

University of Pretoria Yearbook 2024

BScHons *Environmental Health* (10244026)

Department School of Health Systems and Public Health

Minimum duration of study 1 year

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. Relevant bachelor's (or equivalent) degree with at least one applicable biological subject as a major **or** Bachelor of Environmental Health with specialisation in environmental management
2. A weighted average of at least 60% in the biological science or specialisation modules at final-year level

Other programme-specific information

Students who want to specialise in environmental health need to enrol for ENV 785 and GGY 789 to replace EOH 771 and EOH 772.

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

Research project: Occupational health 772 (AOH 772)

Module credits	30.00
NQF Level	08
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	School of Health System and Public Health
Period of presentation	Year

Basis in environmental health 772 (EHM 772)

Module credits	5.00
NQF Level	08
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	School of Health System and Public Health
Period of presentation	Year

Health risk assessment 773 (EHM 773)

Module credits	10.00
NQF Level	08
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	School of Health System and Public Health
Period of presentation	Year

Environmental assessments 785 (ENV 785)

Module credits	15.00
NQF Level	08
Service modules	Faculty of Health Sciences
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	28 contact hours
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English

Department Geography Geoinformatics and Meteorology

Period of presentation Year

Module content

The aim of this module is to understand the principles and processes behind environmental assessments. The module will give an overview of the history of assessments, compare assessment processes internationally, evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of different approaches, provide an overview of the South African regulatory context and the environmental authorisation process.

Environmental health examination 774 (EOH 774)

Module credits 0.00

NQF Level 08

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department School of Health System and Public Health

Period of presentation Year

Introduction to environmental and occupational health 775 (EOH 775)

Module credits 10.00

NQF Level 08

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department School of Health System and Public Health

Period of presentation Year

Environmental change 789 (GGY 789)

Module credits 15.00

NQF Level 08

Service modules Faculty of Health Sciences

Prerequisites Limited to BScHons students. Students who do not need this module as a core module are required to consult with the module coordinator prior to registration on the capacity in this module for extra attendees.

Contact time 28 contact hours

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Geography Geoinformatics and Meteorology

Period of presentation Year

Module content

Study themes include past environmental change, causes and consequences of human-induced environmental change and South Africa and climate change.

Occupational health law 772 (HCL 772)

Module credits	10.00
NQF Level	08
Prerequisites	EOH 775
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	School of Health System and Public Health
Period of presentation	Year

Managing occupational health services 775 (HCM 775)

Module credits	10.00
NQF Level	08
Prerequisites	EOH 775
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	School of Health System and Public Health
Period of presentation	Year

Principles of occupational hygiene and toxicology 772 (OHT 772)

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

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.

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.