

University of Pretoria Yearbook 2017

Ethics and jurisprudence 700 (RLE 700)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Faculty	Faculty of Health Sciences
Module credits	30.00
Programmes	PGDip Dentistry Aesthetic Dentistry
	PGDip Dentistry Community Dentistry
	PGDip Dentistry Dental Materials
	PGDip Dentistry Endodontics
	PGDip Dentistry Forensic Odontology
	PGDip Dentistry Implantology
	PGDip Dentistry Oral Medicine
	PGDip Dentistry Oral Microbiology
	PGDip Dentistry Oral Pathology
	PGDip Dentistry Oral Surgery
	PGDip Dentistry Orthodontics
	PGDip Dentistry Pedodontics
	PGDip Dentistry Periodontology
	PGDip Dentistry Practice Management
	PGDip Dentistry Preventive Dentistry
	PGDip Dentistry Prosthetics
	PGDip Dentistry Prosthodontics
	PGDip Dentistry Radiography
	PGDip Dentistry Restorative Dentistry
Prerequisites	A minimum of one year practice experience
Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
Academic organisation	Dental Management Sciences
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

To be a good healthcare practitioner requires a life-long commitment to sound professional and ethical practices and an overriding dedication to the interests of fellow human beings and society. The term "profession" means "a dedication, promise or commitment publicly made". Practice as a healthcare professional is based on a relationship of mutual trust between patients and healthcare practitioners. In the course of their professional work healthcare practitioners are required to subscribe to certain rules of conduct. To this end the Health Professionals Council of South Africa (HPCSA) has formulated a set of rules regarding professional conduct against which complaints of professional misconduct will be evaluated. These rules are presented in the basic subject, Ethics and jurisprudence.

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