



University of Pretoria Yearbook 2021

MDietetics (Coursework) (10259004)

Department Human Nutrition

Minimum duration of study 2 years

Total credits 200

NQF level 09

Programme information

For the coursework component, a student has to take compulsory modules to a total of 40 credits and choose modules (from elective modules) to a total of 20 credits. Any specific module is offered on condition that a minimum number of students is 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 for information on the syllabi of the modules. The departmental postgraduate brochure should also be consulted.

Also consult General Regulations.

Admission requirements

1. Bachelor's degree in Dietetics **or** Human Nutrition **or** relevant bachelor's degree
2. Registration as a dietician with the Health Professions Council of South Africa (HPCSA)
3. At least one year of full-time practical experience

Additional requirements

(TNM 802) Applied Research Methodology 802 or an equivalent module must be attended satisfactorily.

Examinations and pass requirements

A final mark of at least 50% is required to pass in the coursework. A minimum of 50% is required to pass in the essay.

Pass with distinction

The degree is conferred with distinction on a student who has obtained an average of at least 75% in the coursework as well as a minimum of 75% in the essay.



Curriculum: Year 1

Minimum credits: 180

Core modules

Advanced research and nutritional epidemiology 870 (DEK 870)

Module credits	20.00
NQF Level	09
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	1 discussion class per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Human Nutrition
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Nutritional assessment 871 (DEK 871)

Module credits	20.00
NQF Level	09
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	1 discussion class per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Human Nutrition
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Mini-dissertation: Dietetics 896 (DEK 896)

Module credits	120.00
NQF Level	09
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Human Nutrition
Period of presentation	Year

Applied research methodology 802 (TNM 802)

Module credits	0.00
NQF Level	09
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Health Sciences Deans Office



Period of presentation Year

Module content

*Attendance module only.

Elective modules

Immunonutrition 814 (DEK 814)

Module credits 10.00

NQF Level 09

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 1 discussion class per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Human Nutrition

Period of presentation Semester 1

Sport nutrition 815 (DEK 815)

Module credits 10.00

NQF Level 09

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 1 discussion class per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Human Nutrition

Period of presentation Semester 1

Nutrition counselling 816 (DEK 816)

Module credits 10.00

NQF Level 09

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 1 discussion class per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Human Nutrition

Period of presentation Semester 1

Diet-related non-communicable lifestyle diseases 817 (DEK 817)

Module credits 10.00

NQF Level 09

Prerequisites No prerequisites.



Contact time	1 discussion class per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Human Nutrition
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Nutrition support 818 (DEK 818)

Module credits	10.00
NQF Level	09
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.

Contact time	1 discussion class per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Human Nutrition
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Nutrigenomics 819 (DEK 819)

Module credits	10.00
NQF Level	09
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.

Contact time	1 discussion class per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Human Nutrition
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Micronutrient malnutrition 873 (DEK 873)

Module credits	10.00
NQF Level	09
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.

Contact time	1 discussion class per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Human Nutrition
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Early childhood nutrition intervention 874 (DEK 874)

Module credits	10.00
NQF Level	09
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.



Contact time	1 discussion class per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Human Nutrition
Period of presentation	Semester 1 or Semester 2



Curriculum: Final year

Minimum credits: 180

Core modules

Advanced research and nutritional epidemiology 870 (DEK 870)

Module credits	20.00
NQF Level	09
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	1 discussion class per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Human Nutrition
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Nutritional assessment 871 (DEK 871)

Module credits	20.00
NQF Level	09
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	1 discussion class per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Human Nutrition
Period of presentation	Semester 1

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Module credits	120.00
NQF Level	09
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Human Nutrition
Period of presentation	Year

Applied research methodology 802 (TNM 802)

Module credits	0.00
NQF Level	09
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Health Sciences Deans Office



Period of presentation Year

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Module credits 10.00

NQF Level 09

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Contact time 1 discussion class per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Human Nutrition

Period of presentation Semester 1

Sport nutrition 815 (DEK 815)

Module credits 10.00

NQF Level 09

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 1 discussion class per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Human Nutrition

Period of presentation Semester 1

Nutrition counselling 816 (DEK 816)

Module credits 10.00

NQF Level 09

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 1 discussion class per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Human Nutrition

Period of presentation Semester 1

Diet-related non-communicable lifestyle diseases 817 (DEK 817)

Module credits 10.00

NQF Level 09

Prerequisites No prerequisites.



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Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Human Nutrition
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Nutrition support 818 (DEK 818)

Module credits	10.00
NQF Level	09
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.

Contact time	1 discussion class per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Human Nutrition
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Nutrigenomics 819 (DEK 819)

Module credits	10.00
NQF Level	09
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.

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Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
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