University of Pretoria Yearbook 2018

BPhysio (10138103)

Minimum duration of study	4 years
Total credits	420
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Programme information

A revised curriculum is being phased in for the programme. The revised first year of study will be followed for the first time in 2015, the second year in 2016, the third year in 2017 and the fourth year in 2018.

The programme extends over four academic years, during which period a student receives clinical training as a student physiotherapist at an institution approved by the University.

Students may be allowed to extend the first two years of study over three years, in which case the modules per year must be selected in consultation with the head of department at the commencement of studies.

Admission requirements

- The following persons will be considered for admission: a candidate who is in possession of a certificate that is deemed by the University to be equivalent to the required Grade 12 certificate with university endorsement; a candidate who is a graduate from another tertiary institution or has been granted the status of a graduate of such an institution; a candidate who is a graduate of another faculty at the University of Pretoria; and a candidate who is currently in university.
- Life Orientation is excluded in the calculation of the APS.
- Grade 11 final examination results, the NBT results as well as a Value-added Questionnaire will be used for the conditional admission of prospective students.
- Admission to Health Sciences programmes is subject to a selection process.
- The applications of international candidates who come from countries that have medical schools will not be considered for placement in the MBChB programme except where intergovernmental agreements are in place.
- For selection purposes the sum of the results in six subjects, including English, Mathematics and Physical Science, is calculated.
- Candidates, please note that your APS may not drop with more than two points in your final school examination results in order to maintain your provisional admission.
- PLEASE NOTE that compliance with the minimum admission requirements does not necessarily guarantee admission to any programme in this Faculty.
- Selection queries may be directed to healthapplications@up.ac.za.

Minimum requirements

Achievement level												APS
English				Mathematics				Physical Science				
NSC/IEB	HIGCSE	AS-Level	A-Level	NSC/IEB	HIGCSE	AS-Level	A-Level	NSC/IEB	HIGCSE	AS-Level	A-Level	
4	3	D	D	4	3	D	D	4	3	D	D	30

Additional requirements

Also consult the General Regulations.

Notes:

i. For students who registered for the BPhysT degree programme prior to 2015, the relevant regulations as they appear in the 2014 Yearbook will apply.
ii. Each student in Physiotherapy must apply to the Registrar of the Health Professions Council of South Africa for registration as a student in Physiotherapy immediately after admission to the first year of study.

Other programme-specific information

First year of study

Practical nursing

Practical nursing for a continual period of 40 hours must be completed satisfactorily at an approved hospital/facility after the conclusion of the examination period in November. Documentary proof to this effect must be submitted.

Subminimum

A subminimum of 40% is required in the theoretical as well as in the practical examination in FTP 100.

Second year of study

Basic Emergency Care (Code GNK 286)

- If students obtain 60% or more in Basic Emergency Care, this mark will be validated as the examination mark at the end of the year, and such students will be exempted from the examination in the module.
- Students who obtain between 40% and 49% in the calculated mark for the module, will be admitted to a second examination in November/ December of the same year, or in January of the following year. A minimum of 50% is required as a pass mark for the second examination.
- This examination will also serve as an aegrotat or extraordinary examination for students who could not write the initial examination due to health or other acceptable reasons. A student must, however, apply formally to be admitted to such an examination, and the application must be approved by the Dean, on the recommendation of the head of department, and in some cases, also by the Faculty Health Committee.

Subminimum

A subminimum of 40% is required in the theoretical and practical components in the examination in FTP 220 and 203 and in POL 251 IHL 210

Third year of study

Subminimum

A subminimum of 40% is required in the theoretical and practical/clinical examination in (FTP) Physiotherapy 300, (FTP) Physiotherapy clinical practice 301 and (POL) Professional development and leadership 300.

Fourth year of study

Subminimum

A subminimum of 40% is required in clinical/practical as well as theoretical components of the examination of (FTP 400,402) Physiotherapy 400 and 402 and (IHL 414, 424) Integrated healthcare leadership 414, 424.

Exemption from the examination in (ANP) Anatomical Pathology 210
Exemption from the examination may be granted if a student who obtained a module mark of at least 60%, exercises the option to accept it as the final mark.

Exemption from the examination in (FAR) Pharmacology 381, 382
Exemption from the examination can be granted if a student who obtained a module mark of at least 60%, exercises the option to accept it as the final mark.

Examinations and pass requirements

Students who fail a year in the existing curriculum will be managed on an individual basis in the Department of Physiotherapy.

Special examination: Fourth year of study

a. The student gets another opportunity to take part in the examination.
b. A special examination in (FTP 400) Physiotherapy 400, (FTP 402) Physiotherapy clinical practice 402 and (IHL 414, 424) Integrated healthcare leadership 414, 424, is conducted after six months have elapsed since the examination in which the student failed. If the student failed in (FTP 402) Physiotherapy clinical practice 402, he or she must undergo further clinical instruction in the clinical training areas and obtain at least 50% in the examination.
c. A student who has not obtained a pass mark in the research report of RHC 400, Research in healthcare sciences 400, must submit an amended research report at a later date determined by the head of department.

Ancillary examination: Fourth year of study
After the conclusion of the examination in (FTP 400) Physiotherapy 400 and (FTP 402) Physiotherapy clinical practice 402 and before the results are announced, the examiners may, with a view to awarding a final mark, summon a student for an ancillary examination in the theory and/or clinical component of (FTP 400) Physiotherapy 400 and (FTP 402) Physiotherapy clinical practice 402.

- In accordance with the stipulations of the General Regulations, no minimum year or semester mark is needed for admission to the examination, and all registered students are admitted to the examination automatically.
- The final mark for a specific module in Nursing Science, Physiotherapy, Radiography, Occupational Therapy and Human Nutrition (at least 50% is required to pass) is calculated from the examination mark as well as the mark compiled from the evaluation of a student during continuous, objective and controlled assessment opportunities during the course of the quarter/semester/year. At least one formal assessment per module is set as the minimum norm, and students will be exposed on a continuous and regular basis to self-directed assignments in order to promote reflective learning.
- In the case of modules with practical components, students are required to also comply with the applicable attendance requirements with regard to acquiring practical skills before a pass mark can be obtained for the module.
- There are two main examination opportunities per annum, the first and second examination. In respect of first-semester modules, the first examination opportunity is in May/June and the second examination opportunity in July. In respect of second-semester modules, the first examination opportunity is in October/ November and the second examination opportunity in November/December of the same year. Where students need to work

additional clinical hours to be allowed to do a second examination, the Head of Department will determine the second examination opportunity.

- Only two examination opportunities per module are allowed. If a student fails a module at the second examination opportunity, the module must be repeated.
- A second examination opportunity in a module is granted to students in the following cases:

  - If a student obtains a final mark of less than 50% in the relevant module at the first examination opportunity and thus fails.

  - If a student does not obtain the subminimum in the examination, as required for a specific module.

  - If a student does not sit the examination in a module at the first examination opportunity due to illness or extraordinary circumstances.
- Students intending to sit the second examination due to the reasons mentioned above, must register for the second examination opportunity 24 hours after the results have been made public.
- If a student fails a module at the first examination opportunity, the examination mark obtained in the relevant module at the second examination opportunity will be calculated as the final mark. The marks obtained with continuous evaluation during the course of the quarter/semester/year will not be taken into calculation. If the student passes the module at the second examination opportunity, a maximum of 50% is awarded as a pass mark to the module in question.
- If a student could not sit the examination in a module at the first examination opportunity due to illness or extraordinary circumstances, the continuous evaluation mark, together with the examination mark obtained in the module in question at the second examination opportunity, will be calculated as the final mark obtained in the module.
- The School of Healthcare Sciences applies the General Regulations, according to which a student requiring a limited number of modules to complete his or her degree, may in terms of faculty regulations, be admitted to a special examination in the modules in question.

Promotion to next study year

Selected first-year students who have passed in sufficient first-semester modules at 100 level will, according to the stipulations of the General Regulations, automatically be admitted to the second semester of the first year of study. During the second semester, students may follow the outstanding module(s) on an anti-semester basis and write the examination, on the condition that the modules in question are indeed presented on an anti-semester basis in the second semester by the relevant department and can be accommodated in the class and examination timetables.

Modules/subjects with practical and clinical training credits cannot be passed, unless all prescribed clinical hours and practical skills have been completed to the satisfaction of the head of department.

- A student must pass in all the prescribed core modules of a specific year of study to be promoted to a subsequent year of study. A student can only be promoted to a subsequent year of study if the student has not failed more than two fundamental modules of seven weeks each per semester or one module of 14 weeks per semester. A non-negotiable prerequisite for admission to the final year of study is pass marks in all the core and fundamental modules of the preceding years of study. Refer to the programmes for fundamental modules in each discipline.
- A pass mark refers to a final mark of at least 50%.
- Modules with practical and clinical training credits cannot be passed unless all the prescribed clinical hours and practical activities have been completed to the satisfaction of the head of department.

- The Chairperson of the examination moderating meeting may, after assessing the student's total profile, grant special approval to be promoted to the next year of study.
- The exception is the Department of Human Nutrition, where the regulations as applicable in the Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences regarding the modules presented by that Faculty, are relevant.
- Modules can only be taken in advance or repeated if it can be accommodated in the existing examination timetable.
- A student who must repeat a year of study may, with the approval of the Chairperson of the examination moderating meeting and the head of department concerned, be allowed to take fundamental modules of the subsequent year, if he/she complies with all the prerequisites for the relevant modules. No adjustment to existing timetables will be allowed.

The following fundamental modules are relevant:

- Department of Nursing Science: SLK 110, 120; FSG 251,252
- Department of Physiotherapy: SOH 254; FSG 251, 252, 261, 262; SLK 210, ANP 210; GMB 252, 253, 254; FAR 381, 382
- Department of Occupational Therapy: ZUL 110; SEP 110; SLK 210, 220; FSG 251, 252, 261, 262; ANP 210; RPD 481, GNK 286
- Department of Human Nutrition: FLG 211, 212, 221, 222; BCM 251, 252, 261, 262; FAR 381, 382, VDS 322; VDB 321
- Department of Radiography: FSG 251, 252, 262; GNK 286; ANP 210.

Pass with distinction

The degree is conferred with distinction on a student who has obtained at least 75% in (FTP 400) Physiotherapy 400 and (FTP 402) Physiotherapy clinical practice 402 and a joint average of at least 75% in (RHC 400) Research in healthcare sciences 400 and (IHL 414, 424) Integrated healthcare leadership 414, 424.

Curriculum: Year 1

Minimum credits: 140

Fundamental modules

Academic information management 111 (AIM 111) - Credits: 4.00
Academic information management 121 (AIM 121) - Credits: 4.00
Introduction to anatomy 151 (ANA 151) - Credits: 6.00
Anatomy of the limbs 152 (ANA 152) - Credits: 6.00
Anatomy of the torso 161 (ANA 161) - Credits: 6.00
Anatomy of the head and neck 162 (ANA 162) - Credits: 6.00
Chemistry 151 (CMY 151) - Credits: 16.00
Academic English for Health Sciences (BCur, BDietetics, BOH, BOccTher, BRad and BPhysT) 121 (ELH 121) - Credits: 6.00
Academic English for Health Sciences122 (ELH 122) - Credits: 6.00
Physiology 161 (FSG 161) - Credits: 12.00
Physiology 162 (FSG 162) - Credits: 12.00
Physics for biology students 131 (PHY 131) - Credits: 16.00
Sepedi for beginners 110 (SEP 110) - Credits: 12.00
Psychology 110 (SLK 110) - Credits: 12.00
Academic orientation 110 (UPO 110) - Credits: 0.00
isiZulu for beginners 110 (ZUL 110) - Credits: 12.00

Core modules

Physiotherapy 101 (FTP 101) - Credits: 10.00
Integrated healthcare leadership 120 (IHL 120) - Credits: 8.00

Curriculum: Year 2

Minimum credits: 128

Fundamental modules

Anatomical pathology 210 (ANP 210) - Credits: 10.00
Physiology 251 (FSG 251) - Credits: 6.00
Physiology 252 (FSG 252) - Credits: 6.00
Physiology 261 (FSG 261) - Credits: 6.00
Physiology 262 (FSG 262) - Credits: 6.00
Medical microbiology 252 (GMB 252) - Credits: 6.00
Medical microbiology 253 (GMB 253) - Credits: 6.00
Medical microbiology 254 (GMB 254) - Credits: 6.00
Basic emergency care 286 (GNK 286) - Credits: 5.00
Psychology 210 (SLK 210) - Credits: 20.00

Core modules

Physiotherapy 204 (FTP 204) - Credits: 35.00
Physiotherapy clinical practice 221 (FTP 221) - Credits: 8.00
Integrated healthcare leadership 210 (IHL 210) - Credits: 8.00

Curriculum: Year 3

Minimum credits: 147

Fundamental modules

Pharmacology 381 (FAR 381) - Credits: 18.00
Pharmacology 382 (FAR 382) - Credits: 18.00
Integrated healthcare leadership 310 (IHL 310) - Credits: 8.00
Integrated healthcare leadership 324 (IHL 324) - Credits: 8.00
Research methodology for healthcare sciences 300 (RHC 300) - Credits: 30.00

Core modules

Physiotherapy 303 (FTP 303) - Credits: 20.00
Physiotherapy clinical practice 304 (FTP 304) - Credits: 45.00
Integrated healthcare leadership 310 (IHL 310) - Credits: 8.00
Integrated healthcare leadership 424 (IHL 424) - Credits: 8.00

Curriculum: Final year

Minimum credits: 113

Core modules

Physiotherapy 403 (FTP 403) - Credits: 12.00
Physiotherapy clinical practice 404 (FTP 404) - Credits: 75.00
Integrated healthcare leadership 414 (IHL 414) - Credits: 8.00
Integrated healthcare leadership 424 (IHL 424) - Credits: 8.00
Research in healthcare sciences 400 (RHC 400) - Credits: 10.00

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