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Career focus

2023 study year

Obtain a Bachelor of Clinical Medical Practice (BCMP) qualification at UP

A clinical associate is a professional member of the healthcare team who has the necessary knowledge and skills to make a substantial contribution to the South African district health system. Clinical associates are supervised by doctors in the performance of all practice-related activities, including the requisition of diagnostic, therapeutic and other medical services, based on their education, training and experience.

What does the programme entail?

- The Bachelor of Clinical Medical Practice (BCMP) programme requires 3 years full time study.
- It involves practical, patient-oriented learning in the health service in four South African provinces.



What makes this programme unique?

- BCMP is a unique programme due to early patient contact, and the practical training it provides in the health service.
- BCMP is accredited by the Health Professions Council of South Africa (HPCSA).



Who is the ideal candidate?

The ideal candidate is a self-directed learner with a passion for helping people from under-served populations. Disciplined, hard-working students excel.



Career opportunities

Clinical Associates work mostly in primary healthcare, in community healthcare programmes, clinics, private practices and hospitals.



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Which companies employ our graduates?

Private hospital groups such as:

Netcare Hospitals
Mediclinic
Life Healthcare Group

ER Consulting

Government Departments such as:

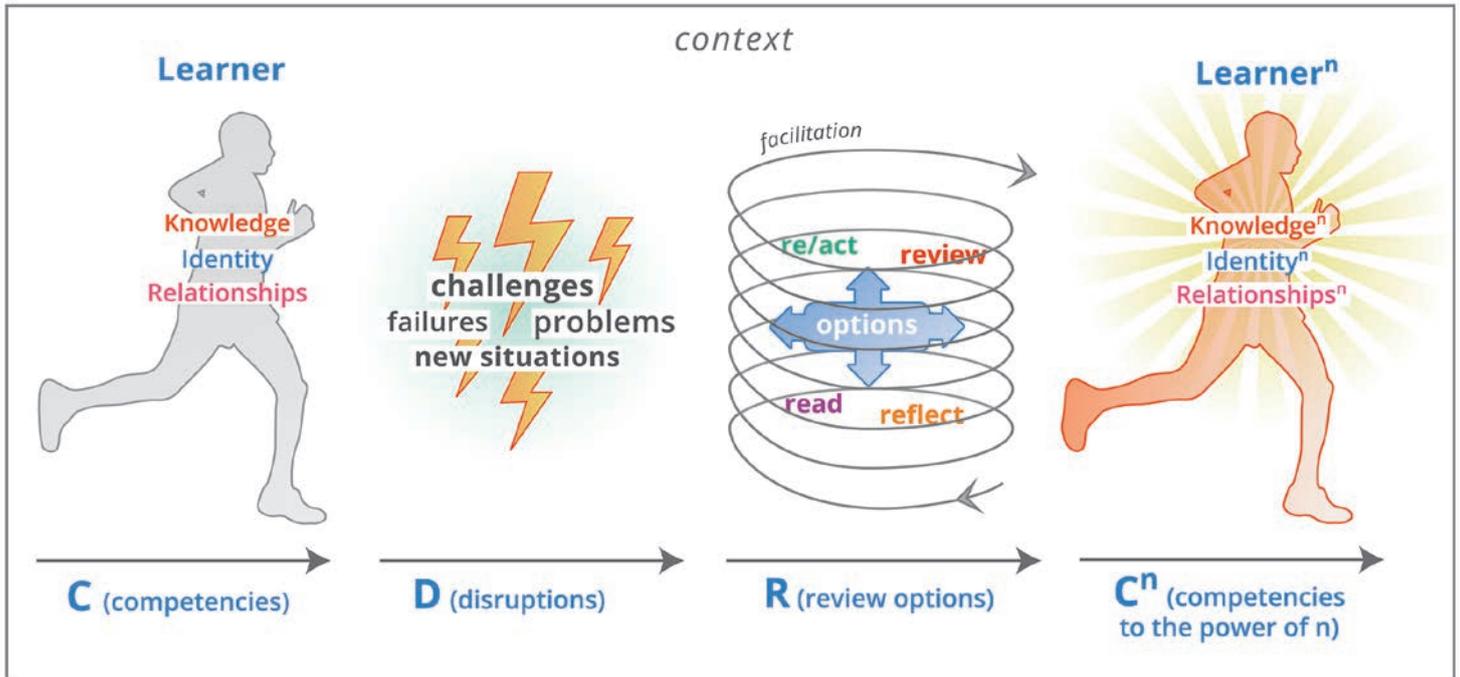
The Department of Health
The National Institute of Communicable Diseases (NICD)
The South African Military Health Services (SAMHS)

The Wits Donald Gordan Medical Centre

Anglo American Health (We Care programme run by the University of Pretoria)

NGOs such as:

The Aurum Institute
CHAPS
Right to Care



The capability approach to learning



‘Challenges are what make life interesting; overcoming them is what makes life meaningful. Studying BCMP is very challenging and requires one to be strong and hard-working. It has allowed me to grow so much as a person and become more responsible, caring and loving. I learned so much about myself and, most of all, never to give up when things get hard. The challenges we face at the hospital and school will make you a better clinician in the future. Here’s a little secret on how to survive, when our facilitators throw lemons at you, make lemonade.’

Nokwanda Dlamini – (Third-year BCMP student)

Minimum admission requirements

| Programme | Minimum requirements for NSC and IEB for 2023 | | | |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|------------------------------------|-----|
| | Achievement level | | | APS |
| | English Home Language or English First Additional Language | Mathematics | Physical Sciences or Life Sciences | |
| School of Medicine | | | | |
| Bachelor of Clinical Medical Practice (BCMP) [3 years] Closing date: 30 June | 4 | 4 | 4 | 28 |

For advice on a second-choice programme, please consult a Student Advisor. To make an appointment, send an email to carol.bosch@up.ac.za.
Selection is based on a candidates’ final Grade 11 examination results and the Biographical Information Form.
Careers: Clinical associates, academics and researchers

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