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MBA CLASS of 2026: TIMETABLE

Note: **Electives noted in BLUE**   **Faculty supervisors involved in Research Project noted in RED**

MBA 2026 Class:	MODULE C=Credits, A=Assignment, E=Exam	Assignment Date Done/Submitted	Results Posted
REGISTRATION DEADLINE & ONLINE PROGRAMME ACCESS (deadline) – 3 FEBRUARY 2026			
VIRTUAL MODULES: 9 Feb – 30 April (PRE-BLOCK) – VIRTUAL ATTENDANCE REQUIRED FOR 3-HOUR WEEKLY SESSIONS			
9 – 22 Feb	**Academic Skills** [coordinator: Prof N.Pearse] [4C,1A] Weekly content available online for self-pace learning, supported by 3-hour virtual (live/synchronous) discussions every **Tuesday** at 6pm SAST	Assign: 22 Feb at 23h55	7 Apr
23 Feb – 8 Mar	**Responsible Leadership** [coordinator: K.Rafferty] [10C,1A] Weekly content available online for self-pace learning, supported by 3-hour virtual (live/synchronous) discussions every **Tuesday** at 6pm SAST	Assign: 24 May at 23h55	13 Jul
9 Mar – 19 Apr	**People Management** [coordinator: Prof N.Pearse] [10C,1A] Weekly content available online for self-pace learning, supported by 3-hour virtual (live/synchronous) discussions every **Tuesday** at 6pm SAST (**with two sessions in Week 1 on Tues and Thurs at 6pm SAST**).	Assign: 26 Apr at 23h55	8 Jun
19 Apr – 30 Apr	*Break/travel week*		
IN-PERSON TEACHING BLOCK 2026: 1 – 17 May face-to-face lectures – ATTENDANCE REQUIRED ON CAMPUS (Makhanda, South Africa)			
1 May: 2pm	**Welcome/orientation/cocktail in the afternoon for 1st years** (public holiday)		
2 – 4 May	**QDM**	No assignment	
5 May	**Immersion activities** (08h00 – 18h00)	n/a	
6 – 8 May	**QDM (continue)**	No assignment	
9 May	**QDM exam** (seated by 13h30)	3h: 14h00 – 17h00	
10 – 12 May	**Responsible Leadership** [coordinator: K.Rafferty] [10C,1A] Each day starts at 08h00 and finishes at 18h00	Assign: 24 May at 23h55	13 Jul
13 May	**Immersion activities** (08h00 – 18h00)	n/a	
14 – 17 May	**Ethical Organisation & Governance** as Integrated Project module [coordinator: Prof O.Skae] [10C,1A] Each day starts at 08h00 and finishes at 18h00	Assign: 29 Nov at 23h55	TBC
18 – 24 May	*Break/travel time*		
VIRTUAL MODULES: 25 May – 5 Dec (POST-BLOCK) – VIRTUAL ATTENDANCE REQUIRED FOR 3-HOUR WEEKLY SESSIONS			
25 May – 28 Jun	**Electives 1** [10C,1A]: **Business Development & Consulting/BDC** [coordinator: K.Rafferty] **OR** **Sustainable Entrepreneurship** [coordinator: TBC] Weekly content available online for self-pace learning, supported by 3-hour virtual (live/synchronous) discussions every **Tuesday** at 6pm SAST (**with two sessions in Week 1 on Tues and Thurs at 6pm SAST**).	Assign: 1 July at 23h55	18 Aug
29 Jun – 5 July	*Break week (and elective assignment wrap-up)*		
6 Jul – 2 Aug	**Electives 2** [7.5C,1A]: **Diversity, Equity & Inclusion** [coordinator: E.Knoesen] **OR** **Exponential Organisation** [coordinator: K.Rafferty] Weekly content available online for self-pace learning, supported by 3-hour virtual (live/synchronous) discussions every **Tuesday** at 6pm SAST	Assign: 5 Aug at 23h55	22 Sept
3 – 9 Aug	*Break week (and elective assignment wrap-up)*		
10 Aug – 13 Sept	**Research Methods** [coordinator: Prof N.Pearse] [10C,1A] Weekly content available online for self-pace learning, supported by 3-hour virtual (live/synchronous) discussions every **Tuesday** at 6pm SAST (**with two sessions in Week 1 on Tues and Thurs at 6pm SAST**).	Assign: 14 Oct at 23h55	3 Nov
14 – 20 Sept	*Break week (and elective assignment wrap-up)*		
21 Sept – 18 Oct	**Electives 3** [7.5C,1A]: **Integrated Thinking & Reporting** [coordinator: L.Greyling] **OR** **Value Creation through AI** [coordinator: Dr. A.Mtotywa] Limited content and readings available online, with bi-weekly synchronous lectures to cover content every Tuesday and Saturday. Virtual lectures every **Tuesday** at 6pm SAST for 3-hours (18h00 – 21h00) and **Saturday** for 6-hours (09h00 – 15h00)	Assign: 21 Oct at 23h55	8 Dec
19 – 25 Oct	*Break week (and elective assignment wrap-up)*		
26 Oct – 8 Nov	**Ethical Organisation & Governance** as Integrated Project module [coordinator: Prof O.Skae] [10C,1A] Weekly content available online for self-pace learning, supported by 3-hour virtual (live/synchronous) discussions **Tuesdays** at 6pm SAST	Assign: 8 Nov at 23h55	TBC

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| 9 Nov – 4 Dec | **Research Project** [coordinator: Prof N.Pearse] [45C,various assessments]
Weekly content available online for self-pace learning, supported by 3-hour virtual (live/synchronous) discussions every **Tuesday** at 6pm SAST
(Faculty supervisors & students meet 30 Nov – 4 Dec) | Assessments (dates TBC in course):
1 Research plan
2. Systematised review
3. Self-reflexive essay
4. Managerial implications
5. Colloquium presentation |

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REGISTRATION DEADLINE & ONLINE PROGRAMME ACCESS (deadline) – 15 JANUARY 2026			
VIRTUAL MODULES: 9 Feb – 1 May (PRE-BLOCK) – VIRTUAL ATTENDANCE REQUIRED FOR 3-HOUR WEEKLY SESSIONS			
9 – 22 Feb	Research Project [coordinator: Prof N.Pearse] [45C, various assessments] Weekly content available online for self-pace learning, supported by 3-hour virtual (live/synchronous) discussions every **Tuesday** at 6pm SAST	Final project: 1 July 2027 *(unless accelerated)*	
23 Feb – 8 Mar	**Responsible Leadership** [coordinator: K.Rafferty] [10C,1A] Weekly content available online for self-pace learning, supported by 3-hour virtual (live/synchronous) discussions every **Tuesday** at 6pm SAST	Assign: 26 Apr at 23h55	13 Jul
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17 May	**Farewell function at 7pm on 17 May for 2ⁿᵈ year MBAs**		
18 May	**Travel day for 1ˢᵗ years; mini-HDC for 2ⁿᵈ years**		
18 May	Research Project [coordinator: Prof N.Pearse] [45C, various assessments] Day starts at 08h00 and finishes at 18h00 - project plan is presented to Faculty	Final project: 1 July 2027 *(unless accelerated)*	
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9 Nov – 5 Dec	**Research Project** This time is set aside for students to finalise their research projects and meet with supervisors if required (times to be confirmed between supervisor & student)	Assign: 1 July 2028 *(**accelerated** students: 31 Jan '27)*	
8 and 9 Dec	**Research Project Colloquium I** – students who want to **accelerate** their degree are required to present their project virtually.	Project submission (***accelerated***): 31 Jan '27	
TBC (~end March 2027)	**Research Project Colloquium II** – all students are required to present their project virtually (unless they already presented at Colloquium I in Dec 2026). **Research Project** – students are required to work on their own to complete the research project. Ensure regular meetings are scheduled with supervisor.	Final project submission: 1st July 2027	

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MBA CLASS of 2024: TIMETABLE

MBA 2024 Class:	MODULE C=Credits, A=Assignment, E=Exam	Assignment Date Done / Submitted
REGISTRATION DEADLINE – 10 FEBRUARY 2026		
31 Jan	**Research Project final submission for accelerated students**	Final project submission *(accelerated)*: 31 Jan
30 and 31 Mar	**Research Project Colloquium II** – all students are required to present their project virtually (unless they already presented at Colloquium I in Dec 2025). **Research Project** – students are required to work on their own to complete the research project. Ensure regular meetings are scheduled with supervisor.	Final project submission: 1st July 2026
1st July	**Research Project final submission**	Final project submission: 1st July