



**MASTER OF PHILOSOPHY  
SPECIALISING IN INCLUSIVE INNOVATION (MPHIL)**

**TRANSFORM YOURSELF,  
TRANSFORM THE WORLD**

If you're a visionary, a change maker, and you want to innovate to build sustainable solutions for social, economic and environmental challenges, the **Master of Philosophy specialising in Inclusive Innovation** (MPhil) is the degree for you. You'll immerse yourself in a process of transformation – personal and professional – to prepare you to participate in a transforming and evolving world.

The MPhil is an interdisciplinary research degree where academic rigour meets practical application to create a more inclusive economy. The programme culminates in the development of a dissertation, including a praxis model that focuses on developing sustainable new solutions for social challenges. You'll join like-minded ground-breakers working alongside a supervisor on your dissertation and in teams, on 'living lab' modules, investigating inspiring new ideas and possibilities.

**PROGRAMME OVERVIEW**



Minimum **1** year full-time;  
**4** contact modules  
(compulsory attendance)



**3** themes  
**1:** open imagination  
**2:** collaborative engagement  
**3:** new frontiers



Applicants must hold at least a  
**NQF level 8** qualification  
or related degree, and minimum  
**3** years' work experience.

**DELIVERING TRANSFORMATIVE LEARNING EXPERIENCES  
TO EQUIP TOMORROW'S CHANGE MAKERS**



## Master innovation

By the end of the programme, you'll be skilled at undertaking and managing complex, innovation-focused projects. You'll be confident identifying and coping with the internal entrepreneurial experience, and you'll be comfortable using systems thinking, design thinking, and integrative thinking to take on business model innovation.

## Take action

By the end of the programme, you'll be skilled at undertaking and Gain the skills and expertise you need to plan a new venture or process – including a detailed strategy and feasibility model. One of the practical outcomes will be a prototype, framework, or business model, as well as a related research thesis.

## CORE THEMES

The learning journey is largely self-driven and based around four themes:

1

**Design thinking/  
Systems thinking  
for inclusive  
innovation**

2

**Values-based  
leadership for  
business model  
innovation**

3

**Social  
Entrepreneuring  
in emerging  
markets**

4

**Building a case  
for change**

## WHY THE MPhil?

- You'll develop new modes of thinking. The MPhil degree encourages inclusive innovators to think critically and innovatively to meet evolving demands. You'll also become a more strategic and critical thinker.
- You'll help shorten invention cycles. Through the 'living lab' modules, you and your peers can test assumptions and prototype solutions in a free-thinking, cross-disciplinary space that shortens the time between invention and application.
- You'll be studying at the highly-ranked UCT GSB: Africa's top business school, and one of only three business schools on the continent to have the prestigious triple-crown accreditation (AACSB, AMBA & EQUIS). This means a ready-made reputation for excellence from one of South Africa's most respected academic institutions.
- The GSB has been setting the pace for business education in Africa for more than five decades.
- You'll be exposed to key local and global experts, including deep-content experts and market experts in various communities. Their insight and feedback will help you improve your solutions throughout the process.
- You'll achieve personal fulfilment: personal growth and transformation are a core part of the learning process in the MPhil programme.

**JOIN A POWERFUL PEER NETWORK AND DEVELOP LONG-TERM BONDS  
WITH LIKE-MINDED EXECUTIVES**

**For more information**

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