

University of Pretoria Yearbook 2021

BScHons Soil Science Environmental Soil Science (02240600)

Department Plant Science

Minimum duration of study 1 year

Total credits 135

NQF level 08

Programme information

Renewal of registration

- i. 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.
- ii. 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

1. Relevant BSc degree
2. A weighted average of at least 60% at final-year level
3. Introductory Soil Science and Pedology and Soil Chemistry passed at undergraduate level

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.

Curriculum: Final year

Minimum credits: 135

Additional information:

The honours degree is awarded on the basis of formal modules passed. Students registered for the BScHons in Soil Science [Option: Environmental Soil Science] will register for all the soil science modules prescribed at honours level, as well as any other modules deemed necessary by the head of department.

Core modules

[Crop production systems \(I\): Field crops 785](#) (AGR 785) - Credits: 15.00
[Statistics for biological sciences 780](#) (BME 780) - Credits: 15.00
[Advanced environmental soil chemistry 771](#) (GDK 771) - Credits: 15.00
[Advanced environmental soil physics 772](#) (GDK 772) - Credits: 15.00
[Plant nutrition, soil biology and soil fertility 773](#) (GDK 773) - Credits: 15.00
[Research project in environmental soil science 775](#) (GDK 775) - Credits: 30.00
[Environmental biophysics 750](#) (LKM 750) - Credits: 15.00
[Scientific communication 702](#) (PGW 702) - Credits: 15.00

Elective modules

[Plants, people and planet 789](#) (BOT 789) - Credits: 5.00

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