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## MODE OF DELIVERY: DISTANCE LEARNING – ONLINE<sup>1</sup>

(not applicable to MBA – refer to MBA DLO Fact Sheet)

Milpark Education offers a selection of its higher education qualifications via distance education, in a distance learning online (DLO) format. The focus of this approach is high-engagement learning in a flexible, accessible format.

### What are the benefits of online learning?

First and foremost, this option guarantees a student-to-lecturer ratio of no more than 1:25. You will be allocated to an online class of maximum 25 students and each class will have an online lecturer who will lead the discussions and assess your formative contributions. You will receive individualised feedback on your participation contributions and you can interact with your fellow students.

The focus of this model is high engagement with structured, asynchronous learning. By taking part in well-designed group discussions, the lecturer will develop your understanding of the subject matter in a practical and relevant manner.

The model is designed for students to complete one module at a time over a period of eight weeks. This gives you the opportunity to focus all your efforts in one subject area in order to achieve success. With continuous lecturer feedback and support, you will be able to identify problems in time to take corrective action before the final summative examination.

Milpark offers six module cycles per year and you will be able to plan your qualification journey around these cycles. Our dedicated Programme Manager will be available to advise you on the best possible learning path. We believe that this focused approach will enable you to achieve success in the most efficient manner, given your work and life commitments.

<sup>1</sup> The Postgraduate Diploma in Financial Planning is offered in a different online learning model – kindly refer to the PGDFP factsheet for information.

## Who should consider this option?

This mode of delivery makes it possible for students to obtain a qualification from wherever they live or work, anywhere in the world. Students who are interested in high-quality tuition, but who need flexibility in how and when they interact with fellow students, the lecturer and the institution, will find this option very attractive.

## What to expect from Milpark

Milpark offers a high-quality learning experience designed to enable you to achieve a qualification that is relevant to the contemporary world.

Student support has been maximised in every possible way in order to deliver an optimal learning experience. Your accredited online lecturer will answer all your question within 24 hours. You will also be able to learn from your fellow students through their contributions to discussions.

Formative assessments will be due by 12 midnight on Monday nights, after which you will receive your marks and individualised feedback online no later than Saturday of that same week – in time to inform your formative assessment task for the next week.

Milpark will also offer *live @Milpark* sessions, where you can connect to a live classroom session presented by one of the lecturers. You can join the session from the convenience of your office or home. In addition, all sessions will be recorded and posted online, technology permitting.

Milpark study guides will all be available online. In addition, you may be required to acquire a textbook. Additional study material in the form of videos and articles, for example, will all be available online.

Our dedicated Programme Manager is only an email or phone call away to assist you with any academic query or concern. Our Student Services Advisers will also make contact with you regularly to check on your progress and assist with any administrative queries. Technical assistance is available all hours of the day or night via a call centre.

Milpark offers a full online library service and students have access to online journal databases and an eBook library on *myCourses*. You can contact our librarian should you require any assistance.

## What Milpark expects from you

A stable internet connection is required to give you access to study material, assignments and discussions. The Milpark *myCourses* site can also be accessed via mobile devices.

Given the fact that you will be focusing on one module at a time, we need you to follow the study plan very closely for the tuition period. The tuition methodology was designed to assist you to achieve success, but it needs focus and dedication. It would require you to do your bit every week and therefore we recommend that you allocate dedicated study hours in your weekly schedule in a manner that fits your life.

Success on this model is maximised if you take part in class discussions. These discussions will be led by your knowledgeable lecturer on contemporary challenges related to the subject matter. You will learn from the contributions of fellow students who will in turn expect to benefit from your experience.

You are expected to follow the correct channels for queries, namely the Student Services Department for any administrative query relating to your registration, your online lecturer for any content-related queries, and finally the Programme Manager for issues pertaining to module choice, exemptions, articulation, etc.

### **How will I be assessed?**

Formative assessment consists of online tests, assignments (uploaded and marked online) and graded participation in the discussion forums. While all these assessments contribute to your overall formative mark, only the submission of assignments is required for examination entrance.

Summative assessment consists of a written, invigilated examination. This examination is available at any of our 40 examination venues countrywide. In limited instances, supplementary examinations also become available.

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