

Agreement: Selection Process and use of e-mails

I hereby acknowledge my understanding that, as part of the selection process for entry to the UARM Centre for Applied Risk Management MCom in Applied Risk Management (MARM) programme, I will have to follow the application process in the “MARM application process and checklist” document, available on the “MARM applications” tab on the UARM website <http://commerce.nwu.ac.za/uarm>

I also accept that there is no appeal process for unsuccessful candidates, and the decision of the Centre is unilateral and not open for negotiation. The Centre reserves the right to select the most suitable candidates for the course using its own criteria, which have proven to be valuable in the past to ensure students that we accept, can achieve the outcomes of the course. In addition, the Centre is restricted by the number of staff which results in a limit to the number of students it can accommodate each year.

The selection is done in two stages. Stage 1 is based on your application documents and a ranking of applicants on performance in, and type of, level 8 qualification, and seniority of current position. If you make this first cut-off, you enter Stage 2, where you are invited to do both the TALPS (Test for Academic Literacy for Postgraduate Students), which is usually taken on the second or third Saturday in November and an assignment at your own time. A weighted average of the TALPS and assignment results is used to rank the applicants in the final selection. No information on where the applicant ranked in the selection process will be available after selection. A non-selected applicant is welcome to apply again in a next selection cycle, as the applicant's ranking against the other applicants depend on the applicant group and may improve in a later selection process.

The information given during the assessments and the results obtained from the assessments will be treated confidentially. The information may be used by the North-West University for research purposes. Participants will not be identified during reporting of research results.

In addition, should I be selected, I agree that my e-mail address will of necessity be shared with other students on the programme as e-mails will be the main method of communicating with and distributing study material to the students.

I agree to participate in the selection process and under the conditions described above.

Full name: _____

Signature: _____

Signed at: _____

Date: _____