

University of Pretoria Yearbook 2016

Audiology 120 (ODL 120)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Faculty	Faculty of Humanities
Module credits	7.00
Programmes	BA Audiology
Prerequisites	Admission into relevant programme
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Double Medium
Academic organisation	Speech-Language Pathlgy + Aud
Period of presentation	Semester 2

Module content

*Closed - requires departmental selection

Introduction to auditory rehabilitation and amplification: The importance of the early identification of a hearing loss; characteristics of the person with a hearing loss; communication problems caused by different types and degrees of hearing loss; the choices of basic communication approaches for the young child with hearing loss; the basic elements of a rehabilitation program for a person with a hearing loss (speech reading, auditory training, communication strategies); and the role of the healthcare professionals in this process. Introduction to sound acoustics; the development of hearing instruments; overview of non-invasive amplification; basic components and electroacoustic properties of hearing aids; controls and functions of different hearing aids; basic information on available advanced amplification; technical standards and performance data; identification and management of distortions and feedback in instruments; overview of ear moulds and shells and the modification thereof.

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