

University of Pretoria Yearbook 2025

Physiology 280 (FSG 280)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Faculty	Faculty of Health Sciences
Module credits	40.00
NQF Level	06
Programmes	Bachelor of Dental Surgery [BChD]
Prerequisites	CMY 151, FIL 155, GNK 188, IDE 170, MGW 112, MLB 111, MTL 180, PHY 131, POH 170, SEP 110.
Contact time	1 practical per week, 6 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Physiology
Period of presentation	Year

Module content

Building blocks and metabolism of molecules, muscle and neurophysiology, cerebrospinal fluid and the special senses. Body fluids; haematology; cardiovascular physiology and the lymphatic system. Structure, gas exchange and non-respiratory functions of the lungs; structure, excretory and non-urinary functions of the kidneys, acid-base balance, as well as the skin and body temperature control. Nutrition, digestion and metabolism; hormonal control of the body functions and the reproductive systems. Where appropriate, case studies will be discussed in order to demonstrate the practical application of the gained physiological knowledge to the clinical management of a dental patient. Practical work to complement the theory.

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

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