PGDip in Practice Management (10221033)

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

Practice management 702 (PRS 702)

Module credits	100.00
NQF Level	08
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Dental Management Sciences
Period of presentation	Year

Elective modules

Anatomy 710 (ANA 710)

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)

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)

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)

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

Introductory radiography 702 (RAD 702)

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

Ethics and jurisprudence 700 (RLE 700)

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)

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

General Academic Regulations and Student Rules

The General Academic Regulations (G Regulations) and General Student Rules apply to all faculties and registered students of the University, as well as all prospective students who have accepted an offer of a place at the University of Pretoria. On registering for a programme, the student bears the responsibility of ensuring that they familiarise themselves with the General Academic Regulations applicable to their registration, as well as the relevant faculty-specific and programme-specific regulations and information as stipulated in the relevant yearbook. Ignorance concerning these regulations will not be accepted as an excuse for any transgression, or basis for an exception to any of the aforementioned regulations. The G Regulations are updated annually and may be amended after the publication of this information.

Regulations, degree requirements and information

The faculty regulations, information on and requirements for the degrees published here are subject to change and may be amended after the publication of this information.

University of Pretoria Programme Qualification Mix (PQM) verification project

The higher education sector has undergone an extensive alignment to the Higher Education Qualification Sub-Framework (HEQSF) across all institutions in South Africa. In order to comply with the HEQSF, all institutions are legally required to participate in a national initiative led by regulatory bodies such as the Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET), the Council on Higher Education (CHE), and the South African Qualifications Authority (SAQA). The University of Pretoria is presently engaged in an ongoing effort to align its qualifications and programmes with the HEQSF criteria. Current and prospective students should take note that changes to UP qualification and programme names, may occur as a result of the HEQSF initiative. Students are advised to contact their faculties if they have any questions.