

University of Pretoria Yearbook 2016

MPhil Philosophy and Ethics of Mental Health (10250500)

Duration of study 2 years

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Admission requirements

A bachelor honours degree or equivalent in a field of relevance to either mental health or philosophy eg MBChB; BPsych; BAHons; LLB; BCur; BOccTher is the minimum admission requirement.

Practical experience and/or a relevant master's degree is strongly recommended eg MMed (Psych); MA (Philosophy); MA (Psychology); MA (Sociology) MA (Social Work); MMus (Music Therapy); LLM; MCur MOccTher.

Additional requirements

Also consult General Regulations.

Examinations and pass requirements

- (i) Students must complete the assignments of each of the core modules and obtain a minimum mark of 50% to pass in the respective core modules.
- (ii) The dissertation must consist of five sections of which the first four will respectively address a topic from the core modules. The fifth section will be on an appropriate topic of the student's choice.
- (iii) The first four sections of the dissertation should each be between 5 000 and 6 000 words and the fifth section should be approximately 10 000 words in length.
- (iv) A minimum mark of 50% will be required in each section of the dissertation to pass.
- (v) A student will be disqualified from further study towards this degree when he or she fails any one of the sections for the third time.

Pass with distinction

The degree will be conferred with distinction on a student who obtains a mark of 75% or more for the dissertation.



Curriculum: Final year

Core modules

Core concepts in philosophy and mental health 881 (FEG 881)

Module credits 10.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 other contact sessions per week, 2 lectures per week, 2 seminars per week, 1

web-based period per week

Language of tuition Double Medium

Academic organisation Psychiatry

Period of presentation Semester 1 and Semester 2

Philosophy of science and mental health 882 (FEG 882)

Module credits 10.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 1 web-based period per week, 2 lectures per week, 2 seminars per week, 2 other

contact sessions per week

Language of tuition Double Medium

Academic organisation Psychiatry

Period of presentation Semester 1 and Semester 2

Philosophy of mind and mental health 883 (FEG 883)

Module credits 10.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 seminars per week, 2 other contact sessions per week, 2 lectures per week, 1

web-based period per week

Language of tuition Double Medium

Academic organisation Psychiatry

Period of presentation Semester 1 and Semester 2

Ethics, values and mental health 884 (FEG 884)

Module credits 10.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 seminars per week, 2 other contact sessions per week, 1 web-based period per

week, 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Double Medium

Academic organisation Psychiatry



Period of presentation Semester 1 and Semester 2

Dissertation: Philosophy and ethics of mental health 890 (FEG 890)

Module credits 140.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Language of tuition Both Afr and Eng

Academic organisation Psychiatry

Period of presentation Year

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