

University of Pretoria Yearbook 2016

MPhyst Orthopaedics (10258202)

Duration of study 2 years

Admission requirements

Subject to the stipulations of the General Regulations, the BPhysT degree or an equivalent qualification is required as well as registration as a physiotherapist with the Health Professions Council of South Africa.

Additional requirements

- i. For the MPhysT degree, students must also hold at least a part-time position, deemed applicable for master's degree studies by the head of department.
- ii. Candidates will be required to provide proof of having successfully completed applicable postgraduate modules in clinical fields of specialisation, e.g. Orthopaedic Manual Therapy 1, before the MPhysT degree will be conferred.
- iii. During the MPhysT studies, students must participate in formal departmental instruction and/or research programmes of at least 60 hours per year.
- iv. Postgraduate modules for all the fields of specialisation for the MPhysT degree with coursework, are offered on a biennial basis, if at least five applicants apply for admission to a particular field of specialisation. The closing date for new applications is 31 October annually. Applicants will be notified as soon as possible after this date, whether or not a particular field of specialisation will be presented in the subsequent year. Commencement of studies must, therefore, be discussed beforehand with the head of department.

Also consult General Regulations.

Other programme-specific information

Candidates who have passed with at least 60% in corresponding modules to those indicated by the department during the four-year BPhysT degree studies or an equivalent degree programme must, in consultation with the head of department, select relevant modules from any faculty of the University of Pretoria, instead of the modules in question to the value of at least 69 credits, provided it can be accommodated in the class and examination timetables.

Examinations and pass requirements

- i. The examinations in the prerequisite modules will take place prior to or con-currently with that of the major subject as determined by the head of department.
- ii. The examination consists of a written and a clinical as well as an oral component.
- iii. A subminimum of 50% is required in each section of the examination, with a final mark of at least 50% to pass.

- iv. A student will be granted a second opportunity to take part in the examination in the major subject after at least six months have elapsed since the original examination took place.
- v. Students must submit a publication that has been accepted by an accredited journal for publication before the degree will be conferred.
- vi. Candidates who submit certificates of successful completion of modules in the Continued Professional Development programme with a view to admission to the MPhysT with coursework, must pass in an open examination in the module in question in order to retain credits.

Pass with distinction

The degree is conferred with distinction on a student who has obtained an average of at least 75% in the major subject and the prerequisite subjects, and at least 60% in all other prescribed modules.



Curriculum: Year 1

Fundamental modules

Physiotherapeutic anatomy 806 (FSA 806) - Credits: 15.00

Physiology 872 (FSG 872) - Credits: 15.00

Physiotherapy 806 (FTB 806) - Credits: 35.00

Professional physiotherapy practice 801 (FTX 801) - Credits: 26.00

Core modules

Clinical physiotherapy: Orthopaedics 806 (FTK 806) - Credits: 160.00

Curriculum: Final year

Fundamental modules

Pharmacology 871 (FAR 871) - Credits: 35.00

Professional physiotherapy practice 801 (FTX 801) - Credits: 26.00

Core modules

Clinical physiotherapy: Orthopaedics 806 (FTK 806) - Credits: 160.00

Research project 893 (FTP 893) - Credits: 16.00

Applied research methodology 800 (TNM 800) - Credits: 5.00

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.