

Fundamentals of Research Management

The world is currently faced with several challenges that are a threat to mankind. Think of diseases such as HIV/AIDS, TB, Ebola, even inequality in our society, pollution, resource overexploitation, etc. Research is key to finding the solutions to these problems. This course will equip you with a range of knowledge and experiences that will promote the value of research management and how to make research more effective. Learn to work in this exciting profession where you have an opportunity to shape the future. Today's research is tomorrow's lifesaver.

Course facts



Course delivery

Online, digitised short course



Course duration

Seven weeks



Notional learning hours

3-4 learning hours per week, anytime, anywhere



B-BBEE

Assistance offered to obtain Category B recognition under Skills Development element of B-BBEE scorecard



Learner journey management

The Wits DigitalCampus team provides learning support throughout the course



Certification

A certificate of competence from the University of the Witwatersrand



Target market

Research managers and administrators; academics or researchers who require a deeper understanding of the research management field



Assessment

Assessment and grades are calculated as follows:

- 5% – Participation in Discussion Activity forums
- 35% – Module assessment results
- 60% – Online examination result



Course outcomes

Prepare practitioners, or would-be practitioners, to be more effective research managers

Equip practitioners, or would-be practitioners, with a range of knowledge and experiences that promotes the value of the research management profession



If you meet the assessment criteria, you will receive a Certificate of Competence from the University of the Witwatersrand. A certificate of competence is proof that you have completed the course content and been assessed for competence against the learning outcomes set.



This course is presented by SARIMA subject matter experts who will be available to interact with you through the DigitalCampus platform whilst you are doing the course. If you have questions about the SARIMA course subject matter experts please contact us, info@digitalcampus.co.za

Course outline

Module 0 Introduction to Online Learning

Orientation module preparing learners for the world of digital, online learning, as well as course format and requirements

Module 2 An Overview of Research

Learn about the Professional Competency Framework, what is involved in building and sustaining a culture of evidence-based inquiry, and other forms of research.

Module 4 Providing Leadership in Research

Learn how to match resources, capacities, and current context to a strategic thrust and what is involved in writing policy that is conducive and encouraging.

Week 6 Study Week

Study time

Week

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Module 1 Importance of Research in Africa

Develop an understanding of the knowledge economy and an appreciation for the wonder of discovery. Understand the value of knowledge created and shared.

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Module 3 Working with Researchers

The importance of academic freedom for the creative process known as research and risk-taking needed to publish new ideas

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Module 5 Importance of Communication

Explore the importance of research uptake and awareness in the context of the use of bibliometric information to build impactful reports

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Week 7 Final Online Examination

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Final online examination

Learner journey management

Our Wits DigitalCampus Learner Journey team ensures that all applicants are enrolled, informed, supported, and motivated to complete the course. The team can be contacted online, telephonically or by email and will respond to learner queries and comments within one working day.

Our effective learner journey management is evident in these statistics:

Course completion rate:

96%

Course pass rate:

93%

Application and payment

Apply online at www.digitalcampus.co.za

In accordance with Wits policies, upfront payment is required to register for the course. The payment of the fees for this course is the responsibility of the individual registering for the course.