

Thank-you for your interest in applying for a Masters in Environmental Law. This contains important information about the application process. Please complete all the application steps.

#### **CONTACT DETAILS:**

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#### **IF YOU ARE APPLYING FOR FULL RESEARCH MASTERS:**

1. A full research Masters comprises one-year full time study (or two years part time study) during which you will complete a thesis of 50 000 words under the supervision of a labour law expert.
2. Before you apply you must have a workable topic and a draft concept note. It is recommended that you contact a potential supervisor to approve your topic before applying. Queries can be directed to Professor Kidd.
3. Applications are accepted throughout the academic year.
4. Full research Masters students qualify for one-year fee remission (full-time registration only).

#### **IF YOU ARE APPLYING FOR COURSEWORK MASTERS:**

1. A coursework Masters comprises of 4 compulsory modules. The modules are Land Use and Planning Law, Natural Resources Law, Pollution Control Law and Research Methodology. In addition, you will need to complete a 15 000-word mini-thesis.
2. The LLM in Environmental Law is offered **part-time (over 2 years)**. Registration is part-time in Pietermaritzburg

- Since the programme runs over two-year cycles, the order of the modules is different from year to year. The modules on offer from the first semester of 2023 are as follows:

MODULE	SEMESTER / YEAR
Natural Resources Law	First semester (year 1 - 2023)
Pollution Control Law	Second semester (year 1 - 2023)
Land Use and Planning Law	First semester (year 2 - 2024)
Research Methodology and Dissertation	First semester (year 2 - 2024)
Dissertation	Second semester (year 2 - 2024)

- Lectures may be held either in block sessions or individual seminars, and either physically (contact seminars) or online. These may occur during or after working hours.
- Acceptance into the programme is limited and is dependent on enrolment targets.
- Applications windows are advertised on the School of Law website. Applications will open in June and close 31<sup>st</sup> October. Late applications may be accepted with our discretion, and you are encouraged to contact us to ascertain space on the program.
- Coursework Masters students do not qualify for fee remission.

#### **APPLICATION STEPS:**

- Ensure you have made an online application here <https://law.ukzn.ac.za/law-howto-apply/>. Attach all required documents. If any of the required documents are not attached your application will be disregarded.
- To process your application, we require the following documents:
  - Academic Transcript (and a SAQA certificate if your qualification is not from a South African institution)
  - Matric Certificate
  - ID
  - Passport if you are a foreign student

- 2.5 A personal motivation explaining why you wish to do Environmental law
- 2.6 Curriculum vitae.
- 2.7 A recent example of your writing. E.g. a research assignment, essay or report from your undergraduate degree
- 2.8 Proof of payment of the application fee

**NOTE:** ITEMS 2.5, 2.6 and 2.7 must be attached to the “Self Help Applic docs” tab in the online application

- 3. The post-graduate administrator will “process” your application and send it to the programme co-ordinator for review. It is vitally important that you attach all the required documentation when applying online.
- 4. If your application is successful you will receive a letter of acceptance with documents that you need to complete and return from the PG administrator.
- 5. Full research Masters applications will be considered by the Post-Graduate research masters selection committee.