

University of Pretoria Yearbook 2025

PhD specialising in Forest Science (02260802)

Department Department of Plant and Soil Sciences

Minimum duration of study 2 years

Total credits 360

NQF level 10

Programme information

This is an interdepartmental programme. The curriculum is to be determined by the heads of department in the biological sciences.

Admission requirements

1. Master of Science degree
or
Master of Science in Agriculture degree
or
Relevant master's degree
2. An average of at least 65% for the master's degree

Curriculum: Year 1

Core modules

Forest Science 990 (FOR 990)

Module credits	360.00
NQF Level	10
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Department of Plant and Soil Sciences
Period of presentation	Year

Module content

*Interdepartmental programme. The curriculum is determined by the heads of department in the biological sciences and will include the research proposal development and scientific writing. This is followed by research in the area of the chosen specialization in Forest Science culminating in the preparation and submission of research dissertation: including submission of scientific papers for peer reviewed credited journals.

Curriculum: Final year

Core modules

Forest Science 990 (FOR 990)

Module credits	360.00
NQF Level	10
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Department of Plant and Soil Sciences
Period of presentation	Year

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General Academic Regulations and Student Rules

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Regulations, degree requirements and information

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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.