

6. What is new in 2020 & transitional arrangements for pipeline students

You are probably aware of the fact that, due to recommendations by the CHE, new curriculums were developed for the different programmes offered by the Faculty of Law. The new curriculums were introduced for the 1st time in 2018 on first year level, offered on 2nd year level in 2019, and will be phased in on 3rd year level in 2020. At the same time, the old curriculums are being phased out, while students in these curriculums (so called pipeline students) will be allowed to complete their studies according to the rules which were applicable when they enrolled as first year students in 2017.

WHAT IS NEW

BA Law

The following modules were removed from the curriculum:

IURI 211 (Criminal Law)

IURI 221 (Criminal Law Specific Crimes)

IURI 222 (Labour Law)

IURI 223 (Fundamental Rights)

IURI 271 (Criminal Procedure)

The following modules are introduced to the curriculum in 2020

IURI 313 (Law of succession);

IURI 322 (Law of Insolvency);

IURI 377 (Language Skills in a Legal Context – previously IURI 375)

B Com Law

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Banking Law (IURI 421)

LLB III

IURI 313 (Law of Succession) – refer to the discussion below regarding the transitional arrangements.

The CHE recommended that we introduce non-law modules in our curriculum. Therefore, a non-law elective now forms part of the third year LLB curriculum, and all 3rd year students are required to register for the same non-law module in both semesters. The list of modules

students may choose from, is indicated on the online registration system, as well as on the curriculum control forms and in the Faculty yearbook.

Other new arrangements appear from the discussion below.

TRANSITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR PIPELINE STUDENTS 2020

In order to accommodate pipeline students (that is students who failed 3rd year modules in 2019), the arrangements below apply in 2020 to those third year modules which will not be offered in the new curriculum any more, or which will be offered in another format (for example semester modules which become year modules, or year modules which become semester modules).

IURI312 (Administrative Law) retains its current descriptive name and credits, but moves to the 4th year first semester as from 2021 and will get a new code, namely **IURI415**. Students who failed IURI312 in 2019 register for IURI312 in 2020, since the module will still be offered in its current format for students who register in 2020 for the 2 year LLB curriculum after completion of the BA Law or the B Com Law.

IURI372 retains its current descriptive name (International Law), but the format and content changes in that it will become a semester module as from 2020, which will be offered in the second semester of the third year. The code for the new semester module will be **IURI323**, and it will bear 12 credits. Students who failed IURI372 in 2019 will be accommodated by allowing them to write a third examination in order to enable them to pass the module.

Students who do not pitch for the special examination, or who fails it, will need to register for IURI 323 in the 2nd semester of 2020. Since they will only receive 12 credits if they pass IURI 323, they will need to do an additional module of 12 credits in order to ensure that they will have sufficient credits to graduate.

Students who register in 2020 for the 2 year LLB curriculum after completion of the BA Law or the B Com Law (that is 607 107 3 R412M/R412P and R412M/R412P) register for IURI323 in the second semester, and will receive recognition for IURI372 if they pass IURI323, notwithstanding the difference in credits.

Civil Procedure in the Magistrate's Courts (**IURI321**) and High Court Procedure (**IURI411**) will be combined into a year module to be offered on third year level as from 2020. The code for the new year module will be **IURI376** and it will bear 16 credits. Students who failed IURI321 in 2019 will be accommodated by allowing them to write a third examination in order to enable them to pass the module. Those who do not pass the third examination opportunity for IURI321 must register for the new year module (IURI376) in 2020. Students who failed IURI411 in 2019, should register for IURI411 in 2020 which will still be offered for the last time as a separate semester module.

The current year module, **IURI374** will be split into two separate semester modules as from 2020, namely Law of Succession (IURI313) and Administration of Estates (IURE425). Law of Succession will be offered in the 1st semester of the 3rd year, will get a new code (**IURI313**) and will count 12 credits. Administration of Estates will be offered as an elective module on 4th year level in the second semester at PC and MC as from 2020. It will receive a new code (**IURE425**) and will count 12 credits. Students who failed IURI374 in 2019 will be accommodated by allowing them to write a third examination in order to enable them to pass the module. Those who do not pass the third examination opportunity must register for both new semester modules (IURI313 and IURE425) in 2020, and will receive credit for IURI374 if they pass both. Students will only be credited for IURI374 if they passed both IURI313 and IURE425 (or similar modules at another institution).

Students who register in 2020 for the 2 year LLB curriculum after completion of the BA Law or the B Com Law (that is 607 107 3 R412M/R412P and R412M/R412P) enrol for IURI313 in the first semester and IURE425 in the second semester. They will receive recognition for IURI374 if they pass IURI313 and IURE425.

The credits for **IURI375** will be reduced as from 2020 from 24 credits to 16 credits in order to align it with other law modules on 3rd year level (and the other language skills modules). The name and contents of the module will remain the same (although the contents should be adjusted in order to provide for the fewer notional hours), but the module will have a new code in the new curriculum, namely **IURI377**. Students who fails IURI375 in 2019 must register for IURI377 in 2020, and will be credited with IURI375 if they pass.

Special arrangements for 2 year LL B after BA Law

Students who completed the BA Law degree in 2019 and enrol for the 2 year LLB curriculum in 2020 register for the current curriculum (607 107 3 R412M/R412P). The following transitional rules apply to them:

1. Students register for IURI312 even though the module is moved from the 3rd to the 4th year for the LL B students.
2. Students register for IURI323 in the second semester and will receive recognition for IURI372 if they pass IURI323.
3. They register for Law of Succession (IURI313) in the first semester and Administration of Estates (IURE425) in the second semester. They will receive credit for IURI374 if they pass both IURI313 and IURE425.
4. Students register for IURI377, and will be credited with IURI375 if they pass.
5. They register for IURI 376.
6. Students who register for their **final year** in terms of the above curriculums, register for IURI 411, unless they failed IURI 321 in 2019, in which instance they need to register for IURI 376.

Special arrangements for 2 year LL B after B Com Law

Students who completed the B Com Law degree in 2019 and enrol for the 2 year LLB curriculum in 2020 register for the current curriculum (607 107 3 R413M/R413P). The following transitional rules apply to them:

1. They register for IURI 212 but attend the lectures for IURI 275. However, they will write class tests in order to build a participation mark for the first semester, write a special exam in June, and receive class exemption for the second semester (since they have already passed IURI223). If they pass the June exam, they receive credit for IURI212. If they failed IURI 223 in 2019, they should register for IURI 275 in 2020.
2. Students register for IURI312 since the module should be offered for these students, even though the module is moved from the 3rd to the 4th year for the LL B students.
3. They should register for IURI323 in the second semester and will receive recognition for IURI372 if they pass IURI323, notwithstanding the difference in credits.
4. They register for Law of Succession (IURI313) in the first semester and Administration of Estates (IURE425) in the second semester. They will receive credit for IURI374 if they pass both IURI313 and IURE425.
5. Students register for IURI377, and will be credited with IURI375 if they pass.
6. They register for IURI 376 instead of IURI 321.
7. Students who register for their **final year** in terms of the above curriculums, register for IURI 411, unless they failed IURI 321 in 2019, in which instance they need to register for IURI 376.