



University of Pretoria Yearbook 2022

PGDip (Dentistry) (Preventive Dentistry) (10221011)

Department School of Dentistry

Minimum duration of study 1 year

Total credits 120

NQF level 08

Admission requirements

1. Relevant BChD (or equivalent) degree
2. HPCSA registration where treatment of patients is involved

Other programme-specific information

Contact time

The contact time in the major field of study is determined by the relevant head of department and approved by the Dean. It includes systematic tuition as well as clinical/practical assignments.

Examinations and pass requirements

The examination in the basic subject and the main field of study may take place every semester. Examinations in both the basic subject as well as the main field of study may be written in the same semester. In order to be admitted to the examination in the main field of study the student must have passed the basic subject. A final mark of at least 50% is required to pass.

Subject to exceptions approved by the Dean, on the recommendation of the relevant head of department, a student may not enter for the postgraduate diploma's examination in the same subject more than twice.

Pass with distinction

The diploma is awarded with distinction to students who obtain at least 75% in both the main field of study and the basic subject.



Curriculum: Final year

Minimum credits: 120

Core modules

Preventive dentistry 701 (VTH 701)

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| Module credits | 100.00 |
| NQF Level | 08 |
| Contact time | 1 discussion class per week, 1 seminar per week |
| Language of tuition | Module is presented in English |
| Department | Community Dentistry |
| Period of presentation | Year |

Elective modules

Anatomy 710 (ANA 710)

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| Module credits | 20.00 |
| NQF Level | 08 |
| Prerequisites | No prerequisites. |
| Language of tuition | Module is presented in English |
| Department | Anatomy |
| Period of presentation | Semester 1 |

Anatomy and principles of surgery 700 (CBA 700)

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| Module credits | 20.00 |
| NQF Level | 08 |
| Language of tuition | Module is presented in English |
| Department | Maxillo Facial and Oral Surgery |
| Period of presentation | Semester 1 |

Physiology 714 (FSG 714)

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| Module credits | 20.00 |
| NQF Level | 08 |
| Language of tuition | Module is presented in English |
| Department | Physiology |
| Period of presentation | Year |



Applied oral biology 700 (MDB 700)

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| Module credits | 20.00 |
| NQF Level | 08 |
| Language of tuition | Module is presented in English |
| Department | Oral Pathology and Oral Biology |
| Period of presentation | Semester 1 |

Introductory radiography 702 (RAD 702)

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| Module credits | 20.00 |
| NQF Level | 08 |
| Language of tuition | Separate classes for Afrikaans and English |
| Department | Oral Pathology and Oral Biology |
| Period of presentation | Semester 1 |

Ethics and jurisprudence 700 (RLE 700)

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| Module credits | 30.00 |
| NQF Level | 08 |
| Prerequisites | A minimum of one year practice experience |
| Language of tuition | Module is presented in English |
| Department | Dental Management Sciences |
| Period of presentation | Semester 1 |

Module content

To be a good healthcare practitioner requires a life-long commitment to sound professional and ethical practices and an overriding dedication to the interests of fellow human beings and society. The term "profession" means "a dedication, promise or commitment publicly made". Practice as a healthcare professional is based on a relationship of mutual trust between patients and healthcare practitioners. In the course of their professional work healthcare practitioners are required to subscribe to certain rules of conduct. To this end the Health Professionals Council of South Africa (HPCSA) has formulated a set of rules regarding professional conduct against which complaints of professional misconduct will be evaluated. These rules are presented in the basic subject, Ethics and jurisprudence.

Dental materials 702 (THM 702)

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| Module credits | 20.00 |
| NQF Level | 08 |
| Language of tuition | Module is presented in English |
| Department | Odontology |
| Period of presentation | Semester 1 |



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