



WBS Wits
Business
School
Sculpting global leaders

WITS BUSINESS SCHOOL **PROSPECTUS**

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WBS VISION

To be a leading African Business School firmly embedded among the best business schools internationally.



WBS MISSION

To graduate agile and ethical leaders who are a force for positive change locally and globally. We will achieve this through empowering education, relevant research and impactful public discourse. These will be informed by the principles of critical thinking, innovation and sustainability.



WBS VALUES

- ▶ Excellence
- ▶ Integrity
- ▶ Sustainability driven
- ▶ Responsiveness
- ▶ Stakeholder-centric
- ▶ Collaboration

■ ABOUT WITS BUSINESS SCHOOL

Wits Business School (WBS), founded in 1968, is one of the oldest and most respected business schools in Africa. While steeped in history and heritage, the school continues to grow, evolve and innovate, repeatedly spearheading new areas of research. These include digital business and AI, energy leadership, African philanthropy, corporate governance and sustainability, healthcare leadership, and gender equality.

WBS's mission is to graduate agile and ethical leaders who are driven to have a positive impact on the world around them, guided by the principles of ethics, good governance and sustainability. To further extend its reach and impact, WBS has partnered with other educational institutions and corporations globally and hosts regular conferences and symposia to address pressing issues facing Africa's sustainable future.



A PROUD 'WITSIE'



WBS is the graduate school of business administration of Wits University, a highly ranked research institution renowned for the influential role it has played in South Africa's socio-political history. The enduring 'Wits' brand continues to symbolise academic rigour, research and innovation and thought leadership on the African continent.

Four Nobel Prize winners are Wits alumni: Nelson Mandela, Sydney Brenner, Nadine Gordimer and Aaron Klug

THE EXECUTIVE TEAM



Prof Logan Rangasamy
Interim Head of School



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Executive Education
Director and
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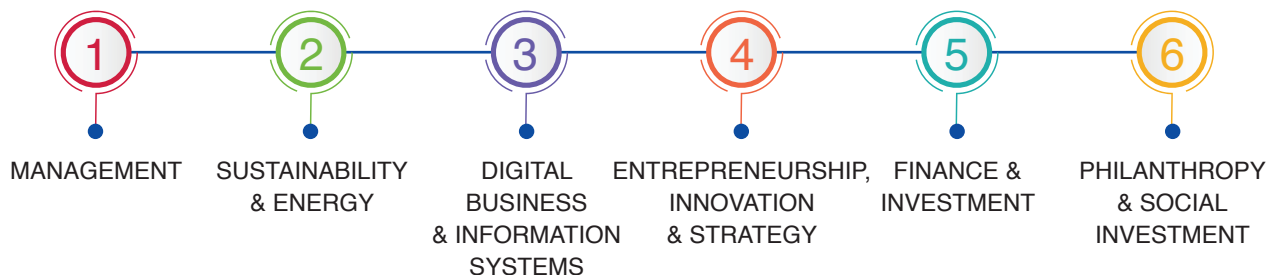


Prof Mills Soko
Development
& Partnerships
Director



OUR SIX ACADEMIC DISCIPLINES

All activities at WBS – including programmes, research, thought leadership and events - are centred around six focus areas:



OUR CHAIRS AND CENTRES

Wits Business School's Chairs and Centres are the first of their kind on the continent of Africa, and are what makes WBS stand out from its competitors.



THE CENTRE ON AFRICAN PHILANTHROPY AND SOCIAL INVESTMENT (CAPSI)

Advancing society through Africa-focused philanthropy and resource mobilisation



THE AFRICAN ENERGY LEADERSHIP CENTRE (AELC)

Driving solutions for Africa's energy future



THE MERVYN KING CHAIR IN GOVERNANCE AND SUSTAINABILITY

Advancing good governance and sustainable practices



THE CASE CENTRE

A pioneer in Africa-based case studies



THE CHAIR IN GENDER EQUALITY

Transforming academia, business and industry through diversity and inclusion



WITS MIND INVESTEC CHAIR IN AI AND SUSTAINABLE BUSINESS TRANSFORMATION

Developing the latest research and teaching in AI-driven contexts



■ OUR ACADEMIC PROGRAMMES

Wits Business School offers the following generalist and specialist programmes:

Generalist Programmes	Format	Duration
Master of Business Administration (MBA)	Part-time	2 years
Master of Business Administration (MBA)	Part-time modular Mid-year intake	2 years
Wits-Kedge MBA in Global Executive Leadership	Part-time	17 months
Postgraduate Diploma in Management in Business Administration (PDM-BA)	Full-time	1 year
Postgraduate Diploma in Business Administration (PDBA)	Part-time	2 years
Postgraduate Diploma in Business Administration (PDBA)	Part-time modular Mid-year intake	2 years



Specialist Programmes	Format	Duration
Master of Management in the field of Energy Leadership	Part-time	2 years
Master of Management in the field of Digital Business	Part-time	2 years
Master of Management in African Philanthropy	Part-time	2 years
Master of Business Administration (MBA) in the field of Healthcare Leadership	Part-time	2 years
Master of Management in Finance & Investment	Part-time	2 years
Master of Management in Entrepreneurship & New Venture Creation	Part-time	2 years
Postgraduate Diploma in Energy Leadership	Part-time	2 years
Postgraduate Diploma in Digital Business	Part-time	2 years
Postgraduate Diploma in the field of Philanthropy & Resource Mobilisation	Part-time	2 years
Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)		

WBS GRADUATE COMPETENCIES

As a school, we aim to ensure that every student graduating with a qualification at WBS is recognised as having a set of core graduate competencies developed through the successful completion of their programme. This means that WBS graduates emerge from their studies armed with recognisable behavioural and leadership characteristics that clearly identify them as WBS graduates.

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WBS graduates demonstrate disciplinary expertise and critical thinking skills.

2



WBS graduates are entrepreneurial and innovative, integrating global and African perspectives in addressing organisational and/or societal challenges.

3



WBS graduates develop data-driven solutions that harmonise financial, social, and environmental sustainability perspectives to address the dynamic business landscape.

4



WBS graduates lead with purpose, integrity, inclusivity and accountability.

5



WBS graduates are sensitive and personally responsive to the needs of society and organisations as change agents for the common good.

■ EXECUTIVE EDUCATION

Wits Business School's innovative Executive Education courses are targeted at senior executives, managers, and new managers who are looking to harness their skills and translate their knowledge into practical and effective business solutions. The Action Learning and Business Integration Projects, Personal Development Plans, Business Coaching, Case Studies, and immersive formats, empower delegates to drive impactful change in their organisations.

We offer both open enrolment and customised short course programmes which are tailor-made to meet our clients' specific organisational or leadership needs. Our dynamic business development team are ready to chat to you about your individual or corporate training needs!

Visit www.wbs.ac.za/executive-education or contact us on 011 717 3813 for more information.

OUR PROGRAMMES

- International Executive Development Programme
- Executive Development Programme
- Senior Leader Development
- High Impact Leadership
- Management Advancement Programme (MAP) for Future Change Leaders
- Management Development Programme
- New Managers Programme
- Supervisory Development Programme
- Managing and Leading People
- Women in Leadership
- Digital Business Fundamentals
- Advance Business Project Management - PMSA approved
- Essentials of Coaching and Mentoring - COMENSA approved
- Finance for Non-financial Managers
- Masterclass in Artificial Intelligence
- Masterclass in AI for Strategic Foresight
- Masterclass in Fintech
- Masterclass in Platform Business
- Masterclass in Principles and Fundamentals of Fundraising
- Almasi Executive Philanthropy
- Energy Transition in South Africa
- Energy Value Chains
- Masterclass in Oil & Gas



■ SUSTAINABILITY & IMPACT

At WBS our passion is developing impactful leaders. But having impact on the world goes beyond teaching and learning – it's reflected in everything we do as staff, students and alumni to ensure the future wellbeing of our planet.

WBS is a proud signatory of the Principles for Responsible Management Education (PRME), joining over 800 business and management schools around the world that are committed to building a more sustainable future by implementing seven principles:

PURPOSE

We advance responsible management education to foster inclusive prosperity in a world of thriving ecosystems



VALUES

We place organisational responsibility and accountability to society and the planet at the core of what we do



TEACH

We transform our learning environments by integrating responsible management concepts and practices in our curriculum and pedagogy



RESEARCH

We study people, organisations, institutions, and the state of the world to inspire responsible management and education practice



PARTNER

We engage people from business, government, civil society, and academia to advance responsible and accountable management education and practice



PRACTICE

We adopt responsible and accountable management principles in our own governance and operations



SHARE

We share our successes and failure with each other to enable our collective learning and best live our common values and purpose





WBS has implemented several initiatives to ensure a clean, green environment on our campus! These include a BioBin organic waste processor, mass water storage, and an innovative, digital recycling solution. We achieved the highest possible rating (5 out of 5) in the Positive Impact Rating (PIR), recognising our outstanding commitment to creating positive societal impact.



Joining forces with high-profile partners in the private sector, government, non-profits and academia, WBS regularly provides a platform for robust, solutions-driven public discourse.





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