

## Universiteit van Pretoria Jaarboek 2017

# MSc Natuurlewegesondheid, -ekologie en -bestuur (08251019)

**Duur van studie** 2 jaar

**Totale krediete** 180

### Programinligting

Hierdie inligting is slegs in Engels beskikbaar.

This programme is offered by the Department of Production Animal Sciences.

This degree programme provides training in knowledge and skills to manage wildlife health, production and conservation. This includes technical knowledge of production systems such as housing, handling, husbandry, disease prevention, understanding the economic principles in this economy, understanding ecology and ecosystem management, understanding of policies and legislation relevant to wildlife areas and for veterinarians veterinary specific knowledge such as chemical manipulation, disease recognition and treatment. It will also include softer skills of community considerations in wildlife economies, leadership, communication and strategy skills.

The curriculum consists of compulsory core and elective theoretical modules (90 credits) as well as a minidissertation (90 credits).

Also consult General Regulations.

Students are required to confirm whether a module will be presented in any particular year. This enquiry should be directed to the relevant head of department according to the syllabi information provided in the list of modules in this publication.

#### Addisionele vereistes

In cases where web-based/online modules are offered, basic computer skills is required in order to successfully participate in the degree programme.

In certain cases, it remains the prerogative of the head of department to require, in addition to the entrance requirements, the successful completion of an admissions test before registration. A student may also be required to pass of proficiency test in English (TOEFL).

#### Eksamens en slaagvereistes

A minimum examination mark of 50% is required in each of the modules where a semester or year mark is not required. However, where a semester or year mark is required, the latter will contribute 50% to the final mark. A subminimum of 40% is required in the examination and a final mark of at least 50 % to pass the module. Instructions regarding requirements for semester, year or examination marks are published in the study guides, for the specific attention of candidates.

The MSc coursework degree is conferred by virtue of the successful completion of examinations on the



coursework modules and a mini-dissertation.

If a student fails a module, he/she will have to repeat the module the following year. A module cannot be repeated more than twice.

#### **Navorsing**

#### Mini-dissertation

Consult the General Regulations.

A research project of limited scope must be undertaken on an appropriate topic, depending on the field of interest of the student and the availability of a suitable supervisor, and written in the format of a minidissertation of 90 credits to fulfil the requirements of the MSc. The research topic is determined in consultation with the supervisor and Head of Department, and the research project must be approved according to faculty guidelines. The VRM 813 or equivalent module is a prerequisite for the mini-dissertation module.

Also consult the General Regulations.

Candidates must submit a mini-dissertation which deals with an applied field of study. The topic is determined in consultation with the supervisor and the head of department, and must be approved according to Faculty guidelines. The mini-dissertation is based on an applied research project or related research projects (which need not be original), planned and reported by the candidate. (Assistance with statistical processing, applied specialised procedures, etc. is allowed, but must be acknowledged.)

An internal as well as external examiner will evaluate the mini-dissertation. The supervisor may not be an examiner.

The average mark of the separate marks awarded by all examiners constitutes the final mark for the minidissertation. The minimum pass mark is 50%. The Dean, on the recommendation of the head of the department, may permit a candidate who has failed, to submit an amended mini-dissertation for final adjudication.

#### Slaag met lof

The degree is conferred with distinction on a student who has obtained at least 75% for the mini-dissertation and a weighted average of at least 75% in the other modules needed to comply with degree requirements, provided that a minimum pass mark of 60% in all the other modules have been obtained.

Die inligting wat hier verskyn, is onderhewig aan verandering en kan na die publikasie van hierdie inligting gewysig word. Die Algemene Regulasies (G Regulasies) is op alle fakulteite van die Universiteit van Pretoria van toepassing. Dit word vereis dat elke student volkome vertroud met hierdie regulasies sowel as met die inligting vervat in die Algemene Reëls sal wees. Onkunde betrefffende hierdie regulasies en reels sal nie as 'n verskoning by oortreding daarvan aangebied kan word nie.