

University of Pretoria Yearbook 2020

MDietetics (Coursework) (10259004)

Minimum duration of study	2 years
Total credits	200
NQF level	09

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

- 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
Modulo contont	

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
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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	

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Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Human Nutrition
Period of presentation	Semester 1

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