
University of Pretoria Yearbook 2017

PGDip Dentistry Community Dentistry (10221012)

Duration of study 1 year

Total credits 120

Admission requirements

- Subject to the stipulations of the General Regulations, the BChD degree or an equivalent qualification is required.

Other programme-specific information

Contact time

The contact time in the major field of study is determined by the head of the department concerned and approved by the Dean. It includes systematic tuition as well as clinical/practical assignments.

Examinations and pass requirements

The examination in the basic subject and the main field of study may take place every semester. However, only one subject may be written per semester. In order to be admitted to the examination in the main field of study the student must pass the basic subject. A final mark of at least 50% is required to pass.

Subject to exceptions approved by the Dean, on the recommendation of the head of department, a student may not enter for the postgraduate diploma's examination in the same subject more than twice.

Pass with distinction

The diploma is awarded with distinction to students who obtain at least 75% in both the main field of study and the basic subject.

Curriculum: Final year

Minimum credits: 120

Core modules

Community dentistry 703 (GTH 703)

Module credits	100.00
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Academic organisation	Community Dentistry
Period of presentation	Year

Elective modules

Primary epidemiology 772 (HME 772)

Module credits	10.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	8 lectures per week, 2 practicals per week, 1 other contact session per week, 1 seminar per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Academic organisation	Public Health Medicine
Period of presentation	Year

Introductory radiography 701 (RAD 701)

Module credits	90.00
Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
Academic organisation	Oral Pathology and Oral Biolog
Period of presentation	Year

Applied oral biology 700 (MDB 700)

Module credits	20.00
Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
Academic organisation	Oral Pathology and Oral Biolog
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Anatomy and principles of surgery 700 (CBA 700)

Module credits	20.00
Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
Academic organisation	Maxillo-Facial + Oral Surgery

Period of presentation Semester 1

Anatomy 710 (ANA 710)

Module credits 20.00

Language of tuition Afrikaans and English is used in one class

Academic organisation Anatomy

Period of presentation Semester 1

Dental materials 702 (THM 702)

Module credits 20.00

Language of tuition Afrikaans and English is used in one class

Academic organisation Odontology

Period of presentation Semester 1

Ethics and jurisprudence 700 (RLE 700)

Module credits 30.00

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.

Physiology 714 (FSG 714)

Module credits 20.00

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Academic organisation Physiology

Period of presentation Year

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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.