



Public Economics Winter School 2017

The Public Economics Winter School is hosted by GTAC, in partnership with the National Treasury.

SELECTION CRITERIA FOR THE PUBLIC ECONOMICS WINTER SCHOOL 2017

The 2017 Public Economics Winter School is designed to provide a rigorous learning opportunity for students wishing to pursue a career in public economics and policy analysis. It is geared toward talented post-graduate students who have proven academic ability and who are highly motivated. It offers an opportunity for successful applicants to engage with senior public sector officials and university academics.

There is no fee for attending the Winter School but due to limited space, applicants will need to meet the entry requirements as set out below.

To be considered for the Winter School candidates need to:

- Be a post-graduate economics student (full time or part time) in 2017 at a South African university.
- Hold an undergraduate degree with economics as one of the majors.

The 2017 Winter School requires the following commitment from students:

- Be able to attend the full Winter School from Monday 3 July to Friday 7 July 2017.
- Participate actively during the workshop. This entails opportunities to facilitate small group discussions, act as rapporteur or chair sessions.

Frequently Asked Questions

When is the application deadline?

The application deadline is Monday 22 May 2017.

What documents do I need to submit with my application?

1. Please attach your 2017 university registration form as evidence that they you are currently a post-graduate economics student at a South African university,
2. Your ID document
3. Certified copies of all your previous degree certificates.
4. For evaluation purposes we would also require your full academic record from your matric certificate to date.

When will applicants be notified about the outcome of their application?

The application deadline is 22 May 2017. Applicants will be notified by Friday 2 June 2017.

How will I be notified about the outcome of my application?

GTAC will notify you via email as soon as a decision has been reached.

If I attended the 2016 Winter School will I be able to apply again?

If you are still a post-graduate honours or masters economics student you are more than welcome to join us again!

Who will attend the Winter School?

The Winter School is primarily for post-graduate economics students, National Treasury officials, academics and a number of economists from the private sector.

I have a disability, how do I let you know about this?

Applicants are able to indicate the nature of their disability when completing the final registration form (not the application form). The final registration form will also contain dietary preferences. GTAC's dedicated administrator can be contacted at any time to discuss any special arrangements by email on winterschool@gtac.gov.za

What are the academic themes for the 2017 Winter School?

The themes for the 2017 Winter School are:

(1) Tax Policy and Design

(2) Housing and Urban Development and

(3) The Role of the State in Financial Markets

You will be required to indicate your theme preference on the application form. Please select your first and second choices only.

Can I attend more than one theme?

No, the themes run parallel to each other and attendees are therefore not encouraged to move between themes. As the themes are intensive and full-time it is only possible to attend one course per session.

Can I change my selected theme choices?

If you wish to change your focus area before you arrive for the Winter School, this may be possible depending on availability.

Who will cover the cost of my travel to the University of Pretoria?

GTAC will cover the cost of return flights from the university town where you are registered to OR Tambo International airport, plus the local transfers to and from Pretoria

Who will cover the cost of accommodation and where will we be staying?

GTAC will also cover the cost of your accommodation from Sunday 2 July to Thursday 6 July inclusive. Student accommodation has been reserved at the University of Pretoria within walking distance to the venue.



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