University of Pretoria Yearbook 2024

MSc *Medical Applied Psychology* (10253325)

Department	Psychiatry
Minimum duration of study	2 years
Total credits	180
NQF level	09

Programme information

Candidates must first consult the Head of the Department of Psychiatry in connection with the offering of this field of specialisation.

In accordance with the stipulations of the General Academic Regulations G30-G41, the MSc degree is conferred by virtue of an examination, or an examination and a dissertation, or an examination and an essay, or a dissertation.

Note:
All MSc students must register for, and attend (TNM 802) Applied research methodology 802 satisfactorily. (Exemption may be granted if the module has already been passed for the BScHons degree.)

All the stipulations pertaining to coursework master's degrees and postgraduate studies in accordance with the General Academic Regulations apply. Subject to the stipulations of the General Academic Regulations, the Chairperson of the School in question may, in consultation with the relevant head of department, approve a fixed limited extension of the period on the grounds of extraordinary circumstances.

Admission requirements

Subject to the stipulations of the General Regulations, a four-year bachelor's degree is required, or an honours degree, or in the case of a three-year bachelor's degree, also applicable practical (work) experience as prescribed by the University, plus any other additional work deemed necessary by the head of department: With the proviso that the head of department will have the discretion to decide whether the prerequisite qualification, or the qualification plus work experience would be acceptable for admission to the proposed field of study.

In certain cases, additional modules may be prescribed by the head of department.

Contact department before application.

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Other programme-specific information

Students with previous academic training in Psychology may apply for exemption from certain sections of the programme by virtue of equivalent modules passed at postgraduate level.

Research information

Research protocol

After registration, a student is required to submit a complete research protocol regarding the proposed dissertation to the MSc Committee of the School and if necessary, also to the Ethics Committee for approval.

Dissertation

A dissertation must be submitted via Student Administration at least three months prior to the date of a particular graduation ceremony. A manual on the editing of dissertations is available on request from the relevant head of department.

Pass with distinction

The degree is conferred with distinction on a student who has obtained an average of at least 75% in the examination, or in the examination and the dissertation, or in the examination and the essay, or in the dissertation.

Curriculum: Year 1

Core modules

Transcultural practice 802 (MTS 802) - Credits: 13.00
Personality theory 803 (MTS 803) - Credits: 13.00
Human development 804 (MTS 804) - Credits: 13.00
Research methodology 805 (MTS 805) - Credits: 13.00
Pathology 806 (MTS 806) - Credits: 13.00
Communication theory 807 (MTS 807) - Credits: 13.00
Practical work: Medical applied psychology 808 (MTS 808) - Credits: 12.00
Mini-dissertation: Medical applied psychology 890 (MTS 890) - Credits: 90.00
Applied research methodology 802 (TNM 802) - Credits: 0.00

Curriculum: Final year

Core modules

Transcultural practice 802 (MTS 802) - Credits: 13.00
Personality theory 803 (MTS 803) - Credits: 13.00
Human development 804 (MTS 804) - Credits: 13.00
Research methodology 805 (MTS 805) - Credits: 13.00
Pathology 806 (MTS 806) - Credits: 13.00
Communication theory 807 (MTS 807) - Credits: 13.00
Practical work: Medical applied psychology 808 (MTS 808) - Credits: 12.00
Mini-dissertation: Medical applied psychology 890 (MTS 890) - Credits: 90.00
Applied research methodology 802 (TNM 802) - Credits: 0.00

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.