

University of Pretoria Yearbook 2021

BScHons Aerospace Medicine (10244024)

Department Aerospace Medicine

Minimum duration of study 2 years

Total credits 120

NQF level 08

Programme information

The following requirements are set:

- Advanced instruction by means of self-tuition, lectures and seminars.
- Students must pass the module TNM 700 Applied research methodology 700.
- Students must pass the module PHM 770 Learning in public health 770.
- Students must pass a research report (or project) that carries at least 30 credits.

Admission requirements

1. MBChB (or equivalent) degree
2. A weighted average of at least 60% at final-year level
3. Registered as an Aviation Medical Examiner

Additional requirements

- Candidates must have an MBChB or equivalent degree deemed acceptable by the head of the department.
- Candidates must be registered Aviation Medical Examiners.

Examinations and pass requirements

- i. The individual modules in each field of study must all be passed with a mark of at least 50% in each module, before a student may graduate in that field of study.
- ii. Each field of study has a specified, externally moderated, summative assessment that must also be passed before the student may graduate.

Pass with distinction

The degree is conferred with distinction on a student who has obtained an average of at least 75% in the summative assessment, as well as an average of at least 75% for the remaining components of the curriculum (i.e. excluding the summative assessment mark).

Curriculum: Final year

Minimum credits: 120

Core modules

Primary epidemiology 773 (HME 773)

Module credits	10.00
NQF Level	08
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	School of Health System and Public Health
Period of presentation	Year

Aerospace medicine 700 (LRG 700)

Module credits	75.00
NQF Level	08
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	8 hours for 5 days
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	School of Health System and Public Health
Period of presentation	Year

Module content

The purpose of this module is to teach the fundamentals of aerospace medicine. Topics addressed in this module include:

Aviation Physiology (The Aviation working environment, cognition, decision making, communication, sleep and fatigue, physics of the atmosphere, hypobarism, hypoxia, vision, spatial disorientation, acceleration, radiation, noise, vibration hyper/hypothermia.)

Clinical Aviation Medicine (Incapacitation during flight, aging, cardiology, neurology, ophthalmology, ENT, pulmonology, psychiatry, metabolic/endocrine, malignancy, digestive system, haematology, urinary, renal, gynaecological/obstetric, musculoskeletal, infective, medication.)

Aviation medical regulations (Regulations of the International Civil Aviation Organisation and the South African Civil Aviation Authority.)

Research report: Aerospace medicine 701 (LRG 701)

Module credits	30.00
NQF Level	08
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	School of Health System and Public Health
Period of presentation	Year

Learning in public health 773 (PHM 773)

Module credits	5.00
NQF Level	08
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	School of Health System and Public Health
Period of presentation	Year

Module content

Special introduction to fundamentals in Executive Leadership in health

The emerging student will be taught the fundamentals in executive leadership in healthcare systems which will form the basic platform or foundation for understanding the challenges for application of leadership modalities at the different levels of healthcare service delivery in the public health service and how to begin to think and analyse how the principles of executive leadership at their level of appointment can improve health service delivery.

Applied research methodology 700 (TNM 700)

Module credits	0.00
NQF Level	08
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	School of Medicine
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

*Attendance module only.

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