

University of Pretoria Yearbook 2025

Veterinary nursing practice 300 (PVN 300)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Faculty	Faculty of Veterinary Science
Module credits	160.00
NQF Level	07
Programmes	Bachelor of Veterinary Nursing [BVetNurs]
Prerequisites	Admission into relevant programme and Third year academic level.
Contact time	Yes, 38 practicals for 42 weeks
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Companion Animal Clinical Studies
Period of presentation	Year

Module content

Experiential learning: a practical application of the theoretical aspects of veterinary nursing practice covered in the curriculum of the BVetNurs programme. Topics include medical nursing, surgical nursing, intensive care nursing, reproduction, animal physical rehabilitation, diagnostic imaging, ophthalmology, dentistry, theatre practice, anaesthesiology and veterinary nursing professional life skills. Community-based practical sessions provide an opportunity to develop clinical and life skills. Domestic animals exposed to include cats, dogs, cattle, small stock, horses and exotic animals/wildlife. The emphasis of practical exposure is on attaining of the Day One Competencies for graduating veterinary nursing professionals.

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.