

University of Pretoria Yearbook 2019

MDietetics (Coursework) (10259004)

Minimum duration of study

2 years

Total credits

200

Programme information

For the coursework component, a student has to take compulsory modules to a total of 40 credits and choose modules (from elective modules) to a total of 20 credits. Any specific module is offered on condition that a minimum number of students is registered for the module, as determined by the relevant head of department and the Dean. Students must consult the relevant head of department in order to compile a meaningful programme, as well as for information on the syllabi of the modules. The departmental postgraduate brochure should also be consulted.

Also consult General Regulations.

Admission requirements

- Subject to the stipulations of General Regulation G.62 the minimum requirement is a Bachelor's degree in Dietetics/Human Nutrition as well as registration as a dietician with the Health Professions Council of South Africa.
- At least one year of full-time practical experience after acquiring the qualification in terms of which admission to master's degree study is sought.
- Students are selected on the grounds of previous academic achievement.

Additional requirements

(TNM 802) Applied Research Methodology 802 or an equivalent module must be attended satisfactorily.

Examinations and pass requirements

A final mark of at least 50% is required to pass in the coursework. A minimum of 50% is required to pass in the essay.

Pass with distinction

The degree is conferred with distinction on a student who has obtained an average of at least 75% in the coursework as well as a minimum of 75% in the essay.



Curriculum: Year 1

Core modules

Advanced research and nutritional epidemiology 870 (DEK 870)

Module credits 20.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 1 discussion class per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Human Nutrition

Period of presentation Semester 1

Nutritional assessment 871 (DEK 871)

Module credits 20.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 1 discussion class per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Human Nutrition

Period of presentation Semester 1

Mini-dissertation: Dietetics 896 (DEK 896)

Module credits 120.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Human Nutrition

Period of presentation Year

Applied research methodology 802 (TNM 802)

Module credits 0.00

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Health Sciences Deans Office

Period of presentation Year

Module content

*Attendance module only.

Elective modules



Immunonutrition 814 (DEK 814)

Module credits 10.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 1 discussion class per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Human Nutrition

Period of presentation Semester 1

Sport nutrition 815 (DEK 815)

Module credits 10.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 1 discussion class per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Human Nutrition

Period of presentation Semester 1

Nutrition counselling 816 (DEK 816)

Module credits 10.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 1 discussion class per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Human Nutrition

Period of presentation Semester 1

Diet-related non-communicable lifestyle diseases 817 (DEK 817)

Module credits 10.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 1 discussion class per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Human Nutrition

Period of presentation Semester 1

Nutrition support 818 (DEK 818)

Module credits 10.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 1 discussion class per week



Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Human Nutrition

Period of presentation Semester 1

Nutrigenomics 819 (DEK 819)

Module credits 10.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 1 discussion class per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Human Nutrition

Period of presentation Semester 1

Micronutrient malnutrition 873 (DEK 873)

Module credits 10.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 1 discussion class per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Human Nutrition

Period of presentation Semester 1

Early childhood nutrition intervention 874 (DEK 874)

Module credits 10.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 1 discussion class per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Human Nutrition

Period of presentation Semester 1 or Semester 2



Curriculum: Final year

Core modules

Advanced research and nutritional epidemiology 870 (DEK 870)

Module credits 20.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 1 discussion class per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Human Nutrition

Period of presentation Semester 1

Nutritional assessment 871 (DEK 871)

Module credits 20.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 1 discussion class per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Human Nutrition

Period of presentation Semester 1

Mini-dissertation: Dietetics 896 (DEK 896)

Module credits 120.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Human Nutrition

Period of presentation Year

Applied research methodology 802 (TNM 802)

Module credits 0.00

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Health Sciences Deans Office

Period of presentation Year

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