

University of Pretoria Yearbook 2016

BEd Hons Assessment and Quality Assurance in Education and Training (09240010)

Duration of study 1 year

Total credits 120

Admission requirements

Subject to the stipulations of the General Regulations a candidate can be admitted if he/she holds one of the following qualifications:

- a Bachelor's degree and a teacher's diploma/Postgraduate Certificate in Education (eg BA + HED); or
- a four year composite degree in Education (eg BAEd); or
- an M+4 teacher's diploma; or
- an M+3 teacher's diploma and a Further Diploma in Education (FDE) or an Advanced Certificate in Education (ACE); or
- another academic qualification considered equivalent by the Dean for admission to a specific package. In this instance the qualification will not be recognised for teaching purposes.

Additional requirements

Selection is based on:

- Meeting the minimum academic requirements required for admission;
- · Previous academic performance;
- Applicable academic and/or teaching background;
- Availability of supervision for the required research project;
- Proven academic potential which may include academic communication and computer application skills;
- Additionally, an interview may be requested;
- The requirements of professional registration bodies;



• The discretion of the head of department.

Other programme-specific information

The elective module can replace any of the core modules as approved by the package coordinator.

Examinations and pass requirements

Subject to exceptions approved by the Dean, on the recommendation of the head of the department, a student may not sit for an examination for the honours degree more than twice in the same module.

A final-year student who has failed a maximum of three semester modules or their equivalent, with a final mark of at least 40% in each, may be admitted by the Dean to a special examination/s in these modules during January of the following year, provided that this will enable the student to comply with all the requirements for the degree.

Research information

A research project is compulsory and must be handed in for examination, as prescribed by the particular department.

Pass with distinction

The degree is conferred with distinction on a student who has obtained an average of at least 75%, with a minimum of 70% in each module.



Curriculum: Final year

Minimum credits: 128

Fundamental modules

Research report 780 (AQA 780)

Module credits 16.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Language of tuition Double Medium

Academic organisation Science, Maths + Techno Ed

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

Write a short report. Small-scale action research in the school or work place. Research proposal development. Use qualitative and/or quantitative methods.

Research proposal 755 (NMQ 755)

Module credits 16.00

Language of tuition Both Afr and Eng

Academic organisation Education Dean's Office

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

Guided literature research, formulation of a conceptual framework and development of a research proposal for a supervised research project of limited scope.

Core modules

Curriculum development 710 (CDD 710)

Module credits 16.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Language of tuition Double Medium

Academic organisation Science, Maths + Techno Ed

Period of presentation Semester 1 or Semester 2

Module content

Principles and foundations of curriculum/programme design and development. International and national models and trends in curriculum/programme development. Principles of outcomes-based programming in the SAQA context. Curriculum development models and instruments in action. Situation and task analysis needs assessment. Development. Dissemination. Implementation as a change process. Assessment and evaluation.



Educational research methodology 745 (NMQ 745)

Module credits 16.00

Language of tuition Both Afr and Eng

Academic organisation Education Dean's Office

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

The nature of educational enquiry: contexts of research, research ethics, truth, rationality, subjectivity and objectivity; Quantitative and qualitative modes of enquiry, research designs and data collection techniques. Various approaches to qualitative research including case study research, historical research, ethnographic research, and action research. Basic concepts and principles of quantitative research. Statistical techniques in the educational research process. Survey methodology and questionnaire design. Classification and graphical representation of data. Descriptive measures. Statistical inference. Data-processing procedures. Parametric versus non-parametric tests. Some test statistics (e.g. F-Test and T-test). Formulating a research methodology for a limited project.

Assessment approaches and instruments 711 (API 711)

Module credits 16.00

Language of tuition Both Afr and Eng

Academic organisation Science, Maths + Techno Ed

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

Foundations, principles and ethics of assessment practices. International trends. Quantitative and qualitative modes of assessment and appropriate instruments. Generating evidence for assessment. Assessment and quality assurance. Techniques of computer-based assessment.

Philosophy and social imperatives of education 711 (EDS 711)

Module credits 16.00

Language of tuition Both Afr and Eng

Academic organisation Educational Psychology

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

Meta-theories in education. Empiricism; rational empiricism; critical rationalism; critical theory; phenomenology; hermeneutics; system theory; philosophies in education: traditional philosophies; indigenous (African) philosophies. The influence of modernism and postmodernism on education. Sociological imperatives for education. Theories of societal change and roles and values of education. Comparative perspectives on learning theories and their meaning for education.

Quality assurance structures and policies 712 (QPI 712)

Module credits 16.00



Language of tuition Both Afr and Eng

Academic organisation Science, Maths + Techno Ed

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

The module provides knowledge on quality assurance, assessment and accreditation requirements within the context of the national education and training system. The focus is the legislative base, policies and structures of national and international accreditation and quality assurance bodies.

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