

FACULTY

At a Glance 2024



UNIVERSITEIT VAN PRETORIA
UNIVERSITY OF PRETORIA
YUNIBESITHI YA PRETORIA

**Faculty of
Veterinary Science**

Fakuleit Veeartsenykunde
Lefapha la Disaense tša Bongakadiriwa

Make today matter

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THE UP WAY

The University of Pretoria (UP) is one of Africa's top universities and the largest contact university in South Africa. We produce socially impactful research to find solutions for the world's most pressing issues. We have a high quality of teaching and learning inside the classroom, online and in communities. We also have support in place for our students to graduate on time as well-rounded, responsible citizens – fully prepared for the world beyond university.



VISION

To be a leading research-intensive university in Africa, recognised internationally for its quality, relevance and impact, as also for developing people, creating knowledge and making a difference locally and globally.



MISSION

In pursuing recognition and excellence in its core functions of research, teaching and learning, and integrating engagement with society and communities into these, the University of Pretoria will use quality, relevance, diversity and sustainability as its navigational markers.

With UP behind your name, you can rely on a competitive, recognised qualification.

122

Undergraduate
programmes

806

Postgraduate
programmes

660⁺

Industry-relevant
short courses

Our degrees are locally accredited and internationally recognised. We have agreements in place with the relevant legal accreditation bodies around the world to ensure the recognition of our programmes.



Fostering excellence in teaching and learning

Our educational approach has a strong focus on inclusivity and equitable access to education, but ultimately on equity of outcomes. Our committed academics have multiple approaches to teaching to ensure that students with a variety of learning strengths succeed.

Our teaching and learning approach is based on inquiry-based learning, hybrid learning and community-based learning. This means that students can ask questions and do research in their field to learn and discover answers on their own; be taught in a classroom or other formal contact environment, but also find additional activities, notes, resources and videos to supplement their classes online; or apply their knowledge in a practical way to help communities around university campuses.



Enabling student success for an equitable future

UP is dedicated to fostering an environment where students can thrive and achieve success. We are fully committed to providing support and opportunities to our students in order to get them ready for work.

Learn more: www.up.ac.za/education-innovation



Promoting research with real-world impact

UP's research is focused on making a lasting impact and on changing the lives of people. Our theme-based approach leverages knowledge fields and research platforms for the greatest impact. Transdisciplinary research projects with the potential to make a real-life difference are strongly encouraged.

FACULTY OF VETERINARY SCIENCE

Following on the work of its founder, Prof Sir Arnold Theiler, veterinary education has been at the forefront of animal production, health and wellbeing in the country. From a very humble beginning with eight students, the Faculty is now recognised internationally for its quality of training, research, services and community engagement.



ACADEMIC OFFERING



2

Specialised
undergraduate
degree programmes

Various postgraduate
degree programmes,
including specialist
veterinary training

1 400+

Veterinary
Science
students

98%

Undergraduate
student pass
rate

1

Dedicated
specialised
campus

Join the Onderstepoort veterinary family

RESEARCH EXCELLENCE

44%

Academic staff members
with a doctorate



2
RESEARCH
CHAIRS

38

NRF-rated researchers

1

SARChI Research Chair
in Poultry Health and
Production

2

Afrivet Chair in
Primary Animal Health



RANKINGS



TOP 51–70

in the QS World University Subject Rankings for 2023

TOP SOUTH AFRICAN INSTITUTION FOR TRAINING VETERINARIANS AND VETERINARY NURSES

UNDERGRADUATE BVSC DEGREE PROGRAMME RECOGNITION

Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons (United Kingdom)
Australasian Veterinary Boards Council (Australia, New Zealand and Tasmania)

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT



Mobile clinics
in surrounding
communities



Hluvukani
animal clinic



Mamelodi
community clinic



Vetsco student
orientated
programme

RESEARCH SPECIALISATIONS



Vaccine development research



Development of new diagnostic tests



Wildlife research projects, ranging from disease epidemiology to advanced wildlife immobilisation



Research into high impact infectious diseases



One Health and zoonotic diseases



Clinical diagnostics and advanced patient care



Ethnoveterinary medicine, toxicology and pharmacology

ONDERSTEPOORT VETERINARY ACADEMIC HOSPITAL (OVAH)

1

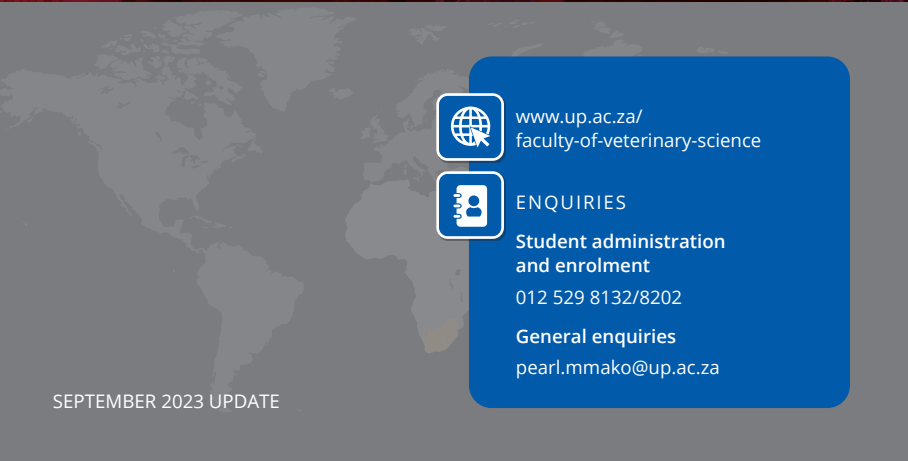
Fully integrated
student training
and diagnostic
laboratories

2

Specialist clinics
for various
species

3

On-site clinical
pathology, diagnostic
imaging and pathology
services



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ENQUIRIES

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and enrolment**

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