

# University of Pretoria Yearbook 2020

## BScHons Genetics (02240705)

**Minimum duration of study** 1 year

**Total credits** 135

**NQF level** 08

### Programme information

The honours study programmes serve as the first level of postgraduate training and the aim is therefore to introduce students to the methods of research – from the reading of research papers, through to the conceptualisation, planning, execution and communication of a research project.

#### Renewal of registration

- Subject to exceptions approved by the Dean, on the recommendation of the relevant head of department, a student may not sit for an examination for the honours degree more than twice in the same module.
- A student for an honours degree must complete his or her study, in the case of full-time students, within two years and, in the case of after-hours students, within three years of first registering for the degree. Under special circumstances, the Dean, on the recommendation of the relevant head of department, may give approval for a limited extension of this period.

In calculating marks, General Regulation G.12.2 applies.

Apart from the prescribed coursework, a research project is an integral part of the study.

### Admission requirements

- An appropriate BSc degree
- At a final grade point average of at least 60% at final-year level
- At least 4 genetics modules in the final year level
- Applicants may be subjected to an entrance evaluation examination

### Examinations and pass requirements

A pass mark is required for all the components of the honours study programme and the final honours mark is calculated proportionally to the credits of the respective prescribed modules.

### Pass with distinction

The BScHons degree is awarded with distinction to a candidate who obtains a weighted average of at least 75% in all the prescribed modules and a minimum of 65% in any one module.

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## Curriculum: Final year

**Minimum credits: 135**

**Additional information:**

- Additional modules may be prescribed by the head of the department where deemed necessary. Honours students may also be required to complete a biometry or equivalent module, if they have not already done so during their undergraduate training.
- Suitably qualified candidates may also apply for the interdepartmental BSchHons in Biotechnology (Code 02240393) with a registration in the Department of Genetics. For more information, please refer to the programme information for the BSchHons in Biotechnology.

### Core modules

[Seminar course 702](#) (GTK 702) - Credits: 15.00

[Research project 703](#) (GTK 703) - Credits: 60.00

[Trends in genetics 704](#) (GTK 704) - Credits: 15.00

[Research methods 705](#) (GTK 705) - Credits: 30.00

[Molecular and cellular biology 721](#) (MLB 721) - Credits: 15.00

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