



University of Pretoria Yearbook 2021

BOH (10132001)

Department Dentistry General

Minimum duration of study 3 years

Total credits 376

NQF level 07

Admission requirements

- The following persons will be considered for admission: a candidate who is in possession of a certificate that is deemed by the University to be equivalent to the required National Senior Certificate (NSC) with university endorsement; a candidate who is a graduate from another tertiary institution or has been granted the status of a graduate of such an institution; a candidate who is a graduate of another Faculty at the University of Pretoria; and a candidate who is currently studying at a university.
- Admission to Health Sciences programmes is subject to a selection process.
- Grade 11 final examination results will be used for the conditional selection of prospective students.
- For selection purposes, the sum of the results in six subjects, including English, Mathematics and Physical Sciences, is calculated.
- Life Orientation is excluded in the calculation of the Admission Point Score (APS).
- **Candidates should note that their conditional admission will be revoked if their APS drops by more than two points in their final school examination results.**
- PLEASE NOTE that compliance with the minimum admission requirements does not guarantee admission to any programme in this Faculty.
- Selection queries may be directed to [click here](#)
- A student who is made an offer but does not accept it cannot defer the offer and must reapply to be considered in the following year.

Transferring students (university experience)

- The applications of students who are studying towards a tertiary qualification or have obtained a tertiary qualification must meet the following requirements regarding school subjects and performance levels: They must be in possession of an NSC for degree studies/full exemption certificate and must have attained a performance level of 5 (or 50% HG if completed prior to 2009) for Mathematics and Physical Sciences (or Life Sciences, if required).
- If the subjects were not passed in Grade 12, the equivalent subjects (Physics, Chemistry and Mathematics) must be completed at the tertiary level. University students do not have to submit any non-academic performance record or CV. In their case selection is based on the results attained in the qualification(s) previously completed, ie they will be considered on the basis of their results achieved in higher education.
- The completion of only a three-year diploma or certificate is not considered as university experience, but will be considered in the school-leaver category and admission will be based on the applicant's Grade 12 results.

Qualifications from countries other than South Africa



- A limited number of places are made available to citizens from countries other than South Africa, with those from SADC countries being given preference. Permanent residents of RSA are not categorised as foreign students. Applications from citizens from countries other than South Africa may also be considered if they are:
 - citizens or permanent residents of countries which have relevant government to government agreements with South Africa
 - asylum seekers or refugees

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Minimum requirements

Achievement level

English Home

Language or

English First

Additional

Language

English Home		Mathematics		Physical Sciences		APS
NSC/IEB	AS Level	NSC/IEB	AS Level	NSC/IEB	AS Level	
4	D	4	D	4	D	25

* Cambridge A level candidates who obtained at least a D in the required subjects, will be considered for admission. Students in the Cambridge system must offer both Physics AND Chemistry with performance at the level specified for NSC Physical Sciences in the table above.

* International Baccalaureate (IB) HL candidates who obtained at least a 4 in the required subjects, will be considered for admission. Students in the IB system must offer both Physics AND Chemistry with performance at the level specified for NSC Physical Sciences in the table above.

Additional requirements

The General Regulations are applicable to bachelor's degrees.

Other programme-specific information

*The final examination for Oral biology (MDB 172) will take place at the end of the second semester together with Pharmacology (FAR 172) which is a semester module in the second semester.

**Students are exempted from the language modules (ZUL 119, AFR 111 and SEP 119) on the basis of the successful completion of a language proficiency test at the beginning of the year.

Examinations and pass requirements

Examinations of the first, second and third years of study

- A subminimum of 50% in the examination is required in respect of the examination modules, with a final mark of at least 50% to pass.
- A student who fails the clinical part of one or more of the modules of the third year must repeat those modules in the ensuing semester, with an examination at the end of the semester. The Dean on the recommendation of the examination moderating committee, will determine the time that must elapse before the student may again report for examination. Students, who are repeating the year of study, retain credit for modules passed, unless determined otherwise, but a certificate of satisfactory preparation and progress must be obtained in all modules passed.



- iii. A student who has failed the theoretical part of any module in the third year, final examination, will be admitted to a supplementary examination in that part of the module. A student who fails the supplementary examination may, subject to other faculty regulations, sit an examination at the end of the ensuing semester, but must obtain certificates of satisfactory preparation in all the other modules that he/she has passed.
- iv. In order to comply with the requirements in (iii) above, and to maintain a specific level of clinical skills, the extent of students' involvement in modules passed, will be contracted with the students concerned, by the module chairperson, at the beginning of the year.
- v. The requirement as stipulated in par (i) above, will apply to students who, after repeating a semester, again fail some of the modules.

Promotion to next study year

Promotion to next year of study

Admission to the second year of study

- i. To progress to the second year of study, a student must pass all the first-year modules. Students will be allowed to carry a maximum of two fundamental modules (AIM, AFR, SEP, ZUL, and ELH) over to the second year but must pass them during the second year of study in order to proceed to the third year of study.
- ii. Students who are repeating the first year of study, retain credit for examination modules passed, unless otherwise stipulated, but have to obtain a certificate of satisfactory preparation and progress in all the promotion modules. In order to comply with the requirements mentioned above, and to maintain a specific level of clinical skills, the extent of involvement of students in promotion modules passed, will be contracted by the module chairperson with the student(s) concerned, at the commencement of the academic year. Students will however not have to register for modules already passed.
- iii. A pass mark of at least 50% is required in the promotion module VKM 171 Preventive oral health 171.

Progression to the third year of study

- i. To progress to the third year of study, a student must pass all the second-year modules and any fundamental modules carried over from the first year of study.
- ii. Students who are repeating the second year of study, retain credit for examination modules passed, unless otherwise stipulated, but have to obtain a certificate of satisfactory preparation and progress in all the promotion modules. In order to comply with the requirements mentioned above, and to maintain a specific level of clinical skills, the extent of involvement of students in promotion modules passed, will be contracted by the module chairperson with the student(s) concerned, at the commencement of the academic year. Students will however not have to register for modules already passed.
- iii. A pass mark of at least 50% is required in the promotion module VKM 272 Preventive oral health 272.

Academic exclusion

- i. A student following the Oral Hygiene programme will only be allowed two opportunities to repeat a year of study. Refer to the General Regulations.
- ii. A student who does not comply with the requirements above may apply to the Chairperson of the School in writing for readmission in accordance with the prescribed procedure.
- iii. A student who fails the first year of study must apply for readmission to the programme.



Pass with distinction

The degree is conferred with distinction on a student who has obtained a sub-minimum of 65% in each examination module of the final year of study, with an overall average of at least 75% for all the final-year examination modules.



Curriculum: Year 1

Minimum credits: 155

Fundamental modules

Basic conversational Afrikaans 111 (AFR 111) - Credits: 12.00

Academic information management 111 (AIM 111) - Credits: 4.00

Academic information management 121 (AIM 121) - Credits: 4.00

Academic English for Health Sciences (BNurs, BDietetics, BOH, BOccTher, BRad and BPhysio) 121 (ELH 121) - Credits: 6.00

Academic English for Health Sciences122 (ELH 122) - Credits: 6.00

Sepedi for beginners 119 (SEP 119) - Credits: 12.00

Academic orientation 110 (UPO 110) - Credits: 0.00

isiZulu 119 (ZUL 119) - Credits: 12.00

Core modules

Academic competency in oral health 171 (ACO 171) - Credits: 12.00

Anatomy 171 (ANA 171) - Credits: 8.00

Pharmacology 172 (FAR 172) - Credits: 8.00

Physiology 171 (FLG 171) - Credits: 8.00

Microbiology and immunology 171 (GMB 171) - Credits: 8.00

Oral biology 172 (MDB 172) - Credits: 19.00

Odontology 171 (ODO 171) - Credits: 12.00

Orthodontics 171 (ORD 171) - Credits: 9.00

Periodontology 171 (PDL 171) - Credits: 12.00

Comprehensive patient management 171 (TBW 171) - Credits: 2.00

Preventive oral health 171 (VKM 171) - Credits: 15.00



Curriculum: Year 2

Minimum credits: 135

Examination modules: ODO 271, PDL 271, ORD 271 and GAP 271.

Promotion modules: VKM 272, TBW 272, RAD 272 and OFC 271.

Core modules

Community as patient 271 (GAP 271) - Credits: 14.00

Basic emergency care 286 (GNK 286) - Credits: 5.00

Odontology 271 (ODO 271) - Credits: 7.00

Orofacial surgery 271 (OFC 271) - Credits: 11.00

Orthodontics 271 (ORD 271) - Credits: 6.00

Periodontology 271 (PDL 271) - Credits: 11.00

Radiography 272 (RAD 272) - Credits: 11.00

Comprehensive patient management 272 (TBW 272) - Credits: 18.00

Preventive oral health 272 (VKM 272) - Credits: 43.00



Curriculum: Final year

Minimum credits: 130

Examination modules: RAD 372, MFP 371, VKM 372, PSB 371, RCH 371, TBW 372, COU 371 and OFC 371.

Attendance modules: ORD 372, PDL 372, POH 371 and GAP 371

Core modules

Counselling 371 (COU 371) - Credits: 5.00

Community as patient 371 (GAP 371) - Credits: 13.00

Maxillo-facial pathology 371 (MFP 371) - Credits: 8.00

Orofacial surgery 371 (OFC 371) - Credits: 6.00

Orthodontics 372 (ORD 372) - Credits: 7.00

Periodontology 372 (PDL 372) - Credits: 7.00

Public oral health 371 (POH 371) - Credits: 8.00

Patients with special needs 371 (PSB 371) - Credits: 12.00

Radiography 371 (RAD 371) - Credits: 20.00

Radiography 372 (RAD 372) - Credits: 16.00

Research 371 (RCH 371) - Credits: 5.00

Comprehensive patient management 372 (TBW 372) - Credits: 15.00

Preventive oral health 372 (VKM 372) - Credits: 24.00

The information published here is subject to change and may be amended after the publication of this information. The [General Regulations \(G Regulations\)](#) apply to all faculties of the University of Pretoria. It is expected of students to familiarise themselves well with these regulations as well as with the information contained in the [General Rules](#) section. Ignorance concerning these regulations and rules will not be accepted as an excuse for any transgression.