

# University of Pretoria Yearbook 2020

## PGDip in Public Health (UPOnline) (10221019)

**Minimum duration of study** 2 years

**Total credits** 120

**NQF level** 08

### Programme information

The curriculum for the PGDip (Public Health) will comprise of compulsory core modules and a research component. All modules will be offered online.

#### Information on UPOne:

- The programmes presented by UPOne are part-time and fully online
- Online programmes allow access to programme material on any device provided that a stable internet connection is available.
- The UPOne modules have dedicated facilitators and contactable staff ready to help, motivate and assist students with any queries they may have.
- UPOne programmes have been designed to provide a highly interactive learning environment which may include live chats, discussion forums and online video communication.
- These programmes are structured with six enrolment opportunities per year where a student will enrol for a single module of either 8 or 16 weeks at a time.
- Payment can be made per module.

### Admission requirements

Relevant Honours degree (NQF level 8)

or

Relevant four-year Bachelor's degree (NQF level 8) with at least two years' applicable practical work experience

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Relevant three-year Bachelor's degree (NQF level 7) with at least two years' applicable practical work experience

### Additional requirements

#### Computer literacy

The University of Pretoria makes use of Blackboard, branded as clickUP, which is an online system that provides a workspace for students, providing students with the information and the connections needed. ClickUP contains study material as well as a simple, convenient, and reliable web conferencing and virtual classroom solutions specifically built for education and training. ClickUP is accessible via a web browser mobile device, or tablet and has a useful student guide.

Students are required to have some technical and digital literacy skills such as the ability to:

- navigate the University's eLearning environment (ClickUP);

- use the email service in the LMS;
- manage digital files: create, store, upload and attach files to assignment submissions (using applications such as MS Word, MS Excel, MS PowerPoint);
- use the Library or Library databases for research and make use of proper referencing techniques;
- use a webcam, upload videos or audio files, use social media for communication or to collaborate electronically; and
- download and install software and applications.

## Examinations and pass requirements

Written, oral and/or practical assessments must be passed in all the modules. The minimum pass mark for prescribed modules' summative assessment is 50%. Only with the approval of the Chairperson of the School, on the recommendation of the head of department, will a student be allowed to continue his or her studies after having failed two modules (or the same module twice). A second assessment attempt in a module is arranged in conjunction with the head of department for any student obtaining less than 50% and more than 39% for any module assessment.

## Pass with distinction

A diploma is awarded with distinction to a student who has obtained a mark of at least 75% for the externally moderated assessment components as well as a simple (unweighted) average of at least 75% of all the marks for the other required modules for the relevant diploma; excluding PHM 710 Learning in public health 710.



## Curriculum: Year 1

### Minimum credits: 120

- PHM 710 must be completed first before registering for any other module.
- AHM 710 can only be registered for after completing all of the other modules.
- HME 711 is a prerequisite for HME 712.
- This programme is structured with six enrolment opportunities per year where a student will enrol for a single module of either 8 or 16 weeks at a time. The full curriculum is displayed below.

### Core modules

[PGDPH Research protocol 710](#) (AHM 710) - Credits: 30.00

[Principles of disease prevention and control 710](#) (CDC 710) - Credits: 10.00

[Introduction to environmental health 710](#) (EHM 710) - Credits: 10.00

[Principles of health policy and management 710](#) (HCM 710) - Credits: 10.00

[Introduction to research methodology 710](#) (HME 710) - Credits: 10.00

[Epidemiology and Biostatistics I 711](#) (HME 711) - Credits: 15.00

[Epidemiology and Biostatistics II 712](#) (HME 712) - Credits: 15.00

[Learning in public health 710](#) (PHM 710) - Credits: 10.00

[Social determinants of health 710](#) (SCM 710) - Credits: 10.00

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## Curriculum: Final year

### Minimum credits: 120

- PHM 710 must be completed first before registering for any other module.
- AHM 710 can only be registered for after completing all of the other modules.
- HME 711 is a prerequisite for HME 712.
- This programme is structured with six enrolment opportunities per year where a student will enrol for a single module of either 8 or 16 weeks at a time. The full curriculum is displayed below.

### Core modules

[PGDPH Research protocol 710](#) (AHM 710) - Credits: 30.00  
[Principles of disease prevention and control 710](#) (CDC 710) - Credits: 10.00  
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[Principles of health policy and management 710](#) (HCM 710) - Credits: 10.00  
[Introduction to research methodology 710](#) (HME 710) - Credits: 10.00  
[Epidemiology and Biostatistics I 711](#) (HME 711) - Credits: 15.00  
[Epidemiology and Biostatistics II 712](#) (HME 712) - Credits: 15.00  
[Learning in public health 710](#) (PHM 710) - Credits: 10.00  
[Social determinants of health 710](#) (SCM 710) - Credits: 10.00

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