

APPLICATION FOR:
DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Dear prospective student

Thank you for showing interest in the Doctor of Philosophy in Information Technology (DPINF1) in the Department of Information Technology. In order for us to evaluate your application the following is recommended and required:

1. Official evidence of successful completion of a Masters Degree in ICT or equivalent.
2. Foreign qualifications require SAQA evaluation and must equate to a NQF level 9 qualification in ICT or equivalent. See <http://www.saqa.org.za/>.
3. The applicant is required to develop and submit a short draft research proposal of not more than 10 pages. The proposal should provide an outline of the intended study and minimally include a short critical review of literature motivating the need for the study, statement of the problem, preliminary research question and objectives and the planned research methodology. The proposal should be supported with a sufficient number of recent journal/conference publications. It is in the best interest of the applicant to ensure a good quality proposal as this will be scrutinized by prospective mentors to gauge the suitability of the applicant for the programme and attract their interest in mentoring the study.
4. Applicants are advised to view <http://www.dut.ac.za/course/mtech-and-dtech-information-technology/>. This will afford the applicant an opportunity to become acquainted with the various research interests in the Department of Information Technology.

Applicants will be informed of acceptance via e-mail. The successful applicant will need to travel to the Durban University of Technology for formal registration. Closing date for registration of accepted applicants is towards the end of March each year. However, there is no closing date for new applications.

Successful applicants can register as a full time or a part time student.

The full time student should not have permanent employment and will dedicate their time exclusively to completion of the PhD. A full time student is:

- exempt from all fees for the first 3 years of the study thereafter approximately R3600.00 per successive year,
- required to procure and pay for their own accommodation. Students may apply for university accommodation,
- required to procure and pay for medical insurance from university preferred South African service providers (International students only),
- required to obtain a valid student visa for the duration of the study (International students only).

A part time student is usually permanently employed and/or will not be residing in South Africa for the duration of their study. They are liable for fees of approximately R27 000.00 for the 1st year of study. Every successive year of study is approximately R3600.00.

The minimum duration of the PhD is 2 years and maximum duration is 4 years.

Please e-mail your draft research proposal and other required documents to: alveens@dut.ac.za at your earliest convenience.

For any queries please email alveens@dut.ac.za

We look forward to your application.

Kind Regards

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