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## Syllabuses for the Faculty of Health Sciences

## POPI Disclaimer

The University collects and processes certain personal information about students which enables the University to meet its contractual obligations with its students. The University is committed to protecting the student's privacy and recognises that it needs to comply with statutory requirements in collecting, processing and distributing of personal information and in performing its obligations, the University will comply with the provisions of the relevant data protection legislation.

## List of acronyms

Acronym	Definition
YOS	Year of study
PT	Part time
FT	Full time
CPD	Continuing Professional Development



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# HIERARCHY OF ACADEMIC GOVERNANCE

**ACTS** create the powers and responsibilities of entities by law.

## STATUTES

define how and what the University does to give expression to the provisions of the Act, and further includes features that are particular to Wits, for example, not all universities have a role for the Convocation.

**POLICIES** define a plan of action determined by Council.

**REGULATIONS** are subordinate to Acts and they define orders and authoritative direction. **REGULATIONS** are a set of directions on how **RULES** should be put into effect.

## RULES

are made by Council for all areas of operation other than academic matters. Senate approves academic **RULES**, which are endorsed by Council. A **RULE** defines the principle to which action or procedure conforms. **RULES** set out what may or may not be done within a particular area of administration. These Rules are reviewed and published in the University Calendar each year.

**PROCEDURES** set out the practical steps necessary to realise the object or purpose of Rules and Regulations.

## SENATE'S RULES FOR FACULTIES OF THE UNIVERSITY

Senate's rules for faculties of the university are subordinate to the General Rules. These Rules are reviewed and published in the University Calendar each year.

These standing orders are recommended by Faculty Board to Senate for approval.

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HIGHER EDUCATION ACT, ACT 101 OF 1997

AMENDED STATUTE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF THE WITWATERSRAND, JOHANNESBURG (2018)

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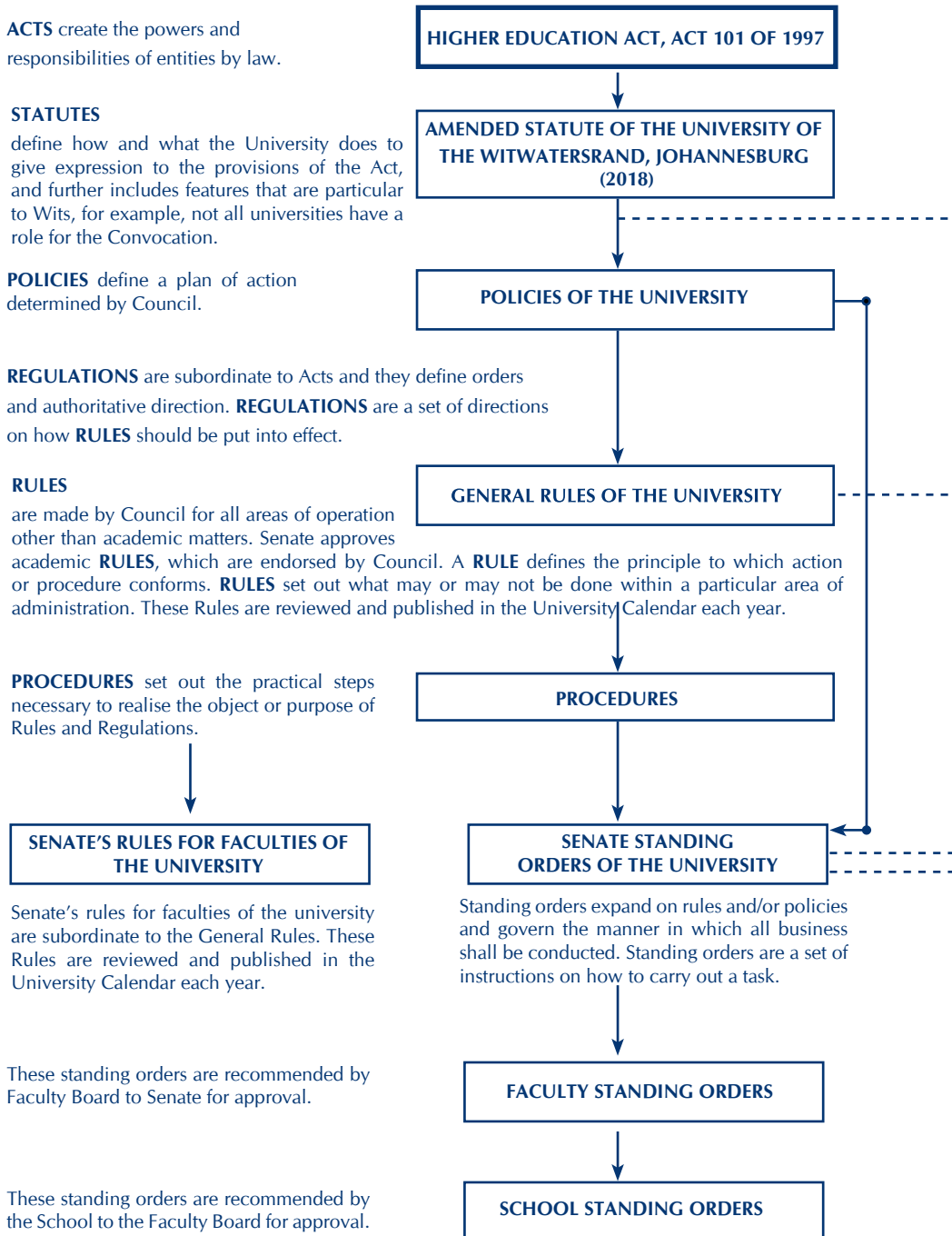
PROCEDURES

SENATE STANDING ORDERS OF THE UNIVERSITY

Standing orders expand on rules and/or policies and govern the manner in which all business shall be conducted. Standing orders are a set of instructions on how to carry out a task.

FACULTY STANDING ORDERS

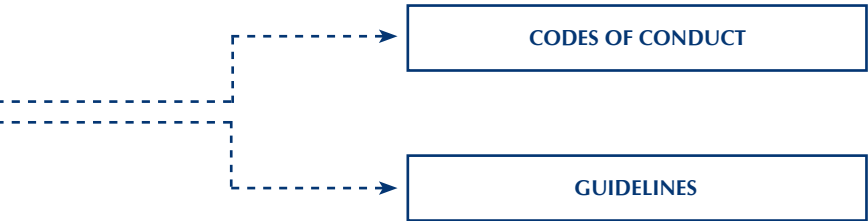
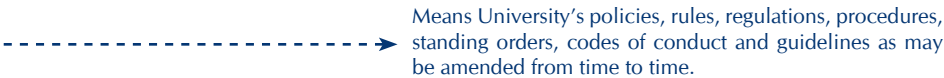
SCHOOL STANDING ORDERS







‘University Community’ means all students and employees of the University, persons officially associated with the University, former students and alumni at the University, as well as invitees, visitors and guests.



Set out the preferred manner in which you carry out a process/procedures or course of action.

# GENERAL RULES

## FOR THE

# FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCES

## Introduction

The rules contained in this section are the General Rules of the *University* and apply to all students. There are also specific rules for each Faculty, which are subordinate to the General Rules. General Rules are defined by 'Rule G' and apply to all students.

On registering at this *University*, the *student* bears the responsibility of ensuring that s/he is familiar with the rules applicable to her/his registration. Ignorance of these rules will not be accepted as an excuse.

All Rules and Syllabuses are available online. Limited copies are also available in print format.

All words appearing in italics have been defined. Information presented in the shaded boxes, is intended for explanatory purposes only.

## G1 Definitions

- 1.1 *Academic year* means the period determined by the *Senate* from time to time for any particular year of study for any particular *qualification*.
- 1.2 *Admission* means entry to a *course* or *qualification* unless it is indicated otherwise.
- 1.3 *Any university or any other university* means any *university* recognised by the *Senate* for the purpose under consideration.
- 1.4 *Applicant* means a person who has submitted an application in hard-copy or electronic format to become a *student* of the *University*.
- 1.5 *Assessment* means the process of judging learning and may have both a formative and/or summative nature.
- 1.6 *Auxiliary pass* (also referred to as ancillary pass or condoned pass, unless the contrary appears in the faculty rules) means a special type of condonation of a failing mark to a pass when no supplementary *assessment* is offered, so that the *course* will be included as a *credit* towards the *qualification* but the *student* may not proceed to a higher level *course* in that subject.
- 1.7 *Blended mode of provision*: A mode of provision which uses a combination of structured synchronous and asynchronous learning opportunities, purposefully designed to provide students with online and/or on-site opportunities towards their achievement of the intended learning outcomes of the learning programme.
- 1.8 *Candidate/Postgraduate student* (see Rule G1.27) means a *student* registered for a *higher qualification* (see Rule G 1.18).
- 1.9 *Corequisite course* is a *course* which must be taken with another *course* and is a requirement for *credit* in the other *course*.
- 1.10 *Course* means a component of teaching and learning activity, which may run for an entire *academic year* or a portion thereof, that is recognised in any of the faculty rules as a component of a *qualification*.

- 1.11 *Credit* means the recognition that is obtained when a *student* passes such assessments and complies with such conditions as the *Senate* may impose for the completion of each *course*. A *credit* towards a *qualification* may be granted to a *student* in respect of a *credit* obtained from another institution recognised by the *Senate* for this purpose or from another faculty within the *University*.

**The plural includes the singular where the sense so suggests.**

- 1.12 *Credit Accumulation and Transfer (CAT)* is the practice of accumulating credits from one or more cognate learning programmes in an institution, and the transfer of credits to be recognised towards a qualification/part-qualification in the same or a different institution to the satisfaction of *Senate*. This practice is subject to the rules published by the Council for Higher Education (CHE) and in conformance with the Higher Education Qualifications Sub-Framework (HEQSF) requirements.
- 1.13 *Curriculum* means a *course* or combination of courses leading to a *qualification*.
- 1.14 *Dissertation* is the term reserved for an extended piece of written work that makes a contribution to the advancement of knowledge that may incorporate creative work or publications integral to the argument, and is submitted in fulfilment of the requirements for a degree of master by research.
- 1.15 *\*Distance Mode of Delivery* involves the interaction between the lecturer or supervisor and the *student*, not on the premises of the institution.
- 1.16 *Examination and re-examination* mean a formal, compulsory, summative, scheduled assessment.
- 1.17 *Exemption* from a *course* means that the *Senate* has deemed a *student* to have a sufficient understanding of the subject matter of that *course* to warrant the *student* not having to complete the *course*. An *exemption* is not a *credit* but allows the *student* to proceed to the subsequent *level* in a particular *course*. The full number of credits required for a *qualification* is not affected by the granting of an *exemption*.
- 1.18 *Higher qualification* means a *qualification* which requires at least the attainment of a first degree, or equivalent recognised by the *Senate*, at entry level and includes a degree of Bachelor Honours.
- 1.19 *Joint degrees* mean an undergraduate (Bachelors) or a *postgraduate* degree (Masters and PhD), jointly offered by the *University* and an external non-South African partner institution, recognised by the *Senate*. The *student/candidate* shall normally receive a single co-branded degree certificate representing work completed at the *University* and a partner institution.
- 1.20 *Matriculation* means the formal recognition by Umalusi prior to 2008 in terms of any law, of the capacity of a *student* to enter a *university*.

**Umalusi is a council for quality assurance in the certification of qualifications in the general education and training band (Grades 0 to 9) and the further education and training band (Grades 10 to 12).**

- 1.21 *\*Mode of Delivery* means the manner in which education and training is delivered and indicates whether a *course* is delivered in person, online, or through a mixture of both in person and online teaching.
- 1.22 *National Senior Certificate (NSC)* means the formal recognition by Umalusi from 2008 in terms of any law, of the capacity of a *student* to enter a *university*.

**\* Definition is sourced from the DHET - Dictionary of Terms and Concepts for Post-School Education**

**\*\* Prior to January 2022, all honours programme titles were stated as Bachelor with Honours.**

- 1.23 *National Certificate (Vocational) [NC(V)]* means the formal recognition by Umalusi from 2009 in terms of any law, of the capacity of a vocational student to enter a university.
- 1.24 *Notional Hours of Learning* means the agreed estimate of the average learning time that it would take a student to meet the defined outcomes. It includes but is not limited to the consideration of contact time, research, completion of assignments, time spent in structured learning in the workplace, and individual learning.
- 1.25 *NQF credits* are credits recognised by the HEQSF as a measure of the volume of learning required for a qualification, qualified as the number of notional study hours required for achieving the learning outcomes specified for a qualification.
- 1.26 *Occasional student* means a person who is registered at the University for any course/s for non-qualification purposes. An occasional student is deemed to be a student as defined in Rule G 1.36 for all other purposes.
- 1.27 *Postgraduate student/Candidate* means a student who is registered for a higher qualification (see Rule G1.18).
- 1.28 *Prerequisite course* is a course for which credit must be obtained before being able to register for the subsequent course.
- 1.29 *Programme* is a course or set of courses or postgraduate research which may lead to a qualification.
- 1.30 *Qualification* includes any degree, diploma, certificate, licentiate, or any other educational attainment that is offered by the University as stipulated in its list of qualifications.
- 1.31 *Recognition of prior learning* means the taking into account of the previous learning and experience of the applicant by the Senate either for purposes of admission and/or for the granting of exemption or full or partial credit towards one or more courses.
- 1.32 *Research Report* is the term reserved for the written document which forms the research component of a degree of master by coursework and research report and which may include creative work or publications integral to the argument.
- 1.33 *Semester* is half an academic year.
- 1.34 *Senate* is defined in section 1 as read with section 28 of the Higher Education Act 101 of 1997 and is the body which governs the policies and procedures in respect of the teaching, learning, research and academic functions of the University. The Senate may delegate its powers except where expressly prohibited from doing so by the University Statute.

**In many cases the powers of the Senate are, for practical purposes, delegated to and exercised by the deans of the faculties or, in specific instances their nominee/s.**

- 1.35 *Short course* is a certified teaching and learning activity of less than 1200 notional study hours which does not, or does not directly, carry credit towards a qualification. With special permission of the Senate, short courses may carry credit towards a qualification. A short course student is not deemed to be a student as defined in Rule G1.36 but is still subject to the University rules, policies and procedures.
- 1.36 *Student* means any person registered at the University full-time or part-time for a degree, diploma, licentiate or certificate of the University or enrolled for any course or programme of instruction of the University, provided that a person so registered or enrolled who is also a full-time or part-time employee of the University is not a student for the purpose of membership of the Council or the Senate.
- 1.37 *Study-abroad component* means that part of a curriculum leading to a qualification which a student has been granted permission by the Senate to complete at an institution recognised by the Senate for this purpose, in a country other than South Africa.

- 1.38 *Teaching block* is a quarter of an *academic year*.
- 1.39 *Thesis* is the term reserved for an extended piece of writing based on research that makes an original and significant contribution to knowledge that may incorporate creative work or publications integral to the overall argument, and is submitted in fulfilment of the requirements for a doctor of philosophy *qualification*.
- 1.40 *University* means the *University* of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, unless the context indicates otherwise.

## G2 Powers of the University

- 2.1 The *University* has the power in terms of section 77(3) of its Statute to confer, in any faculty, the degrees of bachelor, master and doctor, as well as to grant a diploma, certificate, licentiate or other *qualification* to any person who has satisfied such requirements as may be prescribed.
- 2.2 No *qualification*, other than an honorary degree, may be conferred by the *University* upon any person who has not attended the *University* as a *student* for such period, and satisfied such other requirements, as may be prescribed.
- 2.3 The *University* may confer, without attendance or *examination*, an honorary degree of master or doctor, in any faculty, upon any person who has rendered distinguished services in the advancement of arts, science, jurisprudence or other branches of learning, or who has otherwise rendered herself or himself worthy of such a *qualification*. The *University* has the power in terms of section 79(8) of its Statute to withdraw the conferment of any *qualification*.
- 2.4 The *University* provides higher education at or above level 5 of the National Qualification Framework as contemplated in the National Qualifications Framework Act, Act No 67 of 2008.
- 2.5 The *University* has the power in terms of its Statute and the Higher Education Act 101 of 1997 to determine the *admission* policy, the entrance requirements in respect of its *curricula*, the number of students who may be admitted for a particular *curriculum* or *course* and the manner of their selection and the minimum requirements for the readmission to a *curriculum* leading to a *qualification* in a faculty of the *University*. The *University* has the power to refuse readmission to a *student* who fails to satisfy such minimum requirements for readmission.
- 2.6 The *University* reserves the right not to offer a particular *course* or *qualification* notwithstanding that such *course* or *qualification* appears in the rules of a faculty.

## G3 Application of Rules

- 3.1 These \*rules apply to all students who register for the first time in 2026 and to all students who were registered before 2026 unless for compelling reasons the *Senate* determines otherwise in a particular case, in which event such a *student* may proceed in terms of the rules under which s/he was last registered, or in terms of amendments to these rules, or in terms of a special *curriculum* laid down for her/him by the *Senate* subject to the provisions of Rule G7.
- 3.2 Where a right of appeal or review exists any *student*, who is the subject of an adverse decision must be informed by the member of the academic or administrative staff who conveys the decision of that right and of the procedure to be followed.

**\* This publication contains information pertaining to the General and Faculty Rules of the University applicable at the time of printing. Amendments to and or updating of information of this publication may be affected from time to time without prior notification. The most updated information is available on the University website <https://www.wits.ac.za/students/academic-matters/rules-and-syllabuses/>**

## G4 Admission

### 4.1 Application for admission

A person who wishes to be admitted as a *student* of the *University* must apply in hard-copy or electronic format on the *University's* application form submitting evidence of her/his academic and general qualifications. In the case of application for *admission* to a *programme* leading to a higher *qualification* the *applicant* may be required to indicate the line of research s/he wishes to pursue.

### 4.2 Medical fitness

In respect of certain courses or qualifications an *applicant* may be required to demonstrate mental and/or physical fitness and may not be admitted to such *course* or *qualification* if s/he does not so demonstrate to the satisfaction of the *Senate*.

### 4.3 Discretion of the Senate to admit

Notwithstanding anything contained in the Rules regarding the minimum requirements for *admission*, the *Senate* may on good cause admit or refuse to admit any *student* to any year of study.

### 4.4 Proficiency in English

- 4.4.1 All applicants for *admission* (with the exception of those referred to in Rule G4.4.2) to any *curriculum* leading to a *qualification* must have passed English as a first or second language (higher grade) at *matriculation* or passed English home language or first additional language in the NSC or NC(V) or at a level considered equivalent by the *Senate* or deemed to be equivalent by legislation.
- 4.4.2 Immigrants of less than five years' residence in South Africa who have passed English at the standard grade at *matriculation* or who have passed English in the NSC or NC(V) will be considered for *admission*.
- 4.4.3 Notwithstanding Rule G4.4.1 and Rule G4.4.2, the *Senate* recognises the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) with a minimum test score of (6.5) or the Cambridge English Language Assessment (CAE) with a minimum of 185 points to be proficient for *admission*. In exceptional cases, the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) may be recognised by the *University* with a minimum test score of 550 (79 TOEFL iBT/213 TOEFL CBT) for *admission*. Faculties may require a higher test score or points for specific programmes. Please refer to your faculty.

**A pass in English at the General Certificate of Secondary Education (GCSE), the International General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGCSE), or the General Certificate of Education (GCE) Ordinary level is considered equivalent to a pass in English at NSC or NC(V) level or at the higher grade at matriculation level.**

### 4.5 Faculty or qualification-specific requirements

In addition to satisfying the minimum *admission* requirements of the *University*, an *applicant* must satisfy any additional requirements of the faculty to which s/he seeks *admission*.

### 4.6 Certificate of good conduct

A *student* who was registered at any other *university*, must upon application for *admission* to this *University*, submit a certificate of good conduct and an academic transcript issued by that *university* or those universities, which satisfies the *Senate* that s/he is a person of good standing.

## 4.7 Credits and exemptions

### 4.7.1 Credits

The Senate may grant a *student credit* in a *course* or courses once only, if s/he has completed:

- a) an equivalent *course* offered under a different *curriculum*, for the same *qualification* in the *University*;
- b) the same or equivalent *course* offered for another *qualification* in the *University* provided that the required attendance period at the *University* has been satisfied in terms of Rule G6.1; or
- c) an equivalent *course* offered in *another university* or institution recognised for this purpose by the Senate provided that the provisions of Rule G4.8 and Rule G7.9 are observed.
- d) an equivalent short *course* at this *University* recognised for this purpose by the Senate in terms of Rule G1.35 but such short courses shall not constitute more than 50 percent of the credits towards a *qualification*.

**Such credits are acknowledged as part fulfilment of the requirements for a qualification and with permission of the Senate these courses may carry credit towards a qualification but shall not constitute more than 50 percent of the credits towards a qualification. See Rule G1.11.**

### 4.7.2 Exemptions

On *admission* and subject to Rule G7.9 the Senate may grant a *student exemption* from a *course* or part of a *course* offered by the *University* where it has deemed a *student* to have a sufficient understanding of the subject matter to warrant the *student* not having to complete the *course* or part of the *course*. An *exemption* is not a *credit* but allows the *student* to proceed to the subsequent year of study in a particular *course*. The full number of credits required for a *qualification* is not affected by the granting of an *exemption*.

## 4.8 Credits for previous study

**4.8.1** An *applicant* may be admitted to any *curriculum* leading to a *qualification* and this *University* may accept, as far as practicable, certificates of proficiency (credits) issued by *another university* or institution and periods of study as a matriculated *student* at *another university* or institution, provided that:

- a) the periods of attendance at this and any other institution are together not less than the completed period prescribed by this *University* for that *qualification*;
- b) s/he has at this *University*:
  - i) in the case of a first *qualification* for which the period of attendance is three or four *academic years*, attended for at least two *academic years* and has attended and completed at least half of the total number of *NQF credits* prescribed for the *qualification* including the final year *course/courses* in her/his major subject/programme; or
  - ii) in the case of a first *qualification* for which the period of attendance is more than four years, attended for at least half the required period of attendance and completed at least half of the total number of courses prescribed for the *qualification*; or
  - iii) in the case of any other degree of bachelor offered after a first degree, attended for at least two *academic years*, except for the degree of Bachelor of Education (BEEd), for which the period of attendance may be one *academic year*, and has attended and completed at least half of the total number of *NQF credits* prescribed for the degree.

- iv) in the case of any postgraduate degree, attended and completed at least half of the total number of courses prescribed for the degree.

- c) s/he applies for such *credit* during or before the end of the first registration period.

**4.8.2** A student may be granted entry to a *qualification* if s/he has completed a diploma with a minimum duration of three years at this *University* or another institution recognised by the *Senate* for this purpose. To allow for such entry into another *qualification* Umalusi must have granted complete or conditional exemption from the *matriculation examination* or must have formally recognised the capacity of the NSC or NC(V) student to enter a *university*. Such *exemption* or formal recognition by Umalusi must have been backdated to the commencement of the year in which *credit* for such diploma was first earned. Credits towards such a diploma may be accepted as part of the requirements for a *qualification* offered by the *University* provided that the student complies with Rule G4.8.1 (a), (b) i – iii and (c) above.

## 4.9 Admission to an undergraduate diploma, certificate, licentiate or other qualification

The *Senate* may, by resolution, determine the standard for *admission* to a *programme* leading to an undergraduate diploma, certificate, licentiate or other undergraduate *qualification* other than a degree. Different standards may be set for the different qualifications.

## 4.10 Admission to the degree of bachelor

### 4.10.1 National Senior Certificate/National Certificate (Vocational)/ Matriculation

The minimum requirement for *admission* to a *programme* leading to the degree of bachelor is:

- a) a *National Senior Certificate (NSC)* with the formal recognition by Umalusi in terms of any law, of the capacity of an *applicant* to enter a *university* for the degree of bachelor;
- b) a *National Certificate (Vocational) – NC(V)* with the formal recognition by Umalusi from 2009 in terms of any law, of the capacity of a vocational *applicant* to enter a *university* for the degree of bachelor;
- c) *Matriculation* in the form of a *university* entrance examination or a *matriculation* endorsement from Umalusi or the granting of complete or conditional *matriculation exemption* by the Matriculation Board of Universities South Africa (USAf).

**The date of validity of the NSC, NC(V), matriculation certificate, matriculation endorsement, or certificate of exemption from the matriculation examination must precede 2 April of the academic year for which admission is sought, notwithstanding that the certificate may be issued at a later date.**

### 4.10.2 Certificate of conditional exemption on recommendation of the Senate

Certificate of conditional exemption on recommendation of the *Senate*:

An *applicant* must be issued a certificate of conditional exemption by USAf if that *applicant*, in the opinion of the *Senate* has demonstrated, in a selection process approved by the *Senate*, that s/he is suitable for *admission* to the *University*. Where the *Senate* certifies that the holder of a certificate of conditional exemption issued in terms of this paragraph has completed the normal requirements of the *curriculum* for the first year of study of any *qualification*, USAf must issue a certificate of complete exemption to her/him, dated from the first day in January of the year in which the first degree *credit* was obtained. An *applicant* may be registered for a *course* under this rule only if places are available for that *course*. In the case of an *applicant* who has not qualified with an NSC or NC(V) for entry to a *university*, Rule G4.3 will apply.



#### 4.10.3 Certificate of ordinary conditional exemption

An *applicant* who has been issued a conditional exemption from the *matriculation examination* and who has one outstanding requirement for complete exemption may be admitted to a *programme* leading to the degree of bachelor provided that s/he fulfils that outstanding requirement in the first year of study as prescribed by USAf. In the case of an *applicant* who has not qualified with an NSC or NC(V) for entry to a *university*, Rule G4.3 will apply.

#### 4.10.4 Mature age conditional exemption

An *applicant* who has been issued a mature age conditional exemption from the *matriculation examination* by virtue of being over the age of 23 years or 45 years, as the case may be, may be admitted to a *programme* leading to the degree of bachelor on condition s/he fulfils the requirements of the undergraduate *qualification* within the period stipulated by the faculty concerned. Such fulfilment entitles the *applicant* to complete exemption from the *matriculation examination*.

**For the purposes of mature age conditional exemption the USAf distinguishes between applicants aged 23 to 44 years and applicants of 45 years or more. Further details regarding mature age conditional exemption are available from USAf.**

In the case of an *applicant* who has not qualified with an NSC or NC(V) for entry to a *university*, Rule G4.3 will apply.

#### 4.10.5 Holder of a three-year diploma

- a) An *applicant* who has passed school Grade 12, but who did not obtain a matriculation exemption, an NSC or an NC(V) to enter university, and who has completed a three-year diploma from a *university*, university of technology, teachers' training college, or a franchised or associated technical or community college, registered on SAQA and accredited by the CHE, recognised by the *Senate* for this purpose may be admitted to a *programme* leading to the degree of bachelor on condition that s/he fulfils the requirements of the undergraduate *qualification* within the period stipulated by the faculty concerned. Such fulfilment entitles the *applicant* to complete exemption from *matriculation*, the NSC or the NC(V).
- b) An *applicant* who has passed school Grade 12, but who did not obtain a matriculation exemption, an NSC or an NC(V) to enter university, and who has completed a General Nursing Diploma from a nursing college, registered on SAQA and accredited by the CHE, recognised by the *Senate* for this purpose may be admitted to a *programme* leading to the degree of bachelor on condition that s/he fulfils the requirements of the undergraduate *qualification* within the period stipulated by the faculty concerned. Such fulfilment entitles the *applicant* to a Mature Age exemption certificate.

#### 4.10.6 Immigrant conditional exemption

Subject to Rule G4.4, a person who has resided in South Africa for less than five years and who has been issued with a conditional *matriculation* exemption by reason of not having passed a second language at higher grade in the school-leaving *examination* at a South African school, may be admitted to a *programme* leading to the degree of bachelor, on condition that s/he completes a second language *course* at higher grade or *university* level within the period stipulated by the faculty concerned. The *qualification* cannot be awarded until this condition has been fulfilled.

#### 4.10.7 Foreign conditional exemption

An *applicant* from a foreign country who has been issued a conditional exemption from the *matriculation examination* by USAf may be admitted to a *programme* leading to the degree of bachelor on condition that s/he fulfils the requirements of the undergraduate *qualification* within the period stipulated by the faculty concerned. Such fulfilment entitles the *applicant* to complete *exemption* from the *matriculation examination*. In the case of a foreign *applicant* who has not qualified with an NSC or NC(V) for entry to a university, Rule G4.3 will apply.

### 4.11 Admission to a programme leading to a higher qualification

#### 4.11.1 General requirement for admission to a programme leading to a higher qualification

For *admission* to a *programme* leading to a *higher qualification* the *Senate* must be satisfied that the *candidate* is qualified at an appropriate standard to undertake the proposed line of study or research or both.

#### 4.11.2 Admission to a programme leading to a bachelor of honours degree

Subject to Rule G4.11.6, a graduate in an area of study which the *Senate* considers appropriate of this or *another university* recognised by the *Senate* for this purpose may be admitted to a *programme* leading to the bachelor of honours degree. However, in a case considered by it to be exceptional, the *Senate* may admit a person who has not satisfied all the requirements for the degree of bachelor, and in such a case, the award of the bachelor of honours degree will not be made until the requirements for the degree of bachelor have been satisfied.

#### 4.11.3 Admission to a postgraduate diploma or certificate

Subject to Rule G4.11.6, a graduate in an area of study which the *Senate* considers appropriate of this or *another university* recognised by the *Senate* for this purpose may be admitted to a *programme* leading to a postgraduate diploma or certificate. However, in a case considered by it to be exceptional, the *Senate* may admit as a *student* a person who has not satisfied all the requirements for the degree of bachelor, and in such a case the award of the postgraduate diploma or certificate will not be made until the requirements for the degree of bachelor have been satisfied.

#### 4.11.4 Admission to a programme leading to the degree of master

Subject to Rule G4.11.6, a graduate of this or *another university* recognised by the *Senate* for this purpose may be admitted to a *programme* leading to the degree of master if s/he holds a *qualification* in a field considered by the *Senate* to be appropriate and which can normally only be taken over not less than four years of full-time study; or if s/he holds more than one *qualification* both or all of which are considered by the *Senate* to be in an appropriate field, and for which the combined number of years of full-time study is not less than four years. The *Senate* may require an *applicant* for registration for a *programme* leading to the degree of master to attend such courses or pass such examinations, oral or written or both, as it deems necessary before admitting her/him as a *candidate* for the *qualification*.

#### 4.11.5 Admission to a programme leading to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy

Subject to Rule G4.11.6, a holder of a degree of master in an appropriate field from this or *any other university* recognised by the *Senate* for this purpose may be admitted to a *programme* leading to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy.

#### 4.11.6 **Overriding criteria for admission to a programme leading to the award of a higher qualification**

Notwithstanding the criteria specified in Rule G4.11.2 to Rule G4.11.5 above, a person who has demonstrated a level of competence to the *Senate's* satisfaction by virtue of examples of research, writings, experience, professional standing or reputation or other attainments or qualifications in the discipline or cognate field may be admitted as a *candidate* to a higher *qualification*.

#### 4.11.7 **Admission to candidature for a senior doctorate**

Any person may be admitted as a *candidate* for the degree of senior doctor if the *Senate* is satisfied, after consulting with an ad hoc committee of the faculty board concerned which has been convened to peruse the published work submitted, that, on the face of it, a case exists for admitting the *candidate*.

**The following qualifications are senior doctorates:**

**Doctor of Architecture, Doctor of Commerce, Doctor of Economic Science, Doctor of Education, Doctor of Engineering, Doctor of Laws, Doctor of Literature, Doctor of Music, Doctor of Science, Doctor of Science in Architecture, Doctor of Science in Building, Doctor of Science in Business Administration, Doctor of Science in Dentistry, Doctor of Science in Engineering, Doctor of Science in Medicine, Doctor of Science in Quantity Surveying, Doctor of Science in Town and Regional Planning, Doctor of Town and Regional Planning.**

### 4.12 **Admission of occasional students**

A person, whether matriculated or not, may be permitted by the *Senate* to register for courses outside a recognised *curriculum* subject to such requirements and conditions as may be determined by the *Senate*. However, any such courses may not subsequently be granted as credits towards a degree unless the *student* had matriculated before commencing them. A *student* seeking *credit* towards a *qualification* in respect of a *course* taken for non-qualification purposes at this *University* or another institution must satisfy the *Senate* that:

- a) s/he is eligible for *admission* to the *curriculum* leading to the *qualification*; and
- b) the validity of the *credit/s* has not lapsed.

### 4.13 **Admission of study–abroad/ international occasional students**

Students of an institution recognised by the *Senate* for this purpose may be admitted to courses for non-qualification purposes.

**Where an exchange agreement with such an institution exists fees may be waived on the basis of reciprocity.**

### 4.14 **Admission – previously excluded students**

The *Senate* may in exceptional circumstances consider the application of a *student* who was previously excluded from the *University*, for having failed to satisfy the minimum degree requirements and exceeding the maximum time (N + 2) for the completion of the degree. In such a case the *student* will have to demonstrate that if s/he is readmitted, s/he will be able to succeed and complete the degree.

## G5 Registration

The last day for registration differs among faculties and programmes. It is the responsibility of the student to find out from the relevant faculty office when the last day of registration is for her/his programme and to register on or before that date.

### 5.1 Registration and renewal of registration

Except with the permission of the *Senate* no person may attend any *course* or proceed as a *candidate* for any *qualification* unless s/he is registered as a *student* of the *University* at the material time. Registration is renewable annually or on such shorter period as the *Senate* may determine. *Students* are required to sign a student contract annually.

Normally, an annual period of registration is from the date of registration in a particular year until the last day of registration in the first quarter of the subsequent year in the relevant faculty.

A student who registers in the first semester for first semester or full year course(s) may with the permission of *Senate* substitute such course(s) with an equivalent course(s) provided that they do so within the first two weeks of the first semester.

A student who registers in the first semester for a course(s) that commences in the second semester may with the permission of *Senate* substitute such course(s) with an equivalent course(s) provided that they do so within the first two weeks of the second semester.

### 5.2 Concurrent registration at other institutions or faculties or for other qualifications

A person who is registered as a *student* for any *qualification* may not be registered as a *student* for any other *qualification* or at any other faculty of the *University* or at any other tertiary education institution except with the approval of the *Senate* normally given in advance. Such approval will only be granted in circumstances considered exceptional by the *Senate*.

### 5.3 Registration as a student prior to registration for a qualification

The *Senate* may permit or require a person, before being registered for a *qualification*, to register as an occasional *student* and attend courses for such period and pass assessments at the prescribed standard in such courses as the *Senate* may determine in her/his case.

### 5.4 Late and Retrospective registrations

Late registration and retrospective registration may be permitted by the *Senate* in exceptional circumstances. A fee may be charged in both circumstances for such registrations.

### 5.5 Registration for twelve months for senior doctorate

A *candidate* for a senior doctorate must be registered as a *student* of the *University* for at least twelve months before the *qualification* may be conferred.

### 5.6 Cancellation of registration due to ill health

**5.6.1** An *applicant* for registration in the first or any subsequent year of study may be required to satisfy the Vice-Chancellor that s/he is physically and mentally fit to carry out the work involved in that or any subsequent year of study, and may for this purpose be required to present herself/himself for, and submit to, any medical examination that the Vice-Chancellor may require in her/his case.

- 5.6.2** The Vice-Chancellor may suspend the registration of any *student* if s/he is satisfied that this step is warranted because of the *student's* physical or mental ill health. An appeal against such suspension may be made to the Council.
- 5.6.3** The Council may cancel the registration of any *student* because of her/his physical or mental ill health if it is satisfied after giving the *student* a proper opportunity to make representations (as defined in the Administration of Justice Amendment Act 53 of 2002), that this step is warranted.

## **5.7 Cancellation of registration as a result of unsatisfactory performance/progress**

- 5.7.1** The *Senate* may cancel the registration of an undergraduate *student* in one or more of the courses for which that *student* is registered in that year, if in the opinion of the *Senate* the *student's* progress is unsatisfactory or if the academic achievement of the *student* is such that s/he will not at the end of the year obtain *credit* in such *course* or courses. For this rule to be invoked, the Head of School must ensure the criteria have been published in advance by which progress and/or academic achievement will be judged as the case may be. An appeal against such cancellation may be made in the first instance to the relevant Head of School. If the Head of School is unwilling to reverse her/his original decision, s/he shall forthwith place the *student's* representations and his/her own written comments before the Dean for a decision. In exceptional cases, the Dean may set up an appeal committee composed of two senior faculty members (one from the school concerned) nominated by her/him. The decision of the Dean or the appeal committee, as the case may be, shall be final. Fee implications associated with the cancellation of registrations are outlined in the Schedule of Fees books.
- 5.7.2** The *Senate* may cancel the registration of an undergraduate *student* in the *qualification* for which that *student* is registered in that year and in the opinion of the *Senate* the *student's* progress is unsatisfactory or the *student* has not met the conditions that was stipulated for her/his \*readmission in that year of study.
- 5.7.3** The *Senate* may cancel the registration of a *postgraduate student* registered for a *programme* by research if a higher degrees committee (or equivalent), on the recommendation of the relevant supervisor(s) and head of school, has considered the research proposal and/or other milestones of the research of that *student* and has judged the research proposal or the progress towards the milestones to be academically unsatisfactory or, in material aspects, incomplete. The higher degrees committee may appoint a panel comprising one member of the higher degrees committee, the relevant supervisor and the relevant Head of School for the purpose of advising the higher degrees committee. Reasons must be given when such registration is cancelled and an appeal against such cancellation may be made to the Dean of the Faculty, who will then propose membership of an ad hoc committee to review the case. The three-person ad hoc committee will be chaired by the Dean. The Chairperson of the higher degrees committee; the Head of School and/or the Supervisor (or equivalent); may be in attendance.
- If the ad hoc committee does not permit renewal of registration, the *student* has the right to submit a further appeal to the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (DVC): Research and Innovation who may consult with the Dean. The decision of the DVC: Research and Innovation acting on behalf of the Council, shall be final. Fee implications associated with the cancellation of registrations are outlined in the Schedule of Fees book.
- 5.7.4** The process set out in Rule G5.7.3 will also apply to a *postgraduate student* registered for a *programme* which includes coursework.

**\*For readmission procedures, please refer to the "Procedures Relating to the Renewal or Refusal of Registration of Students " booklet.**

## 5.8 Change of registration

In exceptional circumstances, where a first-year *student* is adjudged by the *Senate* to be making inadequate progress and the criteria by which such judgment is made have been published in terms of Rule G5.7, the *student* may be permitted or required to alter her/his registration to a special *curriculum* for the same *qualification*.

## 5.9 Cancellation of registration by student

### 5.9.1 Date of cancellation of registration for a qualification

Unless in exceptional circumstances the *Senate* otherwise determines, a *student* who cancels her/his registration for a *qualification* less than one month prior to the commencement of the final *examination* session in which the *assessment* for that *qualification* are held, will be deemed to have failed in all the courses for which s/he was registered in that year, except for those courses which s/he has already completed.

### 5.9.2 Date of cancellation of registration in a particular course

Unless the *Senate* otherwise determines, a *student* may not cancel her/his registration for a particular *course* less than one month prior to the commencement date of the final *examination* session in which the *assessment* for that *course* is held.

## 5.10 Refusal of permission to register

A *student* who fails to complete a *course* may be refused permission by the *Senate* to register again for that *course* if *admission* to the *course* is limited or if s/he has registered more than once for that *course*.

## G6 Attendance

### 6.1 Minimum Attendance

The minimum attendance for any *programme* shall be determined by the Faculty Rules in compliance with the HEQSF.

### 6.2 Failure to attend

Any *student* registered for any *course* who fails to fulfil the attendance requirements prescribed by the faculty for that *course* may be refused permission by the *Senate* to present herself/himself for *assessment* in that *course*.

### 6.3 Outside work, visits, tours, fieldwork, vacation employment, non-examined courses

The requirements for any *qualification* or *course* may include such work or attendance whether within or outside the *University* and during the *academic year* and/or vacation periods as the *Senate* may prescribe. A *student* is required to perform satisfactorily all duties required of her/him in this connection. Failure to comply with these requirements may result in the *student* being refused permission by the *Senate* to present herself/himself for *assessment*, to register for the subsequent year of study or any particular year of study thereafter or ineligibility for the conferment of the *qualification*.

### 6.4 Exemption from attendance

In exceptional circumstances where it is deemed appropriate, the *Senate* may excuse a *student* from attending all or part of a *course*.

## 6.5 Attendance requirement for students for qualification

Any *student* for whom attendance is not otherwise prescribed by the rules is required to attend at the *University* for such period and in such manner as may be determined by the *Senate*. The *Senate* may waive this requirement in exceptional circumstances.

## 6.6 Limitation on the activity of a student for reasons of ill health

**6.6.1** The Vice-Chancellor is entitled to investigate the physical or mental health of any *student* where s/he considers it necessary in the interest of the *student* or in the interests of the *University*, to that end may require the *student* to obtain a medical report from or to submit to examination by a suitably qualified medical practitioner or psychologist acceptable to the Vice-Chancellor. The *University* is responsible for any costs incurred in the *course* of such investigation.

**6.6.2** Whenever the Vice-Chancellor has reasonable grounds to believe that a *student* is or may become a danger to herself/himself or to any other person, or may cause damage to any premises occupied or under the control of the *University*, or may disrupt any of the activities or functions of the *University*, s/he may place limitations on the presence or activities of that *student* on *University* premises and the *student* is required to observe those limitations.

Without prejudice to her/his general powers under this rule, the Vice-Chancellor may prohibit the *student* from –

- a) entering the precincts of, or any specified part of the *University* including a *University* residence; and/or
- b) attending any lecture or any specified lectures, laboratory, or other classes or activity whether academic or otherwise.

Any action taken under this rule must be reported to the next meeting of Council or the Executive Committee of Council.

**6.6.3** Unless in the opinion of the Vice-Chancellor the urgency of the case or the condition of the *student* concerned makes it inappropriate or impractical to do so, the Vice-Chancellor or any other officer of the *University* designated by the Vice-Chancellor, must interview the *student* concerned before any action is taken under Rule G6.6.2 above and afford her/him a reasonable opportunity to be heard.

**6.6.4** Any limitation imposed on a *student* under Rule G6.6.2 above remains in force until the Vice-Chancellor is satisfied that it is no longer necessary. However, the *student* concerned is entitled at any time to make representations to the Vice-Chancellor or to apply to the Council to review any limitations imposed under Rule G6.6.2 above.

**6.6.5** The Council may, at any time, investigate the matter and having considered any representations that may have been made by the Vice-Chancellor or the *student* concerned, may confirm, alter or set aside any limitation imposed under G6.6.2 above.

## G7 Curricula

### 7.1 Senate approval of curriculum

A person may not be registered for a *curriculum* leading to a *qualification* in any year of study until her/his *curriculum* for that year has been approved by the *Senate*. An approved *curriculum* may only be amended with the consent of the *Senate*.

## 7.2 Condonation of breach of rules

The *Senate* may, with retrospective effect, condone any breach of the faculty rules governing a *curriculum* if it is satisfied that the *student* concerned was not at fault and would suffer undue hardship if the breach were not condoned.

## 7.3 Restriction on choice of courses

In terms of Rule G2.6 wherever the rules for a qualification provide for the selection of courses by a student, such selection may be limited by the timetable of classes, a restriction on the number of students to be registered for a particular course, pre or corequisite and/or insufficient resources.

## 7.4 Special curricula

The *Senate* may approve a special cognately consonant *curriculum* for a *student*:

- a) where it considers it necessary for that *student* to proceed on a *curriculum* which extends beyond the minimum period of full-time study. The maximum period of extension is stipulated in the faculty rules; or
- b) where it considers it necessary for that *student* to proceed on foundation and/or additional courses which do not contribute credits towards a *qualification*; or
- c) who has been granted credits or *exemptions* in terms of Rule G4.7; or
- d) who has interrupted her/his studies at the *University* prior to a change in the rules governing the *curriculum* or *qualification* for which s/he was registered or to whom no *curriculum* is currently applicable; or
- e) who has been permitted to proceed to a subsequent year of study without having obtained *credit* for all the courses prescribed for the previous year of study; or
- f) who has, in circumstances considered by the *Senate* to be exceptional, been able to give satisfactory evidence of her/his qualifications to proceed to a second or third level course in a subject; or
- g) who, in the opinion of the *Senate*, suffers or has suffered a disadvantage because of illness or physical disability or because of some other good and sufficient cause; or
- h) who has, in circumstances considered by the *Senate* to be exceptional, been able to give satisfactory evidence of her/his ability to complete the first course in a subject by part-time study; or
- i) in any other circumstances which it considers academically desirable or necessary. The granting of a special *curriculum* has been delegated by the *Senate* to the Dean of each faculty, or to the nominee/s of the Dean, in instances where the Dean reports such nomination/s and the period for which each such person will exercise this responsibility, to the Faculty Board.

## 7.5 Change of rules during a student's registration

If the rules governing a *qualification* are changed, a *student* who registered under the old rules and who has obtained sufficient credits to enable her/him to proceed to the next year of study in terms of those rules, may proceed on the old *curriculum* unless s/he elects to proceed on the new *curriculum*. However where there are, in the opinion of the *Senate*, compelling reasons for doing so, which may include failure in one or more courses, or where a *student* does not register for the next year of study in the ensuing *academic year* or where at her/his request, a *student* is permitted by the *Senate* to register in the ensuing year on a special *curriculum*, that *student* may be required by the *Senate* to proceed on new rules or on interim rules or on a special *curriculum* laid down for her/him by the *Senate*.



## 7.6 Study-abroad component/ foreign electives

A registered *student* who completes a *study-abroad component* approved by the *Senate* or, as part of an institutional exchange agreement, completes appropriate credits at an institution which is recognised by the *Senate* for this purpose in a country other than South Africa, earns credits as defined in the requirements for the *qualification*.

A *student* may not be granted a *credit* more than once in the same *course* within the same *qualification*.

## 7.7 Credits

Subject to the rules pertaining to a particular *qualification* and any special restrictions on credits in the rules, a *student* obtains *credit* in any *course* that s/he successfully completes. However, even if a *student* obtains such *credit*, s/he may be refused permission to renew her/his registration if s/he fails to comply with the minimum requirements of study prescribed.

A *student* may not be granted a *credit* more than once in the same *course* within the same *qualification*.

## 7.8 Minimum requirements of study

**7.8.1** A *student* who does not meet the minimum requirements of study may be refused permission by the *Senate* to renew her/his registration. If, however, a *student* is permitted to renew her/his registration after having failed to satisfy the minimum requirements of study, s/he may be required to satisfy further conditions as the *Senate* may determine in her/his case.

**The minimum requirements of study prescribed for *students* are set out in the faculty rules.**

**7.8.2** Save in exceptional circumstances, a *student* who fails to meet the minimum requirements of study after s/he has reached or exceeded the maximum time (N + 2) for the completion of the degree shall not be permitted by *Senate* to renew her/his study with the *University*.

**Rule 7.8.2 will only apply to undergraduate programmes.**

## 7.9 Withdrawal of, or refusal to grant credits and/or exemptions

The *Senate* may withdraw or refuse to grant credits and/or exemptions if, in the opinion of the *Senate*, the time which has elapsed between obtaining the *credit* or *exemption* and completion of the other requirements for the award of a *qualification* is excessive or is excessive in view of the nature of the subject.

**Unless otherwise stipulated by the Dean of the Faculty, the shelf life of a *course* is four years.**

## 7.10 Sub-minimum rule

Unless specified otherwise in a *course* outline, a *student* will not be allowed to obtain *credit* for a *course* unless s/he achieves:

- a final mark of at least 50 percent for that *course*; and
- a sub-minimum of 35 percent in each of the components of that *course* as well as in the summative assessment for that *course*.

Such a sub-minimum criterion applies only to components which contribute 25 percent or more towards a *course*, unless specified otherwise in the *course* outline.

Summative assessment in this instance is assessment that regulates the progression of students by awarding marks at the conclusion of a *course*.

## G8 Requirements for Award of Qualification

In addition to the requirements of *admission*, registration, attendance and *assessment* applicable to the *qualification* for which a *student* is registered, such *student* must meet the requirements for the award of the *qualification* by obtaining *credit* in the courses set in each academic year and/or conducting research approved by the *Senate* and satisfying such further requirements as may be prescribed by the *Senate* and which are set out in the faculty rules.

## G9 Degree of Master

### 9.1 General

The *Senate* may require a *candidate* for the degree of master as a condition of the conferment of the degree to attend such courses or pass such examinations (written or oral) as it deems necessary before conferring the *qualification*.

### 9.2 The programme of master proceeding by research

Where appropriate a faculty may offer a *programme* leading to the degree of master by advanced study and research normally under the guidance of a supervisor/s appointed by the *Senate*.

### 9.3 Programme of master by research report and coursework

Where appropriate a faculty may offer a *programme* leading to the degree of master by *research report* and coursework by attendance, completion of a *curriculum* approved by the *Senate* and submission of *coursework* and *research report* on an approved topic by the *Senate*.

### 9.4 Conditions for the conferment of the degree of master by research

A person who is admitted as a *candidate* for a degree of master by research must, after consultation with her or his supervisor if there is one, present for the approval of the *Senate* a *dissertation* on a subject approved by the *Senate*. The *dissertation* must, in the opinion of the *Senate*, constitute both an application of the methods of research and a contribution to the advancement of knowledge in the subject chosen.

Consistent with the definition of a *dissertation* in Rule G1.14, a *dissertation* will be an extended piece of written work which may incorporate creative work or publications.

**The terms *Dissertation* and *Research Report* are defined in Rule G1.14 and G1.32. Further conditions for the conferment of the degree of master are set out in the faculty rules and the Senate Standing Orders for Higher Degrees.**

### 9.5 Supervision of full-time members of staff

In circumstances considered by it to be exceptional the *Senate* may dispense with the requirement for supervision in the case of a *candidate* who holds an appointment as a member of the full-time academic staff of the *University* and has held such appointment for such period as is laid down in the faculty rules. In such a case the *Senate* must appoint an internal and external examiner.

## 9.6 Abstract and style of Dissertation or Research Report

The *Dissertation or Research Report* prescribed by the Senate must include an abstract and conform as far as possible to the style, length and format recommended in the authorised style guide obtainable from faculty offices.

## 9.7 Copies of Dissertation or Research Report

A candidate for the degree of master must submit for examination an electronic copy of her/his *dissertation or research report* via email or any other electronic platform designated by the faculty office. In exceptional circumstances the examiner may request a hard copy of the *dissertation or research report*. In such a case, the candidate will be required to provide a bound hard copy or copies, together with the electronic version. Copies must be in a format that, in the opinion of the Senate, is suitable for submission to the examiners.

Prior to graduation, a candidate must submit a final, corrected electronic copy of her/his *dissertation or research report* via the University's electronic platform.

## 9.8 Formal declaration

Together with her/his *dissertation or research report*, a candidate must submit a formal declaration stating whether –

- a) it is her/his own unaided work or, if s/he has been assisted, what assistance s/he has received, including the use of any Artificial Intelligence assistance as per the *University* rules or Faculty practices.
- b) the substance or any part of it has been submitted in the past or is being or is to be submitted for a *qualification* at any other university;
- c) the information used in the *dissertation or research report* has been obtained by her/him while employed by, or working under the aegis of, any person or organisation other than the *University*.

## 9.9 Acknowledgement of conferment of degree if material is published

A candidate upon whom a degree of master has been conferred by the *University* and who subsequently publishes or republishes her/his *dissertation or research report* in whole or in part, must indicate on the title page or in the preface or, if this is not appropriate, in a footnote, that such *Dissertation or Research Report* has been approved for that *qualification* by the *University*.

## 9.10 Completion of all requirements for the degree of master

Unless the Senate has granted an extension of time, a candidate who has not satisfied all the requirements for the degree of master including submission of a *research report*, if s/he is required to submit one, by the date stipulated in the faculty rules is deemed to have failed. If the Senate grants her/him such extension s/he is required to register for the new *academic year*.

## G10 Degree of Doctor of Philosophy

### 10.1 Fulfilment of requirements for conferment of the degree of Doctor of Philosophy

When the research is completed a *candidate* must:

- a) present for the approval of the *Senate* a *thesis*, the research for which is normally conducted under the guidance of a supervisor/s, which must constitute in the opinion of the *Senate* a substantial contribution to the advancement of knowledge in the subject chosen, and which must be satisfactory as regards literary presentation;

**The term thesis is defined in Rule G1.39 Further conditions for the conferment of the degree of Doctor of Philosophy are set out in the faculty rules and the Senate Standing Orders for Higher Degrees.**

- b) present her/himself for an oral defense (Viva Voce) as stipulated in the Faculty Standing Orders or Faculty Procedure document.
- c) furnish an abstract with each copy of the *thesis*;
- d) if required by the *Senate*, present herself/himself for such *assessment*, or such other requirements as the *Senate* may determine in respect of the subject of her/his *thesis*.

### 10.2 Supervision of full-time members of staff

In circumstances considered by it to be exceptional, the *Senate* may dispense with the requirement for supervision in the case of a *candidate* who holds an appointment as a member of the full-time academic staff of the *University* and has held such appointment for such period as is laid down in the faculty rules. In such a case, the *Senate* must appoint one internal and two external examiners.

### 10.3 Copies of thesis

Unless the faculty rules for the *qualification* require otherwise, a *candidate* for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy must submit for *examination* an electronic copy of her/his *thesis* via email or any other electronic platform designated by the faculty office. In exceptional circumstances, the examiner may request a hard copy of the *thesis*. In such a case, the *candidate* will be required to provide a bound copy of her/his *thesis*, together with the electronic version. The bound copies must be in a format that, in the opinion of the *Senate*, is suitable for submission to the examiners.

Prior to graduation, a *candidate* must submit a final, corrected electronic copy of her/his *thesis* via the University's electronic platform.

The rules relating to formal declaration (Rule G9.8), acknowledgement of conferment of the *qualification*, (Rule G9.9) and completion of all requirements for the degree of master (Rule G9.10), apply with the appropriate changes.

**G9.7, G10.3: A candidate for a higher degree is not entitled to the return of such copies.**

## G11 Senior Doctorate

### 11.1 Conditions for the conferment of the degree

A *candidate* for a senior doctorate must present for the approval of the *Senate* at least five copies of original published work, or original work accepted for publication, in a field approved by the *Senate*. Such work must, in the opinion of the *Senate*, constitute a distinguished contribution to the advancement of knowledge in that field.

### 11.2 Notice of intention to apply for candidature

A *candidate* must give notice in writing to the Registrar of her/his intention to present herself/himself as a *candidate* for the *qualification*, submitting at the same time the title and an outline of the proposed submission.

## G12 Conversion of candidature for higher qualifications

### 12.1 General

Where the requirements for a *higher qualification* allow, a *candidate* may be permitted or required by *Senate* under conditions prescribed by it to convert her/his candidature from one *higher qualification* to another within the period of registration. Special conditions for conversion are specified in the faculty rules.

The conditions for conversion are generally applicable for existing *programmes* and qualifications prior to 2009, for new *programmes* or qualifications, i.e. those which have not existed before 2009, the conditions for conversion are subject to *Senate* discretion. On conferment of a converted *higher qualification*, the transcript will be endorsed to reflect the conversion.

Conditions for conversion may change in light of the Higher Education Qualifications Sub-Framework.

### 12.2 Conversion from a programme leading to the degree of master by research to a programme leading to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy

- a) A person who has been admitted as a *candidate* for the degree of master may, in exceptional circumstances, at her/his request and on the recommendation of the supervisor and of the Head of the School concerned, on the basis of work towards the *dissertation* be allowed, by permission of the *Senate*, to proceed instead to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy. Provided further that the degree of master shall NOT be conferred on her/him in the event of her/his–
  - i) withdrawing her/his candidature for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy; or
  - ii) having her/his candidature for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy cancelled in terms Rule G5.7; or
  - iii) failing to satisfy the requirements for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy.

- b) A person who has completed the requirements for the degree of master, at her/his request and on the recommendation of the Head of the School concerned, may be permitted by the *Senate* not to have the *qualification* conferred on her/him, but to conduct, for not less than one *academic year* of further full-time study, or not less than two academic years of further part-time study, additional research for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy, which shall be a significant extension of the research already completed by her/him: Provided that the period of additional research may be waived or reduced in a case considered by the *Senate* to be exceptional. Provided further that the degree of master shall NOT be conferred on her/him in the event of her/his –
  - i) withdrawing her/his candidature for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy; or
  - ii) having her/his candidature for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy cancelled in terms Rule G5.7; or
  - iii) failing to satisfy the requirements for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy.
- c) A person who is permitted to change her/his candidature in terms of (a) or (b) above will be deemed to have been admitted to candidature for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy at the date of her/his *admission* to candidature for the degree of master, or at such later date as the *Senate* may determine in her/his case, but will be subject, in all other respects, to the rules for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy and such other conditions as the *Senate* may determine in her/his case.

## 12.3 Conversion from a programme leading to a degree of master by coursework and research report to a programme leading to the degree of master by research

- a) A person who has been admitted as a *candidate* for the degree of master by coursework and *research report* may, in exceptional circumstances, at her/his request and on the recommendation of the supervisor and of the Head of the School concerned, on the basis of work towards the *research report* be allowed, by permission of the *Senate*, to proceed instead to the degree of master by research. Provided further that the degree of master by coursework and *research report* shall NOT be conferred on her/him in the event of her/his-
  - i) withdrawing her/his candidature for the degree of master by research; or
  - ii) having her/his candidature for the degree of master by research cancelled in terms Rule G5.7; or
  - iii) failing to satisfy the requirements for the degree of master by research.
- b) A person who has completed the requirements for the degree of master by coursework and *research report*, at her/his request and on the recommendation of the Head of the School concerned, may be permitted by the *Senate* not to have the degree conferred on her/him, but to conduct, for not less than one *academic year* of further full-time study, or not less than two academic years of further part-time study, additional research for the degree of master by research, which shall be a significant extension of the research already completed by her/him: Provided that the period of additional research may be waived or reduced in a case considered by the *Senate* to be exceptional. Provided further that the degree of master by coursework and *Research Report* shall be conferred on her/him in the event of her/his –

- i) withdrawing her/his candidature for the degree of master by research; or
  - ii) having her/his candidature for the degree of master by research cancelled in terms Rule G5.7; or
  - iii) failing to satisfy the requirements for the degree of master by research.
- c) A person who is permitted to change her/his candidature in terms of (a) or (b) above will be deemed to have been admitted to candidature for the degree of master by research at the date of her/his *admission* to candidature for the degree of master by coursework and *research report*, or at such later date as the *Senate* may determine in her/his case, but will be subject, in all other respects, to the rules for the degree of master by research and such other conditions as the *Senate* may determine in her/his case.

## G13 Assessment

### 13.1 General

An *assessment* may be written, practical, electronic, clinical or oral, in project or assignment form or be any other piece of work or any combination thereof as may be specified by the *Senate*, provided that a *student's* overall *assessment* does not consist of an oral *assessment* alone, except if expressly determined as appropriate by the *Senate*. Such determination may not be delegated. In all cases the evaluation must be in a form that is suitable for objective *assessment* by an internal moderator or external examiner. In each case the School must make clear the extent and nature of the work to be assessed and the criteria to be used.

### 13.2 Examiners

- 13.2.1** At least one examiner for each *course* must be a member of the academic staff of the *University* who has taught the students in the *course* under *assessment* unless it is impracticable in any instance because of the death, dismissal, resignation, absence, illness or other incapacity of the member of staff concerned, or for some reason deemed by the *Senate* to be sufficient.
- 13.2.2** Each *course* that is not at the exit level of a programme that accounts for at least 30% of the final mark must be subject to either internal or external examination.
- 13.2.3** Each *course* that is at the exit level of a programme, that accounts for at least 30% of the final mark must be subject to external examination.
- 13.2.4** An internal moderator is normally a member of the academic staff who may be from the same department or school or from another department or school but who has not been involved at all in teaching the *course* during the relevant *academic year*. Unless otherwise impracticable or with the approval of the Dean, an internal moderator should not be appointed to examine the same *course* for more than three consecutive years.
- 13.2.5** An external examiner is normally appointed from outside the *University*, preferably from *another university*, or in the case of professional disciplines, from among experienced members of the professions. In exceptional cases where these options are impracticable, a member of the academic staff may, with the permission of the Dean, be appointed as an external examiner but only if s/he has not been involved at all in teaching the *course* during the relevant *academic year*. Unless otherwise impracticable or with the approval of the Dean an external examiner should not be appointed to examine the same *course* for more than three consecutive years. There should be no reciprocity between external examiners from this and other institutions save in circumstances which the *Senate* deems exceptional.
- 13.2.6** An additional requirement with regard to examiners for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy is that the *Senate* must appoint three examiners of whom two must be external examiners as defined in Rule G13.2.5 above.

### 13.3 Eligibility for assessment

A *student* may be disqualified from presenting herself/himself for any *assessment* if s/he has not satisfied such requirements, including satisfactory participation in the work of the class, as may be prescribed by the *Senate*.

**These requirements include, but are not limited to: attendance, assignments completed, tutorials participated in, practical experiments, clinical work, field work and outside work. It is incumbent on each student to ascertain from the head of school what is required to qualify for presentation for assessment for each course. Disqualification includes being refused permission to complete an assessment or receiving no marks for such assessment.**

### 13.4 Additional oral or other form of assessment

The *Senate* may require a *student* to present herself/himself for an oral or other form of *assessment* if, on the marks obtained by her/him after prescribed *assessment/s*, s/he is, in the opinion of the *Senate*, on the borderline of the pass mark or the mark required for a particular class, as defined in the faculty or school standing orders. In such an event the marks obtained in such oral *assessment* are reported to the *Senate* in addition to the marks obtained in the prescribed *assessment/s*. The *Senate* must then determine the mark to be allocated.

### 13.5 Supplementary assessments

A *student* who has failed a *course* may be permitted by the *Senate* to present herself/himself for a supplementary *assessment* where such *assessment* is permitted by the rules of the faculty which teaches and examines the *course*, unless otherwise agreed by the faculties concerned. Supplementary assessments may only be deferred in circumstances considered by the *Senate* to be exceptional.

**A supplementary assessment fee may be charged.**

### 13.6 Deferred assessments

**13.6.1** Students must apply to write a deferred assessment on the university system within three (3) working days of the date of the assessment. Students applying for a deferred assessment/s on medical grounds must seek medical attention from their doctor on the day of their assessment. Only a valid doctor's certificate is accepted.

**13.6.2** If the Dean of the faculty is satisfied that there is sufficient reason, s/he may permit a *student* to defer her/his *assessment/s*. The Dean will require the *student* to submit such evidence to support her/his case as the Dean considers necessary.

A Dean who permits a *student* to present herself/himself for a deferred *assessment* may require her/him to do so at such time and subject to such conditions as s/he considers fit and, in particular, may require the *student* to defer or to repeat (as the case may be) some or all her/his assessments (or some or all the assessments that s/he has not failed) in the year in respect of which her/his application is lodged.

**13.6.3** A *student* who does not present herself/himself for a deferred *assessment* is not entitled or permitted to have the *assessment* further deferred unless there are, in the opinion of the *Senate*, exceptional grounds for permitting her/him to do so.

**13.6.4** Unless in the opinion of the *Senate*, exceptional circumstances exist, a deferred *assessment*:

- a) in the first semester, must be completed not later than the first week of the third teaching block;



- b) in the second semester, must be completed before the commencement of the following academic year.

## 13.7 Re-assessment

Where a *student* has presented herself/himself for assessment and before the results or provisional or unconfirmed results of such assessment are published, the Dean of the faculty, after due consideration of the relevant factors, may permit a *student* to sit for re-assessment if at the time of the assessment owing to illness or her/his mental state, the *student* was unable to bring her/his judgment properly to bear on whether to apply for a deferred assessment in terms of Rule G13.6.1 above and if the Dean considers that the *student* would suffer hardship to an exceptional degree were s/he not allowed to do so.

## 13.8 Absence from assessment

Unless the Senate is satisfied that there was good and sufficient reason, a *student* who is absent from an assessment, in a course for which, in accordance with the relevant curriculum, s/he is required, permitted or entitled to present herself/himself, fails that course.

# G14 Academic Progression

## 14.1 Completion of courses prescribed for previous year of study

Except as provided in the rules for any *qualification* or by permission of the Senate, a *student* may not be admitted to a year of study until s/he has completed the courses prescribed for any preceding year of study and satisfied such further requirements, if any, as are prescribed by the rules.

## 14.2 Standard required to proceed

A *student* may not include in her/his curriculum any course at a subsequent level unless s/he has attained in that course at the preceding level such standard as is considered by the Senate to warrant her/his admission to the course at the subsequent level and has satisfied the prerequisites for that course as determined by the Senate from time to time.

## 14.3 Prerequisite non-credit bearing courses

Where a *student* is required to attend a course which does not constitute a *credit* towards the *qualification* for which s/he is registered or to perform any other requirement prescribed for any particular year of study for any *qualification*, her/him failure to attend such course or to perform such other requirement may result in her/him being refused permission by the Senate to register for the subsequent year of study or any particular year of study thereafter.

## 14.4 Special curricula for students who cannot proceed to the next year of study

A *student* who has obtained *credit* in some of the courses prescribed for any year of study but who may not in terms of the rules proceed to the following year of study and who has not been excluded in terms of the faculty rules for progression, may be permitted or required by the Senate to proceed on a special curriculum. In addition to the courses being repeated the *student* may be permitted to include in her/his curriculum a course or courses prescribed for the next year of study and/or such course as may enrich the content of her/his curriculum.

## 14.5 Re-attendance requirement for students who cannot proceed to the next year of study

A *student* who is not permitted by the *Senate* to proceed to the subsequent year of study or to include in her/his *curriculum* for the following *academic year* a further *course* in a subject in which s/he has obtained *credit*, may be required by the *Senate* to re-attend and perform to the satisfaction of the *Senate* the work of the class prescribed for such a repeated *course*, failing which s/he may be refused permission to register for the subsequent year of study or any particular year of study thereafter.

## G15 Results

### 15.1 Publication of results

The final mark obtained by a *student* in a *course* may be published either by way of a percentage mark or as a result decision except where the *Senate* has, in the case of some supplementary assessments, ruled otherwise.

### 15.2 Non-publication of results

The final marks obtained by a *student* may not be published and a *qualification* will not be conferred on a *student* unless and until –

- s/he has paid all outstanding fees, levies, disbursements, fines and any other monies lawfully owing to the *University*;
- any disciplinary proceedings, pending or incomplete, have been completed; and
- there has been compliance with any order made against the *student* as a consequence of any disciplinary proceedings.

## G16 Conferment of qualification

### 16.1 Congregation

Qualifications must be conferred by the *University* at a meeting of the Congregation of the *University* convened for this purpose.

### 16.2 Issuing of a certificate

Degrees are conferred, Diplomas and Certificates are granted at a *University* Graduation ceremony. A degree, diploma or certificate will not be issued to a *student/candidate* prior to her/his name appearing in the official graduation programme.

### 16.3 Endorsement of certificate

Where a *qualification* is conferred or granted in a specific field, option or branch, the *Senate* may determine that the certificate attesting to such conferment or granting will bear a statement specifying that field, option or branch. The *Senate* may determine that where a person who has been granted such a certificate has satisfied the requirements for another field, option or branch, the original certificate be endorsed to reflect this fact.

### 16.4 Non-conferment of qualification

A *student* who otherwise qualifies for the conferment of a *qualification* may be deemed not to have done so unless and until –

- a) the *student* has paid all outstanding fees, levies, disbursements, fines and any other monies lawfully owing to the *University*;
- b) any disciplinary proceedings, pending or incomplete, have been completed;
- c) any order made against the *student* as a consequence of any disciplinary proceedings has been complied with; and
- d) in the case of the conversion from one *higher qualification* to another s/he has surrendered the certificate in respect of the former *higher qualification*. Where such surrender is impossible the *Senate* may permit the conferment of the *qualification*.

## 16.5 Permission to complete a qualification by obtaining credits elsewhere

The *Senate* may, if it considers fit, permit a *student* who has only one or two, or, in a case considered by it to be exceptional, three courses or such number of courses as does not exceed 30 percent of the total number of prescribed courses outstanding for a *qualification* and who satisfies the *Senate* that, by reason of a change of residence, or for some other good and sufficient cause, s/he is unable to continue attending at the *University*, to complete such *course* or courses at *another university* or at an institution recognised for this purpose by the *Senate* within or outside the Republic of South Africa.

The policy of the faculties on this issue is set out in the standing orders of each faculty.

## G17 Conferment of Qualification with Distinction

The *qualification* is awarded with distinction or with distinction in a particular *course* to a *student* who has obtained the standard laid down by the *Senate* for that purpose.

## G18 Honorary Degrees

- 18.1 A proposal to confer an honorary degree may be made either by a member of the Council or of the *Senate* and must be seconded by another member of either of these structures.
- 18.2 The proposal must be communicated in writing to the *University* Registrar.
- 18.3 The proposal must be accompanied by a statement setting out the reasons for making it.
- 18.4 A resolution to confer an honorary degree must be passed in the Council and in the *Senate* by an absolute majority of the members of each structure voting by secret ballot.
- 18.5 A person who sits on both structures is entitled to vote in each election.

## G19 Intellectual Property

Students are advised to refer to the University Policy on Intellectual Property.

- 19.1 Any owner's right to intellectual property in any *thesis*, *dissertation*, *research report* or any other work is normally subject to the right of the *University* to make a reproduction of it or parts of it in any medium for a person or institution requiring it for study or research.
- 19.2 Where research includes a patentable invention, the *University* may keep the research confidential for a reasonable period if specifically requested to do so.
- 19.3 Where confidentiality has been agreed in advance the *University* must keep the research confidential for the period agreed.

- 19.4** Subject to 19.2 and 19.3 the *University* may distribute abstracts or summaries of any *thesis, dissertation, research report* or any other work for publication in indexing and bibliographic periodicals considered by the *University* to be appropriate.

## G20 Ethical Clearance

Students who propose to conduct research of any kind on human or animal subjects must apply for ethical clearance from the appropriate *University's* Ethics Committee/s. In cases where ethical clearance is not required students must apply and obtain an ethics waiver from the relevant University Ethics Committee/s.

# SENATE RULES

## FOR THE

# FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCES

These Rules are subordinate to and should be read in conjunction with the General Rules. The Rules for degrees and diplomas published here are subject to change. They reflect the Rules and Regulations of the *University* as at 31 July 2025 but may be amended prior to the commencement of the 2026 *academic year*.

## General Information

The Faculty consists of the Schools of Physiology, Anatomical Sciences, Oral Health Sciences, Therapeutic Sciences, Public Health, Clinical Medicine, and Pathology, each with its own identity and ethos. The Faculty of Health Sciences is closely associated with the National Health Laboratory Services and the Provincial Health Service.

*Qualifications* are offered in the following areas: Dentistry (including the Bachelor of Oral Health Sciences in the tracks of Oral Hygiene and Dental Therapy), Medicine (including the Bachelor of Clinical Medical Practice), Nursing, Occupational Therapy, Pharmacy and Physiotherapy as well as a general degree (Bachelor of Health Sciences).

## 1 Application of Rules

See Rule G3.

## 2 Medical fitness

Without derogating from the generality of the provisions of Rule G4.2, *students for qualifications* in the Faculty of Health Sciences shall be physically and mentally fit to carry out the work involved in the *courses* included in the *curriculum* for such *qualifications*. Notwithstanding anything in these rules contained, a *student* who applies for registration in the first or any subsequent year of study may be required by the Vice-Chancellor of the *University* to satisfy it that s/he is physically and mentally fit to carry out the work involved in that or any subsequent year of study, and shall present herself/himself for, and submit to, any medical *examination* that the Vice-Chancellor of the *University* may require in her/his case.

## 3 Immunisation

An individual for any of the *qualifications* in the Faculty of Health Sciences will not be permitted to register for the first time unless and until s/he submits evidence demonstrating specific antibody or certification of immunisation to the satisfaction of the *Senate*.

## 4 First Aid and Computer Literacy requirements

Unless otherwise permitted by the *Senate*, a *student* who is admitted, for the first time to any year of study for the degrees of Bachelor of Clinical Medical Practice (BCMP), Bachelor of Dental Science (BDS), Bachelor of Health Sciences (BHSci), Bachelor of Oral Health Sciences (BOHSci), Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBBCh), Bachelor of Pharmacy (B Pharm), Bachelor of Science in Physiotherapy

(BSc(Physiotherapy)), Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy (BSc(Occupational Therapy)) and Bachelor of Nursing (B Nursing) shall be required to produce a valid certificate in first aid and a certificate of competence in computer usage granted by authorities to be recognised for this purpose by the *Senate* from time to time, failing which s/he shall be refused permission to complete the *examination* for the year of study for which s/he is registered.

## 5A Registration with professional and statutory bodies

In terms of the Medical, Dental and Supplementary Health Service Professions Act (No. 56 of 1974) and the regulations under the Act all *students* registered for health sciences *qualifications* must register with the Health Professions Council of South Africa at the commencement of their studies for the *qualification* and shall renew such registration after any interruption exceeding one year in their studies. A further registration from *student* to *student* intern will take place at the end of the fifth year of study for medical *students*. The number of years of registration with the Council are as follows: as a medical *student*, normally not fewer than six years; as a dental *student* not fewer than five years; as an occupational therapy *student* or physiotherapy *student* not fewer than four years; as a clinical associate or an oral health sciences *student* not fewer than three years.

In addition, all *students* registered for the degree, Bachelor of Nursing must register with the South African Nursing Council at the commencement of their studies. Graduates will not be permitted to register as nurses with the South African Nursing Council until they have completed all the practical requirements for the *qualification* specified by the *Senate*. Similarly, all *students* registered for the degree, Bachelor of Pharmacy must register with the South African Pharmacy Council at the commencement of their first year of study.

## 5B Student conduct

Any *student* registering for the first time for any year of study shall be required to sign an undertaking to abide by the Faculty's code of conduct for the *qualifications*, the breach of which may result in a charge of misconduct being preferred against the *student* in terms of the Rules for *Student Discipline*.

## 6 Declaration at commencement of health sciences studies

A *student* shall subscribe to the following declaration before being admitted to the second year of health sciences study:

'As a *student* in the Faculty of Health Sciences of the *University* of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, I do solemnly declare:

That I will not improperly divulge anything I may learn in my capacity as a *student* of health sciences.

That in my relations with patients, colleagues and others I will conduct myself with dignity as becomes a member of an honourable profession.

And I further declare that I will be loyal to my *University* and will endeavour to promote its welfare and maintain its reputation.

## 7 UNDERGRADUATE

### 7.1 Professional Degrees

Qualification Name	Degree Code	NQF Exit Level
Bachelor of Dental Science (BDS)	MFA08	8
Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBBCh)	MFA00	8
Bachelor of Nursing (BNurs)	MFA07	8
Bachelor of Pharmacy (BPharm)	MFA04	8
Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy – (BSc(Occupational Therapy))	MFA03	8
Bachelor of Science in Physiotherapy – (BSc(Physiotherapy))	MFA02	8

#### 7.1.1 Admission rules

##### 7.1.1.1 Minimum requirements for admission\*

###### a) Bachelor of Dental Science

- i) A pass in Mathematics, English, Physical Sciences and Life Sciences at level 5 on the Scale of Achievement for the *National Senior Certificate (NSC)*, or a pass in English, Mathematics, Physical Sciences and Biology or Physiology at the Higher Grade or a standard of a minimum of 60 per cent at the Standard Grade.

###### b) Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery; Bachelor of Pharmacy; Bachelor of Science in Physiotherapy

- i) A pass in Mathematics and English at level 5 on the Scale of Achievement for the *National Senior Certificate (NSC)*, or a pass in Mathematics at the Higher Grade or a standard of a minimum of 60 per cent in Mathematics at the Standard Grade; and
- ii) a pass in either Physical Sciences or Life Sciences at level 5 on the Scale of Achievement for the *National Senior Certificate (NSC)*, or a pass at the Higher Grade or a standard of a minimum of 60 per cent at the Standard Grade in a minimum of one of the following subjects: Biology; Physical Sciences or Physiology.

###### c) Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery – Graduate Entry Medical Programme (GEMP)

- i) Acceptance into the Graduate Entry Medical Programme will be based on an *assessment* of the performance achieved in the prior *qualification/s*, and will also require that the *student* meets prescribed standards in English and Mathematics in the *National Senior Certificate (NSC)* or equivalent - refer to b)i) and a pass in Biology, Physics and Chemistry at first year bachelor's level as set out on the Faculty web page: [www.wits.ac.za/health/gemp/](http://www.wits.ac.za/health/gemp/). The selection procedure will include an additional evaluation (Wits Additional Placement Test).

###### d) Bachelor of Science in Physiotherapy – Graduate Entry Physiotherapy Programme (GEPP)

- i) Acceptance into the Graduate Entry Physiotherapy Programme will be based on an *assessment* of the performance achieved in the prior *qualification/s*, and will also require that the *student* meets prescribed standards in English and Mathematics in the *National Senior Certificate (NSC)* or equivalent - refer to b)i), a pass in Biology, Physics and Chemistry at first year bachelor's level; and a pass in Human Anatomy and

Physiology equivalent to the Wits second year BSc Physiotherapy level as set out on the Faculty web page: [www.wits.ac.za/health/gepp/](http://www.wits.ac.za/health/gepp/). The selection procedure will include an additional evaluation (Wits Additional Placement Test).

**e) Bachelor of Nursing and Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy**

- i) A pass in Mathematics and English at level 4 on the Scale of Achievement for the *National Senior Certificate (NSC)*, or a pass in Mathematics at the Higher Grade or a standard of a minimum of 50 per cent in Mathematics at the Standard Grade; and
- ii) a pass in either Physical Sciences or Life Sciences at level 4 on the Scale of Achievement for the *National Senior Certificate (NSC)*, or a pass at the Higher Grade or a standard of a minimum of 50 per cent at Standard Grade in one of the following subjects: Biology; Physical Sciences or Physiology.

**\* In addition to the minimum requirements as stipulated in Rule 7.1.1.1, all eligible *applicants* will be required to undertake the National Benchmark Tests, excluding *applicants* to the GEMP and GEPP.**

## 7.1.2 Curriculum rules

### 7.1.2.1 Length of degree

The length of *curriculum* for each of the degrees referred to in 7.1 is given in the following table:

f/t = full-time

BDS	MBBCh	BNurs	BPharm	BSc(OT)	BSc(Physio)
5 f/t	6 f/t or 4 f/t for appropriately qualified <i>students</i>	4 f/t	4 f/t	4 f/t	4 f/t or 3 f/t for appropriately qualified <i>students</i>

### 7.1.2.2 Clinical and practical requirements

**a) BDS and MBBCh**

- i) A *student* shall, to the satisfaction of the *Senate*, comply with such clinical and practical requirements as may be determined by the *Senate* for each year of study, failing which s/he may be refused, in terms of Rule G15.4, permission to present herself/himself for any *assessment*.
- ii) A *student* who fails the clinical component of the *assessment* in any *course* shall be deemed to have failed the *assessment* in the *course*.

**Rule 7.1.2.2 (a)(ii)**

**This is a requirement of the Health Professions Council of South Africa (HPCSA).**

**b) BNurs**

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in these rules, a *student* shall be deemed not to have completed a *course* in Nursing, Midwifery, Community Health or Psychiatric Nursing until s/he has completed both the practical and theoretical components prescribed for such *course* in the syllabus thereof.



## 7.1.2.3 Structure of degree

## a) Bachelor of Dental Science

<b>Programme Code: MFA08</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPABDS21</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 828</b>

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>NQF Credits</b>	<b>NQF Level</b>
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
ANAT2030A	Anatomy for Dental Students	48	6
PHSL2003A	Physiology and Medical Biochemistry I	48	6
SCMD1005A	Bioethics and Health Law I	3	5
OHSC1006A	Fundamental Dental Skills	25	5
COMD1002A	Community Dentistry I	12	5
OHSC1007A	Dental Materials for Dental Students I	12	5
FAHS1898A	First Aid	0	5
FAHS1997A	Computer Literacy	0	5
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
ANAP3001A	Pathology (Anatomical and Haematological)	24	7
ANAT3030A	Oral Biology for Dental Students	24	7
CMID3002A	Medical Microbiology	24	7
OPAT2000A	Oral Microbiology	12	6
OHSC2008A	Paediatric, Endodontic and Restorative Dentistry I	30	6
PROD2001A	Prosthodontics I	35	6
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
OPAT3003A	Oral Pathology	13	7
PHAR3005A	Pharmacology	6	7
OHSC3011A	Maxillo-Facial and Oral Radiology I	6	7
FAMH3001A	Emergency Medicine	24	7
COMD3002A	Community Dentistry II	9	7
PROD3001A	Prosthodontics II	34	7
SURG3002A	Maxillo-Facial and Oral Surgery I	17	7
OHSC3010A	Paediatric, Endodontic and Restorative Dentistry II	25	7
ORTD3003A	Orthodontics I	12	7
ORMP3003A	Periodontology	35	7
OHSC3013A	Integrated Dentistry I	10	7
OHSC2009A	Dental Materials for Dental Students II	10	8
OHSC3012A	Dental Practice Management I	4	7

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study IV</b>			
MEDC4003A	General Medicine and Paediatrics for Dental Students	12	8
SURG4000A	General Surgery	12	8
OHSC4013A	Integrated Dentistry II	28	8
PROD4003A	Prosthodontics III	23	8
OHSC4009A	Paediatric, Endodontic and Restorative Dentistry III	26	8
ORMP4005A	Periodontology and Oral Medicine	32	8
OHSC4010A	Maxillo-Facial and Oral Radiology II	8	8
ORTD4003A	Orthodontics II	12	8
SURG4005A	Maxillo-Facial and Oral Surgery II	25	8
COMD4003A	Community Dentistry III	21	8
SCMD2004A	Bioethics and Health Law II	3	8
OHSC4011A	Dental Practice Management II	4	8
<b>Year of Study V</b>			
ANAE5001A	Anaesthetics	24	8
COMD5003A	Community Dentistry IV	20	8
OHSC5009A	Integrated Dentistry IIIA	76	8

b) **Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery**

<b>Programme Code: MFA00</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPAMBS22</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 1080</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
ISMS1000A	Integrated Sciences for Medical Students	72	5
FAMH1003A	Foundations of Public Health and Health Systems Science	18	5
FAMH1004A	The Science and Art of Health and Learning	28	5
FAMH1002A	Person, Family and Community I	26	5
FAHS1898A	First Aid	0	5
FAHS1997A	Computer Literacy	0	5
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
ANAT2040A	Anatomy for Medical Practice: From Conception to Complexity	48	6
PHSL2007A	Human Physiology: From Cells to Systems	48	6
HAEM2002A	Molecular Foundations of Health and Disease	48	6
FAMH2007A	Person, Family and Community II	24	6

<b>Programme Code: MFA00</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPAMBS21 (2024)</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 1098</b>

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>NQF Credits</b>	<b>NQF Level</b>
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
SCMD3004A	Integrated Sciences for Medical Practice A	192	7
<b>Year of Study IV</b>			
SCMD4011A	Integrated Sciences for Medical Practice B	192	8
<b>Year of Study V</b>			
SCMD5000A	Integrated Clinical Medicine A	192	8
All learning is collected into one <i>course</i> , Integrated Clinical Medicine A (SCMD5000A), which is divided into eight clinical blocks:			
Internal Medicine			
Surgery			
Obstetrics			
Paediatrics			
Psychiatry, Family Medicine, Public Health			
Ophthalmology, Urology, Otorhinolaryngology (ENT)			
Acute and Perioperative Care (Trauma, Anaesthesiology, Emergency Medicine)			
Integrated Practice			
<b>Year of Study VI</b>			
SCMD6000A	Integrated Clinical Medicine B	192	8
FAHS1594A	MBBCh Elective Studies	0	8
All learning is collected into one <i>course</i> , Integrated Clinical Medicine B (SCMD6000A), which is divided into eight clinical blocks as well as two learning components:			
Internal Medicine			
Surgery			
Gynaecology			
Paediatrics			
Psychiatry			
Integrated Primary Care			
Orthopaedics, Internal Medicine (Mixed Block)			
Forensic Medicine and Evidence Based Medicine Assignment			
<b>*Elective Studies</b>			
Before the commencement of the sixth year of study of MBBCh, a <i>student</i> shall complete, to the satisfaction of the <i>Senate</i> , Elective Studies (FAHS1594A) in a field approved by the <i>Senate</i> , extending over a period of four weeks. A <i>student</i> must submit a report on the programme of elective studies to the faculty in a format determined and approved by the <i>Senate</i> : Provided that in the event of a <i>student</i> being required to present herself/himself for the end-of-year <i>examination</i> , the <i>Senate</i> may require the <i>student</i> to pursue a prescribed programme of studies, designed to assist the <i>student</i> to prepare for the end-of-year <i>assessment</i> , to be determined by the <i>Senate</i> . In such an event, the programme of elective studies shall commence after the completion of the end-of-year <i>examination</i> .			

c) **Bachelor of Nursing**

<b>Programme Code: MFA07</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPANUR21</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 508</b>

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>NQF Credits</b>	<b>NQF Level</b>
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
APES1000A	Introduction to Medical Sciences	18	5
SOCL1012A	Human Behavioural Sciences I	18	5
NRSE1002A	Integrated General Nursing Sciences I	64	5
ANAT2005A	Anatomy for Nursing Sciences I	24	5
FAHS1898A	First Aid	0	5
FAHS1997A	Computer Literacy	0	5
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
PHSL2003A	Physiology and Medical Biochemistry I	48	6
CMID2000A	Microbiology	24	6
NRSE2001A	Integrated General Nursing Sciences II	60	6
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
PHAR3000A	Pharmacology	24	7
NRSE3004A	Midwifery I	60	7
NRSE3003A	Integrated General Nursing Sciences III	48	7
<b>Year of Study IV</b>			
NRSE4004A	Midwifery II	60	8
NRSE4003A	Integrated General Nursing Sciences IV	60	8

d) **Bachelor of Pharmacy**

<b>Programme Code: MFA04</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPAPHM20</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 576</b>

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>NQF Credits</b>	<b>NQF Level</b>
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
APES1000A	Introduction to Medical Science	18	5
CHEM1048A	Chemistry I	36	5
PHYS1008A	Physics I	18	5
PACY1000A	Pharmaceutical Practice	36	5
FAMH1001A	Health Systems Sciences I	18	5
FAHS1898A	First Aid	0	5
FAHS1997A	Computer Literacy	0	5

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
ANAT2031A	Anatomy for Pharmacy Students	24	6
PHSL2003A	Physiology and Medical Biochemistry I	48	6
PACY2000A	Pharmaceutical Chemistry I	36	6
PACY2001A	Pharmaceutics I	36	6
PACY2002A	Pharmacy Practice I	18	6
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
ANAP2000A	Pathology	12	6
CMID2001A	Medical Microbiology	12	6
PACY3000A	Pharmaceutical Chemistry II	18	7
PACY3004A	Clinical Pharmacy I	36	7
PACY3002A	Pharmacy Practice II	18	7
PACY3003A	Pharmaceutics II	18	7
PHAR3001A	Pharmacology I	24	7
<b>Year of Study IV</b>			
PACY4001A	Pharmaceutics III	36	8
PACY4002A	Pharmaceutical Chemistry III	18	8
PACY4003A	Special Project	30	8
PACY4008A	Clinical Pharmacy II	18	8
PACY4007A	Pharmacy Practice III	36	8
PHAR4003A	Pharmacology II	12	8
FAHS1996A	Emergency Medical Assistance*	0	8
<p><b>*Emergency Medical Assistance</b></p> <p>During the fourth year of study, a <i>student</i> shall, to the satisfaction of the <i>Senate</i> attend and perform the work of the class in Emergency Medical Assistance (FAHS1996A), and shall attain a standard to the satisfaction of the <i>Senate</i> in an assessment in this course, failing which s/he shall not be permitted to qualify for the award of the degree.</p>			

**e) Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy**

<b>Programme Code: MFA03</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPAOCT20</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 558</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
APES1000A	Introduction to Medical Science	18	5
CHEM1028A	Chemistry	18	5
OCCT1000A	Fundamentals of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy I	36	5

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PHYS1008A	Physics I	18	5
PSYC1004A	Basic Principles of Group and Individual Psychology I	18	5
PSYC1007A	Introduction to Psychology I	18	5
SOCL1012A	Human Behavioural Sciences I	18	5
FAHS1898A	First Aid	0	5
FAHS1997A	Computer Literacy	0	5
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
ANAT2033A	Anatomy for Physiotherapy and Occupational Therapy Students	48	6
OCCT2000A	Fundamentals of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy II	48	6
PHSL2003A	Physiology and Medical Biochemistry I	48	6
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
OCCT3000A	Occupational Therapy II applied to Physical Conditions	30	7
OCCT3001A	Occupational Therapy II applied to Psychiatric Conditions	30	7
OCCT3002A	Medicine and Surgery for Occupational Therapy	12	7
OCCT3003A	Science of Occupation II	24	7
PSMH3000A	Psychiatry in relation to Occupational Therapy	24	7
PSYC2002A	Health Psychology	24	6
PSYC2009A	Research Design and Analysis	24	6
<b>Year of Study IV</b>			
OCCT4000A	Science of Occupation III	30	8
OCCT4001A	Occupational Therapy as applied to Psychiatric Conditions	36	8
OCCT4002A	Occupational Therapy as applied to Physical Conditions	36	8

f) **Bachelor of Science in Physiotherapy**

<b>Programme Code: MFA02</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPAPHY20</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 576</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
APES1000A	Introduction to Medical Science	18	5
CHEM1029A	Chemistry I	18	5
PHST1000A	Introduction to Physiotherapy	36	5
PHYS1009A	Physics I	18	5
PSYC1004A	Basic Principles of Group and Individual Psychology I	18	5

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PSYC1007A	Introduction to Psychology I	18	5
SOCL1012A	Human Behavioural Sciences	18	5
FAHS1898A	First Aid	0	5
FAHS1997A	Computer Literacy	0	5
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
ANAT2033A	Anatomy for Physiotherapy and Occupational Therapy Students	48	6
PHST2000A	Physiotherapy I	48	6
PHSL2003A	Physiology and Medical Biochemistry I	48	6
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
PHAR3002A	Pharmacology	24	7
PHST3000A	Physiotherapy II	24	7
PHST3001A	Rehabilitation I	24	7
PHST3002A	Clinical Physiotherapy I	42	7
PHST3003A	General Medicine and Surgery	12	7
PHST3004A	Research Methodology Part I	24	7
<b>Year of Study IV</b>			
PHST2001A	Management for Therapists	12	6
PHST4000A	Physiotherapy III	18	8
PHST4001A	Rehabilitation II	18	8
PHST4002A	Clinical Physiotherapy II	72	8
PHST4004A	Research Methodology Part II	18	8

**g) Bachelor of Science in Physiotherapy - Graduate Entry Physiotherapy Programme (GEPP) Structure**

The first year include *courses* in the natural sciences, life sciences and social sciences that are basic to physiotherapy. *Students* who have an appropriate prior *qualification* may be exempted from and granted *credit* towards all or some of the *courses* offered in the first year of this degree as well as Human Anatomy and Physiology at second year level. However, *students* who have not previously passed a *course* in Psychology and / or a *course* in Sociology at first year bachelor's level, will be expected to register for these *courses* in addition to PHST2002A. The last three years of the BSc Physiotherapy degree (years II, III and IV) are collectively called the Graduate Entry Physiotherapy Programme.

<b>Programme Code: MFA02</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPAGPP20</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 576</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study II / GEPP I</b>			
PHST2002A	Physiotherapy for Graduates	84	6

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<i>Students who have not previously passed a course in Psychology and / or a course in Sociology at first year bachelor's level, will be expected to register for these courses in addition to PHST2002A.</i>			
PSYC1004A	Basic Principles of Group and Individual Psychology I	18	5
PSYC1007A	Introduction to Psychology I	18	5
SOCL1012A	Human Behavioural Sciences	18	5
<b>Year of Study III / GEPP II</b>			
PHAR3002A	Pharmacology	24	7
PHST3000A	Physiotherapy II	24	7
PHST3001A	Rehabilitation I	24	7
PHST3002A	Clinical Physiotherapy I	42	7
PHST3003A	General Medicine and Surgery	12	7
PHST3004A	Research Methodology Part I	24	7
<b>Year of Study IV / GEPP III</b>			
PHST2001A	Management for Therapists	12	6
PHST4000A	Physiotherapy III	18	8
PHST4001A	Rehabilitation II	18	8
PHST4002A	Clinical Physiotherapy II	72	8
PHST4004A	Research Methodology Part II	18	8

## 7.1.3 Progression and Completion Rules

### 7.1.3.1 Credits and exemption rules

#### a) Credits

- i) Except as provided in (ii) below, a *student* registered in any year of study shall obtain *credit* for any course that s/he completes.
- ii) A *student* registered for any year of study for the degree, Bachelor of Dental Science or for the fourth year of study for the degree of Bachelor of Pharmacy and Bachelor of Science in Physiotherapy and for the third or fourth year of study for the degree of Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy shall obtain *credit* in all of the *courses* prescribed for the year of study which s/he completes in the same *academic year*: Provided that a *student* who fails one or more *courses* and is required to repeat the year may be exempted by the *Senate* from re-attendance at and re-assessment/ re-examination in a non-clinical *course* and from the final re-assessment in any clinical *course* in which s/he has, at the ordinary *examination* or at any deferred or supplementary *examination* for which s/he has been permitted to present herself/himself in terms of the rules, attained such higher standard than the pass standard as may be determined by the *Senate*\*, but such *exemption* shall remain in effect only until the end of the *examination* session of the following *academic year*, for the degree of Bachelor of Pharmacy, and, in the case of the fourth year of study for the degrees Bachelor of Science in Physiotherapy and Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy for six months thereafter.
- iii) A *student* registered for the first year of the degree, Bachelor of Nursing shall not be permitted to proceed to the course ANAT2005A until s/he has passed, or has obtained *credit/exemption* for the course APES1000A.



**M7.1.3.1 (a)(ii)**

**\*Normally this will be 60%.**

**b) Exemption**

- i) No *student* may be exempted from any part of the GEMP, and a *student* may therefore not be admitted to the degree MBBCh beyond the third year of study (MBBCh III/ GEMP I).
- ii) No *student* may be exempted from any part of the GEPP, and a *student* may therefore not be admitted to the degree BSc Physiotherapy beyond the second year of study (BSc Physiotherapy/GEPP I).

**7.1.3.2 Academic progression****a) MBBCh — First year to fifth year of study**

Except as provided in the rules for any *qualification*, a *student* shall not be admitted to a year of study until s/he has completed the *courses* prescribed for the preceding year of study and satisfied such further requirements, if any, as are prescribed by, or determined in terms of, the rules.

Provided that, in order to proceed to the fifth year of study of MBBCh/GEMP III a *student* must have satisfactorily completed the prescribed *courses* for the third and fourth years of study of the MBBCh/ GEMP I and II, and the integrated *assessment* at the end of the fourth year of study of the MBBCh/GEMP II.

**b) MBBCh/GEMP — Sixth year of study**

A *student* may proceed to the sixth year of study of MBBCh/GEMP IV if the Integrated Practice topic, and all or six of the seven rotation topics, for the *course* Integrated Clinical Medicine A (SCMD5000A) have been passed.

**7.1.3.3 Assessment****a) Assessments for Bachelor of Dental Science (MFA08)**

The *assessment* of the *courses* listed in Rule 7.1.2.3 (a) may comprise:

- i) a variety of *assessments*, such as written tests, assignments, projects, etc.; and
- ii) practical and/or clinical *assessments*, whichever is appropriate; and
- iii) an oral *assessment* if the *Senate* so decides in the case of a particular *student*.

**b) Supplementary examinations for BDS (MFA08); MBBCh (MFA00); BNurs (MFA07); BPharm (MFA04); BSc(OT) (MFA03); BSc(Physiotherapy) (MFA02)\***

**\*Supplementary examinations for MBBCh I and II, BDS I, II, III and IV, BNursing I, II and III, BPharm I, II, III and IV, BSc(OT) I, II and III, and BSc(Physio) I, II and III will normally be held in December.**

- i) A *student* who has failed to complete one or more of the *courses* in her/his *curriculum* for the relevant year of study indicated in the following table may be permitted by the *Senate* to present herself/himself for a supplementary *examination* in the *course* or *courses* that s/he has failed to complete, as set out in the Faculty Standing Orders for *qualifications*.

BDS	MBBCh	BNurs	BPharm	BSc(OT)	BSc(Physio)
1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th	1st & 2nd	1st, 2nd & 3rd	1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th	1st, 2nd & 3rd	1st, 2nd & 3rd

c) **Supplementary examination for BPharm – fourth year of study**

- i) A student who fails to complete a course in June may be permitted by the Senate to present herself/himself for supplementary examination in that course in the second half of the year.
- ii) In respect of the examinations conducted in November, a student who completes all but one course prescribed for the fourth year of study may be permitted by the Senate to present herself/himself for supplementary examination in the courses that s/he has failed to complete. In a case considered by it to be exceptional, the Senate may permit a student who completes two courses prescribed for the fourth year of study, to present herself/himself for supplementary examination in the courses that s/he has failed to complete.

7.1.3.4 **Repeating courses and re-examination**a) **BDS (refer also to Rule 7.1.3.1)**

The provisions of the following sub-paragraphs are without prejudice to the operation of the minimum requirements of study.

- i) A student shall be required to complete, to the satisfaction of the Senate, the requirements for each of the two components for the course MEDC4003A General Medicine and Paediatrics for Dental Students.
- ii) A student who has attained an aggregate of less than 50 percent of the final mark for the course General Medicine and Paediatrics for Dental Students (MEDC4003A) shall not be required to attend and complete any component in which s/he may have obtained a minimum of 60 percent of the marks allocated to that component, but should s/he fail to complete the remaining topic in the ensuing academic year, such exemptions will fall away, and s/he will be required to re-attend and complete both components.
- iii) A student who fails more than three of the courses prescribed for the fifth year of study shall be required to repeat the fifth year of study.
- iv) A student who fails three or fewer than three of the courses prescribed for the fifth year of study may be permitted to present herself/himself for re-assessment in the course or courses that s/he has failed to complete on the next occasion on which the assessments for the fifth year of study are held, normally within the first six months of the following year, provided that until s/he has completed all the courses prescribed for the fifth year of study s/he shall be required to attend and present herself/himself for assessment in all such courses except those in which s/he has obtained exemption in terms of Rule 7.1.3.1.
- v) A student who fails to complete all the prescribed courses by the end of the final year shall not, save by the permission of the Senate, be permitted to re-register for the final year of study.

b) **MBBCh**

- i) A student who, on first presenting herself/himself for the final assessment for the topic, Integrated Practice in the course Integrated Clinical Practice A for the fifth year of study or for the final assessment for the topic, Integrated Practice in the course Integrated Clinical Practice B for the sixth year of study, fails this assessment, shall be permitted to present herself/himself for re-assessment on the next occasion that these integrated assessments are held.

**In the case of the fifth year of study, the re-assessment will take place in January of the succeeding year. In the case of the sixth year of study, the re-assessment will be scheduled for April and June.**

- ii) A *student* who fails the prescribed *course* for the fifth year of study or the sixth year of study more than once shall not, unless otherwise permitted by the *Senate*, be permitted to re-register for the fifth year or the final year of study.

**c) BNurs**

The provisions of the following sub-paragraphs are without prejudice to the operation of the minimum requirements of study.

- i) A *student*, who, at the end of the *examination* session of the fourth year of study for the degree, has completed none of the *courses* prescribed for the fourth year of study, shall be required to repeat the fourth year of study before presenting herself/himself again for *assessment*.
- ii) A *student* who completes one or two or three of the *courses* prescribed for the fourth year of study may be permitted to present herself/himself for re- *examination* in the *course* or *courses* that s/he has failed to complete on the next occasion on which the *examinations* for the fourth year of study are held and, subject to paragraph (iii) hereof, on successive occasions thereafter.
- iii) A *student* who fails to complete all the prescribed *courses* by the end of the final year shall not, unless otherwise permitted by the *Senate*, be permitted to re- register for the final year of study.

**d) BPharm; BSc(OT) and BSc(Physiotherapy)**

The provisions of the following sub-paragraphs are without prejudice to the operation of the minimum requirements of study.

- i) A *student* who, at the end of the *examination* session of the fourth year of study for the degree has completed none of the *courses* prescribed for the fourth year of study shall be required to repeat the fourth year of study before presenting herself/himself again for *assessment*.
- ii) A *student* who completes one or two of the *courses* prescribed for the fourth year of study may be permitted to present herself/himself for re-assessment in the *course* or *courses* that s/he has failed to complete on the next occasion on which the *examinations* for the fourth year of study are held, and subject to paragraph (iii) hereof, on successive occasions thereafter: Provided that until s/he has obtained *credit* in all the *courses* prescribed for the fourth year of study s/he may be required to attend and present herself/himself for *assessment* in all such *courses* excepting those in which s/he has obtained *exemption* in terms of Rule 7.1.3.1.
- iii) A *student* who fails to complete all the prescribed *courses* by the end of the following *academic year* shall not, unless otherwise permitted by the *Senate*, be permitted to re-register for the final year of study.

**7.1.3.5 Minimum requirements of study**

- a) A *student* shall present evidence to the satisfaction of the *Senate* that s/he has attended satisfactorily the *courses* for which attendance is required in terms of these rules, and shall hold such hospital appointments during the teaching terms and during vacations as may from time to time be determined by the *Senate* and shall faithfully perform all duties required of her/him in this connection and perform such other work and pursue such other activity as may be required by and in terms of the rules. Non-compliance with this requirement will result in failure.
- b) Subject to the provisions of Rule G13.3, a *student* who has failed to complete any *course* or *courses* included in her/his *curriculum* for a year of study, and who has been permitted by or the *Senate* to renew her/his registration to complete any *course* or *courses* included in her/his.

*curriculum* for that year of study which s/he has failed to complete, may be disqualified from presenting herself/himself for *assessment* in any such *course* or *courses* unless and until any requirement or condition, that may be laid down by the *Senate* as a requirement or condition of renewal of registration in her/his case, has been satisfied

- c) The minimum requirements of study prescribed for *students* are set out below. A *student* who does not meet the minimum requirements of study may be refused permission by the *Senate* to renew her/his registration. If, however, a *student* is permitted to renew her/his registration after having failed to satisfy the minimum requirements of study, s/he may be required to satisfy these and further conditions as the *Senate* may determine in her/his case.
- d) Subject to the provisions relating to the change of rules, a *student* registered in terms of the current rules must pass –
  - i) BDS  
All years of study: All *courses* and complete all other requirements that may be made in the rules pertaining to these years of study.
  - ii) MBChB  
First and second years of study: All *courses*.  
Third, fourth, fifth and sixth years of study: All *courses* and complete all other requirements that may be made in the rules pertaining to these years of study.
  - iii) BNursing  
All years of study: All *courses*.
  - iv) BPharm  
First, second and third years of study: All *courses*.  
Fourth year of study: All *courses* and complete all other requirements that may be made in the rules pertaining to that year of study.
  - v) BSc(Occupational Therapy)  
All years of study: All *courses*.
  - vi) BSc(Physiotherapy)/GEPP  
All years of study: All *courses*.

## 7.2 Professional Status and Recognition of Degrees

### 7.2.1 Declaration by graduands

Prior to being admitted to a *qualification* a graduand will be called on to subscribe to the following declaration:

*‘As a graduand of the University of the Witwatersrand I do solemnly declare:*

*That I will exercise my profession to the best of my knowledge and ability for the safety and welfare of all persons entrusted to my care and for the health and well-being of the community.*

*That I will not knowingly or intentionally do anything or administer anything to them to their hurt or prejudice.*

*That I will not permit consideration of religion, nationality, politics, race, gender, sexual orientation, lifestyle, economic status, or social standing to interfere with my duty to my patient.*

*That I will not improperly divulge anything I have learned in my professional capacity.*

*That I will endeavour at all times to defend my professional independence against improper interference.*

*That I will respect the autonomy of my patients including appropriately obtaining their informed consent for investigation and treatment.*

*That I will conduct research on patients only in accordance with correct ethical principles and the approval of a formally constituted ethics committee.*

*That in my relations with patients and colleagues I will conduct myself as becomes a member of an honourable profession.*

*I make this declaration upon my honour.'*

## 7.3 General Degrees

Qualification Name	Degree Code	NQF Exit Level
Bachelor of Health Sciences (BHSci) <b>In the fields of:</b> Biokinetics Biomedical Sciences Health Systems Sciences	MBA05  MFABIOK11 MFABMED10 MFAHESS10	7
Bachelor of Health Sciences (BHSci) ( <i>Distance Mode of Delivery</i> )* <b>In the field of:</b> Nursing Systems Science	MBO06  MFONSS10	7
Bachelor of Oral Health Sciences (BOHSci) <b>In the fields of:</b> Oral Hygiene Dental Therapy**	MBA04  MFAORHY10 MFADNTH10	7
Bachelor of Clinical Medical Practice (BCMP)	MBA01	7

\**Distance Mode of Delivery* involves the interaction between the lecturer or supervisor and the student, not on the premises of the institution.

\*\*Subject to accreditation.

### 7.3.1 Admission rules

#### 7.3.1.1 Minimum requirements for admission\*\*\*

##### a) Bachelor of Health Sciences in the fields of Biokinetics, Biomedical Sciences and Health Systems Sciences

- A pass in Mathematics and English at level 5 on the Scale of Achievement for the *National Senior Certificate (NSC)*, or a pass in Mathematics at the Higher Grade or a standard of a minimum of 60 per cent in Mathematics at the Standard Grade; and
- a pass in either Physical Sciences or Life Sciences at level 5 on the Scale of Achievement for the *National Senior Certificate (NSC)*, or a pass at the Higher Grade or a standard of a minimum of 60 per cent at the Standard Grade in a minimum of one of the following subjects: Biology; Physical Sciences or Physiology.

##### b) Bachelor of Clinical Medical Practice; Bachelor of Oral Health Sciences

- A pass in Mathematics and English at level 4 on the Scale of Achievement for the *National Senior Certificate (NSC)*, or a pass in Mathematical Literacy at level 7 and English at level 4 on the Scale of Achievement, or a pass in Mathematics at the Higher Grade or a standard of a minimum of 50 per cent in Mathematics at the Standard Grade; and

- ii) a pass in either Physical Sciences or Life Sciences at level 4 on the Scale of Achievement for the *National Senior Certificate (NSC)*, or a pass at the Higher Grade or a standard of a minimum of 50 per cent at Standard Grade in one of the following subjects: Biology; Physical Sciences or Physiology.

c) **Bachelor of Health Sciences in the field of Nursing Systems Science** (*Distance Mode of Delivery*)

- i) A pass in English as a first or second language (higher grade) at matriculation or passed English home language or first additional language in the (*NSC*) or at a level considered equivalent by the Senate or deemed to be equivalent by legislation; and
- ii) if you are the holder of any of the following, you may also qualify for entry:

**South African applicants**

Auxiliary Nurses

Enrolled Nurses (R2175)

Diploma- Nurse (General, Psychiatric and Community) and Midwife (Accoucheur) - 4-year diploma (NQF Level 6)

Diploma in General Nursing science and Midwifery – 3 ½-year diploma (NQF Level 6)

Diploma in Medical and Surgical Nursing Science (NQF Level 6)

Diploma in General Nursing plus a one-year Diploma Midwifery (NQF Level 5)

General nurses who have completed the bridging programme (NQF Level 5)

**International applicants**

Certificate from the Nursing Education Institution indicating the *qualification* obtained.

SAQA Certificate of NQF level of *qualification* (the equivalent of NQF Level 5 is required to apply).

\*\*\* In addition to the minimum requirements as stipulated in Rule 7.3.1.1, all eligible *applicants* will be required to undertake the National Benchmark Tests, except for *applicants* to the Bachelor of Health Sciences in the field of Nursing Systems Science (Distance), only.

## 7.3.2 Curriculum rules

### 7.3.2.1 Length of degree

BCMP	BOHSci	BHSci	BHSci Nursing Systems Science (Distance)
3 f/t	3 f/t	3 f/t	3 f/t 6 p/t

### 7.3.2.2 Structure of degree

#### a) Bachelor of Clinical Medical Practice

Programme Code: MBA01	NQF Exit Level: 7
Plan Code: MPACMP10	Total NQF Credits: 432

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
SCMD1001A	Fundamentals of Medical and Clinical Science	144	5

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
FAHS1898A	First Aid	0	5
FAHS1997A	Computer Literacy	0	5
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
SCMD2001A	Fundamentals of Clinical Medical Practice	144	6
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
SCMD3003A	Applied Clinical Medical Practice	144	7

**b) Bachelor of Health Sciences: Fields of Study**

The degree is offered in the following fields of study:

Biokinetics	: (MFABIOK11)
Biomedical Sciences	: (MFABMED10)
Health Systems Sciences	: (MFAHESS10)

**Field of Biokinetics**

<b>Programme Code: MBA05</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 7</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFABIOK11</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 432</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
APES1001A	Introduction to Medical Sciences I	36	5
CHEM1028A	Chemistry (HC)	18	5
PHYS1008A	Physics (HC)	18	5
FAMH1003A	Foundations of Public Health and Health Systems Science	18	5
ESSM1000A	Foundations of Exercise Science	18	5
PSYC1007A	Introduction to Psychology	18	5
PSYC1004A	Basic Principles of Group and Individual Psychology	18	5
FAHS1898A	First Aid	0	5
FAHS1997A	Computer Literacy	0	5
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
ANAT2020A	Human Anatomy II	48	6
PHSL2004A	Physiology and Medical Biochemistry II	48	6
STHS2000A	Exercise Science II	48	6
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
PHSL3006A	Physiology III	72	7
STHS3000A	Exercise Science III	72	7

## Field of Biomedical Sciences

<b>Programme Code: MBA05</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 7</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFABMED10</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 432</b>

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>NQF Credits</b>	<b>NQF Level</b>
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
APES1001A	Introduction to Medical Sciences I	36	5
CHEM1048A	Chemistry I	36	5
PHYS1024A	Physics I	36	5
FAMH1001A	Health Systems Sciences	18	5
ELEN1008A	System Dynamics for Health Sciences	18	5
FAHS1898A	First Aid	0	5
FAHS1997A	Computer Literacy	0	5
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
ANAT2020A	Human Anatomy II	48	6
PHSL2004A	Physiology and Medical Biochemistry II	48	6
HAEM2000A	Molecular Medicine II	48	6
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
Two of the following courses:			
ANAT3002A	Human Biology III	72	7
ANAT3011A	Medical Cell Biology III	72	7
HAEM3002A	Molecular Medicine III	72	7
PHSL3006A	Physiology III	72	7
PHAR3004A	Pharmacology III	72	7

## Field of Health Systems Sciences

<b>Programme Code: MBA05</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 7</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAHESS10</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 432</b>

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>NQF Credits</b>	<b>NQF Level</b>
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
APES1001A	Introduction to Medical Sciences I	36	5
CHEM1048A	Chemistry I	36	5
PHYS1024A	Physics I	36	5
FAMH1001A	Health Systems Sciences	18	5
ELEN1008A	System Dynamics for Health Sciences	18	5
FAHS1898A	First Aid	0	5
FAHS1997A	Computer Literacy	0	5



Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
PHSL2006A	Applied Anatomy and Physiology II	48	6
FAMH2006A	Health Systems Sciences II	48	6
COMH2000A	Public Health II	48	6
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
COMH3003A	Public Health III	72	7
One of the following courses:			
FAMH3004A	Health Systems Sciences III	72	7
FAMH3005A	Medical and Health Humanities III	72	7

**c) Bachelor of Health Sciences in the field of Nursing Systems Science (Distance Mode of Delivery)**

<b>Programme Code: MBO06</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 7</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFONSS10</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 360</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
NRSE1006O	Culture and Identity	10	5
NRSE1007O	Medical Sociology	10	5
NRSE1008O	Stratification and Differentiation in Healthcare	10	5
NRSE1009O	Healthcare Communication	10	5
NRSE1010O	Human Body Organisation	10	5
NRSE1011O	Human Body: Integration and Control Systems	10	5
NRSE1012O	Human Body: Regulation and Maintenance	10	5
NRSE1013O	Human Survival and Development	10	5
NRSE1014O	Physical Health	10	5
NRSE1015O	Emotional Health	10	5
NRSE1016O	Social Health	10	5
NRSE1017O	Environmental Health	10	5
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
NRSE2005O	Endocrine System	10	6
NRSE2006O	Nervous System	10	6
NRSE2007O	Acid-Base Balance	10	6
NRSE2008O	Cellular Regulation	10	6
NRSE2009O	Microscopic Life	10	6
NRSE2010O	Microbial Diversity and Human Interaction	10	6
NRSE2011O	Epidemiology of Infection	10	6
NRSE2012O	Disease Outbreak Management	10	6

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
NRSE2013O	Pharmacodynamics	10	6
NRSE2014O	Pharmacokinetics	10	6
NRSE2015O	Medication Management	10	6
NRSE2016O	Medication Safety	10	6
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
NRSE3008O	Healthcare Systems	10	7
NRSE3009O	Governance in Healthcare	10	7
NRSE3010O	Healthcare Economics	10	7
NRSE3011O	Coordinating Community Care	10	7
NRSE3012O	Quality Management in Healthcare	10	7
NRSE3013O	Healthcare Law and Policy	10	7
NRSE3014O	Customer Care in the Health Services	10	7
NRSE3015O	Patient Safety	10	7
NRSE3016O	Clinical Judgement	15	7
NRSE3017O	Evidence-Based Practice	15	7
NRSE3018O	Professional Practice and Development	10	7

#### d) Bachelor of Oral Health Sciences: Fields of Study

The degree is offered in the following fields of study:

Oral Hygiene : (MFAORHY10)

Dental Therapy : (MFADNTH10)

#### Field of Oral Hygiene

<b>Programme Code: MBA04</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 7</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAORHY10</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 388</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
ANAT1002A	Anatomy, Oral Biology and Physiology for Dental Auxiliaries	36	5
OHSC1002A	Fundamentals of Clinical Oral Health	36	5
OHSC1003A	Behavioural and Social Sciences for Dental Auxiliaries	18	5
OHSC1005A	Oral Microbiology for Dental Auxiliaries	7	5
OPAT1004A	Oral Pathology for Dental Auxiliaries	11	5
FAHS1898A	First Aid	0	5
FAHS1997A	Computer Literacy	0	5

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
OHSC2004A	Integrated Clinical Dentistry for Oral Hygienists	48	6
SCMD1004A	Bioethics for Dental Auxiliaries I	12	6
COMD1001A	Community Dentistry for Dental Auxiliaries	24	6
OHSC2005A	Fundamentals of Clinical Oral Health I	48	6
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
OHSC3005A	Applied Research and Dental Practice Management for Dental Auxiliaries	38	7
SCMD2003A	Bioethics for Dental Auxiliaries II	10	7
COMD2003A	Community Dentistry for Dental Auxiliaries II	24	7
OHSC3006A	Fundamentals of Clinical Oral Health II	76	7

**Field of Dental Therapy**

<b>Programme Code: MBA04</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 7</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFADNTH10</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 388</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
ANAT1002A	Anatomy, Oral Biology and Physiology for Dental Auxiliaries	36	5
OHSC1003A	Behavioural and Social Sciences for Dental Auxiliaries	18	5
OPAT1004A	Oral Pathology for Dental Auxiliaries	11	5
OHSC1005A	Oral Microbiology for Dental Auxiliaries	7	5
OHSC1008A	Fundamentals of Clinical Dental Therapy I	36	5
FAHS1898A	First Aid	0	5
FAHS1997A	Computer Literacy	0	5
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
SCMD1004A	Bioethics for Dental Auxiliaries I	12	6
COMD1001A	Community Dentistry for Dental Auxiliaries	24	6
OHSC2010A	Fundamentals of Clinical Dental Therapy II	24	6
OHSC2011A	Maxillo-Facial and Oral Radiology for Dental Therapists	12	6
OHSC2012A	Maxillo-Facial and Oral Surgery for Dental Therapists	24	6
OHSC2013A	Operative Dentistry for Dental Therapists I	24	6
PHAR2000A	Pharmacology for Dental Therapists	12	6
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
OHSC3005A	Applied Research and Dental Practice Management for Dental Auxiliaries	38	7

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
SCMD2003A	Bioethics for Dental Auxiliaries II	10	7
COMD2003A	Community Dentistry for Dental Auxiliaries II	24	7
OHSC3014A	Fundamentals of Clinical Therapy III	52	7
OHSC3015A	Operative Dentistry for Dental Therapists II	24	7

## 7.3.3 Progression and Completion Rules

### 7.3.3.1 Assessment

#### a) Supplementary examinations for BHSci, BOHSci and BCMP III

**Supplementary examinations for BHSci I and II, BOHSci I and II and BCMP III, will normally be held in December. Supplementary examinations for BHSci III will normally be held in December or January of the next academic year.**

**Supplementary examinations for each of the intakes for BHSci Nursing Systems Science (Distance Mode of Delivery) will be held at the start of the next intake.**

- i) A student who has failed to complete one or more of the courses in her/his curriculum for the relevant year of study indicated in the following table may be permitted by the Senate to present herself/himself for a supplementary examination in the course or courses that s/he has failed to complete, as set out in the Faculty Standing Orders for qualifications.

BHSci	BOHSci
1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup>

#### 7.3.3.2 Minimum requirements of study

- a) A student shall present evidence to the satisfaction of the Senate that s/he has attended satisfactorily the courses for which attendance is required in terms of these rules, and shall hold such hospital appointments during the teaching terms and during vacations as may from time to time be determined by the Senate and shall faithfully perform all duties required of her/him in this connection and perform such other work and pursue such other activity as may be required by and in terms of the rules. Non-compliance with this requirement will result in failure.
- b) Subject to the provisions of Rule G13.3, a student who has failed to complete any course or courses included in her/his curriculum for a year of study, and who has been permitted by the Council or the Senate to renew her/his registration to complete any course or courses included in her/his curriculum for that year of study which s/he has failed to complete, may be disqualified from presenting herself/himself for assessment in any such course or courses unless and until any requirement or condition, that may be laid down by Council or the Senate (or both) as a requirement or condition of renewal of registration in her/his case, has been satisfied.
- c) The minimum requirements of study prescribed for students are set out below. A student who does not meet the minimum requirements of study may be refused permission by the Senate to renew her/his registration. If, however, a student is permitted to renew her/his registration after having failed to satisfy the minimum requirements of study, s/he may be required to satisfy these and further conditions as the Senate may determine in her/his case.
- d) Subject to the provisions relating to the change of rules, a student registered in terms of the current rules must pass –

- i) BCMP - All years of study: All courses.
- ii) BHSci - All years of study: All courses.
- iii) BOHSci - All years of study: All courses.

### 7.3.3.3 Declaration by graduands

Prior to being admitted to a *qualification* a graduand for the degree of Bachelor of Clinical Medical Practice and Bachelor of Oral Health Sciences will be called on to subscribe to the following declaration:

*'As a graduand of the University of the Witwatersrand I do solemnly declare:*

*That I will exercise my profession to the best of my knowledge and ability for the safety and welfare of all persons entrusted to my care and for the health and well-being of the community.*

*That I will not knowingly or intentionally do anything or administer anything to them to their hurt or prejudice.*

*That I will not permit consideration of religion, nationality, politics, race, gender, sexual orientation, lifestyle, economic status, or social standing to interfere with my duty to my patient.*

*That I will not improperly divulge anything I have learned in my professional capacity.*

*That I will endeavour at all times to defend my professional independence against improper interference.*

*That I will respect the autonomy of my patients including appropriately obtaining their informed consent for investigation and treatment.*

*That I will conduct research on patients only in accordance with correct ethical principles and the approval of a formally constituted ethics committee.*

*That in my relations with patients and colleagues I will conduct myself as becomes a member of an honourable profession.*

*I make this declaration upon my honour.'*

## 8 POSTGRADUATE

### 8.1 Diplomas

Qualification Name	Programme Code	NQF Exit Level
Postgraduate Diploma in Occupational Therapy	MXA11	8
Postgraduate Diploma in Physiotherapy	MXA14	8
Postgraduate Diploma in Child Health (Community Paediatrics option and Neurodevelopment option)	MXA02	8
Postgraduate Diploma in Health Sciences Education	MXA13	8
Postgraduate Diploma in Health Service Management	MXA06	8
Postgraduate Diploma in Occupational Health	MXA03	8
Postgraduate Diploma in Public Health	MXA00	8
Postgraduate Diploma in Tropical Medicine and Hygiene	MXA15	8
Postgraduate Diploma in Critical Care Nursing	MXA16	8
Postgraduate Diploma in Emergency Nursing	MXA17	8

Qualification Name	Programme Code	NQF Exit Level
Postgraduate Diploma in Infection Prevention and Control Nursing	MXA18	8
Postgraduate Diploma in Nursing Education	MXA19	8

## 8.1.1 Postgraduate Diploma in Occupational Therapy

### 8.1.1.1 Admission rules

#### a) Admission requirements

Any of the following may be admitted by the *Senate* as a *candidate* for the Postgraduate Diploma in Occupational Therapy: Provided that s/he has been registered as an occupational therapist with the Health Professions Council of South Africa, and has been engaged in the practice of occupational therapy for not less than one year in an institution which is approved by the Health Professions Council of South Africa:

- i) A Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy of the *University*.
- ii) A graduate of *any other university* who has satisfied the *Senate* by means of a written or oral test (or both) or by means of any other mode of *assessment* to be determined from time to time by the *Senate* that s/he is qualified to undertake the line of study proposed or research (or both).
- iii) A person other than a graduate who has in the manner set out in (ii) above satisfied the *Senate*.

### 8.1.1.2 Curriculum rules

#### a) Length of programme

The *curriculum* for the Postgraduate Diploma in Occupational Therapy shall extend over not less than two *academic years* of part-time study.

#### b) Fields of Study

The diploma is offered in the following fields of study:

Neurological Disorders	: (MFANDIS50)
Perceptual Disorders	: (MFAPDIS50)
Psychiatric Disorders	: (MFAPSYD50)

#### Field of Neurological Disorders

Programme Code: MXA11	NQF Exit Level: 8
Plan Code: MFANDIS50	Total NQF Credits: 145

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
ANAT5012A	General Neuroanatomy	15	8
PHSL5004A	Applied Neurophysiology	15	8
OCCT5014A	Occupational Science and Models of Practice	15	8

Year of Study II			
OCCT5010A	Occupational Therapy Treatment of Neurological Disorders	50	8
OCCT5013A	Professional Practice and Leadership	50	8

**Field of Perceptual Disorders**

<b>Programme Code: MXA11</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAPDIS50</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 145</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
ANAT5012A	General Neuroanatomy	15	8
PHSL5004A	Applied Neurophysiology	15	8
OCCT5014A	Occupational Science and Models of Practice	15	8
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
OCCT5011A	Occupational Therapy Treatment of Perceptual Disorders	50	8
OCCT5013A	Professional Practice and Leadership	50	8

**Field of Psychiatric Disorders**

<b>Programme Code: MXA11</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAPSYD50</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 145</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
ANAT5012A	General Neuroanatomy	15	8
PHSL5004A	Applied Neurophysiology	15	8
OCCT5014A	Occupational Science and Models of Practice	15	8
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
OCCT5012A	Occupational Therapy Treatment of Psychiatric Disorders	50	8
OCCT5013A	Professional Practice and Leadership	50	8

**8.1.1.3 Progression and Completion rules****a) Credit, exemption and supplementary examination**

- i) A candidate shall not obtain credit in any of the courses prescribed for Year of Study I of the curriculum unless s/he completes all such courses in the same academic year: Provided that a candidate may be exempted by the Senate from re-attendance at or from re-attendance at and re-examination in any course in which s/he has attained such higher standard than the pass standard as may be determined by the Senate, but such exemption shall remain in effect only until the end of the examination session of the following academic year.

- ii) A *candidate* who completes a minimum of three of the *courses* prescribed for Year of Study I of the *curriculum* may be permitted by the *Senate* to present herself/himself for supplementary examination in the *course* or *courses* that s/he has failed to complete.
- iii) A *candidate* who fails to complete the *courses* prescribed for Year of Study I, may be permitted by the *Senate* to renew her/his registration and be required to re-attend and present herself/himself for *re-examination* in all the *courses* prescribed for Year of Study I of the *curriculum*.

## b) Award of Qualification

In the case of a *candidate* who has qualified for the diploma, Postgraduate Diploma in Occupational Therapy, the certificate shall bear the appropriate wording indicating the field of specialisation.

## 8.1.2 Postgraduate Diploma in Physiotherapy

### 8.1.2.1 Admission rules

#### a) Admission requirements

Any of the following may be admitted by the *Senate* as a *candidate* for the Postgraduate Diploma in Physiotherapy: Provided that s/he has been registered as a physiotherapist with the Health Professions Council of South Africa, and has been engaged in the practice of physiotherapy for not less than one year in an institution which is approved by the Health Professions Council of South Africa:

- i) A Bachelor of Science in Physiotherapy of the *University*.
- ii) A graduate of *any other university* who has satisfied the *Senate* by means of a written or oral test (or both) or by means of any other mode of *assessment* to be determined from time to time by the *Senate* that s/he is qualified to undertake the line of study proposed or research (or both).
- iii) A person other than a graduate who has in the manner set out in (ii) above satisfied the *Senate*.

### 8.1.2.2 Curriculum rules

#### a) Length of programme

The *curriculum* for the Postgraduate Diploma in Physiotherapy shall extend over two years of part-time study.

#### b) Fields of Study

The diploma is offered in the following fields of study:

Neuromusculoskeletal Physiotherapy	: (MFANMSK51)
Sport and Exercise Physiotherapy	: (MFASPEX51)

#### Field of Neuromusculoskeletal Physiotherapy

Programme Code: MXA14	NQF Exit Level: 8
Plan Code: MFANMSK51	Total NQF Credits: 140

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
ANAT5013A	Applied Anatomy	15	8
PHSL5003A	Applied General Physiology	15	8



Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
ANAP5002A	Applied Pathology for Physiotherapists	20	8
PHST5007A	Introduction to Advanced Neuromusculoskeletal Physiotherapy	18	8
PHST5012A	Advanced Neuromusculoskeletal Physiotherapy of the Lumbar Spine and Sacro-Iliac Joint	18	8
PHST5013A	Advanced Neuromusculoskeletal Physiotherapy of the Upper Quarter	18	8
PHST5014A	Advanced Neuromusculoskeletal Physiotherapy of the Shoulder and Thoracic Spine	18	8
PHST5015A	Advanced Neuromusculoskeletal Physiotherapy of the Hip and Knee	18	8

### Field of Sport and Exercise Physiotherapy

Programme Code: MXA14	NQF Exit Level: 8
Plan Code: MFASPEX51	Total NQF Credits: 140

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
ANAT5013A	Applied Anatomy	15	8
PHSL5003A	Applied General Physiology	15	8
ANAP5002A	Applied Pathology for Physiotherapists	20	8
PHST5007A	Introduction to Advanced Neuromusculoskeletal Physiotherapy	18	8
PHST5008A	Advanced Management of Upper Quadrant Sports-Related Injuries for Physiotherapists	18	8
PHST5009A	Return to Sports Performance: Principles, Protocols and Practice for Physiotherapists	18	8
PHST5010A	Advanced Management of Lower Quadrant Sports-Related Injuries for Physiotherapists	18	8
PHST5011A	General Sports Medicine Strategies for Physiotherapists	18	8

### 8.1.2.3 Progression and completion rules

#### a) Credit, exemption, supplementary examination and re-examination

- i) In the case of full-time study, a *candidate* shall not obtain *credit* in any of the *courses* unless s/he completes all such *courses* in the same *academic year* and in the case of part-time study, a *candidate* shall not obtain *credit* in any of the *courses* unless s/he completes a minimum of three such *courses* in the same *academic year*: Provided that a *candidate* may be exempted by the *Senate* from re-attendance at or from re-attendance at and re-examination in any *course* in which s/he has attained such higher standard than the pass standard as may be determined by the *Senate*, but such *exemption* shall remain in effect only until the end of the *examination session* of the following *academic year*.

- ii) In the case of full-time study, a *candidate* who completes only two of the *courses* and in the case of part-time study, a *candidate* who completes only one of the *courses* may be permitted by the *Senate* to present herself/himself for supplementary *examination* in the *course* or *courses* that s/he has failed to complete.
- iii) In a case considered by it to be exceptional, the *Senate* may permit a *candidate* who has passed only one of the *courses* to present herself/himself for supplementary *examination* in the *courses* that s/he has failed to complete.
- iv) A *candidate* who fails to complete the *courses* prescribed for Year of Study I, may be permitted by the *Senate* to renew her/his registration and be required to re-attend and present herself/himself for *re-examination* in all the *courses* prescribed for Year of Study I of the *curriculum*.

### 8.1.3 Postgraduate Diplomas in Child Health (Community Paediatrics); Child Health (Neurodevelopment); Health Service Management; Occupational Health; Public Health and Tropical Medicine and Hygiene

#### 8.1.3.1 Admission rules

a) **Admission requirements for Postgraduate Diplomas in Child Health (Community Paediatrics); Child Health (Neurodevelopment); Health Service Management and Public Health**

Any of the following may be admitted as a *candidate*:

- i) A graduate of the *University* who has been awarded one of the following degrees:  
Bachelor of Dental Science;  
Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery; Bachelor of Nursing;  
Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy; Bachelor of Pharmacy;  
Bachelor of Science in Physiotherapy; Bachelor of Health Sciences Honours; Bachelor of Science Honours.
- ii) A graduate who has been awarded any other *qualification* the *curriculum* of which extends over a minimum of four years of full-time study, of the *University*, who, in the opinion of the *Senate*, is sufficiently qualified to undertake the field of study proposed.
- iii) Any other person, who has satisfied the *Senate*, by means of a written or oral test (or both), or by any other mode of *assessment* to be determined from time to time by the *Senate*, that s/he is sufficiently qualified to undertake the field of study proposed.

b) **Admission Requirements for Postgraduate Diplomas in Occupational Health and Tropical Medicine and Hygiene**

Any of the following may be admitted as a *candidate*:

- i) A graduate of this or any other *University* who has been awarded the degrees of Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery or equivalent.
- ii) Any other person, who has satisfied the *Senate*, by means of a written or oral test (or both), or by any other mode of *assessment* to be determined from time to time by the *Senate*, that s/he is sufficiently qualified to undertake the field of study proposed.

### 8.1.3.2 Curriculum rules

#### a) Postgraduate Diploma in Child Health

##### i) Length of programme

The *curriculum* for this diploma shall extend over not less than two *academic years* of part-time study and shall comprise one of the two options listed below:

Year of Study I and Year of Study II will be offered sequentially in alternate years.

Except by permission of the *Senate*, a *candidate* may not proceed to Year of Study II unless s/he has completed all the *courses* prescribed for Year of Study I.

##### ii) Fields of study

The Diploma is offered in the following fields of study:

#### Community Paediatrics option

Programme Code: MXA02	NQF Exit Level: 8
Plan Code: MFACHCP50	Total NQF Credits: 120

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
FAHS1690A	Research Methodology	15	8
PAED5014A	Introduction to Child Health	15	8
COMH5033A	Introduction to Health Measurement	15	8
PAED5015A	Child Health I	15	8
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
PAED5016A	Child Health II	15	8
PAED5017A	Maternal Health	15	8
PAED5020A	Maternal and Child Nutrition	15	8
and <b>one</b> of the following elective <i>courses</i> :			
COMH5032A	Management in Health and Health Services	15	8
COMH5041A	The District Model in Primary Health Care	15	8
COMH5017A	Health Care Financing	15	8
COMH5015A	Project Management for Public Health Practitioners	15	8
PAED5018A	Developmental Problems in Childhood	15	8
PAED5019A	Behavioural Problems in Childhood	15	8
COMH5020A	Health Systems and Decentralisation	15	8

## Neurodevelopment option

<b>Programme Code: MXA02</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFACHND50</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 120</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
FAHS1690A	Research Methodology	15	8
PAED5018A	Developmental Problems in Childhood	15	8
ANAT5012A	General Neuroanatomy	15	8
PHSL5000A	The Principles of Physiology and Medical Biochemistry in relation to the Nervous System	15	8
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
COMH5033A	Introduction to Health Measurement	15	8
PAED5019A	Behavioural Problems in Childhood	15	8
PSMH5004A	Psychological Medicine	15	8
PAED5012A	Paediatric Neurology	15	8

b) **Postgraduate Diploma in Health Service Management**

## i) Length of programme

The *curriculum* for this diploma extends over not less than two years of part- time study.

<b>Programme Code: MXA06</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPAHSM50</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 150</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
COMH5061A	Orientation to Public Health	0	8
COMH5030A	Health Service Management: General Principles	15	8
COMH5032A	Management in Health and Health Services	15	8
COMH5065A	Institutional, Corporate and Hospital Management	15	8
COMH5039A	Human Resource Management and Development	15	8
and <b>one</b> of the following elective <i>courses</i> :			
COMH5037A	Financial Management and Health Economics	15	8
COMH5043A	Introduction to Management Theory and Practice	15	8
COMH5015A	Project Management for Public Health Practitioners	15	8
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
COMH5160A	Health Systems Organisation and Human Resources	15	8

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
COMH5031A	Health Service Management: Health Information Systems and Health Facilities	15	8
COMH5066A	Resources, Facilities and Logistics	15	8
and <b>two</b> of the following elective courses:			
COMH5020A	Health Systems and Decentralisation	15	8
COMH5021A	Health Policy and Policy Analysis	15	8
COMH5081A	Health Legislation and Structure of Health Services	15	8
COMH5064A	Health Service Management: Personnel	15	8
COMH5063A	Health Service Management: Finance	15	8
COMH5082A	Hospital Information Systems	15	8
COMH5077A	Strategic Planning and Management	15	8

**c) Postgraduate Diploma in Occupational Health**

i) Length of programme

The *curriculum* for this diploma extends over not less than two *academic years* of part-time study.

<b>Programme Code: MXA03</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPAOCH50</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 120</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
COMH5076A	Occupational Health Part I	60	8
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
COMH5079A	Occupational Health Part II	60	8

**d) Postgraduate Diploma in Public Health**

i) Length of programme

The *curriculum* for this diploma extends over not less than two *academic years* of part-time study.

ii) Fields of study

The diploma is offered in the following fields of study:

Exposure and Health	: (MFAEXPH50)
Health Systems and Policy	: (MFASHSSP50)
Maternal and Child Health	: (MFAMACH50)
Medical Humanitarian Leadership	: (MFAMHUL50)
Rural Health	: (MFARURH50)
Social and Behaviour Change Communication	: (MFASBCC50)

## Field of Exposure and Health

<b>Programme Code: MXA00</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAEXPH50</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 150</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
COMH5061A	Orientation to Public Health	0	8
COMH5024A	Health Measurement	15	8
COMH5152A	Health and Society	15	8
COMH5153A	Approaches to Population Health	15	8
COMH5154A	Designing Effective Public Health Programmes	15	8
PAED5015A	Child Health I	15	8
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
COMH5166A	Exposure Induced Health Outcome	15	8
COMH5164A	Exposure Science I	15	8
COMH5162A	Fundamentals of Risk Assessment	15	8
COMH5165A	Risk & Safety Management: Systems and Programmes	15	8
COMH5163A	Exposure Control I	15	8

## Field of Health Systems and Policy

<b>Programme Code: MXA00</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAHSSP50</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 150</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
COMH5061A	Orientation to Public Health	0	8
COMH5024A	Health Measurement	15	8
COMH5152A	Health and Society	15	8
COMH5153A	Approaches to Population Health	15	8
COMH5154A	Designing Effective Public Health Programmes	15	8
COMH5070A	Introduction to Health Systems	15	8
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
Five of the following elective <i>courses</i> :			
COMH5017A	Health Care Financing	15	8
COMH5021A	Health Policy and Policy Analysis	15	8
COMH5071A	Health Systems Evaluation and Research	15	8
COMH5160A	Health Systems Organisation and Human Resources	15	8

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
COMH5032A	Management in Health and Health Services	15	8

**Field of Maternal and Child Health**

<b>Programme Code: MXA00</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAMACH50</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 150</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
COMH5061A	Orientation to Public Health	0	8
COMH5024A	Health Measurement	15	8
COMH5152A	Health and Society	15	8
COMH5153A	Approaches to Population Health	15	8
COMH5154A	Designing Effective Public Health Programmes	15	8
PAED5015A	Child Health I	15	8
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
COMH5032A	Management in Health and Health Services	15	8
PAED5020A	Maternal and Child Nutrition	15	8
PAED5010A	A Public Health Approach to Perinatal and Paediatric HIV	15	8
PAED5017A	Maternal Health	15	8
PAED5016A	Child Health II	15	8

**Field of Medical Humanitarian Leadership**

<b>Programme Code: MXA00</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAMHUL50</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 120</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
COMH5061A	Orientation to Public Health	0	8
COMH5167A	Epidemiology and Biostatistics for Medical Humanitarian Action	15	8
COMH5168A	People Management in Medical Humanitarian Contexts	20	8
COMH5169A	Staff Wellness in Humanitarian Settings	15	8
COMH5170A	Operational Research for Medical Humanitarian Action	15	8
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
COMH5171A	Planning and Design of Strategies for Medical Humanitarian Action	20	8
COMH5172A	Operational Management of Medical Humanitarian Action	20	8

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
COMH5173A	Organisational Positioning, Advocacy and Communication in Medical Humanitarian Contexts	15	8

**Field of Rural Health**

<b>Programme Code: MXA00</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFARURH50</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 150</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
COMH5061A	Orientation to Public Health	0	8
COMH5024A	Health Measurement	15	8
COMH5152A	Health and Society	15	8
COMH5153A	Approaches to Population Health	15	8
COMH5154A	Designing Effective Public Health Programmes	15	8
FAMH5002A	The Rural Health Care Context	15	8
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
COMH5032A	Management in Health and Health Services	15	8
FAMH5006A	Community Oriented Primary Care	15	8
FAMH5005A	Development of Rural Health Services – Strategies and Approaches	15	8
FAMH5001A	Quality Improvement in Rural Health Care	15	8
FAMH5003A	The Health of Rural People – Epidemiology and Burden of Disease	15	8

**Field of Social and Behaviour Change Communication**

<b>Programme Code: MXA00</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFASBCC50</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 150</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
COMH5061A	Orientation to Public Health	0	8
COMH5152A	Health and Society	15	8
COMH5153A	Approaches to Population Health	15	8
COMH5154A	Designing Effective Public Health Programmes	15	8
COMH5024A	Health Measurement	15	8
COMH5156A	Planning and Implementing Social and Behaviour Change Communication	15	8



Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
COMH5158A	Integration of Qualitative and Quantitative Research Methods	15	8
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
COMH5150A	Applying Social and Behaviour Change Theory to Practice	15	8
COMH5157A	Social and Behaviour Change Communication Approaches	15	8
COMH5151A	Communication, Media and Society	15	8
COMH5159A	Research, Monitoring and Evaluation	15	8
COMH5032A	Management in Health and Health Services	15	8

iii) *Assessments*

The *assessment* in the *courses* for Year of Study I and II shall be written, oral, and practical, by *continuous assessment* or by a combination of these methods as the *Senate* may determine in each case.

e) **Postgraduate Diploma in Tropical Medicine and Hygiene**

i) *Length of programme*

The *curriculum* extends over one year of full-time study.

<b>Programme Code: MXA15</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPATMH51</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 120</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
CMID5010A	Key Concepts in Tropical Health and Priority Diseases	30	8
CMID5011A	Vector-Borne and other Tropical Infectious Diseases	30	8
CMID5012A	Important Communicable and Non-Communicable Conditions in the Tropics	35	8
CMID5013A	Prevention and Control of Diseases in the Tropics	25	8

**8.1.3.3 Progression and completion rules**

a) **Credit rule**

- A *candidate* shall obtain *credit* in any of the *courses* prescribed for Year of Study I and II: Provided that s/he has successfully completed all requirements for the *course* or *courses* and with the approval of the *Senate*.
- A *candidate* shall not obtain *credit* in any of the *courses* prescribed for any part of a diploma unless s/he completes all such *courses* in the same *academic year*.
- A *candidate* who has been permitted to renew her/his registration for a part of a diploma, may be exempted by the *Senate* from re-attendance at and re-examination in any *course* in which s/he has attained such higher standard than the pass standard as may be determined by the *Senate*\*.

Any such *exemption* shall remain in effect only until the end of the *examination* session of the following *academic year*.

**Rule 8.1.3.3 (a)(iii)****\*Normally this will be 60%.****b) Supplementary examination**

- i) A *candidate* who completes all but one of the *courses* prescribed for any part of a diploma may be permitted by the *Senate* to present herself/himself for a supplementary examination in the *course* that s/he has failed to complete at such time as the *Senate* may determine.

**c) Award of diploma**

The certificate, of a *candidate* who has qualified for the award of the diploma, shall bear the appropriate wording indicating the field of study (and option if applicable).

**d) Conversion of candidature: Postgraduate Diploma in Child Health**

A *candidate* who has completed all the coursework requirements for the Postgraduate Diploma in Child Health, and who wishes to register for the degree, Master of Science in Medicine in the field of Child Health may, by permission of the *Senate*, proceed in terms of the rules for the degree. Such *candidate* shall, before the degree is conferred upon her/him, surrender the Postgraduate Diploma.

**e) Conversion of candidature: Postgraduate Diploma in Public Health**

A *candidate* who has completed all the coursework requirements for the Postgraduate Diploma in Public Health, and who wishes to register for the degree, Master of Public Health may, by permission of the *Senate*, proceed in terms of the rules for this degree. Such *candidate* shall, before the degree is conferred upon her/him, surrender the Postgraduate Diploma in Public Health.

**8.1.4 Postgraduate Diploma in Health Sciences Education (MXA13)****8.1.4.1 Admission rules****a) Admission requirements**

Any of the following may be admitted by the *Senate* as a *candidate* for the Postgraduate Diploma in Health Sciences Education provided that s/he has a minimum of two years of relevant teaching experience in a health sciences related field:

- i) A graduate of this or *any other University* who has been awarded one of the following degrees:
  - Bachelor of Dental Science;
  - Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery;
  - Bachelor of Nursing;
  - Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy;
  - Bachelor of Pharmacy;
  - Bachelor of Science in Physiotherapy;
  - Bachelor of Arts in Speech and Hearing Therapy;
  - Bachelor of Health Sciences Honours.
- ii) A graduate who has been awarded any other *qualification*, the *curriculum* of which extends over not less than four years of full-time study, of this or *any other university*, and who, in the opinion of the *Senate*, is sufficiently qualified to undertake the field of study proposed.
- iii) Any other person, who has satisfied the *Senate*, by means of a written or oral test (or both), or by any other mode of *assessment* to be determined from time to time by the *Senate*, that s/he is sufficiently qualified to undertake the field of study proposed.

### 8.1.4.2 Curriculum rules

#### a) Length of programme

The *curriculum* for the Postgraduate Diploma in Health Sciences Education extends over not less than one year of full-time study, or two years of part-time study.

<b>Programme Code: MXA13</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPAHSE50</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 120</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
SCMD5001A	Theories of Teaching and Learning	30	8
SCMD5002A	Teaching Methodologies for Health Science Education	30	8
SCMD5003A	Essentials of Assessment in Health Science Education	30	8
SCMD5004A	Curriculum Design for Health Science Education	30	8

### 8.1.4.3 Progression and completion rules

#### a) Credit and supplementary examination

- i) A candidate shall obtain *credit* in any course that s/he completes, to the satisfaction of *Senate*.
- ii) A candidate who completes one or two courses included in his/ her *curriculum* to the satisfaction of *Senate* may be permitted by the *Senate* to present herself/himself for supplementary examination in the course or courses that s/he has failed to complete.

## 8.1.5 Postgraduate Diplomas in Critical Care Nursing (MXA16), Emergency Nursing (MXA17), Infection Prevention and Control Nursing (MXA18), Nursing Education (MXA19) – Pending accreditation from the Council on Higher Education as well as SAQA registration

### 8.1.5.1 Admission rules

#### a) Admission requirements

Any of the following may be admitted by the *Senate* as a *candidate* for the Postgraduate Diplomas in Child Nursing, Mental Health Nursing and Midwifery provided that s/he is:

- i) The holder of a Bachelor of Nursing *qualification* of the *University*; or
- ii) A graduate of *any other university* who has satisfied the *Senate* by means of a written or oral test (or both) or by means of any other mode of assessment to be determined from time to time by the *Senate* that s/he is qualified to undertake the line of study proposed or research (or both); or
- iii) A graduate who has been awarded a *qualification* of a diploma in nursing under Nursing Regulation 425 of this or any other higher education institution, who, in the opinion of the *Senate*, is sufficiently qualified to undertake the field of study proposed; and
- iv) Registered as a Professional Nurse and Midwife or a General Nurse with an Advanced Diploma in Midwifery *qualification*, with the South African Nursing Council; and
- v) Has a minimum of two years' experience as a professional nurse or general nurse and midwife, which includes the prescribed period of community service, where applicable, as determined by legislation.

**8.1.5.2 Curriculum rules****a) Postgraduate Diploma in Critical Care Nursing****i) Length of programme**

The *curriculum* for the postgraduate diploma shall extend over not less than two academic years of part-time study.

<b>Programme Code: MXA16</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFACCN50</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 120</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
NRSE5020A	Scholarship and Fundamentals of Critical Care Nursing	52	8
NRSE5021A	Specialist Practice of Critical Care Nursing	68	8

**b) Postgraduate Diploma in Emergency Nursing**

<b>Programme Code: MXA17</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAEMNS50</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 120</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
NRSE5022A	Scholarship and Fundamentals of Emergency Nursing	57	8
NRSE5023AA	Specialist Practice of Emergency Nursing	63	8

**c) Postgraduate Diploma in Infection Prevention and Control Nursing**

<b>Programme Code: MXA18</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAIPCN50</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 120</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
NRSE5024A	Scholarship and Fundamentals of Infection Prevention and Control Nursing	48	8
NRSE5025A	Specialist Practice of Infection Prevention and Control Nursing	72	8

**d) Postgraduate Diploma in Nursing Education**

<b>Programme Code: MXA19</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFANRED0</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 120</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
NRSE5026A	Scholarship and Fundamentals of Nursing Education	60	8
NRSE5027A	Specialist Practice of Nursing Education	60	8

### 8.1.5.3 Progression and completion rules

#### a) Credit and supplementary examination

- i) A candidate shall obtain *credit* in any course that s/he completes, to the satisfaction of Senate.
- ii) A candidate may be permitted by the Senate to present herself/himself for supplementary examination in the course(s) that s/he has failed to complete.
- iii) A candidate who has been permitted to renew her/his registration for a part of a postgraduate diploma, may be exempted by the Senate from re-attendance at and re-examination in any course in which s/he has attained such higher standard than the pass standard as may be determined by the Senate.

## 8.2 General Degrees

Qualification Name	Degree Code	NQF Exit Level
<b>Bachelor of Health Sciences Honours – BHSci(Hons)</b> <b>In the fields of:</b> Anatomical Pathology Bioethics and Health Law Biokinetics Chemical Pathology Clinical Microbiology & Infectious Diseases Exercise Science Experimental Physiology Forensic Sciences Health Systems Sciences Human Biology Human Genetics Immunology Medical Cell Biology Molecular Medicine and Medical Biochemistry Neuroscience Pharmacology (Health Sciences track) Pharmacology (Biosciences track) Public Health Virology	MHA00  MFAANAP40 MFABAHL40 MFASTHS41 MFACHEP40 MFACMID40 MFAESCI40 MFAPHSL40 MFAFORM40 MFAHESS40 MFAHBIO40 MFAHUMG40 MFAIMML40 MFAANAT40 MFAHAEM40 MFANEUR40 MFAPHSC40 MFAPBIO40 MFAPUBH40 MFAVIRL40	8
<b>Bachelor of Clinical Medical Practice Honours – BCMP(Hons)</b> <b>In the field of:</b> Emergency Medicine	MHA01  MFABCMP41	8

### 8.2.1 Bachelor of Health Sciences Honours

#### 8.2.1.1 Admission rules

##### a) Admission requirements

- i) Subject to the provisions of Rules 8.2.1.1 (b) and 8.2.1.1 (c) the honours subject/field of study selected by a candidate shall be, save by permission of the Senate, one in which s/he passed the relevant major course or courses at this University or any other university whose programme has been approved by Senate.
- ii) A person may not normally be admitted as a candidate for Honours in a subject unless s/he has attained a minimum of 60 percent average in the final undergraduate course or courses; but, in special circumstances, a student may be given permission by the

*Senate* to be admitted as a *candidate* if s/he has a *qualification* that the *Senate* considers adequate for the purpose of *admission*.

- iii) All applications for *admission* to the Bachelor of Health Sciences Honours are assessed on an individual basis taking into account past experience and education. In special circumstances, a *student* may be given permission by the *Senate* to be admitted as a *candidate* if s/he has a *qualification* that the *Senate* considers adequate for the purpose of *admission*.
- iv) Any one of the following may be admitted by the *Senate* as a *candidate* for the degree, Bachelor of Health Sciences Honours:
  - A. A Bachelor of Health Science of the *University*: Provided that, by special permission of the *Senate*, a person who has obtained *credit* in all but one of the *courses* contained in her/his programme for the degree, Bachelor of Health Sciences may be admitted as a *candidate* for the degree, Bachelor of Health Sciences Honours and be registered concurrently for the degree, Bachelor of Health Sciences: Provided further that such *candidate* shall not be eligible to qualify for the award of the Bachelor of Health Sciences Honours until s/he has obtained *credit* in the *course* outstanding for the degree, Bachelor of Health Sciences.
  - B. A Bachelor of Health Sciences of any *other university*.
  - C. A graduate of the *University* who holds a *qualification* in another faculty, if the *Senate* has determined that the academic discipline in which the *qualification* was obtained is relevant to the Honours subject for which s/he wishes to register.
  - D. A *student* may be admitted to the Bachelor of Health Sciences Honours if they have completed MBBS III or MBBS IV. They should have a mark of a minimum of 60 percent in the second year subject of relevance to the Honours and a minimum of 70 percent in the integrated *course* or *courses* Basic Medical and Human Sciences A or both A and B in the case of *admission* from MBBS IV.

## b) Requirements for admission to fields of study

The following requirements are prescribed for *admission* to particular subjects. Except with the permission of the *Senate*, an *applicant* shall not be admitted as a *candidate* for the Honours degree in the subjects listed under A unless s/he has obtained *credit* in a *course* or *courses* listed under B, or equivalent as acceptable to the *Senate*.

A. Field of Study	B. Prerequisites
Anatomical Pathology	A second-class pass in a minimum of one biological discipline as a major.
Bioethics and Health Law	Successful completion of any bachelors' degree with a minimum of 65% average in the final undergraduate <i>course</i> or <i>courses</i> .
Biokinetics	Exercise Science III or Human Movement Science III, or has obtained <i>credit</i> at another <i>university</i> in a <i>course</i> which, in the opinion of the <i>Senate</i> represents an equivalent standard.
Chemical Pathology	A second-class pass in a minimum of one biological discipline as a major.
Clinical Microbiology & Infectious Diseases	A second-class pass in a minimum of one biological discipline as a major.
Exercise Science	Exercise Science III, or has obtained <i>credit</i> at another <i>university</i> in a <i>course</i> which, in the opinion of the <i>Senate</i> represents an equivalent standard.

A. Field of Study	B. Prerequisites
Experimental Physiology	Physiology III or its equivalent, or has obtained <i>credit</i> at another <i>university</i> in a <i>course</i> which, in the opinion of the <i>Senate</i> represents an equivalent standard.
Forensic Sciences	A second-class pass in a minimum of one biological discipline as a major.
Health Systems Sciences	A second-class pass in a minimum of one of the following disciplines: Health Systems Sciences, Biological Sciences, Social Sciences, Data Science, Economics and Management Sciences or has obtained <i>credit</i> in a <i>course</i> which, in the opinion of the <i>Senate</i> represents an equivalent standard.
Human Biology	A second-class pass in a minimum of one biological discipline as a major including a major level <i>course</i> in anatomy.
Human Genetics	A second-class pass in a minimum of one biological discipline as a major.
Medical Cell Biology	A second-class pass in a minimum of one biological discipline as a major.
Molecular Medicine and Medical Biochemistry	A second-class pass in a minimum of one biological discipline as a major.
Neuroscience	A second-class pass in a minimum of one biological discipline as a major.
Pharmacology (Health Sciences track)	A second-class pass in Pharmacology III, or its equivalent, or has obtained <i>credit</i> at another <i>university</i> in a <i>course</i> which, in the opinion of the <i>Senate</i> represents an equivalent standard.
Pharmacology (Biosciences track)	A second-class pass in one of the following: Human Biology, Anatomy, Psychology, Physiology, Microbiology, Genetics, Chemistry, Zoology, Botany or Biochemistry or one of the subjects in the Animal, Plant and Environmental Sciences. Pharmacology <i>course</i> not deemed an equivalent standard to PHAR3004A.
Virology	A second-class pass in a minimum of one biological discipline as a major.

### 8.2.1.2 Curriculum rules

#### a) Length of programme

The *curriculum* for the Bachelor of Health Sciences Honours extends over not less than one year of full-time study, or two years of part-time study.

#### b) Fields of study

The degree is offered in the following fields of study:

Anatomical Pathology	: (MFAANAP40)
Bioethics and Health Law	: (MFABAHL40)
Biokinetics	: (MFASTHS41)
Chemical Pathology	: (MFACHEP40)
Clinical Microbiology & Infectious Diseases	: (MFACMID40)
Exercise Science	: (MFAESCI40)

Experimental Physiology	: (MFAPHSL40)
Forensic Sciences	: (MFAFORM40)
Health Systems Sciences	: (MFAHESS40)
Human Biology	: (MFAHBIO40)
Human Genetics	: (MFAHUMG40)
Immunology	: (MFAIMML40)
Medical Cell Biology	: (MFAANAT40)
Molecular Medicine and Medical Biochemistry	: (MFAHAEM40)
Neuroscience	: (MFANEUR40)
Pharmacology (Biosciences track)	: (MFAPBIO40)
Pharmacology (Health Sciences track)	: (MFAPHSC40)
Public Health	: (MFAPUBH40)
Virology	: (MFAVIRL40)

**Field of Anatomical Pathology**

<b>Programme Code: MHA00</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAANAP40</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 140</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
ANAP4001A	Anatomical Pathology Honours Coursework	80	8
ANAP4002A	Anatomical Pathology Honours Research Essay	60	8

**Field of Bioethics and Health Law**

<b>Programme Code: MHA00</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFABAHL40</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 140</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
SCMD4001A	Bioethics and Health Law Honours Coursework	70	8
SCMD4002A	Bioethics and Health Law Honours Research Essay	70	8

**Field of Biokinetics**

<b>Programme Code: MHA00</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFASTHS41</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 120</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
ESSM4000A	Practice Management	6	8
ESSM4001A	Professional Internship and Experiential Learning	50	8



Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
ESSM4002A	Rehabilitation of Chronic Diseases and Disabilities	12	8
ESSM4003A	Special Populations and Disability in Sport	10	8
ESSM4004A	Orthopaedic Conditions and Rehabilitation	12	8
ESSM4005A	Biokinetics Research Essay	30	8

**Field of Chemical Pathology**

<b>Programme Code: MHA00</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFACHEP40</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 140</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
CHEP4003A	Chemical Pathology Honours Coursework	70	8
CHEP4004A	Chemical Pathology Honours Research Essay	70	8

**Field of Clinical Microbiology & Infectious Diseases**

<b>Programme Code: MHA00</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFACMID40</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 140</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
CMID4001A	Clinical Microbiology & Infectious Diseases Honours Coursework	70	8
CMID4002A	Clinical Microbiology & Infectious Diseases Honours Research Essay	70	8

**Field of Exercise Science**

<b>Programme Code: MHA00</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAESCI40</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 120</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
STHS4013A	Concepts and Applications of the Exercise Sciences	15	8
STHS4009A	Strength and Conditioning Physiology	15	8
STHS4011A	Strength and Conditioning Programme Design	20	8
STHS4012A	Periodisation Training for Sports	20	8
STHS4010A	Athlete Testing, Evaluation and Monitoring	15	8
STHS4008A	Research Report	35	8

**Field of Experimental Physiology**

<b>Programme Code: MHA00</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAPHSL40</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 140</b>

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>NQF Credits</b>	<b>NQF Level</b>
PHSL4005A	Experimental Physiology Honours Coursework	70	8
PHSL4006A	Experimental Physiology Honours Research Essay	70	8

**Field of Forensic Sciences**

<b>Programme Code: MHA00</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAFORM40</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 144</b>

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>NQF Credits</b>	<b>NQF Level</b>
FORM4003A	Forensic Sciences	90	8
FORM4004A	Forensic Sciences Research Essay	54	8

**Field of Health Systems Sciences**

<b>Programme Code: MHA00</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAHESS40</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 140</b>

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>NQF Credits</b>	<b>NQF Level</b>
FAMH4012A	Research Methodology	10	8
FAMH4001A	Developing Health System Competencies (Continuous Personal Development)	10	8
FAMH4000A	Contemporary Health	10	8
FAMH4018A	Systems Health	10	8
FAMH4014A	Responsible Health	10	8
FAMH4007A	Innovative Health	10	8
FAMH4017A	Learning in the Workplace	30	8
FAMH4013A	Research Project	30	8

*and all courses for one of the following streams:*

**Health Systems Researcher**

FAMH4009A	Leading Health Systems Research	10	8
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One elective *course* from the list below.

Research Project (mentioned above): Journal Article

**Health Entrepreneurship**

FAMH4003A	Health Entrepreneurship	10	8
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Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
One elective <i>course</i> from the list below.			
Research Project (mentioned above): Business Proposal			
<b>Health Systems Administrator / Leader</b>			
FAMH4002A	Health Analysis and Quality Improvement	10	8
One elective <i>course</i> from the list below.			
Research Project (mentioned above): Report / Strategy			
<b>Health Analytics</b>			
FAMH4008A	Introduction to Health Analytics	10	8
FAMH4004A	Health Analytics	10	8
Research Project (mentioned above): Predictive Modeling or other Health Analytics Project			
Elective <i>courses</i> :			
FAMH4009A	Leading Health Systems Research	10	8
FAMH4003A	Health Entrepreneurship	10	8
FAMH4002A	Health Analyses and Quality Improvement	10	8
FAMH4011A	Medical and Health Humanities	10	8
FAMH4006A	Health Ethics	10	8
FAMH4010A	Managing Health Projects	10	8

**Field of Human Biology**

<b>Programme Code: MHA00</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAHBIO40</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 140</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
ANAT4013A	Human Biology Honours Coursework	70	8
ANAT4014A	Human Biology Honours Research Essay	70	8

**Field of Human Genetics**

<b>Programme Code: MHA00</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAHUMG40</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 140</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
HUMG4005A	Human Genetics Honours Coursework	70	8
HUMG4006A	Human Genetics Honours Research Essay	70	8

## Field of Immunology

<b>Programme Code: MHA00</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAIMML40</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 140</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
IMML4001A	Immunology Honours Coursework	70	8
IMML4002A	Immunology Honours Research Essay	70	8

## Field of Medical Cell Biology

<b>Programme Code: MHA00</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAANAT40</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 140</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
ANAT4015A	Medical Cell Biology Honours Coursework	70	8
ANAT4016A	Medical Cell Biology Honours Research Essay	70	8

## Field of Molecular Medicine and Medical Biochemistry

<b>Programme Code: MHA00</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAHAEM40</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 140</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
HAEM4007A	Molecular Medicine Honours Coursework	70	8
HAEM4008A	Molecular Medicine Honours Research Essay	70	8

## Field of Neuroscience

<b>Programme Code: MHA00</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFANEUR40</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 140</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
ANAT4017A	Neuroscience Honours Coursework	84	8
ANAT4018A	Neuroscience Research Essay	56	8

## Field of Pharmacology (Biosciences track)

<b>Programme Code: MHA00</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAPBIO40</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 140</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PHAR4011A	Pharmacology Biosciences Theory Module	70	8

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PHAR4010A	Pharmacology Research Essay	70	8

**Field of Pharmacology (Health Sciences track)**

<b>Programme Code: MHA00</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAPHSC40</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 140</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PHAR4009A	Pharmacology Health Sciences Theory Module	70	8
PHAR4010A	Pharmacology Research Essay	70	8

**Field of Public Health**

<b>Programme Code: MHA00</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAPUBH40</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 140</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
COMH4008A	Principles of Epidemiology	20	8
COMH4007A	Principles of Biostatistics	20	8
COMH4002A	Public Health Honours Research Essay	60	8
and <b>two</b> of the following elective courses:			
COMH4005A	Introduction to Implementation Science	20	8
COMH4001A	Health Equity and the Social Context	20	8
COMH4004A	Gender-Based Analysis (GBA) in Infectious Diseases and Climate Change	20	8
COMH4006A	Planning Health Communication Programmes	20	8
COMH4003A	Approaches to Social and Behaviour Change	20	8
SOSS4015A	Basic Demographic Methods	23	8

**Field of Virology**

<b>Programme Code: MHA00</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 8</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAVIRL40</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 140</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
VIRL4001A	Coursework in Virology	70	8
VIRL4002A	Research Essay in Virology	70	8

### 8.2.1.3 Progression and Completion Rules

#### a) Completion of requirements

A *candidate* who has not satisfied all the requirements for the Honours degree, including the submission of required *Research Reports*, by the second Friday in December of the year of her/his registration shall be deemed to have failed the Honours *examination* unless the *Senate* grants her/him an extension of time. If the *Senate* grants her/him an extension of time, s/he will be required to register for the new *academic year*.

#### b) Re-assessment

A *candidate* who fails an Honours *examination* or part of an *examination* may be permitted by the *Senate* to present herself/himself for the *examination* again or that part of it at such time as the *Senate* may determine. Such a *candidate* may be required to re-attend the *course* or such parts of the *course* as the *Senate* may determine prior to such re-examination.

## 8.2.2 Bachelor of Clinical Medical Practice Honours

### 8.2.2.1 Admission rules

- a) A person may not normally be admitted as a *candidate* for Honours in a subject unless s/he has attained a minimum of 60 percent average in the final undergraduate *course* or *courses*; but, in special circumstances, a *student* may be given permission by the *Senate* to be admitted as a *candidate* if s/he has a *qualification* that the *Senate* considers adequate for the purpose of *admission*.
- b) All applications for *admission* to the Bachelor of Clinical Medical Practice Honours are assessed on an individual basis taking into account past experience and education. In special circumstances, a *student* may be given permission by the *Senate* to be admitted as a *candidate* if s/he has a *qualification* that the *Senate* considers adequate for the purpose of *admission*.
- c) Any one of the following may be admitted by the *Senate* as a *candidate* for the degree, Bachelor of Clinical Medical Practice Honours:
  - i) A Bachelor of Clinical Medical Practice of the *University*: Provided that, by special permission of the *Senate*, a person who has obtained *credit* in all but one of the *courses* contained in her/his programme for the degree, Bachelor of Clinical Medical Practice may be admitted as a *candidate* for the degree, Bachelor of Clinical Medical Practice Honours and be registered concurrently for the degree, Bachelor of Clinical Medical Practice: Provided further that such *candidate* shall not be eligible to qualify for the award of the Bachelor of Clinical Medical Practice Honours until s/he has obtained *credit* in the *course* outstanding for the degree, Bachelor of Clinical Medical Practice.
  - ii) A Bachelor of Clinical Medical Practice of *any other university*.

### 8.2.2.2 Requirements for admission to field of study

A. Field of Study	B. Prerequisites
Emergency Medicine	A second-class pass in Applied Clinical Medical Practice (SCMD3003A) or equivalent.

### 8.2.2.3 Curriculum rules

#### a) Length of programme

The *curriculum* for the Bachelor of Clinical Medical Practice Honours extends over not less than two years of part-time study.

Programme Code: MHA01	NQF Exit Level: 8
Plan Code: MFABCMP41	Total NQF Credits: 140

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
SCMD4006A	Advanced Clinical Medical Practice in Emergency Medicine I	50	8
SCMD4009A	Theory and Methods in Clinical Medical Research	20	8
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
SCMD4008A	Clinical Medical Research Report	20	8
SCMD4007A	Advanced Clinical Medical Practice in Emergency Medicine II	50	8

## 8.3 Masters

Qualification Name	Degree Code	NQF Exit Level
Master of Dentistry — MDent <b>In the specialty of:</b> Oral Pathology Master of Dentistry in Community Dentistry Master of Dentistry in Maxillo-Facial and Oral Surgery Master of Dentistry in Orthodontics Master of Dentistry in Periodontology and Oral Medicine Master of Dentistry in Prosthodontics	MC014  MFOSOPAT60 MCA52 MCA55 MCA53 MCA54 MCA56	9
Master of Medicine in Anaesthesia	MCA21	9
Master of Medicine in Anatomical Pathology	MCA22	9
Master of Medicine in Cardio-Thoracic Surgery	MCA23	9
Master of Medicine in Chemical Pathology	MCA24	9
Master of Medicine in Clinical Pathology	MCA25	9
Master of Medicine in Community Health <b>In the fields of:</b> Occupational Medicine Public Health Medicine	MCA58  MFAOCCM60 MFAPUHM60	9
Master of Medicine in Dermatology	MCA26	9
Master of Medicine in Diagnostic Radiology	MCA27	9
Master of Medicine in Emergency Medicine	MCA28	9
Master of Medicine in Family Medicine	MCA29	9
Master of Medicine in Forensic Pathology	MCA30	9
Master of Medicine in Haematological Pathology	MCA31	9
Master of Medicine in Internal Medicine	MCA32	9
Master of Medicine in Medical Genetics	MCA33	9
Master of Medicine in Microbiological Pathology	MCA34	9
Master of Medicine in Neurology	MCA36	9
Master of Medicine in Neurological Surgery	MCA35	9

Qualification Name	Degree Code	NQF Exit Level
Master of Medicine in Nuclear Medicine	MCA37	9
Master of Medicine in Obstetrics and Gynaecology	MCA38	9
Master of Medicine in Ophthalmology	MCA40	9
Master of Medicine in Orthopaedic Surgery	MCA41	9
Master of Medicine in Otorhinolaryngology	MCA42	9
Master of Medicine in Paediatric Surgery	MCA43	9
Master of Medicine in Paediatrics	MCA44	9
Master of Medicine in Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery	MCA45	9
Master of Medicine in Psychiatry	MCA46	9
Master of Medicine in Radiation Oncology	MCA48	9
Master of Medicine in Surgery <b>In the fields of:</b> General Surgery Paediatric Surgery	MCA59  MFASURG60 MFAPAES60	9
Master of Medicine in Urology	MCA50	9
Master of Medicine in Virology	MCA51	9
Master of Pharmacy by <i>Dissertation</i> — MPharm	MRA03	9
Master of Public Health — MPH <b>In the fields of:</b> Exposure and Health Health Economics Health Systems and Policy Maternal and Child Health Occupational Hygiene Rural Health Social and Behaviour Change Communication	MCA17  MFAESCI61 MFAHECN61 MFAHSAP62 MFAMACH62 MFAOCCH62 MFARURH62 MFASBCC62	9
Master of Health Sciences Education by coursework and <i>Research Report</i> – MHSc(Ed)	MCA18	9
Master of Science in Dentistry by <i>Dissertation</i> — MSc(Dent) <b>In the fields of:</b> Aesthetic Dentistry Community Dentistry Cranio-Mandibular Dysfunction Endodontics Implantology Prosthodontics Maxillo-Facial Radiology Oral Pathology Oral Medicine Orthodontics Maxillo-Facial Radiology Paedodontics	MRA04  MFAAESD70 MFACOMD70 MFACRMD70 MFAENDO70 MFAIMPLA70 MFAPROS70 MFAMFRA70 MFAOPAT70 MFAORAM70 MFAORTD70 MFAMFOS70 MFAPEDO70	9



Qualification Name	Degree Code	NQF Exit Level
Master of Science in Dentistry by coursework and <i>Research Report</i> — MSc(Med) <b>In the fields of:</b> Community Dentistry Digital Operative Dentistry Endodontics Implantology Maxillo-Facial Oral Surgery Maxillo-Facial Radiology Oral Medicine Oral Pathology Orthodontics Paedodontics Prosthodontics Restorative Dentistry	MCA07  MFACMYD60 MFADOPD60 MFAENDO60 MFAIMPL60 MFAMFOS60 MFAMFRA60 MFAORAM60 MFAORPA60 MFAORTD60 MFAPEDO60 MFAPRST60 MFAREST60	9
Master of Science in Medicine by <i>Dissertation</i> — MSc(Med) <b>In the fields of:</b> Anaesthetics Anatomical Pathology Anatomical Sciences Biokinetics Chemical Pathology Clinical and Experimental Pharmacology Clinical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases Community Health Critical Care Diagnostic Radiology Emergency Medicine Exposure Science Family Medicine Forensic Medicine Haematology and Molecular Medicine Health Analytics Health and Medical Humanities Health Entrepreneurship Health Innovation Health Sciences Education Health Systems Science Human Genetics Immunology Internal Medicine Material Science Microbiology Neurosurgery Nursing Obstetrics and Gynaecology Occupational Therapy Oral Pathology Oral Biology Orthopaedic Surgery	MRA05 MFAANAE70 MFAANAP70 MFAANAT70 MFABIOK70 MFACHEP70 MFACEXP70 MFACMID70 MFACOMH70 MFACRIT70 MFARADD70 MFAEMED70 MFAEXSC70 MFAFAMH70 MFAFORM70 MFAHAEM70 MFAHEAN70 MFAMEDH70 MFAHENT70 MFAHEIN70 MFASCMD70 MFAHESS70 MFAHUMG70 MFAIMML70 MFAMEDC70 MFAMATS70 MFAOMCB70 MFANEUS70 MFANRSE70 MFAOBSG70 MFAOCC70 MFAORPA70 MFAORAB70 MFAORTS70	9

Qualification Name	Degree Code	NQF Exit Level
Ophthalmology Paediatrics Pharmacology Pharmacy Physiology Physiotherapy Psychiatry Radiation Oncology Rural Health Surgery Therapeutic Sciences Virology Wits Reproductive and HIV Institute	MFAOPHT70 MFAPAED70 MFAPHAR70 MFAPACY70 MFAPHSL70 MFAPHST70 MFAPSMH70 MFARASE70 MFARURH70 MFASURG70 MFASTHS70 MFAVIRL70 MFAWRHI70	9
Master of Science in Medicine by coursework and <i>Research Report</i> — MSc(Med) <b>In the fields of:</b> Bioethics and Health Law Biokinetics Biology and Control of African Disease Vectors Child Health (Community Paediatrics) Child Health (Neurodevelopment) Child Life and Paediatric Psychosocial Care Emergency Medicine Exposure Science Genetic Counselling Genomic Medicine Pharmaceutical Affairs Clinical Pharmacy Sports Medicine Sports Science Translational Research Vaccinology	MCA08  MFABAHL60 MFABIOK60 MFABCAD60 MFACHCP60 MFACHND60 MFACLPP60 MFAEMRM60 MFAEXSC60 MFAGENC61 MFAGENM61 MFAPHAF60 MFACPHY60 MFASPOM60 MFASPSC60 MFATRAR60 MFAVACC61	9
Master of Science in Epidemiology — MSc(Epi) <b>In the fields of:</b> Epidemiology and Biostatistics Field Epidemiology Infectious Disease Epidemiology Public Health Informatics Implementation Science Biostatistics	MCA16  MFAEBIO62 MFAFEPI61 MFAIDEP62 MFAPHIN61 MFAIMPS61 MFABIOS61	9
Master of Science in Nursing – MSc(Nursing) by Dissertation	MRA02	9

Qualification Name	Degree Code	NQF Exit Level
Master of Science in Occupational Therapy –MSc(Occupational Therapy) by <i>Dissertation</i> by coursework and <i>Research Report</i> <b>In the fields of:</b> Neurological Disorders Perceptual Disorders Psychiatric Disorders	MRA01 MCA11	9
Master of Science in Physiotherapy — MSc(Physiotherapy) by <i>Dissertation</i> by coursework and <i>Research Report</i> <b>In the fields of:</b> Community Physiotherapy Neurology and Neurosurgery Physiotherapy Neuromusculoskeletal Physiotherapy Orthopaedic Surgery Physiotherapy Paediatric Physiotherapy (General) Paediatric Physiotherapy (Neurology) Physiotherapeutic Musculoskeletal Pain Management Respirology, Cardiology and Cardiothoracic Surgery Physiotherapy Sports and Exercise Physiotherapy Traumatology Physiotherapy	MRA00 MCA57  MFACOMP60 MFANNSP60 MFANMSK60 MFAORSP60 MFAPEPG60 MFAPEPN60 MFAPMPM60 MFARCCS60  MFASPEP60 MFATRMP60	9

### 8.3.1 Master of Dentistry

#### 8.3.1.1 Admission rules

##### a) Admission requirements

Any of the following may be admitted as a *candidate* for the degree provided s/he is registered as a dentist by the Health Professions Council of South Africa and has held the *qualification* referred to in (i) and/or (ii) below for a minimum of two years\*.

**\*This does not apply to the specialty of Oral Pathology.**

- i) A Bachelor of Dental Science or Bachelor of Dental Surgery of this *University*, or
- ii) A graduate of *any other university* or institution who has been accepted as a *candidate* for the degree, Master of Dentistry by virtue of having passed at *any other university* or institution such *assessments* as are, in the opinion of the *Senate* equivalent to the Bachelor of Dental Science of the *University*.
- iii) In the case of a foreign graduate wishing to train as a supernumerary registrar, s/he has limited registration with the Health Professions Council of South Africa.
- iv) S/he is the holder of a training post in the Wits Dental Hospital.
- v) S/he accepts the condition that, whether as Registrar or Supernumerary Registrar, s/he may be subject to a period of probation of a maximum of one year and that at the end of this period, the department or division concerned may advise the *Senate* that the registration of the *candidate* be cancelled.

## 8.3.1.2 Curriculum rules

## a) Length of programme

The *curriculum* for the degree extends over four years of full-time study as set out below.

**Master of Dentistry in the specialty of Oral Pathology**

<b>Programme Code: MC014</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFOSOPAT60</b>	<b>Total Wits Points: 240</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Part I</b>			
The <i>curriculum</i> extends over not less than two <i>academic years</i> .			
ANAP7000	Morbid Anatomy and Histopathology	30	9
ANAP7002	Application of Basic Sciences in Pathology	30	9
EXPD7000	Research Techniques	60	9
<b>Part II</b>			
The <i>curriculum</i> extends over not less than two <i>academic years</i> .			
OPAT7017	Oral Pathology O	60	9
OPAT7018	Research Report	60	9

**Master of Dentistry in Community Dentistry**

<b>Programme Code: MCA52</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPACOMD60</b>	<b>Total NQF Points: 480</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
COMH7221A	Health and Society	15	9
COMH7047A	Health Measurement I	15	9
COMH7222A	Approaches to Population Health	15	9
COMH7048A	Health Measurement II	15	9
COMD7010A	Community Dentistry I	25	9
COMD7009A	Research Report I	20	9
EXPD7000A	Research Techniques	15	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
COMD7011A	Community Dentistry II	65	9
COMD7012A	Clinical Community Diagnosis I	20	9
COMD7013A	Research Report II	35	9
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
COMD7008A	Community Dentistry III	60	9

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
COMD7016A	Clinical Community Diagnosis II	20	9
COMD7014A	Research Report III	40	9
<b>Year of Study IV</b>			
COMD7017A	Community Dentistry IV	46	9
COMD7019A	Clinical Community Diagnosis III	54	9
COMD7018A	Research Report IV	20	9

### Master of Dentistry in Maxillo-Facial and Oral Surgery

<b>Programme Code: MCA55</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPAMFOS60</b>	<b>Total NQF Points: 480</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
ANAT7013A	Applied Anatomy for Dentists	15	9
PHSL7001A	Physiology	15	9
OPAT7010A	Applied Pathology for Dentists	15	9
EXPD7000A	Research Techniques	15	9
SURG7067A	Maxillo-Facial and Oral Surgery I	30	9
SURG7068A	Research Report I	30	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
OPAT7027A	Oral Pathology	20	9
SURG7069A	Maxillo-Facial and Oral Surgery II	50	9
SURG7070A	Research Report II	30	9
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
OPAT7028A	Oral Pathology II	15	9
ANAE7008A	Principles and Practice of Anaesthesia	55	9
SURG7071A	Maxillo-Facial and Oral Surgery III	30	9
SURG7024A	General Principles of Surgery	20	9
SURG7072A	Research Report III	20	9
<b>Year of Study IV</b>			
SURG7049A	Principles and Practice of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery	60	9
SURG7073A	Maxillo-Facial and Oral Surgery IV	30	9
SURG7074A	Research Report IV	30	9

**Master of Dentistry in Orthodontics**

<b>Programme Code: MCA53</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPAORTD60</b>	<b>Total NQF Points: 481</b>

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>NQF Credits</b>	<b>NQF Level</b>
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
ANAT7013A	Applied Anatomy for Dentists	15	9
PHSL7001A	Physiology	15	9
OPAT7010A	Applied Pathology for Dentists	15	9
EXPD7000A	Research Techniques	15	9
ORTD7013A	Clinical Practice in Orthodontics I	30	9
ORTD7022A	Research Report I	20	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
ORTD7014A	Clinical Practice in Orthodontics II	65	9
ORTD7038A	Cranio-Facial Anomalies I	15	9
OPAT7026A	Oral Pathology	5	9
ORTD7023A	Research Report II	35	9
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
ORTD7015A	Clinical Practice in Orthodontics III	60	9
ORTD7039A	Cranio-Facial Anomalies II	15	9
ORTD7026A	Developmental and Educational Psychology	6	9
ORTD7035A	Research Report III	40	9
<b>Year of Study IV</b>			
ORTD7037A	Clinical Practice in Orthodontics IV	45	9
ORTD7025A	Practice Administration	10	9
ORTD7040A	Cranio-Facial Anomalies III	15	9
ORTD7036A	Research Report IV	60	9

**Master of Dentistry in Periodontology and Oral Medicine**

<b>Programme Code: MCA54</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPAORMP60</b>	<b>Total NQF Points: 480</b>

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>NQF Credits</b>	<b>NQF Level</b>
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
ANAT7013A	Applied Anatomy for Dentists	15	9
PHSL7001A	Physiology	15	9
OPAT7010A	Applied Pathology for Dentists	15	9

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
EXPD7000A	Research Techniques	15	9
ORMP7025A	Oral Medicine I	15	9
ORMP7021A	Periodontology I	15	9
SURG7033A	Implantology I	15	9
ORMP7029A	Research Report I	15	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
OPAT7025A	Oral Microbiology	20	9
PHAR7003A	Dental Pharmacology	15	9
ORMP7022A	Periodontology II	20	9
ORMP7026A	Oral Medicine II	20	9
SURG7034A	Implantology II	20	9
ORMP7030A	Research Report II	25	9
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
ORMP7023A	Periodontology III	20	9
ORMP7027A	Oral Medicine III	20	9
OPAT7024A	Oral Pathology	20	9
SURG7035A	Implantology III	20	9
ORMP7031A	Research Report III	40	9
<b>Year of Study IV</b>			
ORMP7024A	Periodontology IV	20	9
ORMP7028A	Oral Medicine IV	20	9
SURG7036A	Implantology IV	20	9
ORMP7032A	Research Report IV	60	9

**Master of Dentistry in Prosthodontics**

<b>Programme Code: MCA56</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPAPROD60</b>	<b>Total NQF Points: 480</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
ANAT7013A	Applied Anatomy for Dentists	15	9
PHSL7001A	Physiology	15	9
EXPD7000A	Research Techniques	15	9
PROD7022A	Research Report I	35	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
PROD7024A	Clinical Prosthodontics I	50	9

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PROD7023A	Prosthodontics I	50	9
PROD7025A	Research Report II	20	9
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
PROD7028A	Clinical Prosthodontics II	50	9
PROD7026A	Prosthodontics II	50	9
PROD7027A	Research Report III	60	9
<b>Year of Study IV</b>			
PROD7029A	Clinical Prosthodontics II	60	9
PROD7030A	Prosthodontics III	60	9
PROD7031A	Research Report IV	40	9

### 8.3.1.3 Progression and completion rules

#### a) Granting credit for a course or courses

The *Senate* may grant *credit* to a *candidate* and exempt her/him from attendance at and/or from *examination* in any *course* or *courses* prescribed for the degree on the ground of her/his having completed a *course* or *courses* considered by the *Senate* to be equivalent: Provided that s/he completed such *course* or *courses* not more than five years prior to her/his attendance as a *candidate* for the *examinations* and provided that such *courses* for which *credit* has been granted do not constitute more than 50 percent of the coursework for the degree. (Refer also to Rule 8.3.1.3 (b)).

#### b) Exemption

- i) The *Senate* may exempt a *candidate* from a part or the whole of the period of clinical training and instruction referred to in Rule 8.3.1.3 (a) on the ground of her/his having completed work of a nature that the *Senate* considers would warrant such an *exemption*.

#### c) Records of clinical work

A *candidate* shall not be awarded the degree unless s/he produces such records of her/his clinical work as the *Senate* may require.

**In Maxillo-Facial and Oral Surgery the *Senate* requires 18 fully documented cases treated by the *candidate*. In Orthodontics the *Senate* requires 15 fully documented cases treated by the *candidate*.**

#### d) Assessment

The *assessment* in each *course* prescribed for the degree shall be written, oral and practical: Provided that in the case of Physiology (PHSL7001/ PHSL7001A) it shall be written and oral only.

- i) In Maxillo-Facial and Oral Surgery a *candidate* shall not obtain *credit* in SURG7067A, Maxillo-Facial and Oral Surgery I, SURG7069A, Maxillo-Facial and Oral Surgery II, SURG7071A, Maxillo-Facial and Oral Surgery III, or SURG7073A, Maxillo-Facial and Oral Surgery IV, unless s/he obtains a minimum of 50 percent in each question and section (written and clinical) of the *assessments* for each of these *courses*.

#### e) Re-Assessment

A *candidate* who fails to complete a *course* or *courses* prescribed for the degree may present herself/himself for *re-assessment* therein without further attendance: Provided that s/he may be required by the *Senate* to perform such further work in such *course* as may be determined by the *Senate*.



If, on re-assessment, s/he again fails to complete such *course* s/he may be required by the *Senate* to re-attend the *course*.

If, after re-attendance, the *candidate* again fails to complete the *course* or *courses*, the *Senate* may deem the progress of the *candidate* to be unsatisfactory, and the registration of the *candidate* may be cancelled under Rule G5.7.

#### f) Colleges of Medicine examinations

The *examinations* of the Colleges of Medicine of South Africa may be deemed by the *Senate* to be the *examinations* of the *University*: Provided that any *exemption* that may be granted to a *candidate* by virtue of her/his having been deemed to have completed an *examination* of the *University* in this way shall lapse at the end of five years from the date on which s/he was so exempted if s/he has not by then satisfied all the requirements for the degree, Master of Dentistry as specified in Rule 8.3.1.3 (i) or for the degree, Master of Science in Dentistry as specified in Rules 8.3.6.2 (b) and (c).

**NB: Completion of all the *examinations* of the Colleges of Medicine of SA, even if this is sufficient for the award of the fellowship of the Colleges of Medicine of SA, will satisfy only the requirements for the *courses* for the degree, MDent. The degree, MDent will be awarded only on satisfactory completion of the *Research Report*.**

#### g) Requirements for the degree

A *candidate* shall undergo such clinical training and instruction while holding a training post approved by the Health Professions Council of South Africa; as the *Senate* may determine; and shall:

- i) be required to register annually for the MDent degree\* and
- ii) attend, and complete, concurrently with such training and instruction, the *course* or *courses* specified in Rules 8.3.1.2, under the rules for the individual *programme* for which s/he is registered;
- iii) conduct concurrently with such training and instruction, under the guidance of the Head of the clinical department or the Heads of the clinical departments concerned or her/his nominee or their nominees, such advanced study or research as may be determined by the *Senate* on a topic approved by it; and
- iv) submit, for the approval of the *Senate*, before completion of the final *assessment*, a *Research Report* on the approved topic.

**Rule 8.3.1.3 (g)(ii) - In general, the required standard for the report is that of an original research paper which would be accepted for publication in a reputable journal. Further details can be obtained from the Faculty Office.**

## 8.3.2 Master of Medicine

The following general rules are subject to any additional or contrary provisions in the special rules for the degree, Master of Medicine in any individual specialty.

### 8.3.2.1 Admission rules

#### a) Admission requirements

An *applicant* may be considered for *admission* provided that:

- i) s/he is registered as a medical practitioner with the Health Professions Council of South Africa, or s/he has a *qualification* from another *university* that would allow the *candidate* to register as a medical practitioner, or in the case of a foreign graduate wishing to train as a supernumerary registrar, s/he has limited registration with the Health Professions Council of South Africa; and

- ii) s/he is a holder of a training post in one of the teaching hospitals attached to the Faculty of Health Sciences of the *University*, or in the School of Pathology, or in another institution approved by the *Senate* and the Health Professions Council of South Africa, subject to the provisions of specific rules for specialties and sub-specialties; and
- iii) s/he is the holder, of a minimum of two years' standing, of the degree Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery of this *University* or of any other university; or
- iv) is the holder of, either
  - A. an appropriate degree of Master of Medicine of the *University*; or
  - B. an appropriate specialist or sub-specialist *qualification* awarded by one of the Colleges of Medicine of South Africa, or by an institution recognised by the *Senate* to be of equivalent standing, and
- v) s/he accepts the condition that, whether as Registrar or Supernumerary Registrar, s/he may be subject to a period of probation of a maximum of one year and that at the end of this period, the department or division concerned may advise the *Senate* that the registration of the *candidate* be cancelled.

### 8.3.2.2 Curriculum rules

#### a) Length of programme

The *curriculum* for the degree extends over either three or four years of full-time study as set out below.

#### Master of Medicine in Anaesthesia

<b>Programme Code: MCA21</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPAANAE60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 480</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
ANAE7000A	Applied Anatomy, Physiology, Physics and Pharmacology in Anaesthetic Practice	115	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
ANAE7008A	The Principles and Practice of Anaesthesia I	55	9
ANAE7010A	Peri-operative Care in relation to Anaesthetic Practice I	55	9
ANAE7011A	Research Report I	70	9
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
ANAE7009A	The Principles and Practice of Anaesthesia II	55	9
ANAE7013A	Peri-operative Care in relation to Anaesthetic Practice II	55	9
ANAE7012A	Research Report II	75	9

**Master of Medicine in Anatomical Pathology**

<b>Programme Code: MCA22</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPAANAP60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 480</b>

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>NQF Credits</b>	<b>NQF Level</b>
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
ANAP7002A	Application of Basic Sciences in Pathology	120	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
ANAP7012A	Anatomical Pathology I	70	9
ANAP7015A	Research Report I	45	9
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
ANAP7013A	Anatomical Pathology II	70	9
ANAP7016A	Research Report II	55	9
<b>Year of Study IV</b>			
ANAP7014A	Anatomical Pathology III	120	9

**Master of Medicine in Cardio-thoracic Surgery**

<b>Programme Code: MCA23</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPACATS60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 480</b>

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>NQF Credits</b>	<b>NQF Level</b>
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
SURG7007A	Application of Basic Medical Sciences in Surgery in General	60	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
SURG7008A	The General Principles of Surgery in all Surgical Disciplines	60	9
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
SURG7063A	The Application of Basic Medical Sciences in Cardio-Thoracic Surgery I	50	9
SURG7061A	The Principles and Practice of Cardio-Thoracic Surgery I	55	9
SURG7064A	Research Report I	70	9
<b>Year of Study IV</b>			
SURG7066A	The Application of Basic Medical Sciences in Cardio-Thoracic Surgery II	55	9
SURG7062A	The Principles and Practice of Cardio-Thoracic Surgery II	55	9
SURG7065A	Research Report II	75	9

## Master of Medicine in Chemical Pathology

<b>Programme Code: MCA24</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPACHEP61</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 480</b>

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>NQF Credits</b>	<b>NQF Level</b>
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
CHEP7006A	Chemical Pathology Part I	120	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
CHEP7008A	Chemical Pathology Part II	120	9
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
CHEP7009A	Chemical Pathology Part III	50	9
CHEP7011A	Research Report I	70	9
<b>Year of Study IV</b>			
CHEP7010A	Chemical Pathology Part IV	45	9
CHEP7012A	Research Report II	75	9

## Master of Medicine in Clinical Pathology

<b>Programme Code: MCA25</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPACLIP60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 480</b>

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>NQF Credits</b>	<b>NQF Level</b>
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
ANAP7002A	Application of Basic Sciences in Pathology	120	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
CHEP7001A	Chemical Pathology (Clinical)	70	9
CMID7001A	Microbiology	70	9
CHEP7007A	Research Report I	70	9
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
HAEM7000A	Haematology (Clinical)	75	9
CHEP7013A	Research Report II	75	9

## Master of Medicine in Community Health

## Field of Occupational Medicine

Programme Code: MCA58	NQF Exit Level: 9
Plan Code: MFAOCCM60	Total NQF Credits: 480

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
COMH7272A	Principles and Practice of Occupational Medicine I	45	9
COMH7276A	Research Report I	30	9
and <b>three</b> courses (total of 45 credits) from courses offered for the MSc Epidemiology and Master of Public Health within the School of Public Health.			
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
COMH7273A	Principles and Practice of Occupational Medicine II	20	9
COMH7277A	Research Report II	55	9
and <b>three</b> courses (total of 45 credits) from courses offered for the MSc Epidemiology and Master of Public Health within the School of Public Health.			
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
COMH7274A	Principles and Practice of Occupational Medicine III	25	9
COMH7278A	Research Report III	65	9
and <b>two</b> courses (total of 30 credits) from courses offered for the MSc Epidemiology and Master of Public Health within the School of Public Health.			
<b>Year of Study IV</b>			
COMH7271A	Application of the Principles of Occupational Medicine	30	9
COMH7270A	Assessment and Evaluation of Health and Health Services	30	9
COMH7275A	Principles and Practice of Occupational Medicine IV	60	9

## Field of Public Health Medicine

Programme Code: MCA58	NQF Exit Level: 9
Plan Code: MFAPUHM60	Total NQF Credits: 475

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
COMH7279A	Principles and Practice of Public Health Medicine I	30	9
COMH7283A	Research Report I	30	9
and <b>four</b> courses (total of 60 credits) from courses offered for the MSc Epidemiology and Master of Public Health within the School of Public Health.			
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
COMH7280A	Principles and Practice of Public Health Medicine II	30	9

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
COMH7284A	Research Report II	30	9
and <b>four</b> courses (total of 60 credits) from courses offered for the MSc Epidemiology and Master of Public Health within the School of Public Health.			
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
COMH7281A	Principles and Practice of Public Health Medicine III	30	9
COMH7269A	Application of the Principles of Public Health Medicine	30	9
COMH7285A	Research Report III	90	9
<b>Year of Study IV</b>			
COMH7270A	Assessment and Evaluation of Health and Health Services	30	9
COMH7282A	Principles and Practice of Public Health Medicine IV	55	9

**Master of Medicine in Dermatology**

<b>Programme Code: MCA26</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPADERM60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 480</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
ANAT7001A	Anatomy with Special Reference to the Skin	50	9
ANAP7001A	Principles of Pathology	50	9
MEDC7003A	Application of Basic Medical Sciences in Dermatology	50	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
MEDC7040A	The Principles and Practice of Dermatology including Dermatohistopathology and Internal Medicine I	90	9
MEDC7039A	Research Report I	70	9
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
MEDC7041A	The Principles and Practice of Dermatology including Dermatohistopathology and Internal Medicine II	95	9
MEDC7042A	Research Report II	75	9

**Master of Medicine in Diagnostic Radiology**

<b>Programme Code: MCA27</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPADRAD60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 480</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
ANAT7023A	Applied Anatomy	20	9
RADD7000A	Radiography and Radiographic Photography	20	9

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
RADD7001A	Diagnostic X-ray Equipment Construction	20	9
RADD7003A	Radiological Techniques and Special Investigations	20	9
RADD7005A	Radiation Protection and Radiation Biology	20	9
RASE7002A	Physical Basis of Diagnostic Radiology	20	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
RADD7009A	Theoretical and Practical Diagnostic Radiology I	50	9
RADD7010A	Clinical Medical Practice and Pathology as applied to Diagnostic Radiology I	55	9
RADD7012A	Research Report I	70	9
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
RADD7014A	Theoretical and Practical Diagnostic Radiology II	50	9
RADD7011A	Clinical Medical Practice and Pathology as applied to Diagnostic Radiology II	60	9
RADD7013A	Research Report II	75	9

### Master of Medicine in Emergency Medicine

<b>Programme Code: MCA28</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPAEMED60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 480</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
FAMH7020A	Application of Basic Medical Sciences	40	9
FAMH7050A	Resuscitation	40	9
FAMH7049A	Acute and Undifferentiated Presentations	40	9
FAMH7047A	Emergency Care I	40	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
FAMH7048A	Emergency Care II	50	9
FAMH7046A	Paediatric Emergencies	40	9
FAMH7051A	Research Report I	75	9
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
FAMH7045A	Toxicology	40	9
FAMH7044A	Pre-Hospital Care and Disaster Medicine	40	9
FAMH7052A	Research Report II	75	9

## Master of Medicine in Family Medicine

<b>Programme Code: MCA29</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPAFAMM60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 480</b>

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>NQF Credits</b>	<b>NQF Level</b>
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
FAMH7037A	Principles and Practice of Family Medicine I	110	9
FAMH7040A	Research Report Part I	30	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
FAMH7038A	Principles and Practice of Family Medicine II	110	9
FAMH7041A	Research Report Part II	30	9
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
FAMH7039A	Principles and Practice of Family Medicine III	110	9
FAMH7042A	Research Report Part III	30	9
<b>Year of Study IV</b>			
FAMH7043A	Research Report Part IV	60	9

## Master of Medicine in Forensic Pathology

<b>Programme Code: MCA30</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPAFORM60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 480</b>

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>NQF Credits</b>	<b>NQF Level</b>
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
FORM7013A	Forensic Pathology I	120	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
FORM7014A	Forensic Pathology II	60	9
ANAP7008A	Morbid Anatomy and Histopathology	60	9
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
FORM7015A	Forensic Pathology III	50	9
FORM7011A	Research Report I	70	9
<b>Year of Study IV</b>			
FORM7016A	Forensic Pathology IV	45	9
FORM7012A	Research Report II	75	9



**Master of Medicine in Haematological Pathology**

<b>Programme Code: MCA31</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPAHAEM60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 480</b>

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>NQF Credits</b>	<b>NQF Level</b>
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
ANAP7002A	Application of Basic Sciences in Pathology	120	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
HAEM7016A	Haematology I	120	9
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
HAEM7012A	Haematology II	50	9
HAEM7014A	Research Report I	70	9
<b>Year of Study IV</b>			
HAEM7013A	Haematology III	45	9
HAEM7015A	Research Report II	75	9

**Master of Medicine in Internal Medicine**

<b>Programme Code: MCA32</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPAIMED60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 480</b>

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>NQF Credits</b>	<b>NQF Level</b>
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
MEDC7004A	Application of Basic Medical Sciences in Internal Medicine	165	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
MEDC7035A	The Principles and Practice of Internal Medicine I	85	9
MEDC7037A	Research Report I	70	9
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
MEDC7036A	The Principles and Practice of Internal Medicine II	85	9
MEDC7038A	Research Report II	75	9

**Master of Medicine in Medical Genetics**

<b>Programme Code: MCA33</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPAMEDG60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 480</b>

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>NQF Credits</b>	<b>NQF Level</b>
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
HUMG7013A	Medical Genetics for Specialists	80	9

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
HUMG7012A	Genetic Counselling for Specialists	80	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
HUMG7023A	Clinical Genetics for Specialists I	90	9
HUMG7021A	Research Report I	70	9
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
HUMG7024A	Clinical Genetics for Specialists II	85	9
HUMG7022A	Research Report II	75	9

**Master of Medicine in Microbiological Pathology**

<b>Programme Code: MCA34</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPAMICR60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 480</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
ANAP7002A	Application of Basic Sciences in Pathology	120	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
CMID7032A	Microbiology I	120	9
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
CMID7033A	Microbiology II	50	9
CMID7035A	Research Report I	70	9
<b>Year of Study IV</b>			
CMID7034A	Microbiology III	45	9
CMID7036A	Research Report II	75	9

**Master of Medicine in Neurology**

<b>Programme Code: MCA36</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPANEUR60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 480</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
MEDC7006A	The Applications of Basic Medical Sciences in relation to Neurology	120	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
MEDC7007A	The Principles and Practice of Neurology	120	9
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
MEDC7008A	The Principles and Practice of Internal Medicine	95	9
MEDC7033A	Research Report I	55	9

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study IV</b>			
MEDC7034A	Research Report II	90	9

**Master of Medicine in Neurological Surgery**

<b>Programme Code: MCA35</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPANEUS60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 480</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
SURG7007A	Application of Basic Medical Sciences in Surgery in General	60	9
SURG7008A	The General Principles of Surgery in all Surgical Disciplines	60	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
NEUS7000A	Principles and Practice of Neurosurgery	60	9
NEUS7012A	Research Report I	20	9
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
NEUS7001A	Application of Basic Medical Sciences in Neurosurgery	75	9
NEUS7013A	Research Report II	60	9
<b>Year of Study IV</b>			
NEUS7002A	Principles of General Surgery	80	9
NEUS7014A	Research Report III	65	9

**Master of Medicine in Nuclear Medicine**

<b>Programme Code: MCA37</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPANUCM60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 480</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
RASE7008A	Physics in relation to Nuclear Medicine and Biostatistics	45	9
RASE7009A	Principles of Anatomy, Physiology and Medical Biochemistry in relation to Nuclear Medicine	45	9
RASE7012A	Principles of Pathology and Pharmacology in relation to Nuclear Medicine and Introduction to General Radiobiology	45	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
RASE7015A	Principles and Practice of General Radiation Biology as applied to Nuclear Medicine	100	9

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
RASE7026A	The Clinical Practice of Nuclear Medicine I	50	9
RASE7022A	Research Report I	75	9
<b>Year of Study IV</b>			
RASE7027A	The Clinical Practice of Nuclear Medicine II	50	9
RASE7023A	Research Report II	70	9

**Master of Medicine in Obstetrics and Gynaecology**

<b>Programme Code: MCA38</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPAOB SG60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 480</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
OBSG7000A	The Applications of Basic Medical Sciences in Obstetrics and Gynaecology	120	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
OBSG7010A	The Principles and Practice of Obstetrics and Gynaecology I	105	9
OBSG7008A	Research Report I	70	9
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
OBSG7011A	The Principles and Practice of Obstetrics and Gynaecology II	110	9
OBSG7009A	Research Report II	75	9

**Master of Medicine in Ophthalmology**

<b>Programme Code: MCA40</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPAOPHT60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 480</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
OPHT7000A	Physiology of the Visual System and Related Areas including Optics	120	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
OPHT7001A	Anatomy and Embryology of the Visual System and Related Areas	120	9
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
OPHT7002A	Ophthalmic Medicine and Neurology	45	9

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
OPHT7007A	Research Report I	70	9
<b>Year of Study IV</b>			
OPHT7003A	Ophthalmic Surgery and Pathology	50	9
OPHT7008A	Research Report II	75	9

**Master of Medicine in Orthopaedic Surgery**

<b>Programme Code: MCA41</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPAORTS60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 480</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
SURG7007A	Application of Basic Medical Sciences in Surgery in General	60	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
SURG7008A	The General Principles of Surgery in all Surgical Disciplines	60	9
ORTS7002A	Methods of Diagnosis and Treatment of Orthopaedic Surgical Conditions	75	9
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
ORTS7001A	Applications of Basic Medical Sciences in Orthopaedic Surgery	75	9
ORTS7007A	Research Report I	70	9
<b>Year of Study IV</b>			
ORTS7003A	Principles and Practice of Orthopaedic Surgery	65	9
ORTS7008A	Research Report II	75	9

**Master of Medicine in Otorhinolaryngology**

<b>Programme Code: MCA42</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPAENTS60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 480</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
SURG7007A	Application of Basic Medical Sciences in Surgery in General	60	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
SURG7008A	The General Principles of Surgery in all Surgical Disciplines	60	9

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
NEUS7003A	Applications of Basic Medical Sciences in Otorhinolaryngology	100	9
NEUS7015A	Research Report I	70	9
<b>Year of Study IV</b>			
NEUS7006A	Principles and Practice of Otorhinolaryngology	115	9
NEUS7016A	Research Report II	75	9

**Master of Medicine in Paediatrics**

<b>Programme Code: MCA44</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPAPAED60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 480</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
PAED7001A	Application of Basic Medical Sciences in Paediatrics	120	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
PAED7042A	The Principles and Practice of Ambulatory and Hospital Paediatrics I	65	9
PAED7044A	Research Report I	70	9
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
PAED7003A	Community Paediatrics	80	9
PAED7043A	The Principles and Practice of Ambulatory and Hospital Paediatrics II	70	9
PAED7045A	Research Report II	75	9

**Master of Medicine in Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery**

<b>Programme Code: MCA45</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPAPLRS60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 480</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
SURG7007A	Application of Basic Medical Sciences in Surgery in General	60	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
SURG7008A	The General Principles of Surgery in all Surgical Disciplines	60	9

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
SURG7045A	The Applications of Basic Medical Sciences in Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery I	50	9
SURG7049A	The Principles and Practice of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery I	60	9
SURG7057A	Research Report I	70	9
<b>Year of Study IV</b>			
SURG7046A	The Applications of Basic Medical Sciences in Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery II	50	9
SURG7050A	The Principles and Practice of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery II	55	9
SURG7058A	Research Report II	75	9

**Master of Medicine in Psychiatry**

<b>Programme Code: MCA46</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPAPSMH60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 480</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
ANAT7000A	Anatomy in relation to the Nervous System	30	9
PHSL7019A	Principles of Physiology and Medical Biochemistry in relation to the Nervous System	30	9
PSMH7020A	Psychological Medicine	30	9
PSMH7001A	Neurochemistry and Psychopharmacology	30	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
MEDC7043A	Neurology I	50	9
PSMH7015A	Psychological Medicine I	60	9
PSMH7013A	Research Report I	70	9
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
MEDC7044A	Neurology II	45	9
PSMH7016A	Psychological Medicine II	60	9
PSMH7014A	Research Report II	75	9

## Master of Medicine in Radiation Oncology

<b>Programme Code: MCA48</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPARADO60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 480</b>

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>NQF Credits</b>	<b>NQF Level</b>
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
ANAT7023A	Applied Anatomy	20	9
RASE7001A	The Principles of Radiation Physics as applied to Radiotherapy	50	9
RASE7005A	Radiobiology and Biostatistics as applied to Radiation Oncology	50	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
RASE7024A	The Principles and Practice of Radiotherapy, Chemotherapy and Immunity in relation to Cancer I	105	9
RASE7028A	Research Report I	70	9
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
RASE7025A	The Principles and Practice of Radiotherapy, Chemotherapy and Immunity in relation to Cancer II	110	9
RASE7029A	Research Report II	75	9

## Master of Medicine in Surgery

## Field of General Surgery

<b>Programme Code: MCA59</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFASURG60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 480</b>

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>NQF Credits</b>	<b>NQF Level</b>
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
SURG7007A	Application of Basic Medical Sciences in Surgery in General	60	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
SURG7008A	The General Principles of Surgery in all Surgical Disciplines	60	9
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
SURG7047A	The Applications of Basic Medical Sciences in Surgery I	45	9
SURG7041A	The Principles and Practice of Surgery I	60	9
SURG7055A	Research Report I	70	9
<b>Year of Study IV</b>			
SURG7048A	The Applications of Basic Medical Sciences in Surgery II	50	9
SURG7042A	The Principles and Practice of Surgery II	60	9



Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
SURG7056A	Research Report II	75	9

**Field of Paediatric Surgery**

<b>Programme Code: MCA59</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAPAED60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 480</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
SURG7007A	Application of Basic Medical Sciences in Surgery in General	60	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
SURG7008A	The General Principles of Surgery in all Surgical Disciplines	60	9
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
SURG7051A	The Applications of Medical Sciences in Paediatric Surgery I	45	9
SURG7039A	The Principles and Practice of Paediatric Surgery I	50	9
SURG7059A	Research Report I	70	9
<b>Year of Study IV</b>			
SURG7052A	The Applications of Medical Sciences in Paediatric Surgery II	60	9
SURG7040A	The Principles and Practice of Paediatric Surgery II	60	9
SURG7060A	Research Report II	75	9

**Master of Medicine in Urology**

<b>Programme Code: MCA50</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAUROL60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 480</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
SURG7007A	Application of Basic Medical Sciences in Surgery in General	60	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
SURG7008A	The General Principles of Surgery in all Surgical Disciplines	60	9
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
SURG7053A	The Applications of Basic Medical Sciences in Urology I	45	9

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
SURG7043A	The Principles and Practice of Urology I	60	9
SURG7037A	Research Report I	70	9
<b>Year of Study IV</b>			
SURG7054A	The Applications of Basic Medical Sciences in Urology II	50	9
SURG7044A	The Principles and Practice of Urology II	60	9
SURG7038A	Research Report II	75	9

**Master of Medicine in Virology**

<b>Programme Code: MCA51</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPAVIRL60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 480</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
ANAP7002A	Application of Basic Sciences in Pathology	120	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
VIRL7018A	Virology I	120	9
<b>Year of Study III</b>			
VIRL7019A	Virology II	50	9
VIRL7021A	Research Report I	70	9
<b>Year of Study IV</b>			
VIRL7020A	Virology III	45	9
VIRL7022A	Research Report II	75	9

**8.3.2.3 Progression and completion rules****a) Completion of course, credit and progression**

- i) In order to complete a *course* a *candidate* must obtain a minimum of fifty per cent of the marks allotted to such *course*: and, where a *course* consists of components, a *candidate* must obtain a minimum of fifty per cent of the marks allotted to each component.
- ii) A *candidate* may normally not obtain *credit* in any of the *courses* prescribed for the degree in a particular specialty (or for a part of the degree in a particular specialty), unless s/he passes all such *courses* in the same *academic year*. Provided that a *candidate* who has completed all but one of the *courses* may be permitted by the *Senate* to present herself/himself for *re-examination* in that *course*.
- iii) A *candidate* may be exempted by the *Senate* from re-attendance at and re-assessment in any *course* in which s/he has, at the ordinary *assessments* or at any deferred or re-assessment for which s/he has been permitted to present herself/himself in terms of the rules, attained not less than fifty per cent of the marks allotted to the *course*, but such *exemption* shall remain in effect only until the end of the following *assessment session*.

- iv) A *candidate* who fails to obtain *credit* in the *courses* prescribed for the degree in a particular specialty or part of a degree in a particular specialty as the case may be or who loses an *exemption* in terms of Rule 8.3.2.3 (a)(iii), may be re-admitted to candidature by the *Senate*: Provided that the *Senate* may exempt such a *candidate* from re-attendance.

#### b) Exemption

A *candidate* who has been registered for a *qualification* at another institution recognised by the *Senate* in a specialty may be:

- i) exempted from all or part of the clinical training and the instruction referred to in Rule 8.3.2.3 (e)(ii), on the ground of her/his having completed work of a nature deemed by the *Senate* to be of equivalent standing.
- ii) exempted from attendance at and *assessment* in a *course* or *courses* prescribed for the specialty on the ground of her/his having attended and having successfully completed a *course* or *courses* deemed by the *Senate* to be of equivalent standing: Provided that the number of *courses* for which *exemption* may be granted shall not exceed one half of the total number of *courses* prescribed for the specialty. A *candidate* who has been exempted from a *course* or *courses* shall be deemed to have obtained *credit* therefore.

#### c) Assessment

**NB: Completion of all the examinations of the Colleges of Medicine of SA, even if this is sufficient for the award of the fellowship of the Colleges of Medicine of SA, will satisfy only the requirements for the courses for the degree, MMed – Rule 8.3.2.3 (e)(ii). The degree, MMed will be awarded only on satisfactory completion of the *Research Report*.**

- i) Where the *curriculum* for the degree in a specialty comprises Year of Study I and II, the *examination* or *examinations*, as the case may be, in the *course* or *courses* prescribed for Year of Study I of the *curriculum* shall normally be held at or near the end of the first year of study except where otherwise specified in the rules, and the *examination* or *examinations* in the *course* or *courses* prescribed for Year of Study II of the *curriculum* shall be held at or towards the end of the third year of study, except where otherwise specified in the rules, and provided that in exceptional circumstances the *Senate* may grant permission to a *candidate* who has completed her/his period of training and relinquished her/his training post (as specified in Rule 8.3.2.1 (a) to continue her/his candidature for the degree for a further period to be determined by the *Senate* and to write the *examinations* within such further period.
- ii) Where the *curriculum* for the degree is not divided into parts, the *examinations* in the *courses* prescribed for the degree shall normally be held at or near the end of the third year of study.
- iii) The *assessments* for a *course* prescribed for the degree shall be written, practical, clinical, oral, or by any other mode of *assessment* deemed by the *Senate* to be appropriate, or any combination thereof.
- iv) The *examinations* set by or administered by the Colleges of Medicine of South Africa may be deemed by the *Senate* to be *examinations* of the *University*.
- v) The *Senate* may, furthermore, substitute an *examination* of the Colleges of Medicine of SA for any *examination* referred to in this Rule, in which case, a *candidate* will be required to sit for that *examination*.

#### d) Qualification for entry to the final examination

A *candidate* shall not be qualified to present herself/himself for the final *examination* unless s/he has produced evidence to the satisfaction of the *Senate* that s/he has, subsequent to her/his registration for the

degree, undergone clinical training and instruction satisfactory to the *Senate* for a period of a minimum of three years in the specialty.

#### e) Requirements for the degree

A *candidate* may register for the MMed degree in the specialty, provided that s/he is eligible for *admission*.

Subject to the provisions of Rule 8.3.2.3 (b), a *candidate* for the degree in the specialty shall, while holding a training post referred to in Rule 8.3.2.1 (a)(ii):

- i) be required to register annually for the MMed degree\* and
- ii) undergo such clinical training and instruction as the *Senate* may determine, for a period of not less than three years;\*\* and
- iii) attend the *course* or *courses* prescribed for the degree in the specialty for which s/he is registered;
- iv) conduct under the guidance of a supervisor appointed by the *Senate*, such research as may be determined by the *Senate*, on a topic approved by it. For the purposes of these rules the *Research Report* shall be deemed to be a *course*.

**\*This will ensure that the time spent in a training post will be recognised. Failure to do so will result in non-recognition of the time spent in a training post.**

**\*\* For HPCSA requirements this is four years from appointment as a registrar, but a minimum of three years if other clinical training is recognised.**

### 8.3.3 Master of Pharmacy (MRA03)

#### 8.3.3.1 Admission rules

##### a) Admission requirements

- i) Any of the following may be admitted as a *candidate* for the degree provided s/he is registered as a pharmacist with the South African Pharmacy Council: Provided that the *Senate* is satisfied that the *applicant* is qualified to undertake the line of study proposed or research (or both):
  - A. The holder of a Bachelor of Pharmacy of the *University*; or
  - B. A graduate of this or another *university*; or
  - C. A person other than a graduate who has in any other manner satisfied the *Senate*.
- ii) A person who in the Faculty of Health Sciences has been admitted as a *candidate* for the degree, Doctor of Philosophy may, at her/his request and on the recommendation of the supervisor and head of the department concerned, be permitted by the *Senate* to proceed instead to the degree, Master of Pharmacy.

#### 8.3.3.2 Curriculum rules

A *candidate* for the degree, Master of Pharmacy shall conduct a line of research approved by the *Senate* and submit a *Dissertation* based on that research.

##### a) Prosecution of research

Programme Code: MRA03	NQF Exit Level: 9
Plan Code: MPAPHM70	Total NQF Credits: 180

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PACY8000A	M Pharm Dissertation	180	9

- i) A *candidate* shall under the direction of a supervisor appointed by the *Senate*, conduct, during not less than one *academic year* of full-time study, advanced study and research on a topic approved by the *Senate* either in the *University* or in an institution deemed by the *Senate* to be part of the *University* for this purpose.
- ii) A *candidate* shall –
  - A. report regularly to her/his supervisor, if there be one, and shall in June and November each year lodge with her/his supervisor or, if there be no supervisor, with the head of the department concerned a written statement of her/his progress in her/his advanced study and research; and
  - B. at the close of the period of advanced study and research, after consultation with the supervisor, if there be one, present for the approval of the *Senate* a *Dissertation* on a subject approved by the *Senate*, such *Dissertation* to show acquaintance with and understanding of methods of research.
  - C. A *candidate* shall, if required by the *Senate*, present herself/himself for such *assessments* in regard to the subject of her/his *Dissertation* as the *Senate* may determine.

### 8.3.4 Master of Public Health (MCA17)

#### 8.3.4.1 Admission rules

##### a) Admission requirements

Any of the following may be admitted as a *candidate*:

- i) A graduate of the *University* who has been awarded one of the following degrees:  
 Bachelor of Dental Science;  
 Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery;  
 Bachelor of Nursing;  
 Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy;  
 Bachelor of Pharmacy;  
 Bachelor of Science in Physiotherapy;  
 Bachelor of Health Sciences Honours; or  
 Bachelor of Science Honours.
- ii) A graduate who has been awarded any other *qualification*, the normal *curriculum* of which extends over not less than four years' full-time study, of the *University*, who, in the opinion of the *Senate*, is sufficiently qualified to undertake the field of study proposed or research (or both), required for the *qualification*, or
- iii) Any other person, who has satisfied the *Senate*, by means of a written or oral test (or both), or by any other mode of *assessment* to be determined from time to time by the *Senate*, that s/he is sufficiently qualified to undertake the field of study proposed or research (or both), required for the *qualification*.

**Note: Admission will take place on a bi-annual basis.**

8.3.4.2 Curriculum rules

a) Length of programme

The *qualification* shall extend over:

- i) not less than two *academic years* of full-time study;
- ii) not less than three *academic years* of part-time study, and
- iii) not less than two and a half years, in the case of a *curriculum* for a part-time candidate that combines both part-time and full-time study.

b) Structure of programme

- i) The *curriculum* shall comprise three parts. Parts I and II must be completed in the first year of full-time study or by the end of the second year of part-time study, and Part III must be completed by the end of the second year of full-time study, or by the end of the third year of part-time study, or before the end of the second and a half year of study where part-time and full-time study have been combined.
- ii) A candidate shall –
  - A. during a period of not less than one *academic year* of full-time study or two *academic years* of part-time study attend and complete:  
the *courses* set out in Part I, Part II and Part III
  - B. conduct, under the direction of a supervisor appointed by the *Senate*, research on a topic approved by the *Senate*.  
(In the field of Occupational Hygiene the *Research Report* shall be a thorough study of a hazard or hazards in a workplace with recommendations for the elimination or control of the hazard(s).

c) Fields of study

Field of Exposure and Health

Programme Code: MCA17	NQF Exit Level: 9
Plan Code: MFAESCI61	Total NQF Credits: 240

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Part I</b>			
COMH7100A	Orientation to Public Health	0	9
COMH7047A	Health Measurement I	15	9
COMH7221A	Health and Society	15	9
COMH7223A	Designing Effective Public Health Programmes	15	9
COMH7319A	Research 1: Research Methods in Public Health	20	9
COMH7325A	Exposure Science I	15	9
<b>Part II</b>			
COMH7320A	Research 2: Protocol Development in Public Health	20	9
COMH7297A	Exposure Induced Health Outcome	15	9

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
COMH7298A	Fundamentals of Risk Assessment	15	9
COMH7295A	Exposure Control I	15	9
COMH7303A	Risk & Safety Management: Systems and Programmes	15	9
<b>Part III</b>			
COMH7321A	Research 3: Data Collection and Analysis	20	9
COMH7322A	Research Report	60	9

**Field of Health Economics**

<b>Programme Code: MCA17</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAHECN61</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 240</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Part I</b>			
COMH7100A	Orientation to Public Health	0	9
COMH7047A	Health Measurement I	15	9
COMH7221A	Health and Society	15	9
COMH7223A	Designing Effective Public Health Programmes	15	9
COMH7319A	Research 1: Research Methods in Public Health	20	9
COMH7287A	Introduction to Health Economics	15	9
<b>Part II</b>			
COMH7320A	Research 2: Protocol Development in Public Health	20	9
COMH7017A	Health Care Financing	15	9
COMH7289A	Economics of Health Care	15	9
COMH7286A	Economic Evaluation	15	9
COMH7288A	Decision Analysis for Economic Evaluation	15	9
<b>Part III</b>			
COMH7321A	Research 3: Data Collection and Analysis	20	9
COMH7322A	Research Report	60	9

**Field of Health Systems and Policy**

<b>Programme Code: MCA17</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAHSAP62</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 240</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Part I</b>			
COMH7100A	Orientation to Public Health	0	9

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
COMH7047A	Health Measurement I	15	9
COMH7221A	Health and Society	15	9
COMH7223A	Designing Effective Public Health Programmes	15	9
COMH7319A	Research 1: Research Methods in Public Health	20	9
COMH7212A	Introduction to Health Systems	15	9
<b>Part II</b>			
COMH73120A	Research 2: Protocol Development in Public Health	20	9
COMH7017A	Health Care Financing	15	9
COMH7041A	Health Policy and Policy Analysis	15	9
COMH7236A	Health Systems Organisation and Human Resources	15	9
COMH7101A	Management in Health and Health Services	15	9
<b>Part III</b>			
COMH73121A	Research 3: Data Collection and Analysis	20	9
COMH73122A	Research Report	60	9

### Field of Occupational Hygiene

<b>Programme Code: MCA17</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAOCCH62</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 360</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Part I</b>			
COMH7100A	Orientation to Public Health	0	9
COMH7047A	Health Measurement I	15	9
COMH7221A	Health and Society	15	9
COMH7222A	Approaches to Population Health	15	9
COMH7223A	Designing Effective Public Health Programmes	15	9
COMH7048A	Health Measurement II	15	9
COMH7104A	Introduction to Occupational and Environmental Health	15	9
<b>Part II</b>			
COMH7297A	Exposure Induced Health Outcome	15	9
COMH7301A	Exposure Science I	15	9
COMH7298A	Fundamentals of Risk Assessment	15	9
COMH7007A	Measurement of Hazardous Substances	15	9
COMH7217A	Control of Workplace Hazards	15	9
COMH7046A	Research Methods	15	9



Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Part III</b>			
The following prescribed <i>course</i> extends over not less than one <i>academic year</i> of full-time study or two <i>academic years</i> of part-time study:			
COMH7175A	Research Report	180	9

**Field of Maternal and Child Health**

<b>Programme Code: MCA17</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAMACH62</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 240</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Part I</b>			
COMH7100A	Orientation to Public Health	0	9
COMH7047A	Health Measurement I	15	9
COMH7221A	Health and Society	15	9
COMH7223A	Designing Effective Public Health Programmes	15	9
COMH7319A	Research 1: Research Methods in Public Health	20	9
PAED7010A	Child Health I	15	9
<b>Part II</b>			
COMH73120A	Research 2: Protocol Development in Public Health	20	9
PAED7019A	Child Health II	15	9
PAED7007A	Maternal Health	15	9
PAED7027A	Maternal and Child Nutrition	15	9
COMH7101A	Management in Health and Health Services	15	9
<b>Part III</b>			
COMH73121A	Research 3: Data Collection and Analysis	20	9
COMH73122A	Research Report	60	9

**Field of Rural Health**

<b>Programme Code: MCA17</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFARURH62</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 240</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Part I</b>			
COMH7100A	Orientation to Public Health	0	9
COMH7047A	Health Measurement I	15	9
COMH7221A	Health and Society	15	9
COMH7223A	Designing Effective Public Health Programmes	15	9

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
COMH7319A	Research 1: Research Methods in Public Health	20	9
FAMH7031A	The Rural Health Care Context	15	9
<b>Part II</b>			
COMH73120A	Research 2: Protocol Development in Public Health	20	9
FAMH7030A	Community Oriented Primary Care	15	9
FAMH7032A	Development of Rural Health Services: Strategies and Approaches	15	9
FAMH7033A	Quality Improvement in Rural Health Care	15	9
COMH7101A	Management in Health and Health Services	15	9
<b>Part III</b>			
COMH73121A	Research 3: Data Collection and Analysis	20	9
COMH73122A	Research Report	60	9

### Field of Social and Behaviour Change Communication

<b>Programme Code: MCA17</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFASBCC62</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 240</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Part I</b>			
COMH7100A	Orientation to Public Health	0	9
COMH7047A	Health Measurement I	15	9
COMH7221A	Health and Society	15	9
COMH7223A	Designing Effective Public Health Programmes	15	9
COMH7319A	Research 1: Research Methods in Public Health	20	9
<b>Part II</b>			
COMH73120A	Research 2: Protocol Development in Public Health	20	9
COMH7326A	Planning for Social and Behaviour Change	15	9
COMH7225A	Applying Social and Behaviour Change Theory to Practice	15	9
COMH7228A	Social and Behaviour Change Communication Approaches	15	9
COMH7227A	Research, Monitoring and Evaluation	15	9
COMH7101A	Management in Health and Health Services	15	9
<b>Part III</b>			
COMH73121A	Research 3: Data Collection and Analysis	20	9
COMH73122A	Research Report	60	9

### 8.3.4.3 Progression and completion rules

#### a) Credit

A *candidate* shall obtain *credit* in any of the *courses* prescribed for and selected for Parts I and II provided s/he has successfully completed all requirements for the said *course* or *courses*.

#### b) Supplementary examinations and re-examination

- i) A *candidate* who fails to meet the requirements for any *course* or *courses* included in Part I or Part II of the programme may be permitted by the *Senate* to present herself/himself for supplementary *examination* in any such *course* or *courses*.
- ii) A *candidate* who then fails to complete the *course* or *courses* prescribed for any part of the programme may, subject to her/his being permitted to renew her/his registration, be required to re-attend the *courses* and present herself/himself for *re-examination* in those *courses*, which s/he has failed to complete.

**A supplementary *examination* takes place before the beginning of February of the next calendar year, at such time and place as the *Senate* may determine.**

#### c) Assessments

The *assessment* in the *courses* for Parts I and II shall be written, oral, and practical, by continuous *assessment* or by a combination of these methods as the *Senate* may determine in each case.

#### d) Proceeding to Part III

A *candidate* shall not, unless otherwise permitted by the *Senate*, be admitted to Part III until s/he has completed all the requirements for Part II.

**Note: Attention is drawn to the *Senate* Standing Orders which require a *candidate* to report regularly to her/his supervisor and which require the lodging of written reports on her/his work. A copy of the Standing Orders is available from the Faculty Office.**

## 8.3.5 Master of Health Sciences Education (MCA18)

### 8.3.5.1 Admission rules

#### a) Admission requirements

Any of the following may be admitted as a *candidate*:

- i) A graduate of the *University* who has been awarded one of the following degrees provided that s/he has a minimum of two years of relevant teaching experience in a health science related field:
  - Bachelor of Science in Nursing or a Bachelor of Nursing;
  - Bachelor of Pharmacy;
  - Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy;
  - Bachelor of Science in Physiotherapy;
  - Bachelor of Dental Science;
  - Bachelor of Health Sciences Honours;
  - Bachelor of Science Honours;
  - Bachelor of Medicine and a Bachelor of Surgery.

- ii) A graduate with one of the above *qualifications* from any other university who has been accepted as a *candidate* for the award by virtue of having passed at any other university such *examinations* as are, in the opinion of the *Senate* equivalent to or higher than the *examinations* prescribed for the award.
- iii) A graduate who has been awarded any other degree, the normal *curriculum* of which extends over not less than four years' full-time study, of the *University*, who, in the opinion of the *Senate*, is sufficiently qualified to undertake the field of study proposed.

### 8.3.5.2 Curriculum rules

#### a) Length of programme

The *qualification* shall extend over not less than one *academic year* of full-time study or two *academic years* of part-time study.

Programme Code: MCA18	NQF Exit Level: 9
Plan Code: MPAHSED60	Total NQF Credits: 180

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
SCMD7010A	Scholarship of Teaching and Learning in the Health Sciences	20	9
SCMD7009A	Curriculum Philosophy and Design in the Health Sciences	30	9
SCMD7008A	Theory and Practice of Assessment in the Health Sciences	20	9
SCMD7006A	Evidence-informed Decision Making	8	9
SCMD7007A	Educational Strategies for the Clinical Sciences	18	9
SCMD7011A	Research Project I	20	9
SCMD7012A	Research Project II	64	9

### 8.3.5.3 Progression and completion rules

#### a) Supplementary examinations and re-examination

- i) A full-time *candidate* who completes a minimum of two of the *courses* may be permitted by the *Senate* to present herself/himself for a supplementary *examination* in the *course* or *courses* that s/he failed to complete.
- ii) A part-time *candidate* who completes a minimum of one of the *courses* for which s/he is registered in any one year may be permitted by the *Senate* to present herself/himself for a supplementary *examination* in the *course* or *courses* that s/he has failed to complete.

## 8.3.6 Master of Science in Dentistry (MRA04; MCA07)

### 8.3.6.1 Admission rules

#### a) Admission requirements

- i) Any of the following may be admitted by the *Senate* as a *candidate* for the degree if the *Senate* is satisfied that s/he is qualified to undertake the line of study proposed or research (or both):
  - A. The holder of a degree of bachelor of a minimum of four years' duration of this *University* in Dentistry, Oral Biology or Medicine.

- B. A Bachelor of Science Honours of the *University*.
  - C. A Bachelor of Science of the *University* who has produced evidence to the satisfaction of the *Senate* that s/he has attained an honours standard.
  - D. A graduate of any other *university* who has satisfied the *Senate* by means of a written or oral test (or both) or by means of any other mode of *assessment* to be determined from time to time by the *Senate* that s/he is qualified to undertake the line of study proposed or research (or both).
  - E. A person other than a graduate who has in the manner set out in (D) above satisfied the *Senate*.
- ii) A person who in the Faculty of Health Sciences has been admitted as a *candidate* for the degree, Doctor of Philosophy may, at her/his request and on the recommendation of the supervisor and Head of the department concerned, be permitted by the *Senate* to proceed instead to the degree, Master of Science in Dentistry.

### 8.3.6.2 Curriculum rules

#### a) Choice of curriculum

A *candidate* for the degree, Master of Science in Dentistry may:

- i) conduct a line of research approved by the *Senate* and present, for the approval of the *Senate*, a *Dissertation* based on that research; or
- ii) if s/he is registered or is eligible to register as a dentist in terms of the Medical, Dental and Supplementary Health Service Professions Act (Act No. 56 of 1974) (as amended), attend and pass *courses* approved by the *Senate* and present, for the approval of the *Senate*, a report on a research project undertaken by her/him under the guidance of a supervisor appointed by the *Senate* on a subject approved by the *Senate*.

#### b) Length of curriculum and requirements for degree by research

Degree Code: MRA04	NQF Exit Level: 9
	Total NQF Credits: 180

- i) A *candidate* for the degree, Master of Science in Dentistry shall, if s/he wishes to proceed in terms of Rule 8.3.6.2 (i):
  - A. conduct, during not less than one *academic year* of full-time or two years of part-time study, research on a subject of relevance to the field of dental science, in a department of the *University* under the guidance of a supervisor appointed by the *Senate*; and

**Note:** In cases where the *candidate's* research requires her/him to work outside the *University*, s/he shall hold a suitable post in an institution approved by the *Senate* and shall, in that event, be deemed to be prosecuting part-time research under the guidance of a supervisor who shall be appointed by the *Senate* after consultation with the head of the institution concerned.

- B. report regularly to her/his supervisor and shall, in June and November each year, lodge with her/his supervisor a written statement of her/his progress in her/his advanced study and research work during the first and second terms respectively; and
- C. after consultation with the supervisor, present for the approval of the *Senate* a *Dissertation* on an approved subject of her/his research; such *Dissertation* to show acquaintance with and understanding of methods of research; and

D. if so required by the *Senate*, present herself/himself for such assessments in regard to the subject of her/his *Dissertation* as the examiners may determine.

- ii) After expiry of the prescribed period of advanced study or research within the *University*, a *candidate* may, on the recommendation of her/his supervisor and with the approval of the *Senate*, continue to conduct her/his research for a further period at another institution, considered suitable by the *Senate*, prior to submitting her/his *Dissertation*.

c) **Length of curriculum and requirements for degree by coursework and Research Report (MCA07)**

- i) A *candidate* admitted under Rule 8.3.6.2(ii) shall –
- A. during a period of not less than one *academic year* of full-time study or two *academic years* of part-time study attend and pass such *courses* as the *Senate* may determine, and
  - B. conduct, under the direction of a supervisor appointed by the *Senate*, study on a topic approved by the *Senate* and submit, for the approval of the *Senate*, within a period determined by it and after s/he has consulted with her/his supervisor, a *Research Report*.
- ii) The degree, Master of Science in Dentistry, by coursework and *Research Report* in terms of Rule 8.3.6.2 (ii), is offered in the following fields:

Community Dentistry	: (MFACMYD60)
Implantology	: (MFAIMPL60)
Endodontics	: (MFAENDO60)
Prosthodontics	: (MFAPRST60)
Maxillo-Facial Radiology	: (MFAMFRA60)
Oral Pathology	: (MFAORPA60)
Oral Medicine	: (MFAORAM60)
Orthodontics	: (MFAORTD60)
Maxillo-Facial and Oral Surgery	: (MFAMFSO60)
Paedodontics	: (MFAPEDO60)
Restorative Dentistry	: (MFAREST60)
Digital Operative Dentistry	: (MFADOPD60)

The *University* cannot guarantee that all fields will be offered every year.

<b>Programme Code: MCA07</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
	<b>Total NQF Credits: 180</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Part I</b>			
ANAT7013A	Applied Anatomy for Dentists	15	9
PHSL7001A	Physiology	15	9
OPAT7010A	Applied Pathology for Dentists	15	9
EXPD7000A	Research Techniques	15	9
or in the case of Digital Operative Dentistry:			

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PROD7020A	Digital Operative Dentistry I	45	9
EXPD7000A	Research Techniques	15	9
<b>Part II</b>			
OHSC7000A	Research Report	60	9
and <b>one</b> of the following courses:			
COND7002A	Paedodontics	60	9
COND7004A	Endodontics	60	9
COND7009A	Restorative Dentistry	60	9
COMD7002A	Community Dentistry	60	9
OPAT7011A	Oral Pathology	60	9
ORMP7016A	Maxillo-Facial Radiology	60	9
ORMP7020A	Oral Medicine	60	9
ORMP7019A	Periodontology	60	9
ORTD7008A	Orthodontics	60	9
PROD7004A	Prosthodontics	60	9
PROD7021A	Digital Operative Dentistry II	60	9
SURG7032A	Maxillo-Facial and Oral Surgery	60	9
SURG7015A	Dento-Craniofacial Implantology	60	9

### 8.3.6.3 Progression and completion rules

#### a) Exemption

The *Senate* may exempt a *candidate* from attendance at and *assessment* in or from attendance at any one or more of the *courses* listed in Rule 8.3.6.2 (c) provided that no *candidate* who has already been awarded the degree, Master of Dentistry or any postgraduate diploma in dentistry of the *University* may be granted such *exemption* from any *course* or *courses* completed towards such *qualification* and provided further that no *exemption* will be granted for a *course* completed or attended more than five years immediately prior to a *candidate's* registration for the degree, Master of Science in Dentistry.

#### b) Lapsing of exemption

In the case of a *candidate* who has been granted *exemption* in terms of Rule 8.3.6.3 (a), such *exemption* shall lapse at the end of four years from the date when s/he completed attendance at or passed the *course* if by that time s/he has not satisfied all the requirements for the degree, Master of Science in Dentistry.

#### c) Examination

- i) The *examination* in each *course* shall normally be written but may include a variety of other modes of *assessment* such as oral, clinical and practical.
- ii) The *examination* in each *course* shall be held:
  - A. at the end of the term in which the *course* is given, or
  - B. at the end of the subsequent term, or
  - C. in part at the end of the term in which the *course* is given and in part at the end of the subsequent term.

**d) Re-examination**

A *candidate* who fails any one or more or all of the *courses* prescribed for the degree may present herself/himself for re-assessment therein without further attendance; provided that such *exemption* from re-attendance shall lapse one year after s/he first presented herself/himself for assessment.

**8.3.7 Master of Science in Medicine (MRA05; MCA08)****8.3.7.1 Admission rules****a) Admission requirements for MSc(Med) in the field of Translational Research**

Any of the following may be admitted as a *candidate*:

- i) A graduate of the *University* who has been awarded one of the following degrees:  
Bachelor of Health Sciences Honours;  
Bachelor of Science Honours.
- ii) Any other person who has satisfied the *Senate*, by means of a written or oral test (or both), or by any other mode of *assessment* to be determined from time to time by the *Senate*, that s/he is sufficiently qualified to undertake the line of study proposed or research (or both), required for the *qualification*.

**b) Admission requirements for all other fields of study**

Any of the following may be admitted as a *candidate*:

- i) A graduate of the *University* who has been awarded one of the following degrees:  
Bachelor of Dental Science;  
Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery;  
Bachelor of Nursing;  
Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy;  
Bachelor of Pharmacy;  
Bachelor of Science in Physiotherapy;  
Bachelor of Health Sciences Honours;  
Bachelor of Science Honours.
- ii) A graduate who has been awarded any other *qualification*, the normal *curriculum* of which extends over not less than four years' full-time study, of the *University*, who, in the opinion of the *Senate*, is sufficiently qualified to undertake the field of study proposed or research (or both), required for the *qualification*.
- iii) Any other person who has satisfied the *Senate*, by means of a written or oral test (or both), or by any other mode of *assessment* to be determined from time to time by the *Senate*, that s/he is sufficiently qualified to undertake the line of study proposed or research (or both), required for the *qualification*.

**8.3.7.2 Curriculum rules****a) Choice of curriculum**

A *candidate* for the degree, Master of Science in Medicine shall either –

- i) conduct a line of research approved by the *Senate* and submit to the satisfaction of the *Senate* a *Dissertation* based on that research.
- ii) attend and pass such postgraduate *courses* as the *Senate* may determine and submit a *Research Report* on a topic approved by the *Senate*; or



**b) Length of curriculum and requirements for degree by research in terms of Rule 8.3.7.2 (a)(i)**

- i) A candidate admitted under Rule 8.3.7.2 (a)(i) shall –  
conduct, during not less than one *academic year* of full-time or two years of part-time study, research in a department of the Faculty of Health Sciences under the guidance of a supervisor appointed by the *Senate*.

**c) Fields of study**

Field of Study	Plan Code	Course Code	School
Anaesthetics	MFAANAE70	ANAE8000A	School of Clinical Medicine
Anatomical Pathology	MFAANAP70	ANAP8001A	School of Pathology
Anatomical Sciences	MFAANAT70	ANAT8001A	School of Anatomical Sciences
Biokinetics	MFABIOK70	STHS8000A	School of Therapeutic Sciences
Chemical Pathology	MFACHEP70	CHEP8001A	School of Pathology
Clinical and Experimental Pharmacology	MFACEXP70	PHAR8000A	School of Therapeutic Sciences
Clinical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases	MFACMID70	CMID8002A	School of Pathology
Community Health	MFACOMH70	COMH8001A	School of Public Health
Critical Care	MFACRIT70	MEDC8001A	School of Clinical Medicine
Emergency Medicine	MFAEMED70	FAMH8000A	School of Clinical Medicine
Epidemiology and Biostatistics	MFAEPIB70	COMH8001A	School of Public Health
Exposure Science	MFAEXSC70	COMH8001A	School of Public Health
Family Medicine	MFAFAMH70	FAMH8000A	School of Clinical Medicine
Forensic Medicine	MFAFORM70	FORM8002A	School of Clinical Medicine
Haematology and Molecular Medicine	MFAHAEM70	HAEM8000A	School of Pathology
Health Analytics	MFAHEAN70	FAMH8000A	School of Clinical Medicine
Health and Medical Humanities	MFAMED780	FAMH8000A	School of Clinical Medicine
Health Entrepreneurship	MFAHENT70	FAMH8000A	School of Clinical Medicine
Health Innovation	MFAHEIN70	FAMH8000A	School of Clinical Medicine
Health Sciences Education	MFASCMD70	SCMD8000A	School of Clinical Medicine

Field of Study	Plan Code	Course Code	School
Health Systems Science	MFAHESS70	FAMH8000A	School of Clinical Medicine
Human Genetics	MFAHUMG70	HUMG8000A	School of Pathology
Immunology	MFAIMML70	IMML8000A	School of Pathology
Internal Medicine	MFAMEDC70	MEDC8001A	School of Clinical Medicine
Material Science	MFAMATS70	OHSC8000A	School of Oral Health Sciences
Microbiology	MFAOMCB70	OHSC8000A	School of Oral Health Sciences
Nursing	MFANRSE70	NRSE8001A	School of Therapeutic Sciences
Obstetrics and Gynaecology	MFAOBSG70	OBSC8000A	School of Clinical Medicine
Occupational Therapy	MFAOCCT70	OCCT8000A	School of Therapeutic Sciences
Ophthalmology	MFAOPHT70	OPHT8002A	School of Clinical Medicine
Oral Biology	MFAORAB70	ANAT8001A	School of Anatomical Sciences
Oral Pathology	MFAOPAT70	OPAT8000A	School of Oral Health Sciences
Orthopaedic Surgery	MFAORTS70	ORTS8000A	School of Clinical Medicine
Paediatrics	MFAPAED70	PAED8000A	School of Clinical Medicine
Pharmacology	MFAPHAR70	PHAR8000A	School of Therapeutic Sciences
Pharmacy	MFAPACY70	PACY8006A	School of Therapeutic Sciences
Physiology	MFAPHSL70	PHSL8000A	School of Physiology
Physiotherapy	MFAPHST70	PHST8000A	School of Therapeutic Sciences
Psychiatry	MFAPSMH70	PSMH8001A	School of Clinical Medicine
Public Health	MFAPUBH70	COMH8001A	School of Public Health
Radiation Oncology	MFARASE70	RASE8000A	School of Clinical Medicine
Rural Health	MFARURH70	COMH8001A	School of Public Health
Sport and Exercise Science	MFASPSC70	STHS8000A	School of Therapeutic Sciences

Field of Study	Plan Code	Course Code	School
Sports Medicine	MFASPOM70	STHS8000A	School of Therapeutic Sciences
Surgery	MFASURG70	SURG8004A	School of Clinical Medicine
Therapeutic Sciences	MAFASTHS70	STHS8000A	School of Therapeutic Sciences
Virology	MFAVIRL70	VIRL8001A	School of Pathology
Wits Reproductive and HIV Institute	MFAWRHI70	SCMD8000A	School of Clinical Medicine

**d) Length of curriculum and requirements for degree by coursework and Research Report in terms of Rule 8.3.7.2 (a)(ii)**

- i) A candidate admitted under Rule 8.3.7.2(a)(ii) shall –
  - A. during a period of not less than one *academic year* of full-time study or two *academic years* of part-time study attend and pass such courses as the Senate may determine; and
  - B. conduct, under the direction of a supervisor appointed by the Senate, study on a topic approved by the Senate and submit, for the approval of the Senate, within a period determined by it and after s/he has consulted with her/his supervisor, a *Research Report* thereon of not more than twenty thousand words.

**e) Fields of study**

**MSc(Med) in the field of Bioethics and Health Law**

<b>Programme Code: MCA08</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFABABL60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 180</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
The <i>curriculum</i> in the field of Bioethics and Health Law extends over not less than one year of full-time study or two years of part-time study and comprises two parts with the following courses:			
<b>Part I</b>			
SCMD7001A	Foundations of Health Law	18	9
SCMD7002A	Foundations of Bioethics	18	9
SCMD7003A	Advanced Research Ethics	18	9
SCMD7004A	Advanced Health Ethics	18	9
SCMD7005A	Research Methods	18	9
<b>Part II</b>			
SCMD7000A	Research Report (Bioethics and Health Law)	90	9

**MSc(Med) in the field of Biology and Control of African Disease Vectors**

<b>Programme Code: MCA08</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFABCAD60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 180</b>

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>NQF Credits</b>	<b>NQF Level</b>
The <i>curriculum</i> for the MSc(Med) in the field of Biology and Control of African Disease Vectors extends over not less than one <i>academic year</i> of full-time study, or two years of part-time study and comprises the following <i>courses</i> :			
VIRL7017A	Research Report	90	9
VIRL7013A	Introduction to Vector-Borne Diseases	15	9
VIRL7015A	Epidemiology and Statistics	15	9
VIRL7016A	Entomological Investigations	15	9
VIRL7014A	Vector Control	15	9
VIRL7012A	Principles of Programme Management	15	9
VIRL7011A	Field Training	15	9

**MSc(Med) in the field of Biokinetics**

<b>Programme Code: MCA08</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFABIOK60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 180</b>

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>NQF Credits</b>	<b>NQF Level</b>
The <i>curriculum</i> for the MSc (Med) in the field of Biokinetics extends over not less than two <i>academic years</i> of part-time study and comprises the following <i>courses</i> :			
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
STHS7002A	Exercise, Immunity and the Environment	10	9
STHS7004A	Nutrition, Healing and Rehabilitation	10	9
STHS7001A	Cardiorespiratory Physiology and Exercise	10	9
STHS7003A	Muscle Physiology and Metabolism	10	9
STHS7000A	Wellness, Health Promotion and Rehabilitation	10	9
STHS7005A	Research Methods	10	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
STHS7017A	Advanced Orthopaedic Rehabilitation	10	9
STHS7016A	Advanced Chronic Disease Rehabilitation	10	9
STHS7009A	Clinical Practice	10	9
STHS7013A	Research Report	90	9

**MSc(Med) in the field of Child Health**

- **Community Paediatrics option**

<b>Programme Code: MCA08</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFACHCP60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits:180</b>

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>NQF Credits</b>	<b>NQF Level</b>
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The *curriculum* for the MSc(Med) in the field of Child Health extends over not less than two *academic* years of part-time study and comprises Parts I and II.

Part I and Part II will be offered sequentially in alternate years. Except by permission of the *Senate* a *candidate* may not proceed to Part II unless s/he has completed all *courses* prescribed for Part I.

#### **Part I**

PAED7016A	Introduction to Child Health	15	9
COMH7047A	Health Measurement I	15	9
PAED7010A	Child Health I	15	9
FAHS1595A	Special Requirements for Research Methodology	15	9

#### **Part II**

PAED7019A	Child Health II	15	9
PAED7007A	Maternal Health	15	9
PAED7033A	Research Report	60	9

and **two** of the following elective *courses*:

COMH7101A	Management in Health and Health Services	15	9
COMH7172A	The District Model in Primary Health Care	15	9
COMH7017A	Health Care Financing	15	9
COMH7040A	Health Systems and Decentralisation	15	9
COMH7015A	Project Management for Public Health Practitioners	15	9
PAED7028A	A Public Health Approach to Perinatal and Paediatric HIV	15	9
PAED7027A	Maternal and Child Nutrition	15	9
PAED7029A	Adolescent Health	15	9
PAED7014A	Developmental Problems in Childhood	15	9
PAED7015A	Behavioural Problems in Childhood	15	9

#### • **Neurodevelopment option**

<b>Programme Code: MCA08</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFACHND60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 180</b>

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>NQF Credits</b>	<b>NQF Level</b>
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The *curriculum* for the MSc(Med) in the field of Child Health extends over not less than two *academic* years of part-time study and comprises Parts I and II.

Part I and Part II will be offered sequentially in alternate years. Except by permission of the *Senate* a *candidate* may not proceed to Part II unless s/he has completed all *courses* prescribed for Part I.

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Part I</b>			
PAED7014A	Developmental Problems in Childhood	15	9
ANAT7011A	General Neuroanatomy	15	9
PHSL7004A	Principles of Physiology and Medical Biochemistry in relation to the Nervous System	15	9
FAHS1595A	Special Requirements for Research Methodology	15	9
<b>Part II</b>			
PAED7015A	Behavioural Problems in Childhood	15	9
PAED7008A	Paediatric Neurology	15	9
PSMH7000A	Psychological Medicine	15	9
PAED7032A	Research Report	60	9
COMH7047A or COMH7200A	Health Measurement I  Epidemiology for Health Researchers	15  15	9  9

**MSc(Med) in the field of Child Life and Paediatric Psychosocial Care**

<b>Programme Code: MCA08</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFACLPP60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 186</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
The <i>curriculum</i> for the MSc(Med) in the field of Child Life and Paediatric Psychosocial Care extends over not less than two years of part-time study and comprises the following <i>courses</i> :			
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
STHS7019A	Research Methodology for Health Sciences	6	9
STHS7020A	Child Development and Play: Birth to 18 years	30	9
STHS7021A	Ethics – Ethical, Professional and Cultural Issues	15	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
STHS7022A	Family Systems, Loss and Death	15	9
STHS7023A	Child Life Speciality	30	9
STHS7024A	Research Report	90	9

**MSc(Med) in the field of Clinical Pharmacy**

<b>Programme Code: MCA08</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFACPHY60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 195</b>

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>NQF Credits</b>	<b>NQF Level</b>
The curriculum for the MSc(Med) in the field of Clinical Pharmacy extends over not less than two academic years of part-time study and comprises the following <i>courses</i> :			
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
PACY7022A	Research Methodology	15	9
PACY7008A	Health Management and Managed Care	15	9
PACY7011A	Clinical Laboratory Tests and the Interpretation thereof	10	9
PACY7021A	Clinical Trials	10	9
PACY7012A	Advanced Applied Pharmacokinetics	15	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
PACY7026A	Research Report	90	9
and <b>five</b> of the following elective <i>courses</i> :			
PACY7013A	Infectious Diseases Pharmacotherapeutics	8	9
PACY7014A	Cardiovascular Pharmacotherapeutics	8	9
PACY7015A	Respiratory Pharmacotherapeutics	8	9
PACY7016A	Gastrointestinal Pharmacotherapeutics	8	9
PACY7017A	Endocrinology Pharmacotherapeutics	8	9
PACY7018A	Psychopharmacotherapeutics	8	9
PACY7019A	Renal Pharmacotherapeutics	8	9
PACY7020A	Oncologic Pharmacotherapeutics	8	9

**MSc(Med) in the field of Emergency Medicine**

<b>Programme Code: MCA08</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAEMRM60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 180</b>

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>NQF Credits</b>	<b>NQF Level</b>
The <i>curriculum</i> for the MSc(Med) in the field of Emergency Medicine extends over not less than one year of full-time study or two years of part-time study and comprises the following <i>courses</i> :			
FAMH7021A	Resuscitation	15	9
FAMH7022A	Acute and Undifferentiated Presentations	15	9
FAMH7023A	Emergency Care I	15	9
FAMH7025A	Paediatric Emergencies	15	9
FAMH7026A	Toxicology	15	9
FAMH7027A	Pre-Hospital Care and Disaster Management	15	9

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
FAMH7028A	Research Report	90	9

**MSc(Med) in the field of Exposure Science**

<b>Programme Code: MCA08</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAEXSC60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 185</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
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The *curriculum* for the MSc(Med) in the field of Exposure Science extends over not less than two years of part-time study and comprises the following courses:

**Year of Study I**

COMH7100A	Orientation to Public Health	0	9
COMH7104A	Introduction to Occupational and Environmental Health	15	9
COMH7297A	Exposure Induced Health Outcome	15	9
COMH7301A	Exposure Science I	15	9
COMH7298A	Fundamentals of Risk Assessment	15	9
COMH7295A	Exposure Control I	15	9

**Year of Study II**

COMH7302A	Exposure Science II	10	9
COMH7299A	Exposure Assessment Methods I	10	9
COMH7300A	Exposure Assessment Methods II	10	9
COMH7304A	Computational Exposure Assessment	10	9
COMH7296A	Exposure Control II	10	9
COMH7305A	Research Report	60	9

**MSc(Med) in the field of Genetic Counselling**

<b>Programme Code: MCA08</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAGENC61</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 180</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
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The *curriculum* for the MSc(Med) in the field of Genetic Counselling extends over not less than one year of full-time study and comprises the following courses:

HUMG7017A	Medical Genetics for Genetic Counsellors I	30	9
HUMG7018A	Medical Genetics for Genetic Counsellors II	30	9
HUMG7019A	Principles of Genetic Counselling	20	9
HUMG7020A	Practices of Genetic Counselling	40	9
HUMG7016A	Research Report	60	9



**MSc(Med) in the field of Genomic Medicine**

<b>Programme Code: MCA08</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAGENM61</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 180</b>

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>NQF Credits</b>	<b>NQF Level</b>
The <i>curriculum</i> for the MSc(Med) in the field of Genomic Medicine extends over not less than one year of full-time study or two years of part-time study and comprises the following <i>courses</i> :			
HUMG7025A	Research Methodology	35	9
HUMG7027A	Fundamentals of Human Genetics and Genomics	25	9
HUMG7034A	Omics Techniques and their Application in Genomic Medicine	30	9
HUMG7035A	Genomics in Medicine	30	9
HUMG7031A	Research Report	60	9

**MSc(Med) in the field of Pharmaceutical Affairs**

<b>Programme Code: MCA08</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAPHAF60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 180</b>

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>NQF Credits</b>	<b>NQF Level</b>
The <i>curriculum</i> for the MSc(Med) in the field of Pharmaceutical Affairs extends over not less than two years of part-time study and comprises the following <i>courses</i> :			
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
PACY7021A	Clinical Trials	15	9
PACY7007A	Pharmaceutical Production	15	9
PACY7028A	Pharmaco-economics	10	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
PACY7022A	Research Methodology	15	9
PACY7004A	Regulatory Affairs and Medicine Registration	10	9
PACY7006A	Medicines Control	10	9
PACY7008A	Management	15	9
PACY7025A	Research Report	90	9

**MSc(Med) in the field of Sports Medicine**

<b>Programme Code: MCA08</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFASPOM60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 180</b>

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>NQF Credits</b>	<b>NQF Level</b>
The <i>curriculum</i> for the MSc (Med) in the field of Sports Medicine extends over not less than two years of part-time study and comprises the following <i>courses</i> :			

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
STHS7003A	Muscle Physiology and Metabolism	10	9
STHS7001A	Cardiorespiratory Physiology and Exercise	10	9
STHS7005A	Research Methods	10	9
STHS7002A	Exercise, Immunity and the Environment	10	9
STHS7000A	Wellness, Health Promotion and Rehabilitation	10	9
STHS7004A	Nutrition, Healing and Rehabilitation	10	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
STHS7007A	Management of Upper body Injuries	10	9
STHS7008A	Management of Lower body Injuries	10	9
STHS7009A	Clinical Practice	10	9
STHS7014A	Research Report	90	9

**MSc(Med) in the field of Sports Science**

<b>Programme Code: MCA08</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFASPC60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 180</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
The <i>curriculum</i> for the MSc (Med) in the field of Sports Science extends over not less than two years of part-time study and comprises the following <i>courses</i> :			
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
STHS7003A	Muscle Physiology and Metabolism	10	9
STHS7001A	Cardiorespiratory Physiology and Exercise	10	9
STHS7005A	Research Methods	10	9
STHS7002A	Exercise, Immunity and the Environment	10	9
STHS7000A	Wellness, Health Promotion and Rehabilitation	10	9
STHS7004A	Nutrition, Healing and Rehabilitation	10	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
STHS7010A	Exercise Testing and Advanced Exercise Principles	10	9
STHS7011A	Advanced Coaching, Conditioning, Sports Vision and Optimisation of Sports Performance	10	9
STHS7012A	Laboratory Practicum	10	9
STHS7015A	Research Report	90	9

**MSc(Med) in the field of Translational Research**

<b>Programme Code: MCA08</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFATRAR60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 180</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
HUMG7025A	Research Methodology	35	9
MEDC7046A	Molecular Discovery to Clinical Application	40	9
MEDC7047A	Introduction to Precision Medicine	20	9
MEDC7048A	Professional Skills in Translational Research	25	9
MEDC7049A	Research Report	60	9

### MSc(Med) in the field of Vaccinology

Programme Code: MCA08	NQF Exit Level: 9
Plan Code: MFAVACC61	Total NQF Credits: 180

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
The <i>curriculum</i> for the MSc (Med) in the field of Vaccinology extends over not less than one year of full-time study or two years of part-time study and comprises the following <i>courses</i> :			
COMH7200A	Epidemiology for Health Researchers I	15	9
SPAT7011A	Basic Immunology	10	9
SPAT7005A	Applied Immunology	10	9
SPAT7010A	Basic Vaccinology	10	9
SPAT7006A	Applied Vaccinology	10	9
SPAT7008A	Vaccine Development	10	9
SPAT7009A	Vaccines and Public Health	10	9
SPAT7004A	Applied Epidemiology and Statistics	5	9
CMID7037A	Clinical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases for Vaccinologists	5	9
CMID7038A	Project Management for Health Researchers	5	9
SPAT7002A	Vaccinology Research Report I	30	9
SPAT7003A	Vaccinology Research Report II	60	9

## 8.3.8 Master of Science in Epidemiology (by coursework and Research Report) (MCA16)

### 8.3.8.1 Admission rules

#### a) Admission requirements

Any one of the following persons may be admitted as a *candidate*:

- i) A graduate of the *University* who has been awarded:
  - Bachelor of Dental Science;
  - Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery;
  - Bachelor of Nursing;
  - Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy;

Bachelor of Pharmacy;  
 Bachelor of Science in Physiotherapy;  
 Bachelor of Health Sciences Honours;  
 Bachelor of Science Honours.

- ii) A graduate who has been awarded any other *qualification*, the normal *curriculum* of which extends over not less than four years of full-time study, who, in the opinion of the *Senate*, is sufficiently qualified to undertake the field of study proposed.
- iii) Any other person who has satisfied the *Senate*, by means of a written or oral test (or both), or by any other mode of *assessment* to be determined from time to time by the *Senate*, that s/he is sufficiently qualified to undertake the line of study proposed.

### 8.3.8.2 Curriculum rules

#### a) Length of programme and requirements for degree by coursework and Research Report

- i) A *candidate* admitted under Rule 8.3.8.1 shall –
  - A. during a period of not less than one and a half *academic years* of full-time study or three *academic years* of part-time study attend and pass such *courses* as the *Senate* may determine; and
  - B. under the direction of a supervisor appointed by the *Senate*, submit a *Research Report* on a topic approved by the *Senate*.

#### b) Fields of study

##### Field of Epidemiology and Biostatistics

Programme Code: MCA16	NQF Exit Level: 9
Plan Code: MFAEBIO62	Total NQF Credits: 240

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
COMH7100A	Orientation to Public Health	0	9
COMH7200A	Epidemiology for Health Researchers I	15	9
COMH7312A	Advanced Epidemiology for Health Researchers	15	9
COMH7062A	Biostatistics for Health Researchers I	15	9
COMH7063A	Biostatistics for Health Researchers II	15	9
COMH7066A	Biostatistics for Health Researchers III	15	9
COMH7327A	Surveillance and Outbreak Management	15	9
COMH7308A	Research Report I	45	9
and a minimum of <b>one</b> of the following two <i>courses</i> :			
COMH7218A	Communicable Disease Epidemiology	15	9
COMH7208A	Non-Communicable Disease Epidemiology	15	9
and <b>one</b> <i>course</i> from the following list (if only one <i>course</i> is selected from the list above)			
COMH7067A	Introduction to Demographics Methods	15	9
COMH7317A	Qualitative Research Methods	15	9

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
COMH7114A	Clinical Epidemiology	15	9
COMH7220A	Clinical Trials	15	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
COMH7309A	Research Report II	15	9
COMH7310A	Research Report III	60	9

**Field of Field Epidemiology**

<b>Programme Code: MCA16</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAFEPI61</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 240</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
COMH7100A	Orientation to Public Health	0	9
COMH7200A	Epidemiology for Health Researchers I	15	9
COMH7062A	Biostatistics for Health Researchers I	15	9
COMH7063A	Biostatistics for Health Researchers II	15	9
COMH7327A	Surveillance and Outbreak Management	15	9
COMH7308A	Research Report I	45	9
and <b>one</b> of the following two <i>courses</i> :			
COMH7293A	Monitoring and Evaluation for Health Programmes	15	9
COMH7067A	Introduction to Demographic Methods	15	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
COMH7313A	Applied Field Epidemiology I	15	9
COMH7314A	Applied Field Epidemiology II	15	9
COMH7315A	Applied Field Epidemiology III	15	9
COMH7309A	Research Report II	15	9
COMH7310A	Research Report III	60	9

**Field of Infectious Disease Epidemiology**

<b>Programme Code: MCA16</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAIDEP62</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 240</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
COMH7100A	Orientation to Public Health	0	9
COMH7200A	Epidemiology for Health Researchers I	15	9
COMH7312A	Advanced Epidemiology for Health Researchers	15	9

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
COMH7062A	Biostatistics for Health Researchers I	15	9
COMH7063A	Biostatistics for Health Researchers II	15	9
COMH7327A	Surveillance and Outbreak Management	15	9
COMH7218A	Communicable Disease Epidemiology	15	9
COMH7290A	Infectious Disease Modelling	15	9
COMH7308A	Research Report I	45	9
and <b>one</b> of the following elective courses:			
COMH7066A	Biostatistics for Health Researchers III	15	9
VIRL7013A	Introduction to Vector-Borne Diseases	15	9
VIRL7014A	Vector Control	15	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
COMH7309A	Research Report II	15	9
COMH7310A	Research Report III	60	9

**Field of Public Health Informatics**

<b>Programme Code: MCA16</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAPHIN61</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 240</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
COMH7100A	Orientation to Public Health	0	9
COMH7200A	Epidemiology for Health Researchers I	15	9
COMH7062A	Biostatistics for Health Researchers I	15	9
COMH7063A	Biostatistics for Health Researchers II	15	9
COMH7257A	Health and Demography Surveillance Database Systems	15	9
COMH7306A	Artificial Intelligence (AI) for Health Data Science	15	9
COMH7316A	Integrated Data Systems for Healthcare Delivery	15	9
COMH7311A	Health Data Science	15	9
COMH7308A	Research Report I	45	9
and <b>one</b> of the following two courses:			
COMH7238A	Data Processing, Distribution and Archiving I	15	9
COMH7307A	Data Privacy, Ethics and Legal Frameworks for Health Sciences	15	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
COMH7309A	Research Report II	15	9
COMH7310A	Research Report III	60	9

**Field of Implementation Science**

<b>Programme Code: MCA16</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAIMPS61</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 240</b>

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>NQF Credits</b>	<b>NQF Level</b>
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
COMH7100A	Orientation to Public Health	0	9
COMH7200A	Epidemiology for Health Researchers I	15	9
COMH7062A	Biostatistics for Health Researchers I	15	9
COMH7063A	Biostatistics for Health Researchers II	15	9
COMH7260A	Implementation Science I	15	9
COMH7291A	Quality Improvement Science	15	9
COMH7293A	Monitoring and Evaluation for Health Programmes	15	9
COMH7308A	Research Report I	45	9
and <b>two</b> of the following courses:			
COMH7287A	Introduction to Health Economics	15	9
COMH7317A	Qualitative Research Methods	15	9
COMH7218A	Communicable Disease Epidemiology	15	9
COMH7208A	Non-Communicable Disease Epidemiology	15	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
COMH7309A	Research Report II	15	9
COMH7310A	Research Report III	60	9

**Field of Biostatistics**

<b>Programme Code: MCA16</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFABIOS61</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 240</b>

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>NQF Credits</b>	<b>NQF Level</b>
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
COMH7100A	Orientation to Public Health	0	9
COMH7200A	Epidemiology for Health Researchers I	15	9
COMH7250A	Introduction to Statistical Theory in Health Research	15	9
COMH7063A	Biostatistics for Health Researchers II	15	9
COMH7318A	Statistical Consulting in Health Research	15	9
COMH7248A	Generalised Linear Models in Health Research	15	9
COMH7306A	Artificial Intelligence (AI) for Health Data Science	15	9
COMH7247A	Bayesian Methods in Health Research	15	9
COMH7308A	Research Report I	45	9

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
and <b>one</b> of the following <i>courses</i> :			
COMH7207A	Statistical Issues in Randomised Controlled Trials	15	9
COMH7253A	Survey Methods in Health Research	15	9
COMH7290A	Infectious Disease Modelling	15	9
COMH7246A	Applied Spatial Statistics for Health Research	15	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
COMH7309A	Research Report II	15	9
COMH7310A	Research Report III	60	9

### 8.3.8.3 Progression and completion rules

#### a) Credit

A *candidate* shall obtain *credit* in any of the *courses* prescribed and selected in terms of Rule 8.3.8.2 (b) if s/he has successfully completed all the requirements for the said *course* or *courses*.

#### b) Supplementary Examination

Any *candidate* who fails one of the *courses* included in her/his *curriculum* for any year of study may be permitted by the *Senate* to present herself/himself for a supplementary *examination* in that *course*.

#### c) Assessments

The *assessments* in the *courses* offered in terms of Rules 8.3.8.2 (b) shall be written, oral, practical, by continuous *assessment* or by a combination of these methods as the *Senate* may determine in each case.

## 8.3.9 Master of Science in Nursing (MRA02)

**Note:** The South African Nursing Council has recognised this *qualification* for the purpose of registration of an additional *qualification* in one of the following fields of nursing if the graduate has not already registered in that field of nursing: Infection Control, Intensive Care Nursing, Child Nursing, Trauma Nursing, Oncology Nursing, Nephrology Nursing, Occupational Health Nursing, Community Health Nursing, Advanced Psychiatric Nursing and Nursing Education, in terms of Rule 8.3.9.2 (c).

### 8.3.9.1 Admission rules

#### a) Admission requirements

Any of the following may be admitted as a *candidate* for the degree provided that s/he is qualified for registration as a general nurse with the South African Nursing Council and provided that s/he has satisfied the *Senate* that s/he is qualified to undertake the line of study proposed or research (or both):

- The holder of a Bachelor of Science in Nursing or a Bachelor of Nursing of the *University*.
- A graduate of *any other university* who has satisfied the *Senate* by means of a written or oral test (or both) or by means of any other mode of *assessment* to be determined from time to time by the *Senate* that s/he is qualified to undertake the line of study proposed or research (or both).
- A person other than a graduate who has in the manner set out in b) above satisfied the *Senate*.



**8.3.9.2 Curriculum rules****a) Choice of proceeding**

A *candidate* for the degree, Master of Science in Nursing shall:

- i) conduct a line of research approved by the *Senate* and submit a *Dissertation* based on that research.

**b) Proceeding by research in terms of 8.3.9.2 (a)(i)**

<b>Programme Code: MRA02</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPANUR70</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 180</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
NRSE8000A	MSc(Nurs) Dissertation	180	9

A *candidate* admitted under Rule 8.3.9.2 (a)(i) shall –

- i) under the direction of a supervisor appointed by the *Senate*, conduct, during not less than one *academic year* of full-time study, research on a topic approved by the *Senate*; and
- ii) if so required by the *Senate*, attend and pass such *courses* as may be determined by it in her/his case.

**8.3.10 Master of Science in Occupational Therapy (MRA01; MCA11)****8.3.10.1 Admission rules****a) Admission requirements**

Any of the following may be admitted as a *candidate* for the degree provided that s/he is registered as an occupational therapist with the Health Professions Council of South Africa: Provided that the *Senate* is satisfied that the *applicant* is qualified to undertake the line of study proposed or research (or both):

- i) The holder of a Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy of the *University*.
- ii) A graduate of *any other university* who has satisfied the *Senate* by means of a written or oral test (or both) or by means of any other mode of *assessment* to be determined from time to time by the *Senate* that s/he is qualified to undertake the line of study proposed or research (or both).

**8.3.10.2 Curriculum rules****a) Choice of proceeding**

A *candidate* for the degree, Master of Science in Occupational Therapy may elect to:

- i) conduct a line of research approved by the *Senate* and submit a *Dissertation* based on that research; or
- ii) attend and pass the *courses* listed in Rule 8.3.10.2 (d) and submit a *Research Report* on a topic approved by the *Senate*.

**b) Proceeding by research in terms of Rule 8.3.10.2 (a)(i)**

<b>Programme Code: MRA01</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MPAOCT70</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 180</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
OCCT8000A	MSc(OT) Dissertation	180	9

A candidate admitted in terms of Rule 8.3.10.2 (a)(i) shall –

- i) under the direction of a supervisor appointed by the *Senate*, conduct, during not less than one *academic year* of full-time study, research in a topic approved by the *Senate*; and
- ii) if so required by the *Senate*, attend and pass such *courses* as may be determined by it in her/his case:

**c) Proceeding by coursework and Research Report in terms of 8.3.10.2 (a)(ii)**

A candidate admitted under Rule 8.3.10.2 (a)(ii) shall –

- i) during a period of not less than two *academic years* of part-time study attend and pass the *courses* listed in Rule 8.3.10.2 (d) below; and
- ii) conduct under the direction of a supervisor appointed by the *Senate* study and research on a topic approved by the *Senate* and submit not earlier than six months and not later than two years after completion of the *courses* referred to in Rule 8.3.10.2 (d) hereof and after consultation with the supervisor, a *Research Report* for the approval of the *Senate*.

**d) Fields of study**

The degree Master of Science in Occupational Therapy is offered in the following fields of study:

Neurological Disorders : (MFANDIS60)

Perceptual Disorders : (MFAPDIS60)

Psychiatric Disorders : (MFAPSYD60)

**Field of Neurological Disorders**

<b>Programme Code: MCA11</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFANDIS60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 180</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
OCCT7029A	Research Methodology	15	9
ANAT7011A	General Neuroanatomy	15	9
PHSL7017A	Applied Neurophysiology	15	9
OCCT7032A	Occupational Science and Models of Practice	15	9
OCCT7034A	Research Report I	15	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
OCCT7035A	Research Report II	75	9
OCCT7030A	Occupational Therapy Treatment of Neurological Disorders	30	9

**Field of Perceptual Disorders**

<b>Programme Code: MCA11</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAPDIS60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 180</b>

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>NQF Credits</b>	<b>NQF Level</b>
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
OCCT7029A	Research Methodology	15	9
ANAT7011A	General Neuroanatomy	15	9
PHSL7017A	Applied Neurophysiology	15	9
OCCT7032A	Occupational Science and Models of Practice	15	9
OCCT7034A	Research Report I	15	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
OCCT7035A	Research Report II	75	9
OCCT7031A	Occupational Therapy Treatment of Perceptual Disorders	30	9

**Field of Psychiatric Disorders**

<b>Programme Code: MCA11</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAPSYD60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 180</b>

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>NQF Credits</b>	<b>NQF Level</b>
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
OCCT7029A	Research Methodology	15	9
ANAT7011A	General Neuroanatomy	15	9
PHSL7017A	Applied Neurophysiology	15	9
OCCT7032A	Occupational Science and Models of Practice	15	9
OCCT7034A	Research Report I	15	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
OCCT7035A	Research Report II	75	9
OCCT7033A	Occupational Therapy Treatment of Psychiatric Disorders	30	9

**8.3.10.3 Progression and completion rules****a) Assessment**

- i) The *Senate* may permit a *candidate* who has completed two *courses* to present herself/himself for supplementary examination in the *course* s/he has failed to complete.
- ii) In a case considered by it to be exceptional, the *Senate* may permit a *candidate* who has completed only one *course* to present herself/himself for supplementary examination in the *courses* s/he has failed to complete.
- iii) A *candidate* who is proceeding on a part-time *curriculum* shall obtain *credit* for any *course* or *courses* completed in the first and second years of study.

- iv) A *candidate* who is proceeding on a part-time *curriculum* may be permitted by the *Senate* to present herself/himself for supplementary examination in any *course* that s/he fails to complete.

### 8.3.11 Master of Science in Physiotherapy (MRA00; MCA57)

#### 8.3.11.1 Admission rules

##### a) Admission requirements

Any of the following may be admitted as a *candidate* for the degree provided that s/he is registered as a physiotherapist with the Health Professions Council of South Africa: Provided that the *Senate* is satisfied that the *applicant* is qualified to undertake the line of study proposed or research (or both):

- i) The holder of a Bachelor of Science in Physiotherapy of the *University*.
- ii) A graduate of *any other university* who has satisfied the *Senate* by means of a written or oral test (or both) or by means of any other mode of *assessment* to be determined from time to time by the *Senate* that s/he is qualified to undertake the line of study proposed or research (or both).
- iii) A person other than a graduate who has in the manner set out in (ii) above satisfied the *Senate*.

#### 8.3.11.2 Curriculum rules

##### a) Choice of curriculum

A *candidate* for the degree, Master of Science in Physiotherapy may elect to:

- i) conduct a line of research approved by the *Senate* and submit a *Dissertation* based on that research; or
- ii) attend and pass the *courses*, approved by the *Senate*, selected from those listed under Rule 8.3.11.2 (c), and submit a *Research Report* on a research topic approved by the *Senate*.

##### b) Proceeding by research in terms of Rule 8.3.11.2 (a)(i)

Programme Code: MRA00	NQF Exit Level: 9
Plan Code: MPAPHY70	Total NQF Credits: 180

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PHST8000A	MSc(Physio) Dissertation	180	9

A *candidate* admitted under Rule 8.3.11.2 (a)(i) shall –

- i) under the direction of a supervisor appointed by the *Senate*, conduct, during not less than one *academic year* of full-time study, advanced study and research on a topic approved by the *Senate*; where in the opinion of the *Senate* the topic on which the *candidate* proposes to present her/his *Dissertation* requires it, the *candidate* shall hold a suitable post in an institution approved by the *Senate*, and shall, in that event, be deemed to be prosecuting part-time research; and
- ii) if so required by the *Senate*, attend and pass such *courses* as may be determined by it in her/his case.

**c) Proceeding by coursework and Research Report in terms of 8.3.11.2 (a)(ii)**

A candidate admitted under Rule 8.3.11.2 (a)(ii) shall –

- i) during a period of not less than one *academic year* of full-time study or two years of part-time study attend and pass the *courses* approved by the *Senate* selected from those listed in Rule 8.3.11.2 (d) below; and
- ii) conduct, under the direction of a supervisor appointed by the *Senate*, research on a topic approved by the *Senate* and submit, not earlier than six months and not later than two years after completion of the *courses* referred to under Rule 8.3.11.2 (d). hereof and after consultation with the supervisor, a *Research Report* of not more than twenty thousand words for the approval of the *Senate*.

**d) Fields of study**

The degree Master of Science in Physiotherapy is offered in the following fields of study:

Community Physiotherapy	: (MFACOMP60)
Neurology and Neurosurgery Physiotherapy	: (MFANNSP60)
Orthopaedic Manipulative Therapy	: (MFAOMTP60)
Orthopaedic Surgery Physiotherapy	: (MFAORSP60)
Paediatric Physiotherapy (General)	: (MFAPEPG60)
Paediatric Physiotherapy (Neurology)	: (MFAPEPN60)
Physiotherapeutic Musculoskeletal Pain Management	: (MFAPMPM60)
Respirology, Cardiology and Cardiothoracic Surgery Physiotherapy	: (MFARCCS60)
Sports and Exercise Physiotherapy	: (MFASPEP60)
Traumatology Physiotherapy	: (MFATRMP60)

**Field of Community Physiotherapy**

<b>Programme Code: MCA57</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFACOMP60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 180</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
PHST7000A	Research Methodology	15	9
ANAT7012A	Applied Anatomy	15	9
ANAP7007A	Applied Pathology for Physiotherapists	15	9
PHSL7016A	Applied General Physiology	15	9
PHST7010A	Research Report I	15	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
PHST7012A	Community Physiotherapy	30	9
PHST7011A	Research Report II	75	9

## Field of Neurology and Neurosurgery Physiotherapy

<b>Programme Code: MCA57</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFANNSP60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 180</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
PHST7000A	Research Methodology	15	9
ANAT7011A	General Neuroanatomy	15	9
ANAP7007A	Applied Pathology for Physiotherapists	15	9
PHSL7017A	Applied Neurophysiology	15	9
PHST7010A	Research Report I	15	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
PHST7013A	Neurology and Neurosurgery for Physiotherapists	30	9
PHST7011A	Research Report II	75	9

## Field of Neuromusculoskeletal Physiotherapy

<b>Programme Code: MCA57</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFANMSK60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 180</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
PHST7000A	Research Methodology	15	9
ANAT7012A	Applied Anatomy	15	9
ANAP7007A	Applied Pathology for Physiotherapists	15	9
PHSL7016A	Applied General Physiology	15	9
PHST7010A	Research Report I	15	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
PHST7014A	Neuromusculoskeletal Physiotherapy	30	9
PHST7011A	Research Report II	75	9

## Field of Orthopaedic Surgery Physiotherapy

<b>Programme Code: MCA57</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAORSP60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 180</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
PHST7000A	Research Methodology	15	9
ANAT7012A	Applied Anatomy	15	9

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
ANAP7007A	Applied Pathology for Physiotherapists	15	9
PHSL7016A	Applied General Physiology	15	9
PHST7010A	Research Report I	15	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
PHST7015A	Orthopaedic Surgery for Physiotherapists	30	9
PHST7011A	Research Report II	75	9

**Field of Paediatric Physiotherapy (General)**

<b>Programme Code: MCA57</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAPEPG60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 180</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
PHST7000A	Research Methodology	15	9
ANAT7012A	Applied Anatomy	15	9
ANAP7007A	Applied Pathology for Physiotherapists	15	9
PHSL7016A	Applied General Physiology	15	9
PHST7010A	Research Report I	15	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
PHST7016A	Paediatrics for Physiotherapists (General)	30	9
PHST7011A	Research Report II	75	9

**Field of Paediatric Physiotherapy (Neurology)**

<b>Programme Code: MCA57</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAPEPN60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 180</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
PHST7000A	Research Methodology	15	9
ANAT7011A	General Neuroanatomy	15	9
ANAP7007A	Applied Pathology for Physiotherapists	15	9
PHSL7017A	Applied Neurophysiology	15	9
PHST7010A	Research Report I	15	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
PHST7017A	Paediatrics for Physiotherapists (Neurology)	30	9
PHST7011A	Research Report II	75	9

**Field of Physiotherapeutic Musculoskeletal Pain Management**

<b>Programme Code: MCA57</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFAPMPM60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 180</b>

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>NQF Credits</b>	<b>NQF Level</b>
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
PHST7000A	Research Methodology	15	9
ANAT7011A	General Neuroanatomy	15	9
ANAP7007A	Applied Pathology for Physiotherapists	15	9
PHSL7017A	Applied Neurophysiology	15	9
PHST7010A	Research Report I	15	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
PHST7008A	Physiotherapeutic Musculoskeletal Pain Management	30	9
PHST7011A	Research Report II	75	9

**Field of Respiriology, Cardiology and Cardiothoracic Surgery Physiotherapy**

<b>Programme Code: MCA57</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFARCCS60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 180</b>

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>NQF Credits</b>	<b>NQF Level</b>
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
PHST7000A	Research Methodology	15	9
ANAT7012A	Applied Anatomy	15	9
ANAP7007A	Applied Pathology for Physiotherapists	15	9
PHSL7016A	Applied General Physiology	15	9
PHST7010A	Research Report I	15	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
PHST7002A	Respirology, Cardiology and Cardiothoracic Surgery for Physiotherapists	30	9
PHST7011A	Research Report II	75	9

**Field of Sport and Exercise Physiotherapy**

<b>Programme Code: MCA57</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFASPEP60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 180</b>

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>NQF Credits</b>	<b>NQF Level</b>
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
PHST7000A	Research Methodology	15	9



Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
ANAT7012A	Applied Anatomy	15	9
ANAP7007A	Applied Pathology for Physiotherapists	15	9
PHSL7016A	Applied General Physiology	15	9
PHST7010A	Research Report I	15	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
PHST7003A	Sport and Exercise Physiotherapy	30	9
PHST7011A	Research Report II	75	9

**Field of Traumatology Physiotherapy**

<b>Programme Code: MCA57</b>	<b>NQF Exit Level: 9</b>
<b>Plan Code: MFATRMP60</b>	<b>Total NQF Credits: 180</b>

Course Code	Description	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>Year of Study I</b>			
PHST7000A	Research Methodology	15	9
ANAT7012A	Applied Anatomy	15	9
ANAP7007A	Applied Pathology for Physiotherapists	15	9
PHSL7016A	Applied General Physiology	15	9
PHST7010A	Research Report I	15	9
<b>Year of Study II</b>			
PHST7001A	Traumatology	30	9
PHST7011A	Research Report II	75	9

**8.3.11.3 Progression and completion rules****a) Assessment**

- i) The *Senate* may permit a *candidate* who has completed two *courses* to present herself/himself for supplementary *examination* in the *course* s/he has failed to complete.
- ii) In a case considered by it to be exceptional, the *Senate* may permit a *candidate* who has completed only one *course* to present herself/himself for supplementary *examination* in the *courses* s/he has failed to complete.
- iii) A *candidate* who is proceeding on a part-time *curriculum* shall obtain *credit* for any *course* or *courses* completed in the first and second years of study.
- iv) A *candidate* who is proceeding on a part-time *curriculum* may be permitted by the *Senate* to present herself/himself for supplementary *examination* in any *course* that s/he fails to complete.

# 8.4 Doctorates and Senior Doctorates

Qualification Name	Degree Code	NQF Exit Level
Doctor of Medicine (MD)	MDA03	10
Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) <b>In the fields of:</b>	MDA00	10
Anaesthesia	FAANAE80	
Anatomical Pathology	MFAANAP80	
Anatomical Sciences	MFAANAT80	
Bioethics and Health Law	MFABIOE80	
Biokinetics	MFABIOK80	
Biomedical Informatics and Translational Medicine	MFABITM80	
Chemical Pathology	MFACHEP80	
Clinical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases	MFACMID80	
Community Dentistry	MFACOMD80	
Conservative Dentistry	MFACOND80	
Critical Care	MFACRIT80	
Diagnostic Radiology	MFARADD80	
Experimental Odontology	MFAEXPD80	
Family Medicine	MFAFAMH80	
Forensic Medicine	MFAFORM80	
Haematology and Molecular Medicine	MFAHAEM80	
Health Analytics	MFAHEAN80	
Health and Medical Humanities	MFAMEDH80	
Health Entrepreneurship	MFAHENT80	
Health Innovation	MFAHEIN80	
Health Sciences Education	MFAHSED80	
Health Systems Science	MFAHESS80	
Human Genetics	MFAHUMG80	
Immunology	MFAIMML80	
Internal Medicine	MFAMEDC80	
Material Science	MFAMATS80	
Microbiology	MFAOMCB80	
Neurosurgery	MFANEUS80	
Nursing	MFANRSE80	
Obstetrics and Gynaecology	MFAOBSG80	
Occupational Therapy	MFAOCCT80	
Ophthalmology	MFAOPHT80	
Oral Biology	MFAORAB80	
Oral Medicine and Periodontology	MFAORMP80	
Oral Pathology	MFAOPAT80	
Orthodontics	MFAORTD80	
Orthopaedic Surgery	MFAORTS80	
Paediatrics	MFAPAED80	
Pharmacology	MFAPHAR80	
Pharmacy	MFAPACY80	
Physiology	MFAPHSL80	
Physiotherapy	MFAPHST80	
Prosthodontics	MFAPROD80	
Psychiatry	MFAPSMH80	
Public Health	MFACOMH80	
Radiation Oncology	MFARASE80	
Surgery	MFASURG80	

Qualification Name	Degree Code	NQF Exit Level
Therapeutic Sciences Virology Wits Reproductive and HIV Institute	MFASTHS80 MFAVIRL80 MFAWRHI80	10
Doctor of Science in Dentistry — DSc(Dent)	MDA02	10
Doctor of Science in Medicine — MSc(Med)	MDA01	10

### 8.4.1 Doctor of Medicine (MDA03)

The Doctor of Medicine degree is based predominantly on retrospective published work.

#### 8.4.1.1 Admission rules

##### a) Admission requirements

Provided the *Senate* is satisfied that the *applicant* is qualified to undertake the research proposed, any of the following may be admitted as a *candidate*:

- i) a person who has held the degree, Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery of the *University* for a minimum of four years;
- ii) a graduate of *any other university* who has satisfied the *Senate* by, any means of *assessment*, to be determined from time to time by the *Senate*, that s/he is qualified to undertake the line of research proposed.

#### 8.4.1.2 Curriculum rules

##### a) Prosecution of research

- i) A *candidate* for the degree, Doctor of Medicine shall be registered either full-time or part-time in the *University* or in an institution deemed by the *Senate* to be part of the *University* for this purpose, for a minimum of two *academic years* (full-time) or four years (part-time) under the guidance of a supervisor appointed by the *Senate*:

Provided that –

- A. in the case of *candidates* accepted in terms of Rule 8.4.1.1, the *Senate* may permit the substitution of part-time research for full-time research on the basis of two years of part-time research for every one year of full-time research.
- B. the *Senate* may permit a *candidate* to conduct her/his research outside the *University* for such portion of the prescribed period and in such a manner as the *Senate* may determine.

#### 8.4.1.3 Progression and completion rules

##### a) Supervision

The supervisor shall be appointed by the *Senate*: Provided that if the *candidate* is working in one of the institutions approved by the *Senate*, such supervisor shall be appointed after consultation with the head of the institution concerned.

##### b) Requirement to attend advanced courses of instruction

The *Senate* may require a *candidate* to attend such advanced *courses* of instruction as it considers to be cognate to the subject of her/his research and to present herself/himself for an *assessment*.

c) **Submission of Thesis**

A *candidate* shall give a minimum of three months' notice in writing to the Registrar of her/his intention to present a *Thesis* for the degree and shall at the same time confirm the title and scope of the proposed *Thesis*.

d) **Fulfilment of requirements for award of degree**

A *candidate* shall, at the close of the period of research for the degree of Doctor of Medicine, present for the approval of the *Senate*, published work (the *Thesis*) in an approved format which must constitute a substantial contribution to the advancement of knowledge in the subject chosen and which must be satisfactory as regards literary presentation.

**Note: In the case of joint publications the *candidate's* contribution to such work must be indicated.**

## 8.4.2 Doctor of Philosophy (MDA00)

### 8.4.2.1 Admission rules

a) **Admission requirements**

- i) Provided the *Senate* is satisfied that the *applicant* is qualified to undertake the research proposed, any of the following may be admitted as a *candidate*:
  - A. A person who has held the degree, Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery of the *University* for a minimum of one year.
  - B. A Bachelor of Dental Science of the *University* who has held such degree for a minimum of 18 months or a person who has held a *qualification* of the *University* deemed by the *Senate* to be of status equivalent to that of Bachelor of Dental Science of the *University*.
  - C. The holder of a Master of Science or Master of Science in Medicine or Master of Science in Dentistry of the *University* or a holder of an equivalent *qualification*.
  - D. By special permission of the *Senate*, a Bachelor of Science Honours of the *University*, or the holder of a four-year *qualification* in any faculty which the *Senate* considers to be the equivalent of an Honours degree.
  - E. A graduate of *any other university* who has satisfied the *Senate* by means of a written or oral test (or both) or by means of any other mode of *assessment* to be determined from time to time by the *Senate* that s/he is qualified to undertake the line of study proposed or research (or both).
  - F. A person other than a graduate who has in the manner set out in e) above satisfied the *Senate*.
- ii) A person who has been admitted as a *candidate* for the degree, Master of Dentistry (in one of the clinical disciplines), Master of Medicine (in one of the clinical disciplines) or Master of Science in Dentistry or Master of Science in Medicine or an equivalent *qualification* may, on the recommendation of the supervisor and the head of the department concerned and after not less than one further year (full-time) or two years (part-time), be permitted by the *Senate* to proceed instead to the degree, Doctor of Philosophy.

**8.4.2.2 Progression and completion rules****a) Prosecution of research**

- i) A *candidate* for the degree, Doctor of Philosophy shall conduct full-time research either in the *University* or in an institution deemed by the *Senate* to be part of the *University* for this purpose, for a minimum of two *academic years* under the guidance of a supervisor appointed by the *Senate*: Provided that –
  - A. the *Senate* may dispense with the requirement for supervision in the case of *candidates* who hold appointments on the full-time academic staff of the *University* including joint provincial hospital/*University* staff appointed to recognised full-time posts at associated teaching hospitals, and who have held such appointments for a minimum of three years;
  - B. the *Senate* may permit the substitution of part-time research for full-time research on the basis of two years of part-time research for one year of full-time research, in the case of *candidates* accepted in terms of Rule 8.4.2.1;
  - C. the *Senate* may permit a *candidate* to conduct her/his research outside the *University* for such portion of the prescribed period and in such a manner as the *Senate* may determine.
- ii) A *candidate* shall report regularly to her/his supervisor, if there be one, and shall, in June and November each year, lodge with her/his supervisor, or if there is no supervisor with the head of the department in which the research is being conducted, a written statement of her/his progress in her/his advanced study and research work during the first and second terms respectively.

**b) Fields of Study**

Field of Study	Plan Code	Course Code	School
Anaesthesia	MFAANAE80	ANAE9000A	School of Clinical Medicine
Anatomical Pathology	MFAANAP80	ANAP9000A	School of Pathology
Anatomical Sciences	MFAANAT80	ANAT9002A	School of Anatomical Sciences
Bioethics and Health Law	MFABABL80	SCMD9000A	School of Clinical Medicine
Biokinetics	MFABIOK80	STHS9000A	School of Therapeutic Sciences
Biomedical Informatics and Translational Medicine	MFABITM80	SURG9000A	School of Clinical Medicine
Chemical Pathology	MFACHEP80	CHEP9000A	School of Pathology
Clinical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases	MFACMID80	CMID9000A	School of Pathology
Community Dentistry	MFACOMD80	COMD9002A	School of Oral Health Sciences
Conservative Dentistry	MFACOND80	COND9002A	School of Oral Health Sciences

Field of Study	Plan Code	Course Code	School
Critical Care	MFACRIT80	MEDC9000A	School of Clinical Medicine
Diagnostic Radiology	MFARADD80	RADD9000A	School of Clinical Medicine
Experimental Odontology	MFAEXPD80	EXPD9000A	School of Oral Health Sciences
Family Medicine	MFAFAMH80	FAMH9000A	School of Clinical Medicine
Forensic Medicine	MFAFORM80	FORM9000A	School of Clinical Medicine
Haematology and Molecular Medicine	MFAHAEM80	HAEM9000A	School of Pathology
Health Sciences Education	MFASCMD80	SCMD9000A	School of Clinical Medicine
Human Genetics	MFAHUMG80	HUMG9000A	School of Pathology
Immunology	MFAIMML80	IMML9000A	School of Pathology
Internal Medicine	MFAMEDC80	MEDC9000A	School of Clinical Medicine
Material Science	MFAMATS80	OHSC9000A	School of Oral Health Sciences
Microbiology	MFAOMCB80	CMID9001A	School of Pathology
Neurosurgery	MFANEUS80	NEUS9000A	School of Clinical Medicine
Nursing	MFANRSE80	NRSE9000A	School of Therapeutic Sciences
Obstetrics and Gynaecology	MFAOBSG80	OBSC9000A	School of Clinical Medicine
Occupational Therapy	MFAOCCT80	OCCT9000A	School of Therapeutic Sciences
Ophthalmology	MFAOPHT80	OPHT9000A	School of Clinical Medicine
Oral Biology	MFAORAB80	OHSC9000A	School of Oral Health Sciences
Oral Medicine and Periodontology	MFAORMP80	ORMP9000A	School of Oral Health Sciences
Oral Pathology	MFAOPAT80	OPAT9001A	School of Oral Health Sciences
Orthodontics	MFAORTD80	ORTD9001A	School of Oral Health Sciences
Orthopaedic Surgery	MFAORTS80	ORTS9000A	School of Clinical Medicine
Paediatrics	MFAPAED80	PAED9000A	School of Clinical Medicine

Field of Study	Plan Code	Course Code	School
Pharmacology	MFAPHAR80	PHAR9000A	School of Therapeutic Sciences
Pharmacy	MFAPACY80	PACY9000A	School of Therapeutic Sciences
Physiology	MFAPHS80	PHSL9000A	School of Physiology
Physiotherapy	MFAPHST80	PHST9000A	School of Therapeutic Sciences
Prosthodontics	MFAPROD80	PROD9000A	School of Oral Health Sciences
Psychiatry	MFAPSMH80	PSMH9000A	School of Clinical Medicine
Public Health	MFACOMH80	COMH9000A	School of Public Health
Radiation Oncology	MFARASE80	RASE9000A	School of Clinical Medicine
Sport and Exercise Science	MFASPSC80	STHS9000A	School of Therapeutic Sciences
Sports Medicine	MFASPOM80	STHS9000A	School of Therapeutic Sciences
Surgery	MFASURG80	SURG9000A	School of Clinical Medicine
Therapeutic Sciences	MFASTHS80	STHS9000A	School of Therapeutic Sciences
Virology	MFAVIRL80	VIRL9000A	School of Pathology
Wits Reproductive Health and HIV Institute	MFAWRHI80	SCMD9000A	School of Clinical Medicine

#### 8.4.2.3 Progression and completion rules

##### a) Supervision

The supervisor shall be appointed by the *Senate*: Provided that if the *candidate* is working in one of the institutions approved by the *Senate*, such supervisor shall be appointed after consultation with the head of the institution concerned.

##### b) Requirement to attend advanced courses of instruction

The *Senate* may require a *candidate* to attend such advanced *courses* of instruction as it considers to be cognate to the subject of her/his research and to present herself/himself for an *assessment*.

##### c) Submission of Thesis

A *candidate* shall give a minimum of three months' notice in writing to the Registrar of her/his intention to present a *Thesis* for the degree and shall at the same time confirm the title and scope of the proposed *Thesis*.

##### d) Fulfilment of requirements for award of degree

At the close of the period of research a *candidate* for the degree, Doctor of Philosophy shall –

- i) present for the approval of the *Senate Thesis*, or a submission of published work in an approved format which must constitute a substantial contribution to the advancement of knowledge in the subject chosen, and which must be satisfactory as regards literary presentation; and
- ii) if required by the *Senate*, present herself/himself for an *assessment*.

**Note: When presenting her/his *Thesis a candidate* may submit published work in support of her/his candidature. In the case of joint publications the *candidate's* share in such work must be indicated.**

### 8.4.3 Doctor of Science in Dentistry (MDA02)

#### 8.4.3.1 Admission rules

##### a) Admission requirements

Provided that the *Senate* is satisfied that the *applicant* is qualified to undertake the study proposed or research (or both), any of the following may be admitted as a *candidate*:

- i) A Doctor of Philosophy of the *University*, who has held such degree for not less than two years.
- ii) A Bachelor of Dental Science or a Master of Dentistry of the *University* who has held such *qualification* for a minimum of four years or a person who has held for a minimum of four years a *qualification* of the *University* deemed by the *Senate* to be of status equivalent to that of Bachelor of Dental Science of the *University*.
- iii) A Master of Science or a Master of Science in Dentistry who has held that *qualification* for a minimum of four years.
- iv) A Bachelor of Science Honours of the *University* or a Bachelor of Science in Oral Biology of the *University* who has held that *qualification* for a minimum of five years.
- v) A graduate of any other university who has satisfied the *Senate* by means of a written or oral test (or both) or by means of any other mode of *assessment* to be determined from time to time by the *Senate* that s/he is qualified to undertake the line of study proposed or research (or both).
- vi) A person other than a graduate who has in the manner set out in (v) above satisfied the *Senate*.

#### 8.4.3.2 Progression and completion rules

##### a) Fulfilment of requirements for award of degree

A *candidate* for the degree, Doctor of Science in Dentistry shall present for the approval of the *Senate* original published work or original work accepted for publication in a field approved by the *Senate*. Such work shall constitute a scholarly and distinguished contribution to the advancement of knowledge in the field.

### 8.4.4 Doctor of Science in Medicine (MDA01)

#### 8.4.4.1 Admission rules

##### a) Admission requirements

Any of the following may be admitted by the *Senate* as a *candidate*:

A person who has held:

- i) the degree, Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery of the *University* for not less than four years; or



- ii) a degree of Master of the *University* for not less than three years, in a discipline that the *Senate* considers to be appropriate; or
- iii) the degree, Doctor of Philosophy of the *University* for not less than two years.

#### **8.4.4.2 Progression and completion rules**

##### **a) Fulfilment of requirements for award of degree**

A *candidate* for the degree, Doctor of Science in Medicine shall present for the approval of the *Senate* original published work or original work accepted for publication in a field approved by the *Senate*. Such work shall constitute a scholarly and distinguished contribution to the advancement of knowledge in the field.

# OUTCOMES FOR THE FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCES

The *University* aspires for its *candidates* to achieve the following outcomes upon qualifying. The outcomes and assessment criteria listed are those, for each qualification of the *University*, as agreed by the *Senate*.

## 9.1 Degrees of Bachelor

### 9.1.1 Bachelor of Clinical Medical Practice

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Bachelor of Clinical Medical Practice
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	BCMP
<b>Minimum period of study</b>	3 years full-time
<b>NQF Exit level</b>	Level 7
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum of 432
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	

- 1) Perform a patient-centred consultation across all ages in a district hospital.
- 2) Apply clinical reasoning in the assessment and management of patients.
- 3) Perform investigative and therapeutic procedures appropriate for a district hospital.
- 4) Prescribe appropriate medication within scope of practice.
- 5) Provide emergency care.
- 6) Facilitate communication and provide basic counselling.
- 7) Function as an effective member of the health care team.
- 8) Produce and maintain clinical records.
- 9) Function as an ethical practitioner.
- 10) Demonstrate ongoing learning in clinical practice.
- 11) Integrate understanding of family, community and health system in practice.

### 9.1.2 Bachelor of Dental Science

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Bachelor of Dental Science
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	BDS
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	5 years full-time
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 8
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 828
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	

- 1) Cognitive goals  
The qualifying *student* has acquired and shows evidence of a sufficient knowledge and understanding of the scientific bases of matters relevant to the practice of dentistry and understands the professional's responsibility for continuous, self- directed and relevant learning.
- 2) Psychomotor skills  
The qualifying *student* has acquired and shows evidence of adequate skills in the performance of appropriate procedures relevant to the practice of dentistry, and understands the professional's responsibility for continuous, self-directed and relevant upgrading of skills.
- 3) Affective goals  
The qualifying *student* has been exposed by example to, and shows evidence of, the possession of attitudes and values appropriate to a member of the health professions.

### 9.1.3 Bachelor of Health Sciences

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Bachelor of Health Sciences
<b>Abbreviation</b>	BHSci
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	3 years full-time
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 7
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 432
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	

- 1) At the end of the BHSci degree the *student* will be competent in problem solving (collecting, researching, documenting, analysing, organising and critically evaluating information).
- 2) At the end of the BHSci degree the *student* will be competent to apply knowledge and skills acquired to problems related to medical science and/or the health care industry.
- 3) In the contexts of the whole individual and his or her place in the family, society, the population and the environment, at the end of the BHSci degree the qualifying *student* will have knowledge of health economics and management.
- 4) At the end of the BHSci degree the qualifying *student* will understand the value of working with others as a member of a team, organisation or community.
- 5) At the end of the BHSci degree the qualifying *student* should have acquired appropriate attitudes and values essential to the practice of medical research and/or operating in the field of health care delivery, and should demonstrate the attitudes necessary for the achievement of high standards of ethical behaviour, both in relation to conduct and commitment in the workplace as well as to his or her own personal development.
- 6) At the end of the BHSci degree the qualifying *student* will be competent to communicate effectively.
- 7) At the end of the BHSci degree the qualifying *student* will have acquired and will be aware of the need to develop self direction and independence in his/her learning in order to become a lifelong *student*, and will recognise personal educational needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate his/her own progress.

### 9.1.4 Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	MBBCh
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	6 years full-time
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 8
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 1098
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	

- 1) Medical problem solving (collecting, researching, documenting, analysing, organising and critically evaluating information).  
At the end of the MBBCh degree the qualifying *student* will be competent to assess the range of health problems that are presented to doctors and use a range of solutions for their recognition, investigation, treatment and prevention.
- 2) Acquisition and application of fundamental and specialist knowledge to the practice of medicine, including proficiency in basic clinical skills.  
At the end of the MBBCh degree the qualifying *student* will be competent to apply knowledge and skills acquired to determine the causes of disease and to solve medical problems.
- 3) Understanding of the world as a set of related systems by recognising that problem- solving contexts do not exist in isolation.  
In the contexts of the whole individual and his or her place in the family, society, the population and the environment, at the end of the MBBCh degree the qualifying *student* will have knowledge of health and its promotion, and of disease and its prevention and management in these contexts.
- 4) Working with others as a member of a team, group, organisation, community  
At the end of the MBBCh degree the qualifying *student* will be competent to work with others as a member of a team, group, organisation, community.
- 5) Attitudes and values outcomes  
At the end of the MBBCh degree the qualifying *student* should have acquired appropriate attitudes and values essential to the practice of medicine, and should demonstrate the attitudes necessary for the achievement of high standards of medical practice, both in relation to the care of individuals and communities and to his or her own personal development.
- 6) Professional and general communication  
At the end of the MBBCh degree the qualifying *student* will be competent to communicate effectively.
- 7) Organising and managing activities for self development responsibly and effectively.  
At the end of the MBBCh degree the qualifying *student* will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in their learning in order to become lifelong *students*, and will recognise personal educational needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate their own progress.

## 9.1.5 Bachelor of Nursing

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Bachelor of Nursing
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	BNurs
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	4 years full-time
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 8
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 508
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	

- 1) Problem-solving abilities  
The qualifying *student* will be competent to assess the range of health needs and problems that are presented to nurses/midwives and use a spectrum of methods for their recognition, investigation, treatment and prevention.
- 2) Communication skills  
The qualifying *student* will be competent to communicate appropriately and effectively.
- 3) Teamwork  
The qualifying *student* will demonstrate flexibility in the assumption of different roles in order to work effectively and collaboratively with a patient/client and the health team in multidisciplinary and intersectoral environments.

- 4) Life-long learning  
The qualifying *student* will demonstrate professional and personal behaviour consistent with the commitment to life-long learning, accountability in practice and the promotion and development of the nursing profession.
- 5) Professional practice  
The qualifying *student* should have acquired appropriate attitudes and values essential to the practice of nursing, and should demonstrate the attitudes necessary for the achievement of high standards of nursing practice, both in relation to the care of individuals and communities.
- 6) Research abilities  
The qualifying *student* will have a beginning knowledge of research principles and methodologies.
- 7) Nursing methods, skills and technology  
The qualifying *student* will be able to select appropriate methods and technology in nursing care.
- 8) Community awareness/commitment  
The qualifying *student* will demonstrate a commitment to community development and empowerment and environmental awareness.

### 9.1.6 Bachelor of Oral Health Sciences

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Bachelor of Oral Health Sciences
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	BOHSci
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	3 years full-time
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 7
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 388

#### Exit Level Outcomes

The qualifying *student* should be able to:

- 1) Provide educational, preventive and therapeutic services in the support of optimal oral health.
- 2) Work as a expert within a multi-disciplinary team addressing Oral Health challenges and concerns.
- 3) Provide oral health care within the scope of the profession.
- 4) Appraise policies relating to epidemiology, biostatistics and research that impact on oral health sciences practice and recommend suitable solutions.
- 5) Demonstrate the attitudes necessary for achieving high levels of personal, professional and ethical conduct and social responsibility.
- 6) Work in a business environment with clients/ patients. S/he must demonstrate knowledge and skills in the administration of a practice using sound business principles.
- 7) Promote health and wellness and prevent disease in response to the changes within the health care environment. And should therefore be able to assess, plan, and implement programs and activities in public health, private practice and alternative settings.
- 8) Demonstrate knowledge of and ability to conduct research and write research reports.

## 9.1.7 Bachelor of Pharmacy

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Bachelor of Pharmacy
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	BPharm
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	4 years full-time
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 8
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 576
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	

- 1) **Team and multidisciplinary work**  
The qualifying *student* will be an integral part of the multi-disciplinary healthcare team, and makes focused therapeutic interventions in the delivery of healthcare.
- 2) **Managerial skills in the practice of pharmacy**  
The qualifying *student* is concerned with the application of general management skills, whether in the context of pharmacy or in any other field of practice. The qualifying *student* has the ability to deal with contingencies as well as routine work.
- 3) **The preparation and packaging of pharmaceutical products**  
The qualifying *student* is concerned with taking ultimate responsibility for controlling the quality and effectiveness in the preparation and packaging of pharmaceutical and related products in community, hospital and industrial settings. This includes the manufacture and packing of bulk pharmaceutical products, the compounding of medicines (small-scale manufacturing) and the extemporaneous preparation of individual medicines in hospital or community pharmacy.
- 4) **Acquisition and distribution of pharmaceutical materials and products**  
The qualifying *student* is concerned with taking ultimate responsibility for controlling the acquisition, storage and movement of pharmaceutical materials and products in industrial, wholesale, hospital and community pharmacy settings.
- 5) **Dispensing and quality care**  
The qualifying *student* is concerned with receiving and assessing prescriptions to ensure quality use of medicines and where necessary communicating with the prescriber, devising an appropriate care plan in consultation with the patient and/or prescriber and/or multi-disciplinary team, implementing and monitoring patient outcomes as well as maintaining records.
- 6) **Pharmacist advised care**  
The qualifying *student* consults with the patient, with due regard to cultural differences between patients, to devise an appropriate care plan. Consultation is with the patient or multi-disciplinary team. The care plan is implemented, outcomes monitored, and the plan and results documented. Review of the care plan then leads to any necessary revision.
- 7) **Provision of information and education**  
The qualifying *student* provides health and pharmaceutical information on request, as well as initiates and/or participates in the provision of health care education and information to the public and other health care professionals. The qualifying *student* is able to establish data bases and to interpret scientific information to provide bases for rational drug use.  
The qualifying *student* also has an understanding of the principles of managed health care, health and pharmacoeconomics.
- 8) **Promotion of community health**  
The qualifying *student* provides promotive and preventative health education, and both initiates and participates in community health projects. The qualifying *student* conducts screening programs to identify health deficiencies in the community, and notes and responds to epidemiological trends in the community including the reporting of notifiable diseases. The qualifying *student* also participates in developing, establishing and managing drug and health policies.

- 9) Research and development  
The qualifying *student* initiates and participates in research and development of medicines and health care strategies and is aware of the importance of keeping up to date with research findings in the discipline.

### 9.1.8 Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	BSc (Occupational Therapy)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	4 years full-time
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 8
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 558
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	
1) Problem solving	The qualifying <i>student</i> is competent in the use of problem-solving techniques based on problem-based learning, clinical reasoning, and qualitative and quantitative research techniques.
2) Application of fundamental and specialist knowledge	The qualifying <i>student</i> is competent to apply knowledge acquired to identify and solve a client's or community's problems in activities health or occupational dysfunction.
3) Investigations, experiments and data analysis	The qualifying <i>student</i> is competent to initiate, investigate, analyse and revise investigations.
4) Therapy programme design	The qualifying learner is competent to manage aspects of the therapy process such as the design, implementation, evaluation and modification of the programme.
5) Therapy methods, skills, tools and information technology	The qualifying <i>student</i> is competent to use occupational therapy principles, methods, skills and tools to promote occupational performance, social interaction, adapt to impairment and disability.
6) Professional and general communication	The qualifying <i>student</i> is competent to communicate effectively.
7) Awareness of the impact of occupational performance and therapy on society and the environment.	The qualifying <i>student</i> works with responsibility towards and sensitivity to the social and environmental context.
8) Team work	The qualifying <i>student</i> is able to work in a team and understands the value of not working in isolation.
9) Lifelong learning	The qualifying <i>student</i> understands the need for lifelong learning.
10) Professional ethics and practice	The qualifying <i>student</i> understands the value of adherence to professional ethics in her/his practice.

## 9.1.9 Bachelor of Science in Physiotherapy

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Bachelor of Science in Physiotherapy
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	BSc (Physiotherapy)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	4 years full-time
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 8
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 576
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	

- 1) Physiotherapy problem solving  
The qualifying *student* is competent to identify, assess and manage physiotherapy problems creatively and effectively.
- 2) Application of fundamental and specialist knowledge  
The qualifying *student* is competent to apply knowledge of basic, medical and human sciences, as well as physiotherapy science, from first principles to solve physiotherapeutic problems.
- 3) Understanding the world as a set of related systems by recognising that problem- solving contexts do not exist in isolation.  
In the contexts of the whole individual and his or her place in the family, society, the population and the environment, at the end of the BSc(Physiotherapy) degree, the qualifying *student* will have knowledge of health and its promotion, disease and its prevention, rehabilitation and management in these contexts.
- 4) Professional and general communication  
The qualifying *student* is competent to communicate and teach effectively both orally and in writing with peers, colleagues, patients, members of the health care team and the public.
- 5) Investigations, experiments and data analysis The qualifying *student* is competent to:
  - a) critically evaluate the professional literature;
  - b) design appropriate research;
  - c) analyse and evaluate data;
  - d) contribute to the existing body of knowledge of the profession.
- 6) Lifelong learning  
The qualifying *student* is competent to, and understands the requirements to maintain continued competence and to keep abreast of up-to date expertise and techniques.
- 7) Team and multidisciplinary work  
The qualifying *student* is competent to work effectively as an individual, in teams and in multidisciplinary environments showing leadership and performing critical functions.
- 8) Professional ethics and practice  
The qualifying *student* is critically aware of:
  - a) the need to act professionally and ethically and to take responsibility within own limits of;
  - b) the need to act within the legal requirements of the profession and is competent to exercise.

## 9.2 Degrees of Bachelor Honours

### 9.2.1 Bachelor of Health Sciences Honours

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Bachelor of Health Sciences Honours
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	BHSciHons
<b>Minimum period of study</b>	1 year full-time 2 years part-time
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 8
<b>NQF credits</b>	Total minimum 140
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	

At the end of the BHSciHons degree the *student* will:



- 1) Be competent in problem solving (collecting, researching, documenting, analysing, organising and critically evaluating information).
- 2) Be competent to apply advanced knowledge and skills acquired to problems related to medical science and/or the health care industry.
- 3) In the contexts of the whole individual and his or her place in the family, society, the population and the environment, the qualifying *candidate* will have knowledge of health, wellness and disease, with implications on health economics, health promotion, prevention and management thereof.
- 4) Apply what has been learned in the understanding and appreciating the value of working as a team member within the multidisciplinary field, including the community.
- 5) To demonstrate efficiency and competence in working within team structures, demonstrate an understanding of essential roles which all participants play in a multidisciplinary health care delivery system.
- 6) Demonstrate the attitudes necessary for the achievement of high standards of ethical behaviour, both in relation to conduct and commitment in the workplace as well as to his or her own personal development.
- 7) Be competent to communicate effectively.
- 8) Have acquired and will be aware of the fields and directions to be taken in order to become a lifelong *candidate*, and will recognise personal educational needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her/his own progress.

## 9.2.2 Bachelor of Clinical Medical Practice Honours

### Qualification Title

Bachelor of Clinical Medical Practice  
Honours

### Qualification Abbreviation

BCMP Honours

### Minimum period of study

2 years part-time

### NQF Exit level

Level 8

### NQF credits

140

### Exit Level Outcomes

At the end of the BCMP Hons degree the *candidate* will:

- 1) Be competent in advanced level skills in clinical decision making in the clinical discipline, including formulation of differential diagnoses and treatment plans.
- 2) Be competent to perform advanced level investigative and therapeutic procedures in the clinical discipline.
- 3) Be competent in problem solving (collecting, researching, analysing, organising and evaluating information) and decision making.
- 4) Be competent to apply advanced knowledge and skills to clinical research.
- 5) Have knowledge of health, wellness and disease and implications for health economics, health promotion, disease prevention and management. This being in the contexts of the individual, the family, the community and the environment.
- 6) Have developed an understanding and appreciation of the value of working as a team member within the multidisciplinary field and the community.
- 7) Be competent to communicate effectively, orally and in writing.
- 8) Have acquired the attitudes necessary for the achievement of high standards of ethical behaviour, in relation to conduct and commitment in the workplace as well as to his or her personal development.
- 9) Be a self-directed *candidate*.
- 10) Have developed an ethos of lifelong learning and education, will recognise personal educational needs and utilise appropriate learning situations.

## 9.3 Degrees of Master

### 9.3.1 Master of Dentistry

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Master of Dentistry
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	MDent
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	4 years full-time (depending on the branch)
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 9
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 480
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	

- 1) Clinical knowledge and competence  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent in clinical skills at the specialist level.
- 2) Research ability  
The qualifying *candidate* shows expertise in research and the ability to evaluate, teach and implement research findings in the practice of the branch of specialisation.
- 3) Attitudes and values  
The qualifying *candidate* shows ethical, compassionate and skilled ability to conduct all aspects of specialist dental practice, both in relation to the care of individuals and of populations.
- 4) Teaching role  
The qualifying *candidate* has knowledge of the principles and practice of dentistry from the basic to an advanced level and is able to train others in the speciality.
- 5) Self development  
The qualifying *candidate* will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in his or her learning in order to become a lifelong *candidate*, and will recognise personal education needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her or his own progress.

### 9.3.2 Master of Medicine in Anaesthesia

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Master of Medicine in Anaesthesia
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	MMed (Anaesthesia)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	4 years
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 9
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 480
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	

- 1) Clinical Knowledge and Competence  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent in clinical and anaesthesia skills at the specialist level.
- 2) Research Ability  
The qualifying *candidate* shows expertise in research and the ability to evaluate, teach and implement research findings in the practice of the branch of specialisation.
- 3) Attitudes and Values  
The qualifying *candidate* shows ethical, compassionate and skilled ability to conduct all aspects of specialist anaesthetic practice, both in relation to the care of individuals and of populations.
- 4) Teaching Role  
The qualifying *candidate* has knowledge of the principles and practice of medicine from the basic to an advanced level and is able to train others in the speciality.
- 5) Self Development  
The qualifying *candidate* will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in his or her learning in order to become a lifelong *candidate*, and will recognise personal education needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her or his own progress.

### 9.3.3 Master of Medicine in Anatomical Pathology

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Master of Medicine in Anatomical Pathology
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	MMed (Anatomical Pathology)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	4 years
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 9
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 480
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	

- 1) Clinical Knowledge and Competence  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent in clinical and laboratory skills at the specialist level.
- 2) Research Ability  
The qualifying *candidate* shows expertise in research and the ability to evaluate, and implement research findings in the practice of the branch of specialisation.
- 3) Attitudes and Values  
The qualifying *candidate* shows ethical, compassionate and skilled ability to conduct all aspects of specialist practice.
- 4) Teaching Role  
The qualifying *candidate* has knowledge of the principles and practice of Anatomical Pathology from the basic to an advanced level and is able to train others in the speciality.
- 5) Self Development  
The qualifying *candidate* will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in his or her learning in order to become a lifelong *candidate*, and will recognise personal education needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her or his own progress.

### 9.3.4 Master of Medicine in Cardio-Thoracic Surgery

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Master of Medicine in Cardio-Thoracic Surgery
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	MMed (Cardio-Thoracic Surgery)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	4 years
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 9
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 480
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	

- 1) Clinical Knowledge and Competence  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent in clinical and surgical skills at the specialist level.
- 2) Research Ability  
The qualifying *candidate* shows expertise in research and the ability to evaluate, and implement research findings in the practice of the branch of specialisation.
- 3) Attitudes and Values  
The qualifying *candidate* shows ethical, compassionate and skilled ability to conduct all aspects of specialist surgical practice, both in relation to the care of individuals and of populations.
- 4) Teaching Role  
The qualifying *candidate* has knowledge of the principles and practice of Cardio-thoracic Surgery from the basic to an advanced level and is able to train others in the speciality.
- 5) Self Development  
The qualifying *candidate* will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in his or her learning in order to become a lifelong *candidate*, and will recognise personal education needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her or his own progress.

## 9.3.5 Master of Medicine in Chemical Pathology

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Master of Medicine in Chemical Pathology
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	MMed (Chemical Pathology)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	4 years
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 9
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 480
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	

- 1) Clinical Knowledge and Competence  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent in clinical and laboratory skills at the specialist level.
- 2) Research Ability  
The qualifying *candidate* shows expertise in research and the ability to evaluate, and implement research findings in the practice of the branch of specialisation.
- 3) Attitudes and Values  
The qualifying *candidate* shows ethical, compassionate and skilled ability to conduct all aspects of specialist practice.
- 4) Teaching Role  
The qualifying *candidate* has knowledge of the principles and practice of Chemical Pathology from the basic to an advanced level and is able to train others in the speciality.
- 5) Self Development  
The qualifying *candidate* will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in his or her learning in order to become a lifelong *candidate*, and will recognise personal education needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her or his own progress.

## 9.3.6 Master of Medicine in Clinical Pathology

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Master of Medicine in Clinical Pathology
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	MMed (Clinical Pathology)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	4 years
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 9
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 480
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	

- 1) Clinical Knowledge and Competence  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent in clinical and laboratory skills at the specialist level.
- 2) Research Ability  
The qualifying *candidate* shows expertise in research and the ability to evaluate, and implement research findings in the practice of the branch of specialisation.
- 3) Attitudes and Values  
The qualifying *candidate* shows ethical, compassionate and skilled ability to conduct all aspects of specialist practice.
- 4) Teaching Role  
The qualifying *candidate* has knowledge of the principles and practice of Clinical Pathology from the basic to an advanced level and is able to train others in the speciality.
- 5) Self Development  
The qualifying *candidate* will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in his or her learning in order to become a lifelong *candidate*, and will recognise personal education needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her or his own progress.

### 9.3.7 Master of Medicine in Dermatology

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Master of Medicine in Dermatology
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	MMed (Dermatology)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	4 years
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 9
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 480
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	

- 1) Clinical Knowledge and Competence  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent in clinical skills at the specialist level.
- 2) Research Ability  
The qualifying *candidate* shows expertise in research and the ability to evaluate, teach and implement research findings in the practice of the branch of specialisation.
- 3) Attitudes and Values  
The qualifying *candidate* shows ethical, compassionate and skilled ability to conduct all aspects of specialist medical practice, both in relation to the care of individuals and of populations.
- 4) Teaching Role  
The qualifying *candidate* has knowledge of the principles and practice of medicine from the basic to an advanced level and is able to train others in the speciality.
- 5) Self Development  
The qualifying *candidate* will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in his or her learning in order to become a lifelong *candidate*, and will recognise personal education needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her or his own progress.

### 9.3.8 Master of Medicine in Diagnostic Radiology

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Master of Medicine in Diagnostic Radiology
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	MMed (Diagnostic Radiology)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	4 years
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 9
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 480
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	

- 1) Clinical Knowledge and Competence  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent in clinical and Diagnostic Radiology skills at the specialist level.
- 2) Research Ability  
The qualifying *candidate* shows expertise in research and the ability to evaluate, and implement research findings in the practice of the branch of specialisation.
- 3) Attitudes and Values  
The qualifying *candidate* shows ethical, compassionate and skilled ability to conduct all aspects of specialist Diagnostic Radiology practice, both in relation to the care of individuals and of populations.
- 4) Teaching Role  
The qualifying *candidate* has knowledge of the principles and practice of Diagnostic Radiology from the basic to an advanced level and is able to train others in the speciality.
- 5) Self Developments  
The qualifying *candidate* will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in his or her learning in order to become a lifelong *candidate*, and will recognise personal education needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her or his own progress.

### 9.3.9 Master of Medicine in Emergency Medicine

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Master of Medicine in Emergency Medicine
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	MMed (Emergency Medicine)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	4 years
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 9
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 480

#### Exit Level Outcomes

- 1) Clinical Knowledge and Competence  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent in emergency medical procedures at the specialist level.
- 2) Research Ability  
The qualifying *candidate* shows expertise in research and the ability to evaluate, teach and implement research findings in the practice of the branch of specialisation.
- 3) Attitudes and Values  
The qualifying *candidate* shows ethical, compassionate and skilled ability to conduct all aspects of specialist emergency medicine practice, both in relation to the care of individuals and of populations.
- 4) Teaching Role  
The qualifying *candidate* has knowledge of the principles and practice of medicine from the basic to an advanced level and is able to train others in the speciality.
- 5) Self Development  
The qualifying *candidate* will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in his or her learning in order to become a lifelong *candidate*, and will recognise personal education needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her or his own progress.

### 9.3.10 Master of Medicine in Family Medicine

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Master of Medicine in Family Medicine
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	MMed (Family Medicine)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	4 years
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 9
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 480

#### Exit Level Outcomes

- 1) Registrability  
The qualifying *candidate* shows competence in clinical and academic skills, of a sufficient standard, which allows the *candidate* to register with the Health Professions Council of South Africa as a Family Physician.
- 2) Attitudes and Values  
The qualifying *candidate* shows ethical, compassionate and skilled ability to conduct all aspects of health care and demonstrates the attitudes necessary for the achievement of generalist standards of medical practice, both in relation to the care of individuals and populations and to his or her own personal continuing professional development.
- 3) Research Ability  
The qualifying *candidate* shows expertise in research and the ability to evaluate and implement research findings in the practice of the branch of Family Medicine.
- 4) Application of Knowledge  
The qualifying *candidate* has knowledge of the principles and practice of medicine, from the basic to the advanced level.

- 5) Communication and Psychomotor Skills  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent in clinical skills at the family physician level.
- 6) Self Development  
The qualifying *candidate* will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in his or her learning in order to become a lifelong *candidate*, and will recognise personal education needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her or his own progress.

### 9.3.11 Master of Medicine in Forensic Pathology

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Master of Medicine in Forensic Pathology
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	MMed (Forensic Pathology)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	4 years
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 9
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 480

#### Exit Level Outcomes

- 1) Clinico-pathological Knowledge and Competence  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent in clinical and laboratory skills at the specialist level.
- 2) Research Ability  
The qualifying *candidate* shows expertise in research and the ability to evaluate, and implement research findings in the practice of the branch of specialisation.
- 3) Attitudes and Values  
The qualifying *candidate* shows ethical, compassionate and skilled ability to conduct all aspects of specialist practice.
- 4) Teaching Role  
The qualifying *candidate* has knowledge of the principles and practice of Forensic Pathology from the basic to an advanced level and is able to train others in the speciality.
- 5) Self Development  
The qualifying *candidate* will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in his or her learning in order to become a lifelong *candidate*, and will recognise personal education needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her or his own progress.

### 9.3.12 Master of Medicine in Haematology

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Master of Medicine in Haematology
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	MMed (Haematology)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	4 years
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 9
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 480

#### Exit Level Outcomes

- 1) Clinical Knowledge and Competence  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent in clinical and laboratory skills at the specialist level.
- 2) Research Ability  
The qualifying *candidate* shows expertise in research and the ability to evaluate, and implement research findings in the practice of the branch of specialisation.
- 3) Attitudes and Values  
The qualifying *candidate* shows ethical, compassionate and skilled ability to conduct all aspects of specialist practice.
- 4) Teaching Role  
The qualifying *candidate* has knowledge of the principles and practice of Haematology from the basic to an advanced level and is able to train others in the speciality.

- 5) Self Development  
The qualifying *candidate* will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in his or her learning in order to become a lifelong *candidate*, and will recognise personal education needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her or his own progress.

### 9.3.13 Master of Medicine in Internal Medicine

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Master of Medicine in Internal Medicine
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	MMed (Internal Medicine)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	4 years
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 9
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 480
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	

- 1) Clinical Knowledge and Competence  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent in clinical skills at the specialist level.
- 2) Research Ability  
The qualifying *candidate* shows expertise in research and the ability to evaluate, teach and implement research findings in the practice of the branch of specialisation.
- 3) Attitudes and Values  
The qualifying *candidate* shows ethical, compassionate and skilled ability to conduct all aspects of specialist medical practice, both in relation to the care of individuals and of populations.
- 4) Teaching Role  
The qualifying *candidate* has knowledge of the principles and practice of medicine from the basic to an advanced level and is able to train others in the speciality.
- 5) Self Development  
The qualifying *candidate* will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in his or her learning in order to become a lifelong *candidate*, and will recognise personal education needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her or his own progress.

### 9.3.14 Master of Medicine in Medical Genetics

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Master of Medicine in Medical Genetics
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	MMed (Medical Genetics)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	4 years
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 9
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 480
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	

- 1) Demonstrate expertise in research by evaluating and implementing research findings in the practice of the branch of specialisation.
- 2) Demonstrate ethical, compassionate and skilled ability to conduct all aspects of specialist medical practice, both in relation to the care of individuals and of populations.
- 3) Demonstrate knowledge of the principles and practice of medicine from the basic to an advanced level and train others in the speciality.
- 4) Demonstrate self-direction and independence to become a lifelong *candidate*, and recognise personal educational needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate own progress.



### 9.3.15 Master of Medicine in Microbiology

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Master of Medicine in Microbiology
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	MMed (Microbiology)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	4 years
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 9
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 480

#### Exit Level Outcomes

- 1) Clinical Knowledge and Competence  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent in clinical and laboratory skills at the specialist level.
- 2) Research Ability  
The qualifying *candidate* shows expertise in research and the ability to evaluate, and implement research findings in the practice of the branch of specialisation.
- 3) Attitudes and Values  
The qualifying *candidate* shows ethical, compassionate and skilled ability to conduct all aspects of specialist practice.
- 4) Teaching Role  
The qualifying *candidate* has knowledge of the principles and practice of Microbiology from the basic to an advanced level and is able to train others in the speciality.
- 5) Self Development  
The qualifying *candidate* will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in his or her learning in order to become a lifelong *candidate*, and will recognise personal education needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her or his own progress.

### 9.3.16 Master of Medicine in Neurology

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Master of Medicine in Neurology
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	MMed (Neurology)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	4 years
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 9
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 480

#### Exit Level Outcomes

- 1) Clinical Knowledge and Competence  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent in clinical skills at the specialist level.
- 2) Research Ability  
The qualifying *candidate* shows expertise in research and the ability to evaluate, teach and implement research findings in the practice of the branch of specialisation.
- 3) Attitudes and Values  
The qualifying *candidate* shows ethical, compassionate and skilled ability to conduct all aspects of specialist medical practice, both in relation to the care of individuals and of populations.
- 4) Teaching Role  
The qualifying *candidate* has knowledge of the principles and practice of medicine and neurology from the basic to an advanced level and is able to train others in the speciality.
- 5) Self Development  
The qualifying *candidate* will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in his or her learning in order to become a lifelong *candidate*, and will recognise personal education needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her or his own progress.

### 9.3.17 Master of Medicine in Neurological Surgery

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Master of Medicine in Neurological Surgery
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	MMed (Neurological Surgery)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	4 years
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 9
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 480
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	

- 1) Clinical Knowledge and Competence  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent in clinical and surgical skills at the specialist level
- 2) Research Ability  
The qualifying *candidate* shows expertise in research and the ability to evaluate, and implement research findings in the practice of the branch of specialisation.
- 3) Attitudes and Values  
The qualifying *candidate* shows ethical, compassionate and skilled ability to conduct all aspects of specialist surgical practice, both in relation to the care of individuals and of populations.
- 4) Teaching Role  
The qualifying *candidate* has knowledge of the principles and practice of Neurological Surgery from the basic to an advanced level and is able to train others in the speciality.
- 5) Self Development  
The qualifying *candidate* will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in his or her learning in order to become a lifelong *candidate*, and will recognise personal education needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her or his own progress.

### 9.3.18 Master of Medicine in Nuclear Medicine

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Master of Medicine in Nuclear Medicine
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	MMed (Nuclear Medicine)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	4 years
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 9
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 480
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	

- 1) Clinical Knowledge and Competence  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent in clinical skills at the specialist level.
- 2) Research Ability  
The qualifying *candidate* shows expertise in research and the ability to evaluate, teach and implement research findings.
- 3) Attitudes and Values  
The qualifying *candidate* shows ethical, compassionate and skilled ability to conduct all aspects of specialist medical practice, both in relation to the care of individuals and of populations.
- 4) Teaching Role  
The qualifying *candidate* has knowledge of the principles and practice of Nuclear Medicine from the basic to an advanced level and is able to train others in the speciality.
- 5) Self Development  
The qualifying *candidate* will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in his or her learning in order to become a lifelong *candidate*, and will recognise personal education needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her or his own progress.

### 9.3.19 Master of Medicine in Obstetrics and Gynaecology

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Master of Medicine in Obstetrics and Gynaecology
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	MMed (Obstetrics and Gynaecology)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	4 years
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 9
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 480
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	
1)	<p>Clinical Knowledge and Competence</p> <p>The qualifying <i>candidate</i> is competent in clinical skills at the specialist level.</p>
2)	<p>Research Ability</p> <p>The qualifying <i>candidate</i> shows expertise in research and the ability to evaluate, teach and implement research findings in the practice of the branch of specialisation.</p>
3)	<p>Attitudes and Values</p> <p>The qualifying <i>candidate</i> shows ethical, compassionate and skilled ability to conduct all aspects of specialist medical practice, both in relation to the care of individuals and of populations.</p>
4)	<p>Teaching Role</p> <p>The qualifying <i>candidate</i> has knowledge of the principles and practice of medicine from the basic to an advanced level and is able to train others in the speciality.</p>
5)	<p>Self Development</p> <p>The qualifying <i>candidate</i> will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in his or her learning in order to become a lifelong <i>candidate</i>, and will recognise personal education needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her or his own progress.</p>

### 9.3.20 Master of Medicine in Occupational Medicine

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Master of Medicine in Occupational Medicine
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	MMed (Occupational Medicine)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	4 years
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 9
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 480
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	
1)	Be able to diagnose and manage all aspects of work-related disease or disability or threats to health and well-being of individual employees.
2)	Be able to investigate occupational health risks in a workplace and develop an efficient and effective hazard control and management programme through workplace interventions and appropriate occupational health services.
3)	Be able to describe, explain and quantify occupational health risks, occupational health service needs and interventions through conducting appropriate epidemiological research and developing appropriate policy options based on study findings.

### 9.3.21 Master of Medicine in Ophthalmology

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Master of Medicine in Ophthalmology
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	MMed (Ophthalmology)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	4 years
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 9
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 480
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	

- 1) Clinical Knowledge and Competence  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent in clinical and surgical skills at the specialist level.
- 2) Research Ability  
The qualifying *candidate* shows expertise in research and the ability to evaluate, and implement research findings in the practice of the branch of specialisation.
- 3) Attitudes and Values  
The qualifying *candidate* shows ethical, compassionate and skilled ability to conduct all aspects of specialist surgical practice, both in relation to the care of individuals and of populations.
- 4) Teaching Role  
The qualifying *candidate* has knowledge of the principles and practice of Ophthalmology from the basic to an advanced level and is able to train others in the speciality.
- 5) Self Development  
The qualifying *candidate* will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in his or her learning in order to become a lifelong *candidate*, and will recognise personal education needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her or his own progress.

### 9.3.22 Master of Medicine in Orthopaedic Surgery

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Master of Medicine in Orthopaedic Surgery
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	MMed (Orthopaedic Surgery)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	4 years
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 9
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 480
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	

- 1) Clinical Knowledge and Competence  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent in clinical and surgical skills at the specialist level.
- 2) Research Ability  
The qualifying *candidate* shows expertise in research and the ability to evaluate, and implement research findings in the practice of the branch of specialisation.
- 3) Attitudes and Values  
The qualifying *candidate* shows ethical, compassionate and skilled ability to conduct all aspects of specialist surgical practice, both in relation to the care of individuals and of populations.
- 4) Teaching Role  
The qualifying *candidate* has knowledge of the principles and practice of Orthopaedics from the basic to an advanced level and is able to train others in the speciality.
- 5) Self Development  
The qualifying *candidate* will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in his or her learning in order to become a lifelong *candidate*, and will recognise personal education needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her or his own progress.

### 9.3.23 Master of Medicine in Otorhinolaryngology

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Master of Medicine in Otorhinolaryngology
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	MMed (Otorhinolaryngology)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	4 years
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 9
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 480

#### Exit Level Outcomes

- 1) Clinical Knowledge and Competence  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent in clinical and surgical skills at the specialist level.
- 2.) Research Ability  
The qualifying *candidate* shows expertise in research and the ability to evaluate, and implement research findings in the practice of the branch of specialisation.
- 3) Attitudes and Values  
The qualifying *candidate* shows ethical, compassionate and skilled ability to conduct all aspects of specialist surgical practice, both in relation to the care of individuals and of populations.
- 4) Teaching Role  
The qualifying *candidate* has knowledge of the principles and practice of Otorhinolaryngology and Head and Neck Surgery from the basic to an advanced level and is able to train others in the speciality.
- 5) Self Development  
The qualifying *candidate* will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in his or her learning in order to become a lifelong *candidate*, and will recognise personal education needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her or his own progress.

### 9.3.24 Master of Medicine in Paediatrics

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Master of Medicine in Paediatrics
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	MMed (Paediatrics)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	4 years
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 9
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 480

#### Exit Level Outcomes

- 1) Clinical Knowledge and Competence  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent in clinical skills at the specialist level.
- 2) Research Ability  
The qualifying *candidate* shows expertise in research and the ability to evaluate, teach and implement research findings in the practice of the branch of specialisation.
- 3) Attitudes and Values  
The qualifying *candidate* shows ethical, compassionate and skilled ability to conduct all aspects of specialist medical practice, both in relation to the care of individuals and of populations.
- 4) Teaching Role  
The qualifying *candidate* has knowledge of the principles and practice of medicine from the basic to an advanced level and is able to train others in the speciality.
- 5) Self Development  
The qualifying *candidate* will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in his or her learning in order to become a lifelong *candidate*, and will recognise personal education needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her or his own progress.

### 9.3.25 Master of Medicine in Paediatric Surgery

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Master of Medicine in Paediatric Surgery
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	MMed (Paediatric Surgery)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	4 years
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 9
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 480
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	

- 1) Ability to identify and solve problems using critical and creative thinking.
- 2) Ability to use science and technology appropriately.
- 3) Ability to communicate effectively both verbally and in writing.
- 4) Ability to work as a team member.
- 5) Ability to demonstrate empathy and sensitivity to the individual and community, acknowledging cultural and religious differences.
- 6) Ability to organise and manage activities responsibly and effectively.
- 7) Ability to collect, analyse and critically evaluate information and show research competency.
- 8) Ability to show sensitivity to the patient, care givers and community.
- 9) Able to effectively diagnose and medically/surgically manage all general paediatric surgical and urologic and related disorders.
- 10) Effectively operate on common surgical diseases and disorders of childhood as required.
- 11) Able to effectively conduct a specialist health care service in this discipline.
- 12) Able to effectively conduct a specialist health care service in this discipline.

### 9.3.26 Master of Medicine in Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Master of Medicine in Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	MMed (Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	4 years
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 9
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 480
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	

- 1) Clinical Knowledge and Competence  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent in clinical and surgical skills at the specialist level.
- 2) Research Ability  
The qualifying *candidate* shows expertise in research and the ability to evaluate, and implement research findings in the practice of the branch of specialisation.
- 3) Attitudes and Values  
The qualifying *candidate* shows ethical, compassionate and skilled ability to conduct all aspects of specialist surgical practice, both in relation to the care of individuals and of populations.
- 4) Teaching Role  
The qualifying *candidate* has knowledge of the principles and practice of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery from the basic to an advanced level and is able to train others in the speciality.

- 5) Self Development  
The qualifying *candidate* will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in his or her learning in order to become a lifelong *candidate*, and will recognise personal education needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her or his own progress.

### 9.3.27 Master of Medicine in Psychiatry

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Master of Medicine in Psychiatry
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	MMed (Psychiatry)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	4 years
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 9
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 480
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	

- 1) Clinical Knowledge and Competence  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent in clinical skills at the specialist level.
- 2) Research Ability  
The qualifying *candidate* shows expertise in research and the ability to evaluate, teach and implement research findings in the practice of the branch of specialisation.
- 3) Attitudes and Values  
The qualifying *candidate* shows ethical, compassionate and skilled ability to conduct all aspects of specialist medical practice, both in relation to the care of individuals and of populations.
- 4) Teaching Role  
The qualifying *candidate* has knowledge of the principles and practice of medicine from the basic to an advanced level and is able to train others in the speciality.
- 5) Self Development  
The qualifying *candidate* will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in his or her learning in order to become a lifelong *candidate*, and will recognise personal education needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her or his own progress.

### 9.3.28 Master of Medicine in Public Health Medicine

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Master of Medicine in Public Health Medicine
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	MMed (Public Health Medicine)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	4 years
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 9
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 500
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	

- 1) Diagnose cases of commonly occurring preventable diseases, in order to make an insightful community diagnosis.
- 2) Be able to describe the aetiology and epidemiology of commonly occurring health-related conditions.
- 3) Be able to carry out a rapid epidemiological assessment, including the investigation of a disease outbreak.
- 4) Be able to design, implement, and report on the results of an epidemiological study.
- 5) Be able to formulate and prioritise appropriate public health research questions.
- 6) Be able to interpret one's own data, as well as the data and findings of other investigators, including publications in the scientific literature.

- 7) Be able to motivate for adequate funding and resources required to carry out these activities.
- 8) Be able to describe the burden of a disease or group of diseases, in economic and medical terms for the individual, for the community, and for society.
- 9) Be able to distinguish between impairment and disability, and to describe the nature of a disability for workers' compensation purposes.
- 10) Be able to describe health services provided in terms of inputs, processes, outputs and outcomes.
- 11) Be able to describe the nature and patterns of service provision and utilisation in terms of efficacy, efficiency, equity, acceptability, accessibility, and appropriateness (with respect to needs and affordability).
- 12) Be able to evaluate a health system.
- 13) Be familiar with the investigation of, and treatment for, uncomplicated commonly occurring occupational and communicable diseases, in order to be able to achieve the overall learning outcome with greater insight.
- 14) Be able to lead, communicate, advocate, plan and manage for a health promoting intervention at all levels of societal organisation.
- 15) Be able to design, conduct and report on an intervention study.
- 16) Be able to evaluate the processes and the results of health promoting interventions, and to modify the processes accordingly as required.

### 9.3.29 Master of Medicine in Radiation Oncology

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Master of Medicine in Radiation Oncology
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	MMed (Radiation Oncology)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	4 years
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 9
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 480

#### Exit Level Outcomes

- 1) Clinical Knowledge and Competence  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent in clinical skills at the specialist level.
- 2) Research Ability  
The qualifying *candidate* shows expertise in research and the ability to evaluate, teach and implement research findings in the practice of the branch of specialisation.
- 3) Attitudes and Values  
The qualifying *candidate* shows ethical, compassionate and skilled ability to conduct all aspects of specialist medical practice, both in relation to the care of individuals and of populations.
- 4) Teaching Role  
The qualifying *candidate* has knowledge of the principles and practice of Radiation Oncology from the basic to an advanced level and is able to train others in the speciality.
- 5) Self Development  
The qualifying *candidate* will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in his or her learning in order to become a lifelong *candidate*, and will recognise personal education needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her or his own progress.



### 9.3.30 Master of Medicine in Surgery

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Master of Medicine in Surgery
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	MMed (Surgery)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	4 years
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 9
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 480

#### Exit Level Outcomes

- 1) **Clinical Knowledge and Competence**  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent in clinical and surgical skills at the specialist level.
- 2) **Research Ability**  
The qualifying *candidate* shows expertise in research and the ability to evaluate, and implement research findings in the practice of the branch of specialisation.
- 3) **Attitudes and Values**  
The qualifying *candidate* shows ethical, compassionate and skilled ability to conduct all aspects of specialist surgical practice, both in relation to the care of individuals and of populations.
- 4) **Teaching Role**  
The qualifying *candidate* has knowledge of the principles and practice of surgery from the basic to an advanced level and is able to train others in the speciality.
- 5) **Self Development**  
The qualifying *candidate* will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in his or her learning in order to become a lifelong *candidate*, and will recognise personal education needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her or his own progress.

### 9.3.31 Master of Medicine in Urology

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Master of Medicine in Urology
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	MMed (Urology)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	4 years
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 9
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 480

#### Exit Level Outcomes

- 1) **Clinical Knowledge and Competence**  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent in clinical and surgical urology skills at the specialist level.
- 2) **Research Ability**  
The qualifying *candidate* shows expertise in research and the ability to evaluate, and implement research findings in the practice of the branch of specialisation.
- 3) **Attitudes and Values**  
The qualifying *candidate* shows ethical, compassionate and skilled ability to conduct all aspects of specialist urology practice, both in relation to the care of individuals and of populations.
- 4) **Teaching Role**  
The qualifying *candidate* has knowledge of the principles and practice of Urology from the basic to an advanced level and is able to train others in the speciality.
- 5) **Self Development**  
The qualifying *candidate* will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in his or her learning in order to become a lifelong *candidate*, and will recognise personal education needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her or his own progress.

## 9.3.32 Master of Medicine in Virology

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Master of Medicine in Virology
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	MMed (Virology)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	4 years
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 9
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 480
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	

- 1) Clinical Knowledge and Competence  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent in clinical and laboratory skills at the specialist level.
- 2) Research Ability  
The qualifying *candidate* shows expertise in research and the ability to evaluate, and implement research findings in the practice of the branch of specialisation.
- 3) Attitudes and Values  
The qualifying *candidate* shows ethical, compassionate and skilled ability to conduct all aspects of specialist practice.
- 4) Teaching Role  
The qualifying *candidate* has knowledge of the principles and practice of Virology from the basic to an advanced level and is able to train others in the speciality.
- 5) Self Development  
The qualifying *candidate* will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in his or her learning in order to become a lifelong *candidate*, and will recognise personal education needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her or his own progress.

## 9.3.33 Master of Pharmacy

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Master of Pharmacy
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	MPharm
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	1 year full-time or 2 years part-time
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 9
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 180
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	

- 1) Clinical knowledge and competence  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent in drug knowledge, application and health care strategies at an advanced level  
  
The qualifying *candidate* has acquired an advanced understanding and knowledge of:
  - a) pharmacist advised care;
  - b) the provision of drug information, education and pharmaceutical care;
  - c) the promotion of safe, efficient drug regimens;
  - d) the fate of drugs in patients with a variety of disease states;
  - e) the development and implementation of health care plans;
  - f) the aetiology and pathology of disease states;
  - g) a knowledge of signs and symptoms.
- 2) Research ability  
The qualifying *candidate* shows expertise in research and the ability to evaluate, teach and implement research findings in the practice of the branch specialisation.
- 3) Attitudes and values  
The qualifying *candidate* shows ethical, compassionate and skilled ability to conduct all aspects of specialist pharmacy practice, both in relation to the care of individuals and of populations.

- 4) Teaching role  
The qualifying *candidate* has knowledge of the principles and practice of pharmacy from the basic to the advanced level and is able to train others in the speciality.
- 5) Self-development  
The qualifying *candidate* will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in his or her learning in order to become a lifelong *candidate*, and will recognise personal education needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her or his own progress.

### 9.3.34 Master of Public Health

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Master of Public Health
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	MPH
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	2 years full-time or 4 years part-time
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 9
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 360
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	

- 1) Knowledge and competence  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent in public health skills at the advanced level.
- 2) Research ability  
The qualifying *candidate* shows expertise in research and the ability to evaluate, teach and implement research findings in the practice of public health.
- 3) Attitudes and values  
The qualifying *candidate* shows ethical, compassionate and skilled ability to conduct all aspects of public health practice in relation to the care of populations and the organisation and management of health services.
- 4) Developing capacity  
The qualifying *candidate* has knowledge of the principles and practice of public health from the basic to an advanced level and is able to develop capacity in others.
- 5) Self development  
The qualifying *candidate* will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in his or her learning in order to become a lifelong *candidate*, and will recognise personal education needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her or his own progress.

### 9.3.35 Master of Science in Dentistry

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Master of Science in Dentistry
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	MSc (Dentistry)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	1 year full-time or 2 years part-time
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 9
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 180
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	

- 1) Problem-solving ability  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent to perform high order problem solving techniques (collecting, researching, analysing, organising and critically evaluating information at an advanced level) and to apply advanced techniques in the field of dentistry to recognise, investigate, treat and prevent.

- 2) Advanced knowledge of dental practice and the application thereof.  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent to apply advanced knowledge to determine the causes of functional problems and to solve and manage problems.
- 3) Research mastery  
The qualifying *candidate* shows expertise in research and the ability to evaluate, teach and implement research findings in dental practice.
- 4) Attitudes and values  
The qualifying *candidate* shows ethical, compassionate and skilled ability to conduct all aspects of advanced dental practice, both in relation to the care of individuals and of populations.
- 5) Self development  
The qualifying *candidate* will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in his or her learning in order to become a lifelong *candidate*, and will recognise personal education needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her or his own progress.
- 6) Understanding the world as a set of related systems by recognising that problem- solving contexts do not exist in isolation.  
In the contexts of the whole individual and his or her place in the family, society the population and the environment, at the end of the MSc (dent) degree the qualifying *candidate* will have knowledge of health and its promotion disease and disability and its prevention and management in these contexts.
- 7) Working with others as members of a team, group, organisation, community  
At the end of the MSc (dent) the qualifying *candidate* will be competent to work with others as a member of a team, group, organisation and community.
- 8) Professional and general communication  
At the end of the MSc (dent) the qualifying *candidate* will be competent to communicate and teach effectively both orally and in writing with peers, colleagues, patients, members of the health care team and the public.

### 9.3.36 Master of Science in Medicine

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Master of Science in Medicine
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	MSc (Medicine)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	1 year full-time (some fields may be taken part-time)
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 9
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 180
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	

- 1) Problem-solving ability  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent to perform high order problem solving techniques (collecting, researching, analysing, organising and critically evaluating information at an advanced level) and to apply advanced techniques in the field.
- 2) Advanced knowledge in the field and the application thereof.  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent to apply advanced knowledge to determine the causes of problems and to solve and manage problems in the particular field.
- 3) Research competence  
The qualifying *candidate* shows expertise in research and the ability to evaluate and implement research findings in the field.
- 4) Attitudes and values  
The qualifying *candidate* shows ethical, compassionate and skilled ability to conduct all aspects of advanced practice in the field, both in relation to the care of individuals and of populations.

## 5) Self development

The qualifying *candidate* will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in his or her learning in order to become a lifelong *candidate*, and will recognise personal education needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her or his own progress.

### 9.3.37 Master of Science in Nursing

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Master of Science in Nursing
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	MSc (Nursing)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	2 years full-time
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 9
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 180
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	

## 1) Problem-solving ability

The qualifying *candidate* is competent to perform high order problem solving techniques (collecting, researching, analysing, organising and critically evaluating information at an advanced level) and to apply specialised knowledge and skills in the field of nursing or midwifery to recognise, investigate, treat and prevent.

## 2) Specialist knowledge of nursing practice and the application thereof.

The qualifying *candidate* is competent to apply specialist knowledge to manage problems associated with the activities of daily living.

## 3) Research mastery

The qualifying *candidate* shows expertise in research and the ability to evaluate, teach and implement research findings in nursing or midwifery practice.

## 4) Attitudes and values

The qualifying *candidate* shows ethical, compassionate and skilled ability to conduct all aspects of specialist nursing practice, both in relation to the care of individuals and of populations.

## 5) Self development

The qualifying *candidate* will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in his or her learning in order to become a lifelong *candidate*, and will recognise personal education needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her or his own progress.

## 6) Understanding the world as a set of related systems by recognising that problem- solving contexts do not exist in isolation.

In the contexts of the whole individual and his or her place in the family, society the population and the environment, at the end of this programme the qualifying *candidate* will have knowledge of health and its promotion, disease and disability and its prevention and management in these contexts.

## 7) Working with others as members of a team, group, organisation, community.

At the end of this programme the qualifying *candidate* will be competent to work with others as a member of a team, group, organisation and community.

## 8) Professional and general communication

At the end of this programme the qualifying *candidate* will be competent to communicate and teach effectively both orally and in writing with peers, colleagues, patients, members of the health care team and the public.

### 9.3.38 Master of Science in Occupational Therapy

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Master of Science in Occupational Therapy
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	MSc (Occupational Therapy)
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 9
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	1 year full-time or 2 years part-time
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 180
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	

- 1) Research mastery  
The qualifying *candidate* shows expertise in research and the ability to evaluate, teach and implement research findings in practice.
- 2) Specialist knowledge of occupational therapy practice and the application thereof.  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent to apply specialist knowledge to occupational therapy and occupational science problems.
- 3) Problem-solving ability  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent to perform high order problem solving techniques and to apply the specialised tools and techniques of the field of occupational therapy to the solution of such problems.
- 4) Attitudes and values  
The qualifying *candidate* shows ethical, compassionate and skilled ability to conduct all aspects of specialist occupational therapy practice, both in relation to the care of individuals and of populations.
- 5) Self development  
The qualifying *candidate* will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in his or her learning in order to become a lifelong *candidate*, and will recognise personal education needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her or his own progress.

### 9.3.39 Master of Science in Physiotherapy

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Master of Science in Physiotherapy
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	MSc (Physiotherapy)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	1 year full-time or 2 years part-time
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 9
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 180
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	

- 1) Problem-solving ability  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent to perform high order problem solving techniques (collecting, researching, analysing, organising and critically evaluating information at an advanced level) and to apply specialised techniques in the field of physiotherapy to recognise, investigate, treat and prevent.
- 2) Specialist knowledge of physiotherapy practice and the application thereof.  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent to apply specialist knowledge to determine the causes of functional problems and to solve and manage physiotherapeutic problems.
- 3) Research mastery  
The qualifying *candidate* shows expertise in research and the ability to evaluate, teach and implement research findings in physiotherapy practice.

- 4) Attitudes and values  
The qualifying *candidate* shows ethical, compassionate and skilled ability to conduct all aspects of specialist physiotherapy practice, both in relation to the care of individuals and of populations.
- 5) Self development  
The qualifying *candidate* will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in his or her learning in order to become a lifelong *candidate*, and will recognise personal education needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her or his own progress.
- 6) Understanding the world as a set of related systems by recognising that problem solving contexts do not exist in isolation.  
In the contexts of the whole individual and his or her place in the family, society the population and the environment, at the end of the MSc physiotherapy degree the qualifying *candidate* will have knowledge of health and its promotion disease and disability and its prevention and management in these contexts.
- 7) Working with others as members of a team, group, organisation, community  
At the end of the MSc physiotherapy course the qualifying *candidate* will be competent to work with others as a member of a team, group, organisation and community.
- 8) Professional and general communication  
At the end of the MSc physiotherapy course the qualifying *candidate* will be competent to communicate and teach effectively both orally and in writing with peers, colleagues, patients, members of the health care team and the public.

### 9.3.40 Master of Science in Epidemiology

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Master of Science in Epidemiology
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	MSc (Epidemiology)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	2 years full-time or 4 years part-time
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 9
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 360
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	

- 1) Apply theories of epidemiology to analyse, interpret and evaluate various critical biomedical and public health problems.
- 2) Apply theories of other relevant social sciences to analyse, interpret and evaluate various critical biomedical and public health problems.
- 3) Apply theories of biostatistics and data management to analyse, interpret and evaluate various critical biomedical and public health problems.
- 4) To be able to integrate epidemiological, bio statistical, demographical and other social science in research work. To be able to conduct research work, analyse obtained data, summarize, evaluate and disseminate the research findings.

### 9.3.41 Master of Health Sciences Education

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Master of Health Sciences Education
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	MHSc (Education)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	1 year full-time or 2 years part-time
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 9
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 180
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	

- 1) Apply high order problem solving techniques in relation to educational strategies.

- 2) Construct innovative teaching/learning and assessment methodologies as applied to the education of health professionals.
- 3) Formulate a research proposal, implement the proposal and prepare a written report of the findings and critique research findings in the field of health sciences education and, where applicable, implement findings.
- 4) Demonstrate self direction and independence in own learning, appraise personal education needs and evaluate personal progress.

## 9.4 Doctoral Degrees

### 9.4.1 Doctor of Philosophy

Qualification Title	Doctor of Philosophy
Qualification Abbreviation	PhD
Minimum Period of study	2 years full-time or 4 years part-time
NQF Exit Level	Level 10
NQF Credits	Total minimum 360

#### Exit Level Outcomes

- 1) The qualifying *candidate* is capable of independent and original research.
- 2) The qualifying *candidate* possesses highly specialised, authoritative knowledge and is competent to apply that knowledge to the solution of problems.
- 3) The qualifying *candidate* is self-directed and self-critical.

## 9.5 Senior Doctoral Degrees

### 9.5.1 Doctor of Science in Dentistry

Qualification Title	Doctor of Science in Dentistry
Qualification Abbreviation	DSc (Dent)
Minimum Period of study	n/a (published work)
NQF Exit Level	Level 10
NQF Credits	Total minimum 360

#### Exit Level Outcomes

#### **Candidates are required to be able to:**

- 1) Access and process information responsibly using a range of appropriate technologies.
- 2) Communicate and produce information responsibly using a range of appropriate technologies.
- 3) Critically analyse and problem solve.
- 4) Demonstrate a thorough knowledge of methods and relevant literature appropriate to research and a mastery of relevant techniques.
- 5) Contribute substantial and original scholarly work to the international body of knowledge in their field.
- 6) Show understanding of their ethical obligations.
- 7) Assess the significance of their work.
- 8) Demonstrate his/her authority in the chosen field of research.



## 9.5.2 Doctor of Science in Medicine

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Doctor of Science in Medicine
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	DSc(Med)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	n/a (published work)
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 10
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 360

### Exit Level Outcomes

#### **Candidates are required to be able to:**

- 1) Access and process information responsibly using a range of appropriate technologies.
- 2) Communicate and produce information responsibly using a range of appropriate technologies.
- 3) Critically analyse and solve problems.
- 4) Demonstrate a thorough knowledge of methods and relevant literature appropriate to research and a mastery of relevant techniques.
- 5) Contribute substantial and original scholarly work to the international body of knowledge in their field.
- 6) Show understanding of their ethical obligations.
- 7) Assess the significance of their work.
- 8) Demonstrate his/her authority in the chosen field of research.

## 9.6 Postgraduate Diplomas

### 9.6.1 Postgraduate Diploma in Health Sciences Education

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Postgraduate Diploma in Health Sciences Education
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	PGDip (Health Sciences Education)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	1 year full-time or 2 years part-time
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 8
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 120

### Exit Level Outcomes

The qualifying *candidate* should be able to:

- 1) Identify and discuss theories of teaching and learning applicable in the field of health science education.
- 2) Apply advanced knowledge in understanding of teaching methodologies used in the teaching of health professions.
- 3) Apply advanced knowledge to understanding the essential elements of assessment; assessment options and the need for effective feedback.
- 4) Identify and explain concepts and principles that influence curricula design and develop a curriculum for a course.

## 9.6.2 Postgraduate Diploma in Occupational Therapy

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Postgraduate Diploma in Occupational Therapy
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	PGDip (Occupational Therapy)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	2 years part-time
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 8
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 120 PQM
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	

- 1) Problem-solving ability  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent to perform high order problem solving techniques (collecting, researching, analysing, organising and critically evaluating information at an advanced level) and to apply specialised techniques in the field of Occupational Therapy to recognise, investigate, treat and prevent conditions in the field of Occupational Therapy.
- 2) Specialist knowledge of Occupational Therapy Practice and the application thereof.  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent to apply specialist knowledge to determine the causes of functional problems and to solve and manage those problems through Occupational Therapy.
- 3) Attitudes and values  
The qualifying *candidate* shows ethical, compassionate and skilled ability to conduct all aspects of specialist Occupational Therapy practice, both in relation to the individuals and the community.
- 4) Self development  
The qualifying *candidate* will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in his or her learning in order to become a lifelong *candidate*, and will recognise personal education needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her or his own progress.
- 5) Understanding the world as a set of related systems by recognising that problem- solving contexts do not exist in isolation.  
In the contexts of the whole individual and his or her place in the family, society the population and the environment, the qualifying *candidate* will have knowledge of health and its promotion, disease and disability and its prevention and management in these contexts.
- 6) Working with others as members of a team, group, organisation, community  
The qualifying *candidate* will be competent to work with others as a member of a team, group, organisation and community.
- 7) Professional and general communication  
The qualifying *candidate* will be competent to communicate and teach effectively both orally and in writing with peers, colleagues, clients, members of the health care team and the public.

## 9.6.3 Postgraduate Diploma in Physiotherapy

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Postgraduate Diploma in Physiotherapy
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	PGDip (Physiotherapy)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	1 year full-time or 2 years part-time
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 8
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 120
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	

- 1) Problem-solving ability  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent to perform high order problem solving techniques (collecting, researching, analysing, organising and critically evaluating information at an advanced level) and to apply specialised techniques in the field of physiotherapy to recognise, investigate treat and prevent.

- 2) Specialist knowledge of physiotherapy practice and the application thereof.  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent to apply specialist knowledge to determine the causes of functional problems and to solve and manage physiotherapeutic problems.
- 3) Attitudes and values  
The qualifying *candidate* shows ethical, compassionate and skilled ability to conduct all aspects of specialist physiotherapy practice, both in relation to the care of individuals and of populations.
- 4) Self development  
The qualifying *candidate* will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in his or her learning in order to become a lifelong *candidate*, and will recognise personal education needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her or his own progress.
- 5) Understanding the world as a set of related systems by recognising that problem- solving contexts do not exist in isolation.  
In the contexts of the whole individual and his or her place in the family, society the population and the environment, the qualifying *candidate* will have knowledge of health and its promotion disease and disability and its prevention and management in these contexts.
- 6) Working with others as members of a team, group, organisation, community  
The qualifying *candidate* will be competent to work with others as a member of a team, group, organisation and community, both orally and in writing with peers, colleagues, patients, members of the health care team and the public.

## 9.6.4 Postgraduate Diploma in Health Service Management

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Postgraduate Diploma in Health Service Management
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	PGDip (Health Service Management)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	1 year full-time
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 8
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 120
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	

- 1) Problem-solving ability  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent to perform high order problem solving techniques (collecting, researching, analysing, organising and critically evaluating information) and to apply these techniques in the field of health service management.
- 2) Knowledge of Management principles and the application thereof  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent to apply knowledge gained in the management of health services.
- 3) Attitudes and values  
The qualifying *candidate* shows ethical, compassionate and skilled ability in the management of health services.
- 4) Self development  
The qualifying *candidate* will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in his or her learning in order to become a lifelong *candidate*, and will recognise personal education needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her or his own progress.
- 5) Working with others as members of a team, group, organisation, community  
The qualifying *candidate* will be competent to work with others as a member of a team, group, organisation and community.
- 6) Professional and general communication  
The qualifying *candidate* will be competent to communicate and teach effectively both orally and in writing peers, colleagues, patients and their families, members of the health care team and the public.

## 9.6.5 Postgraduate Diploma in Occupational Health

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Postgraduate Diploma in Occupational Health
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	PGDip (Occupational Health)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	2 years part-time
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 8
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 120
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	

- 1) Problem-solving ability  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent to perform high order problem solving techniques (collecting, researching, analysing, organising and critically evaluating information) and to apply these techniques in the field of occupational health.
- 2) Knowledge of Occupational Health Practice and the application thereof.  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent to apply knowledge gained in the practice of occupational health.
- 3) Attitudes and values  
The qualifying *candidate* shows ethical, compassionate and skilled ability to conduct all aspects occupational health practice.
- 4) Self development  
The qualifying *candidate* will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in his or her learning in order to become a lifelong *candidate*, and will recognise personal education needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her or his own progress.
- 5) Working with others as members of a team, group, organisation, community  
The qualifying *candidate* will be competent to work with others as a member of a team, group, organisation and community.
- 6) Professional and general communication  
The qualifying *candidate* will be competent to communicate effectively both orally and in writing with peers, colleagues, patients and their families, members of the health care team and the public.

## 9.6.6 Postgraduate Diploma in Public Health

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Postgraduate Diploma in Public Health
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	PGDip (Public Health)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	1 year full-time or 2 years part-time
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 8
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 150
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	

- 1) Problem-solving ability  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent to perform high order problem solving techniques (collecting, researching, analysing, organising and critically evaluating information) and to apply these techniques in the field of public health.
- 2) Knowledge of Public Health Practice and the application thereof.  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent to apply knowledge gained in the practice of public health.
- 3) Attitudes and values  
The qualifying *candidate* shows ethical, compassionate and skilled ability to conduct all aspects public health practice.

- 4) Self development  
The qualifying *candidate* will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in his or her learning in order to become a lifelong *candidate*, and will recognise personal education needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her or his own progress.
- 5) Working with others as members of a team, group, organisation, community.  
The qualifying *candidate* will be competent to work with others as a member of a team, group, organisation and community.
- 6) Both orally and in writing with peers, colleagues, patients and their families, members of the health care team and the public.

### 9.6.7 Postgraduate Diploma in Tropical Medicine and Hygiene

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Postgraduate Diploma in Tropical Medicine and Hygiene
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	PGDip (Tropical Medicine and Hygiene)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	1 year full-time
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 8
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 120
<b>Exit Level Outcomes</b>	

- 1) The qualifying *candidate* is competent to perform high order problem solving techniques (collecting, analysing, organising and critically evaluating information) and to apply these techniques in the field of tropical medicine and hygiene.
- 2) Understanding the world as a set of related systems by recognising that problem- solving contexts do not exist in isolation.  
In the contexts of the whole individual and his or her place in the family, society, the population and the environment, the qualifying *candidate* will have knowledge of health and its promotion, disease and its prevention, and management in these contexts.
- 3) Knowledge of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene Practice and the application thereof.  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent to apply his or her knowledge of the major problems of human health and disease which have prevalence higher in the tropical than in the temperate zones in practice.
- 4) Attitudes and values  
The qualifying *candidate* shows ethical, compassionate and skilled ability to conduct all aspects of tropical medicine and hygiene, both in relation to the care of individuals and of populations. Contribute to the community as well as to individual patient welfare.
- 5) Self development  
The qualifying *candidate* will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in his or her learning in order to become a lifelong *candidate*, and will recognise personal education needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her or his own progress.
- 6) Working with others as members of a team, group, organisation, community  
The qualifying *candidate* will be competent to work with others as a member of a team, group, organisation and community.

## 9.6.8 Postgraduate Diploma in Child Health

<b>Qualification Title</b>	Postgraduate Diploma in Child Health
<b>Qualification Abbreviation</b>	PGDip (Child Health)
<b>Minimum Period of study</b>	2 years part-time
<b>NQF Exit Level</b>	Level 8
<b>NQF Credits</b>	Total minimum 120

### Exit Level Outcomes

- 1) Problem-solving ability  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent to perform high order problem solving techniques (collecting, researching, analysing, organising and critically evaluating information) and to apply these techniques in the field of maternal and child health.
- 2) Understanding the world as a set of related systems by recognising that problem- solving contexts do not exist in isolation.  
In the contexts of the whole individual and his or her place in the family, society the population and the environment, the qualifying *candidate* will have knowledge of health and its promotion, disease and disability and its prevention, and management in these contexts.
- 3) Knowledge of Child Health Practice and the application thereof.  
The qualifying *candidate* is competent to apply knowledge gained in the practice of Child Health.
- 4) Attitudes and values  
The qualifying *candidate* shows ethical, compassionate and skilled ability to conduct all aspects of child health, both in relation to the care of individuals and of populations.
- 5) Self development  
The qualifying *candidate* will have acquired and will demonstrate self direction and independence in his or her learning in order to become a lifelong *candidate*, and will recognise personal education needs, utilise appropriate learning situations and evaluate her or his own progress.
- 6) Working with others as members of a team, group, organisation, community  
The qualifying *candidate* will be competent to work with others as a member of a team, group, organisation and community.
- 7) Professional and general communication  
The qualifying *candidate* will be competent to communicate and teach effectively both orally and in writing with peers, colleagues, patients and their families, members of the health care team and the public.

# SYLLABUSES

## FOR THE

# FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCE

### SCHOOL OF BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES

**Course Code: ANAT1002A**

**Course Description: Anatomy, Oral Biology and Physiology for Dental Auxiliaries**

**NQF Credits: 36**

**NQF Level: 5**

This course covers morphological anatomy, histology and embryology. The topics covered will include basic histological cells and tissues, embryology of the early embryo (first 3 weeks of life) as well as detailed anatomy (morphological anatomy, histology and embryology) of the following regions and systems: head and neck region, nervous system, respiratory system, endocrine system and cardiovascular system. Oral Biology will include the development, structure and function of oral tissues and other structures of the head and neck, the tooth and associated tissue structure, function and development, sensory perception of the oral cavity and relevant physiological processes such as mastication and deglutition.

**Course Code: ANAT2005A**

**Course Description: Anatomy for Nurses**

**NQF Credits: 24**

**NQF Level: 6**

This course provides an understanding of anatomy. The morphology, basic histology of specific tissues/organs and embryology of specific systems will be taught and integrated with anatomical functions, clinical significances and applied anatomy. Topics include: Introduction to human anatomy, early embryology, basic histology of tissues, integumentary system, musculoskeletal system, cardiovascular system, respiratory system, nervous system and special senses, gastrointestinal systems, urinary system, endocrine system and reproductive systems.

**Course Code: ANAT2020A**

**Course Description: Anatomy**

**NQF Credits : 48**

**NQF Level: 6**

This course provides topics in: morphological anatomy, histology and embryology. Morphological anatomy include aspects of osteology, developmental anatomy and radiological anatomy. Histology and embryology include the light and electron microscope study of cells, tissue systems and organ systems. The development of man from fertilisation to birth, including congenital malformations, will also be covered. Integration of morphological anatomy, developmental anatomy and histology is a major aim of this course.

**Course Code: ANAT2030A**

**Course Description: Anatomy for Dental Students**

**NQF Credits: 48**

**NQF Level: 6**

This course will lead to a general understanding of the structure of the human body. The regional course in morphological anatomy includes the study of the upper limb, thorax, head and neck, neuro-anatomy, pelvis and perineum, lower limb and abdomen from models as well as prosected and wet specimens. The thorax as well as the head and neck regions is taught using cadaver based dissections. The course in histology and embryology will comprise lectures and practical classes on the primary tissues and the relevant organ systems.

**Course Code: ANAT2031A**

**Course Description: Anatomy for Pharmacy Students**

**NQF Credits: 18**

**NQF Level: 6**

This course includes topics in morphological anatomy, histology and embryology. Morphological anatomy includes the study of the upper limb, thorax, head and neck, neuro-anatomy, pelvis and perineum, lower limb and abdomen from models as well as prosected and wet specimens. Histology and embryology covers primary tissues and the relevant organ systems.

**Course Code: ANAT2033A**

**Course Description: Anatomy for Physiotherapy and Occupational Therapy Students**

**NQF Credits: 48**

**NQF Level: 6**

This course in Morphological Anatomy includes the study of the upper limb, thorax, head and neck, neuro-anatomy, pelvis and perineum, lower limb and abdomen from models as well as prosected and wet specimens. The upper limb, back and lower limb are taught using cadaver based dissections. The course in Histology & Embryology will comprise lectures and practical classes on the primary tissues and the relevant organ systems.

**Course Code: ANAT2040A**

**Course Description: Anatomy for Medical Practice: From Conception to Complexity**

**NQF Credits: 48**

**NQF Level: 6**

This course explores macroscopic, microscopic and developmental human anatomy as it relates to medical practice. The course covers key anatomical regions and explains the intricacies of the human body and the spatial relationship between macroscopic structures, cellular compositions and associated developmental processes. Interactive class sessions and case discussions assist students on how anatomy informs medical practice and equip students with problem-solving and clinical application skills.

**Course Code: ANAT3002A**

**Course Description: Human Biology III**

**NQF Credits: 72**

**NQF Level: 7**

This course introduces key topics in biological anthropology. This course consists of four lecture topics and one protocol project. The first topic deals with human skeletal biology and its application in a forensic context, while the second explores major themes in the field of human evolution. The third block is divided into two sections dealing with human biodiversity and then research methods. A protocol project is undertaken during the fourth block where students design a feasible research project under the supervision of one of the teaching and research staff.

**Course Code: ANAT3011A**

**Course Description: Medical Cell Biology III**

**NQF Credits: 72**

**NQF Level: 7**

This course aims to provide an understanding of applied cell biology, molecular biology, and developmental biology within a biomedical framework, through lectures and independent student work. The course consists of 5 lecture-based topics which reflect the current research interests of the School, including: Teratology and Birth Defects; Introduction to Toxicology; Reproductive Immunology and Infertility; Introduction to Cellular and Molecular Neuroscience; and Cellular and Molecular Mechanisms of Cancer. The final topic is a Research Proposal, where students will identify a research question and develop a full protocol detailing relevant literature, hypotheses and methodological approaches. Course content is selected primarily from research articles in order to convey current developments in specific fields, with laboratory sessions aimed at introducing students to commonly used and cutting-edge research and diagnostic techniques. The course thus aims to prepare students for postgraduate studies and employment in the scientific arena.

**Course Code: ANAT3030A**

**Course Description: Oral Biology for Dental Students**

**NQF Credits: 24**

**NQF Level: 7**

This course correlates the specialised anatomy of the head and neck with the physiological principles and the clinical implications of these regions. Thus, the aim and objective of this course is to give dental students an understanding of the physiology, anatomy, histology, embryology and oral biology of the head and neck region. This course is taught by the Schools of Anatomical Sciences, Oral Health Sciences and Physiology. Students are introduced to all aspects of Oral Biology. The course encompasses the concepts in Oral Biology and is designed to be a foundation course to prepare students for dental clinical disciplines.



**Course Code: ANAT4013A****Course Description: Human Biology Honours Coursework****NQF Credits: 70****NQF Level: 8**

This course deals with research skill development (scientific literacy, critical thinking) in the fields of human biology and biological anthropology. It covers key concepts and new discoveries pertaining to evolutionary aspects of research in human biology through a seminar, an exercise in literature review, and short courses in basic statistics and scientific writing.

**Course Code: ANAT4015A****Course Description: Medical Cell Biology Honours Coursework****NQF Credits: 70****NQF Level: 8**

This course in Medical Cell Biology provides candidates with the opportunity to further develop their skills in scientific research. The course covers regional cell and tissue biology with candidate participation in discussion (theme) group meetings and seminar presentations, as well as completion of a critical essay on a selected topic expected. Candidates are also encouraged to attend a basic statistic and a scientific writing short course offered by the Faculty of Health Sciences throughout the year.

**Course Code: ANAT4017A****Course Description: Neuroscience Honours Coursework****NQF Credits: 84****NQF Level: 8**

This course introduces multiple neuroscience topics and research fields, such as neuroanatomy, neurophysiology, molecular neurobiology, neuropsychology, neuropsychiatry, neurology, brain-computer interface and artificial intelligence.

**Course Code: ANAT5012A****Course Description: General Neuroanatomy****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 8**

This course will give the postgraduate candidate an in-depth understanding of human neuroanatomy. In modular form, the course will offer a deeper understanding of various aspects of the human nervous system. One module will explore embryology and histology of the nervous system, while three modules will explore various aspects of the morphological anatomy including the surface anatomy of the spinal cord and brain, locations of the brain and spinal cord, meninges, brain nuclear systems and tracts. This modular course extends over one academic year and consists of 40 hours of lectures, demonstrations and practical classes including a small dissection component.

**Course Code: ANAT5013A****Course Description: Applied Anatomy****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 8**

This course is designed to give the postgraduate candidate an in-depth knowledge of human anatomy of head and neck, thorax and abdomen, upper and lower limb. The course is divided into four modules. Each module will consist of one week (5 days) of tuition. Each day will consist of about three hours of lectures / tutorials and one hour of supervised revision with specimens and models (totalling about 20 hours per block). The course will cover full-body clinically-orientated anatomy, systematically and equally elaborated throughout the four modules (approximately 80 hours of total contact time). Wherever possible, specimens, bones, models and other visual resources will be used to illustrate the area of the body being studied.

**Course Code: ANAT7000A****Course Description: Anatomy in relation to the Nervous System****NQF Credits: 30****NQF Level: 9**

This course will give the postgraduate candidate an in-depth understanding of human neuroanatomy. In modular form, the course will offer a deeper understanding of various aspects of the human nervous system. One module will explore embryology and histology of the nervous system, while three modules will explore various aspects of the morphological anatomy including the surface anatomy of the spinal cord and brain, locations of the brain and spinal cord, meninges, brain nuclear systems and tracts. This modular course extends over one academic year and consists of 40 hours of lectures, demonstrations and practical classes including a small dissection component.

**Course Code: ANAT7011A****Course Description: General Neuroanatomy****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

This course will give the postgraduate candidate an in-depth understanding of human neuroanatomy. In modular form, the course will offer a deeper understanding of various aspects of the human nervous system. One module will explore embryology and histology of the nervous system, while three modules will explore various aspects of the morphological anatomy including the surface anatomy of the spinal cord and brain, locations of the brain and spinal cord, meninges, brain nuclear systems and tracts.

**Course Code: ANAT7012A****Course Description: Applied Anatomy****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

This course is designed to give the postgraduate candidate an in-depth knowledge of human anatomy of head and neck, thorax and abdomen, upper and lower limb. The course is divided into four modules. The course covers full-body clinically-orientated anatomy, systematically and equally elaborated throughout the four modules. Wherever possible, specimens, bones, models and other visual resources will be used to illustrate the area of the body being studied.

**Course Code: ANAT7013A****Course Description: Applied Anatomy for Dentists****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

This course is both clinical and academic. It focuses on the human embryonic development of the craniofacial region, the morphological anatomy of the head and neck regions, the nervous system and the histology of the dental tissues. The course gives an in depth understanding of human anatomy of the head, neck and thorax, including the cranial nerves, orofacial embryology and genetics and oral tissues.

**Course Code: PHSL2003A****Course Description: Physiology and Medical Biochemistry I****NQF Credits: 48****NQF Level: 6**

This course includes topics such as body fluids; cell and tissue biochemistry; neuromuscular function; blood, immune mechanisms, and inflammation; cardiovascular and respiratory systems; kidney function; gastro-intestinal system and nutrition; endocrinology and the central nervous system.

**Course Code: PHSL2004A****Course Description: Physiology and Medical Biochemistry I****NQF Credits: 48****NQF Level: 6**

This course includes topics such as body fluids; cell and tissue biochemistry; neuromuscular function; blood, immune mechanisms, and inflammation; cardiovascular and respiratory systems; kidney function; gastro-intestinal system and nutrition; endocrinology and the central nervous system.

**Course Code: PHSL2006A****Course Description: Applied Anatomy and Physiology II****NQF Credits: 48****NQF Level: 6**

This course provides students with a good understanding of the anatomy and physiology of major human body systems. It specifically covers the structure and function of the following systems: nervous; musculoskeletal; cardiovascular; respiratory; digestive; renal; reproductive and endocrine.

**Course Code: PHSL2007A****Course Description: Human Physiology: From Cells to Systems****NQF Credits: 48****NQF Level: 6**

This course provides a comprehensive understanding of the physiology of human body systems. Students learn to apply physiological principles to real-world scenarios, fostering a holistic grasp of human physiology and biochemistry and developing critical thinking, information and literacy skills crucial for a medical doctor.

**Course Code: PHSL3006A****Course Description: Physiology III****NQF Credits: 72****NQF Level: 7**

This course focuses on the analysis of physiological data from the perspective of understanding the processes underlying abnormal human physiology. The course builds on second year knowledge and consists of various topics and a case study project. The topics include principles of experimental physiology; body fluid balance; respiratory physiology; acid-base balance, cardiovascular physiology, nutrition, central and autonomic nervous system, and physiology of pregnancy and the neonate.

**Course Code: PHSL4005A****Course Description: Experimental Physiology Honours Coursework****NQF Credits: 70****NQF Level: 80**

This course comprises a series of theoretical topics in physiology delivered in the form of lectures and tutorials. Each topic will also have an assessment component, e.g. essay or other written assignment.

**Course Code: PHSL5000A****Course Description: The Principles of Physiology and Medical Biochemistry in Relation to the Nervous System****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 8**

This course consists of tutorials based on prior independent study. The tutorials emphasise the pathophysiology of central and peripheral nervous system disorders. Special emphasis is given to neurochemistry and the action of drugs used to treat nervous disorders.

**Course Code: PHSL7001A****Course Description: Physiology****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

This course consists of tutorials that provide postgraduate dental students with an overview of the clinical physiology relevant to the practice of dentistry.

**Course Code: PHSL7004A****Course Description: Principles of Physiology and Medical Biochemistry in relation to the Nervous System****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

This course comprises a series of tutorials that emphasise the pathophysiology of central and peripheral nervous system disorders. Special emphasis is given to neurochemistry and the action of drugs used to treat nervous disorders.

**SCHOOL OF CLINICAL MEDICINE**

Many of the postgraduate courses offered by the School of Clinical Medicine form part of the clinical and theoretical requirements stipulated by the Colleges of Medicine. Full details of these syllabi may be obtained from the Colleges of Medicine (South Africa).

**Course Code: ANAE5001A****Course Description: Anaesthetics****NQF Credits: 24****NQF Level: 8**

This course covers aspects of modern anaesthesia in relation to dentistry, with particular attention to life support. The practical aspects of this course comprise assistance with administration of at least 20 anaesthetics and nine airway maintenance procedures.

**Course Code: FAMH1001A****Course Description: Health Systems Sciences****NQF Credits: 18****NQF Level: 5**

The course provides students with a good understanding of concepts of Health System Sciences. The following modules will be covered: fundamentals in health and disease; health systems science overview; applied health system dynamics; overview of public health; historical development of public health; the role of public health in ensuring population health; determinants of health.

**Course Code: FAMH1002A****Course Description: Person, Family and Community I****NQF Credits: 26****NQF Level: 5**

This course aims to provide an understanding of the complex interactions between individuals, families, communities and the broader social context within the practice of medicine. It enhances students' knowledge and skills in health psychology, health sociology, medical humanities and community health, allowing students to approach patient care holistically. Through experiential learning within the community, students develop the skills and values that enable them to provide patient-centred care and address health disparities.

**Course Code: FAMH1003A****Course Description: Foundations of Public Health and Health Systems Science****NQF Credits: 18****NQF Level: 5**

This interdisciplinary course provides students with an introduction to the field of health systems science and its practical applications. Students explore key concepts, dynamics and challenges of applied health systems and begin to develop systems and design thinking skills. The course equips future doctors with the knowledge, skills, and values to navigate the health care landscape effectively and begin to address health care disparities, promote high-quality patient care, health care quality and safety, and practice within the dynamic and evolving health care landscape.

**Course Code: FAMH1004A****Course Description: The Science and Art of Health and Learning****NQF Credits: 28****NQF Level: 5**

This course inspires students on their journey to becoming competent and compassionate doctors, by introducing interdisciplinary and holistic perspectives of health, healthcare and the nature of knowledge. By exploring these concepts, students will begin to develop the skills and strategies needed for academic success, personal growth, and their future practice as a doctor.

**Course Code: FAMH2006A****Course Description: Health Systems Sciences II****NQF Credits: 48****NQF Level: 6**

This course provides students with a good understanding of the SA health system, framed within a health systems science framework. It covers the following modules: applied health systems science (basics); clinical governance, law and ethics; chronic disease management systems; health economics and payment systems; human resources (basics); health outcomes (equity & level); business value in health care (accounting and administration); scholarship (research / teaching & learning).

**Course Code: FAMH2007A****Course Description: Person, Family and Community II****NQF Credits: 24****NQF Level: 6**

This course provides students with the ability to develop as socially conscious health care practitioners committed to holistic health care. Through experiential learning activities, students apply knowledge and skills to analyse the opportunities for health system strengthening, health promotion, and to address health concerns identified in the PFC I course. This course provides students with a foundation in the principles of community-based health care.

**Course Code: FAMH3001A****Course Description: Emergency Medicine****NQF Credits: 24****NQF Level: 7**

This course provides students with the skills to recognise and manage some of the common clinical emergencies. These include cardiac arrest, obstructed airway, overview of the emergency services, accident scene management, airway management, ventilator techniques, cardio-respiratory emergencies, bites and stings, neuro-endocrine emergencies, acute poisoning, fractures, dislocations, bleeding and shock.

**Course Code: FAMH3004A****Course Description: Health Systems Sciences III****NQF Credits: 72****NQF Level: 7**

This course provides students with a good understanding of concepts of Health Systems Sciences. It covers the following modules: applied health systems science; (advanced); leadership, policy and strategic management in health; quality and service improvement; business value in health care (accounting and administration) (advanced); human resources and teamwork (advanced); health information management; population health and community-oriented primary care; social marketing and health promotion; research (advanced); applied learning and teaching.

**Course Code: FAMH3005A****Course Description: Medical and Health Humanities III****NQF Credits: 72****NQF Level: 7**

This course introduces students to critical medical and health knowledge to address issues of power, challenge prejudice, foreground questions of meaning and purposefulness, and allow a space to explore scholarly work about and for health and medical professionals. It highlights the full range of personal and intellectual qualities critical thinkers and healing professionals should bring to health fields.

**Course Code: FAMH4000A****Course Description: Contemporary Health****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 8**

This course focuses on the contemporary social, political and ethical issues in health systems, with a specific focus on the South African Health System. It starts off by defining a health system and then compares health systems across the world. It uses case studies of different health systems to explore challenges and compare the similarities and differences.

**Course Code: FAMH4001A****Course Description: Developing Health System Competencies (Continuous Personal Development)****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 8**

This course provides an integrated approach to study where students are provided with the opportunity to reflect upon their academic learning and the work-related experience gained during the year and to develop competencies that they have identified as important to work on. This is a self-directed course that is focused on students evaluating their past, current and future development from a critical perspective, considering their academic, personal, and professional development in order to become aware of their opportunities for further development and skill enhancement.

**Course Code: FAMH4002A****Course Description: Health Analyses and Quality Improvement****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 8**

This course provides an overview of Health Analyses and Quality Improvement (QI) in the context of South Africa. It uses a systems thinking approach to understanding quality improvement in a health context and how to implement a quality improvement project to improve the processes of care and patient outcomes. It focuses on QI tools and concepts of organisational analyses, drawing on real data and case studies.

**Course Code: FAMH4003A****Course Description: Health Entrepreneurship****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 8**

This course explores the development and practical application of innovation to set up the context of entrepreneurship and new business development for the health sector. It covers the theory and practice of innovation and entrepreneurship in health care settings, both domestically and globally.

**Course Code: FAMH4004A****Course Description: Health Analytics****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 8**

This course provides an overview of Health Analytics in Health Systems, the data life cycle of Health Analytics and an introduction to the types of data that can be processed for Health. It enables the identification of Data Tools and Data Sources, the application of data analyses to different data types, the application of exploratory data analyses to Electronic Healthcare data, the construction of an ETL pipeline (data processing) and the application of Biomedical Image Analyses and Clustering.

**Course Code: FAMH4006A**

**Course Description: Health Ethics**

**NQF Credits: 10**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course focuses on the controversies in the global and South African responses to the Coronavirus pandemic to enable engagement with important issues relating to the ethical and legal dimensions of health systems science. The pandemic context foregrounds ethical and legal issues that can only be properly understood and addressed at a health system level. Some of these issues must be addressed as global problems, requiring global solutions; some require a balancing of individual health rights and well-being against the common good of the nation or even the global community; and almost all of these issues cut across social, political, economic, personal and human rights dimensions.

**Course Code: FAMH4007A**

**Course Description: Innovative Health**

**NQF Credits: 10**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course focuses on the future of health systems innovation. It explores the political, economic, cultural and ethical aspects of healthcare improvements and innovation, in the continuously evolving social and regulatory contexts, both a national and a global level. It considers opportunities for innovation and how best to achieve this in a healthcare context, introducing real-life case studies of improvement and innovation in global health care settings.

**Course Code: FAMH4008A**

**Course Description: Introduction to Health Analytics**

**NQF Credits: 10**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course covers the fundamentals of computing, programming, data structures, algorithms, and software engineering, including the implementation and understanding of algorithms for data collection and analysis, and the time and space considerations of algorithms. It fosters good design principles developing software and their importance for testability and maintainability. This includes the development and implementation of algorithms, as well as integration with existing software and/or tools. The course presents a variety of data structures and the implications of choosing one over another. Software engineering principles include the design, implementation and testing of programs, and their implications for issues such as modularisation, reusability, and security.

**Course Code: FAMH4009A**

**Course Description: Leading Health Systems Research**

**NQF Credits: 10**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course provides an overview of Health Research processes, the governance of research and how to manage data and support and grow research within an organisation in the health system. It inter alia uses case studies and authentic assessment.

**Course Code: FAMH4010A**

**Course Description: Managing Health Projects**

**NQF Credits: 10**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course provides basic exposure to the tasks and challenges facing project managers, including an understanding of the project life cycle and the essential components to managing a project effectively in the health system. It covers concepts around project scope, resource allocation, task organisation, sequencing, stakeholders, risk, and leadership skills needed for successful project management in health.

**Course Code: FAMH4011A****Course Description: Medical and Health Humanities****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 8**

This course traces the social and cultural history of HIV/AIDS and explores its social and cultural dimensions in relation to health systems; medical innovations; contextual and behavioural challenges; and the way that it enhanced, challenged and reworked medical and health understandings and priorities across the globe, with ramifications into the present.

**Course Code: FAMH4012A****Course Description: Research Methodology****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 8**

This course focuses on quantitative and qualitative research methods used for Health systems research, including a variety of study designs, highlighting that research in health systems is often “methods neutral” and can adopt several approaches, depending on the research question. During this course, students learn what to measure (structures, processes, outcomes or a combination) and from whose perspective (decision makers, providers, or clients), all which dictate the approach used.

**Course Code: FAMH4014A****Course Description: Responsible Health****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 8**

This course focuses on the importance of a responsible leadership culture and leadership paradigms in the health system, particularly in light of the crisis in global leadership with leadership malpractice in politics, the corporate world, financial services and wider society. This course will consider the concept and practices of responsible leadership and responsible practices.

**Course Code: FAMH4017A****Course Description: Learning in the Workplace****NQF Credits: 30****NQF Level: 8**

This course enables students to learn in the workplace by applying the theory learnt from other courses in an organisational context. Students are placed in an organisation relevant to the learning project they choose (Health Entrepreneurship, Health Analytics, Health Leadership or Health Research) in order to gain real-world learning experience and to build links between theory and practice.

**Course Code: FAMH4018A****Course Description: Systems Health****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 8**

This course provides an overview of the components that ensure the System is Healthy. It focuses on Health Systems Finance, Governance and Health Economics in the context of South Africa, using real data and case studies.

**Course Code: FAMH5001A****Course Description: Quality Improvement in Rural Health Care****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 8**

This course explores the topic of quality improvement in the context of a local health system in a state of flux, as access to quality health care becomes a national imperative under a planned National Health Insurance model. The course is designed to equip the student with the techniques of quality improvement. It further explores the primary use of traditional methodologies to improve service delivery, and introduces a systems thinking approach to solving health care problems. The course also explores person-centred concepts using an appreciative enquiry approach to addressing health care challenges.

**Course Code: FAMH5002A****Course Description: The Rural Health Care Context****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 8**

This course aims to provide students with an overview of the concept of rurality, the geographical and socio-cultural contexts of rural people, and the distinguishing features of rural patients and rural health services.

**Course Code: FAMH7030A****Course Description: Community Oriented Primary Care****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

This course introduces students to the origin, evolution and applications of Community Oriented Primary Care (COPC), the principles of health policy development, program management and their application at primary health care level within a community setting. In this course, students engage to establish a comprehensive understanding of a primary health care approach, the identification of strategic role players and their significance to the practise of community health. The course integrates the strategies for success of community orientated primary health care, the role of community and their attitude towards primary health care and the importance of community health workers.

**Course Code: FAMH7031A****Course Description: The Rural Health Care Context****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

This course provides students with an overview of the concept of rurality, the geographical and socio-cultural contexts of rural people, and the distinguishing features of rural patients and rural health services.

**Course Code: FAMH7032A****Course Description: Development of Rural Health Services—Strategies and Approaches****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

This course brings together the concepts and principles of rural health practice and their impact on local communities. The course illustrates the influence of rurality on access to health services and health care outcomes. It explores the social challenges, dedicated funding, policy debates and developmental approaches at local, provincial and national government. Rural based practice requires consideration for the structuring of a career path and support of the families of all rural professional health care workers. The course also covers the recruitment and retention challenges, interventions and the continuing medical education of health care workers.

**Course Code: FAMH7033A****Course Description: Quality Improvement in Rural Health Care****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

This course provides a historical overview and explanation of concepts regarding Quality Improvement (QI). Students engage in a practical integration of theory and QI tools. In this course students apply a critical evaluation of previously done primary care QI projects and prepare for implementation of individual quality improvement projects.

**Course Code: FAMH7034A****Course Description: The Health of Rural People – Epidemiology and Burden of Disease****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

This course brings together epidemiologic thinking to create a better understanding and knowledge of major rural health problems such as infectious diseases, chronic conditions and trauma from motor vehicle accidents. In this course the measurement of disease occurrence and causal effects is applied to the rural context. In this course students demonstrate the ability to identify strategies that can be used in the prediction, detection, treatment and control of conditions within the rural context.

**Course Code: FORM4003A****Course Description: Forensic Sciences****NQF Credits: 90****NQF Level: 8**

This course comprises a research methods component which is made up of lectures to be held throughout the course of the year, as well as 4 course topics specific to forensic biological sciences. These will include forensic anthropology, forensic entomology, psychology and investigative analysis and a fourth topic which will be the field of interest of one of the forensic pathologists in the division.

**Course Code: MEDC4003A****Course Description: General Medicine and Paediatrics for Dental Students****NQF Credits: 12****NQF Level: 8**



This course introduces dental students to aspects of internal medicine of particular relevance to the dentist. The course includes clinical bedside teaching, as well as clinical demonstrations in haematology, dermatology, neurology, renal and ICU medicine. The course offers a two-week emergency medicine block during which students are exposed to a wide variety of medical emergencies, both adult and paediatric.

**Course Code: MEDC7046A**

**Course Description: Molecular Discovery to Clinical Application**

**NQF Credits: 40**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course provides an overview of the translational research pipeline. Students will explore molecular discovery, including the identification and application of biomarkers using omics technologies. The course covers pre-clinical research methodologies, including in silico models and animal trials, and their role in therapeutic development. Students will gain insight into the process of clinical trials, emphasizing Good Clinical Practice (GCP) and the regulatory requirements governing clinical studies. The final topic addresses the commercialization process, familiarizing students with key aspects of translating scientific discoveries into clinical applications. Through these topics, students will develop some of the skills and expertise needed to navigate the translational research pipeline.

**Course Code: MEDC7047A**

**Course Description: Introduction to Precision Medicine**

**NQF Credits: 20**

**NQF Level: 9**

The course introduces students to the fundamental principles and broader approaches of precision medicine, focusing on its role in translational research to personalize healthcare and improve treatment outcomes. The course explores key topics including the technologies enabling precision medicine and their applications. Students will also examine various approaches in precision medicine while addressing the challenges faced in implementing precision medicine. The course will look at future directions in the field, preparing students to engage with emerging trends.

**Course Code: MEDC7048A**

**Course Description: Translational Research in Practice**

**NQF Credits: 25**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course introduces students to the principles and processes involved in translating scientific innovations into clinical applications. The course covers key content areas including stakeholder engagement, and effective communication of scientific findings to diverse audiences, including clinicians, patients, policymakers, and the public. Students will develop practical skills in interdisciplinary collaboration, team science, grant writing, and dissemination strategies. The course also addresses ethical, legal, and regulatory frameworks governing translational research, with a focus on equity and patient-centred approaches. Through case studies, workshops, and project-based learning, students will gain competencies essential for advancing research from bench to bedside and into public health practice.

**Course Code: MEDC7049A**

**Course Description: Research Report**

**NQF Credits: 60**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course is a key component of the MSc in Medicine in the field of Translational Research, designed to provide students with an opportunity to conduct a structured, supervised research project in a relevant area of translational science. The course allows students to apply research methodologies, data analysis techniques, and critical evaluation skills to investigate a basic research question in translational research. This experience enhances their ability to design and execute studies, interpret findings, and effectively communicate scientific results.

**Course Code: PAED5015A**

**Course Description: Child Health I**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course aims to provide the theoretical basis which candidates will use to identify, investigate and manage important child health priorities, as well as a systematic understanding of the evaluation and management of child health programmes.

**Course Code: PAED5016A****Course Description: Child Health II****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 8**

This course focuses on priority child health policies and programmes, both internationally and in South Africa. It starts with a global overview of policy setting, and then narrows down to critically examining specific policies and/or programmes such as school, environmental and adolescent health. The course aims to develop a systematic understanding of society and its effects on child health.

**Course Code: PAED5017A****Course Description: Maternal Health****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 8**

This course focuses on priority maternal, reproductive and women's health problems and aims to develop a systematic understanding of the epidemiology of maternal health conditions, key clinical considerations for each condition, and a comprehensive understanding of the main public health interventions and programmes developed to address or manage these conditions.

**Course Code: PAED5018A****Course Description: Developmental Problems in Childhood****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 8**

This course introduces the student to the theories underlying the assessment of child development and developmental theory. Developmental tools will be discussed as well as tests available for testing the systems which underlie normal development such as vision and hearing. The students will also be introduced to the basic principles of genetics.

**Course Code: PAED5019A****Course Description: Behavioural problems in Childhood****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 8**

This course will utilise information acquired in Year 1 and apply it to an understanding of developmental delay and assessment of different aspects of delay. In addition to methods of assessment, management principles will also be discussed.

**Course Code: PAED5020A****Course Description: Maternal and Child Nutrition****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 8**

This course provides students with in-depth perspectives on the most critical epidemiological, biological, dietary, cultural, public health, social, economic and political factors affecting good health and nutrition. In addition, the course analyses how nutrition- and food-related public policies affect health, particularly in vulnerable populations. The course also equips students with an understanding of the design, implementation and evaluation of global, national, provincial or community programmes and how these can be improved to enhance the nutritional status of a population or high-risk subgroups in the population.

**Course Code: PAED7007A****Course Description: Maternal Health****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

This course focuses on priority maternal, reproductive and women's health problems and aims to develop a systematic understanding of the epidemiology of maternal health conditions, key clinical considerations for each condition, and a comprehensive understanding of the main public health interventions and programmes developed to address or manage these conditions.

**Course Code: PAED7010A****Course Description: Child Health I****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

This course provides the theoretical basis which candidates will use to identify, investigate and manage important child health priorities, as well as a systematic understanding of the evaluation and management of child health programmes.

**Course Code: PAED7011A****Course Description: Paediatrics for Physiotherapists****NQF Credits: 30****NQF Level: 9**

This course explores child development from prematurity through to adolescence. Key concepts of child development and the factors that impact on it across childhood are discussed. Pertinent paediatric orthopaedic, respiratory and neurological conditions are covered including the differential diagnosis and long term management. A strong interprofessional focus is applied across the course and a critical, evidence based approach is encouraged.

**Course Code: PAED7014A****Course Description: Developmental Problems in Childhood****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

This course introduces the student to the theories underlying the assessment of child development and developmental theory. Developmental tools will be discussed as well as tests available for testing the systems which underlie normal development such as vision and hearing. The students will also be introduced to the basic principles of genetics.

**Course Code: PAED7015A****Course Description: Behavioural Problems in Childhood****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

This course will utilise information acquired in Year 1 and apply it to an understanding of developmental delay and assessment of different aspects of delay. In addition to methods of assessment, management principles will also be discussed.

**Course Code: PAED7016A****Course Description: Introduction to Child Health****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

This course introduces students to topics covering normal development from birth to adulthood, including motor, linguistic and psychosocial aspects; development of the pre-term baby; developmental delay; identification of such children and developmental screening; evaluation for developmental abnormalities; sensory deficit; motor delay; speech and language delay; learning disabilities; psychometric testing in developmental problems; ADD and hyperactivity.

**Course Code: PAED7019A****Course Description: Child Health II****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

This course focuses on priority child health policies and programmes, both internationally and in South Africa. It starts with a global overview of policy setting, and then narrows down to critically examining specific policies and/or programmes such as school, environmental and adolescent health. The course aims to develop a systematic understanding of society and its effects on child health.

**Course Code: PAED7027A****Course Description: Maternal and Child Nutrition****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

This course aims to provide students with a perspective on the most critical epidemiological, biological, dietary, cultural, public health, social, economic and political factors affecting good nutrition and health. In addition, how nutrition- and food-related public policies affect health, particularly in vulnerable populations. It will also cover the design, implementation, and evaluation of global, national, provincial or community programmes and how these can be improved to enhance the nutritional status of a population or high-risk subgroups in the population.

**Course Code: PAED7028A****Course Description: A Public Health approach to Perinatal and Paediatric HIV****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

The HIV/AIDS epidemic in South Africa is regarded as the single greatest threat to maternal and child well-being in the country. This course introduces candidates to important principles and practices in the public health approach to perinatal and paediatric HIV. The course serves as an integrating component for the Maternal and Child Health (MCH) programme as a whole and uses HIV as a context for applying a public health approach to a range of MCH issues.

**Course Code: PSMH3000A**

**Course Description: Psychiatry in Relation to Occupational Therapy**

**NQF Credits: 24**

**NQF Level: 7**

This course introduces the student to basic psychopathology and to the skills of conducting a psychiatric interview. The course consists of primarily an overview of the epidemiology and the signs and symptoms of common mental disorders. It includes an approach to the biopsychosocial management of these disorders with a special focus on the role of the occupational therapist. It also covers some key components of the Mental Health Care Act as it applies to clinical psychiatry.

**Course Code: PSMH5004A**

**Course Description: Psychological Medicine**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course will address principles underlying the development of psychological and psychiatric disorders in childhood. Common disorders will be discussed. The students will also be exposed to the psychiatric team and principles of management will be discussed and demonstrated.

**Course Code: PSMH7000A**

**Course Description: Psychological Medicine**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course will address principles underlying the development of psychological and psychiatric disorders in childhood. Common disorders will be discussed. The students will also be exposed to the psychiatric team and principles of management will be discussed and demonstrated.

**Course Code: SCMD1001A**

**Course Description: Fundamentals of Medical and Clinical Science**

**NQF Credits: 144**

**NQF Level: 5**

This course is based on the principle of developing a sound knowledge of the medical and clinical sciences to enable understanding of conditions and management strategies. Students will be expected to have a detailed knowledge of the biopsychosocial and clinical sciences relevant both to the assessment and management of patients in district hospitals and to the performance of a range of specific procedures.

**Course Code: SCMD1004A**

**Course Description: Bioethics for Dental Auxiliaries I**

**NQF Credits: 12**

**NQF Level: 6**

The course considers the ethical aspects to be taken into consideration prior to providing dental treatment. Students will develop a broad understanding of the ethical communication to be in place when treating a patient.

**Course Code: SCMD1005A**

**Course Description: Bioethics and Health Law I**

**NQF Credits: 3**

**NQF Level: 5**

This course introduces foundational legal, ethical and professional concepts and skills, as well as their application in dentistry practice.

**Course Code: SCMD2001A**

**Course Description: Fundamentals of Clinical Medical Practice**

**NQF Credits: 144**

**NQF Level: 6**

This course focuses on the family. The syllabus emphasises priority diseases and procedures at different stages and ages of life. The medical and clinical sciences relevant to the assessment and management of these diseases and performance of procedures are integrated throughout.

**Course Code: SCMD2003A****Course Description: Bioethics for Dental Auxiliaries II****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 7**

This course introduces dental auxiliaries to some of the most important ethical issues in health care and to provide them with the tools to find ethical solutions to the dilemmas and issues they may encounter. It ensures the realisation of the core competencies established by the Health Professions Council (HPCSA). The course is also designed to fit in with the aims and objectives of the Steve Biko Centre for Bioethics. The course provides an in-depth understanding of the ethical aspects to be taken into consideration prior to and during dental treatment. The student will develop a broad understanding of the ethical communication considerations to be in place when treating a patient.

**Course Code: SCMD2004A****Course Description: Bioethics and Health Law II****NQF Credits: 3****NQF Level: 8**

This course introduces foundational legal, ethical and professional concepts and skills, as well as their application in dentistry practice.

**Course Code: SCMD3003A****Course Description: Applied Clinical Medical Practice****NQF Credits: 144****NQF Level: 7**

This course focuses on the hospital and community. The syllabus emphasises the roles of the clinical associate and includes accident and emergency care and health care systems. There are electives which may be chosen from topics such as medico-legal and clinical forensic medicine, termination of pregnancy and family planning, orthopaedics, health management and quality improvement, trauma and emergency, air evacuation and combat and tropical health.

**Course Code: SCMD3004A****Course Description: Integrated Sciences for Medical Practice A****NQF Credits: 192****NQF Level: 7**

This course, through a body-systems approach, covers concepts based on pathophysiology, clinical presentation and diagnosis of illness and disease. This course develops students clinical and professional competence through integrated active learning opportunities and facilitates problem-solving and clinical reasoning abilities. Experiential learning activities in the clinical environment assist students to develop their clinical competence and develop into patient-centered practitioners.

**Course Code: SCMD4001A****Course Description: Bioethics and Health Law Honours Coursework****NQF Credits: 70****NQF Level: 8**

This course consists of four blocks; Introduction to Bioethics, Introduction to Health Law, Practical and Applied Health Ethics and Ethics in Research. The contact teaching is delivered in block release format. It applies major theoretical and non-theoretical frameworks, South African Law and common law in the context of health and research.

**Course Code: SCMD4006A****Course Description: Advanced Clinical Medical Practice in Emergency Medicine I****NQF Credits: 50****NQF Level: 8**

This course consists of two emergency medicine clinical rotations. The first rotation focuses on adult medical emergencies in the Emergency Medicine Unit and the second rotation focuses on adult trauma emergencies in Trauma Medical Unit.

**Course Code: SCMD4007A****Course Description: Advanced Clinical Medical Practice in Emergency Medicine II****NQF Credits: 50****NQF Level: 8**

This course consists of two emergency medicine clinical rotations. One clinical rotation focuses on paediatric medical emergencies in the Paediatric Emergency Unit. The second clinical rotation is a mixed rotation consisting of obstetric emergencies in emergency units and obstetric units, followed by anaesthesia at an anaesthesia department and finally intensive care at Intensive Care Units.

**Course Code: SCMD4009A**

**Course Description: Theory and Methods in Clinical Medical Research**

**NQF Credits: 20**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course introduces the theory and methods of clinical research with a focus on emergency medicine.

**Course Code: SCMD4011A**

**Course Description: Integrated Sciences for Medical Practice B**

**NQF Credits: 192**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course covers concepts based on pathophysiology, clinical presentation and diagnosis of illness and disease. This course develops students clinical and professional competence through integrated active learning opportunities, which facilitate problem-solving and clinical reasoning abilities. Experiential learning activities in the clinical environment assist students to develop their clinical competence and professional identity in the daily practice of medicine.

**Course Code: SCMD5000A**

**Course Description: Integrated Clinical Medicine A**

**NQF Credits: 192**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course is divided into eight components: seven of which are six weeks each and the eighth made up of activities run throughout the year. The eight components are as follows:

Internal medicine, Surgery, Paediatrics, Obstetrics

The above four rotations comprise of clinical attachments in the academic hospitals. In course performance is continually assessed.

Each discipline assesses the in-course performance as well as the students' competencies.

Mixed Block I

Made up of three disciplines: Urology, Ophthalmology and Ear, Nose and Throat. Each discipline is taught in a two week clinical attachment. Each discipline assesses the in-course performance as well as conducting an end of rotation assessment.

Mixed Block II

Made up of three disciplines: Psychiatry, Family Medicine as well as Public Health. Each discipline is taught in a two week clinical attachment. Each discipline assesses the in-course performance as well as conducting an end of rotation assessment.

Acute and Peri-operative Care

Made up of three disciplines: Emergency medicine, Anaesthesiology and Trauma. Emergency medicine is a week-long seminar and practical based rotation. Anaesthesia and Trauma are each two weeks long and combine clinical attachments with seminar teaching.

Integrated Practice (throughout the year)

Students attend medical school based activities that cover a range of multidisciplinary approaches. Activities are a mix of lectures, seminars and practical sessions. All these inputs are assessed at an integrated exam at the end of the year.

**Course Code: SCMD5001A**

**Course Description: Theories of Teaching and Learning**

**NQF Credits: 30**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course includes theories of teaching learning that have relevance for the field of health science education. Some of these theories are: Behaviourist theories (Thorndike and Skinner); Constructivist Theories (Piaget); social mediation theory (Vygotsky) and situated learning theory (Lave and Wenger). Other significant theorists whose work may be included are Freire, Knowles and Dewey. The course will develop an understanding of these theories and their application to the teaching and learning of disciplines within the health sciences.

**Course Code: SCMD5002A****Course Description: Teaching Methodologies for Health Science Education****NQF Credits: 30****NQF Level: 8**

This course includes concepts such as the lesson plan, preparing for and giving a good lecture, teaching methods for an innovative curricula – e.g. facilitation vs. teaching; teaching at the bedside/ chairside; small group teaching / large group teaching; clinical teaching. Educational technologies that enhance student / lecturer interaction in these settings will be considered.

**Course Code: SCMD5003A****Course Description: Essentials of Assessment in Health Science Education****NQF Credits: 30****NQF Level: 8**

This course includes aspects of assessment such as setting a test paper, preparing a memorandum, allocation of marks; different types of assessment e.g. essay questions, multiple choice questions, multiple essay questions, short answer questions, OSCE's and other methods of examining in the work place. The course includes a section on the theory of assessment, including the concepts of reliability.

**Course Code: SCMD5004A****Course Description: Curriculum Design for Health Science Education****NQF Credits: 30****NQF Level: 8**

This course considers the meaning of curriculum and the factors that influence it; aspects to consider when choosing a curriculum design; the benefits and pitfalls of different designs and the methods of evaluating a curriculum as well as the concept of student-centred vs. teacher-centred curricula.

**Course Code: SCMD6000A****Course Description: Integrated Clinical Medicine B****NQF Credits: 192****NQF Level: 8**

The course is divided into nine components, seven of which are six weeks long, one of which is one week long, and one which is an assignment module completed in the second semester.

The seven components are as follows:

Internal medicine, Surgery, Paediatrics, Gynaecology and Psychiatry comprises of clinical attachments in the academic hospitals. In-course performance is continually assessed. Each discipline assesses the in-course performance as well as the students' competencies.

Mixed Block consists of three weeks each of internal medicine and orthopaedics. Assessments are conducted for each of these two components.

Integrated Primary Care (IPC) consists of clinical attachments entirely based at the primary care level using hospitals that may be outside of the greater Johannesburg area.

Forensic Medicine consists of a week-long seminar taught at medical school. Assessed by means of a Multiple Choice Question (MCQ) exam and case report.

EBM Assignment

The Evidence Based Medicine assignment is completed at the beginning of the 5th clinical rotation, and is a Satisfactory Performance (SP) requirement for entry into the end of year Integrated Primary Care examination.

**Course Code: SCMD7001A****Course Description: Foundations of Health Law****NQF Credits: 18****NQF Level: 9**

This course covers sources of South African Law, the Constitution, statutory and common law in the context of health. Criminal, civil and family law and their interaction with health will be explored. The National Health Act will be discussed as well as the amendments to the Medicines Control Act. The course also covers international law in relation to health.

**Course Code: SCMD7002A****Course Description: Foundations of Bioethics****NQF Credits: 18****NQF Level: 9**

This course enables candidates to analyse and evaluate issues in bioethics within the context of a solid ethical framework. Major theoretical, non-theoretical and other ways of viewing the world are taught. The course provides a foundational understanding of the relationship between concepts, logic and argumentation, and fallacies of reasoning that may be applied across all other courses.

**Course Code: SCMD7003A**

**Course Description: Advanced Research Ethics**

**NQF Credits: 18**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course critically addresses a number of topical ethical issues in research ethics. It on what constitutes unethical research, standards of care in a study, authorship guidelines and plagiarism. The role and modus operandi of Research Ethics Committees are outlined. Finally, clearly articulated standards of good clinical practice in research relevant to local realities and contexts are provided.

**Course Code: SCMD7004A**

**Course Description: Advanced Health Ethics**

**NQF Credits: 18**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course critically addresses a number of important issues in bioethics and health law. It focuses on three to four important issues relating to ethical and medico-legal issues in clinical contexts, reproductive health, policy and public health, resource allocation, genetics, health and human rights, environmental bioethics and others. Students will learn how to apply the ethical theories, ethical and legal principles, and their critical and analytical skills learnt in the foundations units to specific ethical and medico-legal questions.

**Course Code: SCMD7005A**

**Course Description: Research Methods**

**NQF Credits: 18**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course provides candidates with rigorous training, in designing, implementing and evaluating research, including research design, sampling procedures and data analysis. It covers both research projects of an essentially normative and legal nature, as well as empirical projects (qualitative or quantitative) that include a normative and legal element. Candidates are trained in every part of the research cycle that is, question formulation, literature review, use of secondary sources, primary and secondary argumentation, ethical and legal analysis, methodology to collect and analyse primary data, including the writing of reports. Candidates learn to use statistical techniques, and understand statistical reporting.

**Course Code: SCMD7006A**

**Course Description: Evidence-Informed Decision Making**

**NQF Credits: 8**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course introduces evidence-based and evidence-informed practice. It focuses on the identification of a health science education related problem that requires answers. Candidates learn search strategies to find information that relates to the identified problem. The information retrieved is subjected to critical appraisal and analysis in terms of relevancy, robustness and bias. The acceptable information is synthesised and the findings and recommendations are communicated in both verbal and written formats.

**Course Code: SCMD7007A**

**Course Description: Educational Strategies for the Clinical Sciences**

**NQF Credits: 18**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course comprises the core components inherent in problem-based learning; learning theory related to clinical teaching; concepts and approaches to clinical teaching, problem solving and decision making; and theories of reflective practice and implementing concepts of reflective practice in the curriculum.

**Course Code: SCMD7008A**

**Course Description: Theory and Practice of Assessment in the Health Sciences**

**NQF Credits: 20**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course covers four main areas namely, theories and principles related to assessment in the health sciences, the purposes and features of assessment, alignment with teaching and outcomes, assessment tools for the Health Sciences as well as ensuring quality assessment including administrative issues.



**Course Code: SCMD7009A****Course Description: Curriculum Philosophy and Design in the Health Sciences****NQF Credits: 30****NQF Level: 9**

This course comprises a strong philosophical component which addresses the major issues and debates in the field of health science education. It considers the various approaches to facilitating and managing learning issues within the health sciences. Curriculum design will draw upon the understanding that ETD concepts, theories, principles and practices do not exist in isolation, but are best understood in relation to one another and in the wider context of the health sciences.

**Course Code: SCMD7010A****Course Description: Scholarship of Teaching and Learning in the Health Sciences****NQF Credits: 20****NQF Level: 9**

Lecturers in higher education from disciplines other than education will work with the turn towards treating their teaching in similar systematic ways as they do when researching their subjects. The notions of scholarship of higher education as a whole will be focused in on as the scholarship associated with teaching and learning. Literature pertinent to teaching and learning in the disciplines will be examined critically and theoretical analyses from an educational perspective will be undertaken. Student learning and teaching for learning, and the culture of the academy that affects teaching and student learning will be one particular focus, being mindful of the specific disciplinary cultures.

**SCHOOL OF ORAL HEALTH SCIENCES****Course Code: COMD1001A****Course Description: Community Dentistry for Dental Auxiliaries****NQF Credits: 24****NQF Level: 6**

This course provides students with the skills to promote optimal oral and general health to the public. This will enable the students to apply the principles and practices of epidemiology to plan and implement evidence-based programs through Health Promotion. The course introduces the student to oral health from a community perspective.

**Course Code: COMD1002A****Course Description: Community Dentistry I****NQF Credits: 12****NQF Level: 5**

This course comprises didactic teaching, small group discussion and an experiential learning programme to schools and crèches for dental screening and health promotion.

**Course Code: COMD2003A****Course Description: Community Dentistry for Dental Auxiliaries II****NQF Credits: 24****NQF Level: 7**

This course provides students with the skills to promote optimal oral and general health to the public. The course will enable the students to apply the principles and practices of epidemiology to plan and implement evidence-based programs. The course provides students with the knowledge and skills associated with the general and basic principles underlying the discipline of Community Dentistry.

**Course Code: COMD3002A****Course Description: Community Dentistry II****NQF Credits: 9****NQF Level: 7**

This course comprises didactic teaching, small group discussion and completion of a research protocol.

**Course Code: COMD4003A****Course Description: Community Dentistry III****NQF Credits: 21****NQF Level: 8**

This course comprises didactic teaching and small group discussions on epidemiology and biostatistics, the National Health Insurance, minimum intervention dentistry and clinical training at community outreach sites.

**Course Code: COMD5003A****Course Description: Community Dentistry IV****NQF Credits: 20****NQF Level: 8**

This course comprises didactic teaching, small group discussion and community-based learning programmes.

**Course Code: COMD7001****Course Description: Community Dentistry I****NQF Credits: 210****NQF Level: 9**

This course covers aspects of the following topics: biological sciences in applied biology (physiology of saliva, physiology and nutrition with special reference to CHO, protein lipid, Ca, fluoride, vitamins, minerals and trace elements); health measurement sciences (epidemiology; statistics); behavioural sciences (psychology; sociology; communication) and public health dentistry (health promotion, disease prevention).

**Course Code: COMD7002A****Course Description: Community Dentistry****NQF Credits: 60****NQF Level: 9**

This course covers the principles of community dentistry, epidemiology of dental health in South Africa; prevention, planning and evaluation, dental services and programmes; primary oral care, compliance, applied research, applied psychology and sociology.

**Course Code: COMD7005****Course Description: Community Dentistry II****NQF Credits: 210****NQF Level: 9**

This course covers aspects of the following topics: public health administration (health services management; legislation (Health Acts)); health measurement sciences (epidemiology; statistics; demography); environmental health (food, water and health; town planning, housing and health; special areas, e.g. fluoridation, smoking, drugs and alcohol, siting of health services; use of radioactive materials) and public health dentistry (primary health care – urban, rural; preventive and promotive services; priorities in personal health care; health education).

**Course Code: EXPD7000A****Course Description: Research Techniques****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

This course introduces candidates to key concepts required to conceptualise and define a research question which will lead to the design of a research protocol. It consists of several topics describing components of a research protocol to enable candidates to develop study tools and instruments needed in a research project. Candidates will develop analytical skills needed to review literature, and critical thinking skills needed to develop a research protocol.

**Course Code: OHSC1001A****Course Description: Dental Materials for Dental Students I****NQF Credits: 9****NQF Level: 5**

This course introduces dental materials science to students with little or no dental background. It provides the students with knowledge on basic properties of dental materials so that students can have a foundation to chemical and physical properties and the reactions of dental materials.

**Course Code: OHSC1007A****Course Description: Dental Materials for Dental Students I****NQF Credits: 12****NQF Level: 5**

This course introduces the science of dental materials to students with little or no dental background. It provides the foundation to chemical and physical properties and the reactions of dental materials.

**Course Code: OHSC1002A****Course Description: Fundamentals of Clinical Oral Health****NQF Credits: 36****NQF Level: 5**

This course introduces students to oral hygiene as a profession and instils basic skills in dental assisting. It provides knowledge and practical opportunities to demonstrate good infection control measures in a variety of dental settings. The student is grounded in performing basic instrumentation and demonstrates the appropriate theoretical understanding and skills of patient assessment in a preclinical setting.

**Course Code: OHSC1003A**

**Course Description: Behavioural and Social Sciences for Dental Auxiliaries**

**NQF Credits: 18**

**NQF Level: 5**

This course introduces students to behavioural and social science concepts and principles used in health to prepare them to educate and promote oral health for individuals and communities. Theoretical and practical topics in human psycho-social development, behaviour and personality traits that influence the well-being of individuals are covered.

**Course Code: OHSC1005A**

**Course Description: Oral Microbiology**

**NQF Credits: 7**

**NQF Level: 5**

This course introduces students to general microbiology, bacterial cell, their growth requirements, genetics and pathogenicity, normal oral flora, oral streptococci, host resistance and infection, plaque formation, pathology and factors implicated in dental caries, periodontal diseases and oral abscesses. Students learn the importance of infection control in dentistry.

**Course Code: OHSC1006A**

**Course Description: Fundamental Dental Skills**

**NQF Credits: 25**

**NQF Level: 5**

This course introduces fundamental dental skills and principles at the core of dentistry. It uses practical and didactic methods to introduce students to topics of tooth and oral morphology, instrumentation and materials used in dentistry and basic clinical procedures in the discipline. The students are taught to observe, define, distinguish and reproduce shapes relating to the oral cavity; to visualise shapes and translate these into two-dimensional and three-dimensional representations; and to develop manual dexterity and psychomotor coordination by means of technical exercises.

**Course Code: OHSC1008A**

**Course Description: Fundamentals of Clinical Dental Therapy I**

**NQF Credits: 36**

**NQF Level: 5**

This course introduces the basic theoretical and pre-clinical concepts of Dental Therapy. It provides a comprehensive knowledge of the most common diseases affecting the oral cavity i.e., dental caries and periodontal diseases; and relate their effects on surrounding tissues. Students will complete a thorough examination and diagnosis of the two disease processes and be prepared for a clinical environment including dental assistant and infection control.

**Course Code: OHSC2004A**

**Course Description: Integrated Clinical Dentistry for Oral Hygienists**

**NQF Credits: 48**

**NQF Level: 6**

The course forms the foundation of the students' knowledge and skills in dentistry and dental specialities. It is designed to conform to the expanded duties curriculum and to provide Oral Hygiene students with the knowledge and skills associated with the scope of practice in the selected dental specialists field. The student will gain an appreciation of the role of the Oral Hygienist in terms of providing the following in an integrated manner: Prosthodontics, Orthodontics, Restorative, Oral Medicine, and Maxillo Facial Oral Surgery clinical management as stipulated in the scope of practice. It will be valuable in providing the student with the necessary communication skills to educate patients treated by the various dental specialities and to communicate with the specialists. The students will understand the diagnostic, risk factors, materials, equipment, underlying biological principles and other aspects which relate to the Oral Hygienist. The student will gain clinical skills needed to assist the different dental specialists. The student will understand the materials and treatment techniques used in the different dental specialities.

**Course Code: OHSC2005A****Course Description: Fundamentals of Clinical Oral Health II****NQF Credits: 48****NQF Level: 6**

This course develops the students' knowledge and clinical skills in oral hygiene clinical practice. It provides opportunities in managing patients in both primary and secondary clinical settings. The student will therefore perform clinical assessment, diagnosis and treatment as defined in the scope of practice for oral hygienists. Oral hygiene care will be implemented by the student for individuals with special needs. Various methods of advanced instrumentation will be introduced. The application of knowledge about periodontology, applied pharmacology; Oral Medicine, Orthodontics, Oral and Maxillo Facial Radiology, Oral and Maxillo Facial Surgery and Preventive Oral Therapy will be implemented and practiced.

**Course Code: OHSC2008A****Course Description: Paediatric, Endodontic and Restorative Dentistry I****NQF Credits: 30****NQF Level: 6**

This course introduces additional skills and theoretical data. It covers more complex amalgam and tooth coloured restorations, using modern restorative methods of bonding and layering, as well as pulpal therapies in both sets of dentition and the techniques required to complete root canal treatment by hand instruments. It also covers primary tooth lesions and their subsequent treatment including stainless steel crowns, the consequences of tooth loss and space maintenance.

**Course Code: OHSC2009A****Course Description: Dental Materials for Dental Students II****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 8**

This course provides pre-clinical training for the manipulation of dental materials. It focuses on the basic properties of dental materials and describes reactions of dental materials encountered. The course further enables students to select different materials for clinical use.

**Course Code: OHSC2010A****Course Description: Fundamentals of Clinical Dental Therapy II****NQF Credits: 24****NQF Level: 6**

This course provides a comprehensive knowledge of the most common diseases affecting the oral cavity i.e. dental caries and periodontal diseases; and relates their effects on surrounding tissues. Students will complete a thorough examination and diagnosis to the disease processes; and formulate an appropriate treatment plan, have a working knowledge of all methods of prevention; and utilise the most effective method to prevent these diseases in the clinical situation. Students will manage the oral health care of patients with oral diseases, patients with special needs, and patients with oral manifestations of systemic disease. They will also apply clinical aspects of health and disease of the teeth and the periodontium; perform advanced clinical procedures in the pre-clinical and clinical areas as defined in the scope of practice for Dental Therapists, and develop and manage the primary preventative aspects of oral diseases in the oral cavity. This will enable them to provide educational and counselling support to individual patients and explain the role of Pharmacology in Dental Therapy and its relation to patients with special needs in a clinical situation. Students will also be equipped to deal with medical emergencies and post-operative complications in dentistry.

**Course Code: OHSC2011A****Course Description: Maxillo-Facial and Oral Radiology for Dental Therapists****NQF Credits: 12****NQF Level: 6**

Students will integrate information from the first year Anatomy course to identify anatomical landmarks of the cranio-facial complex and the teeth. Students will learn the principles of Radiation Physics, Radiation Safety and Protection, Intra and extra-oral radiographic diagnostic imaging techniques and processing, Radiographic Features of Dental Anomalies, and Quality assurance in Dental Radiology to enable them to manage the patient. The students will observe the radiographic appearance of giant cell lesions, benign fibro-osseous lesions, cysts of the jaws, certain systemic conditions manifested in the jaws, odontogenic and non-odontogenic tumours. Students will also be exposed to specialised imaging modalities (including Cone Beam Volumetric Tomography and handheld x-ray cameras).

**Course Code: OHSC2012A****Course Description: Maxillo-Facial and Oral Surgery for Dental Therapists****NQF Credits: 24****NQF Level: 6**

This course covers the basic principles of Maxillofacial and Oral Surgery. It covers basic clinical principles of the discipline, namely, infection, minor oral surgery, and pain management.

**Course Code: OHSC2013A****Course Description: Operative Dentistry for Dental Therapists I****NQF Credits: 24****NQF Level: 6**

This course introduces the theoretical foundation for the operative dentistry skills so that students can prepare restorative procedures. The syllabus includes simple amalgam and tooth coloured restorations, using modern restorative methods of bonding and layering. It also covers primary tooth lesions and their subsequent treatment, the consequences of tooth loss and space maintenance. It provides comprehensive knowledge of the most common diseases affecting the oral cavity i.e. dental caries and periodontal diseases; and relates their effects on surrounding tissues. Students will complete a thorough examination and diagnosis of the two disease processes. The course includes theory and practice in Paediatric Dentistry and Restorative Dentistry.

**Course Code: OHSC3005A****Course Description: Applied Research and Dental Practice Management for Dental Auxiliaries****NQF Credits: 38****NQF Level: 7**

This course exposes students to contemporary issues, both South African and international, in practice management, research methodology and project management. The course provides the student with the knowledge and skills to develop a protocol, undertake basic research and complete a research project. The course deals with management skills that will be applied by dental auxiliaries in a private practice and in the public sector. It will enable the student to demonstrate knowledge and skills in the administration of the practice or public sector.

**Course Code: OHSC3006A****Course Description: Fundamentals of Clinical Oral Health II****NQF Credits: 76****NQF Level: 7**

The course enhances the students' abilities to treat and educate patients in the specialised areas of dentistry. They will integrate the knowledge and practical skills developed in the first two years of study. The student demonstrates appropriate clinical and theoretical understanding of specialised patient assessment and management within a tertiary setting.

**Course Code: OHSC3010A****Course Description: Paediatric, Endodontic and Restorative Dentistry II****NQF Credits: 25****NQF Level: 7**

This course introduces additional skills and theoretical data. It includes a clinical bridging programme which acclimatises the student to the clinical environment, topics in cariology, restorative materials and systems as well as soft tissue management is incorporated together with paediatric advanced restorative techniques.

**Course Code: OHSC3011A****Course Description: Maxillo-Facial and Oral Radiology I****NQF Credits: 6****NQF Level: 7**

This course focuses on the anatomical landmarks of the craniofacial complex and the teeth on periapical, occlusal, bitewings, lateral cephalometric and panoramic radiographs. It also covers the appropriate intra-oral, extra-oral view technique and radiation protection measures for staff and students.

**Course Code: OHSC3013A****Course Description: Integrated Dentistry I****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 7**

This course enables self-directed learning, working in teams, clinical reasoning, self-directed research toward problem solving and presenting oral reports. It covers the application of knowledge and clinical skills to the atraumatic management of teeth. Students will be able to choose and administer the appropriate pharmacotherapeutic agents commonly used in dentistry and apply critical components to the practice of clinical dentistry with specific reference to infection control, treatment planning, ergonomics and other prior knowledge necessary to the practice of clinical dentistry.

**Course Code: OHSC3012A**

**Course Description: Dental Practice Management I**

**NQF Credits: 4**

**NQF Level: 7**

This course introduces communication theory and practices to dental students so that they can understand their role in healthcare teams. It explores an approach to develop effective relationships in the workplace, in terms of providing counselling services to patients and applying their professional responsibilities when interacting with other members of healthcare teams. The course also introduces theories and skills in management and leadership, team dynamics and risk management associated with managing a health care setting.

**Course Code: OHSC3014A**

**Course Description: Fundamentals of Clinical Dental Therapy III**

**NQF Credits: 52**

**NQF Level: 7**

This course augments the knowledge and practical skills developed in the first two years of the degree. The Dental Therapy student will demonstrate appropriate clinical and theoretical understanding of assessment for specialised patients and their management within a tertiary setting. Students will evaluate the patient comprehensively and create an oral health treatment plan by modifying and adapting it to the advantage of the patient. Problem Based Learning will enable students to make vertical and horizontal articulation of the courses in the programme and apply the skills learnt on the course.

**Course Code: OHSC3015A**

**Course Description: Operative Dentistry for Dental Therapists**

**NQF Credits: 24**

**NQF Level: 7**

This course develops the material delivered in the Operative Dentistry I course in BOHSc DT (YOS 2) and introduces additional skills and theoretical data. The syllabus includes more complex amalgam and tooth coloured restorations, using modern restorative methods of bonding and layering. It also covers primary tooth lesions and their subsequent treatment, the consequences of tooth loss and space maintenance. It provides comprehensive knowledge of the most common diseases affecting the oral cavity i.e., dental caries and periodontal diseases; and relates their effects on surrounding tissues. Students will complete a thorough examination and diagnosis of the two disease processes.

**Course Code: OHSC4009A**

**Course Description: Paediatric, Endodontic and Restorative Dentistry III**

**NQF Credits: 26**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course covers the theory and practice in paediatric dentistry, restorative dentistry and endodontics, including the use of rotary instruments in endodontics.

**Course Code: OHSC4010A**

**Course Description: Maxillo-Facial and Oral Radiology II**

**NQF Credits: 8**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course covers radiological interpretation of dental, periapical, periodontal pathology and developmental abnormalities. Limitations in radiographic interpretation will be analysed. The radiological differential diagnosis and descriptions of lesion will be done on radiographs. The radiological interpretation and differential diagnosis of jaw cysts, odontogenic and non-odontogenic jaw tumours, benign fibro-osseous lesions, inflammatory conditions and giant cell lesions of the jaws will be investigated. The radiological interpretation of dental and bone trauma, temporo-mandibular joint (normal and pathology), and maxillary antra (normal and pathology) will be evaluated.

**Course Code: OHSC4011A****Course Description: Dental Practice Management II****NQF Credits: 4****NQF Level: 8**

This course exposes students to contemporary issues, to practice management and project management in South Africa and international. The students acquire practice management and ethical skills required in private and public healthcare settings.

**Course Code: OHSC4013A****Course Description: Integrated Dentistry II****NQF Credits: 28****NQF Level: 8**

This course enables students in self-directed learning, working in teams, clinical reasoning and self-directed research toward problem-solving. Students analyse multidisciplinary case scenarios for clinical management, to integrate knowledge from various disciplines and to develop alternative treatment plans for all psychosocial and dental demographics. They are introduced to an undifferentiated patient for assessment, diagnosis and treatment.

**Course Code: OHSC5009A****Course Description: Integrated Dentistry IIIA****NQF Credits: 76****NQF Level: 8**

This course develops a student's integrated competency in a variety of clinical skills and practice orientated comprehensive patient care. In this course students develop an appreciation of the dentist's role in clinical management in a multidisciplinary team within the scope of practice. Students develop the necessary communication skills to educate patients about various dental disciplines, and the skill of patient referral to other health care providers. The course enables students to diagnose, manage, and follow up on patient care to completion to provide holistic patient care. The course allows students to understand their role as ethical, accountable health care practitioners.

**Course Code: OPAT1004A****Course Description: Oral Pathology for Dental Auxiliaries I****NQF Credits: 11****NQF Level: 5**

This course concentrates on the principles of pathology tailored to the needs of the Oral Hygienist and equips students with the necessary background knowledge needed for Oral Pathology for Dental Auxiliaries. The course provides students with the introductory knowledge and clinical skills required to understand the concepts underlying the development of pertinent orofacial pathology, systemic diseases and local non-dental diseases of the maxillofacial and neck region.

**Course Code: OPAT2000A****Course Description: Oral Microbiology****NQF Credits: 12****NQF Level: 6**

This course introduces general microbiology, normal oral flora, oral pathogens, oral infections and the importance of infection control in dentistry. It covers principles on isolation and identification of micro-organisms. Topics include: general microbiology, bacterial cell, bacterial growth requirements, genetics and pathogenicity, normal oral flora, oral streptococci, host resistance and infection, plaque formation, pathology and factors implicated in dental caries, periodontal diseases, pulpal infection, denture stomatitis and oral abscesses.

**Course Code: OPAT3003A****Course Description: Oral Pathology****NQF Credits: 13****NQF Level: 7**

This course provides an in-depth understanding of the pathogenesis, clinical features, treatment and prognosis of pertinent oral diseases. It enables students to assess and to diagnose oral diseases clinically, formulate a differential diagnosis, understand the complications, explain the rationale for various treatment options, outline the scope of practice, identify the limitations of their ability to treat oral conditions and refer appropriately.

**Course Code: OPAT7024A****Course Description: Oral Pathology****NQF Credits: 20****NQF Level: 9**

This course explores the aetiology, microbiology, pathogenesis, pathology and behaviour of diseases of the oral regions. Particular emphasis is placed on those diseases encountered in the practice of periodontology and oral medicine. The clinical significance of the pathological changes is emphasised and clinico-pathological conferences and histologic practical sessions are held.

**Course Code: OPAT7025A**

**Course Description: Oral Microbiology**

**NQF Credits: 20**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course teaches students about how host's normal oral flora causes dental diseases such as dental caries, root canal infections, periodontal diseases, prosthesis related infections and abscesses of dental origin. Interactions of these infections, treatment and management of such patients will also be taught. Factors influencing these infections and transmission of infections including infection control will also be taught.

**Course Code: ORMP3003A**

**Course Description: Periodontology**

**NQF Credits: 35**

**NQF Level: 7**

This course covers the fundamental principles of assessing the general, oral and periodontal health status of patients in order to identify, diagnose and classify periodontal disease and to formulate and record basic management plans in order to enact therapeutic and preventive procedures. The course also includes practical pre-clinical sessions that expose student to clinical concepts in a protected laboratory environment in preparation for chairside dentistry in periodontics thereafter.

**Course Code: ORMP4005A**

**Course Description: Periodontology and Oral Medicine**

**NQF Credits: 32**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course consists of periodontology and oral medicine. Periodontology covers basic periodontology principles and practice that include basic concepts in surgical approaches for management of periodontal diseases as well as introduction to oral Implantology. Oral medicine covers aspects of basic aspects of basic oral medicine principles and management options.

**Course Code: ORMP7021A**

**Course Description: Periodontology I**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course introduces students to the basic concepts of periodontics, covering the following topics in depth at macro-, cellular and molecular level where applicable: Development and anatomy of the periodontium, Etiology, pre-disposing factors and pathogenesis for periodontal diseases. The epidemiology of periodontal diseases, Examination of the periodontal patient, Systemic conditions and periodontal diseases including smoking, Radiologic evaluation of the periodontium in health and in disease, Prognosis diagnosis and classification of periodontal diseases.

**Course Code: ORMP7022A**

**Course Description: Periodontology II**

**NQF Credits: 20**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course builds on the knowledge from Periodontology I. It focuses on treatment planning and the management of infective periodontal diseases using both non-surgical and surgical procedures inclusive of the maintenance phase, with the full understanding of the rationale for the procedures. The scope also includes the management of non-plaque-induced periodontal conditions.

**Course Code: ORMP7023A**

**Course Description: Periodontology III**

**NQF Credits: 20**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course builds on the knowledge from Periodontology I and II. It enables students to manage soft and hard tissue defects including complications thereof in a multidisciplinary setting.



**Course Code: ORMP7024A****Course Description: Periodontology IV****NQF Credits: 20****NQF Level: 9**

The course builds on the knowledge from Periodontology I, II and III. It enables students to manage soft and hard tissue defects including complications thereof in a multidisciplinary setting.

**Course Code: ORMP7025A****Course Description: Oral Medicine I****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

The course introduces the basic concepts of oral medicine, covering topics in depth at macro-, cellular- and molecular level where applicable. These include: the language of oral medicine; examination and medical risk assessment and diagnosis and diagnostic aids.

**Course Code: ORMP7026A****Course Description: Oral Medicine II****NQF Credits: 20****NQF Level: 9**

This course focuses on chemotherapeutic and surgical management of mucosal and peri-oral lesions/ conditions within the scope of Oral Medicine practice, using evidence-based approach to treatment decisions. Of the course includes aspects of health education and counselling on disease prevention.

**Course Code: ORMP7027A****Course Description: Oral Medicine III****NQF Credits: 20****NQF Level: 9**

This course seeks to recognise the interplay between oral and systemic conditions/diseases, drugs and the manifestation of their effects on the oral mucosa and the peri-oral tissues. The course covers orofacial pain and sensory disorders.

**Course Code: ORMP7028A****Course Description: Oral Medicine IV****NQF Credits: 20****NQF Level: 9**

The course aims to integrate all aspect of Oral Medicine including relevant topics in other courses and/ disciplines that enhance understanding and clinical practice.

**Course Code: ORTD3003A****Course Description: Orthodontics I****NQF Credits: 12****NQF Level: 7**

This course introduces dento-facial growth and development as well as essential techniques and diagnosis in orthodontics.

**Course Code: ORTD4003A****Course Description: Orthodontics II****NQF Credits: 12****NQF Level: 8**

This course takes the student from the preclinical didactics to clinical exposure and the treatment of patients presenting simple orthodontic problems.

**Course Code: ORTD7013A****Course Description: Clinical Practice in Orthodontics I****NQF Credits: 30****NQF Level: 9**

Utilisation of skills learned in the didactic and technique classes to treat orthodontic patients in a clinical setting under direct supervision by and Orthodontic consultant. Major focus during the first year of study is patient records and diagnosis. Students apply biomechanical, biological and didactic understanding of molecular mechanisms in bone remodelling to the clinical management of patients. This clinical commitment forms approximately 50 percent of the first year of study.

**Course Code: ORTD7014A****Course Description: Clinical Practice in Orthodontics II****NQF Credits: 65****NQF Level: 9**

Course builds upon Clinical Practice in Orthodontics I. Students apply biomechanical, biological and didactic understanding of molecular mechanisms in bone remodelling to the clinical management of patients. This clinical commitment forms approximately 50 percent of the second year of study.

**Course Code: ORTD7015A****Course Description: Clinical Practice in Orthodontics III****NQF Credits: 60****NQF Level: 9**

This course builds upon Clinical Practice in Orthodontics II. Students extend upon the patient management skills gained in Orthodontics II and apply practice management skills, appliance removal and retention protocols. This clinical commitment forms approximately 50 percent of the third year of study.

**Course Code: ORTD7025A****Course Description: Practice Administration****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 9**

The course is designed to cover the tasks as well as the responsibilities necessary to develop a successful Orthodontic practice. The student will be introduced to business fundamentals so that he/she can transition smoothly and successfully from registrarship to private practice.

**Course Code: ORTD7026A****Course Description: Developmental and Educational Psychology****NQF Credits: 5****NQF Level: 9**

The study and application of pertinent concepts and principles in developmental and educational psychology, concentrating on behaviour modification, stage theory, cognitive theory and contemporary approaches to patient care as observed from infancy through adolescence in particular but with a “life span” orientation towards the different age groups of patients seeking orthodontic care. Correlation to circumstances that deal with certain aspects of patient care e.g. compliance, mutual satisfaction and habit therapy are presented.

**Course Code: ORTD7037A****Course Description: Clinical Practice in Orthodontics IV****NQF Credits: 45****NQF Level: 9**

This course builds upon Clinical Practice in Orthodontics III. Students extend upon the patient management skills gained in Orthodontics III and apply practice management skills, appliance removal and retention protocols. This clinical commitment forms approximately 50 percent of the third year of study.

**Course Code: ORTD7038A****Course Description: Craniofacial Anomalies I****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

Orthodontic diagnosis and treatment planning procedures are taught as clinical cases and are gone over among the faculty and students. The students present their cases to the whole department. Every patient is expected to be presented irrespective of the consultant supervising the treatment. The purpose of the discussion is not to dictate treatment plans but get the student to appreciate the different approaches available to manage a malocclusion. Review of orthodontic literature to develop concepts in orthodontic diagnosis, treatment planning and treatment procedures. Students will be enrolled in this course every semester till graduation.

**Course Code: ORTD7039A****Course Description: Craniofacial Anomalies II****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

Orthodontic diagnosis and treatment planning procedures are taught as clinical cases and are gone over among the faculty and students. The students present their cases to the whole department. Every patient is expected to be presented irrespective of the consultant supervising the treatment. The purpose of the discussion is not to dictate treatment plans but get the student to appreciate the different approaches available to manage a malocclusion. Review of orthodontic literature to develop concepts in orthodontic diagnosis, treatment planning and treatment procedures. Students will be enrolled in this course every semester till graduation.

**Course Code: ORTD7040A**

**Course Description: Craniofacial Anomalies III**

**NQF Credits:**

**NQF Level: 9**

Orthodontic diagnosis and treatment planning procedures are taught as clinical cases and are gone over among the faculty and students. The students present their cases to the whole department. Every patient is expected to be presented irrespective of the consultant supervising the treatment. The purpose of the discussion is not to dictate treatment plans but get the student to appreciate the different approaches available to manage a malocclusion. Review of orthodontic literature to develop concepts in orthodontic diagnosis, treatment planning and treatment procedures. Course may extend over one year of study.

**Course Code: PROD2001A**

**Course Description: Prosthodontics I**

**NQF Credits: 35**

**NQF Level: 6**

This laboratory-based techniques course focuses on various stages in the construction of complete dentures. The clinical course comprises an introduction to the clinic, the observation of a demonstration case and clinical assisting of senior students.

**Course Code: PROD3001A**

**Course Description: Prosthodontics II**

**NQF Credits: 34**

**NQF Level: 7**

This laboratory-based fixed prosthodontic techniques course builds on the content of the preclinical courses in endodontics and restorative dentistry as the restorative dentistry clinical component. It includes theoretical instruction in the science and practice of fixed prosthodontics as well as the various stages in the laboratory techniques construction of intra-coronal and extra-coronal fixed prostheses.

**Course Code: PROD4001A**

**Course Description: Prosthodontics IV**

**NQF Credits: 36**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course focuses on the application of knowledge through the treatment of partially dentate patients in the clinics. Students are also introduced to immediate replacement dentures and 4-visit complete denture techniques. Fixed prosthodontics is introduced through a didactic and laboratory course in occlusion and the construction of inter-occlusal devices. In a 4 week block students learn the theory and application of fixed prosthodontic techniques. Intra- and extra-coronal preparations, and provisional restorations, are made using a simulator. Students work up patients in preparation for performing clinical fixed prosthodontic treatment.

**Course Code: PROD4003A**

**Course Description: Prosthodontics III**

**NQF Credits: 23**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course has two main components:

- 1) Removable Prosthodontics: Students establish treatment plans and perform actual treatment of patients requiring complete and removable partial dentures.
- 2) Fixed Prosthodontics: Students establish treatment plans and perform actual treatment for patients requiring various fixed prosthodontic treatment procedures.

**Course Code: PROD7020A**

**Course Description: Digital Operative Dentistry I**

**NQF Credits: 45**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course provides the opportunity to revise the biology of the stomatognathic system, acquire knowledge of the latest dental materials in the field of dental ceramics, understand the use and limitations of computer-aided design and manufacture, and gain practical experience in all aspects from tooth preparation to design, milling and cementation.

**Course Code: PROD7021A**

**Course Description: Digital Operative Dentistry II**

**NQF Credits: 60**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course provides the opportunity to revise the biology of the stomatognathic system, acquire knowledge of the latest dental materials in the field of dental ceramics, understand the use and limitations of computer-aided design and manufacture, and gain practical experience in all aspects from tooth preparation to design, milling and cementation.

**Course Code: SURG3002A**

**Course Description: Maxillo-Facial and Oral Surgery I**

**NQF Credits: 17**

**NQF Level: 7**

This course covers the basic principles of maxillo-facial and oral surgery including: infection, minor oral surgery and pain management.

**Course Code: SURG4000A**

**Course Description: General Surgery**

**NQF Credits: 12**

**NQF Level: 8**

Systematic course of lectures in general surgery. Clinical instruction and duties in the surgical wards of the designated hospital/s.

**Course Code: SURG4005A**

**Course Description: Maxillo-Facial and Oral Surgery II**

**NQF Credits: 25**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course covers in-depth the principles of maxillo-facial and oral surgery including trauma, infection, pathology, minor oral surgery, temporomandibular joint, orthognathics, pre-prosthetic surgery and implantology.

**Course Code: SURG7033A**

**Course Description: Implantology I**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course provides an introduction to the comprehensive knowledge of the historical background to the development of oral implants and the various types of implant systems, material, designs, surfaces including the indications and contraindications when considering placement of different implant materials and their advantages and disadvantages, as well as alternatives. Bone physiology and bone wound healing will also be reviewed within the concept of osseo-integration.

**Course Code: SURG7034A**

**Course Description: Implantology II**

**NQF Credits: 20**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course provides a comprehensive assessment of the patient in preparation for implant therapy. It focuses on the following: Patient examination, Criteria for patient selection, Anatomical considerations in implant therapy, Diagnostic imaging and techniques, Treatment planning, Anatomy of peri-implant tissue in health and disease, Complications in implant therapy and management thereof.

**Course Code: SURG7035A**

**Course Description: Implantology III**

**NQF Credits: 20**

**NQF Level: 9**

The course offers training on the surgical aspects of implant therapy in the management of partially/fully edentulous patients in the posterior and aesthetic segments, orthodontic patients and ridge augmentation procedures in preparation for implant placement. The course equips the student with the treatment options in the management of peri-implant diseases and complications following treatment.

**Course Code: SURG7036A****Course Description: Implantology IV****NQF Credits: 20****NQF Level: 9**

This course builds on the knowledge from Implantology I, II and III, and will aim to enable students to manage all implant cases including complications thereof in a multidisciplinary setting within the scope of a periodontist.

**SCHOOL OF PATHOLOGY**

Many of the postgraduate courses offered by the School of Pathology form part of the clinical and theoretical requirements stipulated by the Colleges of Medicine of South Africa. Full details of these syllabi may be obtained from the Colleges of Medicine (South Africa).

**Course Code: ANAP2000A****Course Description: Pathology****NQF Credits: 12****NQF Level: 6**

This course provides an introduction to pathology and causation of disease. Topics include cell death and necrosis, gangrene, amyloid degenerations and infiltrations, calcification and pigmentation. The general pathology of vascular problems, fluid and electrolyte balance, acute and chronic inflammations, disorders of growth, classification of tumours, and the characteristics of malignancy are also considered. Features of epithelial and connective tissue tumours, effects of tumours and the pathology of radiation are examined. Neuropathology. Disorders of carbohydrates. Lipid and protein metabolism, auto-immune disease. Musculo-skeletal pathology. Cardio-respiratory pathology. Pathology of the gastro-intestinal tract, liver and gallbladder. Pathology of urogenital system and breast. Pathology of the endocrine system. Pathology of the lympho-reticular system.

**Course Code: ANAP3001A****Course Description: Pathology (Anatomical and Haematological)****NQF Credits: 24****NQF Level: 7**

This course covers aspects of general pathology and the principles of the causation of disease and the structural and functional abnormalities produced. Cellular pathology and the degenerations and infiltrations and necrosis, disturbances of metabolism and nutrition; disorders of circulation, inflammation, infection and immunity, disorders of growth and tumour formation are also covered as well as the systematic pathology of the cardiovascular, respiratory, gastro-intestinal, genito-urinary, central nervous, cutaneous, endocrine and skeletal systems. Disorders of the blood and haemopoietic system, the anaemias, myeloproliferative diseases and leukaemias and the haemorrhagic diseases. The course offers practical instruction in microscopic histopathology, post-mortem demonstrations.

**Course Code: ANAP4001A****Course Description: Anatomical Pathology Honours Coursework****NQF Credits: 80****NQF Level: 8**

This course offers an introduction to ancillary histological techniques including the theoretical basis and practical use of electron microscopy, special stains, immune-fluorescence, immunohistochemistry, in situ hybridisation, micro-array technology, PCR and cytology in diagnostic histopathology. Other important areas to be covered include an introduction to morbid anatomy and histology, to the molecular biology of the cell and to the legal and safety requirements in laboratory practice.

**Course Code: ANAP7000****Course Description: Morbid Anatomy and Histopathology****Wits Points: 30****NQF Level: 9**

The course consists of laboratory training. Candidates are trained to conduct post-mortem examinations and receive extensive instruction in diagnostic histopathology. Part of the course is spent in the Department of Chemical Pathology and Haematology.

**Course Code: ANAP7007A****Course Description: Applied Pathology for Physiotherapists****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

This course covers both general and systemic pathology. General pathology provides a good basis for the understanding of disease mechanisms and processes. Systemic pathology has been tailored to suit the needs of physiotherapy students and covers the following: cardiovascular, respiratory, TB, pathology of HIV, pathology of the central nervous system, aspects of neuropathology (dementia and demyelinating diseases), renal, endocrine, bone and joint pathology.

**Course Code: CHEP4003A****Course Description: Chemical Pathology Honours Coursework****NQF Credits: 70****NQF Level: 8**

This course introduces the candidate to key concepts relating to molecular biology, molecular mechanisms of non-communicable diseases, mass spectrometry as well as basic human physiology and biochemistry. The coursework module consists of a techniques course, writing a review article, lectures and two theory exams.

**Course Code: CMID2000A****Course Description: Microbiology****NQF Credits: 24****NQF Level: 6**

This course introduces the student to common and important microorganisms encountered in clinical practice and the role of the microbiology laboratory in the diagnosis and management of infectious diseases. The course covers infections caused by bacteria, viruses, fungi and mycobacteria. The course consists of five themes: introduction to microbiology, infectious diseases of public health importance, special focus lectures, infection prevention strategies and principles of anti-infective therapy. The special focus lecture series comprises important infectious syndromes involving specific anatomical sites and highlights appropriate nursing measures required for implementation in healthcare setting in the management of multidrug resistant infections.

**Course Code: CMID2001A****Course Description: Medical Microbiology****NQF Credits: 12****NQF Level: 6**

The course introduces the student to common and important microorganisms encountered in clinical practice, the role of the microbiology laboratory in the diagnosis and management of infectious diseases. The course covers infections caused by bacteria, viruses, fungi and mycobacteria. The course consists of five themes: introduction to microbiology, infectious diseases of public health importance, special focus lectures, infection prevention strategies and principles of anti-infective therapy. The special focus lecture series comprises important infectious syndromes involving different anatomical sites, provides an introduction to pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics of antimicrobials and highlights the problems posed by multidrug resistant organisms in healthcare setting.

**Course Code: CMID3002A****Course Description: Medical Microbiology****NQF Credits: 24****NQF Level: 7**

This course introduces the student to common and important microorganisms encountered in clinical practice, role of the microbiology laboratory in the diagnosis and management of infectious diseases. The course covers infections caused by bacteria, viruses, fungi and mycobacteria. The course consists of five themes: introduction to microbiology, infectious diseases of public health importance, special focus lectures, infection prevention strategies and the principles of anti-infective therapy. The special focus lecture series comprises important infectious syndromes involving specific anatomical sites, with emphasis on infections of the oral cavity and highlights the problems posed by multidrug resistant organisms in healthcare settings.

**Course Code: CMID4001A****Course Description: Clinical Microbiology & Infectious Diseases Honours Coursework****NQF Credits: 70****NQF Level: 8**

This course is designed to equip the student with fundamental knowledge in the diagnostic and research areas of Clinical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases. The course consists of clinical microbiology, public health, environmental microbiology and molecular biology. The course comprises basic techniques used in clinical, public health microbiology, advanced molecular biology, lectures, seminars, journal club and research projects.

**Course Code: CMID5010A**

**Course Description: Key Concepts in Tropical Health and Priority Diseases**

**NQF Credits: 30**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course introduces core and applied concepts of microbiology, virology, mycology, infection control, tropical pathology, tropical medicine, tropical parasitology and tropical public health, which form the foundation for understanding the scientific concepts within the context of diseases prevalent in the tropics and other low and middle-income countries. Embedded within the course are clinical skills, applying knowledge to solve problems, and interpreting literature to understand the applicability of various interventions in different contexts.

**Course Code: CMID5011A**

**Course Description: Vector-Borne and Other Tropical Infectious disease**

**NQF Credits: 30**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course covers vector-borne, parasitic, and zoonotic diseases prevalent in the tropics and other low and middle-income countries. The course includes basic entomology training in identifying different types of vectors transmitting diseases to humans, their habitats, and behaviour to guide the control and prevention of related diseases. The epidemiology, diagnosis, treatment and prevention of vector-borne, parasitic and zoonotic diseases are covered. These topics include a broad spectrum of diseases such as tick bite fever, filariasis, schistosomiasis, neurocysticercosis, trypanosomiasis, leishmaniasis, rabies and anthrax. The course also covers viral haemorrhagic fevers. The course also covers the identification of different types of snakes and the management of snake bites.

**Course Code: CMID5012A**

**Course Description: Important Communicable and Non-Communicable Conditions in the Tropics**

**NQF Credits: 35**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course covers important conditions in the tropics contributing to morbidity and mortality. These conditions span both communicable and non-communicable diseases. This course uses a syndromes-based approach aligned with clinical practice, including respiratory, central nervous system, and gastrointestinal diseases. The diseases covered include viral pneumonia, bacterial meningitis, enteric fever, cholera and food poisoning. Clinical approaches to challenging presentations such as pyrexia of unknown origin and hepatosplenomegaly in the tropics are included. The course also covers metabolic syndromes and other non-communicable diseases, such as cancers, nutritional disorders, and mental health. The course comprehensively covers diagnose and the management of communicable and non-communicable conditions in the tropics.

**Course Code: CMID5013A**

**Course Description: Prevention and Control of Diseases in the Tropics**

**NQF Credits: 25**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course covers clinical and public health approaches to prevention and control strategies. The course content is thematically grouped, covering biological interventions such as antibiotic prophylaxis and vaccines. The topic of antimicrobial resistance is also covered, representing an important and cross-cutting issue for all infectious diseases requiring prevention and control interventions. Lastly, a comprehensive understanding of infection prevention and control principles and application is covered including bundles of care and practical application of hand hygiene and use of personal protective equipment.

**Course Code: CMID7037A**

**Course Description: Clinical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases for Vaccinologists**

**NQF Credits: 5**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course provides an understanding of the fundamental concepts of Clinical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases, which relate to vaccinology. It introduces candidates to the biology of prokaryotes and eukaryotes and looks at the classification of viruses as well as the structural classification of bacteria, fungi and parasites. This course examines novel, emerging and re-emerging infections, providing examples of each of these categories with focus on SARS-CoV-19. It also looks at disease prevention, covering the following topics: infection prevention and control of healthcare-associated pathogens and environmental hygiene, public health principles of prevention and control of infectious diseases, surveillance, sanitation, isolation, pre- and post-exposure prophylaxis, sterilisation, disinfection and aseptic technique.

**Course Code: CMID7038A**

**Course Description: Project Management for Health Researchers**

**NQF Credits: 5**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course introduces the fundamentals of project management within the context of the healthcare setting including vaccine trials and surveillance projects. It provides candidates with the knowledge and skills required to assess project feasibility, conduct project scoping and selection activities, project and organisational requirements.

Candidates are shown how to plan, establish, execute and monitor research and programmatic projects. The course explores the various constraints that can be encountered in these projects and introduces candidates to project planning, specifically looking at the areas of the allocation of time and resources as well as the management and the allocation of budgets, communication within a team setting and report writing skills.

**Course Code: HAEM2000A**

**Course Description: Molecular Medicine**

**NQF Credits: 48**

**NQF Level: 6**

Molecular Medicine is an exciting and innovative course which prepares students for the new paradigm of precision medicine, as well as the developments in medical practice and health sciences which the 21<sup>st</sup> century will bring. The course provides a scaffold for understanding the molecular processes which contribute to disease. Human genetics and immunology are general basic sciences which are covered in depth as they feature increasingly in contemporary approaches to health and wellness. The cancer block provides an approach to the molecular pathogenesis and treatment of any cancer which the student may subsequently encounter in scientific study or clinical practice. The infectious diseases component introduces fundamental principles in microbiology which form the foundation for further study in MBBCh and the health sciences.

**Course Code: HAEM2002A**

**Course Description: Molecular Foundations of Health and Disease**

**NQF Credits: 48**

**NQF Level: 6**

This course covers the molecular underpinnings of health and disease. It covers genetics, from DNA to inherited disorders. Immunology detailing the immune system's role in disease defence. microbiology, exploring pathogenic microorganisms and infection responses and cancer biology, examining molecular aberrations leading to cancer. The course equips students with an understanding of cellular and molecular mechanisms, preparing them for future practice as healthcare professionals.

**Course Code: HAEM3002A**

**Course Description: Molecular Medicine III**

**NQF Credits: 72**

**NQF Level: 7**

This exciting course is aimed at third year students who are interested in the scientific, technical and research aspects of medicine. It provides an in-depth understanding of the fundamental concepts of molecular medicine and introduces recent advances in this rapidly developing field. The course also provides practical training in basic biochemical and molecular biology techniques currently used in medical research. It promotes independent thought and encourages students to accept the challenge of scientific medical research. Topics include basic molecular medicine e.g. inter-relationships between genes, RNA and proteins. Complex regulatory events in the cell, pathways involved in cellular communication, molecular basis of human diseases and how this knowledge can be used for diagnostics, drug and vaccine development is comprehensively covered.



**Course Code: HAEM4007A****Course Description: Molecular Medicine Honours Coursework****NQF Credits: 70****NQF Level: 8**

This course focuses on developing a thorough understanding of the cellular and molecular biology of human diseases, which can be applied towards better disease diagnosis, treatment, and prevention by developing novel diagnostic devices, drugs, and vaccines. This component consists of a techniques course which focuses on general molecular biology techniques, lectures, tutorials, critical analysis of research articles, written assignments, and a literature review completed throughout the year. The first semester comprises general topics in molecular medicine for e.g. RNA and gene regulation, basic protein biochemistry, basic immunology, and stem cell research and applications. This prepares the student for the second semester which covers the molecular mechanisms of infectious diseases and their diagnosis including HIV, malaria, and TB, as well as the molecular mechanisms of cancer and diabetes.

**Course Code: HUMG4005A****Course Description: Human Genetics Honours Coursework****NQF Credits: 70****NQF Level: 8**

This course introduces the student to key concepts in human genetics and consists of both a theory and research component. The theory component which covers topics such as genome structure, chromosomal abnormalities, Mendelian inheritance and also includes complex concepts such as multi-factorial inheritance, copy number variation, epigenetics, gene regulation, pharmacogenomics, the human microbiome, bioinformatics and gene editing.

Basic techniques seminal to the field such as PCR and Sanger sequencing, along with newer techniques such as micro-arrays and next generation sequencing, form key learning areas in the course. The coursework is taught through a series of lectures, tutorials and practical sessions and is assessed through written and practical tests/exams, essays and presentations.

**Course Code: HUMG7017A****Course Description: Medical Genetics I****NQF Credits: 30****NQF Level: 9**

The course introduces the candidate to the principles and core concepts related to medical genetics. The topics covered include: patterns of inheritance; pedigree drawing and analysis; embryology; normal child development; dysmorphology; anatomy and physiology; laboratory techniques; interpretation of laboratory results and public health genetics.

**Course Code: HUMG7018A****Course Description: Medical Genetics II****NQF Credits: 30****NQF Level: 9**

This course follows on from Medical Genetics for Genetic Counsellors 1 (HUMG7017A) and introduces the candidate to actual genetic conditions. The course covers in-depth analysis of several different genetic conditions, their inheritance patterns, clinical features, molecular basis and management requirements.

**Course Code: HUMG7019A****Course Description: Principles of Genetic Counselling****NQF Credits: 20****NQF Level: 9**

This course introduces the candidate to the fundamental aspects of genetic counselling. The course has a theoretical and practical component. The theoretical component covers the genetic counselling style, theory, processes and skills. The practical component consists of role playing genetic counselling scenarios and actual exposure to and counselling of patients in the Genetic Clinics under the supervision of qualified genetic counsellors and medical geneticists.

**Course Code: HUMG7020A****Course Description: Practices of Genetic Counselling****NQF Credits: 40****NQF Level: 9**

This course introduces the candidate to the practical aspects of genetic counselling. The course has a theoretical and practical component. The topics covered in the theoretical component include: trauma; grief; ethical considerations; case management and case presentation. The practical component of the course involves actual genetic counselling of patients under the supervision of qualified genetic counsellors and medical geneticists.

**Course Code: HUMG7025A**

**Course Description: Research Methodology**

**NQF Credits: 35**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course prepares candidates undertaking a research project and developing their academic clinical careers. Students are guided on appropriate study design, sampling strategies, measurement tools and approaches relevant to a genomics research project. It introduces the ethical and governance frameworks within which genomic research is undertaken. Candidates are required to make effective use of information and critically appraise and draw on evidence to justify and defend their research objectives. They also develop their knowledge of how to communicate scientific messages to both scientific and non-scientific audiences, including patients and the public, and master basic laboratory techniques used in genomics research.

**Course Code: HUMG7027A**

**Course Description: Fundamentals of Human Genetics and Genomics**

**NQF Credits: 25**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course covers key elements of human molecular genomics and provides a foundation for Genomic Medicine. It covers the structure of the genome and genes, how genetic information is transferred from DNA to RNA to protein, the different patterns of inheritance and different types of genetic variation, and how these impact upon disease processes and clinical outcomes. The course reviews the architecture of the human genome and the functional units embedded in it, DNA sequence variation and how variation is structured across the genome, aspects of gene regulation and the correlation between genotype and phenotype.

**Course Code: HUMG7034A**

**Course Description: Omics Techniques and their Application in Genomic Medicine**

**NQF Credits: 30**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course provides an in-depth description of the Omics techniques that are used to assess genomic variation in healthcare as well as research. It also covers the methods and technologies of genomics (both sequencing and genotyping) routinely used in genomic medicine, while placing transcriptomics, epigenomics and metabolomics in context. The course covers the interpretation, application, and limitations of Omics techniques in analysing different disease states. It enables a better understanding of contemporary biomedical data and how it is used in the context of genomic medicine.

**Course Code: HUMG7035A**

**Course Description: Genomics in Medicine**

**NQF Credits: 30**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course uses exemplars of disease from across the entire healthcare spectrum to demonstrate the clinical utility of genomic data in the healthcare setting. It explains how different types of genetic variation contribute to rare and common diseases, and how they are detected, interpreted, and communicated. It also explores the clinical presentation, diagnosis, management, and treatment of a range of common and rare inherited diseases. It reviews traditional and advanced strategies and techniques in genomics used to identify genes involved in disease. It covers the use of genomics in precision medicine and explores the different molecular actions of treatments (including gene therapy), the genomic factors affecting response and resistance to treatment, and the research approaches to drug design and pharmacogenomics, as well as the implementation of Genomic Medicine in practice.

**Course Code: IMML4001A**

**Course Description: Immunology Honours Coursework**

**NQF Credits: 70**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course includes the following topics: innate immunology, adaptive immunology, vaccinology, infectious disease immunology, autoimmune disease, serology, immunology of cancer and primary and acquired immunodeficiency.

**Course Code: SPAT7004A****Course Description: Applied Epidemiology and Statistics****NQF Credits: 5****NQF Level: 9**

This course applies the techniques and skills learned in Epidemiology for Health Researchers I (COMH7200A) to vaccine related projects including: outbreaks, trials and surveillance projects. The scope of the course content includes: framework for study design, epidemiological investigation of an outbreak, definition of an outbreak, the role of vaccines in outbreaks, an introduction to health economics, vaccine health economics, introduction to disease epidemiology and measures of disease transmission. Students will be introduced to the principles of biostatistics, including: descriptive statistics and graphical representation, introduction to probability, non-parametric - 2x2 tables (VE), logistic regression, correlation, linear regression, ANOVA, non-parametric - power and sample size.

**Course Code: SPAT7005A****Course Description: Applied Immunology****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 9**

This course builds on the knowledge acquired in the basic immunology block and introduces candidates to advanced immunology principles. Under evolutionary medicine, the following topics are examined: Darwinian medicine principles, immune immunosenescence - ageing of the immune system, evolutionary perspectives of diseases, evolutionary perspectives of an infectious disease immunology. This course also covers the child's immune system with topics such as placental antibody transfer and antibodies in infants, T cells in infants, response to conjugate versus polysaccharide vaccines and foetal and neonatal child immunology.

**Course Code: SPAT7006A****Course Description: Applied Vaccinology****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 9**

This course provides an overview of novel topics on vaccine research such as the use of challenge models, development of new platforms for vaccine production in response to emerging diseases and rapid response to pandemic viruses. The concept of vaccinating pregnant women will be introduced and includes in depth key examples of this strategy. The second part of the course extends on basic vaccinology, covering in detail pathogen specific vaccines that are currently being used or are in late phase of clinical development.

**Course Code: SPAT7008A****Course Description: Vaccine Development****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 9**

This course introduces key concepts of vaccine development, manufacturing and clinical vaccine trials. It equips candidates with knowledge on vaccine research and development pathways, preclinical trials, evaluation of vaccines, safety considerations and selection of participants, vaccine manufacturing in Africa, principles of Good Manufacturing Practice and good pharmacy practice in relation to vaccine distribution. The composition, roles and responsibilities of ethics committees will be explored, as will ethical considerations for undertaking vaccine trials on animals and human participants. The course examines essential documents for clinical trials and explores the areas of protocol development, involvement of local investigators, schedule of events, inclusion and exclusion criteria, sample collection and processing documentation, informed consent forms, advertising for research studies and the development of participant information leaflets.

**Course Code: SPAT7009A****Course Description: Vaccines and Public Health****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 9**

This course explores the history of vaccines and the key principles of public health relevant to vaccination i.e. sustainable development goals and universal health care. The course consists of a selection of primary and secondary topics on vaccine management and programmatic challenges for vaccine delivery, including logistics, cold chain management, procurement, distribution and surveillance. The course introduces candidates to the key concepts of vaccine coverage surveys and explores the methodology for vaccine coverage surveys and vaccine preventable disease surveillance. This course introduces candidates to economics of public health and vaccination, especially exploring the cost effectiveness of vaccines.

**Course Code: SPAT7010A****Course Description: Basic Vaccinology****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 9**

This course explores the history of vaccines and the types and components of vaccines i.e. polysaccharide versus conjugate vaccines. The different vaccine schedules are examined. The role of vaccines as they pertain to the following diseases are covered: Haemophilus influenza B, tuberculosis, tetanus, measles, typhoid, cholera, diphtheria, pertussis, rotavirus, streptococcus pneumonia, HPV, polio, varicella zoster virus, Neisseria meningitis, rubella, hepatitis A, hepatitis B, rabies, yellow fever and dengue. This course gives an overview of maternal immunisation in South Africa and highlights those vaccines which are currently recommended. The role of vaccines in special groups such as immunocompromised people and pregnant women, health workers and travellers are also addressed in this course.

**Course Code: SPAT7011A****Course Description: Basic Immunology****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 9**

This course provides an introduction to basic immunology. It covers antigen recognition, antigen processing and presentation to B and T cells, the molecular events leading to the generation of antibody and T cell receptor diversity, antibody effector functions, the role of CD4 and CD8 T cells and Natural Killer cells in immune responses, self-tolerance and auto-immunity. It also covers the inflammatory response and the role of immunity in protection against pathogens. It further looks at the introduction of molecular biology which encompasses basic molecular and transcription and translation. Pathogen types such as viruses and fungi, as well as the anatomical structure of the immune system and lymph node structure and function are also examined.

**Course Code: VIRL4001A****Course Description: Coursework in Virology****NQF Credits: 70**

This course is designed to expose candidates to credible theory and knowledge in the specialised field of Virology, as well as train candidates who will be competitive on a global scale. This course will impact the increase in the production of such candidates, hence, addressing the issue of limited skills and resources for such expertise in the country. Given that the field of Virology has always been regarded as specialised with the limited number of competent graduates produced annually in a country.

**SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH****Course Code: COMH2000A****Course Description: Public Health II****NQF Credits: 48****NQF Level: 7**

This course provides students with a good understanding of introductory concepts of Public Health. It covers the following modules: epidemiology; biostatistics; health systems; demography and population studies.

**Course Code: COMH3003A****Course Description: Public Health III****NQF Credits: 72****NQF Level: 8**

This course provides students with the opportunity to critically engage with theory and apply concepts from five fields. In Epidemiology, students learn how to interpret population patterns in disease incidence and disease prognosis, as well as surveillance of disease patterns over time, to better understand what causes disease and how to prevent it. Biostatistics introduces the theoretical, mathematical and statistical tools needed in public health practice, clinical and applied research to create indices for data collection and to use existing data to analyse, interpret and report results. Health Promotion requires students to apply theories and processes to conduct a multi-level assessment and to design an intervention to improve population health. Virology enables students to recognise the relevance of emerging virus infection at a local and international context and highlights the clinical and economic importance of virus infections. Clinical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases builds on application and integration of basic concepts to strengthen knowledge on the diagnosis, treatment and control of infectious diseases.

**Course Code: COMH4001A****Course Description: Health Equity and the Social Context****NQF Credits: 20****NQF Level: 8**

This course provides an overview of the historical foundations of public health as well as the current debates in public health both locally and internationally. It highlights the role that culture and society plays in determining individual and population health and wellbeing. It also provides students with basic principles and knowledge with which to understand population health in different contexts.

**Course Code: COMH4003A****Course Description: Approaches to Social and Behaviour Change****NQF Credits: 20****NQF Level: 8**

This course provides an overview of evidence-based approaches to addressing determinants of health, including advocacy, social mobilisation, edutainment and social marketing. The course will address the principles and processes for each approach, allowing the student to develop knowledge and skills to apply these approaches to current health issues in the African context e.g. approaches to address communicable diseases versus non-communicable diseases.

**Course Code: COMH4004A****Course Description: Gender-Based Analysis (GBA) in Infectious Diseases and Climate Change****NQF Credits: 20****NQF Level: 8**

The course focuses on improving design and implementation of gender-responsive research, and informing gender-responsive health policies and programmes. It introduces students to various gender analysis frameworks and demonstrates how these could be applied to the domain of climate change, vector-borne diseases and public health programming.

**Course Code: COMH4005A****Course Description: Introduction to Implementation Science****NQF Credits: 20****NQF Level: 8**

This course provides a foundation for implementation science used in public health practice by introducing students to key concepts used in implementation science. The course covers the following topics: theories and frameworks in implementation science, determinants of implementation science, implementation strategies, implementation outcomes and evaluation of implementation processes.

**Course Code: COMH4006A****Course Description: Planning Health Communication Programmes****NQF Credits: 20****NQF Level: 8**

This course introduces students to a planning cycle for running social behaviour change communication (SBCC) programmes. It develops students' capacity in applying formative research to programme planning as well as developing programme goals and objectives. It also equips students to analyse and segment intervention populations, so that interventions and programmes can be appropriately targeted, and develops students' basic programme management skills.

**Course Code: COMH4007A****Course Description: Principles of Biostatistics****NQF Credits: 20****NQF Level: 8**

This course provides a foundation for biostatistics in public health practice by introducing students to key concepts used in biostatistics. Topics include: probability, probability distributions and sampling distributions, basic laws of probability, sensitivity, specificity, positive and negative predictive values, confidence intervals for a single mean, for the difference between two means, confidence intervals for a single proportion and for the difference between two proportions, hypothesis tests for the difference between two means (independent and paired samples), hypothesis tests for the difference between two proportions, analysis of 2x2 tables (chi-square test, Fisher's exact test, measures of association), stratified analysis of 2x2 tables to deal with confounding, non-parametric tests and one-way ANOVA to compare means between more than two groups.

**Course Code: COMH4008A****Course Description: Principles of Epidemiology****NQF Credits: 20****NQF Level: 8**

This course provides a foundation for epidemiology principles used in public health practice by providing students with tools used to estimate, interpret and understand key concepts used in epidemiology. The course covers the following topics: introduction to epidemiology, epidemiology in public health, study populations and sampling, introduction to study design, measures of disease frequency, measures of association, introduction to measurement error, measures of impact and causality and causal inference.

**Course Code: COMH5007A****Course Description: Measurement of Hazardous Substances****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 8**

This course differentiates the approaches required to measure hazards according to the setting and objectives of the hazard assessment (e.g. compliance with standards or evaluation of hazard control). The course provides basic information on aerosol physics, exposure variability, measurement strategy and statistical methods for data interpretation. It acquaints students with equipment to measure dusts and fibres, gases and vapours. Qualitative exposure assessment methods are also introduced.

**Course Code: COMH5017A****Course Description: Health Care Financing****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 8**

This course provides candidates with an understanding of how health care is financed, the key mechanisms, sources, and flows of funds through the health system, as well as the major sources of inequity and inefficiency. It also provides an introduction to health sector planning at district level, purchasing and how to use current tools to assess health district performance. The course uses case studies from a range of different countries, including South Africa.

**Course Code: COMH5021A****Course Description: Health Policy and Policy Analysis****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 8**

This course demonstrates candidates' understanding of the varied and iterative nature of policy change processes. It provides an outline of key issues in policy analysis; introduces and uses theoretical frameworks and approaches; encourages application of theoretical frameworks to routine work experiences; and introduces some key health policy debates. The course uses different country case studies to encourage the application of these ideas to everyday experiences of health systems; nurture a systems' perspective towards Health Policy and Policy Analysis; and promote critical thinking, team work and communication skills.

**Course Code: COMH5023A****Course Description: Research Methods****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 8**

This course assists candidates in developing their research protocols. Candidates develop a research question, aims, objectives, methods, and data analysis plan and produce a full research protocol. The research protocol is the starting point for any postgraduate student who wants to conduct good quality research for higher degree purposes. It is a formal document that a researcher writes prior to conducting research that explains why the research should be done; and provides a detailed plan of how the research will be done.

**Course Code: COMH5024A****Course Description: Health Measurement****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 8**

This course enables candidates to discuss the methods used to measure the distribution and determinants of health and disease at population level, and the application of epidemiological principles in public health. The course provides an overview of the methods used to measure health and disease, the principles of epidemiology and its application to public health. It introduces students to the methods for measuring the distribution and determinants of public health problems, an important first step in addressing health and disease at population level.

**Course Code: COMH5025A****Course Description: Health Measurement II****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 8**

This course enables candidates to apply practically some important measurement concepts that they were taught in the core Health Measurement I course. The course introduces students to data collection methods and more advanced quantitative analysis. It enables candidates to design questionnaires. Candidates learn to optimise the validity and reliability of questionnaires; and apply their understanding of basic statistical principles to analyse a set of data collected through a population-based survey questionnaire.

**Course Code: COMH5032A****Course Description: Management in Health and Health Services****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 8**

This course enhances candidates' understanding of key concepts and principles of management and their application to diverse public health settings. It provides participants with the knowledge and skills needed to be an effective manager and enhances critical thinking and intellectual independence by equipping participants with ideas and/or tools to manage complex change.

**Course Code: COMH5034A****Course Description: Introduction to Environmental and Occupational Health****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 8**

This course provides a basic understanding of occupational and environment health. The course introduces the basics of health outcomes related to environmental and occupational stressors. It addresses basic anatomy and physiology as well of the principles of medical surveillance, and explores the fundamentals of exposure science and environmental and occupational exposure assessment. Specific occupational diseases, e.g. lung and skin diseases, and noise induced hearing loss, are addressed in more detail.

**Course Code: COMH5061A****Course Description: Orientation to Public Health****NQF Credits: 0****NQF Level: 8**

The orientation introduces new candidates to university and school norms and standards, including plagiarism, writing skills, the library and the use of Sakai (Wits-e). This course provides a space for candidates to meet one another and their instructors. This is also a time for them to complete the registration process.

**Course Code: COMH5070A****Course Description: Introduction to Health Systems****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 8**

This course provides an introduction to the components, actors and inter-relationships of the health system, as well as core principles of systems thinking and policy analysis, as a platform for health systems analysis, action and research. The course begins by considering what a health system is and why it is important. It introduces some frameworks for thinking about health systems. It considers in some detail an example of 'whole system' improvement and linked to current international debates around Primary Health Care and Universal Health Coverage. It outlines the central role of people in health systems, their values and mind sets, and why these are important for understanding of and intervention in health systems. A number of case studies are used to illustrate and apply concepts and ideas where students are encouraged to apply the new ideas to their own contexts. Complex adaptive systems thinking is, finally, introduced as an approach for understanding and changing health systems.

**Course Code: COMH5071A****Course Description: Health Systems Evaluation and Research****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 8**

This course focuses on health information systems, one of the six building blocks of a health system, and introduces evaluation of the performance of a health system; and health systems research. It fosters an understanding of what evaluation of health systems is all about and how it differs from other forms of evaluation, as well as the health systems evaluation process. It enhances understanding of a health information system (HIS) and how a HIS relates to broader health system's strengthening. It improves candidates' skills in evaluation and their ability to apply the concepts and principles when evaluating: projects and programmes in the health sector, health systems performance or health system sub-components. It also introduces candidates to health systems research and its potential contribution to improved population health and health systems performance. It illustrates application of mixed methods of research to health systems research and integrates multiple research methodologies to answer health systems research questions.

**Course Code: COMH5072A**

**Course Description: Risk Assessment and Management**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course deals with risk governance which includes risk assessment, management and communication. The course introduces the basic principles of risk assessment, and elaborates on regulatory, probabilistic and comparative risk assessment. The course explores the strengths and limitations of control banding in addition to some specific tools, with practical exercises.

**Course Code: COMH5073A**

**Course Description: Physical and Biological Hazards and Occupational Safety**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course introduces the fundamentals of occupational safety and its relationship with occupational hygiene. It provides information on occupational safety training and accident prevention programmes in South Africa, and emergency planning in the workplace. Physical hazards, such as ionising radiation, and biological hazards are covered in some detail.

**Course Code: COMH5074A**

**Course Description: Ergonomics and Physical Agents**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course introduces ergonomics and exposure to physical stressors. It provides information and tools that enable the identification of ergonomic risk factors in the work environment. Proper design of processes, workplaces and equipment are specified, using the concept of systems design; and the health effects of poor design are highlighted. Psychological risk factors, as well as heat stress and thermal comfort, and (non) ionising radiation, are introduced.

**Course Code: COMH5075A**

**Course Description: Control of Workplace Hazards**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course introduces principles of risk and exposure controls. Different types of controls are introduced according to the hierarchy of controls; practical examples are provided. Emphasis is on control of chemical exposures and personal protective equipment (programmes). By the end of this course, candidates should be able to justify the selection of control options with regard to efficacy, efficiency and effectiveness after implementation.

**Course Code: COMH5076A**

**Course Description: Occupational Health Part I**

**NQF Credits: 60**

**NQF Level: 8**

The course introduces logical approaches for dealing with any aspect of occupational health. Candidates begin to integrate learnt material to diagnose and manage work-related diseases or disabilities or threats to health and well-being of individual employees. This is done through an investigation of occupational health risks in a workplace and development of an efficient and effective hazard control and management programme that informs medical surveillance for prevention of occupational diseases.



**Course Code: COMH5079A****Course Description: Occupational Health Part II****NQF Credits: 60****NQF Level: 8**

The course introduces logical approaches for dealing with any aspect of occupational health. Candidates begin to integrate learnt material to diagnose and manage work-related diseases or disabilities or threats to health and well-being of individual employees. This is done through an investigation of occupational health risks in a workplace and development of an efficient and effective hazard control and management programme that informs medical surveillance for prevention of occupational diseases.

**Course Code: COMH5150A****Course Description: Applying Social & Behaviour Change Theory to Practice****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 8**

This course enables candidates to evaluate the evidence for theoretical models and frameworks that explain behaviours at different levels and to learn how to apply theory to formative research. Skills in selecting and applying a theory of change are also critical to the design, implementation and evaluation of programmes addressing contemporary health issues. The course introduces a range of behavioural and social theories and models that can be applied at individual, interpersonal, community, and societal levels to promote health. Examples of these theories include: the trans-theoretical model, health belief model, social cognitive theory, social networks, diffusion of innovations, and the social ecological model.

**Course Code: COMH5151A****Course Description: Communication, Media and Society****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 8**

This course provides candidates with a general insight into the key theories and methodologies within media and communication studies. Candidates are introduced to relevant communication theory and media approaches as a vehicle or channel to facilitate social and behaviour change communication addressing health and development issues, such as HIV/AIDS and sexual and reproductive health. The place, form, and context of the media landscape in selected countries in the African region will be explored, with particular emphasis on the implications of those issues for health and development communication practice.

**Course Code: COMH5152A****Course Description: Health and Society****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 8**

This course aims to enable candidates to develop a critical understanding of the complex interaction of social determinants and context on population health and wellbeing. Candidates examine a range of social determinants including gender, income inequality, rural/urban, health systems, social exclusion and migration. The course explores current socio-political issues in the sub-Saharan Africa region and how they impact on health.

**Course Code: COMH5153A****Course Description: Approaches to Population Health****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 8**

This course aims to introduce candidates to different evidence-based approaches both within and outside the formal health system in population health and disease. It provides an overview of approaches to population health at different levels such as legislation and policy, health system and services, as well as the community and individual levels. The course emphasises the importance of collaboration and co-ordination across all sectors in addressing health and disease at a population level.

**Course Code: COMH5154A****Course Description: Designing Effective Public Health Programmes****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 8**

This course aims to enhance knowledge and skills in programme planning, priority setting in health, conducting a situation analysis and monitoring and evaluation. Candidates critically analyse a programme from its design, through implementation, monitoring and evaluation. Candidates enhance their skills in writing strategic and programme objectives and indicators to monitor the implementation of programmes. The course addresses different programme evaluation designs. Candidates are introduced to economic evaluation.

**Course Code: COMH5156A****Course Description: Planning and Implementing Social and Behaviour Change Communication****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 8**

This course introduces candidates to essential frameworks and tools to enhance both the planning and implementation of Social and Behaviour Change Communication (SBCC). The course introduces candidates to the historical development of the field of SBCC. The course emphasises the importance of situational analysis and prioritisation in planning, with many sessions dedicated to reinforcing these skills. Adult learning pedagogies are used to explore values related to community participation, inter-sectoral action, and priority setting in the context of communication.

**Course Code: COMH5157A****Course Description: Social and Behaviour Change Communication Approaches****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 8**

This course provides a critical overview of the evidence-base for approaches that aim to influence the social and behavioural determinants of health. These approaches include advocacy, social mobilisation, edutainment, social marketing as well as various interpersonal techniques, e.g. peer counselling and motivational interviewing. The course addresses the principles and processes for each approach. These approaches are applied to current health and development issues and the empirical evidence base is explored in context.

**Course Code: COMH5158A****Course Description: Integration of Qualitative and Quantitative Research Methods****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 8**

This course builds skills to develop qualitative research questions, collect and analyse qualitative data. Candidates are introduced to different methodological approaches including mixed methods, phenomenology, case studies, ethnography, grounded theory and narratives. The course provides a theoretical and practical experience of some qualitative methods including observation, interviewing and focus groups. Candidates develop a codebook and write memos. Candidates are exposed to descriptive and comparative analysis as well as conceptualising and theorising from their data.

**Course Code: COMH5159A****Course Description: Research, Monitoring and Evaluation****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 8**

This course focuses on research, monitoring and evaluation as applied specifically to social and behaviour change communication. (SBCC) It develops candidates' capacity to undertake formative research. The course develops candidates' practical skills in designing and conducting formative research, which is used to inform the development of interventions, messages and programmes. The course also enables candidates to differentiate between and critique different evaluation designs and introduces key concepts for effective monitoring and evaluation of SBCC interventions and programmes.

**Course Code: COMH5160A****Course Description: Health Systems Organisation and Human Resources****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 8**

This course focuses on two of the health system building blocks: service delivery and the health workforce. The first component of the course covers contemporary approaches to the organisation of health services including debates about decentralisation, horizontal vs. vertical approaches, primary health care, the role of the private sector, quality improvement, and accountability mechanisms. The second component of the course introduces the student to important topics in human resources for health (HRH) including health workforce planning, strategies for improving the motivation and performance of health professionals, HRH information systems, and the governance of HRH.

**Course Code: COMH5162A****Course Description: Fundamentals of Risk Assessment****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 8**

This course introduces the risk-based approaches of controlling Occupational Hygiene (OH) stressors. It demonstrates how an OH risk assessment follows a logical progression of steps to arrive at a defensible assessment of the health risks in a particular work situation. Topics include: fundamentals of risk assessment; regulatory risk assessment & probabilistic risk assessment; introduction to comparative risk assessment & alternatives assessment; life cycle (inventory) and assessment; risk assessment/prioritisation tools; exposure-induced risk and health status; exposure-induced risk and vulnerable groups.

**Course Code: COMH5163A**

**Course Description: Exposure Control I**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course introduces the basic principles behind controlling a workplace hazard and the different methods of selection of controls. Topics include: fundamentals of intervention/implementation science; formative research; stakeholder communication; cost-benefits/cost effectiveness; health economics; multi-criteria decision analysis; and resilience interventions.

**Course Code: COMH5164A**

**Course Description: Exposure Science I**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course introduces the fundamentals of exposure science, with emphasis on the similarities of the underlying mechanisms and processes from release at the source to emission at the receptor in environmental, consumer and workplace exposure. Topics include: introduction to exposure science and exposure ontology; characteristics of workplace, residential, environmental and consumer exposure; relationship between outdoor-indoor exposure; aggregated and cumulative exposure; inhalation models from exposure to dose, and basic kinetics (absorption, distribution, metabolism, excretion).

**Course Code: COMH5165A**

**Course Description: Risk & Safety Management: Systems and Programmes**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course introduces the systems and programmes of occupational risk and safety management and their relationship with occupational hygiene. Topics include: risk and safety management principles and theoretical considerations; risk management and behaviour aspects/risk perception; safety management systems; risk management systems; hazardous waste management; risk management and health surveillance; development of hazard control program (hearing conservation programme, respiratory protective equipment programme etc.) in occupational settings; and ISO-standards (risk and safety management).

**Course Code: COMH5166A**

**Course Description: Exposure Induced Health Outcome**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course covers the basic principles of environmental and occupational exposures and the associated potential health outcomes. It also focuses on the interaction between stressors and receptor and potential health outcomes which are key to understanding health risk assessment and risk management methods and systems. Topics include the basic principles of sound/ acoustics and hearing impairment; vibration and hand-arm vibration syndrome (HAVS); heat and cold strain, thermal stress and thermal comfort; non-ionising radiation and health effects; ionising radiation and health effects; ergonomics and musculoskeletal disorders; cognitive ergonomics and mental and behavioural disorders; biological hazards and (communicable) diseases (water sanitation included).

**Course Code: COMH5167A**

**Course Description: Epidemiology and Biostatistics for Medical Humanitarian Action**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course develops a student's competency to apply epidemiological concepts and tools for the critical analysis of context and intervention in the medical humanitarian context. The course covers key epidemiological indicators such as prevalence, incidence, mortality rates and basic statistics. It addresses surveillance and outbreaks crucial in a humanitarian context. The course allows students to design, provide input, and investigate the humanitarian context, including the incidence, prevalence and risk factors of disease.

**Course Code: COMH5170A****Course Description: Operational Research to Strengthen Medical Humanitarian Action****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 8**

This course develops a student's competency in operational research (OR) within a humanitarian organisation. The course covers a concept note for operational research based on an implementation challenge encountered by a student. The concept note must include practical knowledge to improve program implementation through a design and a coherent methodology approach.

**Course Code: COMH5171A****Course Description: Planning and Design of Strategies for Medical Humanitarian Action****NQF Credits: 20****NQF Level: 8**

This course develops a student's competency in planning and designing strategies appropriate to the humanitarian context. The course covers strategies required to respond to the health needs of the population, as well as existing national policies. The course also covers strategies aligned with the principles of a humanitarian organization, delivering services as well as the organisation's policies and context. The course is based on the World Health Organisation (WHO) health system's building blocks. It addresses strategic decision-making that takes account of the context, actors and processes. Students develop a strategy that includes SMART objectives, and a logical framework and clear timeline for the delivery of activities.

**Course Code: COMH5172A****Course Description: Operational Management of Medical Humanitarian Action****NQF Credits: 20****NQF Level: 8**

This course develops a student's competency in operational management by focusing on the delivery of aid and services in a humanitarian context with the intention to maximise impact and efficiency. The course covers operational management, including the planning and execution of projects, managing resources, and ensuring that implementation of operations align with the humanitarian organisation's strategies and the needs of affected populations. It covers management of health services, the fundamental concepts of health services, the attributes of effective health service delivery, and the efficient management of health service delivery projects and their resources.

**Course Code: COMH5173A****Course Description: Organisational Positioning, Advocacy and Communication in Medical Humanitarian Contexts****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 8**

This course covers an advocacy strategy based on evidence, communication with the public, and the analysis of trends and issues in global health and humanitarian action. The course covers global health politics, migration and displacement, conflict and violence. The course will also cover global health financing, trends in health financing, health system building blocks, international humanitarian law, legal frameworks, attacks on healthcare, and various protections. The course develops skills in humanitarian organisational positioning, advocacy and communication.

**Course Code: COMH7007A****Course Description: Measurement of Hazardous Substances****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

This course differentiates approaches required to measure hazards according to the setting and objectives of the hazard assessment (e.g. compliance with standards or evaluation of hazard control). The course provides basic information on aerosol physics, exposure variability, measurement strategy and statistical methods for data interpretation. It acquaints students with equipment to measure dusts and fibres, gases and vapours. Qualitative exposure assessment methods are also introduced.

**Course Code: COMH7017A****Course Description: Health Care Financing****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

This course aims to provide candidates with an understanding of how health care is financed, the key mechanisms, sources, and flows of funds through the health system, as well as the major sources of inequity and inefficiency. It will also provide an introduction to health sector planning at district level, purchasing and how to use current tools to assess health district performance. The course will use case studies from a range of different countries, including South Africa.

**Course Code: COMH7041A**

**Course Description: Health Policy and Policy Analysis**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course provides analysis of the key issues in policy change processes. It provides an outline of key issues in policy analysis; introduces and uses theoretical frameworks and approaches; encourages application of theoretical frameworks to routine work experiences; and introduces some key health policy debates. The course uses different country case studies to encourage the application of these ideas to everyday experiences of health systems; nurture a systems' perspective towards Health Policy and Policy Analysis; and promote critical thinking, team work and communication skills.

**Course Code: COMH7047A**

**Course Description: Health Measurement I**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course enables candidates to discuss the methods used to measure the distribution and determinants of health and disease at population level, and the application of epidemiological principles in public health. The course provides an overview of the methods used to measure health and disease, the principles of epidemiology and its application to public health. It introduces students to the methods for measuring the distribution and determinants of public health problems, an important first step in addressing health and disease at population level.

**Course Code: COMH7048A**

**Course Description: Health Measurement II**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course enables candidates to apply practically some important measurement concepts that they were taught in the core Health Measurement I course. The course introduces students to data collection methods and more advanced quantitative analysis. It enables candidates to design questionnaires. Candidates learn to optimise the validity and reliability of questionnaires; and apply their understanding of basic statistical principles to analyse a set of data collected through a population-based survey questionnaire.

**Course Code: COMH7062A**

**Course Description: Biostatistics for Health Researchers I**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course teaches students the difference between descriptive and inferential statistics. Descriptive statistical methods are discussed in detail (differentiate between different types of data, summarise and display data in frequency tables, graphs and diagrams, estimate measures of central tendency and spread) and applied using computer based exercises. Concepts of sampling will be introduced (explain sampling variation and sampling error and issues of sampling variation and standard error). Candidates will then move into inferential statistics. Students will learn about procedures of hypothesis testing and Type I and II errors. Methods for comparing sample proportions and means will be explained. Students will be able to calculate and interpret confidence intervals for means, proportions and ratio measures.

**Course Code: COMH7063A**

**Course Description: Biostatistics for Health Researchers II**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course will describe simple and multiple, logistic, conditional, ordinal and multinomial regression models. The theory and application of multiple regressions will be presented as a way of controlling for confounding. It discusses the various regression methods and candidates will gain skills in building regression models for the analysis of multiple variables. Candidates will use Stata software package to complete assignments during this course.

**Course Code: COMH7066A****Course Description: Biostatistics for Health Researchers III****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

In this course the life table is introduced as a means to both summarise and understand duration-specific increment-decrement processes, and to control for exposure. Following from the life table, the general Hazard Function and Survival Curve are defined and discussed. In addition, the suite of graphical and statistical techniques associated with the “Kaplan Meier” survival curve are introduced and demonstrated. Candidates will have a firm conceptual grasp of time and how it is measured and manipulated. Additional to the above Poisson regression is presented as a powerful and efficient means through which to calculate rates controlling for exposure and any number of other covariates.

**Course Code: COMH7067A****Course Description: Introduction to Demographic Methods****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

Demography is a quantitative discipline and this course will concentrate on the sources of demographic data and basic techniques used in demographic analysis. These methods include basic fertility, mortality and migration measures, and basics of population projections. The objectives are to furnish students with the basic techniques of demography, to enable students to apply methods in fertility and mortality research questions and to expose students to methodological aspects of migration.

**Course Code: COMH7100A****Course Description: Orientation to Public Health****NQF Credits: 0****NQF Level: 9**

This course introduces new candidates to university and school norms and standards, including plagiarism, writing skills, the library and the use of Sakai (Wits-e). This course provides a space for candidates to meet one another and their instructors. This is also a time for them to complete the registration process.

**Course Code: COMH7101A****Course Description: Management in Health and Health Services****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

This course aims to enhance candidates' understanding of key concepts and principles of management and their application to diverse public health settings. It provides participants with the knowledge and skills needed to be an effective manager and enhances critical thinking and intellectual independence by equipping participants with ideas and/or tools to manage complex change.

**Course Code: COMH7104A****Course Description: Introduction to Environmental and Occupational Health****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

This course provides a basic understanding of occupational and environment health. The course introduces the basics of health outcomes related to environmental and occupational stressors. Basic anatomy and physiology as well of the principles of medical surveillance are addressed, and the fundamentals of exposure science and environmental and occupational exposure assessment are explored. Specific occupational diseases, e.g. lung and skin diseases, and noise induced hearing loss, are addressed in more detail.

**Course Code: COMH7114A****Course Description: Clinical Epidemiology****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

This course enables participants to become better researchers and clinicians by increasing their skills in the evaluation of the medical literature. Evidence-based medicine (EBM) has been defined as the conscientious, explicit, and judicious application of the current best evidence in making decisions about the care of individual patients. In order to practice EBM, clinicians need to know how to formulate relevant questions, how to efficiently search the medical literature, and how to evaluate the evidence for validity and applicability to the patient.

**Course Code: COMH7200A****Course Description: Epidemiology for Health Researchers I****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

This is an introductory course in epidemiology. It provides the tools necessary to interpret and understand common concepts used in the field of health measurement. An initial overview of the development of modern epidemiology is presented and aspects of causal inference are discussed. The importance of accurate and appropriate measurement in epidemiological research is highlighted. Different measures of disease frequency, effect and impact are discussed in detail, and students will gain competence in the calculation and interpretation of these measures. Other topics to be covered in this course are measurement errors, study populations and sampling.

**Course Code: COMH7202A****Course Description: Epidemiology for Health Researchers III****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

This is an advanced course in epidemiology in which candidates engage with advanced theoretical concepts and practical applications of concepts taught in Epidemiology I and Epidemiology II, with specific focus on bias, confounding and interaction in epidemiological studies. Students will learn how to minimise error during the design, conduct, analysis and interpretation stages of studies. They are also expected to learn advanced concepts in disease causality. Teaching methods include a combination of lectures and practical exercises.

**Course Code: COMH7207A****Course Description: Statistical Issues in Randomised Controlled Trials****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

This course discusses the statistical issues required to execute a clinical trial and to analyse data arising from such trials. The demand for properly conducted clinical trials, providing a reliable and objective assessment of various treatments or drugs on patients, has increased over the years. Statistics has become an integral part of the design, data management and analysis of data arising from clinical trials. The proper use of statistics at all these stages is important for results to be acceptable to the wider community. This course is a combination of lectures and hands-on practical sessions.

**Course Code: COMH7208A****Course Description: Non-communicable Disease Epidemiology****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

This course provides an overview of the etiology, epidemiology, risk factors and public health importance of selected chronic diseases in developing countries. It addresses measurement issues in chronic disease epidemiology with respect to both exposure assessment and measurement of outcome along with practical considerations involved in conducting chronic disease epidemiology research. Major policy initiatives addressing globally the prevention and control of chronic diseases are presented.

**Course Code: COMH7212A****Course Description: Introduction to Health Systems****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

This course aims to provide an introduction to the components, actors and inter-relationships of the health system, as well as core principles of systems thinking and policy analysis, as a platform for health systems analysis, action and research. The course begins by considering what a health system is and why it is important. It introduces some frameworks for thinking about health systems. It considers in some detail an example of 'whole system' improvement - and linked to current international debates around Primary Health Care and Universal Health Coverage. It outlines the central role of people in health systems, their values and mind sets, and why these are important for understanding of and intervention in health systems. A number of case studies are used to illustrate and apply concepts and ideas where students are encouraged to apply the new ideas to their own contexts. Complex adaptive systems thinking is, finally, introduced as an approach for understanding and changing health systems.

**Course Code: COMH7214A****Course Description: Risk Assessment and Management****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

The aim of the course is to become acquainted with risk governance which includes risk assessment, -management and Communication. The course introduces the basic principles of risk assessment, and elaborates on regulatory, probabilistic and comparative risk assessment. The strengths and limitations of control banding, in general, are explored, in addition to some specific tools, with practical exercises.

**Course Code: COMH7215A****Course Description: Physical and Biological Hazards and Occupational Safety****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

The aim of this course is to introduce the fundamentals of occupational safety and its relationship with occupational hygiene. It provides information on occupational safety training and accident prevention programmes in South Africa, and emergency planning in the workplace. Physical hazards - such as ionising radiation - and biological hazards are covered in some detail.

**Course Code: COMH7216A****Course Description: Ergonomics and Physical Agents****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

This course introduces ergonomics and exposure to physical stressors. It provides information and tools that enable the identification of ergonomic risk factors in the work environment. Proper design of processes, workplaces and equipment are specified, using the concept of systems design; the health effects of poor design are highlighted. Psychological risk factors, as well as heat stress and thermal comfort, and (non) ionising radiation, are introduced.

**Course Code: COMH7217A****Course Description: Control of Workplace Hazards****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

This course introduces principles of risk and exposure controls. Different types of controls are introduced according to the hierarchy of controls; practical examples are provided. Emphasis is on control of chemical exposures and personal protective equipment (programmes). By the end of this course, students should be able to justify the selection of control options with regard to efficacy, efficiency and effectiveness after implementation.

**Course Code: COMH7218A****Course Description: Communicable Disease Epidemiology****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

This course focuses on the principles and practices of infectious disease epidemiology within an African context. Candidates gain a sound understanding of the principles of infectious disease epidemiology, a thorough knowledge of the epidemiology of key infectious diseases in Africa and an will be equipped with an approach to addressing infectious disease prevention and control. Topics include: measures of infectiousness, reproductive rates, herd immunity, vaccine efficacy, vaccine coverage, attack rates; epidemiology of HIV/AIDS, TB, malaria, diarrheal diseases and respiratory tract diseases; current issues in infectious diseases epidemiology and eradication of infectious diseases.

**Course Code: COMH7220A****Course Description: Clinical Trials****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**



This course introduces candidates to the area of clinical trials focusing on the conduct of clinical trials in developing countries where resources are limited. The main issues in the design, implementation and interpretation of clinical trials are introduced to candidates. It outlines the principles of comparative clinical trials in investigating safety, efficacy and effectiveness of treatments; highlights strengths and weaknesses of clinical trial design in comparison to other study designs and introduces the key elements and steps in clinical trial implementation, including calculation of sample sizes to provide adequate power to the trial. It describes the key characteristics of clinical trials, which include ethical and methodological considerations, principles of clinical trial conduct, clinical trial organisation and monitoring, data collection, data processing (data management), quality assurance and quality control, and trial reporting. The roles of the Data Safety and Monitoring Committee (DSMB) and the Community Advisory Board (CAB), as well as Good Clinical Practice (GCP), are also highlighted.

**Course Code: COMH7221A**

**Course Description: Health and Society**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course aims to enable candidates to develop a critical understanding of the complex interaction of social determinants and context on population health and wellbeing. Candidates examine a range of social determinants including gender, income inequality, rural/urban, health systems, social exclusion and migration. The course explores current socio-political issues in the sub-Saharan Africa region and how they impact on health.

**Course Code: COMH7222A**

**Course Description: Approaches to Population Health**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course aims to introduce candidates to different evidence-based approaches both within and outside the formal health system in population health and disease. It provides an overview of approaches to population health at different levels such as legislation and policy, health system and services, as well as the community and individual levels. The course emphasises the importance of collaboration and co-ordination across all sectors in addressing health and disease at a population level.

**Course Code: COMH7223A**

**Course Description: Designing Effective Public Health Programs**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course aims to enhance knowledge and skills in programme planning, priority setting in health, conducting a situation analysis and monitoring and evaluation. Candidates critically analyse a programme from its design, through implementation, monitoring and evaluation. Candidates enhance their skills in writing strategic and programme objectives and indicators to monitor the implementation of programmes. The course addresses different programme evaluation designs. Candidates are introduced to economic evaluation.

**Course Code: COMH7225A**

**Course Description: Applying Social and Behaviour Change Theory to Practice**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course aims to build candidate capacity to evaluate the evidence for theoretical models and frameworks that explain behaviours at different levels and to learn how to apply theory to formative research. Skills in selecting and applying a theory of change are also critical to the design, implementation and evaluation of programmes addressing contemporary health issues. The course introduces a range of behavioural and social theories and models that can be applied at individual, interpersonal, community, and societal levels to promote health. Examples of these theories include: the trans-theoretical model, health belief model, social cognitive theory, social networks, diffusion of innovations, and the social ecological model.

**Course Code: COMH7227A**

**Course Description: Research, Monitoring and Evaluation**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course focuses on research, monitoring and evaluation as applied specifically to social and behaviour change communication. It aims to develop candidate's capacity to undertake formative research used to. This course aims to develop candidates' practical skills in designing and conducting formative research, which is used inform the development of interventions, messages and programmes. The course also enables candidates to differentiate between and critique different evaluation designs and introduces key concepts for effective monitoring and evaluation of SBCC interventions and programmes.

**Course Code: COMH7228A**

**Course Description: Social and Behaviour Change Communication Approaches**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course equips the candidate with a critical overview of the evidence-base for approaches that aim to influence the social and behavioural determinants of health. These approaches include advocacy, social mobilisation, edutainment, social marketing as well as various interpersonal techniques, e.g. peer counselling and motivational interviewing. The course addresses the principles and processes for each approach. These approaches are applied to current health and development issues and the empirical evidence base is explored in context.

**Course Code: COMH7236A**

**Course Description: Health Systems Organisation and Human Resources**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course focuses on two of the health system building blocks: service delivery and the health workforce. The first half of the course covers contemporary approaches to the organisation of health services including debates about decentralisation, horizontal vs. vertical approaches, primary health care, the role of the private sector, quality improvement, and accountability mechanisms. The second half of the course introduces the student to important topics in human resources for health (HRH) including health workforce planning, strategies for improving the motivation and performance of health professionals, HRH information systems, and the governance of HRH.

**Course Code: COMH7238A**

**Course Description: Data Processing, Distribution and Archiving I**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course provides candidates with skills in the extraction reprocessing and storage of datasets. It introduces the candidate to the Extraction, Transform and Load (ETL) process and data storage for both electronic and paper records. The course gives insight into industry standards in data documentation and data archival formats. Topics include Data extraction, transformation, loading (ETL) process, Analytical dataset production cycle, Data documentation: versioning, dataset citation, data fingerprinting, Using Data Documentation Initiative standards, Archival data formats, Data repositories, Paper and electronic data archiving.

**Course Code: COMH7246A**

**Course Description: Applied Spatial Statistics for Health Researchers**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course provides candidates with the opportunity to use Spatial statistics for analysing spatial distributions, patterns and relationships of disease spread with other factors. The spatial statistics will mainly be used in relation to diseases. Spatial statistics are unique in that they were developed specifically for use with geographic (GIS) data.

**Course Code: COMH7247A**

**Course Description: Bayesian Methods in Health Research**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 9**

Bayesian methods and elective in the field of Biostatistics offers students a wider choice of topics for professional specialisation and ability to strengthen the core courses. Bayesian methods, where prior knowledge is taken into account in the course of statistical modelling, have found widespread application in recent years. Bayesian methods aid the solution of complex statistical problems that were previously considered unattainable.

**Course Code: COMH7248A****Course Description: Generalised Linear Models in Health Research****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

This is a core course for the field of Biostatistics to offer students a wider choice of topics for professional specialisation and strengthen the core Generalised Linear Models concepts. One main focus of medical studies is relating a response variable to one or several explanatory variables. A traditional way of accomplishing this is through a multiple linear regression model. However, model assumptions for linear regression may be questionable because data might not be linearly related or normally distributed.

For example, linear regression does not work when outcome data are counts or binary. Further, data may also be correlated when measurements are collected on the same individual. This course therefore provides an extension of the linear modelling framework to allow non-linear response variables, hence, a generalisation of regression methods.

**Course Code: COMH7249A****Course Description: Genetic Epidemiology and Statistical Genetics****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

Genetic epidemiology is the study of the role of genetic factors in determining health and disease in families and in populations, and the interplay of such genetic factors with environmental factors. In the light of increasing global and national focus on molecular epidemiology and statistical genetics, the aim of the *course* is therefore to illustrate important issues in human genetics where either mathematical or statistical methods are used to analyse genetic data.

**Course Code: COMH7250A****Course Description: Introduction to Statistical Theory in Health Research****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

Introduction to Statistical Theory lays a sound foundation for all students studying biostatistics and to provide an understanding of principles of probability theory and a thorough mathematical understanding of distribution theory and statistical inference. This is a pre-requisite to advanced statistics courses in the Biostatistics Masters curriculum.

**Course Code: COMH7253A****Course Description: Survey Methods in Health Research****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

This core course aims to give the learner a solid foundation in principles of sampling, sampling methods and survey design, and generation and use of official statistics. There is a tremendous increase in the number of social, demographic and health surveys that seek to investigate determinants of various health outcomes. It is therefore important for statisticians and researchers to have an understanding of different survey methodologies and principles.

**Course Code: COMH7257A****Course Description: Health and Demography Surveillance Database Systems****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

This course builds on the concepts and techniques taught in the Principles and Operations of Relational Databases course. The course emphasis the planning, architecture, design, and implementation of massive-scale databases related to public health surveillance information systems. The appropriate design and management of such information systems is particularly useful for Health and Demography Surveillance Centres or Sites in developing countries. The course focuses on foundational concepts of distributed database theory including design and architecture, security, integrity, query processing and optimisation, transaction management, concurrency control, and fault tolerance. These concepts are then applied to solve the complex interrelationships of local, national and regional independent but interrelated surveillance information systems and the constraints that legal restrictions create in the transfer and use of surveillance datasets.

**Course Code: COMH7260A****Course Description: Implementation Science I****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

This course has been developed to address the gap in implementation of proven interventions in the real world. There is abundant evidence of efficacy of interventions that have been carried out in Sub-Saharan Africa but these working interventions have not been backed up with knowledge and skills on how to deliver those interventions effectively in a real setting. Sub-Saharan Africa faces diverse challenges, including limited resources, poor socio-economic status and a broken health system. The course will provide skills in how these proven and affordable interventions can be implemented to improve health outcomes in the region. This requires tools, approaches that take into consideration evidence to enhance equity and efficiency in delivery of the services. Therefore the course will introduce participants to knowledge and skills to enable them to plan and carry out implementation research aimed at improving the implementation and management and control of disease and or conditions and other health programmes.

**Course Code: COMH7262A****Course Description: Translating Conceptual Models to Statistical Models****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

This course focuses on how to develop strong theory/biologically based conceptual models, and then how to develop and implement appropriate statistical models to test hypotheses. It will show to select and represent outcome and exposure variables for analysis (Continuous, binary, categorical, indices, factors scores, etc.); and how to select the most appropriate statistical models (linear, logistic, multilevel, etc.); and how to interpret and represent results in publications. This will be accomplished through didactic and “hands on” exercises, using examples from existing cohort studies with data related to HIV and health outcomes. Analysis of cohort data will be emphasised as a means to establish temporal sequences of exposures and outcomes and to develop causal inferences. Students will learn about the tools needed for the analysis of long term health outcomes and effects of interventions.

**Course Code: COMH7266A****Course Description: Longitudinal Analysis and Causal Inference****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

This course introduces the student to more intermediate Structured Query Language (SQL) and develops on what they were introduced to in principles and operations of the Relational Databases. The course also introduces students to the concepts surrounding Demographic Surveillance Systems (DSS), DSS database design and structure as well as the basic relational model for DSS. Students are introduced to a sample DSS database (Agincourt 1in10) and are taught how to run basic queries to calculate basic demographic rates in various practical hands on sessions. At the conclusion of this course students will be able to understand and design a simple DSS longitudinal database as well as query and perform basic analyses on a standard relational DSS database.

**Course Code: COMH7268A****Course Description: Spatial Analysis and GIS in Public Health****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

Spatial statistics or spatial analysis are linked to GIS and are used for analysing spatial distributions, patterns and relationships of disease spread with other factors. In our case, spatial statistics will mainly be used in relation to diseases. Spatial statistics are unique in that they were developed specifically for use with geographic (GIS) data. Unlike traditional non-spatial statistical methods, they incorporate space (proximity, area, connectivity, and/or other spatial relationships) directly into their mathematics. Considering the need to find distributions on infections/diseases and targeted intervention, there is need for capacity in spatial analysis and data presentation. The material covered is the same for the course COMH7246A.

**Course Code: COMH7286A****Course Description: Economic Evaluation****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level:**

The course aims to expand on the basic principles of economic evaluation presented in the Introduction to Health Economics course. It will provide students with the knowledge and skills required to undertake a basic economic evaluation. The course covers different types of economic evaluations; the methods and processes used in economic evaluation; as well as the valuation and measurement of health costs and outcomes. It will also deepen students' skills in the critical appraisal of existing economic evaluation studies.

**Course Code: COMH7287A**

**Course Description: Introduction to Health Economics**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course provides a basic introduction to the field of Health Economics. It explores the insights that an economic perspective can contribute to the planning and implementation of health services and health systems. The first half of the course focuses on the application of classical and behavioural economic approaches to analysing individual health behaviour and the functioning of health markets. The second half of the course covers the principles and common methods of economic evaluation, particularly cost-effectiveness analysis. It will also provide the student with basic skills in the interpretation and critique of cost-effectiveness studies.

**Course Code: COMH7288A**

**Course Description: Decision Analysis for Economic Evaluation**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course builds on the Economic Evaluation course to provide students with a practical understanding of analytical modelling for economic evaluation. It covers the step-by-step process of developing and interpreting decision analysis models for economic evaluation and health technology assessment. It includes the use of decision trees and Markov models; uncertainty analysis; budget impact analysis; and methods for presenting the results of these analyses.

**Course Code: COMH7289A**

**Course Description: Economics of Health Care**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 9**

The course builds on the basic concepts introduced in the Introduction to Health Economics course to provide a foundation in the application of micro-economic analysis to the field of health. The course covers how classical supply, demand and market analyses have been applied to the production and consumption of health services. Students will also be introduced to more recent behavioural economic approaches and their relevance in understanding health care demand and supply. The course includes the basic theoretical models as well as case studies describing their practical application in health care systems.

**Course Code: COMH7290A**

**Course Description: Infectious Disease Modelling**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course introduces candidates to the epidemiology of infections, measures of transmissibility of infections, dynamics of infections, classical models in infectious disease epidemiology with applications and methods for developing models of the transmission dynamics of infectious diseases and to the applications of these models. Methodological issues in modelling will be discussed and current areas of applications of mathematical models, namely the transmission of HIV and tuberculosis will be introduced. The emphasis will be on developing a conceptual understanding of the basic methods and on their practical application rather than the manipulation of mathematical equations. This course includes a practical problem on transmissibility and epidemic potential of a chosen infectious disease.

**Course Code: COMH7291A**

**Course Description: Quality Improvement Science**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course has been developed to address the gap in implementation of proven interventions in the real world. There is abundant evidence of efficacy of interventions that have been carried out in Sub-Saharan Africa but these working interventions have not been backed up with knowledge and skills on how to deliver those interventions effectively in a real setting. Sub-Saharan Africa faces diverse challenges, including limited resources, poor socio-economic status and a broken health system. The course will provide skills in how these proven and affordable interventions can be implemented to improve health outcomes in the region. This requires tools, approaches that take into consideration evidence to enhance equity and efficiency in delivery of the services. Therefore the course will introduce participants to knowledge and skills to enable them to plan and carry out implementation research aimed at improving the implementation and management and control of disease and or conditions and other health programs.

**Course Code: COMH7292A**

**Course Description: Mobile Health (mHealth) Technologies for Implementation Research**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course aims to present a broad range of perspectives on mHealth and impact on the future of HIV/AIDS implementation research. Through case studies, multimedia tutorials, interactive exercises, and live demonstrations of tools, participants will explore delivery mechanisms, such as Interactive Voice Recognition (IVR), SMS (text message) communication programs, smartphone applications, and health information systems for data collection and management.

**Course Code: COMH7293A**

**Course Description: Monitoring and Evaluation for Health Programmes**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course provides students with the basic concepts and methodologies needed to undertake monitoring, evaluation, and surveillance of HIV/AIDS programs. The course covers data use, frameworks, program monitoring, indicators, information sources, evaluation designs, and surveillance. A particular focus is given to identifying what methods are needed for program monitoring, evaluation, and surveillance based on the implementation phase of the program (e.g., pilot testing a new strategy, evaluating the program outcomes, or implementing the program at scale). The focus of the course is on practical issues for undertaking program monitoring, evaluation and surveillance of HIV/AIDS programs.

**Course Code: COMH7295A**

**Course Description: Exposure Control I**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course introduces the basic principles behind controlling a workplace hazard and the different methods of selection of controls. Topics include: fundamentals of intervention/implementation science; formative research; stakeholder communication; cost-benefits/cost effectiveness; health economics; multi-criteria decision analysis; and resilience interventions.

**Course Code: COMH7296A**

**Course Description: Exposure Control II**

**NQF Credits: 10**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course provides in-depth knowledge of the techniques of controlling workplace hazards according to the hierarchy of controls. Topics include: hierarchy of control; prevention through design; ergonomic design; engineering controls 1 (ventilation, extraction, filtration); engineering controls 2 (mine ventilation); engineering controls 3 (control of hazardous biological agents); engineering controls 4 (noise, vibration and radiation); administrative controls; and Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) 1 & 2.

**Course Code: COMH7297A**

**Course Description: Exposure Induced Health Outcome**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course covers the basic principles of environmental and occupational exposures and the associated potential health outcomes. It also focuses on the interaction between stressors and receptor and potential health outcomes which are key to understanding health risk assessment and risk management methods and systems. Topics include the basic principles of sound/ acoustics and hearing impairment; vibration and hand-arm vibration syndrome (HAVS); heat and cold strain, thermal stress and thermal comfort; non-ionising radiation and health effects; ionising radiation and health effects; ergonomics and musculoskeletal disorders; cognitive ergonomics and mental and behavioural disorders; biological hazards and (communicable) diseases (water sanitation included).

**Course Code: COMH7298A**

**Course Description: Fundamentals of Risk Assessment**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course introduces the risk-based approaches of controlling Occupational Hygiene (OH) stressors. It demonstrates how an OH risk assessment follows a logical progression of steps to arrive at a defensible assessment of the health risks in a particular work situation. Topics include: fundamentals of risk assessment; regulatory risk assessment & probabilistic risk assessment; introduction to comparative risk assessment & alternatives assessment; life cycle (inventory) and assessment; risk assessment/prioritisation tools; exposure-induced risk and health status; exposure-induced risk and vulnerable groups.

**Course Code: COMH7299A**

**Course Description: Exposure Assessment Methods I**

**NQF Credits: 10**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course covers the processes of exposure and their variation. It enables appropriate analysis of occupational exposure data. Topics include: exposure assessment strategies; individual vs. Similar Exposure Groups (SEGs); Real time (RT) monitoring vs. time aggregated sampling; Geographic Information System (GIS) exposure mapping; and exposure data analysis.

**Course Code: COMH7300A**

**Course Description: Exposure Assessment Methods II**

**NQF Credits: 10**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course builds on the fundamentals covered in the Exposure Assessment Methods I course. It provides in-depth knowledge and skills to appropriately assess different occupational exposure hazards and stressors. Topics include: sensor technology; measurement of aerosols and gases; noise and vibration dosimetry/barometric pressure; radiation and dosimetry; measurement of thermal stress; and measurements of biological agents.

**Course Code: COMH7301A**

**Course Description: Exposure Science I**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course introduces the fundamentals of exposure science, with emphasis on the similarities of the underlying mechanisms and processes from release at the source to emission at the receptor in environmental, consumer and workplace exposure. Topics include: introduction to exposure science and exposure ontology; characteristics of workplace, residential, environmental and consumer exposure; relationship between outdoor-indoor exposure; aggregated and cumulative exposure; inhalation models from exposure to dose, and basic kinetics (absorption, distribution, metabolism, excretion).

**Course Code: COMH7302A**

**Course Description: Exposure Science II**

**NQF Credits: 10**

**NQF Level: 9**

The course provides an in-depth assessment of the physical and/or chemical processes responsible for the release, transport and emission/exposure of different stressors, for different scenarios. Topics include: aerosol physics; track in dust and resuspension; intrusion of ambient particles; source apportionment; transmission of pathogens; the fundamentals of skin exposure and inadvertent oral exposure.

**Course Code: COMH7303A**

**Course Description: Risk and Safety Management: Systems and Programmes**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course introduces the systems and programmes of occupational risk and safety management and their relationship with occupational hygiene. Topics include: risk and safety management principles and theoretical considerations; risk management and behaviour aspects/risk perception; safety management systems; risk management systems; hazardous waste management; risk management and health surveillance; development of hazard control programmes (hearing conservation programmes, respiratory protective equipment programmes etc.) in occupational settings; and ISO-standards (risk and safety management).

**Course Code: COMH7304A**

**Course Description: Computational Exposure Assessment**

**NQF Credits: 10**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course covers the processes of exposure and their variation. It equips candidates with the knowledge and skills for appropriately assessing different occupational exposure hazards and stressors. Topics include: atmospheric dispersion models; workplace models (one-box models/two-box models near-field far field); consumer exposure models; and hands-on models.

**Course Code: COMH7306A**

**Course Description: Artificial Intelligence (AI) for Health Data Science**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 9**

This AI course covers core and applied concepts of data science and technology. The course provides students with a foundation for understanding and harnessing artificial intelligence's power within healthcare. Embedded within the course are essential skills, including programming and descriptive and predictive modelling in theoretical learning and hands-on practical experience. The course prepares students for a transformative role in healthcare delivery and medical research. Upon completing the course, students develop a comprehensive understanding of AI's potential applications in healthcare and the skills to drive innovation and positive change in the field.

**Course Code: COMH7307A**

**Course Description: Data Privacy, Ethics and Legal Frameworks for Health Science**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course prepares students for a career in health data privacy, ethics and the legal frameworks for Health Science. The course prepares students to contribute to improving protection of data in healthcare. On completion students can work as a privacy officer or privacy analyst, healthcare compliance officer, ethics and compliance specialist, health information manager, legal counsel for healthcare organisations, research compliance officer, health security specialist, data protection consultant, healthcare policy analyst, academic or corporate trainer, chief information security officer (ciso) – healthcare, and government regulatory affairs specialist.

**Course Code: COMH7308A**

**Course Description: Research Report I**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course introduces students to the software currently available and used for data collection and data entry in epidemiological studies. Students will also be guided to write research protocols for epidemiological studies. Embedded within the course are core skills related to computing and epidemiologic terminology, critical thinking, quantitative literacy, digital literacy, problem-solving and academic reading and writing. The course equips future researchers and public health practitioners with knowledge, skills and values to identify and conduct research on public health challenges and contribute to the generation of evidence for the control and prevention of health-related events.

**Course Code: COMH7309A**

**Course Description: Research Report II**

**NQF Credits: 10**

**NQF Level: 9**



This course introduces students to research-related issues and general aspects of academic writing within the discipline of epidemiology. Students are provided with revision of the basics of grammar, punctuation and formatting, structure of sentences, paragraphs, and chapters. Information on the structure and content of each section of the research report is provided. The course will also provide guidance to develop skills such as conducting literature searches, synthesis of literature, presentation and presentation of findings etc. Students will be able to apply what they learn to their research and writing of research reports. The course will equip future researchers and public health practitioners with knowledge, skills and values to report research findings appropriately and comprehensively and to provide evidence to support the control and prevention of health-related events.

**Course Code: COMH7310A**

**Course Description: Research Report III**

**NQF Credits: 10**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course includes all research activities from finalisation of the assessed protocol, ethics clearance, data collection, data management, data analysis, writing of the research report, submission for examination and submission of the final research report. The course equips future researchers and public health practitioners with knowledge, skills and values to identify and conduct research on relevant public health challenges and to contribute to the generation of evidence for the control and prevention of health-related events.

**Course Code: COMH7311A**

**Course Description: Health Data Science**

**NQF Credits: 10**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course introduces core and applied concepts on health data science forming the foundation for understanding scientific concepts within the context of public health. Embedded within the course are skills related to medical and scientific terminology, critical thinking, logical reasoning, problem-solving and quantitative literacy, digital literacy and academic reading and writing. The course prepares students for a career in health data science, where they can contribute to improving healthcare outcomes, enhancing public health, and making informed decisions based on data-driven insights.

**Course Code: COMH7312A**

**Course Description: Advanced Epidemiology for Health Researchers**

**NQF Credits: 10**

**NQF Level: 9**

This is an advanced course in epidemiology covering advanced epidemiological concepts, theoretical and practical implications of bias, confounding and interaction in epidemiological studies. This course builds on the introduction to epidemiology course in the degree programme. Students apply these concepts in conducting epidemiological research, and reflect on the nature of epidemiological evidence in contributing to an understanding of disease causality.

**Course Code: COMH7313A**

**Course Description: Applied Field Epidemiology I**

**NQF Credits: 10**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course covers the formulation of an appropriate research question based on available secondary datasets and the development of a comprehensive protocol. Data management includes merging and appending of multiple datasets. Appropriate epidemiologic and statistical techniques are applied to analyse these datasets. The dataset findings are analysed, and public health recommendations made and communicated through oral presentations to a relevant audience including a written report. The course will equip future field epidemiologists with knowledge and skills to manage and analyse existing data to address questions of public health significance.

**Course Code: COMH7314A**

**Course Description: Applied Field Epidemiology II**

**NQF Credits: 10**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course covers the development of a surveillance system evaluation protocol. The cleaning and analyses of a surveillance dataset to assess quantitative attributes of a surveillance system. Identifying and interviewing key stakeholders of a surveillance system to assess its usefulness and qualitative attributes. The review of relevant documents, writing of a surveillance evaluation report, and the communication of findings and recommendations to stakeholders through oral presentation and a written report. This course will equip future field epidemiologists with the knowledge and skills to evaluate surveillance systems and provide information to enable interventions to ensure their usefulness for the prevention and control of health-related events.

**Course Code: COMH7315A**

**Course Description: Applied Field Epidemiology III**

**NQF Credits: 10**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course includes a risk assessment based on available data on a public health emergency, field investigations, formulation of a case definition, collection of primary data (e.g. interviews, chart reviews, observations), data analysis, formulation of a hypothesis and design and implementation of an appropriate analytic epidemiologic study to test the hypothesis. Collaboration with other professionals and organisations, interpretation of the finding and formulation of public health recommendations, compilation of preliminary, interim and final outbreak investigation, response reports and communication to stakeholders and presentations of the findings to audiences. The course will equip future field epidemiologists with knowledge and skills to conduct outbreak investigations and contribute to the management of the spread of infectious diseases.

**Course Code: COMH7316A**

**Course Description: Integrated Data Systems for Healthcare Delivery**

**NQF Credits: 10**

**NQF Level: 9**

This advanced course in public health informatics covers the power of data and technology. The course introduces students to different database systems and programming languages and the use of language to update, retrieve and manipulate data from a database. Students apply this course's theoretical and practical concepts in conducting health-related research.

**Course Code: COMH7317A**

**Course Description: Qualitative Research Methods**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course is designed to introduce students to qualitative research methods. The course uses a combination of online and face-to-face sessions to teach knowledge and skills relevant to qualitative research. The sessions combine didactic, interactive and applied techniques.

**Course Code: COMH7318A**

**Course Description: Statistical Consulting in Health Research**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course enables students to apply various advanced data analysis techniques based on various study designs to practical problems. Students learn how to employ a range of advanced statistical methods and to make statistical presentations to non-statistical audiences including face to face consultations.

**Course Code: COMH7319A**

**Course Description: Research I: Research Methods for Public Health**

**NQF Credits: 20**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course covers software for the development and administration of questionnaires as well as basic analysis of data using STATA. The course develops questionnaires to answer specific objectives as well as the use of scales in the measurement of reliability and validity of measures. Students will be able to develop and test hypothesis using basic statistical methods. This course covers core skills related to critical thinking, quantitative literacy, digital literacy, problem-solving, academic reading and writing. The course equips researchers and public health practitioners with the skills to identify and conduct research on relevant public health challenges.

**Course Code: COMH7320A**

**Course Description: Research 2: Protocol Development for Public Health**

**NQF Credits: 20**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course covers the development of a research protocol. The research protocol must be completed prior to conducting research and signals the starting point of the research process. This course is designed to assist students to develop their research ideas and write a well-structured and comprehensive protocol. By the end of this course students will have a completed protocol submitted to the School of Public Health's protocol assessors' group for review. This course requires students to consider ethical issues pertaining to their specific studies. Students will be required to submit the appropriate application to the Human Research Ethics Committee (Medical).

**Course Code: COMH7321A**

**Course Description: Research 3: Data Collection and Analysis**

**NQF Credits: 20**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course includes all research activities from finalisation of the assessed protocol, ethics clearance, data collection, data management, data analysis, writing of the research report, submission for examination and submission of the final research report. The course equips researchers and public health practitioners with the skills to identify and conduct research on relevant public health challenges and contributes to the generation of evidence for the control and prevention of health-related events.

**Course Code: COMH7322A**

**Course Description: Research Report**

**NQF Credits: 60**

**NQF Level: 9**

This is a required course for Master of Public Health in all fields of study. It is the culmination of the research undertaken under supervision. The research report must include a relevant literature review, selection of appropriate methods to answer the selected aims and objectives, and the presentation and discussion of results with appropriate recommendations.

**Course Code: COMH7325A**

**Course Description: Exposure Science I**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course covers the fundamentals of exposure science, with emphasis on the similarities of the underlying mechanisms and processes from release at the source to emission at the receptor in environmental, consumer and workplace exposure. Topics include an introduction to exposure science and exposure ontology, characteristics of workplace, residential, environmental and consumer exposure, the relationship between outdoor-indoor exposure, aggregated and cumulative exposure, inhalation models from exposure to dose, and basic kinetics (i.e. absorption, distribution, metabolism, and excretion). Students develop an understanding of key concepts and principles of exposure science and the exposome. The course allows students to differentiate between consumer, residential, environmental, and occupational exposures, and be able to apply principles of exposure science to evaluate exposure pathways for different stressors.

**Course Code: COMH7326A**

**Course Description: Planning for Social and Behaviour Change**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course covers essential frameworks and tools to enhance evidence-based, theory-informed and locally grounded planning social and behavioural changes (SBC) programs. Students develop skills in how SBC, as a field, is being leveraged by governments, development agencies, and civil society to address issues as far ranging as HIV prevention, climate change, corruption, and gender norms. This course ensures students are aware of the latest developments in this field, while encouraging them to engage critically in the underpinning values of SBC. Students select a design approach, conduct a situational analysis, and make strategic decisions about SBC programming.

**Course Code: COMH7327A**

**Course Description: Surveillance and Outbreak Management**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course introduces candidates to the principles and objectives of surveillance as a tool for public health. This course provides examples of surveillance systems for communicable and non-communicable diseases and how they further our understanding of certain diseases. The course gives students insight into the practical aspects involved in setting up and maintaining a surveillance system and enables students to evaluate surveillance systems. In addition, the course will instruct students on how to conduct an outbreak investigation, re-enforcing the different study designs that are used.

## SCHOOL OF THERAPEUTIC SCIENCES

**Course Code: ESSM1000A**

**Course Description: Foundations of Exercise Science**

**NQF Credits: 18**

**NQF Level: 5**

The course covers the effect of exercise across all human body systems and across life stages. Students learn to evaluate exercise responses in real-world case scenarios which foster a holistic grasp of human exercise physiology and develop skills as sports scientists and clinical exercise physiologists.

**Course Code: ESSM4000A**

**Course Description: Practice Management**

**NQF Credits: 6**

**NQF Level: 8**

The course covers topics such as the professional board and biokinetics practice, internship planning, practice management and administration, business plan development including cost analysis, budgeting, and marketing strategies, as well as practice and medical aid schemes, and programme administration, facilities, and equipment planning.

**Course Code: ESSM4001A**

**Course Description: Professional Internship and Experiential Learning**

**NQF Credits: 50**

**NQF Level: 8**

The course covers total wellness and the role of physical activity in the management of chronic, orthopedic and neurological conditions through awareness, screening, and education for health promotion, as well as lifestyle interventions. Topics include bio-ergonomics, physical ability assessment, rehabilitation principles, conditioning, and monitoring protocols for exercise responses. The course also covers mentoring, coaching, and managing wellness programs in communities. Students gain proficiency in exercise testing, implementation and evaluation for the purpose of holistic patient management.

**Course Code: ESSM4002A**

**Course Description: Rehabilitation of Chronic Diseases and Disabilities**

**NQF Credits: 12**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course consists of the following topics, risk stratification methods, etiology, pathology and incidences of chronic diseases and disabilities. Other topics include assessment techniques, interpretation of data and programme design for various chronic diseases, lifestyle modification programmes and knowledge of disease states. The course also covers basic pharmacology related to drug interaction and exercise and legal and ethical issues related to final phase rehabilitation of chronic disease.

**Course Code: ESSM4003A**

**Course Description: Special Populations and Disability in Sport**

**NQF Credits: 10**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course covers concepts of growth, development, maturation and aging across the human lifespan, and how these concepts relate to exercise prescription. The course also covers special requirements for exercise testing and prescription in the obese, and the physiological, biomechanical, and perceptual motor challenges to exercise in these populations. Other topics include methods for changing exercise behaviour and adherence factors, interpretation of testing data, and individualised programme design.

**Course Code: ESSM4004A**

**Course Description: Orthopaedic Conditions and Rehabilitation**

**NQF Credits: 12**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course includes risk stratification for ensuring safe participation in exercise rehabilitation. Musculoskeletal tissue properties and their reaction to a variety of different forces and rehabilitation modes. The course includes different orthopedic injuries with respect to etiology, pathology, diagnosis, and clinical management. The design of appropriate final phase rehabilitation programmes, and the role of pharmacological agents in orthopedic rehabilitation.

**Course Code: NRSE1002A****Course Description: Integrated General Nursing Sciences I****NQF Credits: 64****NQF Level: 6**

This course is based within a patient-centred model that takes account of patients' individual, group and community profiles. Nurses are prepared for their role to provide nursing care and advise patients according to evidence and their limited expertise. The course covers health care recipient concepts (human development through the lifespan, functional ability, family dynamics, culture, spirituality, adherence to treatment, self-management); health and illness concepts (thermoregulation, nutrition, elimination, sleep, mobility, tissue integrity) and professional nursing and health care concepts (communication, care giving, professional identity).

**Course Code: NRSE1006O****Course Description: Culture and Identity****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 5**

This course provides an overview of aspects of culture and identity applicable to both the students themselves and that of the patient to practice sensitively and understand one's viewpoints. The *course* underlines the importance of culture and identity in healthcare. The topics to be covered include self-concept, spirituality, culture and diversity, norms, family dynamics and cultural competence.

**Course Code: NRSE1007O****Course Description: Medical Sociology****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 5**

This course focuses on the social and structural factors which influence health, healing, and illness. It emphasises perspectives on the medicalisation of society, the influence of the social environment on health and illness and health and illness behaviour, the utilisation of complementary services, and the relationships between healthcare practitioners and their patients and the influence of health technology.

**Course Code: NRSE1008O****Course Description: Stratification and Differentiation in Healthcare****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 5**

This course focuses on the social and structural factors which influence health, healing, and illness. It emphasises perspectives on the medicalisation of society, the influence of the social environment on health and illness and health and illness behaviour, the utilisation of complementary services, and the relationships between healthcare practitioners and their patients and the influence of health technology.

**Course Code: NRSE1009O****Course Description: Healthcare Communication****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 5**

This course facilitates an understanding that the success of a healthcare system depends on communication and cooperation and that every member of that system needs to play a part in ensuring that all forms of communication he/she uses are collaborative and constructive. The *course* guides the student to use the principles of healthcare communication to work as a constructive member of the healthcare team and to use all forms of communication (written, verbal, online, social media, and mass media) to aid collaboration in meeting the goals of the healthcare system. In doing so it also guides the student to understand, recognise and respond to the social and political dynamics that influence communication and collaboration.

**Course Code: NRSE1010O****Course Description: Human Body Organisation****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 5**

This course explores the various levels of organisation in the body from the simplest to the most complex and to understand the functional relationships between each level needed for human health and survival.

**Course Code: NRSE1011O****Course Description: Human Body: Integration and Control Systems****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 5**

This course explores the integration and control of the body systems by the regulatory and coordinating activities responsible for maintaining homeostasis.

**Course Code: NRSE10120****Course Description: Human Body: Regulation and Maintenance****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 5**

This course focuses on the physiological mechanisms that play a part in regulating and maintaining a stable internal environment despite changes in the external environment. This knowledge will provide a background to later more in-depth courses relating to human body systems.

**Course Code: NRSE10130****Course Description: Human Survival and Development****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 5**

This course explores the physiological compensatory mechanism of the human body in an attempt to maintain homeostasis by referring to clotting mechanisms, immunity, inflammation, infection, tissue integrity and development.

**Course Code: NRSE10140****Course Description: Physical Health****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 5**

This course explores the patient's physical health. It addresses aspects of how sleep (fatigue) and pain influence the patient's physical health, including how pain may affect the patient's ability to move. It also focuses on the role of exercise and recreation in improving the patient's physical health and well-being. The importance of oral health on a patient's general well-being will also be explored.

**Course Code: NRSE10150****Course Description: Emotional Health****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 5**

This course enables the student to understand and manage their own emotions better. In addition, it provides them with skills to know when clients are experiencing emotional challenges and enables them to devise strategies that promote emotional health of individuals who are dealing with problems related to mood and cognition, and body image, as well as maladaptive coping behaviours and interpersonal violence.

**Course Code: NRSE10160****Course Description: Social Health****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 5**

This course enables students to understand the widening scope of mental health by, specifically focusing on social health which focuses more on how to actively manage, relate to oneself and others, regarding financial management, resilience and maladaptive behaviour such as substance abuse and its consequences. The students will be able to adapt in various contexts, understanding how perception and adaptation influence the daily activities of a professional health worker.

**Course Code: NRSE10170****Course Description: Environmental Health****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 5**

This course considers the management of the health of both health care providers and health care users within the healthcare environment. The broader environmental issues that affect both groupings, and all people, are covered in the first two topics namely sustainable development goals and climate change. The factors that impact physical access to healthcare services are covered as potential patients' interactions with the environment which influence their ability to seek and access care. The last part of the course concentrates on the impact of the working environment on health care providers to avoid problems and prevent and manage hazards and challenges in the workplace.

**Course Code: NRSE2001A****Course Description: Integrated General Nursing Sciences II****NQF Credits: 60****NQF Level: 6**

This course focuses on the promotion of health, prevention of disease and treatment of illness. These concepts are complex and represent a multitude of health-related conditions. It focuses on the commonalities of conditions rather than specific illnesses. It prepares the nursing student to recognise characteristics and notice alterations, and to implement appropriate nursing care. It covers health and illness concepts (fluid and electrolyte balance with chemistry, acid-base balance with chemistry, cellular regulation, intracranial regulation, glucose regulation, perfusion, gas exchange, clotting, immunity, inflammation, infection, sensory perception with physics, pain, fatigue) as well as professional nursing and health care concepts.

**Course Code: NRSE2005O**

**Course Description: Endocrine System**

**NQF Credits: 10**

**NQF Level: 6**

This course explores the regulation and action of hormones of the endocrine system and the response of this action to physiological and pathophysiological processes in an attempt to understand, manage and maintain homeostasis. It covers a revision of the physiology of the endocrine system, common disorders of the endocrine system, assessment and diagnosis of endocrine disorders, and collaborative management of patients with endocrine disorders.

**Course Code: NRSE2006O**

**Course Description: Nervous System**

**NQF Credits: 10**

**NQF Level: 6**

This course explores the nervous system as a major controlling, regulatory and communicating system in the human body as well as the body's physiological response to disease to understand, manage and maintain homeostasis/ various neurological disorders.

**Course Code: NRSE2007O**

**Course Description: Acid-Base Balance**

**NQF Credits: 10**

**NQF Level: 6**

This course explores the body's control of acid-base production and the response of this control to physiological changes and disease processes, in an attempt to manage and maintain normal pH ranges.

**Course Code: NRSE2008O**

**Course Description: Cellular Regulation**

**NQF Credits: 10**

**NQF Level: 6**

This course develops an applied understanding of cellular regulation. Cellular regulation as a broad concept refers to all functions carried out within a cell to maintain homeostasis. Topics include: the spectrum and processes of cellular regulation, the consequences of altered cellular regulation, and the application of this physiological process in healthcare. The scope of this concept focuses on the cellular growth and reproduction aspect, with normal cellular growth at one end of the spectrum, dysplasia as the following concept and malignant neoplasia at the opposite end.

**Course Code: NRSE2009O**

**Course Description: Microscopic Life**

**NQF Credits: 10**

**NQF Level: 6**

This course explores the human body as a multicellular, biochemical life form as well as the impact of disease and the environment on a microscopic level to understand physiological and pathophysiological processes, treatments and cures.

**Course Code: NRSE2010O**

**Course Description: Microbial Diversity and Human Interaction**

**NQF Credits: 10**

**NQF Level: 6**

This course explores the microscopic world as a contributor to human survival and environment, to appreciate the delicate balance between living systems.

**Course Code: NRSE20110****Course Description: Epidemiology of Infection****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 6**

This course expands the student's understanding of the interrelated systems that are affected and impact disease, as well as measures to manage health-related events.

**Course Code: NRSE20120****Course Description: Disease Outbreak Management****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 6**

This course explores the development of disease outbreaks, management, and containment of outbreaks to prevent further spread and eventual eradication of the outbreak.

**Course Code: NRSE20130****Course Description: Pharmacodynamics****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 6**

This course aids the understanding of the mechanisms of drug reaction and the relationship between dose and response or the drug's effect on the body. It focuses on factors that need to be considered when prescribing medication and why adverse reactions sometimes occur.

**Course Code: NRSE20140****Course Description: Pharmacokinetics****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 6**

This course deals with the movement of drugs from ingestion by a person, through and out of the body. These processes reflect the time of absorption, bioavailability, distribution, metabolism, and excretion. Pharmacokinetics depends on patient-related factors as well as the chemical properties of the drug.

**Course Code: NRSE20150****Course Description: Medication Management****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 6**

This course reviews the role of the professional nurse in the cycle of medicine management in clinical practice within the legislative framework. It comprises the functions of ordering, transcribing and storage of medication in a clinical unit as well as preparing, dispensing and administration of medication to the patient. Documenting all these functions is the final task of the professional nurse with an ongoing responsibility to monitor the response of the patient to the treatment administered.

**Course Code: NRSE20160****Course Description: Medication Safety****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 6**

This course considers the role of the nurse in shared decision making, case management, coordination, supervision and provision of comprehensive patient care as a member of the interprofessional healthcare team, bearing in mind that nurses play a primary role as a patient's advocate in the safety of all phases of the medication management process during patient care.

**Course Code: NRSE3003A****Course Description: Integrated General Nursing Sciences III****NQF Credits: 48****NQF Level: 7**

This course focuses on the promotion of health, prevention of disease and treatment of illness. These concepts are complex and represent a multitude of health-related conditions. It focuses on the commonalities of conditions rather than specific illnesses. It prepares the nursing student to recognise characteristics and notice alterations, to implement appropriate nursing care. It covers health and illness concepts (stress, coping, mood and effect, anxiety, cognition, psychosis, addiction, interpersonal violence) and professional nursing and health care concepts (safety, care coordination, palliative care, health disparities).



**Course Code: NRSE3004A****Course Description: Midwifery I****NQF Credits: 60****NQF Level: 7**

This course focuses on the theory behind concepts related to women's health before, during and after pregnancy. Topics include: normal pregnancy and birth (sexuality, reproduction, hormonal regulation, conception, foetal development, physiological changes in pregnancy, antenatal care, stages and processes of labour, care in labour, physiological changes in the newborn, physiological and psychological changes in the puerperium, assessment of the postnatal woman, adaptation to parenthood and infant feeding).

**Course Code: NRSE3008O****Course Description: Healthcare Systems****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 7**

This course assists the student to understand that all processes within health care organisations are interdependent and that the role of each health worker is important in the system. Systems thinking provides methods for "seeing the whole" and a framework for seeing interrelationships rather than objects or individuals. The course begins by addressing the principles of systems thinking and the components of a generic system before applying this knowledge to a healthcare organisation. After examining the challenges and opportunities when attempting to apply systems thinking within a healthcare organisation, the course presents two case studies related to a hospital as a system, and one related to the district as a health care system to enable the student to apply and consolidate his/her learning to real-life situations.

**Course Code: NRSE3009O****Course Description: Governance in Healthcare****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 7**

This course introduces the important role that governance plays in both the public and the private health sector on a global and national level. The course covers international and national healthcare governance; governance and the law; stewardship in health care organisations; technology and informatics in health; leadership styles, characteristics and attributes and clinical and executive leadership.

**Course Code: NRSE3010O****Course Description: Healthcare Economics****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 7**

This course introduces basic concepts and practical issues faced by decision-makers at all levels in the health system in allocating scarce resources so that the choices they make maximise health benefits to the population. This course has six main topics comprising: (1) economics in the healthcare context; (2) demand and supply; (3) burden of disease; (4) disparities in health; (5) population health management and (6) national health insurance.

**Course Code: NRSE3011O****Course Description: Coordinating Community Care****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 7**

This course focuses on community care as an essential component of the health system which supports patient flow to and from hospitals. Community care provides a consumer-centred approach to care based on an assessment of needs with comprehensive planning and shared decision making to address specific needs of individuals and groups. Each case is managed on its merit by a team consisting of a variety of professionals and care workers with diverse competencies who take responsibility for providing care and advocacy.

**Course Code: NRSE3012O****Course Description: Quality Management in Healthcare****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 7**

This course enables the student to use the theory of quality management to improve the quality of care in healthcare units and to understand that, while quality improvement is a team effort, every member of the team plays an important part. The first part of the course covers the theory of quality management including the principles and components of quality management, and the second part of the course encourages the student to apply these principles. They need to be able to measure, manage and improve quality in healthcare and conduct a clinical audit, which utilises all the former skills to improve the clinical care of a selected aspect of patient care.

**Course Code: NRSE30130**

**Course Description: Healthcare Law and Policy**

**NQF Credits: 10**

**NQF Level: 7**

This course deals with health care law as set out by the central and provincial government as well as policies that are developed at various levels of health care. The course provides insights into the agendas that underpin laws and policies and an understanding of how law and policy guide us in the right direction.

**Course Code: NRSE30140**

**Course Description: Customer Care in the Health Services**

**NQF Credits: 10**

**NQF Level: 7**

This course focuses on both patients and staff members as customers within a healthcare organisation with needs that should be met to ensure the organisation functions efficiently and effectively. Once the student is familiar with the concepts of customers and customer service and the characteristics of customer service in the context of health care, they will learn how to measure customer satisfaction and consider the ethics of care. In the second part of the course, they will be assisted to meet the needs of both internal and external customers about health promotion and wellness.

**Course Code: NRSE30150**

**Course Description: Patient Safety**

**NQF Credits: 10**

**NQF Level: 7**

This course introduces the student to patient safety and the importance of safety in health care. It focuses on how to improve patient safety in the clinical setting, thereby preventing or minimising incidences of adverse events. In an event where the adverse event cannot be prevented, the focus is on how to manage them well to reduce the negative impact on health outcomes.

**Course Code: NRSE30160**

**Course Description: Clinical Judgement**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 7**

This course encourages the student to integrate the knowledge gained in the previous course/s related to clinical nursing. It provides an opportunity for in-depth exploration of clinical decision making to improve patient outcomes.

**Course Code: NRSE30170**

**Course Description: Evidence-Based Practice**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 7**

This course encourages the student to integrate the knowledge gained in the previous courses related to the practice of nursing. It provides an opportunity for in-depth exploration of issues relating to the use of evidence in improving patient outcomes.

**Course Code: NRSE30180**

**Course Description: Professional Practice and Development**

**NQF Credits: 10**

**NQF Level: 7**

This course encourages the student to integrate the knowledge gained in the previous course/s related to the art of nursing. It provides an opportunity for in-depth exploration of issues affecting the profession and professionals in health services.

**Course Code: NRSE4003A****Course Description: Integrated General Nursing Sciences IV****NQF Credits: 60****NQF Level: 8**

This course covers professional nursing and health care concepts. Topics include: clinical judgement, leadership, ethics, patient education, health promotion, collaboration, technology and informatics, evidence, health care quality, health care organisations, health care economics, health policy, health care law, research methodology and research report.

**Course Code: NRSE4004A****Course Description: Midwifery II****NQF Credits: 60****NQF Level: 8**

This course provides the theoretical foundations to providing care to women with high risk pregnancies and births. Topics include: high risk pregnancy and birth (emergency management, reduction of infant mortality, risk management in midwifery, high risk pregnancy, labour, puerperium, compromised infant and family) and professional nursing and health care concepts (safe motherhood, advocacy and empowerment, gender and reproductive rights, policy and access to health care).

**Course Code: NRSE5020A****Course Description: Scholarship and Fundamentals of Critical Care Nursing****NQF Credits: 52****NQF Level: 8**

This course covers the teaching, research, and practice of critical care nursing. It consists of two components. The first component covers the introduction to specialist nursing, clinical leadership, evidence-based practice, collaboration, and professional practice development. The second component includes topics fundamental to Critical Care Adult Nursing and the unique circumstances of trauma and emergency situations. The second component includes holistic critical care nursing practice, the role of the nurse in monitoring and technology, the role of the nurse in an interdisciplinary team, advocacy for family, comprehensive assessment, principles of applied technology and nursing care, sensitivity and specificity of diagnostic tests, specific disorders, and comprehensive rehabilitation.

**Course Code: NRSE5021A****Course Description: Specialist Practice of Critical Care Nursing****NQF Credits: 68****NQF Level: 8**

This course covers cardiovascular system and cardiac surgery, respiratory system and specific pulmonary conditions, neurological system and neurological surgery, gastrointestinal, renal and endocrine system, and multi-system stressors and specific conditions. Each topic is further divided to cover aspects of care including comprehensive assessment, principles of applied technology and nursing care, sensitivity and specificity of diagnostic tests, specific disorders and comprehensive rehabilitation.

**Course Code: NRSE5022A****Course Description: Scholarship Practice of Emergency Nursing****NQF Credits: 57****NQF Level: 8**

This course covers the teaching, research, and practice of nursing. It consists of two components. The first component focuses on nursing and covers the introduction to specialist nursing, clinical leadership, evidence-based practice, collaboration and professional practice. The second component focuses on emergency nursing, principles and theory of emergency nursing, and the role of the emergency nurse within the emergency care system. The second component includes primary assessment, resuscitation, secondary assessment, the nursing process, triage, transport, personal protective equipment and principles of safety, as well as multidisciplinary team and emergency nursing as part of the emergency care system.

**Course Code: NRSE5023A****Course Description: Specialist Practice of Emergency Nursing****NQF Credits: 63****NQF Level: 8**

This course consists of two components, namely, Clinical Elements of Emergency Nursing and Unique Circumstances of Emergency Nursing. The first component is divided into topics covering the introduction to principles of international trauma life support, basic and advanced life support, emergency nursing management of the sentinel conditions (respiratory distress, shock, altered mental status, dangerous fever, severe pain, trauma). The second component is divided into topics covering special populations, disaster preparedness and management, forensics in emergency nursing, leadership and the role of the emergency nurse in various settings, ethico-legal issues in emergency nursing, palliative and end of life care in the emergency setting.

**Course Code: NRSE5024A**

**Course Description: Scholarship Practice of Infection Prevention and Control Nursing**

**NQF Credits: 48**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course covers the foundations for the development of professional infection prevention and control nurses. Through work-based integrated learning activities, students develop skills to manage complex healthcare settings within international and national legal and ethical infection and prevention control frameworks. This course provides students with a foundation to develop life-long learning strategies in infection prevention and control nursing.

**Course Code: NRSE5025A**

**Course Description: Specialist Practice of Infection Prevention and Control Nursing**

**NQF Credits: 72**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course covers student knowledge and skills development as professional infection prevention and control nurses. Students, working within a variety of healthcare settings, apply these skills to assess complex infection prevention and control scenarios and propose interventions to improve health outcomes.

**Course Code: NRSE5026A**

**Course Description: Scholarship and Fundamentals of Nursing Education**

**NQF Credits: 60**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course covers the advancement of the teaching, research and practice of nursing. It consists of the following two components. The first component covers (1) introduction to specialist nursing (2) clinical leadership (3) evidence-based practice, (4) collaboration and (5) professional practice. The second component covers the fundamentals of nursing education including the broad principles and theory of nursing education and the role of the nursing educator within the higher education system. Key concepts of this course include learning theories, teaching strategies, evidence-based practice, educational psychology, professional practice, nature influence and models of curricula.

**Course Code: NRSE5027A**

**Course Description: Specialist Practice of Nursing Education**

**NQF Credits: 60**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course provides students with advanced knowledge and skills essential for a nurse educator. The course covers theories and practices related to assessment, evaluation, quality assurance, governance, and resource allocation, and strategies for facilitating student learning. Students develop the expertise required to design high-quality learning experiences and assessment activities, as well as to effectively manage nursing education programmes.

**Course Code: NRSE7000A**

**Course Description: Basic Sciences Related to Advanced Nursing Studies**

**NQF Credits: 30**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course is designed to equip the candidate with advanced knowledge of the science required for specialist nursing practice. The course consists of four (4) core modules which cover basic sciences such as anatomy, physiology, pharmacology, advanced assessment, monitoring and diagnostic skills. Teaching and learning takes place through interactive lectures, group discussions and skills workshops which are supported by the e-learning platform. Emphasis is on the application of the content across different patient populations in preparation for specific advanced in the second year of study.

**Course Code: NRSE7004A****Course Description: Advanced Psychiatric Nursing Science****NQF Credits: 30****NQF Level: 9**

The course focuses on the study and implementation of psychosocial and mental health/psychiatric nursing methods and skills. It is designed to develop the candidate professionally and personally in order to render mental health care at an advanced level. On completion, the candidate should be able to supervise, teach and manage mental health care in relation to individuals, families, groups and communities.

**Course Code: NRSE7011A****Course Description: Intensive Care Nursing Science****NQF Credits: 30****NQF Level: 9**

This course provides the candidate with the knowledge and skills to care for the critically ill patient and their families in the intensive care units. The course includes: specific pathophysiology, assessment, diagnostic and treatment procedures; a systems approach to serious injury and disease; specific pharmacotherapy, advanced life support, advanced nursing care and psycho-social care.

**Course Code: NRSE7012A****Course Description: Child Nursing Science****NQF Credits: 30****NQF Level: 9**

This course involves the study of child health, factors influencing the health and development of children and health service delivery to children. Emphasis is placed on the holistic view of the child within the context of family, community and society. The course content includes neonatology, medical conditions of the various systems, childhood infections and paediatric surgical conditions. Psychosocial, cultural, nutritional, pharmacological and legal aspects in child care will be integrated throughout.

**Course Code: NRSE7013A****Course Description: Occupational Health Nursing Science****NQF Credits: 30****NQF Level: 9**

This course is designed to equip the candidate with skills and knowledge to plan, implement and evaluate comprehensive occupational health nursing practice within an ethical, legal and client centred approach. The course emphasises the role and activities of the nurse on all levels of prevention of work related and chronic diseases. Content includes occupational legislation, safety hygiene, diseases, toxicology and ergonomics. It also includes the influence of socio-political, economic and technical developments; hazard infection and risk assessment and management; health assessment, health surveillance, biological monitoring, the management of an occupational health service, primary, emergency care and disaster management and health promotion. In addition the course includes competency in short courses in vision, audiometric and spirometry screening. The course consists of theoretical and work integrated learning components.

**Course Code: NRSE7015A****Course Description: Advanced Nursing Education****NQF Credits: 30****NQF Level: 9**

The course is designed to equip the candidate who would be professional nurses pursuing a career in the formal education of undergraduate and post graduate nursing students. The course involves study of the Higher Education System, dynamics of nursing education, curriculum development, cooperative learning approaches, educational delivery systems and comparative nursing education.

**Course Code: NRSE7018A****Course Description: Trauma and Emergency Nursing Science****NQF Credits: 30****NQF Level: 9**

The course is designed to prepare candidates for advanced trauma and emergency care practice. The course content includes: assessment and management of pre-hospital trauma and medical emergencies which include disaster management, fire and water rescue and aeromedical evacuation; primary prevention of trauma; hospital-based trauma practice; pathophysiology, assessment, diagnosis, treatment of traumatic injuries and nursing care of critically injured patients; ethical-legal issues in trauma care.

**Course Code: NRSE7021A****Course Description: Nephrology Nursing Science****NQF Credits: 30****NQF Level: 9**

The course is designed to prepare the candidate for specialist practice in renal care in adults and children. The course includes the content of and skills training in renal disease assessment, diagnosis and management, infection control, dialysis, renal transplantation and alternative forms of renal replacement therapy. Nutritional, pharmacological, psychosocial and ethical-legal aspects will be integrated throughout the programme.

**Course Code: NRSE7022A****Course Description: Oncology and Palliative Nursing Science****NQF Credits: 30****NQF Level: 9**

This course prepares candidates for the advanced practice and holistic care of patients with cancer and their families. It emphasises the role of the nurse in the prevention and early detection of cancer, in support and rehabilitation as well as in palliative care and death. The course includes the consideration of major malignancies of all tissues, organs and systems, its pathophysiology, clinical manifestations, diagnosis and treatment modalities, specific nursing care and monitoring, communication and clinical skills in cancer treatment and palliation.

**Course Code: NRSE7025A****Course Description: Professional Nursing Dynamics II****NQF Credits: 30****NQF Level: 9**

This course is designed to assist candidates to understand and apply evidence in their daily working lives and builds on Professional Nursing Dynamics I, preparing candidates to advance the practice of nursing. This will occur through gaining improved insight into the professional, practical, legal and ethical issues affecting the profession. Research concepts including methodology of quantitative, qualitative and mixed methods research and academic writing skills are covered to enable candidates to explore problems inherent in practice areas of Sub-Saharan Africa to bring about improvement in health care services.

**Course Code: OCCT1000A****Course Description: Fundamentals of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy I****NQF Credits: 36****NQF Level: 5**

This course introduces the student to the fundamentals of Occupational Therapy and the Science of Occupation. As part of the introduction to the Science of Occupation the course explores human occupation and its implication for health and wellness; factors influencing human occupation, occupational milestones, activities health, activities carried out in eight categories of occupations as well as the factors influencing dysfunction. The course guides students to understand the therapeutic value of occupations and how to analyse occupations and activities. Lastly it introduces the students to the health system within South Africa, research methodology and ergonomics. The introduction to Occupational Therapy explores the philosophy, scope, process and practice of occupational therapy; roles of the occupational therapist and the development of the profession over time. The course also exposes students to models used within occupational therapy as well as assessment tools and modalities used to assess occupational performance and to identify occupational dysfunction.

**Course Code: OCCT2000A****Course Description: Fundamentals of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy II****NQF Credits: 48****NQF Level: 6**

This course further develops the students' knowledge of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy (OT). Within Occupational Science the students are introduced to the concepts of human movement, the Vondt Model of Creative Ability, activity and activity analysis as well as disability and community appraisal. Students are introduced to basic concepts within research and develop data gathering and analysis skills by engaging in a small project. The community-based clinical work consists of shadowing a person with a disability for 15 hours to gain insight into facilitators and barriers impacting on the occupational performance and quality of life of people with disabilities.

The Occupational Therapy section of the course introduces the students to assessment of occupational performance, the performance context, and components of performance. Models and theories of practice, OT process in different fields of practice, clinical reasoning, reflective practice and ethical principles; client handling; counselling; wheelchair mobility, transfers, seating are also explored in depth. The clinical fieldwork for this section consist of six visits to hospitals and community-based institutions to practice the above-mentioned skills.

**Course Code: OCCT3000A**

**Course Description: Occupational Therapy II Applied to Physical Conditions**

**NQF Credits: 30**

**NQF Level: 7**

This course focuses on the study of the effect of physical pathology on client factors, performance skills, occupational performance and participation. It further introduces the students to occupational therapy assessment and intervention techniques for physical conditions. Clinical fieldwork for this course consist of a five-week placement at a hospital or community-based institution and focuses on developing assessment and intervention skills within the physical (musculoskeletal and neurological) field of practice.

**Course Code: OCCT3001A**

**Course Description: Occupational Therapy II Applied to Psychiatric Conditions**

**NQF Credits: 30**

**NQF Level: 7**

This course focuses on the study of the effect of psychiatric pathology on client factors, performance skill, occupational performance and participation. It further introduces the students to occupational therapy assessment and intervention techniques for mental health care users. Within the course students are also introduced to occupational therapy interventions and the use of therapeutic skills and techniques including application group work in the intervention for clients with psychiatric conditions. Clinical fieldwork consists of a five-week placement at a hospital or community-based institution and focuses on developing assessment and intervention skills within the psychiatric field of practice.

**Course Code: OCCT3002A**

**Course Description: Medicine and Surgery for Occupational Therapy**

**NQF Credits: 12**

**NQF Level: 7**

This course focuses on the South African burden of disease profile and is divided into several parts including: Anatomical pathology, Radiology, Cardiothoracic, Surgery, Internal Medicine, Orthopaedics and Neurology, Pathology, Obstetrics and Gynaecology and Paediatrics. Each part comprises of aetiology, signs & symptoms of selected conditions in the above-mentioned areas. The objective of the course is for the students to identify and describe assessment, management, major treatment methods, side effects, handling, precautions as well as consider the prognosis of the selected condition.

**Course Code: OCCT3003A**

**Course Description: Science of Occupation II**

**NQF Credits: 24**

**NQF Level: 7**

The course comprises of three units. The first unit: Occupational Performance, explores the concepts of vocational orientation, vocational rehabilitation and leisure. Unit 2: Occupational Health and Dysfunction focuses on factors influencing occupational performance and dysfunction, including: all client factors and performance skills that support and enable human occupation and client factor and performance skill deficits that create occupational dysfunction. Applied analyses skills are also developed. Lastly Unit 3: Management Programmes and Research, includes groups and group processes, Public Health principles and provision of OT services on the primary/ community platform including community development, health promotion, primary prevention and disability advocacy. Additionally, students are expected to complete a research protocol for a project. A 2-day clinical fieldwork focuses on the development of community assessment/ appraisal skills.

**Course Code: OCCT4000A**

**Course Description: Science of Occupation III**

**NQF Credits: 30**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course comprises of 3 sections. Firstly, Public Health which consist of a 7-week rural and a 7-week urban community fieldwork block. The fieldwork aims to explore the roles of occupational therapists within community-based rehabilitation, primary health care, primary level of care, school-based settings and district level settings. It focuses on all aspects of occupational performance and the promotion and prevention of occupational dysfunction to promote health and wellness in individuals, groups and communities. Section 2: Management, Programmes and Research; aims to develop the knowledge and skills of students in management, ethics, research and Evidence-based Practice (EBP). Section 3: Vocational rehabilitation aims to develop vocational assessment and intervention skills.

**Course Code: OCCT4001A**

**Course Description: Occupational Therapy as Applied to Psychiatric Conditions**

**NQF Credits: 36**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course focuses on the theoretical and clinical instruction in the occupational therapy management of mental health care users of all ages, with a variety of different mental disorders including learning disabilities in both community and hospital settings. Within this course, advanced group work skills, counselling skills and management of compassion fatigue/ burnout are developed. A significant part of this course is practice in clinical settings. Clinical fieldwork for this course consist of a 7-week fieldwork placement in an institution or community setting. The clinical fieldwork aims to consolidate assessment skills, further develop intervention skills, clinical reasoning skills, reflective practice, case and self-management skills.

**Course Code: OCCT4002A**

**Course Description: Occupational Therapy as Applied to Physical Conditions**

**NQF Credits: 36**

**NQF Level: 8**

The focus of this course includes theoretical and clinical instruction in the occupational therapy management of clients of all ages with physical diseases and disorders in a variety of clinical settings. A significant part of this course is practice in a variety of clinical settings. Clinical fieldwork for this course consist of a 7-week fieldwork placement in an institution or community-based setting. The clinical fieldwork aims to consolidate assessment skills, further develop intervention skills, clinical reasoning skills, reflective practice, case and self-management skills.

**Course Code: OCCT5010A**

**Course Description: Occupational Therapy Treatment of Neurological Disorders**

**NQF Credits: 50**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course consists of the advanced occupational therapy assessment and interventions for paediatric and adult clients with neurological deficits/ disorders including: human development and systems theory; occupational science; models of neurosciences; client factors and performance skills in the neurological system that impact on occupational performance and occupational performance dysfunctions; frames of reference and theories that support occupational therapy practice in this neurological field; use of evidence in practice; paediatric and adult occupational therapy assessment and intervention.

**Course Code: OCCT5011A**

**Course Description: Occupational Therapy Treatment of Perceptual Disorders**

**NQF Credits: 50**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course consists of the advanced occupational therapy assessment and interventions for paediatric clients with perceptual deficits/disorders including: human development and systems theory; occupational science; models of practice applied to clients with perceptual problems; client factors and performance skills in the perceptual and cognitive system that impact on occupational performance and occupational performance dysfunctions; frames of reference and theories that support occupational therapy practice in the perceptual field of practice; use of evidence in practice; paediatric and adult occupational therapy assessment and intervention.

**Course Code: OCCT5012A**

**Course Description: Occupational Therapy Treatment of Psychiatric Disorders**

**NQF Credits: 50**

**NQF Level: 8**



This course consists of the advanced occupational therapy assessment and interventions for adult mental health care users with a variety of mental health disorders and includes: human development and systems theory; occupational science; models of occupational therapy; client factors and performance skills that impact on occupational performance and occupational performance dysfunctions of MHCUs; frames of reference and theories that support occupational therapy practice in the field of psychiatry; use of evidence in practice; adult occupational therapy assessment and intervention; advanced group work and occupational therapy counselling.

**Course Code: OCCT7029A**

**Course Description: Research Methodology**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course is designed especially for students of Therapeutic Sciences and aims to assist students with designing their research project for degree purposes as well as to help them with developing a research proposal. It introduces students to quantitative and qualitative research methods and data analysis. Criteria for passing this course include the completion and approval of the protocol and obtaining ethical clearance for the project by the end of the year.

**Course Code: OCCT7030A**

**Course Description: Occupational Therapy Treatment of Neurological Disorders**

**NQF Credits: 30**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course consists of the advanced occupational therapy assessment and interventions for paediatric and adult clients with neurological deficits/ disorders including: human development and systems theory; occupational science; models of neurosciences; client factors and performance skills in the neurological system that impact on occupational performance and occupational performance dysfunctions; frames of reference and theories that support occupational therapy practice in this neurological field; use of evidence in practice; paediatric and adult occupational therapy assessment and intervention.

**Course Code: OCCT7031A**

**Course Description: Occupational Therapy Treatment of Perceptual Disorders**

**NQF Credits: 30**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course consists of the advanced occupational therapy assessment and interventions for paediatric clients with perceptual deficits/disorders including: human development and systems theory; occupational science; models of practice applied to clients with perceptual problems; client factors and performance skills in the perceptual and cognitive system that impact on occupational performance and occupational performance dysfunctions; frames of reference and theories that support occupational therapy practice in the perceptual field of practice; use of evidence in practice; paediatric and adult occupational therapy assessment and intervention.

**Course Code: OCCT7033A**

**Course Description: Occupational Therapy Treatment of Psychiatric Disorders**

**NQF Credits: 30**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course consists of the advanced occupational therapy assessment and interventions for adult mental health care users with a variety of mental health disorders and includes: human development and systems theory; occupational science; models of occupational therapy; client factors and performance skills that impact on occupational performance and occupational performance dysfunctions of MHCUs; frames of reference and theories that support occupational therapy practice in the field of psychiatry; use of evidence in practice; adult occupational therapy assessment and intervention; advanced group work and occupational therapy counselling.

**Course Code: PACY1000A**

**Course Description: Pharmaceutical Practice**

**NQF Credits: 36**

**NQF Level: 5**

This course introduces key concepts and basic foundation principles of the pharmacy profession. It comprises two components. The theoretical component equips the student with background knowledge in the major disciplines of pharmacy including pharmacy practice, pharmaceuticals and pharmaceutical chemistry. Students are also taught important communication, critical and application skills that are further developed in later years. Furthermore, the course explores a historical perspective and the legislative aspects of pharmacy. The practical component consists of Work-Based Learning (which is documented and assessed), where students apply the theoretical concepts taught in a practical work environment.

**Course Code: PACY2000A****Course Description: Pharmaceutical Chemistry I****NQF Credits: 36****NQF Level: 6**

This course covers key concepts of pharmaceutical chemistry comprising pharmaceutical analysis, inorganic pharmaceuticals and physical chemistry. It teaches analytical chemistry to analyse pharmaceuticals as performed in pharmaceutical labs worldwide. It also provides the student with knowledge of physicochemical properties of drugs that enables the development of monographs. The aim is for students to develop the knowledge and practical skills to analyse pharmaceutical materials for quality control and regulatory aspects and learn basic inorganic and radiochemistry using pharmacy-relevant examples and case studies. Students will also participate in integrated practicals to analyse finished pharmaceutical products, compute and resolve pharmaceutical calculations and integrate pharmaceutical analysis as QC/QA data and analytical method development based on drug properties.

**Course Code: PACY2001A****Course Description: Pharmaceutics I****NQF Credits: 36****NQF Level: 6**

This course introduces the students to fundamentals of pharmaceutics and dosage form design. It also provides the knowledge base to be applied in subsequent pharmaceutics courses and professional practice. The course comprises of a theoretical component with a detailed overview of basic physical pharmaceutics and dosage forms, biopharmaceutical principles of drug delivery, solutions and properties of solutions, colligative properties, rheological principles, dissolution and solubility, disperse systems, suspensions and emulsions, solid state properties, particle size, and powder technology. The practical component of the course includes dispensing of elementary dosage forms, formulation and calculations; processes and materials used in pharmaceutical packaging and production as well as pharmaceutical plant design.

**Course Code: PACY2002A****Course Description: Pharmacy Practice I****NQF Credits: 18****NQF Level: 6**

This course consists of a selection of primary and secondary topics relating to the legislative and policy framework of the pharmacy profession. It comprises of a theoretical and practical component. The theoretical component consists of aspects of legal, policy and ethical guidelines that govern pharmacists, pharmacies and the pharmacy environment (primary component).

The course further applies the legal framework to a drug supply management; and patient care focus (secondary component). The practical component consists of Work-Based Learning (which is documented and assessed), where students apply the theoretical concepts taught in a practical work environment.

**Course Code: PACY3000A****Course Description: Pharmaceutical Chemistry II****NQF Credits: 18****NQF Level: 7**

This course develops knowledge as well as practical learning in pharmaceutical chemistry and the evaluation of pharmaceuticals from a Quality Control/Quality Assurance (QC/QA) and regulatory aspect. Students will gain knowledge in drug structure activity relationships, chemistry of the human genome as well as biomaterials chemistry. The practical component allows students to gain an understanding of synthesis, characterisation and application of chemistry concepts essential for pharmaceutical drug chemistry in terms of pharmaceutical evaluation of biomaterials, applying a Quality Management System (QMS) in QC/QA labs and resolving pharmaceutical calculation errors. Students will participate in integrated practical sessions that include pharmaceutical chemical synthesis, analysis of formulations and undertaking stability and drug kinetic evaluations.

**Course Code: PACY3002A****Course Description: Pharmacy Practice II****NQF Credits: 18****NQF Level: 7**

This course introduces the student to key concepts associated to pharmaceutical business and business management principles. The course consists of two components. The theoretical component equips the student with background knowledge in financial and pharmaceutical business management while emphasising the legislation governing pharmacy and its practice. The course also expands on important communication, critical and application skills introduced in previous years. The practical component consists of a 'PharmApprentice' program and Work-Based Learning (which is documented and assessed), where students apply the theoretical concepts taught in a practical work environment.

**Course Code: PACY3003A**

**Course Description: Pharmaceutics II**

**NQF Credits: 18**

**NQF Level: 7**

This course provides an understanding of drug delivery systems and how bio-actives are incorporated into them. It also teaches pharmaceutical characterisation techniques necessary to evaluate dosage forms and provides an opportunity to investigate challenges of current interest in pharmaceutics. The operation of key pharmaceutical manufacturing equipment is described together with pre-formulation principals, stability, quality by design, materials handling, in-process parameters, and basic unit operations in accordance with GMP/GLP/GDP requirements. Students will also learn concepts for designing specialised drug delivery systems and other novel drug delivery technologies. The practicals are integrated and focuses on the synthesis, formulation, evaluation and dispensing of basic and advanced dosage forms.

**Course Code: PACY3004A**

**Course Description: Clinical Pharmacy I**

**NQF Credits: 36**

**NQF Level: 7**

This course focuses on the student gaining an in depth understanding on the concept of treating diseases with medicines. It provides the student with knowledge of the definition; classification; epidemiology; aetiology; pathophysiology; for infectious diseases an understanding of microbiology; appropriate laboratory tests; clinical features and complications; differential diagnosis; non-pharmacological and pharmacological interventions; rational drug selection and patient counselling. Specific diagnostics and point of care testing demonstrations such as peak flow will be provided to the student. The topics that will be included are: Antimicrobials; cardiovascular system; family planning; gastrointestinal system; HIV/AIDS; hyperlipidaemia; laboratory tests; musculoskeletal system; neurology; parasitic diseases; respiratory system; rheumatology; sexually transmitted diseases and tuberculosis.

**Course Code: PACY4001A**

**Course Description: Pharmaceutics III**

**NQF Credits: 36**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course comprises, Biopharmaceutics and Pharmacokinetics, Aseptic Technology and Modern Drug Delivery Systems. Biopharmaceutics examines the interrelationship of the physicochemical properties of drugs, the drug product and the route of administration on systemic drug absorption. Pharmacokinetics covers the principles of ADME applied to drug variability, calculating patient doses and therapeutic drug monitoring. In Aseptic Technology applied microbiology (including vaccines and probiotics) as well as using aseptic techniques to produce sterile pharmaceuticals is taught. In Modern Drug Delivery Systems the role of biomaterials to develop targeted drug delivery systems with emphasis on oral, implantable and injectable systems as well as Biosimilars is covered. The practicals apply the theory of pharmaceutical microbiology to produce sterile products, sterilisation methods and microbial assays.

**Course Code: PACY4002A**

**Course Description: Pharmaceutical Chemistry III**

**NQF Credits: 18**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course is designed to enable and equip the student to recognise the structure of medicinal agents, to attain an understanding of how the structure of said agents relates to their biological activity, and to be cognisant of important drug biosynthetic and metabolic pathways. The course consists of History and Introduction to Medicinal Chemistry, Drug Discovery and Development & SAR's. This course will explore the medicinal chemistry of the following classes of drugs; Antibiotics, CNS Agents, Steroids, Non-Steroidal Anti-Inflammatory Agents, and Anti-retrovirals through critical examination of relevant case studies and literature.

**Course Code: PACY4003A****Course Description: Special Undergraduate Research Project****NQF Credits: 30****NQF Level: 8**

This course is research-based and seeks to create hands-on research opportunities for pharmacy students while encouraging a broad perspective on the current research in the pharmaceutical sciences worldwide. The course offers an introduction to research, regardless of intended career choice, and will expose students to research in a variety of pharmaceutical specialties. The projects are either laboratory based or qualitative, which could include a meta-analysis, or research questionnaire in the various disciplines of pharmacy. Students are expected to work closely with a project Supervisor/s to develop a research protocol, understand the research process and present the findings of their research project either as a podcast or other online format that is assessed by a panel of experts.

**Course Code: PACY4007A****Course Description: Pharmacy Practice III****NQF Credits: 36****NQF Level: 8**

This course introduces the student to key concepts associated to pharmacy business and business management principles. The course consists of two components. The theoretical component equips the student with background knowledge in financial and business management while emphasising the legislation governing pharmacy and its practice. The course also expands on important communication, critical and application skills introduced in previous years. The practical component consists of Work-Based Learning (which is documented and assessed), where students apply the theoretical concepts taught in a practical work environment.

**Course Code: PACY4008A****Course Description: Clinical Pharmacy II****NQF Credits: 18****NQF Level: 8**

This course focuses on the student gaining an understanding on the concept of treating diseases with medicines. It provides the knowledge of the definition; classification; epidemiology; aetiology; pathophysiology; for infectious diseases an understanding of microbiology; appropriate laboratory tests; clinical features and complications; differential diagnosis; non-pharmacological and pharmacological interventions; rational drug selection and patient counselling. The topics that will be included are: dermatology, urinary tract infections, renal system, psychiatry, ophthalmology, paediatrics and skin and soft tissue infections. Clinical skills which include point of care testing and diagnostics are taught through physical assessment tutorials. Another component is Work-Based Learning where students have practical exposure to clinical/pharmacy settings to apply the theoretical concepts taught.

**Course Code: PACY7004A****Course Description: Regulatory Affairs and Medicine Registration****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 9**

This course specialises in all aspects of Regulatory Sciences and on addressing the need for trained and skilled professionals working on the regulation of medicines. This course provides the required knowledge on current regulatory issues in the drug development and pharmaceutical industry in emerging markets and covers areas of ethics, writing and evaluating common technical documents, regulatory affairs, clinical trial management, health economics, regulatory sciences for generics, biosimilars, complimentary medicines and medical devices.

**Course Code: PACY7006A****Course Description: Medicines Control****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

This course covers all pertinent aspects of the control of medicines and includes aspects of compilation and updating of registration dossiers, registration of medicinal products, compilation of package inserts, advertising compliance, screening of data to ensure compliance with registration requirements and registration feasibility, assessing registrability of products, reviewing medicines for claim and labelling compliance, liaison with the Regulatory Authorities and regulatory compliance consultation.

**Course Code: PACY7007A****Course Description: Pharmaceutical Production****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

The Pharmaceutical Production course encompasses a series of lectures in which Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP) as utilised in the production of pharmaceutical products are covered. The role of the pharmacist in the Pharmaceutical Industry is included as a subject. Aspects such as the relationship between Quality Control, GMP and Quality Assurance are covered as well as Risk Control and the required processes and documentation required to achieve GMP. Legal aspects regarding the impact of Acts pertaining to the manufacture of Pharmaceuticals are included in the syllabus.

**Course Code: PACY7008A****Course Description: Management****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 9**

This course has been designed to meet the demands of practitioners already working in public and private sector health service organisations. The curriculum reflects a heightened concern in the country with how well services are being delivered. The emphasis on this course is on basic management theory and leadership concepts, organisational development) and institutional reform practices, as well as the implementation of quality assurance/management systems. The perspective this course takes is making those concepts work in a way that achieves customer/client focus throughout the organisation, and especially in its sub-operations.

**Course Code: PACY7011A****Course Description: Clinical Laboratory Tests and the Interpretation thereof****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 9**

This course focuses on the interpretation of clinical laboratory tests and results to assist with, or support, therapeutic assessments and decisions, regarding drug therapy. The course details aspects on interpreting lab tests in different patient cases and clinical conditions such as urea and electrolytes, full blood count, liver function tests, cerebrospinal fluid studies, urine tests, cholesterol screening tests, tests to monitor drug therapy and the understanding of acid-base balances and disorders.

**Course Code: PACY7012A****Course Description: Advanced Applied Pharmacokinetics****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 9**

This course focuses on using drug concentrations, pharmacokinetic principles and pharmacodynamic criteria to assess and optimise drug therapy of individual patients, i.e. reduce toxicity without compromising efficacy and increase efficacy without unacceptable toxicity. The basic concepts of pharmacokinetics are explained with a focus on anticonvulsants, identification of the need for TDM in these drugs, discussing relevant drug interactions, the effects of protein binding, interpreting lab TDM results, calculating and individualising dosing regimens and making recommendations for possible changes in drug therapy and follow up evaluations.

**Course Code: PACY7013A****Course Description: Infectious Diseases Pharmacotherapeutics****NQF Credits: 8****NQF Level: 9**

This course introduces Pathophysiology and the clinical presentation of common infectious diseases; chemistry, pharmacology, and toxicology of common anti-infective agents and the therapeutic management of patients with common infectious diseases.

**Course Code: PACY7014A****Course Description: Cardiovascular Pharmacotherapeutics****NQF Credits: 8****NQF Level: 9**

This course comprises of an overview on the cardiovascular system including the basic physiology of the heart and different cardiovascular conditions. The candidate will have a good grasp on aspects of hypertension, congestive heart failure, ischemic heart diseases, Myocardial Infarction (MI), arrhythmias, hyperlipidaemia and thromboembolic disease.

**Course Code: PACY7015A****Course Description: Respiratory Pharmacotherapeutics****NQF Credits: 8****NQF Level: 9**

This course covers the therapeutics of key respiratory disorders including the pharmaceutical sciences that underpin such drug therapies. It includes the epidemiology, pathophysiology and clinical features of pertinent respiratory disorders and focuses on pulmonary function, asthma, drug induced lung diseases as well as chronic obstructive lung disease.

**Course Code: PACY7016A****Course Description: Gastrointestinal Pharmacotherapeutics****NQF Credits: 8****NQF Level: 9**

This course introduces patient care concepts, patient assessment, pharmacokinetics, pharmacodynamics, therapeutics, and therapeutic drug monitoring for patients with gastrointestinal disorders, as well as assessment and provision of nutritional needs. The following areas are covered, Gastro Oesophageal Reflux (GER), peptic ulcer disease, inflammatory bowel disease, nausea and vomiting, diarrhoea and constipation, drug metabolism by the liver, alcoholic liver disease, drug-induced liver disease, drug interactions and pancreatitis (acute and chronic).

**Course Code: PACY7017A****Course Description: Endocrinology Pharmacotherapeutics****NQF Credits: 8****NQF Level: 9**

This course focuses on the epidemiology, aetiology, pathophysiology, signs, symptoms, and tests leading to the diagnosis of common disorders/diseases of the endocrine system. The areas of focus include choosing the appropriate and effective therapy for Diabetes Mellitus (DM), thyroid disorders and disorders of the adrenal gland. In addition, it also focuses on monitoring and counselling the patient on the use of the recommended therapies and the formulation of pharmaceutical care plans.

**Course Code: PACY7018A****Course Description: Psychopharmacotherapeutics****NQF Credits: 8****NQF Level: 9**

This course provides opportunities to apply concepts of advanced health assessment, diagnostic reasoning, advanced pharmacology and psychopharmacology for the assessment of psychiatric illness. The focus is on the areas of schizophrenic disorders, depression, bipolar disorders, anxiety, hyperactive child syndrome and obsessive compulsive disorders.

**Course Code: PACY7019A****Course Description: Renal Pharmacotherapeutics****NQF Credits: 8****NQF Level: 9**

This course provides a thorough analysis of the pharmacotherapy of the renal system including common disease states and the therapies used to treat them. Topics covered in this course include: acute and chronic renal failure, electrolyte imbalances, acid/base disorders, secondary parathyroidism, and renal transplant.

**Course Code: PACY7020A****Course Description: Oncologic Pharmacotherapeutics****NQF Credits: 8****NQF Level: 9**

This course provides an in-depth look at the pharmacist's role in the therapeutic management of cancer including palliative care and specialised dosage forms. The course adopts an integrated approach through the epidemiology, risk factors, clinical presentation, pathophysiology, clinical course, and therapeutic management of cancer, including a thorough understanding of the pharmacological basis of treatment and its relation to drug structure.

**Course Code: PACY7021A****Course Description: Clinical Trials****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 9**

This course provides an in-depth look at the pharmacist's role in the therapeutic management of cancer including palliative care and specialised dosage forms. The course adopts an integrated approach through the epidemiology, risk factors, clinical presentation, pathophysiology, clinical course, and therapeutic management of cancer, including a thorough understanding of the pharmacological basis of treatment and its relation to drug structure.

**Course Code: PACY7022A**

**Course Description: Research Methodology**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course focuses on research methods and covers a variety of aspects relevant to the planning, execution and reporting of research. The course emphasises biostatistics for selected important topics in biostatistical concepts and reasoning. It provides a survey of data and data types with specific topics for describing central tendency and variability in data, methods for performing inference on population means and proportions via sample data, statistical hypothesis testing and its application to group comparisons, issues of power and sample size in study designs and random sample and other study types.

**Course Code: PACY7028A**

**Course Description: Pharmacoeconomics**

**NQF Credits: 10**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course focuses on the economics of pharmacological products in healthcare systems. It covers key pharmacoeconomic analytical methods in specific situations, the planning and implementing of pharmacoeconomic research studies, compiling pharmacoeconomic reports and critically evaluating published pharmacoeconomic studies, identifying international trends, applying pharmacoeconomic principles and economic analysis to the evaluation of products with broad policy issues affecting the industry.

**Course Code: PHAR2000A**

**Course Description: Pharmacology for Dental Therapists**

**NQF Credits: 12**

**NQF Level: 6**

This course provides a comprehensive knowledge of the pathophysiology of the oral cavity and what current medical treatments are required to manage the patient. The students will obtain core basic and applied clinical pharmacological knowledge of drugs that Dental Therapists are permitted to prescribe and recognise potential drug interactions and contraindications.

**Course Code: PHAR3000A**

**Course Description: Pharmacology**

**NQF Credits: 24**

**NQF Level: 7**

This course covers the fundamental principles of pharmacology specifically aimed at nurses to enable a better understanding and knowledge of medicines and their effects in nursing practice. It includes key concepts: pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics; drugs in the management of cardiovascular disease; drugs in the management of pain and inflammation; antimicrobials and ARVs; dermatological agents; autonomic and central nervous system agents; respiratory pharmacology; endocrine and gastro-intestinal pharmacology; anaesthetic agents; toxicology; immunosuppression and cancer.

**Course Code: PHAR3001A**

**Course Description: Pharmacology I**

**NQF Credits: 24**

**NQF Level: 7**

This course covers the fundamental principles of pharmacology to provide the pharmacist with a strong foundation of the pharmacology of medicines dealt with in everyday practice. It includes key concepts of pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics such as drug absorption, distribution, biotransformation, receptor activity and dose-response relationships. It discusses the pharmacological properties of drugs used in the management of cardiovascular disease, pain and inflammation; as well as drugs that are effective in disorders of the autonomic and central nervous system, respiratory, endocrine and gastro-intestinal systems.

**Course Code: PHAR3002A**

**Course Description: Pharmacology**

**NQF Credits: 24**

**NQF Level: 7**

This course covers the fundamental principles of pharmacology with special emphasis on pain management and drugs useful in the practice of a physiotherapist. It includes key concepts of pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics; drugs that are effective in disorders of the autonomic and central nervous system, respiratory and endocrine systems. It covers the pharmacological properties of drugs used in the management of cardiovascular disease and includes a specific topic on drugs used in sport.

**Course Code: PHAR3004A**

**Course Description: Pharmacology III**

**NQF Credits: 72**

**NQF Level: 7**

This course for the Bachelor of Health Sciences students third year students provides an introduction into pharmacology with topics such as pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics that includes drug absorption, distribution, biotransformation, receptor activity and dose-response relationships. It discusses the pharmacological properties of drugs used in the management of cardiovascular disease, pain, inflammation and microbial infections, as well as drugs that are in effective in disorders of the autonomic and central nervous system, respiratory, endocrine and gastro-intestinal systems. Additionally, a special component to develop research skills including data collection, data analysis and writing and presentation skills is covered.

**Course Code: PHAR3005A**

**Course Description: Pharmacology**

**NQF Credits: 6**

**NQF Level: 7**

This course covers the fundamental principles of pharmacology of drugs used in dentistry or likely to be encountered in dental practice. It includes the basic pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamics, antimicrobials and drugs used in the management of pain and inflammation. It also covers drugs used in the cardiovascular, endocrine, gastrointestinal, autonomic and central nervous systems. Prescription writing and drug legislation are also included.

**Course Code: PHAR4003A**

**Course Description: Pharmacology II**

**NQF Credits: 12**

**NQF Level: 8**

The course is a continuation of pharmacology for pharmacists from the third year of study with the emphasis on the safe and efficacious use of medicines and knowledge of potential drug interactions. Toxicology and the management of poisoning and veterinary pharmacology are included in this course. The course also covers antimicrobials as well as cancer chemotherapy and prescribing in special groups. The final examination is an integrated exam consisting of content from both BPharm III (PHAR3001A) and BPharm IV (PHAR4003A). Additionally, a component dealing with the understanding of evidence-based-medicine and critical appraisal is covered including: pharmacovigilance; pharmacoepidemiology; understanding biostatistics; pharmacoeconomics; health outcomes & quality of life; complementary & alternative medicines.

**Course Code: PHAR4009A**

**Course Description: Pharmacology Health Sciences Honours Coursework**

**NQF Credits: 70**

**NQF Level: 8**

The Pharmacology course for Bachelor of Health Sciences Honours (Health Sciences track) is for those students who have previously studied undergraduate pharmacology and the coursework consists of lectures, modules and tutorials that will address the fundamental principles of pharmacology covering several systems. The core pharmacological principles learnt during the undergraduate years will be strengthened and expanded into various specific areas of Pharmacology through lectures, tutorials and modules.

**Course Code: PHAR4011A**

**Course Description: Pharmacology Biosciences Honours Coursework**

**NQF Credits: 70**

**NQF Level: 8**



The Pharmacology course for Bachelor of Health Sciences Honours (Biosciences track) is for those students who have not previously studied undergraduate pharmacology and consists of lectures and tutorials that will address the fundamental principles of pharmacology covering several systems. The students will be introduced to core pharmacological principles in pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamics, as well as in the following systems including: cardiovascular, respiratory, endocrine, reproductive, gastrointestinal, antimicrobials, autonomic and central nervous systems. In addition, specific modules will help the students develop a deeper understanding of select topics (toxicology, chemotherapy, pharmacokinetics), as well as develop their scientific and presentation skills.

**Course Code: PHST1000A**

**Course Description: Introduction to Physiotherapy**

**NQF Credits: 36**

**NQF Level: 5**

This course introduces students to key concepts related to physiotherapy practice using theory lectures, online and practical sessions. The content introduces interviewing, communication skills, research and professional behaviour. It also includes health education, HIV/AIDS (introduction to basics), group therapy and dynamics, soft tissue management (introduction to movement, thermo therapy, exercise therapy, soft tissue manipulation, bandaging, crutch walking, hydrotherapy and splinting). Neurology rehabilitation techniques (bed mobility and positioning, lifting and transfers, passive movements, wheel chair activities); respiratory assessment and management techniques (postural drainage, breathing exercises, chest clearance techniques and discussion on smoking effects on the human body) are covered. Participation in clinical sessions with a qualified physiotherapist, introduction to nursing skills and a project regarding disability issues is ensured.

**Course Code: PHST2000A**

**Course Description: Physiotherapy I**

**NQF Credits: 48**

**NQF Level: 6**

This course includes theory lectures and practical sessions in therapeutic assessment and treatment. It also includes interview skills, communication, subjective and objective assessment-palpation, kinesiology, biomechanics, range of movement, muscle testing, sensation testing with knowledge of surface anatomy. Holistic assessment is augmented by in-depth knowledge in neurological examination, balance and coordination; gait biomechanical analysis; assessment of normal development, respiratory assessment and disease specific assessments such as burns, HIV/AIDS and paediatric conditions all informed by the burden of disease. This course is designed to equip the student with analysis and treatment techniques in electrotherapy, analysis of movement, basic facilitation, strapping, biomechanics, orthopaedic manipulative therapy, proprioceptive neuromuscular facilitation, motor learning theory, soft tissue treatment, exercise therapy, public health concepts, normal paediatric development facilitation, gerontology and an introduction to research.

**Course Code: PHST2001A**

**Course Description: Management for Therapists**

**NQF Credits: 12**

**NQF Level: 6**

The course consists of 20 hours of formal teaching and 20 hours of self-study in which the student will be required to complete a project. This project will be externally examined and count as the final mark for the course. Topics include: principles of accounting and finance (basic terminology and concepts of finance, setting up and interpreting a balance sheet); stock control (asset management); principles of economics (an overview of business and the economy, demand and supply relationship, pricing strategies); principles of marketing (marketing a product, writing curriculum vitae, entrepreneurship, funding a business, taxation and legal compliance, designing business plans); business environments (role of government in managing resources, introduction to fiscal and monetary policy, managing conflict).

**Course Code: PHST2002A**

**Course Description: Physiotherapy for Graduates**

**NQF Credits: 84**

**NQF Level: 6**

This course introduces physiotherapy theory and basic therapeutic assessment and treatment skills as they apply to physiotherapy practice. Topics include: Interviewing skills, communication, subjective examination, objective examination, observation, palpation, sensation tests, muscle length, range of movement, muscle test, recording, and joint specific tests.

**Course Code: PHST3000A****Course Description: Physiotherapy II****NQF Credits: 24****NQF Level: 7**

The course includes theory principles and practical application in the fields of neuromusculoskeletal physiotherapy (orthopaedic manipulative therapy, sport and orthopaedics) as well as cardiopulmonary rehabilitation across the life span. The course is designed to integrate basic science, pathology, aetiology, management and treatment techniques in detail. Topics include: musculoskeletal therapy and conditions (assessment and treatment of peripheral joints and nerve injuries and integration into clinical practice. Musculoskeletal conditions include conditions of the upper and lower limbs among sports population (pathology, assessment, & treatment and exercise prescription) and chronic musculoskeletal conditions such as osteo-arthritis and pain syndromes); orthopaedics (introduces the student to traumatology, assessment and treatment of peripheral joint fractures and joint replacements) and cardiopulmonary rehabilitation (promotion of health and well-being through exercise therapy in chronic diseases; application of respiratory and exercise therapy for acute diseases, exacerbation of chronic diseases and those with surgery and trauma).

**Course Code: PHST3001A****Course Description: Rehabilitation I****NQF Credits: 24****NQF Level: 7**

The course includes theory and practical application in the fields of neurology, paediatrics and public health across the life span. The course is designed to integrate basic clinical sciences, pathology, aetiology principles approaches management and treatment techniques. Topics include: neurological rehabilitation - adult (acquired brain injuries such as cerebrovascular accidents and traumatic brain injuries); paediatrics (chronic childhood disability in a community/school setting. This includes a range of neurological conditions); public health and community physiotherapy (introduction to principles of broader health systems and community engagement with a focus in the urban setting as well as to principles of health promotion, application of rehabilitation theory, broader health systems, primary health care and community engagement with a focus in the urban setting).

**Course Code: PHST3002A****Course Description: Clinical Physiotherapy I****NQF Credits: 42****NQF Level: 7**

The course includes practical application and clinical experience in the fields of neurology, paediatrics, public health, neuromusculoskeletal therapy and cardiopulmonary rehabilitation.

**Course Code: PHST3003A****Course Description: General Medicine and Surgery****NQF Credits: 12****NQF Level: 7**

The course covers aspects of general medicine, surgery, gynaecology, orthopaedics, paediatrics, anatomical pathology, neurology and urology related to physiotherapy management. It comprises sections with the objective to introduce and explain key concepts, describe assessment, management, treatment and side effects, handling, precautions and the prognosis of the selected condition. Topics include: general pathology (cardiovascular-, pulmonary-, and endocrine system and central nervous system disorders); obstetrics gynaecology (pregnancy, stress urinary incontinence, hysterectomy and menopause); orthopaedics and neurology (basic concepts in orthopaedics; diseases of bone and joint, Stroke/ CVA; spinal cord injury; traumatic brain injury) and paediatrics (respiratory conditions; infant nutrition and growth; cerebral palsy; neurology; orthopaedics and HIV).

**Course Code: PHST3004A****Course Description: Research Methodology Part 1****NQF Credits: 18****NQF Level: 7**

This course introduces the student to research methodology: comprising problem identification, accessing data bases to foster the development of research questions, critical assessment of literature and evidence, formulation of aims, objectives, selection, sampling, sample size calculation, ethical considerations of research on human subjects, validity and reliability of measuring instruments, statistical considerations and sampling, proposal development, scientific writing and evaluation of the literature.

**Course Code: PHST4000A****Course Description: Physiotherapy III****NQF Credits: 18****NQF Level: 8**

The course includes theory and practical application in the fields of neuromusculoskeletal physiotherapy (orthopaedic manipulative therapy, sport and orthopaedics) as well as acute care (ICU). The course is designed to integrate basic science, pathology, aetiology, management and treatment techniques. Topics include: musculoskeletal therapy (assessment and treatment of vertebral joints and pathology (acute and chronic conditions). Assessment & rehabilitation approaches to musculoskeletal conditions among sports population are also included (screening, sports taping, return to sports protocols and exercise)); orthopaedics (assessment management and treatment of polytrauma, elective surgery including, amputations, spinal fractures and injuries assessment treatment and stabilisation techniques) and acute care (ICU) (application of respiratory and exercise therapy for those with acute (critical) illness in the intensive care unit setting; promotion of health and well-being through exercise therapy for survivors of critical illness).

**Course Code: PHST4001A****Course Description: Rehabilitation II****NQF Credits: 18****NQF Level: 8**

The course includes theory and practical application in the fields of neurology, paediatrics and public health. The course is designed to integrate basic clinical sciences, pathology, aetiology principles approaches management and treatment techniques. Topics include: neurological rehabilitation - adult (spinal cord injuries and degenerative neurological conditions); paediatrics (acute respiratory, orthopaedic, and neurological conditions as well as outpatient follow up of a wide variety of conditions) and public health and community physiotherapy (synthesis of principles of broader health systems with emphasis on the district health system with a focus in the rural setting).

**Course Code: PHST4002A****Course Description: Clinical Physiotherapy II****NQF Credits: 72****NQF Level: 8**

This course is designed to equip the student with real life experience through exposure to patients for the practice of assessment, management treatment and care across the life span and in different contexts (public and private - quaternary, tertiary, district hospitals, urban and rural clinics, schools, rehabilitation centres and community centres. The course includes practical application and clinical experience in the fields of neurology, paediatrics, public health, neuromusculoskeletal therapy and acute care (ICU).

**Course Code: PHST4004A****Course Description: Research Methodology Part II****NQF Credits: 18****NQF Level: 7**

This course prepares the student to conduct research: the course requires that the student prepares a complete and comprehensive research proposal and full literature review and present both in written format. The proposal is also required for assessment in poster format thus exposing the student to how to formulate a poster.

**Course Code: PHST5007A****Course Description: Introduction to Advanced Neuromusculoskeletal Physiotherapy****NQF Credits: 18****NQF Level: 8**

This course covers the integration of advanced knowledge of basic science and research evidence on neuromusculoskeletal physiotherapy, and therapeutic skills, into clinical practice. The course includes neuromusculoskeletal therapy, as well as current evidence on anatomical, pathological and biomechanical concepts. The course also covers how these concepts are integrated into the assessment and treatment of patients with neuromusculoskeletal conditions. The course further focuses on specific manual and rehabilitation skills to effectively assess and treat a patient with dysfunction of neural, soft tissue and joint structures.

**Course Code: PHST5008A****Course Description: Advanced Management of Upper Quadrant Sports-Related Injuries for Physiotherapists****NQF Credits: 18****NQF Level: 8**

This course covers the integration of advanced knowledge of basic science and research evidence on sport and exercise physiotherapy, and therapeutic skills, into clinical practice. The course includes research related to neuromusculoskeletal therapy, as well as current evidence on anatomical, pathological and biomechanical concepts and how these concepts are integrated into the assessment and treatment of patients with sports-related conditions. The course further focuses on specific manual and rehabilitation skills to effectively assess and treat a patient with dysfunction of neural, soft tissue and joint structures of the upper quadrant related to sports injury.

**Course Code: PHST5009A****Course Description: Return to Sports Performance: Principles, Protocols and Practice for Physiotherapists****NQF Credits: 18****NQF Level: 8**

This course covers the integration of advanced knowledge of basic science and research evidence on sport and exercise physiotherapy, and therapeutic skills, into clinical practice. The course includes research related to neuromusculoskeletal therapy, as well as current evidence on anatomical, pathological and biomechanical concepts and how these concepts are integrated into the assessment and treatment of patients with sports-related conditions. The course further focuses on specific manual and rehabilitation skills in return to sports performance principles and protocols for various sports conditions.

**Course Code: PHST5010A****Course Description: Management of Lower Quadrant Sports-Related Injuries for Physiotherapists****NQF Credits: 18****NQF Level: 8**

This course covers the integration of advanced knowledge of basic science and research evidence on sport and exercise physiotherapy, and therapeutic skills, into clinical practice. The course includes research related to neuromusculoskeletal therapy, as well as current evidence on anatomical, pathological and biomechanical concepts and how these concepts are integrated into the assessment and treatment of patients with sports-related conditions. The course further focuses on specific manual and rehabilitation skills to effectively assess and treat a patient with dysfunction of neural, soft tissue and joint structures of the lower quadrant related to sports injury.

**Course Code: PHST5011A****Course Description: General Sports Medicine Strategies for Physiotherapists****NQF Credits: 18****NQF Level: 8**

This course covers the integration of advanced knowledge of basic sciences and research evidence on port and exercise physiotherapy, and therapeutic skills, into clinical practice. The course includes research related to sports and exercise, as well as current evidence on anatomical, pathological and biomechanical concepts and how these concepts are integrated into the assessment and treatment of patients with neuromusculoskeletal conditions. The course further focuses on general sports medicine management strategies and integrating these into effective interprofessional management of sports-related injuries.

**Course Code: PHST5012A****Course Description: Advanced Neuromusculoskeletal Physiotherapy of the Lumbar Spine and Sacro-Iliac Joint****NQF Credits: 18****NQF Level: 8**

This course covers the integration of advanced knowledge of basic science and research evidence on neuromusculoskeletal physiotherapy, and therapeutic skills, into clinical practice. The course includes research related to neuromusculoskeletal therapy, as well as current evidence on anatomical, pathological and biomechanical concepts and how these concepts are integrated into the assessment and treatment of patients with neuromusculoskeletal conditions. The course further focuses on specific manual and rehabilitation skills to effectively assess and treat a patient with dysfunction of the lumbar and SIJ area.

**Course Code: PHST5013A****Course Description: Advanced Neuromusculoskeletal Physiotherapy of the Upper Quarter****NQF Credits: 18****NQF Level: 8**

This course covers the integration of advanced knowledge of basic science and research evidence on neuromusculoskeletal physiotherapy, and therapeutic skills, into clinical practice. The course includes neuromusculoskeletal therapy, as well as current evidence on anatomical, pathological and biomechanical concepts and how these concepts are integrated into the assessment and treatment of patients with neuromusculoskeletal conditions. The course further focuses on specific manual and rehabilitation skills to effectively assess and treat a patient with dysfunction of the cervical and upper thoracic area.

**Course Code: PHST5014A****Course Description: Advanced Neuromusculoskeletal Physiotherapy of the Shoulder and Thoracic Spine****NQF Credits: 18****NQF Level: 8**

This course covers the integration of advanced knowledge of basic science and research evidence on neuromusculoskeletal physiotherapy, and therapeutic skills, into clinical practice. The course includes research related to neuromusculoskeletal therapy, as well as current evidence on anatomical, pathological and biomechanical concepts and how these concepts are integrated into the assessment and treatment of patients with neuromusculoskeletal conditions. The course further focuses on specific manual and rehabilitation skills to effectively assess and treat a patient with dysfunction of the shoulder and thoracic area.

**Course Code: PHST5015A****Course Description: Advanced Neuromusculoskeletal Physiotherapy of the Hip and Knee****NQF Credits: 18****NQF Level: 8**

This course covers the integration of advanced knowledge of basic science and research evidence on neuromusculoskeletal physiotherapy, and therapeutic skills, into clinical practice. The course includes research related to neuromusculoskeletal therapy, as well as current evidence on anatomical, pathological and biomechanical concepts and how these concepts are integrated into the assessment and treatment of patients with neuromusculoskeletal conditions. The course further focuses on specific manual and rehabilitation skills to effectively assess and treat a patient with dysfunction of the hip and knee area.

**Course Code: PHST7000A****Course Description: Research Methodology****NQF Credits: 15****NQF Level: 9**

The purpose of this course is to enable the learner to critically evaluate the professional literature (the existing evidence base) and prepare an appropriate research proposal, ethics application and funding application. By the end of this course the learner will be able to: critically evaluate the professional literature; critically evaluate the scientific writing; carry out a literature search using the library and computer facilities; design a suitable research proposal ensuring appropriate scientific procedure; write up the research proposal in a format acceptable to the department/ school and faculty; complete an ethics application form and all appropriate information sheets, and consent forms showing an understanding of ethical procedure in research and complete a suitable funding application form.

**Course Code: PHST7008A****Course Description: Physiotherapeutic Musculoskeletal Pain Management****NQF Credits: 60****NQF Level: 9**

The course consists of the clinical application of pain neurophysiology, neuroanatomy and neuropathology. It also considers the clinical application of physiotherapy modalities towards acute, chronic and complex pain conditions using an appropriate biopsychosocial approach to clinical problem-solving. Topics such as the brain and pain, interdisciplinary pain management, pharmacotherapy, cognitive behavioural therapy techniques (pacing principles, relaxation techniques to facilitate anxiety reduction for example), pain education for patients, complex pain syndrome understanding and management, for example motor imagery techniques for complex regional pain syndrome are covered.

**Course Code: PHST7012A****Course Description: Community Physiotherapy****NQF Credits: 30****NQF Level: 9**

This course covers community issues, interactions with different levels of health workers, epidemiology, communication, management, cross-cultural issues and primary health care.

**Course Code: PHST7013A****Course Description: Neurology and Neurosurgery for Physiotherapists****NQF Credits: 30****NQF Level: 9**

This course covers neurological rehabilitation outcome measures; motor learning theories and neurodevelopmental theories including their clinical applications; aetiology, epidemiology, pathology, medical management, physiotherapy and interprofessional management of patients with stroke, traumatic brain injury, spinal cord injury, degenerative and demyelinating movement disorders, and neurological manifestations of HIV.

**Course Code: PHST7014A****Course Description: Neuromusculoskeletal Physiotherapy****NQF Credits: 30****NQF Level: 9**

This course covers the physiology of muscle control and exercise, pain mechanisms, applied biomechanics of the major joints, musculoskeletal conditions and their medical and therapeutic management.

**Course Code: PHST7015A****Course Description: Orthopaedic Surgery for Physiotherapists****NQF Credits: 30****NQF Level: 9**

This course consists of generalised and paediatric orthopaedics. Candidates will study acute orthopaedic management of various conditions - trauma, soft tissue injuries.

**Course Code: PHST7016A****Course Description: Paediatrics for Physiotherapy (General)****NQF Credits: 30****NQF Level: 9**

This course covers aspects of paediatric neurology, orthopaedics and respiratory conditions.

**Course Code: PHST7017A****Course Description: Paediatrics for Physiotherapy (Neurology)****NQF Credits: 30****NQF Level: 9**

This course covers aspects of childhood development and neurological problems.

**Course Code: STHS2000A****Course Description: Exercise Science II****NQF Credits: 48****NQF Level: 6**

This course covers the following areas of Exercise Science: Measurement and evaluation & Principles of conditioning; Human Growth and development; Recreation and therapeutic recreation; Biomechanics and Kinesiology. At the end of the course students should be able to: perform and interpret a variety of basic physical assessments related to exercise and physical functioning; develop a scientific annual training programme for athletes; demonstrate an understanding of various theoretical approaches to motor development; know and understand factors which influence motor skill development; design and coordinate physical activity and exercise programmes for persons with a physical impairment; understand and apply scientific principles of biomechanics; kinematics and kinetic characteristics of human movement during exercise and sport.

**Course Code: STHS3000A****Course Description: Exercise Science III****NQF Credits: 72****NQF Level: 7**

The course covers areas of Exercise Science, to provide knowledge and ability to apply the knowledge to practice in the following: Applied exercise physiology; Human motor behaviour; Sports related injuries; Psychological aspects of human movement. This content is in line with the learning assumed to be in place for the Honours in Biokinetics as per the Health Professional Council of South Africa and includes practical labs and clinical rotations at the Centre for Exercise Science and Sports Medicine as well as other private and community sites.

**Course Code: STHS4009A**

**Course Description: Strength and Conditioning Physiology**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course explores the biomechanics of, and adaptations and endocrine responses to resistance training. It further analyses the acute and chronic adaptations to aerobic and anaerobic training and explores functional training, its prescription and implementation as well as age and gender related differences to training adaptations and their implications will also be discussed.

**Course Code: STHS4010A**

**Course Description: Athlete Testing, Evaluation and Monitoring**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course explores techniques, tests and methodologies of athlete flexibility, strength, power, speed, agility, and aerobic testing. It investigates the physiological effects of training stress and measures of fitness and fatigue. It further considers current athlete monitoring tools and guidelines.

**Course Code: STHS4011A**

**Course Description: Strength and Conditioning Programme Design**

**NQF Credits: 20**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course explores programme design for warm-up, flexibility, resistance, speed, agility, plyometric and endurance training. It further analyses in-depth exercise techniques, training facility and organisation.

**Course Code: STHS4012A**

**Course Description: Periodisation Training for Sports**

**NQF Credits: 20**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course explores the principles of training periodisation. It provides an in-depth analysis of the phases of exercise training in an annual training plan. It further investigates the concepts of tapering and peaking.

**Course Code: STHS4013A**

**Course Description: Concepts and Applications of the Exercise Sciences**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 8**

This course introduces key concepts in the Exercise Sciences. It provides an in-depth analysis of bio-energetics and training including its application to sports and athletic conditioning. It further analyses the acute and chronic adaptations to aerobic and anaerobic training and explores key concepts with respect to psychology and nutrition for athletic preparation and performance.

**Course Code: STHS7000A**

**Course Description: Wellness, Health Promotion and Rehabilitation**

**NQF Credits: 10**

**NQF Level: 9**

The student will differentiate between different training programmes with regards to expected benefits, develop individualised training programmes, and list the expected physiological adaptations derived from such programmes. Corporate wellness principles and programme implementation, lifestyle evaluation, client goals and promotion of health with disease prevention strategies. Rehabilitation of low risk patients.

**Course Code: STHS7001A**

**Course Description: Cardiorespiratory Physiology and Exercise**

**NQF Credits: 10**

**NQF Level: 9**

Using applied anatomy and physiology, the course addresses acute and long-term central and peripheral cardiovascular adaptations to exercise and the response to acute and long-term adaptations to the respiratory system during exercise and training. It also addresses cardiorespiratory.

**Course Code: STHS7002A****Course Description: Exercise, Immunity and the Environment****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 9**

Using applied principles of anatomy and physiology, the course addresses exercise and the immune system: a paradoxical response. The effects of exercise and training on innate immunity and specific immune responses. The homeostasis of fluid and electrolyte balance during exercise, dehydration and overhydration will be discussed. Factors affecting gastrointestinal function during exercise, for example gastric emptying, will be covered. The course covers aspects of environmental factors related to exercise and training, which includes heat and cold, altitude, diving physiology and time zone travel.

**Course Code: STHS7003A****Course Description: Muscle Physiology and Metabolism****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 9**

This course addresses the structure and function of skeletal muscle, and its adaptation to the effects of exercise. The biochemistry of muscle physiology and the pertinent metabolic pathways as related to exercise. Structure and function of endocrine organs and the effects of exercise and training on the endocrine function and maintenance of homeostasis. The value of neuromuscular physiology and its implication for sport.

**Course Code: STHS7004A****Course Description: Nutrition, Healing and Rehabilitation****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 9**

Using applied principles related to pathophysiology and neuromuscular knowledge, the programme incorporates the following: nutritional principles for elite sports persons, justify nutritional issues as related to different populations, including selected diseased states, dietary supplementation for sports. Debate ergogenic effects of drugs in sports and effects on sports performance; healing processes relative to specific musculoskeletal structures. Rehabilitation principles related to recovery after injury. Principles of initial management of injuries and the goals of rehabilitation.

**Course Code: STHS7005A****Course Description: Research Methods****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 9**

The application of theoretical knowledge, which includes principles of research methods, preparing students for proposal writing and the interpretation and presentation of data, and concluding with writing a scientific research report.

**Course Code: STHS7007A****Course Description: Management of Upper Body Injuries****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 9**

To provide the student with a sound knowledge of the diagnosis and management of sports related musculoskeletal injuries, both acute and chronic, of the upper body (structures and limbs from the waist up) in order to understand and apply assessment skills and diagnostic criteria and intervention strategies for upper body injuries.

**Course Code: STHS7008A****Course Description: Management of Lower Body Injuries****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 9**

To provide the student with a sound knowledge of the diagnosis and management of sports related musculoskeletal injuries, both acute and chronic, of the lower body (structures and limbs from the waist down) in order to understand and apply assessment skills and diagnostic criteria and intervention strategies for lower body injuries. The course syllabus will consist of mechanism of injury, acute and chronic, approach and diagnostic techniques, and management strategies for the following regions: lumbar spine, hip, thigh & groin, knee, lower leg, ankle and foot.



**Course Code: STHS7009A****Course Description: Clinical Practice****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 9**

To provide the student with the skills to apply the theoretical knowledge and principles of diagnosis, treatment and management of chronic disease states using exercise prescription; and the rehabilitation of sports injuries and the follow-up thereof. The application of the theoretical knowledge derived in the academic programme, which includes principles of exercise prescription, lifestyle change, lifestyle management, aetiology and pathology of disease states, health and fitness evaluation, as well as orthopaedic rehabilitation principles and return to play assessment.

**Course Code: STHS7010A****Course Description: Exercise Testing and Advanced Exercise Principles****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 9**

The student will gain the theoretical knowledge and skills to test and train elite and recreational athletes. The course covers diverse exercise training methodology such as advanced resistance training, HIIT, complex training using post activation potentiation, sports specific speed and agility workouts and tactical metabolic training. Field testing in a team sports environment as well as advanced lab type assessments such as VO2max and lactate threshold will also be covered.

**Course Code: STHS7011A****Course Description: Advanced Coaching, Conditioning, Sports Vision and Optimisation of Sports Performance****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 9**

The student will have advanced knowledge in periodisation, superset principles and its relationship to super compensation, being the body's ability to adapt to higher intensities of training. Overtraining and burnout phenomenon and its classification as related to the principles of training and programme design. The use of motor learning, sport psychology and sports vision in the optimal improvement of performance. Biological growth and development, hereditary, neurological and physiological changes that occur during growth and development.

**Course Code: STHS7012A****Course Description: Laboratory Practicum****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 9**

The purpose of this course is to ensure that the student will become familiar with selected evaluation procedures for clinical exercise testing of patients with a variety of orthopaedic injuries or chronic diseases, interpretation of data and programme design based on data interpretation.

**Course Code: STHS7016A****Course Description: Advanced Chronic Disease Rehabilitation****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 9**

To introduce students to the most advanced and updated research in chronic disease prevention and rehabilitation. Benefits and risks associated with exercise and lifestyle changes in the treatment of patients with specific clinical conditions; such as diabetes, hypertension, and cardiac disease. This course further addresses acute and chronic medical conditions in active people and athletes. The course syllabus will update students to the advanced and most up to-date methods in exercise design and lifestyle management in patients with chronic disease. It will further address acute and chronic medical conditions in athletes, such as infectious illness, and chronic diseases in elite and other athletes.

**Course Code: STHS7017A****Course Description: Advanced Orthopaedic Rehabilitation****NQF Credits: 10****NQF Level: 9**

To provide the ability for students to master advanced skills in the diagnosis, evaluation and design of physical rehabilitation programmes in patients with orthopaedic or sport related injuries. This course will cover the aetiology and pathology of orthopaedic conditions including those related to sport and exercise. Advanced understanding of rehabilitation procedures as related to injuries and the design of rehabilitation programmes using the most up to date methods and modes for rehabilitation. Assess sports persons for sport readiness participation post injury rehabilitation.

**Course Code: STHS7019A**

**Course Description: Research Methodology for Health Sciences**

**NQF Credits: 6**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course assists students with designing their research project. The student will differentiate between different training programmes with regards to expected benefits, develop individualised training programmes, and list the expected physiological adaptations derived from such programmes. Corporate wellness principles and programme implementation, lifestyle evaluation, client goals and promotion of health with disease prevention strategies. Rehabilitation of low risk patients.

**Course Code: STHS7020A**

**Course Description: Child Development and Play: Birth to 18 years**

**NQF Credits: 30**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course provides the background theories of child development from birth to 18 years of age and includes the development of the premature infant. It considers all facets of development (motor, cognitive, speech, emotional, behavioural) including factors affecting development both positively and negatively. The course covers the definitions and functions of play as well as classic and contemporary theories of play within the social, developmental, environmental and health context in which children find themselves.

**Course Code: STHS7021A**

**Course Description: Ethics – Ethical, Professional and Cultural Issues**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course reviews the basic concepts of biomedical ethics and professionalism and encourages participants to apply these constructs to their own areas of clinical practice. It discusses social cultural diversity and the concept of cultural competency within diverse inter-professional settings and debates specific ethical issues of working with vulnerable children and families from a variety of backgrounds.

**Course Code: STHS7022A**

**Course Description: Family Systems, Loss and Death**

**NQF Credits: 15**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course provides insight into historical and contemporary theories of family structure and function. It discusses family dynamics including broader societal perspectives of resilience, diversity and cultural variance. The course also considers adaptations of family structure and dynamics during times of transition and challenge with emphasis on the vulnerable child. The impact of loss will be discussed within the social, cultural and religious context of family. Coping styles and techniques will be linked to the developmental stages of the child.

**Course Code: STHS7023A**

**Course Description: Child Life Specialty**

**NQF Credits: 30**

**NQF Level: 9**

This course covers the core elements of a child life programme. These include documentation, scope or practice, impact of illness, family centred care and therapeutic play and preparation. The course also covers the assessment of the child and family needs, the use of technology in child life, intervention, communication and building therapeutic relationships as well as legacy building.

## Faculty of Science

### School of Animal, Plant and Environmental Sciences

**Course Code: APES1000A**

**Course Description: Introduction to Medical Science**

**NQF Credits: 18**

**NQF Level: 5**

This course is a foundational half-year course in biology for all therapeutic sciences' students. It provides basic skills and content, often not stressed in secondary school years, to enable students embark on a successful four-year medical voyage. The course introduces students to the human cell and its sub-divisions and how they work interdependently to ensure bodily functions are achieved and maintained. Topics covered include cell and molecular biology, histology, human physiological systems and neurobiology. Using lectures, laboratory sessions and tutorials the relationships between structure and function are stressed; and gaps in students' prior knowledge clarified.

**Course Code: APES1001A**

**Course Description: Introduction to Medical Science**

**NQF Credits: 36**

**NQF Level: 5**

This full year course introduces first year students to important biological sciences' concepts which are key to understanding the basic medical sciences. The course content has a strong human biology focus and includes a variety of topics ranging from cell biology, ecology to evolution. The course also introduces students to theoretical content related to embryology, histology and human physiological systems (cardiovascular, nervous, endocrine, nervous and respiratory systems) all of which forms an important background for further studies in anatomical sciences, human physiology and molecular medicine. The practical component of the course equips students with basic laboratory skills; basic dissection techniques; data analysis, interpretation and presentation and report writing skills.

**Course Code: ISMS1000A**

**Course Description: Integrated Sciences for Medical Students**

**NQF Credits: 72**

**NQF Level: 5**

This course introduces core and applied concepts from Chemistry, Physics, Life Sciences and Health Sciences which form the foundation for understanding the scientific concepts within the context of the structure and function of the human body. Embedded within the course are skills related to medical and scientific terminology, critical thinking, logical reasoning, problem-solving and quantitative literacy, digital literacy and academic reading and writing.

## School of Chemistry

**Course Code: CHEM1028A**

**Course Description: Chemistry**

**NQF Credits: 18**

**NQF Level: 5**

This course focuses on basic concepts in the study of matter, the periodic table, atomic and molecular structures, stoichiometry, solution chemistry, chemical bonding, basic organic chemistry, states of matter, equilibrium, acids and bases, chemical kinetics, thermochemistry and thermodynamics. The application of these core concepts enables students to gain an understanding of the basic chemistry principles applied to the health sciences. In addition, the laboratory component of the course enables students to understand key aspects underlying important laboratory procedures.

**Course Code: CHEM1029A**

**Course Description: Chemistry**

**NQF Credits: 18**

**NQF Level: 5**

This course focuses on basic concepts in the study of matter, the periodic table, atomic and molecular structures, stoichiometry, solution chemistry, chemical bonding, basic organic chemistry, states of matter, equilibrium, acids and bases, chemical kinetics, thermochemistry and thermodynamics. The application of these core concepts enables students to gain an understanding of the basic chemistry principles applied to the health sciences. In addition, the laboratory component of the course enables students to understand key aspects underlying important laboratory procedures.

**Course Code: CHEM1048A**

**Course Description: Chemistry**

**NQF Credits: 36**

**NQF Level: 5**

This is an existing full year course that focuses on core content which enables students to gain an understanding of basic chemistry principles applied to the health sciences, as well as building their overall cohesive scientific approach. The course covers concepts in the study of matter, stoichiometry; electronic structure of atoms; chemical bonding; gases; solutions; kinetics; equilibrium; acids and bases; thermodynamics; electrochemistry and organic chemistry. The application of these concepts to the health sciences forms an integral part of all sections of the course. In addition the course presents some key concepts that enable students to understand principles underlying important laboratory procedures.

## School of Physics

**Course Code: PHYS1008A**

**Course Description: Physics**

**NQF Credits: 18**

**NQF Level: 5**

This course introduces the student to a range of basic physics topics that are fundamental to an understanding of the human body and a selection of devices and techniques used in both therapy and diagnostics. These topics include: mechanics, properties of matter, thermal physics, waves and sound, geometrical optics, electrostatics, direct current, and atomic and nuclear Physics. The course also provides the student with an opportunity to develop numeracy and basic problem solving skills. The course includes a laboratory component which addresses the practical aspects of physics and exposes the student to scientific thinking.

**Course Code: PHYS1009A**

**Course Description: Physics**

**NQF Credits: 18**

**NQF Level: 5**

This course introduces the student to a range of basic physics topics that are fundamental to an understanding of the human body and a selection of devices and techniques used in both therapy and diagnostics. These topics include: mechanics, properties of matter, thermal physics, waves and sound, geometrical optics, electrostatics, direct current, and atomic and nuclear Physics. The course also provides the student with an opportunity to develop numeracy and basic problem solving skills. The course includes a laboratory component which addresses the practical aspects of physics and exposes the student to scientific thinking.

**Course Code: PHYS1024A**

**Course Description: Physics**

**NQF Credits: 36**

**NQF Level: 5**

This course introduces the student to a range of basic physics topics that are foundational to an understanding of the functioning (and malfunctioning) of the human body, and also of some of the devices and techniques used in both therapy and diagnostics. These topics include: mechanics, properties of matter, thermal physics, waves and sound, geometrical and physical optics, electrostatics, direct current, electromagnetism, alternating current and atomic & nuclear physics. The course also provides the students with an opportunity to develop their numeracy and basic (heuristic) problem-solving skills. Also included is a laboratory component which addresses the practical aspects of physics and exposes the students to scientific thinking.

## Faculty of Humanities

### School of Human and Community Development

**Course Code: PSYC1004A**

**Course Description: Basic Principles of Individual and Group Psychology**

**NQF Credits: 18**

**NQF Level: 5**

This course provides an introduction to psychology and explores different perspectives on human behaviour through western, African and eastern thought. The focus is on historical development of Psychology as a science, contemporary and indigenous approaches to psychotherapy, theoretical explanations of learning, and how knowledge in psychology is generated through research methods. The course aims to enable students to apply their knowledge of psychology to a South African context with relevance to the health sciences. It also aims to develop academic reading, writing and critical thinking skills through encouraging an appreciation for diverse explanations and contradictory evidence.

**Course Code: PSYC1007A**

**Course Description: Introduction to Psychology I**

**NQF Credits: 18**

**NQF Level: 5**

Selected issues at an introductory level drawn from topics such as the following: History and systems and theory of psychology, human information processing, learning and development, individual differences, abnormal psychology, biological and neuropsychology, health psychology, social and community psychology. Not all of these topics are covered every year.

**Course Code: PSYC2002A**

**Course Description: Health Psychology**

**NQF Credits: 24**

**NQF Level: 6**

This module is designed to develop a broad understanding of the role of psychosocial factors involved in the prevention and treatment of illness, the promotion and maintenance of health and well-being, and workplace issues that may affect health practitioners as agents in the helping profession. Against this background the course also explores the intersection of health matters with issues of gender, ethnicity and socio-economic factors.

**Course Code: PSYC2009A**

**Course Description: Research Design and Analysis**

**NQF Credits: 24**

**NQF Level: 6**

The course is designed to develop basic competence in conceptualising human science research, designing simple research, and using and understanding basic techniques in measurement and in the analysis of research data. There are two components to the course, namely Research Analysis and Research Design & Psychometrics. The former provides a foundation in descriptive and inferential statistics while the latter introduces the fundamental concepts in the process of designing research, both quantitative and qualitative research.

### School of Social Sciences

**Course Code: SOCL1012A**

**Course Description: Human Behavioural Sciences**

**NQF Credits: 18**

**NQF Level: 5**

This course introduces the student to the social factors related to health and disease. Part one introduces key concepts in Health Sociology and expands on the relationship between health and the social as well as on culture and health with particular emphasis on inter-cultural encounters. It provides an understanding of the relationship between social inequality and health in the South African context. Part two introduces a critical analysis of the relationship between bodies, gender and illness. This course aims to develop in the students an understanding and sensitivity to both, the social-cultural dimension of health-related phenomena and the implications these dimensions have for their professional role.

**Faculty of Engineering and the Built Environment**  
**School of Electrical and Information Engineering**

**Course Code:** ELEN1008A

**Course Description:** System Dynamics for Health Sciences

<b>NQF Credits:</b> 18	<b>NQF Level:</b> 5
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This course teaches the fundamentals of systems and specifically System Dynamics in the context of healthcare. It covers the following: general fundamentals of systems; principles of system dynamics; causal loop diagrams; level rate diagrams; system architecture; system behaviour; system dynamics-based simulation software; medical, biological and other applications of system dynamics.



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