Electives (select three modules)</b>		
Metaphysics 810	PHI810	30
Advanced Philosophical Ethics 811	PHI811	30
Topics from a Contemporary African Thinker 812	PHI812	30
Philosophy of Thought 813	PHI813	30
	<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>90</b>
	<b>FINAL TOTAL</b>	<b>180</b>

## C.91 ASSESSMENT

- C.91.1** Assessment is governed by Rule A.5 as stipulated in the University Calendar: General Information Part 1.
- C.91.2** A 30 credit module will be evaluated in the form of either an examination of three (3) hours or a research essay/research project of approximately 10 000 words. The research project may take the form of a portfolio of research-based work done during the duration of the module.
- C.91.3** In order to be admitted to the final examination in a module, a student must obtain a coursework mark of not less than 50% or may qualify for final assessment in accordance with Rule A.5.3.5.
- C.91.4** For modules evaluated in the form of an examination, the final mark will consist of the coursework mark of 50% and an examination mark of 50%.
- C.91.5** A student who has failed a module may repeat it **once** with special permission of Senate (Rule A.5.4.2 (d)).
- C.91.6** The mini-thesis, based on the approved research proposal, is evaluated by a supervisor, an internal examiner and an external examiner appointed by Senate on the recommendation of the Faculty.
- C.91.7** A final mark of at least 50% is required for each of the coursework modules and for the mini-thesis.

## C.92 PROGRESSION RULES

Registration for the following year of study shall be recommended by the supervisor, if in his/her opinion adequate progress has been made during the current year.

## C.93 RENEWAL OF REGISTRATION

Renewal of registration shall be governed by Rule A.4 as stipulated in the University Calendar: General Information Part 1 or as provided for in the faculty rules as contained in this Calendar.

## **C.94 SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS FOR THE PROGRAMME**

### **C.94.1 General Comments**

- C.94.1.1** Modules that are compulsory for a specific programme are indicated where applicable.
- C.94.1.2** In any of the structured Master's programmes listed above, a student may include one elective from any of the postgraduate modules offered in other programmes. Recommendations by the relevant departmental Chairpersons are required in such a case.
- C.94.1.3** Please note, not all modules may be offered in a particular year. A student is advised to consult the relevant department for more information.
- C.94.1.4** A Master's mini-thesis of approximately 20 000 words (90 credits) is required for all the structured Master's programmes in the Faculty. This mini-thesis will contribute 50% towards the final mark. Please consult the brochure on Procedures for Postgraduate Research in the Faculty of Arts and Humanities for details on the requirements and procedures that have to be followed.
- C.94.1.5** A student may not select a module for a Master's programme if they have already been credited for an Honours module with the same title. In most cases, this implies that a student may not select two modules in the same discipline where the last two digits of the module codes are the same. For example, students who were credited for Linguistics 732 (LIN732) will not be credited for Linguistics 832 (LIN832) because the course content is of a similar nature.

### **C.94.2 English**

- C.94.2.1** A student who does an Honours core or elective module may not repeat the same module at Master's level unless the course content has been completely changed. Registration for any elective course that is part of the creative writing programme (English 819 (ENG819) and/or English 821 (ENG821)) require submission of a creative writing portfolio accepted by the English Department.

### **C.94.3 Religion and Theology**

- C.94.3.1** The module Research Methodology 811 will no longer be a compulsory module for the Master's degree.
- C.94.3.2** Various institutions in the Cluster of Theological Institutions in the Western Cape offer structured Master's courses in religious and theological subjects. An agreement has been reached between the following institutions to allow students registered for a structured Master's degree at one of the participating institutions (home institution) to complete certain components of the course at any of the participating institutions (host institutions):
- Department of Religion and Theology, University of the Western Cape;
  - Faculty of Theology, University of Stellenbosch, and related departments at the University of Stellenbosch;
  - Department of Religious Studies, University of Cape Town;

- Andrews University (Michigan, USA) (Extension Campus, Helderberg College).

**C.94.3.3** On the basis of this agreement, students registered in the Department of Religion and Theology, University of the Western Cape, may follow courses towards a structured Master's degree offered by any other of the above participating institutions. On successful completion of such courses, the University of the Western Cape will credit students for those modules of the structured MTh/MPhil that were substituted by the courses completed at the other institutions.

**C.94.3.4** The following procedure applies:

**C.94.3.4.1** Written applications must reach the Faculty Office at least two weeks before the final date of registration at the University of the Western Cape.

**C.94.3.4.2** A student must clearly indicate which module(s) offered by the Department of Religion and Theology at the University of the Western Cape s/he wishes to substitute and which module(s) offered at a specified participating institution s/he wishes to select instead.

**C.94.3.4.3** The mini-thesis may not be completed through the exchange programme.

**C.94.3.4.4** A student may register at the University of the Western Cape for the specified component of the structured Master's programme which is to be substituted by participating in the exchange programme.

**C.94.3.4.5** A student does not need to register or meet the financial obligations for registration and tuition at host institutions. A student will therefore register at the University of the Western Cape only.

**C.94.3.4.6** Detail concerning structured courses for Master's degrees offered at the University of the Western Cape is available from the Department of Religion and Theology and/or from the participating institutions.

**C.94.3.4.7** A student who participates in this exchange programme requires approval from host institutions.

#### **C.94.4 Women's and Gender Studies**

**C.94.4.1** The Master's programme in Women's and Gender Studies (WGS) is of a multi-disciplinary nature. Various departments offer a wide range of modules relating to women's and gender issues from which a student may select electives as well. Please consult the department for the full list of offerings for the year.

**C.94.4.2** A student may select one elective that is not gender-related if it fits with their particular specialisation, in consultation with WGS.

**C.94.4.3** A student may select up to one elective from those offered by the African Gender Institute at UCT.

**C.94.4.4** A student shall be required to complete Theories of Feminism 731 (WGS731) if WGS Honours programme has not been completed.