University of Pretoria Yearbook 2018

PGDip Dentistry Preventive Dentistry (10221011)

Minimum duration of study	1 year
Total credits	120

Admission requirements

- Subject to the stipulations of the General Regulations, the BChD degree or an equivalent qualification is required.

Other programme-specific information

Contact time
The contact time in the major field of study is determined by the head of the department concerned and approved by the Dean. It includes systematic tuition as well as clinical/practical assignments.

Examinations and pass requirements

The examination in the basic subject and the main field of study may take place every semester. Examinations in both the basic subject as well as the main field of study may be written in the same semester. In order to be admitted to the examination in the main field of study the student must have passed the basic subject. A final mark of at least 50% is required to pass.

Subject to exceptions approved by the Dean, on the recommendation of the head of department, a student may not enter for the postgraduate diploma's examination in the same subject more than twice.

Pass with distinction

The diploma is awarded with distinction to students who obtain at least 75% in both the main field of study and the basic subject.

Curriculum: Final year

Minimum credits: 120

Core modules

Preventive dentistry 701 (VTH 701)

Module credits	100.00
Contact time	1 discussion class per week, 1 seminar per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Community Dentistry
Period of presentation	Year

Elective modules

Anatomy 710 (ANA 710)

Module credits	20.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Language of tuition	Afrikaans and English are used in one class
Department	Anatomy
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Anatomy and principles of surgery 700 (CBA 700)

Module credits	20.00
Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
Department	Maxillo Facial and Oral Surgery
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Physiology 714 (FSG 714)

Module credits	20.00
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Physiology
Period of presentation	Year

Applied oral biology 700 (MDB 700)

Module credits	20.00
Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
Department	Oral Pathology and Oral Biology
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Introductory radiography 702 (RAD 702)

Module credits	20.00
Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
Department	Oral Pathology and Oral Biology
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Ethics and jurisprudence 700 (RLE 700)

Module credits	30.00
Prerequisites	A minimum of one year practice experience
Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
Department	Dental Management Sciences
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

To be a good healthcare practitioner requires a life-long commitment to sound professional and ethical practices and an overriding dedication to the interests of fellow human beings and society. The term "profession" means "a dedication, promise or commitment publicly made". Practice as a healthcare professional is based on a relationship of mutual trust between patients and healthcare practitioners. In the course of their professional work healthcare practitioners are required to subscribe to certain rules of conduct. To this end the Health Professionals Council of South Africa (HPCSA) has formulated a set of rules regarding professional conduct against which complaints of professional misconduct will be evaluated. These rules are presented in the basic subject, Ethics and jurisprudence.

Dental materials 702 (THM 702)

Module credits	20.00
Language of tuition	Afrikaans and English are used in one class
Department	Odontology
Period of presentation	Semester 1

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