



University of Pretoria Yearbook 2017

BSc Human Physiology, Genetics and Psychology (02133396)

Duration of study 3 years

Total credits 468

Admission requirements

- 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 Grade 12 certificate 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; and a candidate who is a graduate of another faculty at the University of Pretoria.
- Life Orientation is excluded in the calculation of the Admission Point Score (APS).
- Grade 11 results are used for the provisional admission of prospective students. Final admission is based on the Grade 12 results.

Minimum requirements												
Achievement level												
Afrikaans or English				Mathematics				Physical Science				APS
NSC/IEB	HIGCSE	AS-Level	A-Level	NSC/IEB	HIGCSE	AS-Level	A-Level	NSC/IEB	HIGCSE	AS-Level	A-Level	
5	3	C	C	5	3	C	C	5	3	C	C	30

Candidates who do not comply with the minimum admission requirements for BSc (Human Physiology, Genetics and Psychology), may be considered for admission to the BSc - Extended programme for the Biological and Agricultural Sciences. The BSc - Extended programme takes place over a period of four years instead of the normal three years.

BSc - Extended programme for the Biological and Agricultural Sciences:

Minimum requirements												
Achievement level												
Afrikaans or English				Mathematics				Physical Science				APS
NSC/IEB	HIGCSE	AS-Level	A-Level	NSC/IEB	HIGCSE	AS-Level	A-Level	NSC/IEB	HIGCSE	AS-Level	A-Level	
4	3	D	D	4	3	D	D	4	3	D	D	24

Other programme-specific information

A student must pass all the minimum prescribed and elective module credits as set out at the end of each year within a programme as well as the total required credits to comply with the particular degree programme. Please



refer to the curricula of the respective programmes. At least 144 credits must be obtained at 300-/400-level, or otherwise as indicated by curriculum. The minimum module credits needed to comply with degree requirements is set out at the end of each study programme. Subject to the programmes as indicated a maximum of 150 credits will be recognised at 100-level. A student may, in consultation with the Head of Department and subject to the permission by the Dean, select or replace prescribed module credits not indicated in BSc three-year study programmes to the equivalent of a maximum of 36 module credits.

It is important that the total number of prescribed module credits is completed during the course of the study programme. The Dean may, on the recommendation of the Head of Department, approve deviations in this regard. Subject to the programmes as indicated in the respective curricula, a student may not register for more than 75 module credits per semester at first-year level subject to permission by the Dean. A student may be permitted to register for up to 80 module credits in a the first semester during the first year provided that he or she obtained a final mark of no less than 70% for grade 12 Mathematics and achieved an APS of 34 or more in the NSC.

Students who are already in possession of a bachelor's degree, will not receive credit for modules of which the content overlap with modules from the degree that was already conferred. Credits will not be considered for more than half the credits passed previously for an uncompleted degree. No credits at the final-year or 300- and 400-level will be granted.

The Dean may, on the recommendation of the programme manager, approve deviations with regard to the composition of the study programme.

Please note: Where elective modules are not specified, these may be chosen from any modules appearing in the list of modules.

It remains the student's responsibility to ascertain, prior to registration, whether they comply with the prerequisites of the modules they want to register for.

The prerequisites are listed in the Alphabetical list of modules.

Promotion to next study year

A student will be promoted to the following year of study if he or she passed 100 credits of the prescribed credits for a year of study, unless the Dean on the recommendation of the head of department decides otherwise. A student who does not comply with the requirements for promotion to the following year of study, retains the credit for the modules already passed and may be admitted by the Dean, on recommendation of the head of department, to modules of the following year of study to a maximum of 48 credits, provided that it will fit in with both the lecture and examination timetable.

General promotion requirements in the faculty

All students whose academic progress is not acceptable can be suspended from further studies.

- A student who is excluded from further studies in terms of the stipulations of the abovementioned regulations, will be notified in writing by the Dean or Admissions Committee at the end of the relevant semester.
- A student who has been excluded from further studies may apply in writing to the Admissions Committee of the Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences for re-admission.
- Should the student be re-admitted by the Admissions Committee, strict conditions will be set which the student must comply with in order to proceed with his/her studies.



- Should the student not be re-admitted to further studies by the Admissions Committee, he/she will be informed in writing.
- Students who are not re-admitted by the Admissions Committee have the right to appeal to the Senior Appeals Committee.
- Any decision taken by the Senior Appeals Committee is final.

Pass with distinction

A student obtains his or her degree with distinction if all prescribed modules at 300-level (or higher) are passed in one academic year with a weighted average of at least 75%, and obtain at least a subminimum of 65% in each of the relevant modules.



Curriculum: Year 1

Minimum credits: 140

Minimum credits:

Fundamental = 12

Core = 128

Additional information:

Students who do not qualify for AIM 102 must register for AIM 111 and AIM 121.

Students intending to apply for the 65 MBChB, or the 5 BChD places that become available in the second semester, may only enrol for FIL 155(6), MGW 112(6) and MTL 180(12) with the understanding that:

- they obtained an APS of at least 34 and passed grade 12 Mathematics with at least 70%; and
- they may defer doing WTW 134 in the first semester, however, should they not be selected and want to continue with a BSc programme, WTW 165 must be taken in the second semester of the first year.

Please note: ANA modules can only be taken by BSc (Medical Science) students.

Fundamental modules

[Academic information management 111](#) (AIM 111) - Credits: 4.00

[Academic information management 121](#) (AIM 121) - Credits: 4.00

[Language and study skills 110](#) (LST 110) - Credits: 6.00

[Academic orientation 102](#) (UPO 102) - Credits: 0.00

[Academic information management 102](#) (AIM 102) - Credits: 6.00

Core modules

[Biometry 120](#) (BME 120) - Credits: 16.00

[General chemistry 117](#) (CMY 117) - Credits: 16.00

[General chemistry 127](#) (CMY 127) - Credits: 16.00

[Introductory genetics 161](#) (GTS 161) - Credits: 8.00

[Molecular and cell biology 111](#) (MLB 111) - Credits: 16.00

[Physics for biology students 131](#) (PHY 131) - Credits: 16.00

[Psychology 110](#) (SLK 110) - Credits: 12.00

[Psychology 120](#) (SLK 120) - Credits: 12.00

[Mathematics 134](#) (WTW 134) - Credits: 16.00



Curriculum: Year 2

Minimum credits: 160

Minimum credits:

Core = 160

Additional information:

Students intending to apply for the BSocSciHons (Psychology) programme must complete the following research modules: RES 210 and RES 320.

Core modules

[Introduction to proteins and enzymes 251 \(BCM 251\)](#) - Credits: 12.00

[Carbohydrate metabolism 252 \(BCM 252\)](#) - Credits: 12.00

[Lipid and nitrogen metabolism 261 \(BCM 261\)](#) - Credits: 12.00

[Biochemical principles of nutrition and toxicology 262 \(BCM 262\)](#) - Credits: 12.00

[Introductory and neurophysiology 211 \(FLG 211\)](#) - Credits: 12.00

[Circulatory physiology 212 \(FLG 212\)](#) - Credits: 12.00

[Lung and renal physiology, acid-base balance and temperature 221 \(FLG 221\)](#) - Credits: 12.00

[Digestion, endocrinology and reproductive systems 222 \(FLG 222\)](#) - Credits: 12.00

[Molecular genetics 251 \(GTS 251\)](#) - Credits: 12.00

[Genetic diversity and evolution 261 \(GTS 261\)](#) - Credits: 12.00

[Psychology 210 \(SLK 210\)](#) - Credits: 20.00

[Psychology 220 \(SLK 220\)](#) - Credits: 20.00

[Social research: Introductory methodology 210 \(RES 210\)](#) - Credits: 20.00



Curriculum: Final year

Minimum credits: 168

Minimum credits:

Core = 168

Additional information:

Students intending to apply for the BSocSciHons (Psychology) programme must complete the following research modules: RES 210 and RES 320.

Students intending to apply for BScHons (Genetics) must also complete the module GTS 367 in their third year.

Core modules

Higher neurological functions 327 (FLG 327) - Credits: 18.00

Eukaryotic gene control and development 351 (GTS 351) - Credits: 18.00

Psychology 310 (SLK 310) - Credits: 30.00

Psychology 320 (SLK 320) - Credits: 30.00

Genome evolution and phylogenetics 354 (GTS 354) - Credits: 18.00

Genetics in human health 368 (GTS 368) - Credits: 18.00

Social research: Methodological thinking 320 (RES 320) - Credits: 30.00

Applied and pathophysiology 332 (FLG 332) - Credits: 18.00

Elective modules

Population and evolutionary genetics 367 (GTS 367) - Credits: 18.00

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.