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Non-subsidised Programmes (NSP)

Money Laundering Control



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Programme Overview

Money laundering is one of the most serious financial offences that can be committed under South African law. Penalties range up to R1 billion and life imprisonment. These offences can be committed negligently by businesses as well as their managers and employees who fail to comply with their duties under the anti-laundering legislation. In practice, it is often challenging to interpret the law correctly and to ensure that the business is compliant. The environment has been made even more challenging by the adoption of related legislation regarding corruption and financing of terrorism. This programme was developed to enable students to form an understanding of the law and the practical implications of money laundering control in an international and a national context.

The Programme

In 2000, the Centre for the study of Economic Crime at RAU took the initiative to develop one of the first university programmes in money laundering control internationally. Following the establishment of the University of Johannesburg on 1 January 2005, this programme was continued by the new university. More than 2 000 senior regulators, compliance officers, investigators and prosecutors in Southern Africa have already completed this programme. It has also developed into a core module of the University's Postgraduate Diploma in Legal Principles Compliance.

Programme Content

Topics covered include the following:

1. The development of money laundering and terrorists financing control

- Money laundering – basic concepts
- Financing of terrorism
- Important international and regional standards and initiatives, including the 2012 revised FATF recommendations

2. Money laundering and terrorist financing control in South Africa

- Money laundering trends in South Africa
 - Practical examples
 - Money laundering in different industries and sectors
- The Prevention of Organised Crime Act No. 121 of 1998 (POCA)
- The Financial Intelligence Centre Act No. 38 of 2001 (FICA) (as amended)
- Relevant provisions of the Protection of Constitutional Democracy Against Terrorist and Related Activities Act No. 33 of 2004 (POCDATARA), the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act No. 12 of 2004 (PRECCA) and the Financial Advisory and Intermediary Services Act No. 37 of 2002 (FAIS)
- Introduction to confiscation and asset forfeiture

3. Money laundering and the law

- Relevant laws and infrastructure
 - The abuse of companies, close corporations and trusts
- Money laundering and criminal law
 - Accessories after the fact
 - Fraud, insider trading and tax evasion
- Organised crime, racketeering and terrorism
 - Successful money laundering prosecutions in South Africa

- Money laundering and civil law
 - Misrepresentation
 - Client confidentiality and bank secrecy
 - Attorney-client privilege
- Money laundering and international laws
 - Extra-territorial jurisdiction of the United States

4. Investigation and compliance

- Methods to detect money laundering and terrorist financing
- Sources of illicit money
- Compliance requirements

This Unique Programme

- Introduces students to the main aspects of money laundering law and money laundering and terrorist financing control and compliance.
- Is affiliated to the Compliance Institute of Southern Africa.
- Is a core module of the University of Johannesburg Postgraduate Diploma in Legal Principles Compliance.

Assessments

The programme in Money Laundering Control is presented during the first semester. Tuition is compressed into a three-day programme at the Auckland Park Kingsway Campus of the University of Johannesburg. Students will submit assignments and write a final examination in **May/June**. Students may sit for the examination in several different locations in South Africa.

NB: Attendance of the three-day workshop is compulsory.

Admission Requirements

A bachelor's degree pitched at an NQF Level 7 or appropriate equivalent qualification.

NB: Foreign applicants should contact the Faculty for relevant legislative requirements.

Application Dates

Applications open from **31 August 2025** and will close **28 February 2026** unless the date is extended.

Documents Required

- **Certified** copy of ID;
- **Certified** copy of matric certificate;
- **Certified** copy of tertiary qualification certificate/s (if applicable);
- Copy of the academic record of your qualification/s (if applicable);
- **Certified** copy of marriage/deed of divorce certificate (if applicable)

NB: Non-South African applicants should contact the Faculty for relevant legislative requirements.

Please note that student numbers are restricted to ensure maximum class participation.

Online Application

TO MAKE AN ONLINE APPLICATION (No Application Fee is payable)

- The Course Code is: **S4MLCQ**
- The Mode of Study is DB – “APK Continuing Education Programmes Part-Time”.
- For a quicker and easier application process for first-time (new) applicants use the link below:

Short Web Application

https://registration.uj.ac.za/pls/prodi41/wuj012pkg.wuj012_startup

- And the RETURNING student web link is:

https://registration.uj.ac.za/pls/prodi41/w99pkg.mi_login

- For both processes above the “token” that must be used applicants is **LAWSLP**.
- Password/Pin reset: If you have previously created a password/pin, you will be prompted to login with that password/pin. You can click on the “Forgot Password/Pin” button if you cannot remember your password/pin and follow the instructions to reset your password/pin.

For assistance regarding Applications please contact the University call centre on (+27) 11 559 4555 or at mylife@uj.ac.za

Programme Fees

Fees for 2025	% increase for 2026
R19 950.00	Generally, between 5-10%

A deposit of R12 000 is required upon registration and the balance must be payable via debit order. It is advised that students start making payments towards their fees by depositing money into their student account on a monthly basis upon being admitted for the programme. The course fee includes the cost of the study material.

The UJ registration levy and ICT levy is not refundable if registration is canceled: R1 150.00

Non-refundable International Levy - SADC students: R1 000.00

Contact your course coordinator for the final course fees.

Please be aware that SADC students also pay an international levy. SADC/International students must also contact the International Office of UJ on 011 559 4399 or **Email:** international1@uj.ac.za prior to registration.

Students whose fees are paid by a bursary sponsor or employer must request for a tax invoice from the NSP financial officer, Ms Lydia Sibanda, **Email:** nspfinance@uj.ac.za or **Tel:** 011 559 2037.

Students who do not pay the required deposit fee will not be permitted to register and thus will not be able to attend classes.

Administrative Enquiries (Course Coordinator)

More details on the programme are available from the Faculty of Law: NSP. Course Coordinator: Ms Busi Mpofu, **Tel:** 011 559 3982, **Email:** busim@uj.ac.za