

University of Pretoria Yearbook 2022

BScHons (Applied Science) (Transportation Planning) (12243009)

Department Civil Engineering

Minimum duration of study 1 year

Total credits 128

NQF level 08

Programme information

The BScHons (Applied Science) degree is conferred by the following academic departments:

- Chemical Engineering
- Civil Engineering
- Industrial and Systems Engineering
- Materials Science and Metallurgical Engineering
- Mechanical and Aeronautical Engineering
- Mining Engineering

Any specific module is offered on the condition that a minimum number of students are registered for the module, as determined by the relevant head of department and the Dean. Students must consult the relevant head of department in order to compile a meaningful programme, as well as on the syllabi of the modules. The relevant departmental postgraduate brochures must also be consulted.

Admission requirements

1. Three-year BSc (or equivalent) degree (in Natural Sciences) with a cumulative weighted average of at least 60% for the degree or relevant BTech qualification excluding the National Diploma; i.e. one offered by a department of civil engineering at a university of technology in South Africa with a cumulative weighted average of at least 75% for the degree and no modules failed in the BTech degree or four-year engineering-based university degree not recognised by ECSA for registration as a professional engineer
2. An entrance examination may be required
3. Comprehensive intellectual CV

Other programme-specific information

The remainder of the credits to be chosen from the modules for the BEngHons (Transportation Engineering) programme, as approved by the relevant head of department, and after completion of the appropriate modules as listed.

Examinations and pass requirements

Refer also to G18 and G26.

- i. The examination in each module for which a student is registered, takes place during the normal examination period after the conclusion of lectures (i.e. October/November or May/June).
- ii. G18(1) applies with the understanding that under exceptional circumstances an extension of a maximum of three years may be approved: provided that the Dean, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, may approve a stipulated limited extension of this period.
- iii. A student must obtain at least 50% in an examination for each module where no semester or year mark is required. A module may only be repeated once.
- iv. In modules where semester or year marks are awarded, a minimum examination mark of 40% and a final mark of 50% is required.
- v. No supplementary or special examinations are granted at postgraduate level.

Pass with distinction

A student passes with distinction if he or she obtains a weighted average of at least 75% (not rounded) in the first 128 credits for which he or she has registered (excluding modules which were discontinued timeously). The degree is not awarded with distinction if a student fails any one module (excluding modules which were discontinued timeously). The degree must be completed within the prescribed study period.



Curriculum: Final year

Minimum credits: 128

Core modules

Basic pavements and transportation 787 (SGM 787)

Module credits	24.00
NQF Level	08
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	40 Contact hours
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Civil Engineering
Period of presentation	Year

Module content

Pavements: The geological cycle and origin of road building materials, soil testing and classification systems, compaction, stabilization, bitumen, introduction to pavements, principles of pavement design and management. Transportation: Introduction to traffic analysis techniques, capacity and level of service concepts, traffic signal design, road geometric design, transport demand models and road safety engineering.

Civil research 780 (SSC 780)

Module credits	32.00
NQF Level	08
Contact time	8 contact hours per year
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Civil Engineering
Period of presentation	Year

Module content

*This is a compulsory module.

The course will require all honours students to conduct research in an appropriate field of civil engineering, linked to the main discipline in which the student specializes for their honours degree.

Elective modules

Pavement design 793 (SGC 793)

Module credits	24.00
NQF Level	08
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	40 Contact hours



Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Civil Engineering

Period of presentation Year

Module content

A research term paper will be prepared.

Design philosophy in First and Third World environments; characterising and use of pavement materials; drainage; systems approach to layout, geometric and pavement design; stresses and strains in pavements; mechanistic design methods and elasto-plastic behaviour; economic analysis; designing pavements for streets, gravel and paved roads, runways, and industrial areas. Report writing.

Infrastructure management 790 (SSI 790)

Module credits 24.00

NQF Level 08

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 40 Contact hours

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Civil Engineering

Period of presentation Year

Module content

A research term paper will be prepared.

This module will cover the following topics: Asset Management principles, Maintenance Management principles, Maintenance strategies and philosophies, Condition based Maintenance, Reliability Centred Maintenance (RCM), Resource Management, Maintenance Management Systems, Total Productive Maintenance (TPM) and Risk Management. Maintenance management of the following disciplines will be studied in detail: Road infrastructure, Railway infrastructure, Airport infrastructure, Buildings and other structures, Water resources and water supply.

Transportation studies 790 (SVC 790)

Module credits 24.00

NQF Level 08

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 40 Contact hours

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Civil Engineering

Period of presentation Year

Module content

A research term paper will be prepared.

Basic transportation relationships, land use, data collection and surveys. Four step transportation model, trip generation, trip distribution, modal split, trip assignment, advanced modelling approaches. Introduction to discrete choice models, econometrics, and stated preference analysis. Role of transport modelling in developmental context.

Transportation special 791 (SVC 791)

Module credits 24.00

NQF Level 08

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 40 Contact hours

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Civil Engineering

Period of presentation Year

Module content

A research term paper will be prepared.

Module specially compiled to satisfy specific needs.

Traffic engineering 792 (SVC 792)

Module credits 24.00

NQF Level 08

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 40 Contact hours

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Civil Engineering

Period of presentation Year

Module content

A research term paper will be prepared.

Part 1: Traffic flow theory: Traffic and vehicle characteristics. Traffic flow studies. Traffic interactions. Traffic flow analysis and queuing theory. Traffic flow models. Traffic control theory. Part 2: Traffic studies and facility design: Transportation and land use. Traffic impact studies. Site planning and design. Determination of demand. Traffic control investigations. Intersection design. Internal circulation. Parking areas.

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