



Introduction

This course has been developed according to the changing needs of the adventure tourism industry and focuses strongly on management and entrepreneurship. The course covers the entire adventure tourism industry. It is divided into lecture-hall presentations and practical application, and is aimed at developing skills that will result in competence and confidence to new levels. The activities include land, water, and air based activities.

This challenging course is tailor-made for students who are highly motivated, who enjoy working with people and facing daily challenges, and for whom personal reward is an objective in itself.

Adventure Tourism is a dynamic and diverse course which calls for committed students of high caliber.

Admission requirements

Minimum academic requirements

In addition to the National Senior Certificate (general or vocational), with a minimum of 6 subjects, a candidate must meet the following specific requirements for this programme:

Specific subject requirements

- A minimum mark of 3 in English (first or additional language)
- A minimum mark of 3 any other 4 recognised NSC 20-credits subjects, excluding Life Orientation

Recommended subjects

- Human and Social Studies (Geography, History)
- Service (Hospitality Studies, Tourism)
- Business, Commerce and Management Studies (Accounting, Business Studies, Economics)
- Physical, Mathematical, Computer and Life Sciences (Computer Applications Technology, Life Science)
- Mathematics or Mathematical Literacy
- Any second language or additional subjects

Specific requirement for training in Adventure Tourism Management:

Students must be physically and mentally fit to take part in strenuous outdoor activities and need to complete compulsory courses in First Aid and Basic Water Safety/Life Saving in the first study year.

All students have to complete the orientation programme in January of the first study year. During this time, the evaluations for the compulsory Basic Water Safety/Life Saving course will take place.

Evaluation criteria used by Administration when processing an application

Admission Point Score (APS)		
Subjects	Weighted credit	Minimum subject pass required
English (first or additional language)	x3	3
Any other 4 recognised NSC 20-credits subjects, excluding Life Orientation:		
Subject 1	x3	3
Subject 2	x3	3
Subject 3	x3	3
Subject 4	x3	3
Minimum application score required (5 subjects excluding Life Orientation): 45		

Note: Admission requirements still need to be approved by Senate

Assessment procedure

- Applicants with a final APS score of 50 and more, according to the formula, will be accepted and will receive a letter to confirm their admission.
- Applicants with a score between 45 and 49 will be invited to do the TUT-Potential Assessment (PA) test.
- Acceptance is subject to available capacity according to the Student Enrolment Plan (SEP).

Duration

Three years full-time (day classes only).

Career opportunities

You will be able to work with tourists in the great outdoors as an adventure specialist in the resort and entertainment areas, you can plan and present outdoor activities at event- and theme parks, supply outdoor equipment, work as adventure tourism operator or wholesaler, be part of adventure education and training or start your own business.

Subjects

First year

Adventure Tourism Practice I
 Outdoor Recreation I
 Commercial Recreation I
 Communication: English I
 Computer Studies I
 Business Administration I
 Experiential Learning I

Second year

Adventure Tourism Practice II
 Outdoor Recreation II
 Commercial Recreation II
 Adventure Tourism Law I
 Natural Environment I
 Experiential Learning II

Third year

Adventure Tourism Practice III
 Outdoor Recreation III
 Commercial Recreation III
 Experiential Learning III

Note: The national qualification will be conferred only on students who have passed all the prescribed subjects (including courses certified by industry).



Closing date for applications

15 August, unless there is still space available after the closing date.

Studies after the completion of the National Diploma

After completing the National Diploma, you may continue your studies up to doctorate level.

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