Introduction

The Open University of Tanzania (OUT) is an accredited public institution of higher learning mandated to conduct academic programmes leading to certificates, diplomas, undergraduate and postgraduate qualifications. The OUT headquarters is located off-Kawawa Road in Kinondoni Municipality, Dar es Salaam. The University offers its academic programmes through the Open and Distance Learning (ODL) system and has Centers in all Regions of Tanzania mainland and in Zanzibar.

The Department of Marketing and Entrepreneurship (M&E) was established as a department under the Faculty of Business Management in 2008 under the Open University of Tanzania Act. All programs offered under M&E are through three flexible learning (FL) modes which include; Distance, Blended and Face to Face modes of delivery and are specifically targeted at the workforce of all nations. Students enrolled in these programs are both youth and adult who might be working at different private and public sectors

The Bachelor of Procurement and Supply Chain Management programme is hosted by the department of Marketing and Entrepreneurship. The program seeks to produce ethical, reflective and highly regarded procurement and supplies graduates who are committed to meeting the needs of organizations and the nation at large. In realizing this endeavor, we expect a high level of personal, academic, intellectual and professional engagement with our students. It is also designed to meet the needs of individual who wish to excel in the Procurement and Supply Chain career as graduates can join the final stage of Procurement and Supplies Professional examinations offered by the PSPTB.

Objectives

The objectives of the programme are to:

- (a) Enable students to identify the procurement and supply chain best practices and link them to other organizational functions.
- (b) Enable students to communicate and interpret concepts related to the principles of e-Procurement in a business environment.
- (c) Develop an understanding of the legal framework and the risk management processes related to procurement and supply chain management.
- (d) Enable students to create a marketing plan for a small business, including pricing decisions and building a sales forecast.
- (e) Equip the students with the ability to use fundamental accounting processes, properly record ordinary business transactions for a corporation, partnership, and sole proprietor, and prepare draft

financial statements for these businesses.

- (f) Develop an understanding of the principles and practices of storage and warehousing management and the process of moving goods and services by organizations.
- (g) Enable students to make use of various inventory models to ensure organizational efficiency and effectiveness
- (h) Provide students with a solid grounding in international procurement and supply chain issues.
- Enable students to employ critical thinking skills to analyze financial data as well as the effects of differing financial accounting methods on the financial statements.
- (j) Develop an understanding of the microeconomic approach and application of different mathematical modeling in undertaking procurement and supplies functions.

Programme Duration

Minimum programme duration is 3 academic years. Completion of the programme will depend on individual effort. However, a student can extend to a maximum of eight (8) years. In case the student fails to complete within the specified period shall seek an extension from the Senate.

Mode of Delivery:

Blended - face to face, distance and online learning

Entry Requirements

The programme is open to candidates with a variety of background and interests. However, prospective candidates must satisfy the following minimum requirements:

Option I

Certificate of Secondary Education Examination (C.S.E.E.) or East African Certificate of Education (Ordinary Level) or equivalent, with passes in FOUR approved subjects, obtained prior to the sitting of the Advanced Certificate of Secondary Education Examination (A.C.S.E.E.) or equivalent

and either

Two principal Level passes in Advanced Certificate of Secondary Education Examination (A.C.S.E.E.) or equivalent with 4 cut off points

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An appropriate equivalent Diploma/Certificate approved by the National Council for Technical Education (NACTE) of Tanzania with a minimum GPA of 3.0

Option II

Candidates who do not qualify under options I with a GPA less than 3.0 may register for Foundation Courses (OFC) offered by The Open University of Tanzania. Those who pass examinations set at the end of the course will be eligible for registration for any of the degree programmes listed above, depending on the subject combination taken in the OFC.

Option III

Candidates with awards from other Institutions of Higher Learning will be considered on their own merit. These include a degree or an advanced Diploma in a relevant field.

Course ContentLevel 1 (First Year 1)

Course Code	Core or elective	Lecture Hrs	Tutorial/ SeminarHrs	Assignment Hrs	Independent Study Hrs	PracticalHrs	Total Hrs	Credits
OCP 100	Core	20	5	30	35	10	100	10
OFC 017	Core	20	5	30	35	10	100	10
OME 111	Core	40	10	60	70	20	200	20
OAF 112	Core	40	10	60	70	20	200	20
OLG 112	Core	40	10	60	70	20	200	20
OME 122	Core	40	10	60	70	20	200	20
OME 121	Core	40	10	60	70	20	200	20
Total								120

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OCP 100: Introduction to Microcomputer Studies and

Information technology

OFC 017: Communication skills

OME 111: Introduction to Procurement and Supply Chain

Management

OAF 112: Business Mathematics and Statistics

OLG 112: Legal Aspects of Procurement and Supply chain

Management

OME 122: Principles of Warehouse Management

OME 121: Physical Distribution Management

Level 2 (Second Year)

Course Code	Core or elective	Lecture Hrs	Tutorial /Seminar Hrs	AssignmentHrs	Independent study Hrs	PracticalHrs	TotalHrs	Credits
OME 222	Core	40	10	60	70	20	200	20
OME 325	Core	40	10	60	70	20	200	20
OME 223	Core	40	10	60	70	20	200	20
OME 312	Core	40	10	60	70	20	200	20
OAF 222	Core	40	10	60	70	20	200	20
OLG 222	Core	40	10	60	70	20	200	20
Total								120

Key

OME 222: International Procurement

OME 325: Procurement and Supply chain Risk Management

OME 223: Procurement Contract Management

OME 312: Entrepreneurship and Business Development

OAF 222: Procurement and Supplies Audit

OLG 222: Business Law and Ethics

Level 3 (Third Year)

Course Code	Core or elective	Lecture Hrs	Tutorial /Seminar Hrs	AssignmentHrs	Independent study Hrs	PracticalHrs	TotalHrs	Credits
OLG 221	Core	40	10	60	70	20	200	20
OME 314	Core	40	10	60	70	20	200	20
OME 327	Core	40	10	60	70	20	200	20
OME 323	Core	40	10	60	70	20	200	20
OME 324	Core	40	10	60	70	20	200	20
OBM 399	Core	40	10	60	70	20	200	20
Total								120

Key:

OLG 221: Business Research Methodologies

OME 327: Public Procurement

OME 314: E-procurement and Supply chain Management

OME 323: Strategic Procurement and Supply chain

management

OME 324: Inventory and Warehousing Management

OBM 399: Field practical

Optional Courses

Course Code	Core or elective	Lecture Hrs	Tutorial /Seminar Hrs	AssignmentHrs	Independent study Hrs	PracticalHrs	TotalHrs	Credits
OAF 111	Elective	40	10	60	70	20	200	20
OAF 121	Elective	40	10	60	70	20	200	20
OME 211	Elective	40	10	60	70	20	200	20
OME 213	Elective	40	10	60	70	20	200	20
OME 326	Elective	40	10	60	70	20	200	20
Total								120

Notes: Total minimum units for the BPSCM programme will be 360 credits

Key:

OAF 111: Principles of Accounting

OAF 121: Finance 1

OME 211: Principles of Marketing
OME 213: Principles of Economics

OME 326: Production and Operations Management

Assessment criteria: Students are assessed by a combination of timed test and final examination. The timed test comprises of (30%) while the final examination carries (70%) making a total of 100%.

How to Apply?

Students can join BPSCM programme by applying directly to the Open University of Tanzania through online portal available on the OUT website. Information on how to use this system can be obtained from any regional or coordination centers of OUT.

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