

MA HERITAGE MANAGEMENT - SH 534 (Part-Time)

1. Background

The MA Heritage Management course is two- year part time postgraduate programme focusing on teaching of skills and inculcating experience required for the management of heritage in Mauritius and the region. The University of Mauritius is collaborating with international institutions of the East African region to offer candidates from the South Western Indian Ocean heritage education according to international standards. Contributing institutions are: the Centre for Heritage Development in Africa (CHDA), the Agence Universitaire de la Francophonie (AUF), the Ministry of Arts and Culture of Mauritius, the National Heritage Fund (NHF), the Aapravasi Ghat Trust Fund (AGTF), the Le Morne Heritage Trust Fund (LMHTF), and the National Parks and Conservation Service (NPCS).

The course is designed to address heritage issues using an interdisciplinary approach and will be taught by specialists and research active lecturers. Students will learn how to effectively work with experts in heritage, archaeology, architecture, and conservation. Key issues such as legal framework, fundraising, project supervision, and sustainability will be addressed. Prospective students should hold a good honours degree in any area of Arts, Humanities, Social Sciences, Architecture, Engineering and Sciences.

2. Objectives

The objective is to give to students the necessary heritage management tools in line with national and regional strategies to enhance the cultural heritage management in the South Western Indian Ocean. Themes addressed are:

- Cultural Heritage Development
- Heritage Conservation and Politics of Heritage
- Heritage Economics & HR Capacity Building
- Cultural Heritage Sustainability and Tourism
- Conceptualizing Educational Programme & Exhibitions
- Heritage Interpretation and the Public

3. General Entry Requirements

Successful completion of an undergraduate degree with

- at least a Second Class or 50%, whichever is applicable or
- a GPA not less than 2.5 out of 4 or equivalent, from a recognised higher education institution
- **OR** alternative qualifications acceptable to the University of Mauritius

4. Programme Requirements

A good honours degree or equivalent in the humanities, architecture, social sciences and sciences is required. Persons already in service in the heritage field may apply upon proof of relevant practical experience. International candidates are required to provide evidence of a good command of English if it is not their first language as most courses will be delivered in English. Few lectures may be in French due to the interdisciplinary nature of programme and the use of resource persons from the South West Indian Ocean region.

5. Programme Duration

	Minimum [Yrs]	Maximum [Yrs]
Master's Degree:	2	4
Postgraduate Diploma:	2	4

6. Credits per Semester

As per University Regulation.

7. Minimum Credits Required for the Awards - 39

Breakdown

	Core Modules	Dissertation	Electives Modules
Master's Degree	18 credits	9 credits	12 credits

8. Assessment

Each module will carry 100 marks and will be assessed as follows (unless otherwise specified):

Written examination of 2-3 hours duration and course work assessment carrying 30-40% of total marks.

Course work assessment will be based on seminar presentations and / or project work.

Practical modules will be assessed entirely by continuous assessment (see module descriptions below).

EXCEPT FOR THESE MODULES, CONTINUOUS ASSESSMENT WILL INCLUDE AT LEAST ONE ASSIGNMENT.

An overall total of 40% for combined course work assessment and written examination components would be required to pass the module, without minimum thresholds within the individual course assessment and written examination.

All modules carry their own credit value.

Dissertations carry 9 credits and will be in an area of specialisation.

9. Submission Deadlines for Dissertations

First Draft: End of August of the academic year.

Final Copy: end of 3rd week of December of that year by 4.00 pm at latest.

10. Choice of Electives

Students will be required to submit their choice of electives in semester 1, 2 and 3 in order of priority during the application process. A minimum of five students is required for a module to be offered.

The University reserves the right not to offer a given elective module if the critical number of students is not attained / and subject to availability of resource specialist.

11. Programme Plan – MA Heritage Management

Year 1

CORE Code	Module Name	Hrs/Wk L+P	Credits
HERT 5101(3)	Introduction to Heritage	3+0	3
HERT 5102(3)	Heritage Inventory & Documentation	3+0	3
HERT 5201(3)	Heritage Conservation Management	3+0	3
HERT 5202(3)	Heritage Value Assessment	3+0	3
Electives (up to 6 credits)			
HERT 5103(2)	Heritage Economics	3+0	3
HERT 5104(2)	Heritage Legal Frameworks	3+0	3
HERT 5203(2)	Heritage, Museology and the Public	3+0	3
HERT 5204(2)	Practical Conservation: <i>Archival, Iconographic or Archaeological Conservation</i>	3+0	3

Year 2

CORE Code	Module Name	Hrs/Wk L+P	Credits
HERT 6101(3)	Intangible Cultural Heritage Management	3+0	3
HERT 6201(3)	Heritage and Sustainable Development	3+0	3
HERT6000(3)	Dissertation		9
Electives (up to 6 credits)			
HERT 6102(2)	Heritage Tourism	3+0	3
HERT 6103	IT and Multimedia in Heritage Management	3+0	3
HERT 6104(2)	Heritage Interpretation	3+0	3
HERT 6202(2)	Practical Conservation: <i>Architectural or Urban Conservation</i>		3

Note: Flexibility dates for delivery of lectures/seminars will apply in accordance with the time schedule and availability of resource specialists from institutions abroad.