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# University of Pretoria Yearbook 2025

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## PhD specialising in Social Work (01264142)

**Department** Social Work and Criminology

**Minimum duration of study** 2 years

**Total credits** 360

**NQF level** 10

### Admission requirements

1. Master of Social Work degree  
or  
relevant master's degree
2. A cumulative weighted average of at least 65% for the master's degree

## Curriculum: Year 1

### Core modules

#### Thesis: Social work 990 (MWT 990)

<b>Module credits</b>	360.00
<b>NQF Level</b>	10
<b>Prerequisites</b>	No prerequisites.
<b>Language of tuition</b>	Module is presented in English
<b>Department</b>	Social Work and Criminology
<b>Period of presentation</b>	Year

#### Module content

A comprehensive and advanced report on an approved project. Expert, highly specialized and advanced research, both across the major discipline and interdisciplinary. Planning, resourcing, managing, and optimising all aspects of processes engaged in, within complex and unpredictable contexts. Complete accountability for determining, achieving, evaluating, and applying all personal and/or group output. Academic leadership and senior managerial occupations. In-depth knowledge in a complex and specialised area. The generation, evaluation, and synthesis of information and concepts at highly abstract levels. The creation of responses to abstract problems that expand or redefine existing knowledge.

## Curriculum: Final year

### Core modules

#### Thesis: Social work 990 (MWT 990)

<b>Module credits</b>	360.00
<b>NQF Level</b>	10
<b>Prerequisites</b>	No prerequisites.
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#### 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

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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.