

University of Pretoria Yearbook 2025

MMus in Music Therapy (01250220)

Department	School of the Arts
Minimum duration of study	1 year
Total credits	180
NQF level	09

Programme information

The degree programme comprises the following components:

A. Theoretical section

A core curriculum with coursework has to be followed and passed.

B. Practical section

Students are required to do a practical clinical internship which is assessed through on-site and group supervision and which needs to be passed before the MMus (Music Therapy) degree can be conferred.

C. Dissertation

Additional requirements

Psychology up to third year level is an entrance requirement for this programme.



Curriculum: Final year

Core modules

Dissertation: Music therapy theory and practice 886 (MUZ 886)

Module credits	180.00
NQF Level	09
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	School of the Arts
Period of presentation	Year

Module content

This module has three components: a) research methodology and dissertation, b) music therapy theory which includes general music therapy theory and broader theories of therapeutic practice, group theory, community music therapy, clinical pathology, neuropsychology and ethics, c) clinical studies which include clinical resources, documentation and assessment and an introduction to the other Arts Therapies. The student is required to pass each component separately with a minimum of 50% in order to comply with the requirements of the degree.

Furthermore, the student is required to complete a supervised clinical internship of 1 000 hours, assessed in accordance with the Minimum Standards of Training as set out by the Health Professions Council of South Africa.

The student will only be eligible for registration with the HPCSA upon passing both MUZ 886 and the clinical internship.

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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