

MASTERS DEGREES

College Rules for Masters Degrees

AES-M1 Applicability of Rules

This section refers to the following qualifications:

Master of Science	MSc
Master of Science in Agriculture	MScAgric
Master of Science in Engineering	MScEng
Master of Science in Land Surveying	MScSur
Master of Agricultural Management	MAgricMgt
Master of Agriculture	MAgric
Master of Science in Dietetics	MScDiet
Master of Science in Human Nutrition	MScHumNutr
Master of Science in Construction Management	MScConstMan
Master of Science (Construction Project Management)	MSc(ConstProjMan)
Master of Science in Quantity Surveying	MScQS

AES-M2 Masters Eligibility

- (a) Under the provisions of General Academic Rules CR2(b) and MR2(b), except with the permission of the College Dean of Research, applicants must have a credit weighted average of at least 60% in the relevant qualification.
- (b) Additional requirements are listed under the rules for specific qualifications.

See also General Rules CR2 and MR2.

AES-M3 Relevant Qualifications

The table below gives the relevant qualification for entry in terms of Rule AES-M2(a) for each qualification.

MSc	Honours degree in an appropriate subject
MScAgric	Bachelor of Science in Agriculture
MScEng	BScEng in an appropriate discipline
MScSur	4-year Bachelors degree in Land Surveying
MAgricMgmt	BAgricMgmtHons
MAgric	BAgric(Hons) or Postgraduate Diploma in Agriculture or Food Security
MScDiet	PGDipDiet (See also Rule AES-M9)
MScHumNutr	PGDipHumNutr (See also Rule AES-M9)
MEnvMan	BScHons in Environmental Science or other appropriate honours degree
MScConstMan	BScPropDevHons(CM)
MScQS	BScPropDevHons(QS)

Where necessary, the appropriateness of the qualification will be determined by the relevant School.

AES-M4 Types of Masters Degrees

A Masters Degree in the College may be obtained by one of two methods.

1. *By research.* In this case the qualification is assessed purely on the basis of a dissertation.
 2. *By coursework.* In this case the qualification is assessed by coursework and a dissertation.
- The table below shows which types of Masters Degree may be obtained for each qualification.

MSc	Research or Coursework
MScAgric	Research or Coursework
MScEng	Research or Coursework
MScSur	Research
MAgricMgmt	Research
MAgric	Research or Coursework
MScDiet	Research
MScHumNutr	Research
MEnvMan	Coursework
MScConstMan	Research
MScQS	Research

Additional Rules for Specific Masters Degrees

AES-M5 Combinations for MSc by Coursework

The following lists give the programmes of study within the degree of Master of Science by coursework. Numbers in parentheses refer to credits.

1. Environmental Science (Westville)

Core: ENVS820(96).

Electives: A minimum of 64C at Level 8 from ENVS810(16), 813(16), 814(16), 815(16), 817(16). Up to 32C credits chosen from the School.

2. Mathematics (Westville)

Core: MATH811(16), MATH812(16), MATH813(16), MATH814(16), MATH819(96)

Electives: 32C from MATH815(16), MATH816(16), MATH817(16), MATH818(16).

3. Water Resources Management (Pietermaritzburg)

Core: ENVS810(16), ENVS817(16), ENVS820(96), HYDR820(16), HYDR825(16)

Electives: 32C as approved by the Programme Co-ordinator.

AES-M7 Combinations for MScAgric by Coursework

The following lists give the programmes of study within the degree of Master of Science in Agriculture by Coursework. Numbers in parentheses refer to credits.

Agricultural and Environmental Instrumentation (Pietermaritzburg):

Core: AMET800(96).

Electives: 96C from AMET860(8), 861(8), 862(8), 863(8), 864(8), 865(8), 866(8), 867(8), 870(16), 871(16) or other modules approved by the School.

AES-M8 Combinations for MAgric

The following lists give the programmes of study within the degree of Master of Agriculture.

1. Agricultural Extension and Rural Resource Management

This programme is by research.

2. Food Security

FDSC800(16), 815(96), 840(16), 860(16), 870(16), 880(16), 890(16).

AES-M9 MScDiet and MScHumNutr Additional Requirements

In addition to the requirements of AES-M2 students must have obtained their Postgraduate Diploma having passed all modules on the first attempt with a credit weighted average of 60%, inclusive of a minimum module mark of 60% in NUTR741.