University of Pretoria Yearbook 2023

Bachelor of Oral Hygiene [BOH] (10132001)

Department	Dentistry General
Minimum duration of study	3 years
Total credits	397
NQF level	07

Admission requirements

Important information for all prospective students for 2023

The admission requirements apply to students who apply for admission to the University of Pretoria with a **National Senior Certificate (NSC) and Independent Examination Board (IEB) qualifications.**?

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Minimum requirements Achievement level English Home Language or English First Additional Language	**Mathematics**	**Physical Sciences**	**APS**
NSC/IEB	NSC/IEB	NSC/IEB	
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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.

Applicants with qualifications other than the abovementioned should refer to the Brochure**:** Undergraduate Programme Information 2023: Qualifications other than the NSC and IEB, available at click here.

International Students: Click here

Important faculty-specific information on undergraduate programmes for 2023

The closing date for all **selection programmes** is **30 June 2022**. Applicants are strongly advised and encouraged to submit their applications as soon as possible after **1 April 2022** and to check the application site (UP Student Portal) regularly.

- 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).
- All modules will be presented in English, as English is the language of tuition, communication and correspondence.
- Places are reserved in specific categories to ensure an equitable representation of demographically defined designated groups. Selection thus takes place in different categories.
- For purposes of selection in the Faculty of Health Sciences, the “Designated Group” category includes South African Black African or South African Coloured African candidates. The “Open” category refers to all applicants including applicants from the Designated Group who compete first in the Open category and then in the Designated Group category if unsuccessful in the Open category.
- Target numbers are specified for all categories as applicable to each programme. Where insufficient applications are received from qualifying applicants in a certain category, the selection committee may decide not to fill all places or to fill the places from qualifying applicants in another category.
- A limited number of places are made available to citizens from countries other than South Africa (applicants who are not South African citizens), 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 (applicants who are not South African citizens) 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
- Citizens from countries other than South Africa (applicants who are not South African citizens) who do not comply with the conditions above may be considered if space is available.
- If an applicant has multiple citizenships, which includes South African citizenship, he/she will be considered as a South African applicant.
- The final number of places allocated to new applicants will be determined on an annual basis taking into account the teaching facilities and resources available and, where necessary, the number of places allocated to students repeating modules in the first year of study of each degree programme.
- Only applicants who comply with the requirements set out in this document will be considered for selection. However, the achievement of the minimum requirements does not guarantee admission as only a limited number of students can be accommodated.
- Selection is based on merit. The faculty does not determine specific selection cut-off values for the different categories. Such values are generated by the competing students within a particular category in relation to the number of places available.
- A Merit Point Score (MPS) is used for ranking applicants for selection purposes in all programmes. In certain programmes other criteria such as rural residence may be used as part of the selection process.
- Only first-choice applicants will be considered, except where otherwise specified, in which case second-choice candidates may be considered if there are places available.
- The top candidates will be selected provisionally up to or surpassing the allocated number, based on experience of the expected number of acceptances. A waiting list is created from the group of candidates with the next highest scores. The length of the waiting list is determined by experience of the number of places likely to become available and to prevent creating unrealistic expectations.

- All offers are provisional until the final exam results have been received. For applicants in the School leaver categories a provisional place will be confirmed as long as the NSC or equivalent scores do not fall by more than two points from the Grade 11 APS score.
- After the final NSC or equivalent qualification results are received, provisional offers will be confirmed if the applicant still meets the required criteria. The MPS of those on the waiting list will be recalculated using the NSC or equivalent qualification results and if places become available they will be made offers.
- Places becoming available in any category after selection due to cancellation or forfeiture will be filled from the waiting list for the specific category.
- This waiting list will remain active until the end of the second week after the start of lectures.
- All successful candidates are admitted to the first year of study only. Registered students in the University Experienced categories may apply for credit for equivalent modules which they have completed.
- Incomplete applications will not be considered and any false information provided by an applicant in his/her application may result in immediate cancellation of the application, admission or registration.
- **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

A transferring student is a student who, at the time of applying at the University of Pretoria (UP)is/was a registered student at another tertiary institution. A transferring student will be considered for admission based on NSC or equivalent qualification and previous academic performance. Students who have been dismissed from other institutions due to poor academic performance will not be considered for admission to UP.

Closing dates: Same as above

Returning students

A returning student is a student who, at the time of application for a degree programme is/was a registered student at UP, and wants to transfer to another degree at UP. A returning student will be considered for admission based on NSC or equivalent qualification and previous academic performance.

- Students who have been excluded/dismissed from a faculty due to poor academic performance may be considered for admission to another programme at UP, as per faculty-specific requirements.
- Only ONE transfer between UP faculties and TWO transfers within a faculty will be allowed.
- Admission of returning students will always depend on the faculty concerned and the availability of space in the programmes for which they apply.

Closing date for applications from returning students is the same as the above

Additional requirements

General Academic Regulations G1-G15 are applicable to bachelor's degrees.

Please note:
Each student in Oral Hygiene must apply to the Registrar of the Health Professions Council of South Africa for

registration as a student in Oral Hygiene immediately after admission to the first year of study.

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 or AFR 111 or 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

i. 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.
ii. 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

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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 one opportunity to repeat a year of study. Refer to the General Academic 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% (not rounded) for all the final-year examination modules.

General information

University of Pretoria Programme Qualification Mix (PQM) verification project

The higher education sector has undergone an extensive alignment to the Higher Education Qualification Sub-Framework (HEQF) across all institutions in South Africa. In order to comply with the HEQSF, all institutions are legally required to participate in a national initiative led by regulatory bodies such as the Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET), the Council on Higher Education (CHE), and the South African Qualifications Authority (SAQA). The University of Pretoria is presently engaged in an ongoing effort to align its qualifications and programmes with the HEQSF criteria. Current and prospective students should take note that changes to UP qualification and programme names, may occur as a result of the HEQSF initiative. Students are advised to contact their faculties if they have any questions.

Curriculum: Year 1

Minimum credits: 150

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, BOT, 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 for beginners 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
First aid 171 (NHS 171) - Credits: 5.00
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: 121

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
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: 126

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 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

Regulations and rules

The regulations and rules for the degrees published here are subject to change and may be amended after the publication of this information.

The General Academic Regulations (G Regulations) and General Student Rules apply to all faculties and registered students of the University, as well as all prospective students who have accepted an offer of a place at the University of Pretoria. On registering for a programme, the student bears the responsibility of ensuring that they familiarise themselves with the General Academic Regulations applicable to their registration, as well as the relevant faculty-specific and programme-specific regulations and information as stipulated in the relevant yearbook. Ignorance concerning these regulations will not be accepted as an excuse for any transgression, or basis for an exception to any of the aforementioned regulations.

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