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# Guide to the usage of this Handbook

The following is a general overview of the structure of this Handbook for the guidance of users. The contents are organised in a number of different sections (see below) each of which has a particular focus. The sections are interlinked by cross-references where relevant.

*General Information:* This section includes contact details, term dates, disciplines within departments, definitions of terminology used and other explanatory notes.

General rules for postgraduate students: The rules in this section must be read in conjunction with the degree-specific rules in the next section.

*Rules and curricula for postgraduate programmes:* This section gives an outline of each of the postgraduate degrees, as well as rules relating to curricula. Please note especially the readmission rules under each programme; students who fall foul of these rules are in danger of being refused readmission.

**Other courses offered:** This section lists courses that do not form part of the postgraduate degrees, and include stand-alone courses offered to students in this faculty or other faculties.

Faculty structure, departments and courses offered by departments: The second half of this book lists all the teaching and research staff in departments and research structures. Courses offered by each department are listed below the staffing section for each department.

*Additional information:* This section gives details of prizes and awards, charters (e.g. the Teaching and Learning Charter) and also Faculty-specific policies for postgraduate students.

All students must also familiarise themselves with the University rules in Handbook 3, General Rules and Policies. Students are also expected to check annually whether the rules or curriculum requirements have changed since the last edition of this Handbook or of the General Rules book.

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Financial assistance	Student Financial Aid Office (Kramer Law Building)	(021) 650 2125
Medical Library queries	Medical Librarian, Health Sciences Faculty Library	(021) 406 6130
Registration issues: Postgraduate	Postgraduate Administration section of Faculty Office of Health Sciences	(021) 650 3004
Registration issues: Undergraduate	Undergraduate Administration section of Faculty Office of Health Sciences	(021) 650 3020
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[Note: The Academic Administration section of the Faculty Office of Health Sciences is situated in the Wernher & Beit North building, one level down from the Dean's Office.]

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# List of Departments, Divisions and Units

Department	Abbrv.	Division/Unit
Anaesthesia & Perioperative Medicine	AAE	Anaesthesia & Perioperative Medicine
	MND	Critical Care Medicine
Family, Community, and Emergency	FCE	Primary Health Care Team
Care (FaCE)		Family Medicine
		Interdisciplinary Palliative Care and
		Medicine
		Emergency Medicine
		Sports and Exercise Medicine
Health & Rehabilitation Sciences	MDN	Cosmetics Formulation Sciences
	AHS	Communication Sciences & Disorders
		Disability Studies
		Nursing & Midwifery
		Occupational Therapy
		Physiotherapy
Health Sciences Education	HSE	Clinical Skills Unit
		Intervention Programme Unit
		Education Development Unit
Human Biology	HUB	Biomedical Engineering
8,		Cell Biology
		Clinical Anatomy & Biological
		Anthropology
		Human Nutrition
		Physiological Sciences
Integrative Biomedical Sciences	IBS	Medical Biochemistry & Structural
C		Biology
		Chemical & Systems Biology
		Computational Biology
Medicine	MDN	Allergology & Clinical Immunology
		Cardiology
		Clinical Haematology
		Clinical Pharmacology
		Dermatology
		Endocrinology & Diabetic Medicine
		General Internal Medicine
		Geriatric Medicine
		Hepatology
		Infectious Diseases & HIV Medicine
		Lipidology
		Medical Gastroenterology
		Nephrology & Hypertension
		Neurology
	1	Occupational Medicine

		Pulmonology
		Rheumatology
Obstatuing & Crimosoology	OBS	General Obstetrics & Gynaecology
Obstetrics & Gynaecology	065	Gynaecological Oncology
		Maternal-Foetal Medicine
		Reproductive Medicine
		Urogynaecology
Paediatrics & Child Health	PED	Allergology (Paediatric)
		Associated Paediatric Disciplines
		Child & Adolescent Psychiatry
		Child Nursing Practice
		Cardiology (Paediatric)
		Child Health Unit
		Critical Care (Paediatric)
		Dermatology (Paediatric)
		Developmental Paediatrics
		Endocrinology (Paediatric)
		Gastroenterology (Paediatric)
		General Paediatrics
		Haematology/Oncology (Paediatric)
		Infectious Diseases (Paediatric)
		Medicine (Paediatric)
		Neonatology
		Nephrology (Paediatric)
		Neurology (Paediatric)
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		Neuropsychology (Paediatric)
		Pulmonology (Paediatric)
D 4 1	DTX	Rheumatology (Paediatric)
Pathology	PTY	Anatomical Pathology
		Chemical Pathology
		Forensic Medicine
		Haematology
		Human Genetics
		Immunology
		Medical Microbiology
		Medical Virology
		Paediatric Pathology
Psychiatry & Mental Health	PRY	Addiction Psychiatry/Psychology
		Child & Adolescent Psychiatry
		Consultation/Liaison Psychiatry
		Forensic Psychiatry
		General Psychiatry
		Intellectual Disability Psychiatry
		Neuropsychiatry
		Psychopharmacology
		Psychotherapy
		Public Mental Health
Public Health	PPH	Environmental Health
i uone meatui	ггп	Epidemiology & Biostatistics
		1 07
		Health Economics
		Health Policy & Systems

		Occupational Medicine
		Public Health Medicine
		Social & Behavioural Sciences
Radiation Medicine	RAY	Medical Physics
		Nuclear Medicine
		Paediatric Radiology
		Radiation Oncology
		Radiology
Surgery	CHM	Cardiothoracic Surgery
		General Surgery
		Global Surgery
		Neurosurgery
		Ophthalmology
		Orthopaedic Surgery
		Otorhinolaryngology
		Paediatric Surgery
		Plastic, Reconstructive & Maxillo-facial
		Surgery
		Surgical Gastroenterology
		Trauma Surgery
		Urology
		Vascular Surgery

### **Associated Teaching Hospitals**

Hospital:

2 Military Hospital

**Alexandra Hospital** 

**George Hospital** 

**Groote Schuur Hospital** 

Life Kingsbury Hospital

Life Knysna Private Hospital

Life Vincent Pallotti Hospital

Mitchells' Plain District Hospital

**Mowbray Maternity Hospital** 

**Mossel Bay Provincial Hospital** 

New Somerset Hospital

**Oudtshoorn Hospital** 

**Red Cross Children's Hospital** 

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# **Postgraduate Health Sciences Student Council**

The Postgraduate Health Sciences Students' Council (PGHSSC) represents postgraduate students at the faculty level in the form of postgraduate councils and at the university level as an executive committee. Its mission as active members of the PGHSSC is to ensure that all the postgraduates that it represents have the most fulfilling time possible for the duration of their studies at the University of Cape Town. This means creating an environment in which collective concerns can be addressed, enabling them to have a say in the decisions made regarding their academic development, as well as creating a strong postgraduate community. For more information please visit the PG HSSC's website: http://www.health.uct.ac.zd/fhs/students/societies/pghssc

Twitter handle: @UCT\_PGHSSC Instagram: uct\_pghssc

# Definitions of terms used in this handbook

Concession: Formal Senate approval exempting a student from complying with a required rule.

Curriculum: Prescribed course of study for a degree or diploma.

**DP (Due Performance) requirement:** Required minimum level of performance during the year to qualify a student to do an examination in a particular course.

**Exemption and credit:** Exemption from a course means that a student need not complete this course since they have passed an equivalent course before. They are then also given credit towards the programme for the course they passed before.

Health and Rehabilitation Sciences: Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy, Audiology, Speech-Language Pathology, Disability Studies and Nursing.

**HEQSF course level and NQF credits:** The University is required to align its qualifications with the Higher Education Qualifications Sub-framework or HEQSF (which forms part of the National Qualifications Framework). In terms of the Framework, the following criteria apply:

- A Bachelor's degree of four or more years is at HEQSF exit level 8 and must have a minimum of 480 credits. Minimum credits at HEQSF level 7: 120; minimum credits at HEQSF level 8: 96.
- □ Courses with content pitched at first year level are at HEQSF level 5; those at second year level at HEQSF level 6; those at third year level at HEQSF level 7; and those at fourth to six year at HEQSF level 8.
- □ NQF credits: 1 credit is 10 notional hours of learning.

**ISCE:** Integrated Structured Clinical Examination.

Joint staff: Staff employed jointly by the University and the Provincial Government of the Western Cape (PGWC).

**OSCE:** Objective Structured Clinical Examination.

**OSPE:** Objective Structured Practical Examination.

**Convener:** Academic staff member in charge of offering the degree or a course within the degree programme.

**Readmission requirements:** Requirements a student must meet to be permitted to continue with the programme. A student who fails to meet one or more of these requirements may be refused readmission.

Semester: A half-year.

Academic year of study (AYOS): A suite of courses that must be completed at a specific academic level (e.g.: fourth year MBChB)

Calendar year: A year which starts in January and ends in December and may contain courses from more than one academic year.

### Programme, plan and course codes

Each study programme has a code, indicating: M = Faculty of Health Sciences B = Bachelor's degree + a 3-digit number Example: BSc Physiotherapy = MB004.

#### The undergraduate programme codes are as follows:

- MB001 BSc (Medicine)
- MB003 BSc Occupational Therapy
- MB016 BSc Occupational Therapy Fundamentals of Health Sciences Programme
- MB004 BSc Physiotherapy
- MB017 BSc Physiotherapy Fundamentals of Health Sciences Programme
- MB010 BSc Speech-Language Pathology
- MB018 BSc Speech-Language Pathology Fundamentals of Health Sciences Programme
- MB011 BSc Audiology
- MB019 BSc Audiology Fundamentals of Health Sciences Programme
- MB014 MBChB
- MB020 MBChB Fundamentals of Health Sciences Programme
- MZ010 Nelson Mandela Fidel Castro Medical Collaboration Training Programme
- MU002 Higher Certificate in Disability Practice
- MU003 Advanced Diploma in Cosmetic Formulation Science

Note: This is to confirm that by virtue of inclusion on the Institution's DHET approved Programme and Qualification Mix (PQM), all qualifications included in this Handbook are **accredited** by the Council on Higher Education's permanent sub-committee - the Higher Education Quality Committee. Where a SAQA ID has not been provided, the qualification is awaiting the SAQA ID. The higher education sector has undergone an extensive alignment to the Higher Education Qualification sub-Framework and thus all institutions are awaiting the finalisation of the process and completion of the awarding of SAQA ID's. Affected qualifications are marked \*

Please consult Handbook 2 or the HEQFs Programme and Qualification Mix (PQM) on the Institutional Planning Department's website, as approved by the Department of Higher Education and Training, for a list of all UCT's accredited qualifications.

Every course has a **course title** and a **course code**.

The struc	ture is:
AAA1nn	nS, where:
AAA	is a 3 alpha group identifying the department.
1	is a number identifying the year level at which the course is usually taken.
nnn	is a three-character number that identifies the course uniquely.
S	is a single alpha character, specifying the time period during which the course is offered.

In many cases, the only change is the addition of a zero as the first identifying number. For example: AHS373F becomes AHS3073F.

Courses use one of the following possible suffixes, which refer to the following time periods:

- F First Semester
- S Second Semester
- W Full Year First and Second Semesters
- X Block Rotation in MBChB (years 4-6 and NMFC Programme)

[Note: The course extension does not denote the volume of work in the course or the relative weighting of the course in that year of study. The volume of work is determined by the NQF credit value of the course.]

# Qualification and course codes

Degree, diploma, and plan codes: Each degree and diploma programme has a code, indicating

- M = Faculty of Health Sciences
- B = Bachelor's degree
- G = Postgraduate Diploma
- H = Honours degree
- M = Master's degree
- D = Doctoral degree
- Z = Non-degree
- + a 3-digit number

(See list of qualification codes below.)

Each individual course within a degree or diploma programme has its own code, starting with the organisational code of the Department that offers it (see notes on course codes below).

The University of Cape Town uses the PeopleSoft electronic student administration system. In terms of this system, each qualification must have at least one plan code. Plans represent majors or areas of specialisation. Where a postgraduate programme has more than one specialisation, each specialisation will have its own plan. Programmes without majors or specialisations have a single plan.

Qualification codes are given below; both qualification and plan codes are also included with each curriculum description.

**Course codes:** Every course in this handbook has a course name and a course code. The structure is: AAA1nnnS, where:

AAA is a 3 alpha group identifying the department.

1 is a number identifying the year level at which the course is usually taken.

#### nnn is a three-character number that identifies the course uniquely.

S is a single alpha character, specifying the time period during which the course is offered.

Courses use one of the following possible suffixes, which refer to the following time periods:

- F = First Semester
- S = Second Semester
- W = Full Year First and Second Semesters
- Z = Non-Standard Period
- X = Clinical Block Courses
- Q = Online First Semester
- R = Online Second Semester
- T = Online Full Year First and Second Semesters
- V = Online Non-Standard Period

#### **Qualification codes:**

[Note: Unless otherwise indicated (with an asterisk), all qualifications are HEQSF-aligned, but SAQA registration numbers are still awaited for some. If a qualification is not listed here, see Table of Contents for specialisations within the generic qualifications.]

#### DEGREE/ DEGREE/DIPLOMA TITLE DIPLOMA CODE

#### POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMAS

MG009PG Diploma in Health LeadershipMG010PG Diploma in Palliative MedicineMG011PG Diploma in Palliative MedicineMG015PG Diploma in Family MedicineMG017PG Diploma in Health EconomicsMG018PG Diploma in Maternal & Child Health (in abeyance)MG019PG Diploma in Community Eye HealthMG020PG Diploma in Paediatric Radiology (in abeyance)MG021PG Diploma in Pesticide Risk ManagementMG022PG Diploma in Counselling and Psychotherapy (in abeyance)MG024PG Diploma in Addictions CareMG025PG Diploma in Clinical Paediatric PhysiotherapyMG026PG Diploma in Clinical Paediatric PhysiotherapyMG027PG Diploma in Clinical Paediatric PhysiotherapyMG028PG Diploma in Clinical Paediatric Cardiology and OncologyMG030PG Diploma in Clinical Paediatric CardiologyMG031PG Diploma in Clinical Paediatric CardiologyMG032PG Diploma in Clinical Paediatric CardiologyMG033PG Diploma in Clinical Paediatric CardiologyMG034PG Diploma in Clinical Paediatric GastroenterologyMG035PG Diploma in Clinical Paediatric Critical CareMG036PG Diploma in Clinical Paediatric Critical CareMG037PG Diploma in Clinical Paediatric RheumatologyMG036PG Diploma in Clinical Paediatric RheumatologyMG037PG Diploma in Clinical Paediatric Critical CareMG038PG Diploma in Clinical Paediatric RheumatologyMG039PG Diploma in Clinical Paediatric Physiology and Epilepsy	MG007	PG Diploma in Occupational Health
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- MG044 PG Diploma in Clinical Hepatology
- MG045 PG Diploma in Child Nursing (in abeyance)
- MG046 PG Diploma in Child Critical Care Nursing (in abeyance)
- MG047 PG Diploma in Critical Care Nursing (Adult) (in abeyance)
- MG049 PG Diploma in Nephrology Nursing (in abeyance)
- MG051 PG Diploma in Ophthalmic Nursing (in abeyance)
- MG055 PG Diploma in Interdisciplinary Pain Management
- MG056 PG Diploma in Disability Studies
- MG061 PG Diploma in Midwifery

#### HONOURS DEGREES

- MH002 Bachelor of Medical Science (Honours) MH003 Bachelor of Medical Science (Honours) in Exercise Science
- MH004 Bachelor of Medical Science (Honours) in Biokinetics

#### **MASTER'S DEGREES**

MM001	Master of Medicine
MM002	Master of Science in Nursing (by full dissertation)
MM004	Master of Science in Physiotherapy (by full dissertation)
MM005	Master of Science in Occupational Therapy (by full dissertation)
MM006	Master of Philosophy (by coursework and dissertation)
MM008	Master of Science in Audiology (full dissertation)
MM009	Master of Science in Speech-Language Pathology (by full dissertation)
MM012	Master of Public Health (by coursework & minor dissertation)
MM016	Master of Philosophy (subspeciality training)
MM017	Master of Science in Nursing (by coursework & minor dissertation)
MM018	Master of Science in Occupational Therapy (by coursework & minor
	dissertation)
MM021	Master of Philosophy (by full dissertation)
MM025	Master of Philosophy in Emergency Medicine (by coursework & minor
	dissertation)
MM033	Master of Philosophy in Health Innovation (by coursework and dissertation)
MM034	Master of Science in Exercise and Sports Physiotherapy (by coursework &
	dissertation)
MM035	Master of Nursing in Child Nursing
MM036	Master of Paediatric Neurosurgery
MM037	Master of Chemical Risk Management
MM051	Master of Medical Science in Nutrition (by dissertation)
MM053	Master of Medical Science in Dietetics (by dissertation)
MM054	Master of Science in Biomedical Engineering (full dissertation)
MM055	Master of Science in Biomedical Engineering (by coursework & dissertation
MM095	Master of Science in Medicine (by full dissertation)
MM166	Master of Medical Science in Genetic Counselling (by coursework &
	dissertation)
MM191	Master of Science in Epidemiology and Biostatistics (by coursework &
	dissertation)
MM194	Master of Neuroscience

#### **DOCTORAL DEGREES**

- MD001 Doctor of Philosophy
- MD002 Doctor of Medicine
- MD004 Doctor of Science in Medicine

#### OCCASIONAL STUDIES

MZ002	Occasional Health Sciences Postgraduate
MZ089	Postgraduate Affiliate
MZ094	SA Affiliate
MZ095	International Affiliate
MZ097	SADC Affiliate

This is to confirm that by virtue of inclusion on the Institution's DHET approved Programme and Qualification Mix (PQM), all qualifications included in this Handbook are **accredited** by the Council on Higher Education's permanent sub-committee - the Higher Education Quality Committee. Where a SAQA ID has not been provided, the qualification is awaiting the SAQA ID. The higher education sector has undergone an extensive alignment to the Higher Education Qualification Sub-Framework and thus all institutions are awaiting the finalisation of the process and completion of the awarding of SAQA ID's. *Affected qualifications are marked* \*

Please consult Handbook 2 or the HEQSF Programme and Qualification Mix (PQM) on the Institutional Planning Department's website, as approved by the Department of Higher Education and Training, for a list of all UCT's accredited qualifications.

# Where to find rules and syllabus information about degrees, diplomas and UCT policies affecting students:

- a. All students are advised to study
  - the General rules for postgraduate students in this handbook;
  - the general University rules applicable to all students in the University and published in Handbook 3 of the series titled *General Rules and Policies*.
- b. Postgraduate students are advised to study the rules and curriculum outlines of the programmes for which they are registered under "Rules and curriculum outlines for postgraduate programmes". Please note that PhD degrees are considered University-based (rather than faculty-based) degrees; hence the rules relating to PhD degrees are contained in Handbook 3 (General Rules and Policies).
- c. Details about academic staff in the faculty are contained in the second half of this Handbook, under the heading "Departments and Research Structures".

### **Term Dates for 2025**

Please refer to the website: https://www.uct.ac.za/main/calendar/terms.

# **GENERAL RULES FOR POSTGRADUATE STUDENTS**

[Note: All students must also familiarise themselves with the general rules for all students at UCT, contained in Handbook 3 of this series.]

#### Registration

- FGP1.1 All students are required to renew their registration formally each year by completing registration forms for submission to the Faculty Office. No retrospective registration is allowed. Students who register late pay a penalty fee.
- FGP1.2 A candidate for a degree by coursework and dissertation must register by no later than the last Friday of February each year and must register for the full coursework component at that time. When the candidate starts preparing for his/her dissertation, they should contact the Faculty Office in order to register for the dissertation component.
- FGP1.3 Registrars (MMed students) and subspeciality trainees (MPhil: subspeciality) students are required to register annually with the Health Professions Council of South Africa.
- FGP1.4 Registrars and senior registrars who have not registered for every year of their studies will not have their clinical training time signed off by the Dean, which will compromise their registration as specialists and subspecialists on completion of training.
- FGP1.5 (a) Students registering for the Postgraduate Diploma in Nursing or the Postgraduate Diploma in Midwifery are required to registered with the South African Nursing Council
  (b) Students registering for the (i) MSc(Nursing) by dissertation only OR by coursework and minor dissertation OR the Master of Nursing in Child Nursing should be registered with the South African Nursing Council; (ii) If students from outside South Africa plan to engage with research participants in South Africa plan to engage with research participants in their home country they should be registered with the relevant Nursing and/or Midwifery Council

#### Rules for degrees and diplomas, and changes to courses and curricula

FGP2.1 Every candidate for a degree or diploma must attend and complete such qualifying courses or perform such work as may be specified in the rules for that degree or diploma. The University reserves the right to revise its rules from time to time, and any alteration of or addition to the rules for any degree or diploma shall, on the date specified in the notice of promulgation of such alteration or addition, become binding upon all candidates for that degree or diploma.

#### Ethical norms and fitness to practise healthcare

FGP3.1

Students doing degrees involving clinical work are expected to act in accordance with the ethical norms laid down by the Health Professions Council of South Africa or South African Nursing Council, as appropriate.. Students who are found guilty of unprofessional conduct may be required to terminate their registration in the Faculty.

Where a student who qualifies for the award of the degree or diploma for which they are registered, or where a student, in the course of their studies, following professional assessment, is deemed unfit to practise healthcare, the Dean will report the outcome of such professional assessment to the relevant regulatory body and inform the student accordingly.

The following definitions apply:

**Impaired**: The Health Professions Council (HPCSA) defines impairment as "a condition which renders a practitioner incapable of practising a profession with reasonable skill and safety."

The Nursing Act states impairment refers to "a condition which renders a practitioner incapable of practising nursing with reasonable skill and safety." (Nursing Act no. 33 of 2005 p.37)

The University understands this to mean that an undergraduate student may be reported as impaired where they:

- have become physically or mentally disabled to such an extent that the student is unable to perform the clinical duties of her/his chosen profession or it is not in the public's interest to allow that student to practise the profession;
- have become unfit to purchase, acquire, keep, use, administer, prescribe, order, supply or possess any scheduled substance;
- have used, possessed, prescribed, administered, or supplied any substance irregularly for any reason other than medicinal purposes; or
- have become addicted to the use of any chemical substance.

**Unprofessional conduct**: The HPCSA defines unprofessional conduct as "improper or disgraceful or dishonourable or unworthy conduct or conduct which, when regard is taken to the profession of a person who is registered in terms of this Act, is improper or disgraceful or dishonourable or unworthy."

The Nursing Act states "unprofessional conduct means a conduct which, with regard to the profession of a practitioner, is improper, disgraceful, dishonourable or unworthy." (Nursing Act No. 33 of 2005, p.6)

The University understands this to include but not to be limited to:

- ☐ failure to attend academic, clinical, or clinical service commitments and continuing to be absent from academic or clinical commitments without permission; or
- unethical behaviour (e.g. deliberate misrepresentation or dishonesty, abusive or foul language towards teachers, fellow students, or patients).
- report impairment in another student or practitioner to the Council if they were convinced that such other student or practitioner was impaired as defined in the Act; or
- (b) self-report his or her impairment to the Council if they were aware of their own impairment or have been publicly informed of being impaired or have been seriously advised by a colleague to act appropriately to obtain help in view of an alleged or established impairment.
- FGP3.2 A Senate-approved policy will be applied for dealing with reported cases of impairment and/or unprofessional behaviour in postgraduate students undergoing clinical training [*The policy is printed in the section titled "Additional Information" at the back of this handbook*].

FGP3.3 The University welcomes applications from applicants with special needs. However, there are some disabilities that would prevent someone from completing a particular health sciences curriculum (for example, someone who is deaf may not be able to hear a heartbeat through a stethoscope). For this reason applicants with disabilities are urged to communicate with the Faculty, via the University's Disability Unit, to establish whether this would apply to them. The Faculty reserves the right to require an applicant (or an admitted student) to undergo a professional assessment to determine the extent and likely impact of a disability on his/her ability to meet the requirements of the curriculum, including such practical training and practice as is required in the health sciences discipline concerned. The University reserves the right to withdraw an offer to an applicant or cancel the registration of a student who fails to declare a disability that is found to be such as to make it impossible for him/her to meet the curriculum requirements in the health discipline concerned.

#### **Progression and readmission**

- FGP4.1 The performance of each student is subject to continuous assessment in all courses prescribed for the degree or diploma. The student's academic standard of work performed during any course and, where relevant, the student's attendance will be taken into account in determining the result obtained by them in that course and/or their progression to the next year of study in the programme for which they are registered.
- FGP4.2 Except by permission of Senate, a candidate shall not be admitted to register in the following academic year of study unless they have satisfactorily completed all the courses prescribed and satisfactorily performed all the work required for the preceding year.
- FGP4.3

Senate may refuse to admit an applicant to a programme leading to registration as a health professional, or may cancel the registration of a student already admitted to such programme, or may refuse to readmit a student registered for such a programme, if they:

a.	have not met the minimum admission or readmission		
	requirements set for the course or qualification		
	concerned, including, but not limited to:		
	i failure to attend academic or clinical or		
	clinical service commitments;		
	ii. failure to make sufficient academic		
	(including clinical, where relevant) progress.		
b.	have been found guilty of unethical behaviour or		
	unprofessional conduct; or		
c.	have, following professional assessment, been found		
	unfit to practise healthcare.		

- FGP4.4 Except by permission of Senate, a student registered for a coursework programme who is permitted to repeat a course and who fails the same course twice, or fails a second course, may be denied readmission in the subsequent year.
- [Notes:
- A person doing a higher degree or specialist training will ordinarily have been given ongoing feedback on their progress or lack of progress.
- In a case of a higher degree, the progress required of a candidate will often be specified in the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the candidate and their supervisor. If a candidate fails to make this progress, they shall be given an opportunity to explain this and may – after they have been heard – be refused permission to continue.

□ In the case of a student doing specialist or subspecialist training, a similar process will ordinarily apply.]

#### Withdrawal from a programme or course or changing a programme or course

- FGP5.1 Students wishing to withdraw from a programme for which they are registered must complete the required forms and submit these to the Faculty Office by the specified dates to avoid being charged the full year's fees (*see Fees Book for more detail*).
- FGP5.2 Students wishing to change their curricula (where this is allowed) must do so before the university deadlines for such changes, to avoid being charged a penalty fee.
- FGP6 The rules below should be read in conjunction with the UCT General Rules and Policies Handbook3 and the Faculty LoA SOP.

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FGP6.1

(a)Students may be granted leave of absence for a specified period for medical, maternity, compassionate or external study opportunity reasons, usually to the end of the academic year.

(b)The permitted duration for a LoA request is either for a semester or a maximum of a full year depending on the programme registered for; no approvals will be granted for periods of lesser duration.

(c) Save in exceptional circumstances,

(i) students in year courses (W or H courses) or semester courses (F or S courses) will be considered for LoA provided they apply within the first 10 weeks of each semester

(ii) Leave of absence shall not be granted retrospectively.

(iii)An application for an extension for a LoA is not automatically granted.

# The rules below should be read in conjunction with the UCT General Rules and Policies Handbook3 and the Faculty LoA SOP.

FGP6.2 (a)A student who has been granted leave of absence for a medical reason is required to apply to the UCT Fit for Study Panel (FSP) to return from leave of absence. Students are provided with the dates and timelines by which to submit their application to return from leave of absence (ACA43) including the reports from their treating health care professional/s.

(b) For students within the clinical years of study, the Faculty requires, in addition to the Fit for Study Panel's initial decision, a secondary assessment by a health professional of the Faculty's choice with a view to establishing whether the student is fit to return to the programme and /or work with patients/clients.

(c) The Faculty's Student Development and Support Committee (SDSC) will ensure that the secondary assessment is expedited.

(d) Once the FSP has considered the secondary assessment report, the FSP will communicate outcomes at the end of the respective LoA period. The faculty may set additional conditions for return which may include, for example, return to clinical shadowing to upgrade clinical skills and/or on-going monitoring of continued fitness for training/practice. (e) If the FSP decides that the student is not fit to return, the student must apply for an extension of leave of absence with the relevant documents, following which the student must apply via the FSP to return.

# The rules below should be read in conjunction with the UCT General Rules and Policies Handbook3 and the Faculty LoA SOP.

FGP6.3 A student who has been granted leave of absence as per rule FGU7.1 and fails to register subsequently, will be required to apply formally for readmission to the programme. The student's academic record, period of absence and relevant supporting documents will be considered by the relevant programme convener/supervisor in deciding whether the student may return.

# The rules below should be read in conjunction with the UCT General Rules and Policies Handbook3 and the Faculty LoA SOP.

FGP6.4 (a)A student who:

i. is admitted to a treatment facility without having been able to apply for leave of absence (LoA) prior to the admission, or

ii. has had a change in the management or treatment plan while on an approved LoA, may not return to academic activities/ training/practice until the student's treating healthcare professional has recommended to the Faculty's Student and Development Support Committee (SDSC) in writing that the student is fit to return.

(b)The Faculty's SDSC may, in addition, require the student to undergo an assessment by an independent healthcare professional of the Faculty's choice about the student's fitness to return.

(c)If the student is deemed not fit to return, the student will be required to take formal leave of absence or apply for an extension, after which they must apply to return via the Fit for Study Panel (as described in FGP5.2).

#### Ethics approval

FGP7 Research that involves human participants or animal use for research or teaching must undergo ethics review, according to faculty-specific guidelines. Review entails prior approval of a research proposal by a Research Ethics or Animal Ethics Committee. In cases where prior approval is not required, the research proposal should be subjected to appropriate deliberative procedures, according to facultyspecific guidelines with a formal waiver from the ethics committee. Research papers or dissertations or theses or research projects that involve human participants or animal use may not be submitted for examination if they have not undergone and been approved via any ethics review process.

# **GENERAL RULES FOR MASTER'S DEGREE STUDIES**

[These rules must be read in conjunction with the rules in the General Rules and Policies, book 3 of this series.]

#### **Research proposal**

FGM1 A candidate registered for the degree by dissertation shall submit, to the satisfaction of Senate, a statement of about 500 words indicating the purpose, design and scope of the research project they propose to undertake, not later than six months before submitting the work for examination, to allow for the appointment of examiners.

#### Submission

- FGM2.1 Where a candidate intends to submit their dissertation or research project for examination they must complete the intention to do so six weeks before submitting the dissertation for examination.
- FGM2.2 The University does not undertake to reach a decision on the award of the degree by any specific date.

#### **Dissertation requirements**

FGM3.1 Unless otherwise specified, the dissertation of 90 credits of a coursework master's degree shall be not more than 25 000 words in length; and that of a 60 credit dissertation shall be no more than 20 000 words in length. A degree by full dissertation shall not be more than 50 000 words in length.

#### FGM3.2 The dissertation:

- (a) must be satisfactory in arrangement and expression and must be typewritten or printed;
- (b) must be prefaced by an abstract prepared according to the guidelines approved by Senate;
- (c) must show thorough practical and/or academic knowledge of the approved subject and methods of research, and evidence of independent critical thinking in the handling and interpretation of material already known or newly discovered;
- (d) may embody such original work of others as may be pertinent;
- (e) must contain correct and proper acknowledgements of all sources;
- (f) may include the candidate's own published material on the same subject, if the prior permission of Senate has been obtained;
- (g) must include in the title page a signed declaration that the work has not previously been submitted in whole or in part for the award of any degree: and
- (h) must include an acknowledgement that it is the candidate's own work and that any contributions to and quotations in the dissertation have been cited and referenced.
- FGM3.3 The dissertation must be submitted in portable document format (pdf). It must be accompanied by a provision in writing, signed by the candidate, allowing the University to reproduce for the purpose of research either the whole or a portion of the contents in any manner whatsoever (This includes provision for the University to place the dissertation on the Worldwide Web; the onus is therefore on the candidate to deal with any copyright, should any part of the dissertation have been published in a journal prior to submission).
- FGM3.4 The dissertation must consist of the original work of the candidate with such acknowledged extracts from the work of others as may be pertinent. The candidate

shall declare the extent to which it represents his/her own work, both in concept and execution.

- FGM3.5 No dissertation, or part thereof, which has previously been submitted for examination for any degree at any university, may be submitted for, or may be accepted for, a master's degree in the Faculty.
- FGM3.6 Except on the recommendation of the supervisor and with the approval of the Faculty Board, a candidate whose dissertation has been returned for revision must submit a revised dissertation for examination no later than one calendar year after the date of original submission. Such resubmission must comply with the submission dates set out above. A student who is required to revise and resubmit is required to register as soon as supervision is resumed.

#### **Changing of degree**

- FGM4.1 Senate may, on the recommendation of the Faculty Board and the candidate's supervisor, change a candidate's registration from a research master's to a PhD on grounds of the quality and development of the candidate's work.
- r\_fgm4.2 For students who are interrupting MBChB studies to pursue a Master's and/or PhD fulltime (i.e., for a period longer than a year), the following applies to return to the remaining years of the MBChB programme :

a) Each student is required to obtain approval from the MBChB Programme Convener before applying for the fulltime Master's or PhD programme.

b) While undertaking the fulltime MSc/PhD, students are required to maintain their clinical knowledge and skills under the supervision of a clinician tutor and to submit reports as indicated by the MBChB programme convener.

c) In the year before the return to resume the MBChB programme, the student must apply for readmission to the MBChB programme via the online application system for this to be reviewed by Admissions Committee.

#### Minimum requirements for award of degree

FGM5 In the case of examination by coursework and dissertation, a candidate must obtain at least 50% for each coursework component (or each individual course, where coursework includes more than one course) and for the dissertation, in order to qualify for the degree or diploma. The rules for some programmes may specify additional sub-minima.

#### Corrections and failing a dissertation

- FGM6.1 The candidate shall not be permitted to graduate until any corrections and alterations required by Senate have been made to their dissertation. No candidate shall be invited more than once to revise and resubmit their dissertation.
- FGM6.2 A candidate whose dissertation is failed will not be allowed to present themselves as candidates for the degree of master again for examination in the same field of study, but may, with the permission of Senate, be admitted to another field of study.

# RULES AND CURRICULA FOR POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMAS

# ADDICTIONS CARE [MG024PRY10][SAQA ID:83606]

#### **Convener:**

F Ashburner (Department of Psychiatry and Mental Health)

The key objective of the Diploma is to enhance the knowledge and practical skills of professionals working in the addictions field. The qualification aims to produce graduates who have a thorough knowledge of scientific, evidence-based treatment approaches to working with patients with substance use disorders, and who are able to critically evaluate and debate developments in the addictions field. Much emphasis is placed on the development and consolidation of clinical skills, so that graduates can provide competent, holistic care to patients with substance use disorders.

#### Admission requirements

- FPA1.1 To be eligible for consideration for admission, a candidate shall
  - (a) have an approved Bachelor's degree in health sciences or in the humanities (e.g. social work or psychology); and be registered as an independent practitioner with the relevant professional body (e.g. HPCSA, SACSSP); or have approved prior experience and training. Applicants who wish to be considered on the basis of Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) will be required to submit a personal portfolio reflecting, amongst others, their experience of working in the field of addiction treatment; past attendance at relevant courses for which they may have obtained certificates and diplomas; and evidence of critical thinking skills in writing and reading;
  - (b) have submitted a letter of support from his/her employer granting the applicant study leave for the weeks requiring block attendance, and undertaking to provide support to enable the applicant to complete assigned tasks and assignments within the work context;
  - (c) have proven proficiency in written and spoken English (this may be tested if necessary); and
  - (d) have an acceptable level of computer literacy, and access to a computer and the internet.
- FPA1.2 Preference shall be given to candidates who are currently working in an addiction treatment setting or in a mental healthcare setting which provides opportunities to work effectively with patients with substance use problems. Those who are not working in such settings will be required to complete an internship at an approved addiction treatment facility. Applicants who are required to complete an internship will need to submit a letter of support from their employer granting the applicant leave to complete his/her internship.
- FPA1.3 Applicants may be asked to attend an interview.

#### Structure and duration of Diploma

FPA2 The Diploma may be completed over one year full-time or two years part-time. It consists of blocks, which total six to seven weeks of contact time during the

programme. Additional time should be set aside for self-study, practical work, and the completion of assignments. Written examinations are scheduled for mid- and endof-year examination periods. Students are expected to practise their clinical skills in their current work environment.

#### Curriculum outline

FPA3 The cu	rriculum outline is as follows:		
Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PRY4008W	Evidence-based Treatment Approaches	15	8
PRY4009F	Screening and Assessment of Addictive Disorders	15	8
PRY4010S	Case Management and Service Monitoring	15	8
PRY4011F	Managing Co-occurring Mental Disorders	15	8
PRY4012S	Ethics and Professional Development	15	8
PRY4013F	Understanding Addictive Disorders	15	8
PRY4015F	Managing Children and Adolescents with Addictive D	isorders15	8
PRY4016S	Working with the Family and Social Networks	15	8
PRY4023F/S	Integrated Assessment	0	8
	Total NQF credits	120	

#### Assessment, progression, and readmission

[Note: These rules must be read in conjunction with the General Rules in the front section of this Handbook.]

- FPA4.1 Students are assessed by means of assignments and final examinations. Assessments may be of a practical, written and/or oral nature.
- FPA4.2 Students are required to attend at least 70% of lectures and group supervision sessions. Attendance is monitored through signing of attendance registers. Students are also required to submit all supervisors' reports, as well as the specified number of case reports, before the final mark for the relevant course will be released. Should this not be done by the due date, the student will fail the course.
- FPA4.3 Students who obtain 45% 49% in an examination may be reassessed before the final mark is submitted for approval of the Faculty Examinations Committee, and/or may be granted a supplementary examination at the discretion of the Faculty Examinations Committee.
- FPA4.4 Students may be permitted to repeat a course they have failed, at the convener's discretion. No course may be repeated more than once. Where a candidate fails any course twice, or fails three or more courses, a recommendation will be made to the Faculty Examinations Committee to refuse readmission.
- FPA4.5 Students are expected to obtain a subminimum of 50% in the final written examination in each course in order to pass the course. Where a supplementary examination is granted, the mark obtained in the supplementary examination constitutes the final mark for the course.

#### Distinction

FPA5 The Diploma may be awarded with distinction (75% – 100% average with not less than 70% for any course). All courses must be passed at first attempt.

# CLINICAL DEVELOPMENTAL PAEDIATRICS [MG035PED01][SAQA ID:94793]

#### **Convener:**

Professor K Donald (Division of Developmental Paediatrics, Department of Paediatrics and Child Health)

#### Admission requirements

- FPB1.1 To be eligible for consideration for admission, a candidate shall:
  - (a) have an approved Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBChB) or an equivalent qualification as a medical doctor, experience working in paediatrics, and be registerable with the Health Professions Council of South Africa;
  - (b) have submitted a letter of support from his/her employer granting the applicant study leave for the weeks requiring block attendance, and undertaking to provide support to enable the applicant to complete assigned tasks and assignments within the work context;
  - have proven proficiency in written and spoken English (this may be tested if necessary); and
  - (d) have an acceptable level of computer literacy, and access to a computer and the internet.
- FPB1.2 Preference shall be given to the candidates who are currently working in the field of developmental paediatrics and have demonstrated a need for this training to the benefit of their home setting.
- FPB1.3 Applicants may be asked to attend an interview or to take part in a telephonic or Skype interview.

#### **Duration of programme**

FPB2 The Diploma may be completed over one year full-time or two years part-time. It consists of blocks which total 12 months of contact time for the entire Diploma. Additional time should be set aside for self-study, practical work, and the completion of assignments. Written examinations are scheduled for the end-of-year.

#### Structure and duration of Diploma

FPB3 The Diploma is offered over 12 months on-site (full-time) or 24 months (part-time).

#### Curriculum outline

FPB4 1	The curriculum	outline is as follows:		
Code	Course		NQF Credits	NQF Level
PED403	99W Clinical	Management in Developmental Paediatrics	90	8
PED403	32W Essay: 7	Transition and Translation of Knowledge		8
	Total N	QF credits		

#### Assessment, progression, and readmission

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[Note: These rules must be read in conjunction with the General Rules in the front section of this Handbook.]

- FPB5.1 Submission of completed logbook of clinical cases by the due date, failing which the student shall not be permitted to write the final examination for PED4039W.
- FBD5.2 Students may be permitted to repeat a course they have failed, at the convener's discretion. No course may be repeated more than once. Where a candidate fails any

course twice, or fails more than one course, a recommendation may be made to the Faculty Examinations Committee to refuse readmission.

FBD5.3 Where a supplementary examination is granted, the mark obtained in the supplementary examination constitutes the final mark for the course.

#### Distinction

FPB6

The Diploma may be awarded with distinction if the student obtains 75% - 100% for all courses with not less than 70% for any individual course. All courses must be passed at first attempt.

### CLINICAL HEPATOLOGY [MG044MDN26][SAQA ID:98988]

#### **Conveners:**

Associate Professor M Sonderup (Division of Hepatology, Department of Medicine)

The key objective of the Diploma is to enhance the knowledge and practical skills of qualified medical professionals to enable them to diagnose, appropriately manage and refer patients with acute and chronic liver diseases without the immediate supervision of a specialist hepatologist or gastroenterologist with an interest in hepatology. This may be particularly relevant in resource-limited health districts where specialist input is not immediately available.

#### Admission requirements

- FPC 1.1 To be eligible for consideration for admission, a candidate shall:
  - have a Bachelor of Medicine and a Bachelor of Surgery (MBChB) or equivalent;
  - (b) submit proof of experience in working in the field of internal medicine. If original documentation is not in English, then an English translation must be provided;
  - (c) submit proof of registration with the Health Professions Council of South Africa (HPCSA). Practitioners who have not qualified in South Africa will need to submit proof of limited registration with the HPCSA by the time they register;
  - (d) submit a letter of support from his/her employer granting the applicant study leave for the one-year period of training and undertaking to provide support to enable the applicant to complete assigned tasks and assignments within the work context;
  - (e) submit a letter motivating their application and a curriculum vitae;
  - (f) have proven proficiency in written and spoken English (this may be tested if necessary);
  - (g) have an acceptable level of computer literacy, and access to a computer and the internet; and
  - (h) submit proof of adequate funding for the one-year period of training.
- FPC1.2 All candidates will write a screening Clinical MCQ (multiple choice question) Paper as a part of the application process, to assess their level of clinical expertise and English.
- FPC1.3 The applicant may be asked to attend an interview.

[Note: If a candidate who was not qualified in South Africa is considered suitable for admission to the Diploma, they will be required to have their medical qualification/s verified by the ECFMG.]

#### Structure and duration of Diploma

FPC2 This is a one-year, full-time Diploma designed as a clinical apprenticeship. The training is largely patient-based in the ward and clinics, but also includes tutorials, histopathology, and hepatobiliary radiology meetings.

#### **Curriculum outline**

FPC3	The cu	irriculum is as follows:		
Code		Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
MDN40	37W	Clinical Management in Hepatology	100	8
MDN40	38W	Essay: Transition and Translation of Knowledge		8
		Total NQF credits	120	

#### Assessment, progression, and readmission

[Note: These rules must be read in conjunction with the General Rules in the front section of this Handbook.]

- FPC4.1 Students are assessed by means of clinical assessments, assignments, a logbook, and final examinations. Assessments may be of a practical, written and/or oral nature.
- FPC4.2 Students who obtain 45% 49% in an examination may be reassessed before the final mark is submitted for approval of the Faculty Examinations Committee, and/or may be granted a supplementary examination at the discretion of the Faculty Examinations Committee.
- FPC4.3 Students may be permitted to repeat a course they have failed, at the convener's discretion. No course may be repeated more than once.
- FPC4.4 Where a student fails any course twice, or fails more than one course, a recommendation will be made to the Faculty Examinations Committee to refuse readmission.
- FPC4.5 Students are expected to obtain a subminimum of 50% in the coursework and in the final written examination in each course in order to pass the course.
- FPC4.6 Where a supplementary examination is granted, the mark obtained in the supplementary examination constitutes the final mark for the course.

#### Distinction

FPC5 The Diploma may be awarded with distinction (75% – 100% average with not less than 70% for any course). All courses must be passed at first attempt.

# CLINICAL PAEDIATRIC CARDIOLOGY [MG031PED04][SAQA ID:99286]

#### **Convener:**

Dr G Comitis Department of Paediatrics and Child Health)

The key objective of the postgraduate diploma is to allow practising doctors to develop foundation skills in clinical paediatric cardiology. This will enable the accurate diagnosis, effective resuscitation, triage, and initial management of children with congenital and acquired heart disease safely and effectively in resource-limited areas, without the immediate supervision of a paediatrician or subspecialist paediatric cardiologist. The qualification aims to strengthen and deepen their knowledge in the field of paediatric cardiology, thereby building capacity to improve child health in Africa. This empowers these working professionals to undertake advanced reflection and development in this sub-area of their practice by means of training which is targeted at current thinking and

practice methods in the area of paediatric cardiology, and allows these skilled workers to use their knowledge gained to lobby for improving child health.

#### Admission requirements

- FPD1.1 To be eligible for consideration for admission, a candidate shall:
  - (a) have an approved Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery degree (MBChB) or equivalent qualification as a medical doctor, proven experience working in the field of paediatrics, and be registered as a medical practitioner with the HPCSA for the entire duration of the course or an equivalent Health Professions authority in the foreign candidate's country of origin;
  - (b) have submitted a letter of support from his/her employer(s) granting the applicant study leave for the time requiring full-time attendance;
  - have proven proficiency in written and spoken English, including medical terminology (this may be tested if necessary); and
  - (d) have an acceptable level of computer literacy, and access to a computer and the internet.
- FPD1.2 Preference shall be given to candidates who are currently working in the field of paediatrics and have demonstrated a need for this training to the benefit of their medical practice.
- FPD1.3 Applicants may be asked to attend an interview or to take part in a telephonic or Skype interview.
- FPD1.4 Written assurance must be given that the candidate will be able to return to his/her clinical practice of origin before the onset of the course, or show that the candidate will be accepted into clinical practice where the newly attained skills are required and will be implemented.

#### Duration and structure of programme

- FPD2.1 The Diploma may be completed over one year full-time or two years part-time. It consists of three courses, which total 12 months of contact time for the entire Diploma. Additional time should be set aside for self-study, practical work, and the completion of assignments.
- FPD2.2 Students are expected to be fully immersed in those routine clinical activities of the cardiology department at Red Cross War Memorial Children's Hospital that add experiential learning content, including shared after-hours on-call duties.

#### Curriculum outline

#### FPD3 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PED4034W	Clinical Management in Paediatric Cardiology		8
PED4035W	Paediatric Echocardiography		8
PED4032W	Essay: Transition and Translation of Knowledge		8
	Total NQF credits	120	

#### Assessment, progression, and readmission

[Note: These rules must be read in conjunction with the General Rules in the front section of this Handbook.]

FPD4.1 Students are assessed by means of clinical assessment, assignments, a logbook, and final examinations. Assessments may be of a practical, written and/or oral nature.

- FPD4.2 Students who obtain 45% 49% in an examination may be reassessed before the final mark is submitted for approval by the Faculty Examinations Committee, and/or may be granted a supplementary examination at the discretion of the Faculty Examinations Committee.
- FPD4.3 Students may be permitted to repeat a course they have failed, at the convener's discretion. No course may be repeated more than once. Where a candidate fails any course twice, or fails more than one course, a recommendation will be made to the Faculty Examinations Committee to refuse readmission.
- FPD4.4 Unless otherwise indicated, students are expected to obtain a subminimum of 50% in the coursework and in the final written examination in each course in order to pass the course.
- FPD4.5 Where a supplementary examination is granted, the mark obtained in the supplementary examination constitutes the final mark for the course.

#### Distinction

FPD5 The Diploma may be awarded with distinction (75% - 100% average with not less than 70% for any course). All courses must be passed at first attempt.

### CLINICAL PAEDIATRIC CRITICAL CARE [MG037PED05][SAQA ID:94788]

#### **Convener:**

Doctor S Salie (Department of Paediatrics and Child Health)

The key objective of the diploma is to allow practising doctors to develop skills in the management of children with a life-threatening illness, injury, or following major elective surgery. The qualification aims to produce graduates who are trained in the recognition and management of critically ill children, thereby building capacity to improve child health in Africa. This enables and empowers these working professionals to undertake advanced reflection and development in this sub-area of their practice by means of training which is targeted at current thinking, practice and research methods in the area of paediatric critical care, and allows these skilled workers to use their knowledge gained to lobby for improving child health.

#### Admission requirements

FPE1.1 To be eligible for consideration for admission, a candidate shall:

- have an approved Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBChB) or equivalent qualification as a medical doctor, experience working in paediatrics, and be registerable with the Health Professions Council of South Africa;
- (b) have submitted a letter of support from his/her employer granting the applicant study leave for the weeks requiring block attendance, and undertaking to provide support to enable the applicant to complete assigned tasks and assignments within the work context;
- have proven proficiency in written and spoken English (this may be tested if necessary); and
- (d) have an acceptable level of computer literacy, and access to a computer and the internet.
- FPE1.2 Preference shall be given to candidates who are currently working in the field of paediatric critical care and have demonstrated a need for this training to the benefit of their home setting.

FPE1.3 Applicants may be asked to attend an interview or to take part in a telephonic or Skype interview.

#### **Duration of programme**

FPE2 The Diploma may be completed over one year full-time or two years part-time. It consists of blocks which total six months of contact time for the entire Diploma. Additional time should be set aside for self-study, practical work, and the completion of assignments. Written examinations are scheduled for the end-of-year.

#### Curriculum outline

FPE3	The cu	rriculum outline is as follows:		
Code		Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PED4	041W	Clinical Management in Paediatric Critical Care		8
PED4	032W	Essay: Transition and Translation of Knowledge		8
		Total NQF credits	120	

#### Assessment, progression, and readmission

[Note: These rules must be read in conjunction with the General Rules in the front section of this Handbook.]

- FPE4.1 Students are assessed by means of clinical assessment, assignments, a logbook, and final examinations. Assessments may be of a practical, written and/or oral nature.
- FPE4.2 Students who obtain 45% 49% in an examination may be reassessed before the final mark is submitted for approval of the Faculty Examinations Committee, and/or may be granted a supplementary examination at the discretion of the Faculty Examinations Committee.
- FPE4.3 Students may be permitted to repeat a course they have failed, at the convener's discretion. No course may be repeated more than once. Where a candidate fails any course twice, or fails more than one course, a recommendation will be made to the Faculty Examinations Committee to refuse readmission.
- FPE4.4 Unless otherwise indicated, students are expected to obtain a subminimum of 50% in the coursework and in the final written examination in each course in order to pass the course.
- FPE4.5 Where a supplementary examination is granted, the mark obtained in the supplementary examination constitutes the final mark for the course.

#### Distinction

FPE5 The Diploma may be awarded with distinction (75% – 100% average with not less than 70% for any course). All courses must be passed at first attempt.

### CLINICAL PAEDIATRIC DIABETES [MG032PED20][SAQA ID:94846]

#### Convener:

Dr M Carrihill (Paediatric Endocrine and Diabetes Unit, Department of Paediatrics and Child Health)

The purpose of this qualification is to allow practising doctors to develop foundation skills in clinical paediatric diabetes management to ensure safe practice.

#### Admission requirements

- FPF1.1 To be eligible for consideration for admission the candidate requires a Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBChB) or equivalent qualification as a medical doctor, experience working in the field of paediatrics, and must be registerable with the Health Professions Council of South Africa.
- FPF1.2 Preference will be given to candidates currently working in the field of paediatric diabetes.

#### Structure and duration of Diploma

FPF2 The Diploma programme requires full-time study over a period of 1 year. The candidate will be required to participate in all activities within the diabetes unit, complete a logbook of cases seen in both outpatient and inpatient settings and complete a portfolio of 25 cases.

#### **Curriculum outline**

FPF3	The curriculum	n outline is as follows:		
Code	Course		NQF Credits	NQF Level
PED40	36W Clinical	Management of Paediatric Diabetes	90	8
PED40	32W Essay: 7	ransition and Translation of Knowledge		8
	Total N	QF credits		

#### Assessment, progression, and readmission

[Note: These rules must be read in conjunction with the General Rules in the front section of this Handbook.]

- FPF4.1 Students are assessed by means of clinical assessment, assignments, a logbook, and final examinations. Assessments may be of a practical, written and/or oral nature.
- FPF4.2 Students who obtain 45% 49% in an examination may be reassessed before the final mark is submitted for approval of the Faculty Examinations Committee, and/or may be granted a supplementary examination at the discretion of the Faculty Examinations Committee.
- FPF4.3 Students may be permitted to repeat a course they have failed, at the convener's discretion. No course may be repeated more than once. Where a candidate fails any course twice, or fails more than one course, a recommendation will be made to the Faculty Examinations Committee to refuse readmission.
- FPF4.4 Where a supplementary examination is granted, the mark obtained in the supplementary examination constitutes the final mark for the course.

#### Distinction

FPF5 The Diploma may be awarded with distinction (75% – 100% average with not less than 70% for any course.) All courses must be passed at first attempt.

# CLINICAL PAEDIATRIC ELECTROPHYSIOLOGY AND EPILEPSY [MG033PED21][SAQA ID:94794]

#### **Convener:**

Professor J Wilmshurst (Division of Paediatric Neurology, Department of Paediatrics and Child Health)

The key objective of the Diploma is to allow practising doctors to develop foundation skills in clinical electrophysiology and epilepsy to ensure safe practice. The qualification aims to produce graduates
who are trained in the discipline to strengthen and deepen their knowledge in the field of paediatric EEG and epilepsy, thereby building capacity to improve child health in Africa. This enables and empowers these working professionals to undertake advanced reflection and development in this subarea of their practice by means of training which is targeted at current thinking, practice and research methods in the area of paediatric EEG and epilepsy, and allows these skilled workers to use the knowledge gained to lobby for improving child health.

#### Admission requirements

FPG1.1 To be eligible for consideration for admission, a candidate shall:

- (a) have an approved Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBChB) or equivalent qualification as a medical doctor, experience working in paediatrics, and be registerable with the Health Professions Council of South Africa;
- (b) have submitted a letter of support from his/her employer granting the applicant study leave for the weeks requiring block attendance, and undertaking to provide support to enable the applicant to complete assigned tasks and assignments within the work context;
- have proven proficiency in written and spoken English (this may be tested if necessary); and
- (d) have an acceptable level of computer literacy, and access to a computer and the internet.
- FPG1.2 Preference shall be given to candidates who are currently working in the field of paediatric epilepsy and have demonstrated a need for this training to the benefit of their home setting.
- FPG1.3 Applicants may be asked to attend an interview or to take part in a telephonic or Skype interview.

### Duration and structure of the programme

FPG2 The Diploma may be completed over one year full-time or two years part-time. It consists of blocks which total six months of contact time for the entire Diploma. Additional time should be set aside for self-study, practical work, and the completion of assignments. Written examinations are scheduled for the end-of-year.

#### **Curriculum outline**

## FPG3 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PED4037W	Clinical Management of Paediatric Epilepsy		8
PED4032W	Essay: Transition and Translation of Knowledge		8
	Total NQF credits	120	

[See note on page 4 regarding HEQSF levels and NQF credits.]

#### Assessment

[Note: These rules must be read in conjunction with the General Rules in the Front Section of this Handbook.]

- FPG4.1 Students are assessed continuously through course-related tasks and formal assessments some conducted under examination conditions.
- FPG4.2 Coursework assessment:
  - Graded course assignments (written and/or oral). Each course assignment is an opportunity for students to synthesise learning objectives and concepts

covered in the individual courses. In-course assignments are weighted and contribute to the overall assessment per course.

 Ongoing assessment of performance through regular clinical supervision/tutorial sessions and an assignment.

Distinction

FPG5 The Diploma may be awarded with distinction (75% – 100% average with not less than 70% for any course). All courses must be passed at first attempt.

## CLINICAL PAEDIATRIC EMERGENCY CARE [MG036PED22][SAQA ID:94596]

### **Convener:**

Associate Prof HA Buys (Department of Paediatrics and Child Health)

The key objective of the Diploma is to develop foundational skills in practicing doctors in both routine and complex paediatric emergency care conditions in children, including those from vulnerable populations affected by the neglected diseases of poverty.

## Admission requirements

- FPH1.1 To be eligible for consideration for admission, a candidate:
  - (a) shall be a qualified medical doctor (MBChB or equivalent qualification);
  - (b) must have at least 12 months of general paediatrics or general emergency care experience;
  - (c) if applying via the African Paediatric Fellowship Programme, must be referred by a tertiary African centre allied to the programme and have demonstrated the need for clinical training in this discipline;
  - (d) if a doctor qualified in South Africa, must be practising in an outreach setting;
  - (e) must be registrable with the Health Professions Council of South Africa and registered thus by the time of registration
  - (f) must be proficient in written and spoken English (this may be assessed if necessary via an interview process); and
  - (g) must have an acceptable level of computer literacy.
- FPH1.2 Candidates should be identified by their department heads as potential paediatric emergency care doctors for the care of children and guaranteed employment in that capacity on their return. Since the qualification is designed as an apprenticeship, training is based on a close trainer-to-trainee ratio.
- FPH1.3 Applicants may be asked to attend an interview either in person or telephonically.

#### Duration and structure of the Diploma

FPH2 The Diploma may be completed over one year full-time or two years part-time. It consists of 6 related modules which total 12 months of contact time for the entire Diploma. Additional time should be set aside for self-study.

The Diploma places much emphasis on the practical application of theory. Students are expected to practise their clinical skills in their current work environment.

#### **Curriculum outline**

FPH3	The curriculum outline is as follows:		
Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PED404	0W Clinical Management in Paediatric Emergency Care	90	8
PED4032	2W Essay: Transition and Translation of Knowledge		8
	Total NQF credits		

#### Assessment, progression, and readmission

[Note: These rules must be read in conjunction with the General Rules in the front section of this Handbook.]

- FPH4.1 Assessment is both formative and summative. A student who fails two formative oral, case-based assessments will not obtain a DP and may be required to withdraw. Formative assessment is built on continuous feedback on both knowledge and clinical competence.
- FPH4.2 Each course is made up of individual, discrete modules. Unless indicated otherwise, students must pass each module in order to pass the course.
- FPH4.3 Students are required to maintain a logbook of clinical procedures and to submit this by the due date.
- FPH4.4 Students are required to submit all supervisors' reports before the final mark for the relevant course will be released. Should this not be done by the due date, the student will fail the course.
- FPH4.5 Students may be permitted to repeat a module they have failed, at the convener's discretion. No course may be repeated more than once. Where a candidate fails a course twice, or fails three or more courses, a recommendation will be made to the Faculty Examinations Committee to refuse readmission.

#### Distinction

FPH5 The Diploma may be awarded with distinction (75% – 100% average with not less than 70% for any course). All courses must be passed at first attempt.

## CLINICAL PAEDIATRIC GASTROENTEROLOGY [MG034PED15][SAQA ID:96447]

#### **Conveners:**

Dr R de Lacy and Dr L Radebe (Division of Paediatric Gastroenterology, Department of Paediatrics and Child Health)

This course is intended to train suitable candidates to practise clinical paediatric gastroenterology in order to enable the diagnosis, resuscitation, triage, and management of children with disease. It does not aim to train the candidate to become a paediatric gastroenterologist, but rather to practice safely and effectively in resource limited areas without the immediate supervision of a paediatric gastroenterologist.

#### Admission requirements

- FPI1.1 To be eligible for consideration for admission, a candidate:
  - (a) shall have a Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBChB) or equivalent qualification as a medical doctor, experience working in the field of paediatrics, and demonstrate an interest in paediatric gastroenterology;
  - (b) if applying via the African Paediatric Fellowship Programme, must be referred by a tertiary African centre allied to the programme and have demonstrated the need for clinical training in this discipline;
  - (c) if a doctor qualified in South Africa, must be practising in an outreach setting;
  - (d) must be registrable with the Health Professions Council of South Africa and registered thus by the time of registration
  - (e) shall submit a letter of support from his/her employer granting the applicant study leave where applicable;
  - (f) shall submit proof that they will return back to their home institution to a post in the government/public sector to fulfil a healthcare need;

- (g) shall have proven proficiency in written and spoken English (this may be tested if necessary); and
- (h) shall have an acceptable level of computer literacy, and access to a computer and the internet.
- FPI1.2 Applicants may be asked to attend or have a telephonic interview.

### Structure and duration of Diploma

FPI2 The Diploma may be completed over one year full-time or two years part-time. The training is based at the Red Cross War Memorial Children's Hospital. There are two courses – one clinical and a long essay – and the clinical course consists of lectures, tutorials, case studies and practical workplace experience. During the training period, the student must demonstrate the ability to understand the coursework. The logbook must be completed concurrently with the clinical training. The long essay will be submitted after the clinical course has been completed.

### **Curriculum outline**

FPI3	The cu	rriculum outline is as follows:		
Code		Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PED403	38W	Clinical Management in Paediatric Gastroenterology.	90	8
PED403	32W	Essay: Transition and Translation of Knowledge		8
		Total NQF credits	120	

#### Assessment, progression, and readmission

[Note: These rules must be read in conjunction with the General Rules in the front section of this Handbook.]

- FPI4.1 Each course is made up of individual, discrete modules. Unless indicated otherwise, students must pass each module in order to pass the course.
- FPI4.2 Students are required to maintain a logbook of clinical procedures and to submit this by the due date.
- FPI4.3 Students are required to submit all supervisors' reports before the final mark for the relevant course will be released. Should this not be done by the due date, the student will fail the course.
- FPI4.4 Students may be permitted to repeat a course they have failed, at the convener's discretion. No course may be repeated more than once. Where a candidate fails a course twice, or fails three or more courses, a recommendation will be made to the Faculty Examinations Committee to refuse readmission.
- FPI4.5 Regular assessments of level of competency achieved throughout the course, undertaken at 3-monthly intervals. Students are required to attend at least 70% of group supervision sessions.
- FPI4.6 Students who obtain 45% 49% for the course may be reassessed before the final mark is submitted for approval to the Faculty Examinations Committee, and/or may be granted a supplementary examination at the discretion of the Faculty Examinations Committee.

### Distinction

FPI5 The Diploma may be awarded with distinction (75% – 100% average with not less than 70% for any course.) All courses must be passed at first attempt.

## CLINICAL PAEDIATRIC HAEMATOLOGY & ONCOLOGY [MG029PED19][SAQA ID:99637]

## **Convener:**

Professor A Davidson (Haematology/Oncology Service, Department of Paediatrics and Child Health)

The purpose of the qualification is to train practising doctors to develop foundational skills in treating and managing children with both complex haematologic disorders and malignancy, particularly those from vulnerable populations affected by the neglected diseases of poverty.

### Admission requirements

- FPJ1 (a) To be eligible for consideration, the applicant shall be a qualified medical doctor (MBChB or equivalent qualification) and have approved experience working in paediatrics (All doctors must be registered with the HPCSA by the time they start the programme).
  - (b) Applicants who are screened via the African Paediatric Fellowship Programme must be referred by a tertiary African centre allied to the programme and must have demonstrated the need for clinical training in this discipline.
  - (c) Doctors from within South Africa (practicing in "outreach settings") must be working in the field of paediatrics.

### Structure and duration of Diploma

FPJ2 The Diploma shall be completed over one year full-time. The student is attached to the paediatric haematology-oncology service at the Red Cross Children's War Memorial Hospital and will also spend at least a week in the Department of Radiation Oncology at Groote Schuur Hospital. Each student will complete a long essay relevant to the application and translation of the knowledge they have acquired to their own practice on returning home. Satisfactory completion of a logbook and satisfactory performance in three formative assessments are DP requirements for the final clinical examination which consists of a case-based oral assessment and the formal evaluation of the long essay.

#### Curriculum outline

FPJ3	The curriculum outline is as follows:		
Code	Course	NQF Credits NQF Level	
PED40	31W Clinical Management in Paediatric Haema	tology and Oncology . 90 8	5
PED40	32W Essay: Transition and Translation of Know	vledge 30 8	
	Total NQF credits		

#### Assessment, progression, and readmission

[Note: these rules must be read in conjunction with the General Rules in the front section of this Handbook.]

- FPJ4.1 Each course is made up of individual, discrete modules. Unless otherwise indicated, students must pass each module in order to pass the course.
- FPJ4.2 Students are required to maintain a logbook of clinical procedures and to submit this by the due date.
- FPJ4.3 Students are required to submit all supervisors' reports before the final mark for the relevant course will be released. Should this not be done by the due date, the student will fail the course.

- FPJ4.4 Students may be permitted to repeat a course they have failed, at the convener's discretion. No course may be repeated more than once. Where a candidate fails a course twice, or fails three or more courses, a recommendation will be made to the Faculty Examinations Committee to refuse readmission.
- FPJ4.5 Regular assessments of level of competency achieved throughout the course, undertaken at 3-monthly intervals. Students are required to attend at least 70% of group supervision sessions.
- FPJ4.6 Students who obtain 45% 49% for the course may be reassessed before the final mark is submitted for approval to the Faculty Examinations Committee, and/or may be granted a supplementary examination at the discretion of the Faculty Examinations Committee.

## Distinction

FPJ5 The Diploma may be awarded with distinction if the student obtains between 75% – 100% for all the courses with not less than 70% for any individual course.

## CLINICAL PAEDIATRIC NEPHROLOGY [MG040PED08][SAQA ID:94946]

### **Convener:**

Professor M McCulloch (Division of Paediatric Nephrology, Department of Paediatrics and Child Health)

The aim is to train suitable candidates to practice clinical paediatric nephrology in order to enable them to manage basic and complex paediatric nephrology in children, including those from vulnerable populations affected by diseases of poverty.

#### Admission requirements

FPK1 Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBChB) or equivalent qualification as a medical doctor, with work experience in the field of paediatrics. Successful applicants must be registered with the Health Professions Council of South Africa by the time they start their training.

## Selection criteria

- FPK2.1 Interested applicants from outside of South Africa will be screened through the African Paediatric Fellowship Programme. They must meet the inclusion and exclusion criteria set out by the APFP: (See <u>http://www.scah.uct.ac.za/apfp/</u>). Applicants must be supported by a tertiary African centre allied to the APFP:
  - have a letter of support from their employers granting them study leave where applicable;
  - (b) submit proof of funding by the APFP and the referring centre;
  - (c) provide proof that they will return to the home institution to a post in the government/public sector to fulfil a healthcare need;
  - (d) have proven proficiency in written and spoken English (this may be tested if necessary); and
  - (e) have an acceptable level of computer literacy, and access to a computer and the internet.
- FPK2.2 South African trained doctors must submit proof of the need to gain the skills provided by the Diploma programme, with the aim to facilitate better care of tertiary renal conditions at a secondary level institution.
- FPK2.3 All applicants may be asked to attend a telephonic or Skype interview.

#### Structure and duration of Diploma

FPK3 The training is based at the Red Cross Children's War Memorial Hospital. It is a oneyear full-time or two-year part-time programme.

#### **Curriculum outline**

#### FPK4 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PED4044W	Clinical Management in Paediatric Nephrology		8
PED4032W	Essay: Transition and Translation of Knowledge		8
	Total NQF credits	120	

## CLINICAL PAEDIATRIC PHYSIOTHERAPY [MG028AHS20][SAQA ID:94787]

#### Convener:

Professor B Morrow (Department of Paediatrics and Child Health)

The key objective of this Diploma is to train and educate physiotherapists in current knowledge and skills in different areas of paediatric care in a hospital setting, in order to enable them to deliver safe, effective and appropriate evidence-based healthcare practice as an independent practitioner within the multidisciplinary paediatric team.

#### Admission requirements

FPL1.1 To be eligible to consideration for admission, a candidate shall:

- have an approved Bachelor's degree in Physiotherapy or equivalent, with some clinical experience in paediatric management;
- (b) be registered as an independent practitioner with the relevant professional body (e.g. HPCSA);
- (c) demonstrate the need to develop his/her clinical skills in this field. To this purpose, applicants will be required to submit a personal portfolio reflecting, amongst others, their experience of working in the field of clinical paediatrics and past attendance at relevant courses for which they may have obtained certificates and diplomas;
- (d) have submitted a letter of support from his/her employer granting the applicant study leave for the duration of clinical block attendance and undertaking to provide support, as needed, to enable the applicant to complete assigned tasks and assignments within the work context;
- have proven proficiency in written and spoken English (this may be tested if necessary); and
- (f) have an acceptable level of computer literacy, and access to a computer and the internet.
- FPL1.2 Preference shall be given to candidates who are working in a clinical paediatric setting.
- FPL1.3 Applicants may be asked to undergo an interview.

#### Structure and duration of Diploma

FPL2.1 The Diploma may be completed over one year full-time or two years part-time. It consists of two modules – a clinical course and a long essay. A logbook must be completed concurrently with the clinical course. The final essay is submitted after the clinical course has been completed. A practical clinical examination, with oral component, is scheduled at the end of the clinical placement.

FPL2.2 The Diploma places emphasis on the practical application of theory and clinical skills. Students are expected to practise their clinical skills in different clinical areas within Red Cross War Memorial Children's Hospital throughout the year and, where applicable, at satellite institutions. Completion of six months of supervised paediatric clinical practice is a course requirement

## **Curriculum outline**

FPL3 The curriculum outline is as follows:					
Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level		
AHS4158W	Clinical Management in Paediatric Physiotherapy	90	8		
PED4032W	Essay: Transition and Translation of Knowledge		8		
	Total NQF credits				

## Assessment, progression, and readmission

[Note: These rules must be read in conjunction with the General Rules in the front section of this Handbook.]

- FPL4.1 Students are assessed by means of continuous assessment, review of the logbook, and final examination. Assessments may be of a practical, written and/or oral nature.
- FPL4.2 Students are required to attend at least 70% of group supervision sessions. They are required to submit all supervisors' reports, as well as the specified number of case reports, before the final mark for the relevant course will be released. Should this not be done by the due date, the student will fail the course.
- FPL4.3 Students who obtain 45% 49% in an examination may be reassessed before the final mark is submitted for approval by the Faculty Examinations Committee; and/or may be granted a supplementary examination at the discretion of the Faculty Examinations Committee.
- FPL4.4 Students may be permitted to repeat a course they have failed, at the convener's discretion. No course may be repeated more than once. Where a student fails any course twice, a recommendation will be made to the Faculty Examinations Committee to refuse readmission.

## Distinction

FPL5 The Diploma may be awarded with distinction (75% - 100% average with not less than 70% for any course). All courses must be passed at first attempt.

## CLINICAL PAEDIATRIC PULMONOLOGY [MG039PED13][SAQA ID:94790]

## **Convener:**

Dr M Zampoli (Division of Paediatric Pulmonology, Department of Paediatrics and Child Health)

The key objective of the Diploma is to allow suitable practising doctors to develop foundation skills in clinical paediatric pulmonology to enable effective care in resource-limited areas without the immediate supervision of a paediatric pulmonologist. The qualification aims to produce graduates who are trained in the discipline to strengthen and deepen their knowledge in the field of paediatric pulmonology with a focus on common and priority childhood respiratory illnesses, thereby building capacity to improve child health in Africa. This enables and empowers these working professionals to undertake advanced reflection and development in this sub-area of their practice by means of training which is targeted at current thinking practice and research methods in the area of paediatric

pulmonology and allows these skilled workers to use their knowledge gained to lobby for improving child health.

#### Admission requirements

FPM1.1 To be eligible for consideration for admission, a candidate shall:

- (a) have an approved Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBChB) or equivalent qualification as a medical doctor; experience working in the field of paediatrics; and be registerable with the Health Professions Council of South Africa;
- (b) have submitted a letter of support from his/her employer granting the applicant study leave for the weeks requiring block attendance, and undertaking to provide support to enable the applicant to complete assigned tasks and assignments within the work context;
- (c) have proven proficiency in written and spoken English (which may be tested if necessary); and
- (d) have an acceptable level of computer literacy, and access to a computer and the internet.
- FPM1.2 Preference shall be given to candidates who demonstrate an interest in the field of paediatric pulmonology and have demonstrated a need for this training to the benefit of their home setting.
- FPM1.3 Applicants may be asked to attend an interview or to take part in a telephonic or Skype interview.

#### **Duration of programme**

FPM2 The Diploma may be completed over one year full-time or two years part-time. Additional time should be set aside for self-study, practical work, and the completion of assignments. Oral examinations are scheduled for the end-of-year or a suitable time to coincide with completion of the training period.

#### **Curriculum outline**

FPM3	The cu	rriculum outline is as follows:		
Code		Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PED40	43W	Clinical Management in Paediatric Pulmonology		8
PED40	32W	Essay: Transition and Translation of Knowledge		8
		Total NQF credits	120	

#### Assessment, progression, and readmission

[Note: These rules must be read in conjunction with the General Rules in the front section of this Handbook.]

- FPM4.1 Students are assessed by means of assignments and final examinations. Assessments may be of a practical or oral nature.
- FPM4.2 Students are required to attend at least 70% of supervised clinical exposure and clinical meetings. They are required to submit a completed logbook before the final mark for the relevant course will be released. Should this not be done by the due date, the student will fail the course.
- FPM4.3 Students who obtain 45% 49% in an examination may be reassessed before the final mark is submitted for approval of the Faculty Examinations Committee and/or may be granted a supplementary examination at the discretion of the Faculty Examinations Committee.

FPM4.4 Students may be permitted to repeat a course they have failed, at the convener's discretion. No course may be repeated more than once. Where a candidate fails any course twice, a recommendation will be made to the Faculty Examinations Committee to refuse readmission.

## Distinction

FPM5 The Diploma may be awarded with distinction if a student obtains an average of between 75% - 100% in all courses with no less than 70% for an individual course, all passed at first attempt.

## CLINICAL PAEDIATRIC RHEUMATOLOGY [MG038PED18][SAQA ID:96438]

### **Convener:**

Dr K Webb (Division of Paediatric Rheumatology, Department of Paediatrics and Child Health)

The qualification aims to teach candidates competency in the management of paediatric rheumatic conditions of children and adolescents with specific reference to the socio-economic, health and cultural context of Africa.

### Admission requirements

- FPN1.1 Applicants must have a Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBChB) degree or equivalent qualification as a medical doctor, experience working in the field of paediatrics, and be registerable with the Health Professions Council of South Africa.
- FPN1.2 The candidate must demonstrate the need to develop his/her skills in the area of paediatric rheumatology.
- FPN1.3 Applicants may be asked to undergo a telephonic interview.

#### Structure and duration of Diploma

FPN2.1 The training is based at the Red Cross Children's War Memorial Hospital. It is a oneyear full-time or two-year part-time programme.

#### Curriculum

FPN3	The curriculum is as follows:		
Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PED404	2W Clinical Management in Paediatric Rheumatology	90	8
PED403	2W Essay: Transition and Translation of Knowledge		8
	Total NQF credits	120	

#### Assessment, progression, and readmission

[Note: these rules must be read in conjunction with the General Rules in the front section of this Handbook.]

- FPN4.1 Students who obtain 45% 49% in an examination may be reassessed before the final mark is submitted to the Faculty Examinations Committee and/or may be granted a supplementary examination at the discretion of the Faculty Examinations Committee.
- FPN4.2 Students may be permitted to repeat a course they have failed at the convener's discretion. No course may be repeated more than once. Where a candidate fails any course twice, or fails three or more courses, a recommendation will be made to the Faculty Examinations Committee to refuse readmission.

FPN4.3 Where a supplementary examination is granted, the mark obtained in the supplementary examination constitutes a final mark for the course.

## Distinction

FPN5 The Diploma may be awarded with distinction if the student obtains an average of between 75% – 100% for all courses, with not less than 70% for any individual course. All courses must be passed at first attempt.

## COMMUNITY AND GENERAL PAEDIATRICS [MG027PED16][SAQA ID:86173]

## **Conveners:**

Dr D le Roux and Dr L Jacobs (Department of Paediatrics and Child Health)

[Note: This programme will be offered only if there are a sufficient number of applicants who meet the entrance criteria.]

### Admission requirements

- FPO1 (a) To be considered for admission to this programme, candidates shall have:
  - an undergraduate degree in medicine or a degree in Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy, Audiology, Speech-Language Pathology, Dietetics Clinical Medical Practice or Social Work from this University or another university recognised by the Senate for this purpose; or a degree in Nursing (NQF Level 7);
  - (ii) registration as a medical practitioner with the Health Professions Council of South Africa, (i.e. completed internship and community service); or as a physiotherapist, occupational therapist, audiologist, speech-language pathologist, dietitian, or social worker with the relevant professional board of the Health Professions Council of South Africa (HPCSA) or as a registered nurse with the South African Nursing Council (SANC) as a general and specialist nurse; or in the case of medical practitioners and health and rehabilitation professionals who reside outside South Africa, with the health professions council in their country of residence:
  - (iii) fluency in English, both written and spoken;
  - (iv) plans to pursue a career in community and general paediatrics; and
  - (v) computer access and internet connectivity.
  - (b) In addition to meeting the minimum requirements above, preference will be given to:
    - (i) registered paediatric specialists who work at a secondary healthcare level;
    - registered medical officers who have at least two years' experience in the field of paediatrics and child health at a regional level;
    - (iii) doctors and health and rehabilitation professionals who work at secondary or a regional level of care; and
    - (iv) doctors who are members of the district clinical specialist teams.

## **Duration of programme**

FPO2 A student must be registered for the Diploma for at least two years of part-time study. The maximum registration period is four years. Retrospective registration is not allowed.

## **Curriculum outline**

FPO3 The curriculum consists of 9 compulsory "core courses" (110 NQF credits) and 1 elective course (10 NQF credits) to generate a total of 120 credits.

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PED4003S	Leadership and Management		8
PED4005S	Child Health Policies and Programmes	15	8
PED4051F	Experiential Learning Part 1	10	8
PED4052S	Quality improvement in Clinical Practice	15	8
PED4008F	Advocacy and Children's Rights	10	8
PED4049F/S	Basic Epidemiology and Research Appraisal	15	8
PED4009S	Health Information Systems	10	8
PED4006F	Optimising Care for Long-term and Disabling Condition		8
PED4063F	Infant, Child and Adolescent Mental Health	10	8
Electives			
PED4010	Communication, Education and Training	10	8
PED4065F	Child Protection, Abuse and Neglect	10	8
	Total NQF credits	120	

## COMMUNITY EYE HEALTH [MG019CHM03][SAQA ID:66519]

### **Convener:**

Dr D Minnies (Division of Ophthalmology, Department of Surgery)

This Diploma programme is based on planning, implementing, and managing an eye care programme for an approximate one million population (0,5 million - 2 million) "service unit" (district, region, province) specific to the student's own country.

#### Admission requirements

- FPP1.1 An approved undergraduate degree or equivalent qualification from this University or from another university recognised by Senate for the purpose.
- FPP1.2 Submission of a suitable Portfolio of Evidence may be deemed adequate for acceptance through Recognition of Prior Learning, where academic qualifications alone are not sufficient.

#### Structure and duration of Diploma

FPP2 The Diploma is offered over one academic year, comprised of an initial 12-week online period, 7 weeks on-campus, and a further 20 weeks off-campus period doing practical work and assignments).

#### **Curriculum outline**

#### FPP3 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
CHM4000F	Community Eye Health for eye care	20	8
CHM4028Q	Eye Care and Health Systems	20	8
CHM4002F	Management of eye care programmes		8
CHM4003W	Implementation of eye care programmes		8
	Total NQF credits		

## Assessment, progression, and readmission

[Note: These rules must be read in conjunction with the General Rules in the front section of this Handbook.]

FPP4 Students may be permitted to repeat a course they have failed, at the convener's discretion. No course may be repeated more than once. Where a candidate fails any

course twice, or fails more than one course, a recommendation may be made to the Faculty Examinations Committee to refuse readmission.

## Distinction

FPP5 The Diploma may be awarded with distinction if the student obtains a greater than 75% average mark for all four courses with not less than 70% for any individual course. All courses must be passed at first attempt.

## COMPUTATIONAL HEALTH INFORMATICS [MG099PTY31]

In abeyance (2025)

### **Conveners:**

Main: Shareefa Dalvie Victoria Nembaware and Raj Ramesar

#### Admission requirements

- FPAG1 (a) To be considered for admission to this programme, a candidate shall have:
  - Have an average of at least 65% in a bachelor's degree or an appropriate Advanced Diploma (NQF level 7) with at least a major in one of the following disciplines: genetics, statistics, , biomedical sciences, bioinformatics, computer science or related disciplines;
  - Have passed at least one semester course in a molecular science or bioinformatics subject at third year level.
  - (iii) Have proven proficiency in written and spoken English (this may be tested if necessary);
  - (iv) Be computer literate and have access to a computer and the internet
  - (b) Applicants will be ranked based on the following criteria:
    - (i) Candidates will be ranked based on overall 3rd year marks
    - (ii) If a candidate rejects the offer, the ranking will be used to select the next offer

#### Additional notes:

- (a) Applicants may be interviewed telephonically if necessary;
- (b) The selection will be conducted by a departmental selection committee;
- (c) For some exceptional cases, the programme executive committee can consider assessing a candidate (without a formal minimum bachelor's degree) on the basis of Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) to allow them to be considered for admission to the programme. Under the discretion of the programme executive committee, this will be in the form of oral interview, written/practical test and/or evaluation of the provided documentation as evidence of informal prior learnings with respect to biomedical science, statistics, bioinformatics and computer science.

## Structure and duration of programme

FPAG2 This is a full-time programme, comprising lectures, hands-on, tutorials and selfdirected learning. The duration of the programme is one year. The postgraduate diploma consists of specialized coursework (120 credits). The programme offers a series of 8 compulsory courses of 15 NQF credits each.

#### **Curriculum outline**

FPAG3	The curriculum is as follows:	
Code	Course	NQF Credits NQF Level
PTY40121	F/S Knowledge-based Interaction Networks	

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PTY4013F/S	Data science for Epidemiology Health Informatics	15	8
PTY4014F/S	Omics Medicine	15	8
PTY4015F/S	Omics data Generation Technologies Platforms	15	0
PTY4016F/S	High-Performance Computing	15	8
PTY4017F/S	Omics-based Scientific Programming with Python	15	8
PTY4018F/S	Biomedical Data Analysis with R	15	8
PTY4021F/S	Omics Research and Bio-Industry Methodology	15	8
	Total NQF credits	0	0

### Assessment overall

[Note: These rules must be read in conjunction with the General Rules in the front section of this handbook.]

- FPAG4.1 Assessment is based on performance in coursework and examinations. Each course convener will determine the appropriate form of assessment in specific courses within the programme. Such assessment will consist of some combination of home assignments, test/quiz, or a semester project, and final examination.
- FPAG4.2 To pass the academic year, the student must obtain an overall average of at least 50% with sub-minima of the combined coursework and exams.
- FPAG4.3 The final mark for each course is made up as follows: laboratory/computing techniques (15%); coursework mark (assignment pertinent to data mining, laboratory experiments, approaches description, computation tasks, or research on theories/approaches that cover the course learning objectives) (30%); and final course examination (55%), covering a range of theories and practical with respect to goals assigned to the course.
- FPAG4.4 A student who fails with 45% 49% may be granted a supplementary examination, at the convener's discretion. A student who gets less than 45% will not qualify for supplementary examination. No course may be repeated more than twice. Where a candidate fails any course twice, or any three courses, a recommendation will be made to the Faculty Examination Committee to refuse re-admission (If a failed course is repeated and passed, it is still counted as one fail).

## **Progression rules**

Except by permission of the Senate, a candidate registered for a PG Dip in Computational Health Informatics may be refused readmission if they:

- FPAG5.1 Fail half or more of the coursework courses for which they are registered in any year of study;
- FPAG5.2 Have not completed the coursework within the first three years of first registration for the diploma.

### Distinction

FPAG6 The diploma may be awarded with distinction if the student obtains above 75%-in overall coursework marks, with no less than 70% for any course. All courses must be passed at first attempt.

## COUNSELLING AND PSYCHOTHERAPY (in abeyance) [MG022PRY04][SAQA ID:87347]

## **Convener:**

F Ashburner (Department of Psychiatry and Mental Health)

The primary purpose of the Diploma is to enhance the integration of psychotherapeutic skills and knowledge into the scope of practice of mental health and other health practitioners. The course will focus on the provision of foundational knowledge and skills in counselling and psychotherapy, and to expose them to current quality evidence-based treatment in counselling and psychotherapy. This programme involves some work-based learning and clinical supervision.

#### Admission requirements

FPQ1.1 All applicants are required to have the following:

- (a) A health or mental health university degree at HEQSF level 7 or above;
- (b) A professional qualification that allows candidates to work in a range of health settings (e.g. a degree such as a BPsych (registered counsellor), medicine, psychiatric nursing, clinical social work, or psychiatry)
- (c) Basic knowledge, skills, and experience in working therapeutically with clients; and
- (d) Registration (or eligibility to register) with the relevant professional board (e.g. the HPCSA).

# FPQ1.2 In addition to meeting the minimum requirements above, selection will be based on:

- (a) academic merit;
- (b) evidence of proficiency in spoken and written English for postgraduate academic studies;
- (c) evidence of an interest and/or involvement in lifelong learning activities (e.g. conferences, workshops, short courses);
- (d) evidence of self-awareness and reflexivity: the candidate should demonstrate an ability to analyse their strengths and limitations, and how they intend to address these in the programme; and
- (e) any additional evidence the candidate offers in respect of the application, including his/her motivation for admission.

[This course will only be offered if a minimum number of students are enrolled.]

FPQ1.3 Admission to the Diploma programme will be finally assessed on an individual basis and by means of a panel interview.

## **Duration of programme**

FPQ2 The programme is offered over 12 months on a part-time basis. Students can enrol for individual courses as well. To be eligible to be awarded the diploma students must successfully complete all five courses and pass an integrated assessment (with a minimum mark of 50%) and coursework. Students may be considered for a supplementary examination if they fail a course or the integrated assessment.

#### **Curriculum outline**

FPQ3 The curriculum outline is as follows:	
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Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PRY4018F/S	Introduction to Psychodynamic Concepts in Psychoth	nerapy25	8
PRY4019F/S	Basic Therapeutic Competencies		8
PRY4020F/S	Introduction to Cognitive Behavioural Therapy	25	8
PRY4021F/S	Ethical Practice in Psychotherapy		8
PRY4022F/S	Evidence Based Practice	25	8
PRY4023F/S	Integrated assessment	0	8
	Total NQF credits	120	

## Assessment

[Note: These rules must be read in conjunction with the General Rules in the front section of this Handbook.]

FPQ4.1 Students are assessed through formal written assessments – and an integrative oral under examination conditions.

FPQ4.2 Coursework assessment:

Graded course assignments (written and/or oral): each course assignment is an opportunity for students to synthesise learning objectives and concepts covered in the individual courses.

## Distinction

FPQ5 The Diploma may be awarded with distinction if a student obtains an average of 75% - 100% in all courses with no less than 70% for an individual course, all passed at first attempt.

## DISABILITY STUDIES [MG056AHS06][SAQA ID:99693]

### **Convener:**

Dr Ikechukwu Nwanze (Division of Disability Studies, Department of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences)

The programme will be of benefit to disability practitioners in national, provincial and local governance structures, disability activists, service providers in NGOs, civil society, public and private sectors including health professionals, social workers, teachers, human resource managers, policy makers and staff of higher education institutions across different faculties. This programme develops an understanding of disability as an issue of diversity with deep psychological roots that results in social injustice because of power and privilege that favours the non-disabled norm. The course will enable students to critically engage with research in the light of the transformative aims of the disability practitioner, and to become familiar with the discipline of Disability Studies with conceptual understanding and the ability to communicate critical thinking and reasoning in academically rigorous ways. Students will learn how to monitor the capacity of government, civil society, and development agencies to implement strategies that lead to the equalisation of opportunity and social justice for disabled people. They will be able to understand theories of development and how disability inclusion can occur within these processes. In some cases, applicants may be allowed to register as occasional students (for a maximum of two courses), provided they meet the entrance requirements outlined below.

## Admission requirements

FPR1.1

An applicant may be considered for admission on the basis of:

- (a) having obtained an approved degree from this University or another institution approved by Senate for the purpose; or
- (b) approved prior experience and training. Applicants who wish to be considered on the basis Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) will be required to submit a personal portfolio reflecting, amongst others, their experience in the field of disability and/or development, and any relevant work experience and past attendance of relevant courses for which they may have obtained certificates or diplomas. Assessments to identify critical thinking skills in writing and reading may be conducted and students may be required to attend short courses held by the Division of Disability Studies before or during registration for the Diploma.

- FPR1.2 Where relevant, the applicant may also submit a letter of support from his/her employer, granting the applicant study leave for the weeks requiring block attendance, and undertaking to provide support to enable the applicant to complete assigned tasks and assignments within the work context.
- FPR1.3 Students will be expected to participate in online learning and support activities and must therefore arrange to have access to the internet and exhibit a minimum level of computer literacy.

#### Structure and duration of Diploma

- FPR2.1 The Diploma comprises four taught courses over a period of one year (full-time) or over two years (part-time). There are two teaching blocks per year of up to two weeks each. Full-time attendance in all teaching blocks is required. Participation in seminars and group projects is compulsory and will be monitored.
- FPR2.2 All courses must be completed in a minimum of one year and a maximum of two years. Students can therefore complete the Diploma full-time in 1 year or part-time in 2 years.

### **Credit/exemption and DP requirement**

FPR3 Students with a first degree who have a pass mark of 60% for an approved research methods course at NQF level 8 may apply for credit and exemption from AHS4091F Developing Critical Research Literacy.

#### **Curriculum outline**

## FPR4 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
AHS4089F	Introduction to Disability as Diversity		8
AHS4091F	Developing Critical Research Literacy		8
AHS4118S	Monitoring Disability in Society		8
	Plus, one elective course from the two courses below:		
AHS4117S	Critical Priorities in Disability and Development		8
AHS4163S	Disability Studies in Education		8
	Total NQF credits	120	

#### Assessment and progression rules

[Note: These rules must be read in conjunction with the General Rules in the front section of this Handbook.]

- FPR5 (a) Each course has specified coursework assessment activities that make up 50% of the total mark for the year. An integrated, final assessment consisting of a written paper and/or an oral or group presentation is done at the end of each course and the mark for this assessment constitutes an examination mark, which is weighted 50% of the mark for each course.
  (b) A student who does not achieve a coursework mark of at least 45% will not
  - (b) A student who does not achieve a coursework mark of at least 45% will not qualify to write the final examination for that course, except at the programme convener's discretion.
  - (c) Students who fail a course may be permitted to repeat the course once at the programme convener's discretion. Students who fail a course more than once, or who fail more than one course, may be asked to withdraw from the Diploma.
  - (d) A student who fails a course with 47% 49% may be granted a supplementary examination.

#### Eligibility to apply for MPhil by dissertation in Disability Studies

FPR6 Students who wish to apply for admission to the MPhil by dissertation in Disability Studies must obtain 60% for all courses and an overall mark of 65% in this postgraduate diploma, unless exempted from this requirement by the Selection Committee.

## Distinction

FPR7 To be awarded the diploma with distinction, an overall average of 75%, or above, must be obtained with not less than 70% for any course. All courses must be passed at first attempt.

## EMERGENCY CARE [MG042][SAQA ID:103085]

#### **Convener:**

TBA (Division of Emergency Medicine, Department of Family, Community and Emergency Care)

## Admission requirements

FPS1 To be eligible for consideration an applicant shall

- hold a minimum of a NQF Level 7 degree. It is open to medical practitioners, nurses, and paramedics;
- (b) be registered with a relevant professional body (such as the HPCSA or Nursing Council);
- (c) be able to converse and write in medical English;
- (d) pass a basic computer literacy examination provided by the Division upon shortlisting;
- have at least one year's experience working in an emergency care clinical health professional setting;
- be strongly encouraged to have the support of their employer in undertaking this course (although there are no face to face contact sessions, it will require a good deal of dedicated study time, and attendance remotely at some contact sessions and assessments); and
- (g) applicants who wish to be considered on the basis Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) will be required to submit a personal portfolio reflecting, amongst others, their experience in the field of emergency care, and any relevant work experience and past attendance at relevant courses. Assessments to identify critical thinking skills in writing and reading may be conducted

### **Duration of programme**

FPS2 The diploma comprises six courses over one year. All courses must be completed in one year (and a maximum of two years should a student need to repeat any courses).

#### **Curriculum outline**

#### FPS3 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
FCE4016Q	Introduction to Postgraduate Studies		8
FCE4017R	Research Literacy		8
FCE4018Q	Concepts of Emergency Care		8
FCE4019Q	Adult Emergency Care		8
FCE4020R	Child Health for Emergency Care		8
FCE4021R	Leadership & Patient Safety in Emergency Care		8
	Total NQF credits		

## **DP** requirement

FPS4 Satisfactory completion of the first semester modules is a requirement to be allowed to continue into the second semester.

## Assessment

FPS5 Assessment is done *(inter alia)* by means of assignments, skills sessions, and oral and written examinations.

### **Progression rules**

FPS6

Except by permission of the Senate, a candidate registered for a PG Dip Emergency Care may be refused reregistration if they:

- (a) fail (a mark of <50%) half or more of the coursework courses for which they are registered in any year of study
- (b) have not completed the coursework within two years of first registration for the diploma;
- (c) fail a course more than once. Where a candidate fails any course twice, or fails three or more courses a recommendation will be made to the Faculty's Examinations Committee to refuse readmission;
- (d) fails to obtain a sub-minimum of 50% for each of the six courses in the diploma in order to pass the diploma

## Distinction

FPS7

The Diploma may be awarded with distinction if the student obtains a greater than 75% average mark for all courses with not less than 70% for any individual course. All courses must be passed at the first attempt.

## FAMILY MEDICINE [MG015FCE09][SAQA ID:67417]

## **Convener:**

Associate Professor T Ras (Division of Family Medicine, Department of Family, Community and Emergency Care)

[Note: This programme does not fulfil the criteria for registration as a family physician with the HPCSA. Successful applicants are admitted to the programme every second year.]

## Admission requirements

FPT1 To be eligible for consideration an applicant shall:

- (a) be a graduate of medicine of this University or another university recognised by Senate for this purpose; or
- (b) be a professional nurse trained by an institution accredited by the SA Nursing Council, and who has completed an accredited course qualifying the applicant as a clinical nurse practitioner in South Africa (\*see provisions below); and
- (c) be registered by, and in good standing with, the Health Professions Council of South Africa as a medical doctor or with the South African Nursing Council as a professional nurse and clinical nurse practitioner;
- (d) have submitted the names and contact details of at least two contactable referees, one of whom should be his/her current or most recent employer;
- (e) successfully have undergone a formal interview process;
- (f) be practising in an approved setting for the duration of his/her registration for the Diploma; and
- (g) have basic computer skills, access to a home computer and internet access.

[\*Note: Admission of Clinical Nurse Practitioners (CNPs) and PHC-trained facility/operational managers:

A limited number of CNPs who fulfil the admission requirements as specified above will be considered for entry to specific individual courses indicated below as occasional students. Occasional students who meet entry criteria may be considered for admission to the full qualification, but have to adhere to the policy that: (a) no more than 50% of the courses successfully completed as an occasional student will count toward the full qualification; (b) at least 50% if the courses have to be successfully completed while registered for the full qualification; and (c) registration for the full qualification must be for at least one year.]

## **Duration of Diploma**

FPT2 A student shall be registered for a minimum of two years of part-time, on-site study.

### **Curriculum outline**

This program addresses the need to train clinicians in active clinical practice at Primary care level. It includes theoretical and practical training and supervision, and requires the development of consultation and procedural skills as well as the ability to apply theoretical aspects of Family Medicine to clinical practice.

### FPT3 The curriculum outline is as follows: Year 1

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
FCE4004F	Principles of Family Medicine*	16	8
FCE4028S	Family & Community Orientated Primary Care	20	8
FCE4007F	Professional Practice	12	8

## Year 2

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
FCE4006S	Clinical Medicine A	21	8
FCE4005S	Evidence-based Medicine	13	8
FCE4011S	Clinical Medicine B		8
FCE4029H	Prevention and Promotion and Chronic Illness*	21	8
	Total NQF credits	121	

\*Courses currently open to occasional students as explained above.

#### Assessment

[Note: These rules must be read in conjunction with the General Rules in the relevant front section of this handbook.]

FPT4.1 The following assessment rules apply:

- (a) The year mark for each course is made up of marks obtained for assignments and assessments on modules within each course; and
- (b) All individual courses must be passed with 50% before a student may be admitted to the final, integrated examination.
- FPT4.2 A student who is permitted to re-register after failing the final integrated examination may be permitted to re-take the examination after six months if they failed no more than two components of the examination at first attempt, or after one year if they failed three or more components at first attempt.

#### **Progression and readmission**

FPT5 Except with the permission of Senate, on the recommendation of the Division of Family Medicine, a candidate who fails three courses, or who fails the same course more than once, shall not be permitted to continue with the programme.

#### Distinction

FPT6

The Diploma may be awarded with distinction if the student obtains an average of 75% - 100%, with not less than 70% for any course. All courses must be passed at first attempt.

## HEALTH ECONOMICS [MG017][SAQA ID:62993]

#### Convener:

Professor S Cleary (School of Public Health and Family Medicine)

#### Admission requirements

FPU1 This programme is designed for graduates in the social or health sciences. The minimum entry requirements are as follows:

- (a) An approved undergraduate degree in economics, health sciences or the social sciences, or an approved equivalent; and
- (b) Proficiency in English, both written and spoken.

#### **Duration of Diploma**

FPU2 The Diploma is offered over 24 months on a part-time basis. Students may not be registered beyond four years.

#### **Curriculum outline**

#### FPU3 The curriculum outline is as follows: Year 1

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PPH4018F	Introduction to Health Economics		8
PPH4021F/S	Key Features of Economic Evaluations		8
PPH4022F	Priority Setting and Health Technology Assessment		8
PPH4020S	Priority Setting and Healthcare Decision Making		8
PPH4067Z	Modelling and Analysis in Economic Evaluation		8

#### Year 2

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PPH4019F	The Economics of Health Systems		8
PPH4023F	Strategic Purchasing 1		8
PPH4024S	Strategic Purchasing 2 - Influencing Providers		8
PPH4025S	Strengthening Progress to Universal Coverage		8
PPH4068Z	Analysing Universal Health Coverage		8
	Total NQF credits	120	

#### Minimum requirements for progression and re-registration

[Note: These rules must be read in conjunction with the General Rules in the front section of this Handbook.]

- FPU4 A student who fails to meet the following minimum requirements may be refused permission to renew his/her registration for the Diploma:
  - (a) In each year of study, a student must pass a minimum of 2 courses with the exception of the final year of study, in which a student must complete the requirements for the Diploma;
  - (b) A student must complete all requirements for the Diploma within four years;
  - (c) A student cannot fail a course more than twice.

#### Assessment

FPU5.1 For the ten courses, students are assessed through a combination of tests and individual written assignments.

- FPU5.2 Students must pass each course (with 50% on average) in order to pass the diploma.
- FPU5.3 No supplementary or deferred assessments are given.

## Distinction

FPU6 The Diploma may be awarded with distinction (an average of 75% - 100%, with not less than 70% for any course or contact block).

## **HEALTH LEADERSHIP** [MG009][SAQA ID:16466]

### Convener:

Associate Professor M Shung King (School of Public Health and Family Medicine)

### Admission requirements

FPV1

- (a)
- An approved undergraduate degree or equivalent qualification from this University or another university recognised by the Senate for the purpose.
  - At least two years' relevant management experience. (b)

[Note: This programme is offered primarily to mid- and senior level managers within the South African public health care system, with a limited number of places for other candidates.]

### **Duration of programme**

FPV2 This programme is offered on a part-time basis. It consists of four 5-day inperson blocks in the first twelve months, with online sessions and intermodular workplaced based assessments in between. An additional four months are required in the second year to complete the final project.

## Curriculum outline

FPV3	The curriculum outline is as follows:		
Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
	Year 1	0	0
PPH4060	F Working in Complex Health Systems		8
PPH4057	S Critical Health Management Practices		8
PPH4058	Z Leading Health System Improvement	25	8
PPH4062	X Health System Intervention Project (A)	5	8
	Year 2 (semester 1 only)	0	0
PPH4059	Z Health System Intervention Project (B)		8
	Total NQF credits:		

#### Attendance FPV4

All students are required to attend the residential sessions for each course. Should a student fail to attend the sessions, their registration may be cancelled.

## Assessment

- FPV5.1 Students are assessed continuously through work-place based assessments and other related assignment tasks. Late submission of the main assignment task for any course is subject to a penalty unless approval has been sought and received from the convener.
- FPV5.2 Students who meet certain pass requirements (see assessments under individual courses) will be eligible for one resubmission of an assignment per course, but no more than two resubmissions across all four courses is permitted.

### **Progression and readmission**

[Note: These rules must be read in conjunction with the General Rules in the front section of this Handbook.]

- FPV6 (a) A student who has failed two courses, following eligible resubmission, will not be allowed to continue further in the programme.
  - (b) A student who failed any course will be allowed to register for the subsequent course, provided that the resubmitted written assignment (of the failed courses) has been handed in prior to the start of the subsequent course, or that sufficient progress, as assessed by the convener, of the resubmission has been demonstrated.

#### Distinction

FPV7 The Diploma may be awarded with distinction (based on an average of 75% - 100%) across all four courses, with no less than 70% for any individual course and no less than 70% for any of the primary written assignments.

## HEALTH PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION [MG026HSE10][SAQA ID:83666]

### Convener:

L Pienaar (Department of Health Sciences Education)

## Minimum admissions requirements

FPW1 To be eligible for consideration, an applicant shall:

- (a) have an approved qualification in a health sciences or related profession;
- (b) be registered with a relevant professional body where appropriate;
- have teaching, facilitating, tutoring or clinical supervision experience in an academic or healthcare context;
- (d) be proficient in English, both written and spoken;
- (e) have basic computer literacy:
- (f) have reliable and continuous computer access and internet connection;
- (g) have submitted, where applicable, a letter of support from his/her employer granting the applicant study leave for the weeks requiring block attendance and undertaking to provide support to enable the applicant to complete assigned tasks and assignments within the work context; and
- (h) Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL). Applicants who have relevant certificates or diplomas of training in the health field, but not at the HEQSF level of a three year degree (7), and who have experience of teaching health workers and health professionals, may be considered on the basis of RPL. They are required to submit a prescribed personal portfolio of evidence reflecting, amongst others, their teaching and/or facilitation experience, past attendance of relevant courses for which certificates or diplomas have been attained, and evidence of critical thinking skills in writing and reading. Support for completion of the portfolio will be available and, if selected, support will continue as necessary.
- At least six months' teaching experience in a healthcare context is a strong recommendation.

## Structure and duration of Diploma

FPW2 The programme is offered over one year full-time or two years part-time. There are three on-campus blocks of up to one week each at the beginning, middle, and end of the year. Full attendance is required for the on-campus block periods. Reduced attendance will be considered only in exceptional circumstances. A full-time student may be registered for no longer than two years and a part-time student for no longer than four years. *Exceptions:* occasional students may be considered for one or two courses in any order during the year.

Curriculum	outline		
FPW3 T	he curriculum outline is as follows:		
Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
	Core courses:		
HSE4000F	Learning Theories in Health Professional Education		8
HSE4001F	Learning and Teaching Practice		8
HSE4002S	Assessment in Health Professional Education		8
HSE4004S	Integrated Assessment	0	8
	And must choose one (1) elective from the offerings		
HSE4003S	Curriculum Development and Course Design		8
HSE4005S	Academic Literacy for Health Professional Education		8
HSE4006S	Technology Assisted Learning and Teaching		8
HSE4013S	Research Methods in Health Professional Education		8
	Total NQF credits:	120	

#### Progression and readmission rules

- (a) Except with permission of the programme convener, a student who is permitted to do the programme on a part-time basis shall be required to complete two courses successfully each year.
  - (b) Except with permission of the programme convener, a student registered for the diploma on a full-time basis shall be required to complete all four courses successfully in one year.
  - (c) Three compulsory courses and one elective is needed to complete the programme. Students need to pass each course before proceeding to the next course. All four courses need to be passed before taking the integrated examination at the end of the programme.
  - (d) A student who fails a course with 47% 49% may be granted a re-examination. A student who fails a course with less than 47% will need to repeat the course
  - (e) Except by permission of Senate, a student may be refused permission to renew his/her registration for the programme if she/he fails the same course twice or fails two courses.

#### **DP** requirements

FPW4

FPW5 To be eligible to write the final examination, students are required to have:

- (a) successfully completed the relevant portfolio tasks specified for each course;
- (b) obtained a pass of 50% for the summative assignments of all four courses; and
- (c) attended 100% of block week activities. Absence is permitted only with approval of the programme convener.

#### Assessment

[Note: These rules must be read in conjunction with the General Rules in the front section of this handbook.]

- FPW6.1 Students are required to pass all courses before they may sit the final integrated assessment. A re-examination may be awarded at the discretion of the course and programme convener to students who fail a course with 47% 49%.
- FPW6.2 The final integrated examination consists of four components: a written examination, a teaching portfolio, an oral examination on the teaching portfolio, and a simulated teaching event. Students are required to achieve a minimum of 45% in each of the four components of the final examination. An overall pass mark of 50% is required. A

student who fails the final integrated examination with 45%-49% may be granted a reexamination at the discretion of the programme convener. A student who fails the final integrated examination with less than 45% may be awarded a supplementary examination at the discretion of the Faculty Examination Committee.

## Distinction

FPW7 To be awarded the Diploma with distinction, an overall average of 75% must be obtained with no less than 70% for any course. All courses must be passed at first attempt.

## HEALTHCARE TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT [MG010HUB10][SAQA ID:4585]

#### **Convener:**

Dr L du Plessis (Department of Human Biology)

This programme aims to build capacity and broaden technology-related competencies in support of quality healthcare delivery that is affordable, equitable and sustainable. It covers the Assessment, Innovation and Management (AIM) of Healthcare Infrastructure and Technology (HIT) and related areas. Health system planners, health technology policy makers, health economists, health service and hospital managers, clinical and hospital engineering practitioners, built-environment professionals, medical physicists, radiographers, clinical technologists, nurses, health informaticists and healthcare technology/medical device innovators would all benefit and could use the Diploma as a platform for a new direction in their careers.

#### Admission requirements

FPX1.1 An applicant shall not be admitted as a candidate unless he/she:

- (a) have an approved undergraduate degree or equivalent qualification from this University or another university recognised by Senate for this purpose; or has in any other manner attained a level of competence which, in the opinion of Senate, is adequate for the purposes of admission as a candidate for the Diploma;
- (b) have preferably worked in a healthcare environment for at least three years; and
- (c) is proficient in written and spoken English and is computer-literate. Note: Access to a computer and connectivity is essential. Students must allow sufficient time for self-study. [Note: Access to a computer and connectivity is essential. Students must allow sufficient time for self-study.]
- FPX1.2 A formal Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) process has been introduced, requiring competent completion of the National Benchmark Tests and the submission of a portfolio of evidence in support of the application for admission (details available on request), as well as a motivation as to why the candidate wishes to study this programme and how the applicant and his/her employing institution would benefit.

#### **Duration of Diploma**

FPX2

- (a) The Diploma is offered over two years part-time and 1-week contact sessions will be mandatory at the beginning of each academic year.
- (b) Students may not be registered for more than four years. Note: Access to a computer and connectivity is essential. Students must allow sufficient time for self-study.

## **Curriculum outline**

FPX3 Students are required to complete all eight courses and do the project course (HUB4032W). Courses will be presented in alternating years.

## The curriculum outline is as follows: Year 1 Coursework

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
HUB4027W	Healthcare Technology Assessment	13	8
HUB4028W	Healthcare Technology Planning and Acquisition	13	8
HUB4030W	Healthcare Project Management	13	8
HUB4066W	Healthcare Technology Innovation & Entrepreneurshi	p13	8

## Year 2 Coursework

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Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
HUB4032W	Project in Healthcare Technology Management	16	8
HUB4065W	Medical Devices and instrumentation Overview	13	8
HUB4068W	Asset Management of Healthcare Technology and In	frastructure.13	8
HUB4070W	Hospital Engineering Practice	13	8
HUB4090W	Health Information Systems, Telemedicine and mHea	alth13	8
	Total NQF credits:	0	0

### Assessment and progression

- FPX4.1 Students may be permitted to repeat any course that they have failed, at the convenor's discretion. No course may be repeated more than once
- FPX4.2 Students are assessed based on class tests, written/oral examinations, and assignments with a pass mark of >50%.

## Distinction

FPX5 The Diploma may be awarded with distinction if the student obtains an average of greater than 75% with not less than 70% for any course. All courses must be passed at first attempt.

## INTERDISCIPLINARY PAIN MANAGEMENT [MG055AAE03][SAQA ID:99601]

## **Convener:**

Professor RE Parker (Department of Anaesthesia and Perioperative Medicine)

The program will be of benefit to healthcare professionals working at all levels of care (primary to quaternary care) who treat people with pain. This programme seeks to train evidence-informed health professionals who are able to implement contextually relevant patient-centred biopsychosocial approaches in a comprehensive primary healthcare approach to manage complex pain conditions. The programme will enable students to critically engage with the evidence underpinning pain management approaches and facilitate their application of knowledge to practice through reflection. Students will understand the biopsychosocial model of pain and be able to apply this using the Comprehensive Primary Healthcare Approach working in Interdisciplinary teams. Graduates will be able to function effectively in the following four (4) domains in order to deliver effective evidence-informed health care to people with pain: The Multidimensional Nature of Pain, Assessment and measurement of Pain and its effects, Comprehensive Pain Management and Evidence-informed Pain Management.

## Admission requirements

This program is designed for health professionals working with acute and chronic pain at all levels of care. The programme will be available to doctors, nurses, physiotherapists, occupational therapists, and psychologists (all have at least an NQF 8 qualification) involved in treating people with pain. The programme convener may ask candidates to enrol and successfully pass the courses "Introduction to postgraduate studies" and "The multidimensional nature of pain" prior to being allowed to register for the full programme should they not meet the prerequisite physiology requirements.

### FPY1.1 An applicant may be considered for admission on the basis of:

- (a) being registered with a relevant professional body;
- (b) being proficient in English, both written and spoken;
- having basic computer literacy evidenced by successfully passing a computer skills test;
- (d) having reliable and continuous computer access and internet connection;
- (e) having submitted, where applicable, a letter of support from his/her employer granting the applicant study leave for the weeks requiring block attendance and undertaking to provide support to enable the applicant to complete assigned tasks and assignments within the work context;
- working in a setting which allows them to engage in the management of people with pain (acute or chronic);
- (g) having at least one year's experience working in a clinical health professional setting; and
- (h) having completed an accredited undergraduate course in physiology obtaining a minimum of 60% for the course.

Profession specific requirements:

- (a) Doctors: MBChB or equivalent and registration with professional body
- (b) Nurses: a 4-year Bachelor of Nursing or equivalent and registration with professional body.
- (c) Physiotherapists: a 4-year BSc(Physiotherapy) degree and registration with professional body.
- (d) Occupational Therapists: a 4-year BSc(Occupational Therapy) degree and registration with professional body.
- (e) Psychologists: registered as a clinical or counselling psychologist with the HPCSA or equivalent professional body. Advantageous to have worked in a medical setting.
- (f) Applicants with basic NQF 7 degrees with minimal anatomy and physiology may be required to enrol and successfully pass the courses "Introduction to postgraduate studies" and "The multidimensional nature of pain" prior to being allowed to register for the full program.

## Structure and duration of Diploma

- FPY2.1 The Diploma comprises seven taught courses which can be completed full time over a period of one year or part-time over a period of two years. There are two teaching blocks per year of up to two weeks each. Full-time attendance in all teaching blocks is required. Participation in seminars and group projects is compulsory and will be monitored.
- FPY2.2 All coursework must be completed in a minimum of one year and a maximum of two years.

#### **Credit/exemption and DP requirement**

FPY3 Students must participate in 80% of online activities to obtain DP for each course.

## Curriculum

#### FPY4 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course NQF Cre	edits	NQF Level
AAE4009F	Succeeding in Postgraduate Studies	15	8
AAE4008F	Principles of Evidence Based Practice	15	8
AAE4003F	The Multidimensional Nature of Pain	25	8
AAE4004F	Neuroanatomy and Neurophysiology of Nociception and Pain	15	8
AAE4005S	Assessment and Measurement of Pain and its Effects	15	8

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
AAE4006S	Comprehensive Pain Management		8
AAE4007S	Pain Management in Complex Conditions	15	8
	Total NQF credits		

## Assessment and progression rules

[Note: These rules must be read in conjunction with the General Rules in the front section of this Handbook.]

- FPY5 (a) Each course has specified coursework and final assessment activities. A student who does not achieve a coursework mark of at least 45% will not qualify to write the final assessment for that course, except at the programme convener's discretion.
  - (b) A student who fails a course with 47% 49% may be granted a supplementary assessment.
  - (c) Students who fail a course may be permitted to repeat the course once at the programme convener's discretion. Students who fail a course more than once, or who fail more than one course, may be asked to withdraw from the Diploma.

## Distinction

FPY6 To be awarded the diploma with distinction, an overall average of 75% must be obtained with not less than 70% for any course. All courses must be passed at first attempt.

## MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH (in abeyance) [MG018][SAQA ID:66629]

#### **Convener:**

J Shea (Child Health Unit, Department of Paediatrics and Child Health)

#### Admission requirements

- FPZ1 This programme is designed for health professionals working in the field of maternal and child health. The minimum entry requirements are:
  - (a) An approved undergraduate degree or equivalent in the health sciences;
  - (b) At least two years' work experience in maternal and child health services;
  - (c) Proficiency in English, both written and spoken; and
  - (d) A satisfactory level of computer literacy, computer-access, and internet connectivity.

[Note: Preference is given to health professionals resident in Southern Africa who are pursuing a career in MCH management. Applicants who wish to be considered on the basis of the Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) will be required to submit a personal portfolio of learning.]

#### **Duration of Diploma**

FPZ2 The Diploma is offered over twenty-four months on a part-time basis. Students may not be registered beyond four years.

#### **Curriculum outline**

FPZ3	The curriculum outline is as follows: Year 1		
Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PED401'	7F Health and Development	12	8
PED401	8F Epidemiology	14	8
PED402	08 Foundations of Maternal and Child Health	12	8
PED4022	28 The Psychosocial Context of Maternal and Child Healt	h12	8
PED402	5W Introduction to Maternal and Child Health	12	8
PED4029	<b>9F/S</b> Organisational and Academic Communication	12	8

Year 2			
Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PED4021F	Priorities in Maternal and Child Health		8
PED4026W	Maternal Mental Health		8
PED4030F/S	Organisation and Management of Health Services		8
PED4028S	Integrated Assessment	0	8
	Total NQF credits:	120	

#### Minimum requirements for re-registration

[Note: These rules must be read in conjunction with the General Rules in the front section of this handbook.]

FPZ4 A student who fails to meet the following minimum requirements may be refused permission to renew registration for the programme:

- In each year of study, successful completion of all the courses for which student is registered;
- (b) In the final year of study, completion of all the requirements for the programme;
- (c) Completion of all the requirements for the programme within four years; or

(d) Completion of first year courses before registration for second year courses.

[Note: The programme conveners will consider curriculum changes on an individual basis.]

#### Assessment

FPZ5

Coursework assessment includes the following:

- (a) Unit submissions: a series of reflective learning exercises and questions within each course provides opportunities for students to establish dialogue with tutors and other students about the course content. Discussion forum posts and synchronous online learning are weighted and contribute to the overall course assessment.
- (b) Graded course assignments: each course assignment is an opportunity for students to synthesise learning objectives and concepts covered in each course in response to a health issue within their health district. Course assignments are weighted and contribute to the overall assessment.
- (c) An integrated written examination takes place at the end of the diploma programme. The purpose of this assessment is to gauge understanding and application of the concepts in the programme.

#### Distinction

FPZ6

The diploma may be awarded with distinction if the student obtains 75% - 100% for all courses, including the integrated assessment, with no less than 70% for any individual course. All courses must be passed at first attempt.

## Midwifery [MG043AHS01][SAQA ID:104758]

#### **Programme Convener:**

Ms. S. Walker

## Curriculum outline

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Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
AHS4170W	Foundations of Specialist Practice		8
AHS4171W	Leading Quality & Safety in Midwifery		8
AHS4124W	Principles of Midwifery	40	8
AHS4125W	Midwifery Practice	40	8

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
	Total NOF credits		

## **Clinical requirements**

## FPAB1.1

(a) Students who have clinical requirements related to their chosen specialization will gain clinical experience at clinical facilities recognised by the South African Nursing Council as learning sites for this purpose.

(b) Students will not be able to register with the regulatory body for Nursing and Midwifery (the South African Nursing Council) until all clinical requirements have been met.

(c)To complete the Diploma, international students are required to meet all the clinical requirements of the individual courses. Such students will not, however, be able to register with the South African Nursing Council on completion of the programme.

# Minimum requirements for re-registration FPB1.2

Except by permission of Senate, a student may be refused permission to renew their registration for the programme:

(a)unless, in each year of study, they complete at least half of the total courses for which they are registered;

(b)if they fail the same course during more than one examination cycle (a cycle being an examination and, if awarded, a re-evaluation); or

(c)if they fail to complete all course requirements of the programme within three years of study.

[Note: These rules must be read in conjunction with the General Rules in the front section of this Handbook.]

#### Assessment FPAB1.3

(a) A student must obtain 50% to pass the Foundations of Specialist Practice (FSP) course, with a minimum of 40% achieved in the summative assessment. If the continuous assessment mark for FSP is above 50%, the student must obtain a minimum of 40% in the summative assessment to pass this course.

## FPAB1.4

In order to be considered for a supplementary examination, a student must achieve at least 45% in the final summative assessment of the course

- a. If a student fails a supplementary examination, they may (subject to other rules in this section) re-register for the relevant course in a subsequent year. Should a student be granted a supplementary examination, the maximum mark obtainable is 50%;
- b. The dates for supplementary and deferred examinations will be set after the Divisional Examination Board, and usually occur between 15 20 January of the following year.

## Distinction

## FPAB1.5

The Diploma may be awarded with distinction (an average of 75% - 100%, with not less than 70% for any course, subject to all courses being passed at first attempt).

## FPAB 1.6

a) A four-year bachelor's degree in Nursing (includes Midwifery) or have a qualification recognised by Senate as equivalent to the above;

b) Proof of registration with the SANC as a professional nurse and midwife;

- c) Evidence of professional indemnity/insurance;
- d) Proficiency in written and spoken English; and
- e) Basic computer literacy.

## FPAB 1.7

Applicants must be registered with the South African Nursing Council (SANC) as a nurse and midwife. International applicants - registration with the South African Nursing Council (SANC) is required for applicants from outside South Africa.

## FPAB 1.8

Applicants must have two years' post-registration experience as a Professional Nurse which includes at least two years of experience in the field of the Midwifery within the last five years and this excludes the Community Service year.

## FPAB 1.9

Applicants who are registered as a General Nurse (R683 Legacy Qualification) OR a Staff Nurse (new qualification R171); AND Midwife (R254 Legacy Qualification OR Advanced Diploma in Midwifery new qualification R1497) OR registered as a General Nurse, Midwife, Community Health Nurse and Psychiatric Nurse (R425 Legacy Diploma Qualification) who wish to be considered on the basis of Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) are required to submit a prescribed personal portfolio of evidence reflecting, amongst others, their nursing work experience, past attendance of relevant courses for which they have obtained certificates or diplomas, and a completed clinical problem-solving exercise as evidence of critical thinking skills in writing and reading.

### FPAB1.10

An applicant is also required to submit a letter of support from their employer granting the applicant study leave for the weeks requiring block attendance and undertaking to provide support to enable the applicant to complete assigned tasks and assignments within the work context. This does not apply to self-funded applicants.

#### **Duration of programme**

**FPAB1.11** A student must be registered for the programme for at least one year of full-time or two years of part-time study. The maximum registration period is three years. Retrospective registration is not allowed.

## NEONATOLOGY [MG030PED30][SAQA ID:97664]

#### **Conveners:**

Associate Professor MC Harrison and Dr NR Rhoda (Division of Neonatal Medicine, Department of Paediatrics and Child Health

The Diploma aims to provide training for postgraduate students from within South Africa and countries across Africa. The goal of the Diploma is to enhance the capacity of health professionals to manage and deliver neonatal services and programmes at the primary levels of care. This is important as it will reduce the pressure on the very limited tertiary beds available in neonatology within the countries across the region and ultimately have a significant impact on neonatal mortality.

### Admission requirements

FPAA1.1 To be eligible for consideration for admission, a candidate shall:

- (a) have an approved MBChB degree from an accredited national or international institution with at least two years' work experience in neonates, and be registered as an independent practitioner with the relevant professional body (e.g. HPCSA);
- (b) have a written undertaking from the relevant referring institute that the candidate will receive adequate support for the implementation of the neonatal programme, also granting the candidate study leave for the weeks requiring block attendance;

- (c) have proven proficiency in written and spoken English (at FET exit level, as demonstrated by a Matric, National Senior Certificate or equivalent level of English). Fluency in English may be tested if necessary; and
- (d) have an acceptable level of computer literacy, and access to a computer and the internet.
- FPAA1.2 Preference shall be given to candidates who are currently working in a neonatal unit which provides adequate neonatal care. Those who are not working in such settings will be required to provide evidence of their relevant neonatal experience. Candidates from Africa will be screened via the African Paediatric Fellowship Programme (APFP) and must be referred from a tertiary African centre allied to the programme. Funding will be covered between APFP and the referring centre. A maximum of four trainees will be admitted per year.
- FPAA1.3 Candidates must have two years' neonatal experience and must have been involved in neonatal care for the past five years.
- FPAA1.4 Applicants may be asked to attend an interview or to take part in a telephonic or Skype interview.

### **Duration of programme**

FPAA2 The Diploma will be completed over one year of full-time study.

### Curriculum outline

#### FPAA3 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PED4033W	Clinical Management in Neonatology	90	8
PED4032W	Essay: Transition and Translation of Knowledge		8
	Total NQF credits:		

## NURSING

## Nursing (awaiting SANC accreditation)

## **Programme Convener:**

Dr N. Fouché

## To be eligible for admission the applicant must have:

- FPAB2.1 (a) A four-year bachelor's degree in nursing (includes midwifery) or have a qualification recognised by Senate as equivalent to the above;
  - b) Proof of registration with the SANC as a professional nurse and midwife;
  - c) Evidence of professional indemnity/insurance;
  - d) Proficiency in written and spoken English; and
  - e) Basic computer literacy.
- FPAB2.2 Applicants must be registered with the South African Nursing Council (SANC) as a nurse and midwife. **International applicants** registration with the South African Nursing Council (SANC) is required for applicants from outside South Africa
- FPAB2.3 Applicants must have two years' post-registration experience as a Professional Nurse which includes at least two years of experience in the field of the speciality within the last five years and this excludes the Community Service year

- FPAB2.4 Applicants who are registered as a General Nurse (R683 Legacy Qualification) OR a Staff Nurse (new qualification R171); AND Midwife (R254 Legacy Qualification OR Advanced Diploma in Midwifery new qualification R1497) OR registered as a General Nurse, Midwife, Community Health Nurse and Psychiatric Nurse (R425 Legacy Diploma Qualification) who wish to be considered on the basis of Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) are required to submit a prescribed personal portfolio of evidence reflecting, amongst others, their nursing work experience, past attendance of relevant courses for which they have obtained certificates or diplomas, and a completed clinical problem-solving exercise as evidence of critical thinking skills in writing and reading.
- FPAB2.5 An applicant is also required to submit a letter of support from their employer granting the applicant study leave for the weeks requiring block attendance and undertaking to provide support to enable the applicant to complete assigned tasks and assignments within the work context. This does not apply to self-funded applicants.
- FPAB2.6 A student must be registered for the programme for at least one year of full-time or two years of part-time study. The maximum registration period is three years. Retrospective registration is not allowed.

## Child Nursing (awaiting SANC accreditation) [MG045AHS03][SAQA ID:104727]

## **Programme Convener:**

Ms. L. Rees

## FPAB3 Child Nursing

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
AHS4170W	Foundations of Specialist Practice		8
AHS4172W	Leading Quality & Safety in Children's Nursing		8
AHS4128W	Children's Nursing Practice	40	8
AHS4157W	Principles of Children's Nursing	40	8
	Total NQF credits	120	

## Critical Care Nursing (Child) (awaiting SANC accreditation) [MG046AHS04][SAQA ID:104759]

**Programme Convener:** TBA

## FPAB4 Critical Care Nursing (Child)

Code	Course NQ	F Credits	NQF Level
AHS4170W	Foundations of Specialist Practice		8
AHS4173W	Leading Quality & Safety in Children's Critical Care Nursi	ng 16	8
AHS4130W	Principles of Children's Critical Care Nursing	40	8
AHS4131W	Children's Critical Care Nursing Practice	40	8
	Total NQF credits:	120	

## Critical Care Nursing (Adult) [MG047AHS05]

**Programme Convener:** 

Dr N. Fouché

## FPAB5 Critical Care Nursing (Adult)

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
AHS4170W	Foundations of Specialist Practice	24	8
AHS4178W	Leading Quality & Safety in Adult Critical Care	Nursing16	8
AHS4179W	Principles of Adult Critical Care Nursing	40	8
AHS4180W	Adult Critical Care Nursing Practice	40	8
	Total NQF credits:		

## **Nephrology Nursing (awaiting SANC accreditation)** [MG049AHS11][SAQA ID:104748]

**Programme Convener:** 

Ms Y van der Nest

## FPAB6 Nephrology Nursing

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Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
AHS4170W	Foundations of Specialist Practice		8
AHS4174W	Leading Quality & Safety in Nephrology Nursing	16	8
AHS4144W	Principles of Nephrology Nursing	40	8
AHS4145W	Nephrology Nursing Practice	40	8
	Total NQF credits:		

## Ophthalmic Nursing (awaiting SANC accreditation) [MG051AHS17][SAQA ID:104752]

**Programme Convener:** TBA

## FPAB7 Ophthalmic Nursing

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
AHS4170W	Foundations of Specialist Practice	24	8
AHS4176W	Leading Quality & Safety in Ophthalmic Nursing	16	8
AHS4177W	Ophthalmic Nursing Practice	40	8
AHS4175W	Principles of Ophthalmic Nursing		8
	Total NQF credits		

FPAB7.1 (a) Students who have clinical requirements related to their chosen specialization will gain clinical experience at clinical facilities recognised by the South African Nursing Council as learning sites for this purpose.
(b) Students will not be able to register with the regulatory body for Nursing and

(b) Students will not be able to register with the regulatory body for Nursing and Midwifery (the South African Nursing Council) until all clinical requirements have been met.

(c)To complete the Diploma, international students are required to meet all the clinical requirements of the individual courses. Such students will not, however, be

able to register with the South African Nursing Council on completion of the programme.

fpab7.2 Except by permission of Senate, a student may be refused permission to renew their registration for the programme:
(a)unless, in each year of study, they complete at least half of the total courses for which they are registered;
(b)if they fail the same course during more than one examination cycle (a cycle being an examination and, if awarded, a re-evaluation); or
(c)if they fail to complete all course requirements of the programme within three years of study.

[These rules must be read in conjunction with the General Rules in the front section of this Handbook.]

FPAB8 (a) A student must obtain 50% to pass the Foundations of Specialist Practice (FSP) course, with a minimum of 40% achieved in the summative assessment. If the continuous assessment mark for FSP is above 50%, the student must obtain a minimum of 40% in the summative assessment in order to pass this course.

### FPBA8.1

(a) In order to be considered for a supplementary examination, a student must achieve at least 45% in the final summative assessment of the particular course (d)If a student fails a supplementary examination, they may (subject to other rules in this section) re-register for the relevant course in a subsequent year. Should a student be granted a supplementary examination, the maximum mark obtainable is 50%; (e)The dates for supplementary and deferred examinations will be set after the Divisional Examination Board, and usually occur between 15 - 20 January of the following year.

FPAB9 The Diploma may be awarded with distinction (an average of 75% – 100%, with not less than 70% for any course, subject to all courses being passed at first attempt).

## OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH [MG007][SAQA ID:4593]

#### **Convener:**

Dr IMT Ntatamala (Occupational Medicine Division, School of Public Health)

#### [Note: There is a new intake into this Post graduate Diploma annually.]

## Admission requirements

FPAC1 A degree in medicine (MBChB, MBBS or equivalent qualification) of this University or another university recognised by Senate for the purpose.

#### Duration and attendance of the Diploma

- FPAC2.1 Every student must be registered for the programme for at least two years (parttime). Retrospective registration is not allowed.
- FPAC2.2 All students are required to attend the programme's four one-week blocks (a blended learning approach is followed with blocks being residential or online). Should a student fail to attend the contact blocks, they will not be considered to have met the DP requirements.

Curriculum FPAC3 The curriculum is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PPH4072F	Occupational Health Risk Assessment and Managem	ent20	8
PPH4071S	Occupational Medicine and Work Ability	20	8
PPPH4070F	Occupational Health Services Management, Ethics an	nd Legislation20	) 8
PPH4069W	Practicing Integrated Occupational Health in Context	60	8
	Total NQF credits		

#### **DP** requirement

FPAC4 Satisfactory attendance of the course contact block week (at least 80% attendance); and at least a 50% grade point average for the in-course assessments (portfolio assignments and quizzes).

## Assessment

FPAC5.1 Students are assessed continuously through both in-course and summative assessments for each course.

The mark-breakdown for the courses on occupational health risk assessment and management; occupational medicine and work ability; and occupational health services management, ethics and legislation is as follows: 60% in-course assessment (50% for the portfolio assignments and 10% for the quizzes); and 40% final examination (summative assessment).

For the final course on practicing integrated occupational health in context, the mark-breakdown is as follows: 33.3% for the in-course assessment and 66.7% for the final examination (summative assessment).

- FPAC5.2 The in-course assessment consists of a combination of a work-based practical portfolio assignment and quizzes for each course. Late submission of the portfolio assignment task for any course is subject to a penalty unless approval has been sought and received from the convener.
- FPAC5.3 A student failing to obtain 50% will have an opportunity to repeat the portfolio assignment or course only once. The examination cannot be repeated and there is no supplementary examination.

## Distinction

FPAC7 The Diploma may be awarded with distinction provided an overall average of more than 75% is obtained at first attempt, with a subminimum of 70% on each of the formative assessment and examination components.

[Note: These rules must be read in conjunction with the General Rules in the front section of this Handbook.]

#### **Progression and readmission rules**

FPAC6.1 The first three courses (occupational health risk assessment and management; occupational medicine and work ability; and occupational health services management, ethics and legislation) must be passed before a student is eligible to register for the fourth course and sit for the examination (practising integrated occupational health in context).

#### **Progression and readmission rules**

FPAC6.2 A student is allowed to repeat a course if they have failed only once. Where a student fails any course twice, or any two consecutive courses at first attempt, a recommendation will be made to the Faculty Examinations Committee to refuse
readmission (If a failed course is repeated and passed on first attempt, it is still counted as one fail).

# PAEDIATRIC RADIOLOGY\* [MG020RAY01][SAQA ID:118432]

#### Convener:

Dr E Banderker (Department of Radiation Medicine)

\* Since the level of this Diploma is higher than the level 8 required of a postgraduate diploma, application has been made to restructure the Diploma as a professional master's degree.

## Admission requirements

FPAD1

- (a) A degree in medicine of this University or another university recognised by Senate for the purpose;
  - (b) Successful completion of four years of specialist training in an accredited general radiology training programme;
  - Registration with the Health Professions Council of South Africa as a diagnostic radiologist;
  - (d) Demonstrated proficiency in written and spoken English; and
  - (e) Basic computer literacy.

#### **Duration of programme**

FPAD2 Every student must be registered for the programme for one year of full-time study. Retrospective registration is not allowed.

# Curriculum

#### FPAD4 The curriculum is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
RAY4027W	General Paediatric Radiology	56	8
<b>RAY4028W</b>	Research and Case Presentation for Paediatric Radio	logy14	8
RAY4029W	Specific Modalities in Paediatric Radiology		8
	Total NQF credits	140	

# **DP** requirement and assessment

FPAD4 Continuous coursework assessment includes:

- (a) A Due Performance Certificate reflecting clinical service delivery, with targets clearly defined (40% of total year mark) before admission to the final assessment;
- (b) Weekly clinical (oral) case presentations and assessments at the end of each of the six modules (12% of total year mark); and
- (c) Written clinical case reports (12% of total year mark).

Final summative assessment includes:

- (d) A one-hour, short-answer spot-film test at the end of each of the six clinical modules (15% of the total mark). If a student fails to achieve a minimum pass mark of 50%, they may be granted an opportunity to repeat the module test; and
- (e) A final three-hour written examination on current paediatric practice, paediatric radiological pathology, and related journal articles (21% of the final mark). If a candidate fails to achieve a minimum pass mark of 50%, they may be granted one opportunity to repeat the examination once.

# Distinction

FPAD5

The Diploma may be awarded with distinction (75% - 100%), with no course less than 70% – subject to all courses being passed at first attempt).

# PALLIATIVE MEDICINE/CARE [MG011FCE19][SAQA ID:24401]

#### **Convener:**

Dr R Krause (Department of Family, Community and Emergency Care)

Note: The Faculty also offers an MPhil specialisation in Palliative Medicine by coursework and dissertation. The Diploma or an approved equivalent is an entrance requirement for admission to the MPhil.

## Admission requirements

FPAE1 An approved bachelor's degree appropriate to the field of palliative care, obtained at this University or another university recognised by Senate for the purpose.

## Structure and duration of Diploma

- FPAE2.1 Every student must be registered for the Diploma programme for at least one year part-time. Retrospective registration is not allowed.
- FPAE2.2 There are two compulsory contact sessions of five days per semester.

## **Curriculum outline**

#### **FPAE3** The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
FCE4032F	Principles of Palliative Care; plus	60	8
FCE4030S	Clinical Palliative Care	60	8
	Total NQF credits:		

#### (PGDip in Palliative Medicine - Paediatric Palliative Care)

[MG011PED25]			
Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PED4046F	Principles of Paediatric Palliative Medicine; plus	60	8
PED4045S	Paediatric Palliative Care	60	8
	Total NQF credits:	0	0

#### Assessment and progression

- FPAE4.1 Students are required to successfully complete and pass written assignments on coursework, a portfolio project, a written examination or final assignment and a communication skills assessment with a minimum of 50%.
- FPAE4.2 A pass mark of 50% is required in each assessment component. If any coursework assessment component is failed, the student will be offered additional teaching and a repeat of this assessment. If more than one assessment component is failed, the student will be required to repeat the relevant course.
- FPAE4.3 Except with permission of Senate, a student may not repeat more than one course, and may repeat a single course only once.

Course

# Distinction

Code

NQF Credits NQF Level

 FPAE5
 The Diploma may be awarded with distinction if a student obtains an average of 75%

 - 100% with not less than 70% for any course. All courses must be passed at first attempt.

# PESTICIDE RISK MANAGEMENT [MG021PPH05][SAQA ID:116437]

In abeyance (2025)

# Conveners:

TBA

This Diploma is aimed at pesticide regulators, inspectors (health, labour, customs and environment), and disposal and waste management managers in Africa and other developing countries, but will also be suitable for a range of researchers, academics, NGO staff, United Nations staff and pesticide laboratory staff who are working in the field of pesticide/chemical management. The programme is structured around the International Code of Conduct on Pesticide Management (the Code) published by the Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations (FAO) and the World Health Organisation (WHO). The Code offers a holistic and comprehensive guideline for managing all aspects related to pesticides through a life-cycle management approach.

## Admission requirements

FPAF1 (a) To be considered for admission to this programme, a candidate MUST have:

- An approved undergraduate degree in agriculture, health, toxicology, chemistry, social science, or other relevant field from this University or from another university recognized by Senate for this purpose;
- Experience in a relevant pest/pesticide or chemicals management field; applicants must submit a letter of motivation highlighting these skills and current employment;
- Demonstrated proficiency in written and spoken English (TOEFL required where appropriate);
- (iv) Reliable and continuous computer connectivity
- (v) Proven ability to write technical reports and assessments;
- (vi) Demonstrated numeracy skills;

# Structure and duration of programme

FPAF2 This blended programme is offered as a two-year, part-time, flexible-learning programme with a substantial distance-learning component, using internet-based education technology. Attendance at a two-week teaching block at the beginning of the programme is mandatory. Students will be required to be in weekly electronic contact. They may not be registered beyond three years.

#### **Curriculum outline**

FPAF3	The curi	riculum	is	as	follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
Year 1			
PPH4033F	Pesticide Risk Management		8
PPH4041S	International Chemical Management Agreements		8
PPH4034S	Pesticide Toxicology		8
Year 2			
PPH4035F	Pesticide Ecotoxicology		8
PPH4040S	Containers and Contaminated Site Management		8
PPH4042S	Pesticide and Integrated Vector Management		8

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
		0	0
	Total NQF credits		0

## Minimum requirements for progression and re-registration

FPAF4 (a) A student who fails to meet the following minimum requirements may be refused permission to renew their registration for the Diploma (students are required to pass a course with a minimum of 50% and may not be eligible to proceed to the next course at the discretion of the course convenors):

(a)In each year of study, the student shall pass, with a minimum of 50%, at least half of the courses registered, with the exception of the final year of study, in which the student will be expected to complete the requirements for the Diploma;

(b)Students may be allowed to repeat a course they have failed once, at the convener's discretion. Where a candidate fails any course twice, or fails more than one course, a recommendation may be made to the Faculty Examinations Committee to refuse readmission; and

(c)The student must be able to complete all requirements for the Diploma within three years;

FPAF4(b) The course marks will be comprised of:

 ${\boldsymbol{\bullet}}60\%$  - forum assignments, discussion forum participation, online quizzes, and assignments

•40% - final assignment consisting of a policy brief, policy analysis report or critical review;

(a)Online assessments are managed through UCT's online learning system. Each assignment and exercise have a deadline and submission date and time (penalties apply.

(b)Online quizzes are timed once opened and students are given a week to open the quiz to fit into their work schedule and time zone.

(c)Students who obtain 45% - 49% for their course mark may be reassessed before the final mark is submitted for approval to the Faculty Examinations Committee.

#### **Distinction** FPAF5

The Diploma will be awarded with distinction to candidates who average 75% or above for all courses, with not less than 70% for any course, subject to all courses being passed in first attempt.

# PUBLIC MENTAL HEALTH [MG023PRY05]

# **Convener:**

S Allie and A/Prof C van der Westhuizen

The PGDip in Public Mental Health is an Africa-focused coursework-based diploma that aims to guide students in developing a good understanding of the discipline of public mental health, as well as the skills required to: (i) undertake research, (ii) participate in improving services and access to mental health interventions, and (iii) advocate for increased attention to public mental health in Africa. Further, completion of the PGDip will introduce students to the public mental health community and prepare graduates for further Master's level studies. The programme is designed to be accessible to practitioners who work full-time, and who are from a range of backgrounds including social work, psychology, psychiatry, medicine, occupational therapy, nursing, health economics, public mental health service management, policy making and non-governmental organisations (NGOs). The training aims to build the professional capacity and leadership of the participants in their work, while contributing to public mental health expertise in Africa.

#### Admission requirements

## FPAF1

To be eligible for consideration for admission, a candidate shall:

a) Candidates for this programme should be in possession of a bachelor's degree, or an equivalent three-year qualification, in a health- or development-related field (e.g. occupational therapy, medicine, nursing, social work, psychology, public health, anthropology and sociology).

b) Show evidence of adequate English language and writing proficiency for postgraduate academic studies; and

c) Have an acceptable level of computer literacy basic Microsoft Office (or equivalent) packages, have access to a computer/laptop and reliable internet.

In addition, preferably, candidates should:

d) Have at least 1 year experience of working in a mental health, health or development related field;

e) Have the capacity for a management or leadership role;

f) Be currently working in an approved workplace setting, such as a Ministry of Health, NGO or mental health service.

## Please Note:

•A programme of this nature requires dedicated time and the ability to work independently. You will require a minimum of 15 hours per week on average to complete the PGDip. Please consider this carefully before applying.

•The PGDip in Public Mental Health does not lead to a professional qualification that can be registered with the Health Professions Council of South Africa or any other health professions council. It is strictly an academic course with no clinical components.

# Structure and duration of Diploma

FPAF2 The Diploma is completed over one year and consists of four courses. Students need to complete a 2-week residential training block in Cape Town during January/ February in the relevant academic year. All students are required to be available for full weekdays during the 2-week training session. Following the training block, students will commence online learning with ongoing support and mentorship via online platforms. They need to have the necessary resources (laptop, PC, internet) to access learning material, and complete activities. Coursework is completed online (synchronous and asynchronous), and additional time should be set aside for self-study and completion of assignments.

## The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PRY4003W	Mental Health Epidemiology		8
PRY4004W	Research Methodology for Public Health		8
PRY4005W	Introduction to Public Mental Health		8
PRY4006W	Mental Health Interventions		8
	Total NQF credits:	120	

#### FPAF5

The Diploma may be awarded with distinction if a student obtains an average of 75%-100%, with not less than 70% for any course. All courses must be passed at first attempt.

FPAF4.1 For each course a Duly Performed certificate (DP) is awarded when students have attended a minimum of 70% of mandatory sessions. Relevant reasons for non-attendance will be taken into account, at the discretion of the course convenor.

[These rules must be read in conjunction with the General Rules in the front section of this Handbook.]

- PFAF4.2 Students are assessed by means of attendance, participation, engagement and assignments. For each course, in addition to assignments, students need to complete at least 50% of the activities. The quality of online, asynchronous engagement will be assessed on the following criteria: participation in an activity, engagement with the activity content, and engagement with peers.
- FPAF4.3 For each course, all graded assignments should be completed with a sub-minimum of 50%, and students must meet the participation and engagement requirements.
- FPAF4.4 Students may be permitted to repeat a course they have failed, at the convener's discretion. No course may be repeated more than once.
- FPAF4.5 Where a student fails any course twice, or fails three or more courses, a recommendation will be made to the Faculty Examinations Committee to refuse readmission.

# TB-HIV MANAGEMENT [MG041 and MG058][SAQA ID:102150]

## **Convener:**

M May (Department of Medicine)

This PG Diploma seeks to bridge identified training gaps by targeting primary care and communitylevel clinicians, as well as other professional healthcare workers. It provides them with the knowledge and capacity to manage HIV and TB co-infected patients, as well as implement infection control measures in a primary health care (PHC) setting. By targeting rural and hard-to-reach districts and sub-districts, as well as working with PHC facilities across the African continent, this qualification supports the decentralisation of services and helps increase geographic coverage and access to comprehensive prevention, care and treatment services for HIV and TB. The programme is delivered via an online learning platform. Students will progress through interactive audio-visual course content via their personal device of choice. Students engage with classmates and their lecturer in a live (synchronous) environment via webinars and discussion forums. They also receive a clinical lecture towards the end of each course. All other course requirements are completed asynchronously, i.e., they are self-paced and completed in the student's own time. A practical course assignment is submitted online for each of the courses. End-of-year integrated assessments (exams) are also written online.

# Admission requirements

- FPAG1 To be eligible for consideration for admission, a candidate must :
  - a. Have an approved bachelor's degree in health sciences (e.g., MBChB, Bachelor of Nursing, BPharm, BCMP or equivalent);
  - b. Be registered with the relevant professional body (e.g., HPCSA or SANC) or have approved prior experience or learning. Applicants who wish to be considered on the basis of Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) will be required to submit a personal portfolio reflecting, amongst others, their experience of working in the field of TB/HIV management, past attendance at relevant courses for which they may have obtained certificates and diplomas, and evidence of critical thinking skills in writing and reading;
  - have proven proficiency in written and spoken English (this may be tested if necessary);
  - d. Have an acceptable level of computer literacy, access to a computer and the internet; and

e. Be based in a Primary Healthcare Setting (PHC) and have access to patient files (or deidentified data) for fulfilment of the practical course assignments

## Structure and duration of Diploma

FPAG2 The Diploma is completed over one year and is comprised of four courses – one completed per term.

Coursework is completed online, and additional time should be set aside for self-study, practical work, and the completion of assignments. Written examinations are scheduled upon completion of all four courses.

#### **Curriculum outline**

FPAG3	The curriculum outline is as follows:	
Code	Course NQF Credits	NQF Level
MDN40300	Clinical Management of HIV in a Primary Healthcare Setting 24	8
MDN4031(	<b>Q</b> Clinical Management of TB in a Primary Healthcare Setting 24	8
MDN4032F	<b>R</b> TB-HIV Co-infection and Infection Prevention and Control 37	8
MDN4033F	R Operational Research	8
MDN4035F	Integrated Assessment I 0	8
MDN40368	Integrated Assessment II	8
	Total NQF credits120	

#### Assessment, progression, and readmission

[Note: These rules must be read in conjunction with the General Rules in the front section of this Handbook.]

- FPAG4.1 Students are required to participate online in specified e-learning activities. The completion of a reflection-based activity upon completion of each module of coursework (per course) is a mandatory requirement.
- FPAG4.2 The Diploma has three components: TB-HIV Management (core component), Infection Control, and Operational Research. Students must obtain a pass mark for each of the courses in each component to qualify to write the integrated assessment concerned.

Students who obtain a grade of <50% in one or more of the integrated assessments will be granted an opportunity to write a supplementary examination during the next examination block period. Students who fail the supplementary examination, will not be permitted an opportunity to rewrite

- FPAG4.3 Students may be permitted to repeat a course they have failed, at the convener's discretion. No course may be repeated more than once.
- FPAG4.4 Where a student fails any of the same course twice or fails the TB-HIV Management component of the programme, a recommendation will be made to the Faculty Examinations Committee to refuse readmission or to allow continuation with the remainder of the programme.

#### **Distinction Rules**

This is determined by faculty/FEC - >75% for all courses completed, including integrated assessments, usually qualifies as a distinction.

# **HONOURS DEGREES**

# BACHELOR OF MEDICAL SCIENCE HONOURS (BMedScHons) [SAQA ID: 116276]

BACHELOR OF MEDICAL SCIENCE HONOURS (BMedScHons)

[See table below for programme and plan codes. Those qualifications that are registerable with the HPCSA – Biokinetics, Exercise Science and Dietetics – have been registered with SAQA as named qualifications (see table below; and see page 13 for explanatory note regarding named qualifications vs. specialisations).]

# Minimum generic requirements to be considered for admission

FHA1

An applicant shall not be admitted as a candidate for the degree programme unless he/she:

- (a) are a graduate; or
- (b) have passed at any university or at any institution recognised by Senate for this purpose such examinations that are, in the opinion of Senate, equivalent to the examination prescribed for a degree at the University; or
- (c) have in any other manner attained a level of competence which in the opinion of Senate is adequate for the purpose of admission as a candidate for the degree; and
- (d) has satisfied Senate that they have the necessary background and ability to undertake the honours study in the subject he she has selected.

# Intercalated honours for MBChB students

FHA2.1 MBChB students who wish to pursue the intercalated BMedScHons track alongside their MBChB studies, shall be required:

a) to have successfully passed second year MBChB, and to have obtained an average of at least 70% in the courses listed below, with no less than 60% for any single course:

- · CEM1011F, Chemistry for Medical students,
- · PHY1025F, Physics for Medical students,
- HUB1006F and IBS1007S, Introduction to Integrated Health Sciences Parts I&II,
- HUB2017H, PTY2000S Integrated Health Systems I Parts A&B, AND
- to have undergone a successful interview with a selection committee;

b) to have successfully passed third year MBChB and to have obtained an average of at least 70% in the courses listed below, with no less than 60% for:

- MDN2001S, Special Study Module,
- · IBS30320W, Molecular Medicine,
- PTY3009F, Integrated Health Systems Part II, AND
- · apply and be accepted to the BMedScHons programmme; OR
- c) if they have transferred into the MBChB degree programme:
- to have a Bachelor of Science degree passed with an average of 70%

 $\cdot$  to have passed the equivalent first, second and third year MBChB courses as listed above with an average of at least 70% with no less than 60% in any course, AND

have undergone a successful interview with a selection committee

· apply and be accepted to the BMedScHons programmme.

[\*NOTE: Students who entered first year of the MBChB programme in the 2018 cohort and were transferred into the ex-Intervention Programme, must refer to the

equivalent FBA rule for Intercalated BMedSc Honours, Master's and PhD studies for MBChB students in the 2022 Faculty Handbook.]

- FHA2.2 MBChB students doing an intercalated honours degree who wish to continue with MBChB after completing the honours programme shall be required, whilst registered for the BMedScHons programme, also to register for and pass MDN3003W Introduction to Clinical Practice II.
- FHA2.3 On completing the honours programme, the student returns to the remaining years of the MBChB after graduating with the BMedScHons.

(a) A student in the clinical years of the MBChB degree programme (years 4-6) may be admitted concurrently to either a research master's degree if they hold a BMedScHons with first class pass or to any other master's degree programme on recommendation of the Faculty and with approval of Senate Executive Committee\*\*. The Faculty may require the student to spread the load of the clinical years of the MBChB while registered for the research degree studies to enable progress on the master's degree. (b) A student thus enrolled for a research master's may be eligible, on application and with special approval of the Senate, to change their candidature to a PhD depending on the quality and development of their master's dissertation. The student will then be formally registered with a topic and supervisor, approved by the Doctoral Degrees Board. (c) The student will graduate with the MBChB degree when the requirements for the master's degree have been met and will continue thereafter on the PhD for as many years as is required. [\*\*Note: Refer to the Standard Operating Procedure for a Concurrent registration given in the section Important Information at the front of this handbook.]

[\*Note: The rules for intercalated and concurrent registration must be read in conjunction with the rules contained in Handbook 3, General Rules and Policies, and with special reference to rule G5.4. Students who plan to apply for concurrent registration must, in the first instance, refer to the Standard Operating Procedure for a concurrent registration given in the section Important Information at the front of this handbook and then provide the relevant information t to the Managers of both the undergraduate and postgraduate academic administration.]

FHA2.4 The student is permitted to return to the respective remaining year of the MBChB programme after: (a) completing the BMedScHons within one year; and (b) successfully passing MDN3003W, Introduction to Clinical Practice II.

#### Honours specialisations/qualifications on offer

FHA3 The honours study programmes that may be on offer are listed below. For the specific admission requirements, see the outlines of the individual programmes provided in the next section.

Discipline	Qualification code	Plan code	Department	SAQA registration number
Applied Anatomy	MH002	HUB16	Human Biology3529	3529
Bioinformatics	MH002	IBS03	Integrative Biomedical Sciences	
Biokinetics	MH004	HUB22	Human Biology	96647
Biological Anthropology	MH002	HUB03	Human Biology	

2.0	omedical rensic Science	MH002	PTY25	Pathology	
Cli	nical	MH002	MDN15	Medicine	
Pha	armacology				
Ex	ercise Science	MH003	HUB08	Human Biology	96646
For	rensic	MH002	PTY30	Pathology	
	tomology				
For	rensic	MH002	PTY02	Pathology	
	netics				
	rensic	MH002	PTY27	Pathology	
	xicology			~	
	man Genetics	MH002	PTY12	Pathology	3573
	ectious	MH002	PTY29	Pathology	21526
	seases and				
	munology				
	edical	MH002	IBS04	Integrative	21525
Bio	ochemistry			Biomedical	
				Sciences	
	edical Cell	MH002	HUB07	Human	3621
	ology			Biology	
Me	edical Physics	MH002	RAY02	Radiation	21572
				Medicine	
	uroscience &	MH002	HUB33	Human	21530
•	ysiology			Biology	
Ra	diobiology	MH002	RAY05	Radiation	21533
				Medicine	

# **Duration of programme**

(a) A student shall during one academic year of full-time study attend, and by examination, complete an honours programme in the discipline selected.

(b) In exceptional circumstances, Senate may permit graduates whom it deems worthy on academic grounds, but who do not have an adequate undergraduate background, to undertake a full time honours programme over two years. In such cases, students may be required to complete, in the first year, courses chosen to strengthen their background, and may undertake a portion of the honours programme, provided that this portion does not exceed 30% of the full programme.

#### Assessment

FHA4

FHA5 The honours examination consists of such written papers and include such practical and oral tests as may be prescribed by Senate from time to time.

#### FHA5 FHA5.1

Students are required to complete and submit by the stipulated deadline, assessed course components consisting of defined written assignments, written examinations, communications skills assessments.

# FHA5.2

Students are required to complete and submit by the stipulated deadline their research project write up.

#### FHA5.3

A combined average mark of 50% or above from assessed course components (i.e. techniques, lecture modules, science communication, comprehension exam) is

required to be awarded an Hons degree and a mark of 50% or above for the research component is required to be awarded an Hons degree.

# FHA6.4

All course components and the research project must be completed to pass the programme. If a student fails to complete a course component or the research project, they will not be eligible to complete the programme.

# FHA5.5

If defined assessed components of the coursework are failed or not completed, the student will be required to repeat or complete this assessed coursework component during the course of the current academic year or the following academic year. The time of the repeat submission will be stipulated by the course convenor and approved by the programme convenor.

#### FHA5.6

Permission from Senate will be required for students to repeat more than one coursework component. A student may repeat a single coursework component only once.

#### Award of degree

FHA6

The degree may be awarded in the First Class to candidates who average 75% or above on coursework plus research, with a subminimum of 70% for each component; and who have passed each component at the first attempt.

[In all cases, see note on page 4 regarding HEOSF levels and NOF credits.]

# **Applied Anatomy** [MH002HUB16]

#### Convener:

G Gunston (Department of Human Biology)

#### Admission requirements

FHB1 A BSc degree or an equivalent degree in the biological sciences, preferably with Anatomy as a major subject, or an MBChB degree; or an approved degree in the health and rehabilitation sciences.

#### Assessment

FHB2 Submission of any written assignments for the BMedScHons after the due date will result in a late submission penalty of a maximum of 2% per day, which will be deducted from the final mark awarded for the assignment.

# Curriculum

## FHB3The curriculum is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
HUB4077W	Applied Anatomy Coursework		8
HUB4078W	Applied Anatomy Research Project		8
	Total NQF credits	120	

# **Bioinformatics** [MH002IBS03]

## **Convener:**

A/Professor D Martin (Computational Biology Division, Department of Integrative Biomedical Sciences)

# Admission requirements

FHC1 A BSc degree or an equivalent degree in computer science, in biological sciences (with some computing) or in mathematics/statistics; or an MBChB degree with some computing experience.

## Assessment

FHC2 Submission of any written assignments for the BMedScHons after the due date will result in a late submission penalty of a maximum of 2% per day, which will be deducted from the final mark awarded for the assignment.

# Curriculum

FHC3 The	curriculum is as follows:		
Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
IBS4006W	Bioinformatics Coursework		8
IBS4007W	Bioinformatics Research Project	42	8
	Total NQF credits		

# Biokinetics [MH004HUB22][SAQA ID:96647]

#### **Convener:**

Dr J Kroff (Department of Human Biology)

The objective of this programme is to provide the theoretical and practical basis for the controlled use of physical activity in the prevention of disease and as the primary therapeutic modality during finalphase rehabilitation. Students are first taught practical and clinical competencies in the assessment of various conditions, and then how to apply this knowledge in the management of these conditions in clinical practice. Presentation skills necessary to disseminate exercise "messages" to the athlete and lay public are developed. On graduating with the BMedScHons in Biokinetics, a one-year internship must be completed (in an accredited Biokinetics practice) before students can register with the Health Professions Council of South Africa as biokineticists.

#### Admission requirements

FHD1

- An appropriate undergraduate degree (e.g. BSc/BCom/BA) specialising in Human Movement Science or Sports Science;
  - b. An undergraduate BSc degree majoring in Human Anatomy and Physiology at the University of Cape Town;
  - c. Other prerequisites include: an above-average academic record and evidence of an interest in and/or experience of the scientific aspects of sport medicine and exercise rehabilitation.

There are only a limited number of places in the Biokinetics programme. The closing date for applications is 31 July. An internship period that meets the conditions laid down by the Health Professions Council of South Africa will be required before a candidate can apply for registration as a biokineticist (independent practice).

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## FHD2 The curriculum is as follows

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
HUB4079W	Biokinetics Coursework		8
HUB4080W	Biokinetics Research Project		8
	Total NQF credits	120	

# **Biological Anthropology** [MH002HUB03]

## **Convener:**

A/Professor J Friedling (Department of Human Biology)

# Admission requirements

FHF1 A BSc degree (or equivalent) majoring in relevant biological, chemical, biomedical, or forensic sciences, with completion of mathematics and/or statistics in at least first year; or a MBChB. An aggregate of at least 65% should be obtained. Special entry premised on prior learning and experience may be considered under special circumstances.

## Structure and duration

FHF2 Biomedical Forensic Science Coursework (90 credits, NQF level 8) Biomedical Forensic Science Research Project (30 credits, NQF level 8) Duration: 1 year, as per generic rules.

# Curriculum

FHE3 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
HUB4081W	Biological Anthropology Coursework		8
HUB4082W	Biological Anthropology Research Project	42	8
	Total NQF credits	120	

# **Biomedical Forensic Science** [MH002PTY25]

**Programme Convener:** 

A/Professor L Royle (Department of Pathology)

#### Admission requirements

FHF1 A BSc degree (or equivalent) majoring in relevant biological, chemical, biomedical, or forensic sciences, with completion of mathematics and/or statistics in at least first year; or a MBChB. An aggregate of at least 65% should be obtained. Special entry premised on prior learning and experience may be considered under special circumstances.

#### Structure and duration

FHF2 Biomedical Forensic Science Coursework (90 credits, NQF level 8) Biomedical Forensic Science Research Project (30 credits, NQF level 8) Duration: 1 year, as per generic rules.

#### Curriculum

FHF3 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PTY4027W	Biomedical Forensic Science Coursework		8
PTY4026W	Biomedical Forensic Science Research Project		8
	Total NQF credits		

#### Assessment overall

FHF4 Each module of the course has its own formative and summative assessments which include practical, written, and oral assignments. Submission of any assignment after the due date will result in a late submission penalty of a maximum of 2% per day, which will be deducted from the final mark awarded for the assignment.

# Distinction

FHF5 The degree may be awarded in the First Class to candidates who average 75% or above on coursework plus research, with a subminimum of 70% for each component; and who have passed each component at the first attempt.

# Clinical Pharmacology [MH002MDN03]

#### **Convener:**

Ms S Dunn (Division of Clinical Pharmacology, Department of Medicine)

#### Admission requirements

FHG1 A BSc degree with a major in pharmacy, chemistry, biochemistry, or physiology; or other appropriate majors in the life sciences. Applicants may be invited to an interview.

#### Assessment

FHG2 Submission of any written assignments for the BMedScHons after the due date will result in a late submission penalty of a maximum of 2% per day, which will be deducted from the final mark awarded for the assignment.

# Curriculum

# FHG3 The curriculum is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>MDN4040W</b>	Clinical Pharmacology Coursework		8
MDN4041W	Clinical Pharmacology Research Project		8
	Total NQF credits	120	

# Exercise Science [MH003HUB08][SAQA ID:21531]

#### **Convener:**

Dt M Collins (Division of Exercise Science and Sports Medicine, Department of Human Biology)

## Admission requirements

- FHH1 (a) BSc majoring in a biological science; or an MBChB; or a BSc in Nutrition and Dietetics; or a BSc in Physiotherapy; or a BSc in Occupational Therapy; or an approved equivalent degree.
  - (b) Undergraduate degree to include one senior full course in physiology or biochemistry.
  - (c) An above-average academic record.

(d) Evidence of interest in and/or experience of the scientific aspects of sport.

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FHH2	The curriculum is as follows		
Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
HUB4085V	W Exercise Science Coursework		8
HUB4086V	W Exercise Science Research Project		8
	Total NQF credits	120	

# Forensic Entomology [MH002PTY30]

#### **Programme Convener:**

A/Professor L Royle (Department of Pathology)

#### Admission requirements

FHI1 A BSc degree (or equivalent) majoring in entomology, zoology, molecular biology, or equivalent biological sciences, with completion of mathematics and/or statistics in at least first year; or a MBChB. Courses in biomedical sciences and/or forensic sciences are preferable. An aggregate of at least 65% should be obtained. Special entry premised on prior learning and experience may be considered under special circumstances.

#### Structure and duration

FHI2 Forensic Entomology Coursework (90 credits, NQF level 8) Forensic Entomology Research Project (30 credits, NQF level 8) Duration: 1 year, as per generic rules.

#### Curriculum

FHI3	The curriculum	outline is as follows:		
Code	Course		NQF Credits	NQF Level
PTY402	3W Forensic I	Entomology Coursework		8
PTY402	2W Forensic I	Entomology Research Project		8
	Total NQ	F credits	120	

#### Assessment overall

FHI4 Each module of the course has its own formative and summative assessments which include practical, written, and oral assignments. Submission of any assignment after the due date will result in a late submission penalty of a maximum of 2% per day, which will be deducted from the final mark awarded for the assignment.

## Distinction

FHI5 The degree may be awarded in the First Class to candidates who average 75% or above on coursework plus research, with a subminimum of 70% for each component; and who have passed each component at the first attempt.

# Forensic Genetics [MH002PTY02]

#### **Convener:**

Dr K Mnika (Department of Pathology)

The programme is aimed at introducing students to an academic or research career in human genetics particularly as it relates to the use of DNA in solving crime. The stream will be aligned with the BMedScHons in Human Genetics.

# **Admission requirements**

FHJ1 A BSc or an equivalent degree with a major in any of the biological sciences, or an MBChB degree. Special entry premised on prior learning and experience may be considered under special circumstances. The human genetics honours programme is designed to articulate with other honours programmes in the faculty, particularly those in Medical Cell Biology (HUB4000W), Medical Biochemistry (IBS4000W), Bioinformatics (IBS4005W) or Applied Anatomy (HUB4002W), and students will be able to select optional topics from these and other faculty programmes.

# Assessment

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Submission of any written assignments for the BMedScHons after the due date will result in a late submission penalty of a maximum of 2% per day, which will be deducted from the final mark awarded for the assignment.

# Curriculum

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FHJ3 Th	e curriculum is as follows:		
Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PTY4007W	V Forensic Genetics Coursework		8
PTY4009W	Forensic Genetics Research Project		8
	Total NQF credits		

# Forensic Toxicology [MH002PTY27]

#### **Programme Convener:**

A/ Professor L Royle (Department of Pathology)

#### Admission requirements

FHK1 A BSc degree (or equivalent) majoring in chemistry or biochemistry or equivalent chemical sciences, with completion of mathematics and/or statistics in at least first year; or a MBChB. Courses in physiology, biomedical sciences and/or forensic sciences are preferable. An aggregate of at least 65% should be obtained. Special entry premised on prior learning and experience may be considered under special circumstances.

## Structure and duration

FHK2 Forensic Toxicology Coursework (90 credits, NQF level 8) Forensic Toxicology Research Project (30 credits, NQF level 8) Duration: 1 year, as per generic rules.

#### Curriculum

FHK3	The curriculum outline is as follows:		
Code	Course	NQF Credits NQF Lev	el
PTY4025	W Forensic Toxicology Coursework		8

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PTY4024W	Forensic Toxicology Research Project		8
	Total NQF credits	120	

#### Assessment overall

FHK4 Each module of the course has its own formative and summative assessments which include practical, written, and oral assignments. Submission of any assignment after the due date will result in a late submission penalty of a maximum of 2% per day, which will be deducted from the final mark awarded for the assignment.

# Distinction

FHK5 The degree may be awarded in the First Class to candidates who average 75% or above on coursework plus research, with a subminimum of 70% for each component; and who have passed each component at the first attempt.

# Human Genetics [MH002PTY12]

## **Convener:**

Dr K Mnika (Department of Pathology)

The programme is aimed at introducing students to an academic or research career in human genetics (particularity as it relates to human diseases). The human genetics honours programme is designed to articulate with other honours programmes in the faculty, particularly those in Medical Cell Biology (HUB4000W), Medical Biochemistry (IBS4000W), or Applied Anatomy (HUB4002W), and students will be able to select optional topics from these and other faculty programmes.

#### **Admission requirements**

FHL1 A BSc or an equivalent degree with a major in any of the biological sciences; or an MBChB degree. Special entry premised on prior learning and experience can be considered under special circumstances. Applications may include motivation letters.

# Assessment

FHL2 Submission of any written assignments for the BMedScHons after the due date will result in a late submission penalty of a maximum of 2% per day, which will be deducted from the final mark awarded for the assignment.

# Curriculum

FHL3	The curriculum is as follows:		
Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PTY4003W	Human Genetics Coursework		8
PTY4004W	Human Genetics Research Project		8
	Total NQF credits		

# Infectious Diseases and Immunology [MH002PTY29]

#### **Convener:**

Professor JA Passmore (Division of Virology, Department of Pathology)

# Admission requirements

FHM1 A BSc or equivalent degree majoring in a biological science, completion of molecular medicine course in 3<sup>rd</sup> year of MBChB or an MBChB degree.

## Assessment

FHM2 Submission of any written assignments for the BMedScHons after the due date will result in a late submission penalty of a maximum of 2% per day, which will be deducted from the final mark awarded for the assignment.

#### Curriculum

FHM3	The curriculum is as follows:		
Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PTY4005W	Infectious Diseases & Immunology Coursework	78	8
PTY4006W	Infectious Diseases & Immunology Research Project.	42	8
	Total NQF credits	120	

# Medical Biochemistry [MH002IBS04]

**Convener:** 

Dr HH Ndlovu (Department of Integrative Biomedical Sciences)

## **Admission requirements**

FHN1 A BSc or equivalent degree with a major in any of the biological, life, biochemical or molecular sciences or chemistry; or an MBChB degree.

#### Assessment

FHN2 Submission of any written assignments for the BMedScHons after the due date will result in a late submission penalty of a maximum of 2% per day, which will be deducted from the final mark awarded for the assignment.

## Curriculum

FHN3 The curriculum is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
IBS4008W	Medical Biochemistry Coursework	78	8
IBS4009W	Medical Biochemistry Research Project	42	8
	Total NQF credits	120	

# Medical Cell Biology [MH002HUB07]

**Convener:** 

Dr D Hockman (Department of Human Biology)

#### Admission requirements

FHO1 A BSc degree or equivalent degree in the biological sciences, preferably with biochemistry, genetics or molecular and cell biology as a major subject; or an MBChB degree; or an approved degree in the health and rehabilitation sciences.

#### Assessment

FHO2 Submission of any written assignments for the BMedScHons after the due date will result in a late submission penalty of a maximum of 2% per day, which will be deducted from the final mark awarded for the assignment.

# Curriculum

FHO3	The curriculum is as follows:		
Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
HUB4083W	Medical Cell Biology Coursework		8
HUB4084W	Medical Cell Biology Research Project		8
	Total NQF credits	120	
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# Medical Physics [MH002RAY02]

#### **Convener:**

A Groenewald (Department of Radiation Medicine)

## Admission requirements

FHP1 A pass of at least 60% in Advanced Physics A and a pass of at least 60% in second year Mathematics and Applied Mathematics; and in cases where the Head of Division of Medical Physics deems it necessary, favourable referee reports. Where an applicant applies only for the Medical Physics courses as an occasional student (RAY4014W, RAY4015W, RAY4016W, RAY4017W, RAY4018W, RAY4019W), and has obtained the BSc Hons in Physics more than 5 years previously, an investigation in liaison with the UCT Physics Department will first be conducted into the course content of the completed courses in order to facilitate access to the programme. Where relevant, work experience may be assessed in addition to the course outlines. Applicants who meet the minimum requirements will write an admissions test, with a pass rate of at least 60%.

[Note: Students who obtained both a BSc Physics and/or BSc(Hons) in Physics within 10 years prior to application: A limited number of student places are available, and selection is highly competitive.]

# Assessment

FHP2 A minimum of 50% in the final mark is required for each of the courses in the programme.

# Curriculum

# FHP3 The curriculum is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
	Compulsory core courses:		
RAY4014W	Physics of Radiology	9	8
RAY4015W	The Physics of Nuclear Medicine		8
RAY4016W	Radiotherapy	9	8
RAY4017W	Radiation Protection and Dosimetry		8
RAY4018W	Treatment Planning	9	8
RAY4019W	Radiobiology	9	8
RAY4025W	Modern Physics for Medical Physicists		8
RAY4026W	Clinical and Advanced Techniques	9	8
HUB4045F	Introduction to Medical Imaging and Image Processin		8
RAY4020W	Medical Physics Research Project		8
			0
	Total NQF credits		

# Neuroscience & Physiology [MH002HUB33]

#### **Convener:**

A/Professor J Riamondo (Department of Human Biology)

#### Admission requirements

FHQ1 A BSc degree or an equivalent degree in the biological sciences, preferably with physiology as a major subject; or an MBChB degree; or an approved degree in the health and rehabilitation sciences.

#### Assessment

FHQ2 Submission of any written assignments for the BMedScHons after the due date will result in a late submission penalty of a maximum of 2% per day, which will be deducted from the final mark awarded for the assignment.

#### Curriculum

# FHQ3 The curriculum is as follows: NQF Credits NQF Level Code Course NQF Credits NQF Level HUB4087W Neuroscience & Physiology Coursework 78 8 HUB4088W Neuroscience & Physiology Research Project 42 8 Total NQF credits 120 120

# Radiobiology [MH002RAY05]

#### **Convener:**

A/Professor AJ Hunter (Division of Radiation Oncology, Department of Radiation Medicine)

#### Admission requirements

FHR1 A BSc degree in the biological sciences. At the discretion of the course convener, those with a BSc in radiation sciences may be considered if their degrees have a strong biological component.

#### Assessment

FHR2 Submission of any written assignments for the BMedScHons after the due date will result in a late submission penalty of a maximum of 2% per day, which will be deducted from the final mark awarded for the assignment.

# Curriculum

#### FHR3 The curriculum is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
RAY4021W	Radiobiology Coursework	78	8
RAY4022W	Radiobiology Research Project		8
	Total NQF credits		

# **MASTER'S DEGREES**

# **MASTER OF MEDICINE**

Notes:

- (a) The Master of Medicine trains medical doctors to become specialists in one of a range of disciplines. Qualified specialists wishing to undergo subspeciality training must apply for the MPhil degree for subspeciality training.
- (b) Foreign-qualified doctors hold limited registration with the HPCSA, which must be renewed annually.

## Minimum generic admission requirements

- FMA1.1 A person shall not be admitted as a candidate for the MMed degree unless they:
  - (a) are a graduate in medicine of this University or a university recognised by Senate for this purpose;
  - (b) have, after graduating in medicine, as a minimum requirement, completed the prescribed intern period and community service (or an HPCSAapproved equivalent) and is registered with the Health Professions Council of South Africa as a medical practitioner; and
  - (c) have been appointed against an HPCSA-approved training number
- FMA1.2 Some disciplines have additional admission requirements, such as completion of the Primary and/or Intermediate Colleges of Medicine examination or additional clinical experience (see outlines of programmes below). Applicants who do not meet the additional admission requirements are considered at the discretion of the head of the discipline concerned.

#### Specialities offered

FMA2 Training is offered in the following branches of medical practice:

Speciality	Qualification Code	Academic Plan Code	Department	SAQA Registration Number
Anaesthesia	MM001	AAE01	Anaesthesia and Perioperative Medicine	Awaited
Cardiothoracic Surgery	MM001	CHM01	Surgery	21413
Clinical Pharmacology	MM001	MDN03	Medicine	21416
Dermatology	MM001	MDN04	Medicine	21417
Diagnostic Radiology	MM001	RAY06	Radiation Medicine	96560
Emergency Medicine	MM001	FCE02	Family, Community and Emergency Care	Awaited
Family Medicine	MM001	FCE09	Public Health & Family Medicine	3365
Medical Genetics	MM001	MDN28	Medicine	Awaited
Medicine	MM001	MDN12	Medicine	16444
Neurology	MM001	MDN14	Medicine	16445
Neurosurgery	MM001	CHM04	Surgery	16446
Nuclear Medicine	MM001	RAY03	Radiation Medicine	16448
Obstetrics and Gynaecology	MM001	OBS03	Obstetrics and Gynaecology	16450

Occupational Medicine	MM001	PPH08	Public Health	62989
Ophthalmology	MM001	CHM05	Surgery	16452
Orthopaedic Surgery	MM001	CHM06	Surgery	Awaited
Otorhinolaryngology	MM001	CHM07	Surgery	16454
Paediatric Surgery	MM001	CHM08	Surgery	104761
Paediatrics	MM001	PED11	Paediatrics and	96557
	10 (001	DTLICO	Child Health	2640
Pathology (Anatomical)	MM001	PTY20	Pathology	3649
Pathology (Chemical)	MM001	PTY06	Pathology	21414
Pathology (Clinical)	MM001	PTY22	Pathology	21415
Pathology (Forensic)	MM001	PTY07	Pathology	21418
Pathology	MM001	PTY10	Pathology	21419
(Haematological)				
Pathology	MM001	PTY23	Pathology	116357
Microbiological)				
Pathology (Virological)	MM001	PTY21	Pathology	Awaited
Plastic and	MM001	CHM09	Surgery	96559
Reconstructive Surgery				
Psychiatry	MM001	PRY09	Psychiatry and	16457
			Mental Health	
Public Health Medicine	MM001	PPH11	Public Health and	96559
			Family Medicine	
Radiation Oncology	MM001	RAY04	Radiation Medicine	16459
Surgery	MM001	CHM10	Surgery	16461
Urology	MM001	CHM12	Surgery	16262

# Registration

FMA3 A candidate for the degree of a Master of Medicine offered by the University:

(a) must renew his/her registration as a student at the start of each academic year,

(b) may not register for the degree, or renew his or her registration for the degree, unless he or she:

(i) simultaneously holds an appointment as a registrar (except those who are registered for the purposes of completing the dissertation component only) on the joint staff of the University and a health authority or an associated health authority against an approved HPCSA training number; or

(ii) simultaneously holds an appointment as a supernumerary registrar with the health authority or associated health authority; and

(iii) is registered with, and in good standing with the HPCSA for the duration of their enrolment in the MMed;

(iv) in the case of an international student, has met all the requirements set by the Department of Home Affairs and has completed the pre-registration clearance with the UCT International Academic Programmes Office; and

(v) has completed the required minimum period of training for his or her intended specialty, but who has not yet met the requirements for the degree, may be granted a concession to continue and complete.

(c) who has completed the required minimum period of training for his or her intended specialty, but who has not yet met the requirements for the degree, shall be required to renew his/her registration until they have completed such requirements.

[Note: \* Retrospective registration is not allowed.]

- FMA3.1 Registrars who have not registered for every year of their studies will not have their clinical training time signed off by the Dean, which will compromise their registration as specialists and subspecialists on completion of training.
- FMA3.2 Students who are granted leave of absence from their registrar roles(for compassionate or medical grounds or maternity leave) must simultaneously apply for leave of absence from the University. See the General Rules for Post graduate students for detail on applying for leave of absence.

# Nature and duration of training

FMA4.1

An MMed candidate must complete and undertake the examinations and assessments for the prescribed Parts 1 and 2 for the specialty or an equivalent recognised by the Senate for the purpose within the time period stipulated in the programme- or qualification-specific rules; and must, for the Minor dissertation, undertake research under the guidance of a supervisor appointed by the Senate and submit a minor dissertation acceptable to the Senate.

- FMA4.2 Training takes place over four to five years full-time, depending on the discipline. In some disciplines, following specific motivation to Senate and the health authority, a registrar may be allowed additional full-time training time to complete the requirements of the portfolio and/or the dissertation. In the event of special leave, pregnancy or illness, the training programme may be extended for an individual registrar to ensure that they complete the requisite period of training. A student must be registered for the full duration of their training time , and must retain their appointment as a registrar or supernumerary registrar for their duration of their registration as a student. If, for any reason, the student loses their appointment as a registrar or supernumerary registrar, or their status is suspended, their registration as a student will be terminated.
- FMA4.3 Recognition of training time as a registrar in an accredited satellite facility may be granted only for the period stipulated by the HPCSA according to the discipline and facility.

# Assessment

FMA5.1

- (a) The degree consists of four components: clinical training, a Minor dissertation and the Part 1 and Part 2 examinations. The examination in Part 1 (or 1a and 1b) and Part 2 (or 2a and 2b), which may consist of more than one subcomponent, consists of one or more written paper/s together with such practical/laboratory and/or oral examination/s as may be required by the specific discipline and may include assessment of a portfolio of learning (see FMA8.2 below). Assessment of Part 3 comprises examination of the minor dissertation by two examiners, at least one of whom shall be an external examiner. The clinical/practical training is monitored and reported on Bi-annually and the programme convenors and supervisors report on progress of their students Bi-annually.
- (b) Only candidates who have successfully completed Parts 1, 2 and the Minor dissertation and who have programme-specific training time signed off by the Head of Department and the Dean, are eligible to graduate with the MMed degree. They may subsequently apply to the

Health Professions Council of South Africa for registration as specialists.

Registrars who have not registered for every year of their studies will not have their clinical training time signed off by the Dean, which will compromise their registration as specialists on completion of training

FMA5.2 The candidate may be granted credit for the examination of Part 1 and/or Part 2 if they have passed a similar, approved examination at another university or institution recognised by the Senate for the purpose. If the Senate permits a candidate to take both Parts 1 and 2 examinations concurrently, the candidate will be granted credit for Part 2 only if they have also obtained credit for Part 1.

[Note: Candidates are generally required to complete the examinations of the relevant College of Medicine of South Africa. Some disciplines may have internal Part 1 examinations. Candidates are required to pay examination, travel and accommodation costs when writing Colleges of Medicine of South Africa examinations outside of Cape Town.]

# Dissertation

- FMA6.1 The dissertation must be on a topic in the same or a related branch of the medical speciality in which the candidate is registered and must be based on a study for which the work was completed while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student, under the supervision of a UCT appointed supervisor.
- FMA6.2 Students are required to register for the minor dissertation as from the first year of registration and reregister for it in each subsequent year until they submit the minor dissertation for examination. The minor dissertation may be awarded with either a pass or with distinction (75% - 100%).
- FMA6.3 Candidates who have already obtained a degree by dissertation or thesis will not be permitted to use the same dissertation/thesis in the MMed degree.

# **Progression and readmission**

- FMA7.1 A candidate for the degree of a Master of Medicine may be refused permission to renew his or her registration if he or she fails to meet the minimum requirements for renewal of registration provided for in rule FMA8 and/or in the programme- or qualification-specific rules. Continued registration as a specialist trainee is subject to sufficient academic and clinical progress, in accordance with the prescriptions of the relevant MMed speciality training programme and the relevant regulations of the Health Professions Council of South Africa.
- FMA7.2 Should an MMed candidate not annually meet the minimum performance requirements set out in the programme- or qualification-specific rules, the Head of Department may make a recommendation to the Faculty Examinations Committee that the student's registration not be renewed for the following year, or may be renewed but subject to certain conditions.

[Note: The programme- or qualification-specific rules are made known to the students by the programme convener and/or the faculty office at the time of annual registration. It is the responsibility of the MMed student to obtain and adhere to the rules.]

# Minimum requirements for readmission

FMA8.1 A MMed student may be refused permission to renew his or her registration for the degree, or may have his/her registration for the degree cancelled, if:

(a) he or she has failed to acquire and demonstrate:

(i) appropriate clinical skills and knowledge as evidenced by in-course assessment and the contents of his/her logbook and/or portfolio of learning;

(ii) academic achievement in terms of prescribed coursework, where this is relevant; and

(iii) adequate progress in preparing his/her dissertation, as defined in the MOU between student and supervisor.

- (b) he or she has otherwise failed to meet minimum readmission requirements as laid down in FMA8 and programme- or qualification- specific rules;
- (c) he or she is shown to the satisfaction of the Senate to have failed to acquire and demonstrate clinical professionalism\*, including but not limited to punctuality, integrity, reliability, and adherence to the principles of good clinical performance; and
- (d) he or she has been found to be impaired, in terms of the definition for such impairment of the Health Professions Council of South Africa\*.

[\*Note: See HPCSA stipulations and policy and process to investigate impairment or unprofessional conduct in Faculty Handbook.]

#### FMA8.2

In respect of most programmes an MMed candidate shall be required:

- to successfully complete the MMed Part 1 training examination or its approved equivalent within the first 12-18 months or other specified period of training;
- (b) to have obtained departmental approval of a research topic for the minor dissertation, and to have signed an MOU with his/her supervisor setting out the conditions of the candidate's research towards his/her minor dissertation within 18 months of first registration;
- (c) to have submitted a department approved protocol to the UCT Human Research Ethics Committee (HREC)- within 24 months of first registration; and
- (d) to have achieved the following outcomes before attempting the Part 2 examination:
  - to have completed a minimum of 30 months' clinical training before attempting the Part 2 examination;
  - to have submitted completed a logbook and/or portfolio of clinical experience in terms of the prescribed requirements before attempting the Part II examination; and
  - (iii) for some Departments, to have submitted the part 3 (minor dissertation) for examination.

#### [Notes:

## Please see specific rules for the MMed in Public Health Medicine, the MMed in Occupational Medicine and the MMed in Family Medicine under the discipline-specific sections that follow these general rules.

(a) It is expected that a student will have submitted his/her minor dissertation for examination by the time the registrar training period is completed. Where this is not the case, a concession may be granted to allow the student to continue working on the minor dissertation despite no longer holding a registrar post or HPCSA training number.

(b) Department of Medicine: Supernumerary MMed in Medicine students with a non-South African medical qualification are required to successfully complete the Diploma in

Internal Medicine examination of the College of Physicians of South Africa within 24 months of first registration.]

# Distinction

FMA8.3

- FMA8.3 To obtain overall distinction in a master's by coursework and dissertation, a candidate must obtain an average of at least 75% for all courses plus minor dissertation, with not less than 70% for any single course or the minor dissertation, and must have passed all courses and minor dissertation at first attempt.
- FMA8.4 To obtain distinction in the coursework component of a master's degree by coursework and minor dissertation, a candidate must obtain an average of 75% with no less than 70% for any single course and must have passed all courses at first attempt.
- FMA8.5 To obtain distinction in the minor dissertation component of a master's by coursework and dissertation, a candidate must obtain 75%.

#### Note: Only the last rule applies in the following cases:

- MMed and MPhil (sub-speciality programmes), since candidates write Colleges of Medicine examinations for the coursework/clinical training component/s and are given a PA or F (pass or fail) rather than percentages for these.
- Where a candidate obtains a credit/exemption for any course/s towards the coursework component of a master's degree (having passed the course/s at other tertiary institutions).

# Anaesthesia [MM001AAE01]

#### Convener:

Professor JLC Swanevelder (Department of Anaesthesia and Perioperative Medicine)

#### Additional admission requirements

FMA9 Applicants must have six months of anaesthetic experience plus an approved qualification (DA or FCA Part 1).

#### **Duration of training**

FMA10 Four years of clinical training, plus one year of research and completion of the dissertation.

#### Curriculum

#### FMA11 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
AAE7003W	MMed Anaesthesia Part 1	60	9
AAE7004W	MMed Anaesthesia Part 2	60	9
AAE7002W	Anaesthesia Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM7001W	MMed Clinical Training – Year 4	0	9
	Total NQF credits		

# Dissertation

FMA12 The dissertation must be submitted to the University of Cape Town (UCT), or the data must be written up as a paper and submitted for peer review in a journal approved by UCT, within 12 months of passing the Fellowship of the College of Anaesthesiologists final examination. Original data must be stored in the Department of Anaesthesia and Perioperative Medicine and students must be

compliant with the UCT Data Management Policy. Should the candidate not submit their completed MMed minor dissertation or paper within the stipulated time, the supervisor has the right to publish a paper emanating from the data, as first author, where after the candidate relinquishes their right to use the data for the purposes of registration as a Specialist Anaesthesiologist.

# Cardiothoracic Surgery [MM001CHM01]

#### **Convener:**

Professor T Pennel (Department of Surgery)

#### Additional admission requirements

FMA13 Applicants must have completed the primary examination of the College of Surgeons of South Africa. The intermediate examination is a recommendation.

#### **Duration of training**

FMA14 Five to six years for clinical training, including research and completion of the dissertation.

## Curriculum

Please refer to the College of Cardiothoracic Surgeons of South Africa at: <u>www.collegemedsa.ac.za</u> FMA15 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
CHM7004W	MMed Surgical Disciplines Part 1	60	9
CHM7010W	MMed Surgical Disciplines Part 2A		9
CHM7019W	MMed Cardiothoracic Surgery Part 2B		9
CHM7020W	Cardiothoracic Surgery Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM7002W	MMed Clinical Training - Year 5	0	9
	Total NQF credits	180	

# Clinical Pharmacology [MM001MDN03]

#### **Convener:**

Professor M Blockman (Department of Medicine)

#### Additional admission requirements

- FMA16 Applicants for the four-year (fulltime) postgraduate MMed in Clinical Pharmacology must have an MBChB as well as two years' clinical experience since their internship. All applicants must submit proof of registration as a medical practitioner with the HPCSA, a letter of good standing with the HPCSA, and proof of completion of internship and community service.
- FMA17 All short-listed applicants will be interviewed and will require confidential referee reports.

#### **Duration of training**

FMA18 The duration of the programme is four years, including research and completion of the dissertation. During the training period, students are expected to maintain a portfolio

of learning and experience, and complete a research project and minor dissertation or publication ready article. (DHET accredited Journal).

Curriculum FMA19		line e curriculum outline is as follows:		
Code		Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
MDN7034	W	MMed Clinical Pharmacology Part 1	60	9
MDN7035	W	MMed Clinical Pharmacology Part 2	60	9
MDN7036	W	Clinical Pharmacology Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM7001	W	MMed Clinical Training – Year 4	0	9
		Total NQF credits		

# Dermatology [MM001MDN04]

**Convener:** 

Dr R Lehloenya (Department of Medicine)

## Additional admission requirements

FMA20 Applicants should have at least two years of supervised medical practice (which may include the internship and community service), plus a further minimum of one year of medical practice or medical research in a field related to dermatology.

#### **Duration of training**

FMA21 Four years, including research, completion of the dissertation, and maintenance of a portfolio of learning and experience.

#### Curriculum outline

urriculum outline is as follows:		
Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
MMed Dermatology Part 1	60	9
MMed Dermatology Part 2	60	9
		9
MMed Clinical Training – Year 4	0	9
	MMed Dermatology Part 1 MMed Dermatology Part 2 Dermatology Minor Dissertation MMed Clinical Training – Year 4	

# Diagnostic Radiology [MM001RAY06]

**Convener:** 

Associate Professor S Moosa (Department of Radiation Medicine)

# **Duration of training**

FMA23	Four years, including research and completion of the dissertation.
FMA23.1	FC Rad Part 1 is an admission requirement to be considered for a registrar training
	post in this programme

#### **Curriculum outline**

FMA24	The curriculum outline is as follows:	
Code	Course	NQF Credits NQF Level
RAY7017	7W MMed Diagnostic Radiology Part 1	
RAY702(	OW MMed Diagnostic Radiology Part 2	60 9

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
RAY7021W	Diagnostic Radiology Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM7001W	MMed Clinical Training – Year 4	0	9
	Total NQF credits	180	

# **Progression and Assessment**

Progression rules also outlined in college regulations for entry into Part 1 and Part 2 examinations. FMA23.1

Registration after the first 24 months of training may be refused in either of the following circumstances:

1. Candidate has not shown satisfactory progress and performance in Continuous Performance Assessment. And/or

2. The candidate has not identified a research topic for the MMed minor dissertation (RAY7001W) and signed an MOU with their supervisor.

## **Progression and Assessment**

FMA23.2

Registration after the first 36 months of training may be refused if a research protocol has not been submitted and approved by the UCT Human Research Ethics Committee (HREC) and data collection completed. And/or Candidate has not shown satisfactory progress and performance in their Continuous Performance Assessment.

#### **Progression and Assessment**

FMA23.3 The Part 2 examination must be passed within five years of entering the programme.

#### **Progression and Assessment**

- FMA23.4 Eligibility to write FC Rad (Diag) Part II final exam: acceptance to write this examination is dependent on a letter of suitability issued by the Head of Division Radiology. Such a letter will only be issued if candidates have successfully completed all of the following:
  - □ At least 36 months registration in a registrar post,
  - □ Satisfactory completion of their logbook Shown satisfactory progress and performance in their Continuous Performance Assessment.
  - □ Submitted research minor dissertation for marking.

# Emergency Medicine [MM001FCE02][SAQA ID:104772]

#### **Convener:**

Dr W Khan (Department of Family, Community and Emergency Care)

The four-year MMed degree in Emergency Medicine is a structured Master's degree with a research assignment component. The programme is a combined programme offered jointly by the University of Cape Town and Stellenbosch University.

#### **Duration of training**

FMA25 Training takes place over a period of four years, full-time.

#### **Curriculum outline**

FMA26	The curriculum outline is as follows:		
Code	Course	NQF Credits NQF Level	
FCE705	6W MMed Emergency Medicine Pa	rt 1	

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
FCE7057W	MMed Emergency Medicine Part 2	60	9
FCE7058W	Emergency Medicine Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM7001W	MMed Clinical Training – Year 4	0	9
	Total NQF credits		

#### Supernumerary Registrars

FMA27 Supernumerary registrars are subject to the same rules and regulations as any other registrar in the programme.

## **DP** requirements

- FMA28 Satisfactory completion of a logbook and/or portfolio of clinical experience in terms of the prescribed requirements before attempting the Part 2 examination
- FMA29 Completion of the Level 1 Emergency Ultrasound certification prior to registration for Part 2 examination.
- FMA30 Completion of Part 3 minor dissertation prior to registration for Part 2 examination

# **Progression rules**

(to be read in conjunction with FMA7.1 to FMA8.2: Progression and readmission [to an MMed Programme])

FMA31 Except by permission of the Senate, a candidate registered for a MMed in Emergency Medicine may be refused readmission if they:

- a. fail to complete the Part 1 examination within 18 months from first registration; and/or
- b. fail to complete the Part 2 examination within 60 months from first registration;

# **Special Admission Requirements**

FMA25.1 Candidates must have successfully completed the Fellowship of the College of Emergency Medicine (FCEM) Part 1 examination. Advanced Life support courses (ACLS, APLS/PALS and ATLS) are required for an emergency medicine registrar post with the Department of Health and Wellness.

# **Progression rule**

FMA25.2 The following criteria will result in the non- progression of the program: The divisional post-graduate progress committee has reviewed the candidate's overall performance including work based assessments and at any stage makes the recommendation to the faculty board that the candidate does not continue. If a manager at a training facility denies the candidate entry to the training platform due to significant patient safety or professionalism concerns at any point of the four-year training program.

#### Assessment rules

FMA25.3 Final examination

• Entry requirements to the final examination are the successful completion of a research assignment and the Part 1 examination (FCEM (SA) Part 1 of the Colleges of Medicine of South Africa.

• The final examination may only be written following at least 36 months' training in an accredited registrar post.

• The final examination entails the successful completion of the Part 2 examination (FCEM (SA) Part 2) of the Colleges of Medicine of South Africa.

# Family Medicine [MM001FCE09]

## **Conveners:**

Associate Professor T Ras (Department of Community and Emergency Care)

#### Additional admission requirements

FMA31.1 In addition to the general MMed admission requirements, applicants:

- (a) will be interviewed by a panel consisting of representatives of both Metro District Health Service (MDHS) and UCT Division of Family Medicine;
- (b) may be required to read and critically appraise an article taken from a peerreviewed medical journal and report their summary to the panel as a part of the interview process; and
- (c) are required to submit contact details for references from their current or most recent employer and two other referees.
- FMA31.2 Applicants are required to submit proof of registration as a medical practitioner with the HPCSA and a letter of good standing with the Council, and proof of completion of internship and community service. Foreign-trained doctors will require equivalent experience and HPCSA registration.

#### Duration of training and examination

- FMA32.1 The Part 1 exam is internal, and it is written at the end of the 2nd year of registration (24 months). It can be re-written once only. The final mark is a composite a multiple choice question examination (25%), a written short answer question examination (25%), the portfolio of learning (25%) and a clinical examination (25%). Knowledge and skills considered essential to practising in primary care are examined.
- FMA32.2 Part 2 can be attempted after 36 months of training, if the portfolio (or documented prior learning) indicates that certain core areas have been covered: Primary Care; Emergency care; Obstetrics and Gynaecology; General Surgery; Internal Medicine (Adult and Paediatric); Psychiatry; Anaesthesia.

#### **Readmission criteria**

- FMA33 Except by permission of the Senate a student who transgresses the following rules may be excluded from the programme:
  - (a) a student may not fail the Part 1 examination twice;
  - (b) a student may not fail two end-of-rotation assessments; or
  - (c) A student may not fail one end-of-rotation assessment more than once.

#### **Curriculum outline**

# FM34.1 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
FCE7072W	MMed Family Medicine Part 1	60	9
FCE7073W	MMed Family Medicine Part 2		9
FCE7074W	Family Medicine Minor Dissertation		9
DOM7001W	MMed Clinical Training – Year 4	0	9
	Total NQF credits		

FMA34.2 During their rotation, registrars will rotate through community health centres, district, and secondary hospitals. Registrars need to complete a portfolio, including a logbook of clinical experience which outlines the minimum experience they must obtain during their clinical rotations.

# Medical Genetics [MM001MDN28]

#### **Convener:**

Associate Professor K Fieggen (Department of Medicine)

#### Additional admission requirements

FMA35 Preference will be given to applicants who have at least twelve months' experience in paediatrics and/or obstetrics and gynaecology and/or internal medicine. This experience should be obtained in a secondary or tertiary healthcare facility.

#### **Duration of training**

FMA36 Four years, including research and completion of the dissertation.

#### **Curriculum outline**

FMA37 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
MDN7066W	MMed Medical Genetics Part 1	60	9
MDN7067W	MMed Medical Genetics Part 2	60	9
MDN7068W	Medical Genetics Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM7001W	MMed Clinical Training – Year 4	0	9
	Total NQF credits		

# Medicine [MM001MDN12]

**Convener:** 

Dr Sadia Patel & Dr Ayanda Gcelu (Department of Medicine)

# **Duration of training**

FMA38 Four years, including research and completion of the dissertation.

#### Curriculum outline

# FMA39 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
MDN7005W	MMed Medicine Part 1	60	9
MDN7006W	MMed Medicine Part 2	60	9
<b>MDN7007W</b>	Medicine Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM7001W	MMed Clinical Training – Year 4	0	9
	Total NQF credits		

# Neurology [MM001MDN14]

Convener:

Associate Professor Lawrence Tucker (Department of Medicine)

#### Additional admission requirements

FMA40 Applicants for MMed Neurology must preferably have at least one year's experience in clinical general medicine (excluding internship and community service). Preference will be given to applicants who have completed Part 1 of the fellowship examinations of the College of Neurologists of South Africa.

#### **Duration of training**

FMA41 Four years, including research and completion of the MMed minor dissertation.

#### Curriculum outline

FMA42 T	The curriculum outline is as follows:		
Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
MDN7028	8W MMed Neurology Part 1		9
MDN7029	W MMed Neurology Part 2		9
MDN703(	W Neurology Minor Dissertation		9
DOM700	1W MMed Clinical Training – Year	40	9

# Neurosurgery [MM001CHM04]

#### **Convener:**

Associate Professor N Enslin (Division of Neurosurgery, Department of Surgery)

#### Additional admission requirements

FMA43 The FCS primary examination with neuroanatomy is a requirement for entry to the training programme, and the FCS intermediate examination is a recommendation. Candidates without this requirement will be considered for admission at the discretion of the Head of the Division of Neurosurgery.

#### **Duration of training**

FMA44 Five to six years, including research and completion of the dissertation.

#### Curriculum outline

# FMA45 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
CHM7004W	MMed Surgical Disciplines Part 1	60	9
CHM7010W	MMed Surgical Disciplines Part 2A		9
CHM7026W	MMed Neurosurgery Part 2B		9
CHM7027W	Neurosurgery Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM7002W	MMed Clinical Training – Year 5	0	9
	Total NQF credits		

# Nuclear Medicine [MM001RAY03]

#### Convener:

Dr S More (Division of Nuclear Medicine, Department of Radiation Medicine)

## Additional admission requirements

FMA46.1	(a)MBChB or equivalent.
	(b) One year post community service clinical experience.
FMA46.2	Registration after the first 24 months of training may be refused
	in either of the following circumstances:

(a), The candidate has not successfully completed the Fellowship of the College of Radiation Oncologists of South Africa Part I examination; and

(b), The candidate has not identified a research topic for the MMed minor dissertation (RAY7011W) and signed an MOU with their supervisor.

Registration after the first 36 months of training may be refused if a research protocol has not been submitted and approved by the

UCT Human Research Ethics Committee (HREC) and data collection completed. The Part 2 examination must be passed within six years of passing the Part 1 examination. Application to write the Part 2 examination is dependent on a letter of suitability issued by the Head of the Nuclear Medicine Division. Such a letter will only be issued if all the following conditions are met:

i. Successful completion of the Part I Fellowship of the College of Nuclear Physicians of South Africa examination

ii. Completion of at least 36 months in an approved registrar training post

iii. Satisfactory completion of the LogBox Academic logbook and portfolio

iv. Satisfactory completion of at least 6 therapy case reports

v. Satisfactory performance and progress in workplace-based

assessments, summative assignments and therapy assessments

vi. Satisfactory progress and performance in the annual formative assessments vii. Submission of MMed minor dissertation(RAY7014W) for marking at the time of application.

# **Duration of training**

FMA47 Four years, including research and completion of the dissertation.

#### **Curriculum outline**

# FMA48 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>RAY7012W</b>	MMed Nuclear Medicine Part 1	60	9
RAY7013W	MMed Nuclear Medicine Part 2	60	9
<b>RAY7014W</b>	Nuclear Medicine Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM7001W	MMed Clinical Training - Year 4	0	9
	Total NQF credits		

# Obstetrics and Gynaecology [MM0010BS03]

#### **Convener:**

M Patel and L Schoeman (Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology)

# Additional admission requirements

FMA49 Adequate clinical experience, the ability to run a labour ward independently with consultant cover and sufficient surgical experience in obstetric surgery as defined by the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology. This is assessed on the basis of referees' reports and of documentation of experience. Successful completion of the Part 1 examination is a recommendation.

(Most registrars join the programme having completed their internship, their community service training and a further six to twelve months in a medical officer post in obstetrics and gynaecology.)

## Duration and requirements of training

- FMA50.1 A minimum of four years for clinical training with a possible additional year for clinical experience, research, and completion of a dissertation. Continued registration for MMed beyond 4 years is permissible only if progress reports indicate overall satisfactory performance with acceptable delays in the completion of either logbook requirements or the research project.
- FMA50.2 A candidate shall be required to successfully complete the MMed Part 1A and B examinations or the approved equivalent within the first 24 months of training.
- FMA50.3 Registration after the first 12 months of training The candidate:
  - (a) may be denied readmission if the candidate has not attempted the Fellowship of the College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists of South Africa Part IA and 1B examinations; and
  - (b) will be denied in the case of supernumerary registrars who work in a Medical Officer capacity during the first year of training if the candidate is not considered capable to take on the duties and responsibilities of a registrar.
- FMA50.4 Registration after the first 24 months of training:
  - (a) will be denied if the candidate has not obtained Fellowship of the College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists of South Africa Part 1A and Part 1B examination. In the case of supernumerary registrars, the 24 months of training include the initial months of training while working in the capacity of Medical Officer;
  - (b) may be denied if a research protocol has not been submitted to the UCT Human Research Ethics Committee (HREC); and
  - (c) may be denied in case of failure to adhere to the research project work plan stated in the Research MOU.
- FMA50.5 Eligibility for writing the Fellowship of the College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists of South Africa Part 2 examination Candidates must have:
  - (a) successfully completed the Part 1A and B examinations;
  - (b) successfully completed 18 months' coursework in obstetrics and 18 months' coursework in gynaecology;
  - (c) at minimum, submitted the research proposal to the HREC prior to registration for Part II written examination
  - (d) In exceptional circumstances, the HOD may grant permission to submit the dissertation at a later stage.

# Curriculum outline

# FMA51 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
OBS7016W	MMed Obstetrics and Gynaecology Part 1A		9
<b>OBS7015W</b>	MMed Obstetrics and Gynaecology Part 1B	40	9
<b>OBS7006W</b>	MMed Obstetrics and Gynaecology Part 2	60	9
OBS7007W	Obstetrics and Gynaecology Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM7002W	MMed Clinical Training - Year 5	0	9
	Total NQF credits	180	

# **Occupational Medicine** [MM001PPH08]

#### **Convener:**

Associate Professor S Adams (Occupational Medicine Division, School of Public Health)

## **Duration of training**

- FMA52.1 Training takes place over a minimum period of four years full-time, including research and completion of the minor dissertation.
- FMA52.2 Recognition of training time as a registrar in a satellite department may be granted for a maximum period of one year.

# Curriculum

FMA53	The curriculum outline is as follows:		
Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PPH7056W	MMed Occupational Medicine Part 1	60	9
PPH7057W	MMed Occupational Medicine Part 2	60	9
PPH7058W	Occupational Medicine Minor Dissertation		9
DOM7001W	MMed Clinical Training – Year 4	0	9
	Total NQF credits		

## FMA54

The candidate shall be required: (a)

- i. to successfully complete the MMed Part 1 training examination or its approved equivalent within the first 24 months of training;
- ii to have obtained approval of a research topic for the MMed minor dissertation and to have signed an MOU with his/her supervisor setting out the conditions of the candidate's research towards his/her minor dissertation within 24 months of first registration:
- iii. to have completed a UCT Human Research Ethics Committee (HREC)approved research protocol and obtained an interim research report from his/her supervisor indicating satisfactory progress within 36 months of first registration;
- to have achieved the following outcomes before attempting the Part 2 iv examination:
  - aa. to have completed a minimum of 36 months' clinical training before attempting the Part 2 examination;
  - to have completed a portfolio of learning in terms of the prescribed bb. requirements before attempting the Part 2 examination; and cc.
    - To have submitted and passed his or her dissertation.
- In addition to the assessment regime described under rule FMA5.1 of the General MMed (b) rules:
  - i. the examination in Part 1 comprises successful completion of assessments for selected courses in the Epidemiology track of the Master of Public Health, selected courses from the Divisions of Health Policy and Systems, Health Economics and Environmental Health (offered as part of the MPH), and the Postgraduate Diploma in Occupational Health, and the Postgraduate Diploma in Health Management; and
  - Assessment of the minor dissertation by two external examiners. ii.
# **Ophthalmology** [MM001CHM05]

Convener:

Dr C Tinley (Department of Surgery)

### Additional admission requirements

- FMA55.1 Candidates are required to have completed the primary examination of the College of Ophthalmology of South Africa.
- FMA55.2 The Diploma of the College of Ophthalmology is a recommendation.

### **Duration of training**

FMA56 Four years, including research and completion of the dissertation.

### **Curriculum outline**

### FMA57 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
CHM7032W	MMed Ophthalmology Part 1		9
CHM7069W	MMed in Ophthalmology Part 2A		9
CHM7030W	MMed Ophthalmology Part 2		9
CHM7031W	Ophthalmology minor dissertation	60	9
DOM7002W	MMed Clinical Training – Year 5	0	9
	Total NQF credits	180	

# Orthopaedic Surgery [MM001CHM06]

### Convener:

Professor R Dunn (Division of Orthopaedic Surgery, Department of Surgery)

### Additional admission requirements

FMA58 Applicants must have passed the primary and intermediate examinations of the College of Surgeons of South Africa.

### **Duration of training**

FMA59 Five years, including completion of the minor dissertation.

### Curriculum outline

### FMA60 The curriculum outline is as follows

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
CHM7004W	MMed Surgical Disciplines Part 1	60	9
CHM7010W	MMed Surgical Disciplines Part 2A		9
CHM7035W	MMed Orthopaedic Surgery Part 2B		9
CHM7036W	Orthopaedic Surgery Minor Dissertation		9
DOM7002W	MMed Clinical Training – Year 5	0	9
	Total NQF credits		

# Otorhinolaryngology [MM001CHM07]

**Convener:** 

Professor JJ Fagan (Division of Otorhinolaryngology, Department of Surgery)

### Additional admission requirements

- FMA61.1 Applicants must have passed the primary and intermediate examinations of the College of Surgeons. Only in exceptional cases and at the discretion of the Head of Division may a registrar be appointed to the Division prior to completion of the intermediate examination of the Colleges of Medicine of South Africa.
- FMA61.2 Applicants are required to have completed at least 12 months' approved training in any of the surgical disciplines, excluding otorhinolaryngology, but including not less than three months of intensive care and not less than six months of training in surgical disciplines.

### **Duration of training**

FMA62 Four years, including research and completion of the dissertation.

### **Curriculum outline**

FMA63	The	curriculum outline is as follows:		
Code		Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
CHM700	94W	MMed Surgical Disciplines Part 1	60	9
CHM701	0W	MMed Surgical Disciplines Part 2A		9
CHM704	10W	MMed Otorhinolaryngology Part 2B		9
CHM704	1W	Otorhinolaryngology Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM700	01W	MMed Clinical Training - Year 4	0	9
		Total NQF credits		

# Paediatric Surgery [MM001CHM08]

**Convener:** 

Professor S Cox (Department of Surgery)

### Additional admission requirements

FMA64 Applicants must have completed the primary and intermediate examinations of the relevant College of Medicine of South Africa.

### **Duration of training**

FMA65 Four years, including research and completion of the dissertation.

### Curriculum outline

### FMA66 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
CHM7059W	MMed Paediatric Surgery Part 1	60	9
CHM7060W	MMed Paediatric Surgery Part 2	60	9
CHM7010W	MMed Surgical Disciplines Part 2A		9
CHM7061W	Paediatric Surgery Minor Dissertation		9
DOM7002W	MMed Clinical Training – Year 5	0	9
	Total NQF credits		

# Paediatrics [MM001PED11]

### **Convener:**

Dr A Ndondo (Department of Paediatrics and Child Health)

### **Duration of training**

FMA67 Four years, including research and completion of the dissertation.

### Curriculum outline

FMA68 T	he curriculum outline is as follows:		
Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PED7004	W MMed Paediatrics Part 1		9
PED7006	W MMed Paediatrics Part 2		9
PED7007	W Paediatrics Minor Dissertation		9
DOM7001	W MMed Clinical Training – Year 4		9
	Total NQF credits		

# Pathology (Anatomical) [MM001PTY20]

### **Convener:**

Professor K Pillay (Department of Pathology)

### Structure and duration of training

- FMA69.1 The programme covers a minimum of four years' training in anatomical pathology, including cytology. Irrespective of what earlier training may have been undertaken, candidates must write and pass Part 1 (PTY7010W) of the examination within 24 months of commencing formal training in anatomical pathology. Progression beyond 24 months is dependent on successful completion of Part 1. An additional (fifth) year is required for completion of research and a dissertation.
- FMA69 The candidate must complete a UCT Human Research Ethics Committee-approved research protocol and obtain an interim research report from his/her supervisor indicating satisfactory progress within 42 months of first registration.

### Curriculum outline

### FMA70 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PTY7010W	MMed Anatomical Pathology Part 1A	60	9
PTY7006W	MMed Anatomical Pathology Part 2		9
PTY7007W	Anatomical Pathology Minor Dissertation		9
DOM7001W	MMed Clinical Training – Year 4	0	9
	Total NQF credits	180	

The minor dissertation is based on a project relevant to the discipline and requires approval from the research ethics committee. Funding also has to be sought for projects.

# Pathology (Chemical) [MM001PTY06]

### **Convener:**

Dr Jody Rusch (Department of Pathology-Chemical)

### Structure and duration of training

- FMA71.1 This course requires a minimum of 42 months in chemical pathology and may be extended to a maximum of 60 months. The candidate is required to pass the Part 1 and Part 2 examinations convened by the College of Pathologists of South Africa as for chemical pathology. A minor dissertation (Part 3) must be completed during the training programme.
- FMA71.2 The candidate shall be required to successfully complete the FCPath (SA) (Chemical Pathology) Part 1 examination within the first 18 months of training.

### Curriculum outline

FMA72	The curriculum outline is as follows:		
Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PTY7015	W MMed Chemical Pathology Part 1	60	9
PTY7016	W MMed Chemical Pathology Part 2	60	9
PTY7017	W Chemical Pathology Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM700	<b>IW</b> MMed Clinical Training – Year 4	0	9
	Total NQF credits		

# Pathology (Clinical) [MM001PTY22]

### **Convener:**

Associate Professor J Opie (Department of Pathology)

### Structure and duration of training

- FMA73.1 Training entails sixteen months of approved training in each of the following pathology disciplines: chemical pathology, haematology, medical microbiology; and six months in virology. At the end of each training period, the Part 1 examination in that discipline must be written. The examination includes written, practical, and oral examinations. Eligibility for the practical and oral examinations is contingent on passing the prior written examination. The candidate shall be eligible to proceed to training in the next discipline after successful completion of the Part 1 examination for the previous discipline. Failure to pass the Part 1 examination must be followed by a six month extension in that particular discipline (2 months in virology) and by a repeat examination. Candidates are permitted to repeat only one Part 1 examination during their entire training programme.
- FMA73.2 A further six months of training in pathology disciplines may be divided among chemical pathology, haematology, medical microbiology, virology, and immunology, according to the candidate's choice, provided such choice is acceptable to the Heads of the Divisions concerned. The MMed Part 2 examination includes chemical pathology, haematology, medical microbiology, and virology. It may also include immunology. The examination includes written, practical, and oral examinations. Eligibility for the practical and oral examinations is contingent on the candidate's passing the prior written examination. The candidate writes the Part 2 examination in Clinical Pathology of the South African College of Pathology. A minor dissertation must be completed during the training programme.

FMA73.3 The candidate must complete a UCT Human Research Ethics Committee-approved research protocol and obtain an interim research report from his/her supervisor indicating satisfactory progress within 54 months of first registration

### Curriculum outline

### FMA784 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course NQF Credits	NQF Level
PTY7000W	MMed Clinical Pathology Part 1A (Chemical Pathology)18	9
PTY7001W	MMed Clinical Pathology Part 1B (Haematology)18	9
PTY7002W	MMed Clinical Pathology Part 1C (Medical Microbiology) 18	9
PTY7003W	MMed Clinical Pathology Part 1D (Virology)	9
PTY7008W	MMed Clinical Pathology Part 2 60	9
PTY7044W	Clinical Pathology Minor Dissertation	9
DOM7002W	MMed Clinical Training – Year 50	9
	Total NQF credits	

# **Pathology (Forensic)** [MM001PTY07]

### Convener:

Dr Anez Awath Behari (Department of Pathology)

### Structure and duration of training

FMA75.1	Forensic pathology candidates must write the Part 1 after 12 months in Forensic
	pathology, 12 months in anatomical pathology and within 6 months of the
	completion of the rotation – i.e. within 30 months.
FMA75.2	An additional (5th) year is required to do research and complete a minor dissertation

#### Curriculum outline -

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FMA76	The curriculum outline is as follows:		
Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PTY7043V	W MMed in Forensic Pathology Part 1	60	9
PTY7018V	W MMed in Forensic Pathology Part 2	60	9
PTY7019V	V Forensic Pathology Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM7002	W MMed Clinical Training – Year 5	0	9
	Total NQF credits		

# Pathology (Haematological) [MM001PTY10][SAQA ID:214190]

### Convener:

Associate Professor J Opie (Department of Pathology)

### Structure and duration of training

- FMA77.1 The programme covers a minimum of four years training in haematological pathology, including paediatric haematology, molecular haematology, haemostasis and thrombosis, training in blood transfusion, flowcytometry, and diagnosis of haematological malignancies. An additional (fifth) year may be required to do research and complete a dissertation, should this not be possible within the four vears.
- FMA77.2 The candidate shall be required to successfully complete the MMed Part 1 examination, or its equivalent within the first 18 months of training.

### **Curriculum Outline**

### FMA78 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PTY7024W	MMed Haematological Pathology Part 1	60	9
PTY7021W	MMed Haematological Pathology Part 2	60	9
PTY7022W	Haematological Pathology Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM7001W	MMed Clinical Training - Year 4	0	9
	Total NQF credits		

# Pathology (Microbiological) [MM001PTY23]

### **Convener:**

Professor A Brink and E Prentice (Department of Pathology)

### Structure and duration of training

- FMA79.1 A minimum of four years in medical microbiology, three to six months of which will be in virology. Time is allocated to a rotation through the Greenpoint TB Reference Laboratory with a further three weeks spent at the National Institute for Communicable Diseases.
- FMA79.2 The candidate shall be required to successfully complete the MMed Part 1 examination or its approved equivalent within the first 18 months of training. Candidates required to choose research topic and submit for HREC approval, prior to writing MMed Part 1 exam.

### **Curriculum outline**

### FMA80 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PTY7029W	MMed Medical Microbiology Part 1D	60	9
PTY7030W	MMed Medical Microbiology Part 2	60	9
PTY7031W	Medical Microbiology Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM7001W	MMed Clinical Training – Year 4	0	9
	Total NQF credits		

# Pathology (Virological) [MM001PTY21]

### **Convener:**

Associate Professor M Hsiao (Department of Pathology)

### Structure and requirements of training

- FMA81.1 A minimum period of three and a half years in medical virology and an additional six months may be undertaken in medical microbiology or immunology.
- FMA81.2 The candidate shall be required to successfully complete the MMed Part 1 examination or its approved equivalent within the first 18 months of training.

### **Curriculum outline**

FMA82	The curriculum outline is as follow	vs:	
Code	Course	NQF Credits NQF Level	1
PTY703	4W MMed Virological Patholog	y Part 160 9	)

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PTY7032W	MMed Virological Pathology Part 2		9
PTY7033W	Virological Pathology Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM7001W	MMed Clinical Training – Year 4		9
	Total NQF credits	180	

[See note on page 4 regarding HEQSF levels and NQF credits.]

# Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery [MM001CHM09]

### **Convener:**

Professor Saleigh Adams (Department of Surgery)

### Additional admission requirements

FMA83 Applicants must have passed the primary and intermediate examinations of the College of Surgeons of South Africa.

### **Duration of training**

FMA84 Four years, including research and completion of the dissertation.

### Curriculum outline

### FMA85 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
CHM7004W	MMed Surgical Disciplines Part 1	60	9
CHM7010W	MMed Surgical Disciplines Part 2A		9
CHM7012W	MMed Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery Part 2B		9
CHM7013W	Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery Minor Dissertation	1 60	9
DOM7002W	MMed Clinical Training – Year 5	0	9
	Total NQF credits	180	

# **Psychiatry** [MM001PRY09]

### **Conveners:**

Dr N Dyakalashe and Dr R Ori (Department of Psychiatry and Mental Health)

### **Duration of training**

FMA86 Four years, including research and completion of the dissertation.

### **Curriculum outline**

### FMA87 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PRY7007W	MMed Psychiatry Part 1	60	9
PRY7008W	MMed Psychiatry Part 2	60	9
PRY7009W	Psychiatry Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM7001W	MMed Clinical Training - Year 4	0	9
	Total NQF credits		

# Public Health Medicine [MM001PPH11]

### **Convener:**

Professor L London (Department of Public Health)

### Duration of training

- FMA88.1 Training takes place over a minimum period of four years full-time, including research and completion of the minor dissertation.
- FMA88.2 Recognition of training time as a registrar in a satellite department may be granted for a maximum period of one year.

### FMA89 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PPH7033W	MMed Public Health Medicine Part 1	60	9
PPH7034W	MMed Public Health Medicine Part 2	60	9
PPH7035W	Public Health Medicine Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM7001W	MMed Clinical Training – Year 4	0	9
	Total NQF credits		

### Progression and assessment

FMA90

- (a) The candidate shall be required:
  - i. to successfully complete the MMed Part 1 training examination or its approved equivalent within the first 24 months of training;
    - ii. to have obtained approval of a research topic for the minor dissertation and to have signed an MOU with his/her supervisor setting out the conditions of the candidate's research towards his/her minor dissertation within 30 months of first registration;
    - to have completed a UCT Human Research Ethics Committee (HREC)- approved research protocol and obtained an interim research report from his/her supervisor indicating satisfactory progress within 36 months of first registration; and
    - iv. to have achieved the following outcomes before attempting the Part 2 examination:
      - aa. to have completed a minimum of 36 months' clinical training;
      - bb. to have completed a portfolio of learning comprising 36 months of clinical training in terms of the prescribed requirements.
      - cc. To have submitted and passed his or her minor dissertation.
- (b) In addition to the assessment regime described under rule FMA5.1 of the General MMed rules:
  - i. the examination in Part 1 comprises successful completion of assessments for selected courses in the Epidemiology track of the Master of Public Health, the

Postgraduate Diploma in Health Economics and the Postgraduate Diploma in Health Leadership; and Assessment of Part 3 comprises examination of the

minor dissertation by two external examiners.

# Radiation Oncology [MM001RAY04]

### Convener:

Professor J Parkes (Department of Radiation Medicine)

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### Additional admission requirement

FMA91 Applicants must have worked full-time as a medical doctor for at least one year postinternship and prior to entering this programme.

### **Duration of training**

FMA92 Four years (including clinical training, research, and completion of the minor dissertation).

### Curriculum

### FMA93 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
RAY7009W	MMed Radiation Oncology Part 1	60	9
<b>RAY7010W</b>	MMed Radiation Oncology Part 2	60	9
RAY7011W	Radiation Oncology Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM7001W	MMed Clinical Training – Year 4	0	9
	Total NQF credits	180	

### **Progression and Assessment**

\*Progression rules also outlined in college regulations for entry into Part 1 and Part 2 examinations

- FMA94.1 Candidates may register to write the Part 1 examinations after a minimum period of 6 months in a registered Radiation Oncology training post.
  FMA94.2 Registration after the first 24 months of training may be refused in either of the following circumstances:

  (a), The candidate has not successfully completed the Fellowship of the College of Radiation Oncologists South Africa Part I examination; and
  (b), The candidate has not identified a research topic for the MMed minor dissertation (RAY7011W) and signed an MOU with their supervisor.

  FMA94.3 Registration after the first 36 months of training may be refused if a research protocol has not been submitted and approved by the UCT Human Research Ethics Committee (HREC) and data collection completed.
- FMA94.4 The Part 2 examination must be passed within six years of passing the Part 1 examination.

To register for Part 2 CMSA examinations, candidates must have spent a minimum of three years (36 months) in a full-time registered post in a recognised department of radiation oncology. The programme convenor is required to submit a letter of suitability to write this examination to the CMSA. This will be based on:

(a) Adequate quarterly formative assessments at the end of each three-month clinical attachment; and

(b) Adequate annual formative assessments. This includes performance in the clinical blocks, ward attachments, planning and technical radiotherapy, chemotherapy

management and research as well as completion of the logbook and portfolio as outlined in the College of Radiation Oncology curriculum.

(c) MMed minor dissertation must have been submitted for marking at the time of entrance in the College of Medicine South Africa Part 2 examinations.

- FMA94.2 Registration for each academic year may be refused if the registrar does not maintain satisfactory performance as outlined in the assessments below:
  - (a) A quarterly formative assessment at the end of each three-month clinical attachment; and/or
  - (b) An annual formative assessment. At this meeting, performance in the clinical blocks, ward attachments, planning and technical radiotherapy, chemotherapy management and research is reviewed as well as completion of the logbook and portfolio as outlined in the College of Radiation Oncology curriculum.
- FMA94.3 The Part 2 examination must be passed within six years of passing the Part 1 examination.
- FMA94.4 Candidates must have spent a minimum of three years (36 months) in a full-time registered post in a recognised department of radiation oncology. The programme convenor is required to submit a letter of suitability to write this examination to the College of Medicine South Africa. This will be based on:
  - (a) Adequate quarterly formative assessments at the end of each three-month clinical attachment; and
  - (b) Adequate annual formative assessments. This includes performance in the clinical blocks, ward attachments, planning and technical radiotherapy, chemotherapy management and research as well as completion of the logbook and portfolio as outlined in the College of Radiation Oncology curriculum.
- FMA94.5 Registration after the first 24 months of training may be refused in either of the following circumstances:
  - (a) The candidate has not successfully completed the Fellowship of the College of Radiation Oncologists South Africa Part I examination; and
  - (b) The candidate has not identified a research topic for the MMed Part 3 (RAY7011W) and signed an MOU with their supervisor.
- FMA94.6 Registration after the first 36 months of training may be refused if a research protocol has not been submitted and approved by the UCT Human Research Ethics Committee (HREC).
- FMA94.7 Registration for each academic year may be refused if the registrar does not maintain satisfactory performance as outlined in the assessments below:
  - (a) A quarterly formative assessment at the end of each three-month clinical attachment; and
  - (b) An annual formative assessment. At this meeting, performance in the clinical blocks, ward attachments, planning and technical radiotherapy, chemotherapy management and research is reviewed as well as completion of the logbook and portfolio (including case studies and a statistical review) as outlined in the College of Radiation Oncology curriculum.

### FMA94.8

- (a) The candidate must identify a research topic for MMed Part 3 (RAY7011W) and sign an MOU with their supervisor within 24 months of entering the Radiation Oncology registrar rotation.
- (b) The research protocol must be submitted and approved by the UCT Human Research Ethics Committee (HREC) within 36 months of entering the Radiation Oncology registrar rotation.
- (c) The finalised minor dissertation must be submitted for examination within one year of successfully completing the Part 2 examination (RAY7010W).

# Surgery [MM001CHM10]

### **Convener:**

Dr D Nel

### Additional admission requirements

FMA94 Applicants must have passed the primary examination of the College of Surgeons of the College of Medicine of South Africa (CMSA).

### **Duration of training**

FMA95 Four years, including research and completion of the dissertation.

### **Curriculum outline**

### FMA96 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
CHM7004W	MMed Surgical Disciplines Part 1	60	9
CHM7008W	MMed in Surgery Part 2B		9
CHM7010W	MMed in Surgical Disciplines Part 2A		9
CHM7009W	Surgery Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM7002W	MMed Clinical Training - Year 5	0	9
	Total NQF credits		

# Urology [MM001CHM12]

### **Convener:**

Dr Lisa Kaestner (Department of Surgery)

### Additional admission requirements

FMA97 Applicants must have passed the primary and intermediate examinations of the College of Surgeons of South Africa.

### **Duration of training**

FMA98 Five years, including research and completion of the dissertation.

### Curriculum outline FMA99 The curriculum outline is as follows:

F MA99	I ne cur	riculum outline is as follows:		
Code	(	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
CHM70	04W N	MMed Surgical Disciplines Part 1	60	9
CHM70	10W N	MMed Surgical Disciplines Part 2A		9
CHM70	944W 1	MMed Urology Part 2B	60	9

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
CHM7045W	Urology Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM7002W	MMed Clinical Training – Year 5		
	Total NQF credits		

# **MASTER OF MEDICAL SCIENCE (MMedSc)**

The MMedSc is available by dissertation only in Dietetics and in Nutrition, or by coursework and dissertation in Genetic Counselling.

Specialisation	Qualification Code	Academic Plan Code	Department	SAQA ID
Genetic Counselling	MM166	PTY09	Pathology	Awaited
Nutrition	MM051	HUB21	Human Biology	Awaited

# MMedSc in Genetic Counselling (by coursework and dissertation) [MM166PTY09][SAQA ID:104765]

### **Convener:**

A/Professor T Wessels (Department of Pathology)

Also see General Rules for Master's Degree Studies in the relevant front section of this handbook. In addition, the course activities and assessments as set out in the MMedSc in Genetic Counselling Course Outlined document, developed by the course convener, apply for assessments and progression.

### Admission requirements

FMB1 An applicant shall not be admitted as a candidate for the degree programme unless they:

- (a) have an approved Bachelor's and Honour's degree in health sciences or appropriate allied health sciences of the University or any other university recognised by Senate for the purpose;
- (b) have an MBChB degree of the University or any other university recognised by Senate for the purpose;
- (c) are a registered nurse and midwife who has a four-year diploma in nursing and midwifery plus at least one post-basic diploma and relevant experience. Such candidates will be expected to submit a full portfolio, a curriculum vitae, and may be required to complete a prerequisite programme and/or an entry examination;
- (d) have approved prior experience and training. Applicants who wish to be considered on the basis of Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) will be required to submit a personal portfolio reflecting, amongst others, their experience of working in the field of human genetics. Applications from students with other qualifications will be assessed on a case by case basis;
- (e) have experience of working in a clinical genetic environment/field;
- (f) are potentially registerable with the HPCSA or equivalent healthcare professional body;
- (g) have proven proficiency in written and spoken English (this may be tested if necessary); and
- (h) have basic computer literacy and reliable and continuous access to a computer and internet access.

[Notes: Proficiency in Xhosa and Afrikaans is recommended. Selected applicants who meet all the criteria will be interviewed personally or telephonically.

Offers will be made to as many as possible black, coloured, and male applicants who qualify for offers in order to obtain demographic representation of the student body. If applications are received from black or coloured students after the due date and after selection has been completed, they will be interviewed, and if they meet the criteria, will be considered.]

### **Curriculum outline**

FMB2	The prescribed courses are the following:	
Code	Course NQF Credits	NQF Level
PTY5009	W Genetic Counselling Practice I	9
PTY5008	W Genetic Counselling Practice II	9
PTY5003	F Principles of Genetic Counselling (Coursework) 10	9
PTY5004	S Principles of Genetic Counselling (Applied Learning)	9
PTY5005	F Medical Genetics I	9
PTY5006	8 Medical Genetics II	9
PTY5001	W Genetic Counselling Minor Dissertation	9
	Total NQF credits 180	

### Assessment and progression

FMB3.1 Coursework, case reports, clinical cases, journal reviews, seminar presentation, and the minor dissertation all count towards assessment of taught courses. Students are expected to attend all taught courses and clinical sessions (attend at least 80% of all classroom activities).

FMB3.2 Any student whose performance is not satisfactory may be required to withdraw from the programme. Assessment of each course is in proportion to the number of credits of the programme. Theoretical aspects are assessed by means of assignments, written tests, and examinations. The examination papers and marked scripts are moderated by an external examiner.

Counselling assessments and examinations are conducted in the clinics by means of counselling sessions with patients.

Student performance over the three-month clinic rotation is evaluated by clinical supervisors. Students are individually supervised in the clinic for one hour per week when the facilitator observes and gives immediate verbal feedback to the student after a counselling session with a patient. Feedback is provided within a week of the counselling assessment and at the end of block evaluation.

### **Minor dissertation**

FMB4 A research proposal must be submitted and approved by the Department of Pathology Research Committee and the Faculty of Health Sciences Ethics Committee before the student is permitted to progress into the second year of the programme. The proposal should be approximately 2 000 words in length indicating the purpose, design, and scope of the research project.

### Distinction

FMB5 The degree by coursework and dissertation may be awarded with distinction where a candidate obtains an overall average mark of 75% for both components, with no less than 70% for each component.

# **MASTER OF PHILOSOPHY**

The Master of Philosophy degree is offered:

- (a) by coursework and dissertation in a range of disciplines;
- (b) by coursework/clinical training and an optional dissertation in a range of subspecialities registerable with the Health Professions Council of South Africa;
- (c) by dissertation only.

For qualification and plan codes of study programmes falling under (a), see the table below. All these coursework programmes are specialisations within the generic MPhil qualification (MM006), except for the named qualifications with SAQA registration numbers. Application is being made to the Department of Higher Education and Training to register all clinical study programmes as named qualifications. Those that have been approved to date and have been allocated SAQA registration numbers appear in the table below. The University is awaiting SAQA registration numbers of the other qualifications.

### Structure of the degree programme

FMDA A candidate shall undertake advanced study, or an approved research project, or both, under the guidance of a supervisor appointed by Senate.

### **Fields of study**

FMDB.1 A Master of Philosophy programme by <u>coursework and dissertation</u> (that is not subspeciality training) is offered in:

Specialisation	Qualification Code	Academic Plan Code	Department	SAQA ID
Biokinetics	MM154	HUB22	Human Biology	Awaited
Biomedical	MM006	PTY25	Pathology	Awaited
Forensic Science				
Clinical Paediatric	MM006	CHM20	Surgery	Awaited
Surgery				
Clinical	MM030	MDN03	Medicine	90821
Pharmacology				
Emergency	MM025	FCE18	Surgery	83486
Medicine (Global				
Emergency Care)				
Emergency	MM025	FCE17	Surgery	83486
Medicine (Clinical				
Emergency Care)				
Emergency	MM025	FCE33	Surgery	83486
Medicine (Disaster				
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Emergency	MM025	FCE21	Surgery	83486
Medicine (Patient				
Safety and Clinical				
Decision-making				
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Medicine (Patient				
Safety and Clinical				
Decision-making				
B)				

Intellectual Disability	MM156	PRY06	Psychiatry and Mental Health	Awaited
Liaison Mental Health	MM168	PRY07	Psychiatry and Mental Health	Awaited
Maternal and Child Health	MM006	PED02	Paediatrics and Child Health	Awaited
Occupational Health	MM158	PPH06	Public Health	Awaited
Paediatric Pathology	MM163	PTY19	Pathology	Awaited
Palliative Care	MM159	FCE19	Public Health and Family Medicine	Awaited
Sport and Exercise Medicine	MM192	HUB14	Human Biology	Awaited

FMDB.2 Candidates may also be accepted for an MPhil by dissertation only in any discipline.

FMDB.3 The MPhil (MM016) is also used to offer a range of <u>subspeciality training programmes</u>. Those candidates who choose to register for, and who successfully complete Part 2 (dissertation), will be awarded the degree.

### **Duration of programme**

FMDC The duration of MPhil programmes by coursework and dissertation ranges between two to three years full-time, and two to five years part-time. The period of registration for the MPhil dissertation is generally two to three years. Candidates registered for subspeciality training are generally registered for at least two years fulltime (*See further notes on duration of specific MPhil programmes under the relevant specialisation outlines below*).

### General examination rules

- FMDE.1 Unless specified otherwise, the examination consists:
  - (a) in the case of the MPhil by dissertation only, of a dissertation of 180 credits on an approved research project demonstrating understanding of the methods of research;
  - (b) in the case of the MPhil by coursework and dissertation (excluding subspeciality training), of written papers in the prescribed course or courses, a clinical and/or oral examination, and a minor dissertation of 60 NQF credits on an approved research project (unless specified otherwise under the specific programme outline); or
  - (c) in the case of subspeciality training, of examinations set by the relevant College of Medicine. Credit is given towards Part 1 of the MPhil degree for examinations passed at the College. If a candidate chooses to continue with Part 2, and successfully completes the dissertation, the MPhil degree is awarded.
- FMDE.2 In the case of programmes by coursework and dissertation, a candidate is required to obtain at least 50% in each of the coursework and dissertation components.

### Distinction

FMDF The degree may be awarded with distinction if the candidate obtains 75% or more for each of the coursework and dissertation components.

# MPHIL BY COURSEWORK AND DISSERTATION Biokinetics [MM154HUB22]

### **Convener:**

Dr J Kroff (Department of Human Biology)

### Admission requirements

FMC1 A candidate shall not be admitted to the programme unless they holds\ a BScHons (Medicine) in Exercise Science (Biokinetics) or an approved equivalent.

### Structure and duration of training

FMC2 This is a full contact programme, comprising lectures, tutorials, self-directed learning, supervised clinical internship and clinical teaching, and a dissertation. The duration of the programme is two years.

### **Curriculum outline**

FMC3 Students will be required to complete eight courses (four courses in year one and four courses in year two) and submit a dissertation. All the courses are compulsory and more than 50% of the work towards the dissertation must be completed in year one.

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
HUB4072F	High Performance Athlete	15	8
HUB5016F	Physical Activity and Epidemiology	15	9
HUB5017F	Research Methods and Statistics for Physical Activity	15	9
HUB5018F	Biokinetics in the Workplace	15	9
HUB5020S	Advanced Strength and Conditioning for Athletic Perf	ormance15	9
HUB5021S	Biokinetics and Neuromuscular Disorders	15	9
HUB5022S	Nutrition and Ergogenic Aids	15	9
HUB5023S	Advanced Clinical Exercise Physiology	15	9
HUB5024W	Biokinetics Minor Dissertation		9
	Total NQF credits		

### **DP** requirements

FMC4

- (a) Students are required to obtain an average of at least 50% for the assignments for each course in order to write the examination in that course.
  - (b) Candidates are required to complete all courses for each semester before they may commence the courses for the following semester.
  - (c) Students must attend all lectures during the 'block week' and at least 80% of the lectures for each course.

### Assessment and examinations

FMC5 Students are required to complete three assignments and an examination for each course. The assignment and examination each contribute 50% to the total mark. The examination takes place at the end of the semester. The dissertation is externally examined.

# **Biomedical Forensic Science** [MM006PTY25]

### Convener:

A/Prof L Royle (Department of Pathology)

### Admission requirements

- FMC6 An applicant shall not be admitted as a candidate for the degree programme unless they:
  - hold a BScHons degree and has completed biochemistry, chemistry, microbiology, biology, genetics, or physical anthropology or equivalent at honours level;
  - (b) hold an approved four-year Bachelor of Science degree or an approved postgraduate diploma; or a qualification deemed by Senate to be equivalent; or
  - (c) have in any other manner attained a level of competence which in the opinion of Senate is adequate for the purpose of admission as a candidate for the degree.

### **Duration of programme**

FMC7 A candidate shall not be awarded the degree unless they have been registered for the programme for at least two academic years.

### Curriculum outline

### FMC8 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
Year 1			
HUB6014F/S	Forensic Anthropology and Anatomy		9
PTY6004F/S	Forensic Pathology	20	9
PTY6005F/S	Forensic Toxicology		9
PTY6006F/S	Molecular Forensics		9
PTY6010F/S	Forensic Statistics		9
PTY6011F/S	Forensic Research Methods		9
Year 2			
PTY6007F/S	Applied Forensic Science		9
PTY6002W	Biomedical Forensic Science Minor Dissertation	60	9
	Total NQF credits		

### **DP** requirement

FMC9 Students are required to attend all practical sessions, submit all coursework as required, and obtain a mark of not less than 50% in all class assignments and in all theory and practical tests.

### Assessment and progression

- FMC10 (a) Each course convener will determine the appropriate form of assessment in that course. Such assessment will consist of some combination of home assignments, a semester project and final examination. The coursework component carries 50% of the final mark. The examination carries 50% of the assessment weight. Each course is written off at the end of its semester, and a pass mark of 50% is required overall. An external examiner is appointed for each course and has the discretion to amend the final mark based on an assessment of the candidate's performance across the course (or course components) as a whole.
  - (b) Candidates may be allowed to repeat a course they have failed, at the convener's discretion. No course may be repeated more than twice. Where a candidate fails any course twice, or any three courses, a recommendation will be made to the Faculty Examination Committee to refuse re-admission (If a failed course is

repeated and passed, it is still counted as one fail. No supplementary examinations are offered).

- Students are required to develop a research proposal using the prescribed (c) format.
- The dissertation is marked by two examiners, both external to the University. (d)

# **Clinical Pharmacology** [MM030MDN03][SAQA ID:90821]

### **Convener:**

Associate Professor L Wiesner (Division of Clinical Pharmacology, Department of Medicine)

The Division of Clinical Pharmacology has a research focus on drug recovery, specifically on in-vitro assays for new drugs, the development of new drug assays and the interpretation of highly variable drug assay data in animals and humans. The Division attracts postgraduate master's and doctoral students from a variety of backgrounds, including students with BSc(Hons) in life sciences and pharmacists with a professional four-year undergraduate degree. Their research is in pre-clinical drug development, often involving mathematical modelling of pharmacokinetic data. The BSc(Hons) students have no insight into important clinical research concepts, while the pharmacy students often struggle with relevant basic scientific concepts. Both groups of students have usually had no training in the development of drug assays or mathematical modelling, both of which are increasingly important components of our research. In the National Research and Development Strategy of 2002 section 5.6 "Science and Technology for poverty reduction", one of the key research issues identified is "developing novel therapeutic regimes". This master's degree addresses this directly by training researchers for the development of new drugs. Drug development also falls under biotechnology, which was identified as a critical new technology area requiring development in the national strategy. This master's degree was therefore introduced to offer coursework together with a research dissertation to equip postgraduate students with the skills they need to research these vital components of drug discovery. The primary purpose of this master's degree is to educate and train researchers in the clinical pharmacology of drug development, so that they can contribute to new knowledge in the field of drug discovery.

### Application and admission requirements

FMC15 To be eligible for consideration an applicant must have:

- (a) an approved BSc Honours or professional health sciences bachelor's degree with a minimum of 96 credits at HEQSF level 8; and
- (b) undergraduate training in science and a basic understanding of the scientific methods and relevant mathematics.

### **Duration of programme**

Candidates shall be registered for two years of full-time study. FMC16

### Curriculum outline

FMC17 The o	curriculum outline is as follows:		
Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
MDN7058S	Drug Development		9
MDN7059S	Drug Assays		9
MDN7060F	Pharmacometrics		9
MDN7061F	Pharmacokinetics & Pharmacodynamics Principles		9
MDN7062W	Clinical Pharmacology Minor Dissertation		9
	Total NQF credits	180	

### Assessment

FMC18 Assessment is on the basis of coursework and assignments.

# **Emergency Medicine** [MM025][SAQA ID:83486]

### **Convener:**

Associate Professor P Hodkinson (Division of Emergency Medicine, Department of Family, Community and Emergency Care)

Note: This is a degree by coursework and dissertation. There are four streams:

- a. The Clinical Emergency Care stream for doctors, nurses, and paramedics in emergency care, each with a 60-credit dissertation.
- b. The Global Emergency Care stream for qualified doctors, which has a 60-credit dissertation.
- c. The Patient Safety and Clinical Decision-making stream for doctors, nurses, and paramedics. Two streams are available: stream A with a 60credit dissertation and stream B with a 90-credit dissertation.
- d. The Disaster Medicine Stream for doctors, nurses, and paramedics in emergency care, which has a 60-credit dissertation.

[Also see General Rules for Master's Degree Studies in the relevant front section of this handbook.]

### Admission requirements

- FMB24.1 A candidate shall not be admitted to the programme unless they hold a minimum of a NQF Level 8 degree. The Clinical Emergency Care, Patient Safety and Disaster Medicine streams are open to medical practitioners, nurses, and paramedics. The Global Emergency Care steam is open to medical practitioners only.
- FMB24.2 Applicants must be registered with a relevant professional body (such as the HPCSA or Nursing Council). Applicants must be able to converse and write in medical English and must be able to pass a basic computer literacy examination provided by the Division upon shortlisting. For the Clinical Emergency Care specialisation, candidates must have at least two years' worth of emergency care experience after internship and must have completed at least two of the Advanced Life Support Courses (ACLS, APLS, PALS, ATLS, FEC).

### **Duration of programme**

FMB25 The degree is offered over two years of part-time study.

### **Curriculum outline**

FMB26 The following streams are offered:

FMB26.1	Global Emergency Care stream [Plan code: MM025FCE18]	
Code	Course NQF Credits	NQF Level
	Year 1 - Compulsory courses:	
FCE6005F	Clinical Research Methods I 15	9
FCE6012S	Disaster Medicine 15	9
FCE6009S	Healthcare Systems	9
	Year 2 - Compulsory courses:	
FCE6006F	Clinical Research Methods II 15	9
FCE6018W	Global Emergency Care	9
FCE6028S	Management and Leadership in Healthcare	9
FCE6016W	Emergency Medicine Minor Dissertation	9
	Plus, one elective course from the following:	
FCE6029S	Disaster Medical Response Training 15	9

Code	Course NQF Credits	NOF Loval
FCE6030S	Ambulatory Care and Travel Medicine	NQF Level 9
FCE6030S	Patient Safety and Flow	9
FCE60315	Continuous Quality Improvement	9
I CE00321	Total NOF credits	9
FMB26.2 Cli	nical Emergency Care stream [Plan code: MM025FCE17]	
Code		NQF Level
	Year 1 - Compulsory courses:	
FCE6005F	Clinical Research Methods I15	9
FCE6007F	Emergency Care I	9
FCE6008S	Emergency Care II	9
	Year 2 - Compulsory courses:	
FCE6006F	Clinical Research Methods II	9
FCE6010F	Resuscitation and Critical Care	9
FCE6009S	Healthcare Systems	9
FCE6016W	Emergency Medicine Minor Dissertation	9
ECECATOR	Plus, two elective courses from the following:	0
FCE6012F	Disaster Medicine	9 9
FCE6013S	Education and Training in Emergency Care	9
FCE6028S FCE6029S	Disaster Medical Response Training	9
FCE60298 FCE60308	Ambulatory Care and Travel Medicine	9
TCE00303	Total NQF credits	9
	Total NQT creats	
FMB26.3 D	isaster Medicine stream [Plan Code: MM025FCE33]	
Code	Course NQF Credits	NQF Level
	Year 1 - Compulsory courses:	-
FCE6005F	Clinical Research Methods I15	9
FCE6012F	Disaster Medicine15	9
	Year 2 - Compulsory courses:	
FCE6006F	Clinical Research Methods II	9
FCE6042F	Event and Expedition Medicine	9
FCE6044F	Writing Disaster Plans	9
FCE6029S	Disaster Medical Response Training15	9
FCE6043S	Practicing Disaster Plans	9
FCE6016W	Emergency Medicine Minor Dissertation	9
ECECODO	Plus, two elective courses from the following:	0
FCE6030S	Ambulatory Care and Travel Medicine	9
FCE6009S FCE6028S	Healthcare Systems	9
FCE00285	Management and Leadership in Healthcare	9
	Total NQT creatis	
FMB26.4	Patient Safety and Clinical Decision-making (A) stream	[Plan_code:
MM025FCE21		
Code	Course NQF Credits	NQF Level
	Year 1 - Compulsory courses:	-
FCE6005F	Clinical Research Methods I15	9
FCE6032F	Continuous Quality Improvement15	9
FCE6009S	Healthcare Systems15	9
FCE6031S	Patient Safety and Flow15	9
	Year 2 - Compulsory courses:	
FCE6006F	Clinical Research Methods II	9
FCE6016W	Emergency Medicine Minor Dissertation	9

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
	Plus, three elective courses from the following:		
FCE6012F	Disaster Medicine	15	9
FCE6013S	Education and Training in Emergency Care	15	9
FCE6028S	Management and Leadership in Healthcare	15	9
FCE6030S	Ambulatory Care and Travel Medicine	15	9
FCE6026S	Critical Thinking in Emergency Care	15	9
	Total NQF credits		

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FMB26.5 MM025FCE251	Patient Safety and Clinical Decision-making	g (B) stream	[Plan code:
Code	Course	NOF Credits	NOF Level
	Year 1 - Compulsory courses:		
FCE6005F	Clinical Research Methods I		9
FCE6032F	Continuous Quality Improvement	15	9
FCE6009S	Healthcare Systems	15	9
FCE6031S	Patient Safety and Flow		9
	Year 2 - Compulsory courses:		
FCE6006F	Clinical Research Methods II		9
FCE6019W	Emergency Medicine Minor Dissertation		9
	Plus, one elective course from the following:		
FCE6012F	Disaster Medicine		9
FCE6013S	Education and Training in Emergency Care:	15	9
FCE6028S	Management and Leadership in Healthcare		9
FCE6030S	Ambulatory Care and Travel Medicine		9

### **DP** requirements

FCE6026S

FMB27 Satisfactory completion of a self-reflection portfolio of clinical experiences submitted to the Division at specified times, as outlined in the Portfolio Guideline.

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### Assessment

FMB28 Assessment is done (*inter alia*) by means of assignments, skills sessions, and written and oral examinations.

### **Progression rules**

- FMB29 Except by permission of the Senate, a candidate registered for a MPhil in Emergency Medicine may be refused readmission if they:
  - fail half or more of the coursework courses for which he/she is registered in (a) any year of study;
  - (b) fail a core coursework course more than once;
  - have not submitted a portfolio in compliance with the "Self-reflection (c) Portfolio Guideline" before the start of every new academic year;
  - (d) have not submitted, by the beginning of the second academic year of study, an initial, abbreviated dissertation proposal in terms of the guidelines for the program;
  - have not completed the coursework within the first three years of first (e) registration for the degree;
  - (f) have not submitted a final research proposal by the beginning of the third year of study since first registration for the degree;
  - (g) have had a dissertation proposal rejected three times by the Emergency Medicine Research Committee (EMDRC) as a result of his/her not following

the recommendations of the Committee and/ or those of the internal (Divisional) supervisor; and/or

(h) have not completed the required dissertation within four years of first registration for the degree.

# Health Innovation [MM033HUB30][SAQA ID:102151]

### **Convener:**

Dr N Conrad (Department of Human Biology)

This programme aims to equip students with the tools to design, implement and evaluate appropriate interventions to improve health and to conduct health-related research at all points of the innovation chain.

### Admission requirements

FMB30 An applicant shall not be admitted as a candidate for the MPhil in Health Innovation unless they:

- (a) hold an approved Honours-equivalent degree;
- (b) hold an approved four-year Bachelor's degree or an approved postgraduate diploma; or
- (c) hold a qualification deemed by Senate to be equivalent.

### **Duration of programme**

FMB31 A candidate shall not be awarded the degree unless they have been registered for the programme for at least one academic year.

### **Curriculum outline**

### FMB32 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
HUB5031F	Health Innovation & Design (A)		9
HUB5032S	Health Innovation & Design (B)		9
AHS4089F	Introduction to Disability as Diversity		8
HUB5033F	Health Innovation & Entrepreneurship	12	9
HUB4075W	Biomedical Engineering Overview	8	9
HUB4028W	Healthcare Technology Planning and Acquisition	13	8
HUB4027W	Healthcare Technology Assessment	13	8
HUB5029W	Health Innovation Minor Dissertation	60	9
	Electives in Healthcare Technology Management of	r Biomedical 1	Engineering,
	chosen in consultation with the Programme Convenen		8 or 9
	Total NQF credits		

[Note: Students who have taken equivalent courses at another institution and as a part of another degree will be expected to take alternative courses to ensure that the required number of credits at the appropriate level are completed for the degree.]

### **DP** requirements

FMB33 Students are required to pass all courses taken in the first year of the programme to register for a second year and to progress to the dissertation.

### **Progression rules**

FMB34 Except by permission of Senate, a student who does not meet the following requirements may be refused permission to re-register in the following year of study:

(a) all courses in the first year must be passed; and

(b) a written and oral presentation of a research proposal must be approved by the relevant committee of the Department of Human Biology in the second semester of the first year.

### Distinction

FMB35 The degree may be awarded with distinction if the student obtains an average mark of 75% for the coursework and the dissertation components, with no less than 70% for each component.

# Intellectual Disability [MM156PRY06]

### **Convener:**

Professor S Kleintjes (Department of Psychiatry & Mental Health)

This is a programme by coursework and dissertation. The programme includes topics that are covered by experiential learning (on-site experience in health institutions providing physical and mental healthcare services for persons with intellectual disability), seminars, tutorials, case studies and academic presentations.

### Admission requirements

FMB36 To be eligible for consideration, the candidate must:

- (a) have an approved degree in medicine;
- (b) have obtained an approved master's degree in clinical psychology; or
- (c) have an approved professional health degree qualification with approved prerequisite experience that is recognised by Senate as being equivalent to the above (e.g. occupational therapy, physiotherapy, speech-language therapy, nursing); and
- (d) be registered with the Health Professions Council of South Africa or the equivalent professional body.

### **Duration of programme**

FMB37 A candidate shall be registered for two years of full-time study or three years of part-time study.

# Curriculum outline

FMB38	The curriculum outline is as follows:	
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Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PRY7023W	MPhil Intellectual Disability Part 1		9
PRY7024W	Intellectual Disability Minor Dissertation		9
	Total NQF credits	180	

### DP requirements and progression rule

FMB39 Students must obtain a pass mark (50%) in the Part 1 coursework assessments in the first year to be eligible to write the Part 1 examination. Part-time students will be evaluated primarily by means of coursework assignments. They will be required to perform at similar levels but will be provided with an extra year to achieve comparable professional levels of competence. Students must have passed all the coursework requirements and the Part 1 examination before submitting their dissertations.

### Assessment

FMB40.1 Continuous assessment of performance through regular supervision, case presentation and discussion. Formal feedback is given every six months. At the end of the programme, candidates will have been assessed formally by means of in-course assessments, a threehour written Part 1 examination, an oral examination (5%), and the presentation and examination of a dissertation 50%. FMB40.2 Part-time candidates will undergo the same in-course assessment and examination procedures but will be allowed an extra (third) year to complete coursework and dissertation requirements.

# Liaison Mental Health [MM168PRY07]

### **Convener:**

Associate Professor J Hoare (Department of Psychiatry and Mental Health)

This is a programme by coursework and dissertation. It includes seminars, supervision and demonstrations for registered psychiatrists, clinical psychologists, occupational therapists, social workers, and other mental health professionals who wish to gain special expertise in liaison mental health.

### Admission requirements

FMB41.1 To be eligible for consideration, a candidate must:

- have a Master of Medicine in Psychiatry of the University or another university recognised for this purpose, or a qualification recognised by Senate as an equivalent (such as the fellowship in psychiatry from the College of Medicine of South Africa); or
- (b) have a Master's degree in clinical psychology of the University or another university recognised for this purpose, or a qualification deemed to be equivalent; or
- (c) have a professional four-year qualification in a mental health discipline such a social work, occupational therapy, or nursing; or
- (d) have a professional qualification with requisite experience deemed to be equivalent to any of the above; and
- (e) be registered with the relevant professional board.
- FMB41.2 All candidates must be practising in or have the intention to practise in the mental health field.

### **Duration of programme**

FMB42 A candidate shall be registered for two years of full-time or three years of part-time study.

### **Curriculum outline**

### FMB43 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PRY7020W	MPhil Liaison Mental Health Part 1	120	9
PRY7021W	Liaison Mental Health Minor Dissertation	60	9
	Total NQF credits		

### DP requirements and progression rule

FMB44 Students are required to attend at least 90% of seminars and academic activities in the Department and will have to achieve a pass mark (50%) in the Part 1 coursework assessments in the first year in order to be eligible to write the Part 1 examination. They will be allowed to submit their dissertations only once they have passed all coursework requirements and the Part 1 examination.

### Assessment

- FMB45.1 Continuous assessment of performance through regular supervision sessions and through oral and observed clinical examinations every six months. At the end of the programme, candidates will have been assessed formally by means of:
  - (a) in-course assessment reports;
  - (b) a three-hour written Part 1 examination; and
  - (c) the presentation and examination of a dissertation.
- FMB45.2 Part-time candidates will undergo the same in-course assessment and examination procedures but will be allowed an extra (third) year to complete coursework and dissertation requirements.

# Maternal and Child Health [MM006PED02]

### Convener:

J Shea (Department of Paediatrics and Child Health)

This is a programme by coursework and dissertation.

The Maternal & Child Health (MCH) specialisation aims to improve the health status of mothers and children living in rural and peri-urban districts of Southern Africa by developing the capacity of health personnel to plan, manage, implement, and evaluate maternal and child health services. The programme is designed for those wishing to pursue a career in MCH management at the district and regional levels.

### Admission requirements

FMB46 To be eligible for consideration, a candidate must:

- (a) hold an approved undergraduate degree or postgraduate diploma in the health sciences;
- (b) have at least two years' work experience in maternal and child health services;
- (c) be proficient in spoken and written English; and
- (d) furnish evidence of computer access and internet connectivity.

[Notes: Selected professionally qualified graduates in other fields of healthcare, such as nursing physiotherapy, occupational therapy, and nutrition and dietetics, may be admitted as candidates for this programme. Students who have completed the Postgraduate diploma in Maternal & Child Health are permitted to upgrade to the Master's before graduating and may receive credits and exemption for equivalent level 8 courses done.]

### **Duration of programme**

FMB47 A candidate shall be registered for two years of part-time study.

### Curriculum

### FMB48 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
	Year 1:		
PED5005S	Research Methods for Health Professionals I	10	9
PED5017H	Information, Education, and Academic Communication	1 10	9
PED5013F	Research Methods for Health Professionals II	10	9
PED5025F	Epidemiology	14	9
PED5016S	Maternal, Child and Adolescent Health	14	9
	Year 2:		
PED5015H	Biostatistics	12	9
PED5018F	Maternal, Child & Adolescent Health Priorities		9

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PED5028F	Primary Health Care, Rights and Advocacy for Global		9
PED5027S	Organisation, Management and Leadership in Health.	14	9
PED5011S	Integrated Maternal & Child Health Final Assessment	0	8
	Students may choose the subject below as an e curriculum above:		onal to the
PED5026S	Health Informatics and Surveillance	14	9
	Minor dissertation		
PED5012W	Maternal & Child Health Minor Dissertation	60	9
	Total NQF credits		

# Occupational Health [MM158PPH06]

### **Convener:**

Professor MF Jeebhay (Occupational Medicine Division, School of Public Health )

### Admission requirements

FMB52 A candidate shall not be admitted to the programme unless they:

- (a) hold an MBChB degree, an honours degree or a four-year bachelor's degree or a relevant NQF 8 qualification in an approved discipline; and
- (b) have access to relevant places of work and/or experience in occupational health clinical practice, management, inspection, or auditing.

Students who have previously completed the Postgraduate Diploma in Occupational Health will be exempted from the following courses:

PPH4072F Occupational Health risk assessment and management

PPH4071S Occupational medicine and work ability

PPH4070F Occupational health services management, ethics and legislation

### Structure and duration of programme

FMB53 A candidate shall be registered for at least two years of part-time study, and is required to complete the required coursework and minor dissertation over a twoyear period, prior to commencing the minor dissertation component.

### FMB54 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course NQ	F Credits NQ	F Level
PPH4072F	Occupational Health Risk Assessment and Management	20	8
PPH4071S	Occupational Medicine and Work Ability	20	8
PPH4070F	Occupational Health Services Management, Ethics and Le	egislation20	8
PPH7103F/S	Epidemiology and Biostatistics for Occupational Health	30	9
PPH7104F/S	Research Methods for Occupational Health	30	9
PPH7060W	Occupational Health Minor Dissertation	60	9
	Total NQF credits		

### Assessment

FMB55.1 Assessment of coursework is by means of written assignments / portfolios, quizzes, and written examination. A pass of 50% is required for the course. The dissertation is

written examination. A pass of 50% is required for the course. The dissertation is externally examined.

### Progression

FMB55.2 Except by permission of the Senate, a candidate registered for a MPhil in Occupational Health may be refused readmission if they:

(a) fail two or more of the coursework courses for which he/she is registered in any year of study:

(b) fail a core coursework course (Research Methods in Occupational Health) more than once:

(c) have not completed the coursework within the first two years of first registration for the degree:

(d) have not submitted a final research proposal by the beginning of the third year of study since first registration for the degree;

(e) have not completed the required dissertation within four years of first registration for the degree.

### FMB55.3

The degree will be awarded with distinction to candidates who average 75% or above on coursework plus dissertation, with a 70% sub-minimum on each component (i.e. at least 70% average across all courses and at least 70% on the dissertation) and passing all courses at first attempt.

# Paediatric Pathology [MM163PTY19]

### Convener:

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### Admission requirements

FMB61 A candidate shall not be admitted to the programme unless they have trained and been registered as an anatomical pathologist.

### **Duration of programme**

FMB62 The programme is offered either on a full-time basis with students working in paediatric and perinatal pathology for 24 months, or on a part-time basis over 36 months with students attending periodic intensive training sessions of two to four weeks. This includes completion of the dissertation.

### Curriculum outline

FMB63	The curriculum outline is as follows:		
Code	Course NQF Cr	edits	NQF Level
PTY7011	W MPhil Paediatric Pathology Part 1	. 120	9
PTY7012	W Paediatric Pathology Minor Dissertation	60	9
	Total NQF credits	. 180	
Assessment	-		

FMB64 Part 1 comprises a year mark made up as follows: essays (four assignments) (25%), two written papers (25%), a practical examination including an autopsy (40%), and an oral examination (10%). Part 2 comprises a short dissertation. Both parts have to be passed with 50% each.

# Palliative Care [MM159FCE19]

### Convener:

Dr L Farrant (Department of Family, Community and Emergency Care)

### Admission requirements

FMB65 A Postgraduate Diploma in Palliative Medicine from this University or an approved equivalent recognised by Senate for the purpose.

### **Duration of programme**

FMB66 A candidate shall be registered for at least two years of part-time study.

### Curriculum outline

### FMB67 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
FCE7080H	Research Methods	90	9
FCE7048W	Palliative Medicine Minor Dissertation	90	9
	Total NQF credits		

### Assessment

FMB68 Assessment of coursework is by means of written assignments. A pass of 50% is required in each component.

# Sport and Exercise Medicine [MM192HUB14]

### **Convener:**

Associate Professor J Swart (Department of Human Biology)

This is a programme by coursework, clinical work, and dissertation. The objective is to provide a thorough understanding of the effects of physical activity on the human body and mind, and to emphasise how this knowledge can be applied to the management of common medical problems in physically active people; to prevent, treat and rehabilitate injuries and other medical problems arising from exercise and sport; to assist in the rehabilitation of those suffering from various chronic illnesses related to lifestyle factors; to promote the physical health, well-being and productivity of the community; and to achieve peak sporting performance in all classes of sports persons. Research methodology, including statistics and critical scientific thinking, are integral features of the programme, while teaching and lecturing skills are also purposely developed.

### Admission requirements

FMB69 A candidate shall not be admitted to the programme unless they:

- (a) are a graduate in medicine of the University or any other university recognised by Senate for the purpose;
- (b) have provided satisfactory evidence of an interest in sport and exercise;
- (c) are registered with the Health Professions Council of South Africa (or an equivalent registering body outside South Africa) as a medical practitioner; and
- (d) have at least one year's experience after qualifying as a medical practitioner.

### Duration of programme and progression rule

FMB70 A candidate shall be registered for at least three years of part-time study. The research work for Part 2 can be conducted over the first three years of study, during Parts 1A, 1B and 1C. However, students are expected to complete Part 2 by the end of the fourth year of study. Only in exceptional cases will work for Part 2 be continued after the fourth year of study.

### **Curriculum outline**

### FMB71 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
HUB5006W	MPhil Sport and Exercise Medicine Part 1A	60	9
HUB5025W	MPhil Sport and Exercise Medicine Part 1B	40	9

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
HUB5026W	MPhil Sport and Exercise Medicine Part 1C	40	9
HUB5007W	Sport and Exercise Medicine Minor Dissertation	60	9
	Total NQF credits	200	

### Examination/Assessment

FMB72.1 Part 1A (Basic Sciences): Year Marks: During the first year of study, class tests and assignments make up the year mark (30% of the final mark for Part 1A). Written examinations: At the end of the first year, written examinations (two papers) are completed which make up 70% of the final of the final mark for Part 1A. Students are admitted to the second year of study only if the final mark is 50% or more.

- FMB72.2 Part 1B (Exercise-Related Injuries) and Part 1C (General Sport and Exercise Medicine):
  - Year Marks: The year mark for each Part (exercise-related injuries and general sport and exercise medicine, in two different years) is made up from marks obtained for the class tests, assignments and seminars during each year. The year mark contributes 30% towards the final mark for Parts 1B and 1C.
  - Written examinations: In October/November of the second and third years, (exerciserelated injuries and general sport and exercise medicine, in two different years) a paper is written which contributes 30% to the final mark of Parts 1B and 1C.
  - Clinical examinations: In October/November of each year (exercise-related injuries and general sport and exercise medicine, in two different years) a clinical examination (clinical cases) and objective structured clinical examination (OSCE) are conducted which contribute 40% of the final marks for Parts 1B and 1C. Students are required to obtain 50% or more for each component of the clinical examination (clinical cases and OSCE) in Parts 1B and 1C.
- FMB72.3 Part 2: Minor dissertation

Students are required to pass the minor dissertation with 50% or more to successfully complete Part 2.

### Distinction

FMB73 A distinction is awarded to candidates who have obtained 75% or more for each of Parts 1A, 1B, 1C and Part 2.

## MPHIL PROGRAMMES IN SUBSPECIALITY DISCIPLINES

[For qualification and specialisation codes, see table below. Discussion is under way to review the use of the MPhil degree for subspecialisations.]

This programme trains medical specialists to become subspecialists in one of a range of disciplines. The admission and training requirements for subspeciality training are determined by the Medical & Dental Professional Board. Candidates usually write the examination offered by the relevant College of Medicine and, upon successful completion of such examination, are granted credit towards Part 1 of the relevant MPhil degree. Candidates who register for the MPhil Part 2 and successfully complete the dissertation part of the degree are awarded the MPhil degree. Part 2 candidates are encouraged to design their research projects in one of two ways: as a project whose scope meets the requirements of the MPhil degree, or as a project which would offer sufficient scope for upgrading to PhD studies. Foreign-qualified doctors hold limited registration with the HPCSA, which must be renewed annually. Foreign-qualified doctors may not be able to complete and may therefore not obtain a qualification

at the end of their training. They must establish clearly from the Division and Department concerned what they may expect during, and as an outcome of, their training. Foreign-qualified doctors are not allowed to register as specialists in South Africa upon successful completion of the MPhil (subspeciality) degree.

### Admission requirements

FMD1 A candidate shall not be admitted to the programme, unless they:

- (a) submit proof that they, prior to commencing with education and training in the relevant subspeciality, have complied with all the requirements for registration as a specialist in the base or one of the base specialities listed against the relevant subspeciality; and
- (b) have been appointed against an HPCSA-approved training number.

(See www.collegemedsa.ac.za for the base subspecialities that are required for admission to the various subspeciality programmes.)

### Subspecialities offered

FMD2 Training is offered in the following subspecialities:

Specialisation	Qualification code	Academic plan code	Department	SAQA ID NUMBER
Addictions Mental Health	MM153	PRY01	Psychiatry & Mental Health	104783
Advanced Hepatology & Transplantation	MM150	MDN23	Medicine	91760
Allergology	MM026	MDN22	Medicine	83487
Cardiology	MM171	MDN02	Medicine	104789
Child & Adolescent Psychiatry	MM167	PRY02	Psychiatry and Mental Health	104781
Clinical Haematology	MM189	MDN29	Medicine	104788
Community Paediatrics	MM193	PED27	Paediatrics and Child Health	Awaited
Critical Care	MM170	AAE02	Anaesthesia	104780
Developmental Paediatrics	MM183	PED01	Paediatrics and Child Health	104706
Endocrinology	MM172	MDN05	Medicine	104768
Forensic mental Health	MM155	PRY03	Psychiatry & Mental Health	104754
Geriatric Medicine	MM177	MDN08	Medicine	104777
Gynaecological Oncology	MM179	OBS01	Obstetrics and Gynaecology	104764
Infectious Disease and HIV Medicine	MM178	MDN09	Medicine	104770

Maternal and Foetal Medicine	MM180	OBS02	Obstetrics and	104705
Medical Gastroenterology	MM173	MDN06	Gynaecology Medicine	104749
Neonatology	MM185	PED03	Paediatrics and Child Health	104711
Nephrology Neuropsychiatry	MM174 MM169	MDN13 PRY08	Medicine Psychiatry & Mental Health	104775 104713
Paediatric Allergology	MM026	PED26	Paediatrics and Child Health	Awaited
Paediatric Cardiology	MM181	PED04	Paediatrics and Child Health	104726
Paediatric Critical Care	MM182	PED05	Paediatrics and Child Health	104730
Paediatric Endocrinology	MM184	PED06	Paediatrics and Child Health	104740
Paediatric Gastroenterology	MM151	PED15	Paediatrics and Child Health	91724
Paediatric Infectious Diseases	MM188	PED07	Paediatrics and Child Health	104746
Paediatric Nephrology	MM187	PED08	Paediatrics and Child Health	104710
Paediatric Neurology	MM186	PED09	Paediatrics and Child Health	104744
Paediatric Oncology	MM161	PED10	Paediatrics and Child Health	104862
Paediatric Pulmonology	MM162	PED13	Paediatrics and Child Health	104708
Paediatric Rheumatology	MM016	PED18	Paediatrics and Child Health	96438
Pulmonology	MM175	MDN16	Medicine	104728
Reproductive	MM160	OBS04	Obstetrics	104729
Medicine			and Gynaecology	
Rheumatology	MM176	MDN18	Medicine	104738
Surgical Gastroenterology	MM164	CHM11	Surgery	104709
Trauma Surgery	MM152	CHM24	Surgery	91758

Urogynaecology	MM016	OBS05	Obstetrics	Awaited
			and	
			Gynaecology	
Vascular Surgery	MM190	CHM13	Surgery	104742

### Registration

- FMD3.1 All subspecialist trainees must register with the University as MPhil students at the start of each year and must register annually with the Health Professions Council of South Africa. Retrospective registration is not allowed.
- FMD3.2 Senior registrars who have not registered for every year of their studies will not have their clinical training time signed off by the Dean, which will compromise their registration as subspecialists on completion of training. On successful completion of training, the head of discipline and the Dean are required to confirm in writing that all the training requirements have been met. Senior registrars are not eligible to apply for registration with the Health Professions Council as specialists without such written confirmation.

### **Duration of training**

FMD4 Training takes place over a period of 18 months to three years, fulltime – depending on the subspeciality.

### **DP** requirement and assessment

- FMD5.1 Senior registrars are required to submit a satisfactory logbook of clinical cases and, in some specialities, in-course clinical/progress assessments prior to writing the examination – refer to programme-specific outlines.
- FMD5.2 The minor dissertation is a requirement for completing the MPhil. (Note: candidates may register with the HPCSA as subspecialists after successful completion of the College of Medicine examination and completion of the required clinical training).
- FMD5.3 The minor dissertation must be on a topic in the same branch of the medical subspeciality in which the candidate is registered and must be completed while the candidate is registered as a postgraduate student.
- FMD5.4 The Part 2 minor dissertation may be awarded with either pass (50% 74%) or distinction (75% 100%).

# Outlines of, and additional entrance criteria for, individual MPhil subspeciality programmes:

# Critical Care [MM170AAE02]

### **Convener:**

Associate Professor IA Joubert (Department of Anaesthesia and Perioperative Medicine)

### **Duration of training**

FMD22 Two years of full-time clinical training, plus one year of research and completion of the dissertation.

Curriculur	m			
FMD23	The cu	urriculum outline is as follows:		
Code		Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
AAE7005	5W	MPhil in Critical Care Part 1	120	9
AAE7006	6W	Critical Care Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM701	2W	MPhil Subspeciality Clinical Training - Year 2	0	9
		Total NQF credits	180	

# Addictions Mental Health [MM016PRY01]

### **Convener:**

Dr H Temmingh (Department of Psychiatry and Mental Health)

### Admission requirements

FMD6 A candidate shall not be admitted to the programme unless they hold a Master of Medicine in Psychiatry of the University or another university recognised for this purpose, or a qualification recognised by Senate as an equivalent (such as the fellowship in psychiatry from the College of Medicine of South Africa).

### **Duration of programme**

FMD7 A candidate shall be registered for two years of full-time or three years of part-time study.

# Curriculum outline

FMD8	The p	prescribed courses are:		
Code		Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PRY701	6W	MPhil Addictions Mental Health Part 1	120	9
PRY701	7W	Addictions Mental Health Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM70	12W	MPhil Subspeciality Clinical Training - Year 2	0	9
		Total NQF credits	180	

# Advanced Hepatology and Transplantation [MM150MDN23]

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### **Conveners:**

Professor CWN Spearman and Associate Professor M Sonderup (Department of Medicine)

### **Duration of training**

FMD9 Three years of clinical training, one year of research and completion of the minor dissertation.

### **Curriculum outline**

FMD10	The cu	rriculum outline is as follows:		
Code	C	Course NQF Cree	dits	NQF Level
MDN705	6W N	IPhil Advanced Hepatology and Transplantation Part 1	120	9
MDN705	7W A	dvanced Hepatology and Transplantation Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM701	3W N	IPhil Subspeciality Clinical Training – Year 3	0	9
	1	Total NQF credits	180	

# Allergology [MM026MDN22]

### **Conveners:**

Professor ME Levin (Department of Paediatrics and Child Health) and Associate Professor JG Peter (Department of Medicine)

Candidates who are accepted for subspeciality training in this training unit are required to register for an MPhil degree. Admission requirements for subspeciality training are determined by the Medical & Dental Professional Board. Candidates usually write the examination offered by the relevant College of Medicine and, upon successful completion of such examination, are granted credit towards Part 1 of the MPhil in Allergology. Candidates who register for the MPhil Part 2 and successfully complete the dissertation part of the degree are awarded the MPhil degree. Part 2 candidates are encouraged to design their research projects in one of two ways: as a project whose scope meets the requirements of the MPhil degree, or as a project which would offer sufficient scope for upgrading to PhD studies.

### **Duration of training**

FMD11 Two years of clinical training plus one year of research and completion of the minor dissertation.

### **Curriculum outline**

### FMD12 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
MDN7053W	MPhil Allergology (Adult) Part 1		9
MDN7054W	Allergology Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM7012W	MPhil Subspeciality Clinical Training - Year 2	0	9
	Total NQF credits:		

# Cardiology [MM171MDN02]

### Convener:

Professor M Ntsekhe (Department of Medicine)

### **Duration of training**

FMD13 Three years of clinical training and College of Medicine Cardiology exam (MPhil Part 1), and completion of the minor dissertation.

### **Curriculum outline**

FMD14	The curriculum outline is as follows:		
Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
MDN7017	W MPhil Cardiology Part 1		9
MDN7038	W Cardiology Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM7013	W MPhil Subspeciality Clinical Training – Year 3	0	9
	Total NQF credits		

# Child & Adolescent Psychiatry [MM167PRY02]

### Convener:

Dr Papani Gasela (Division of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry, Department of Psychiatry and Mental Health)

### Admission requirements

FMD15 To be eligible for consideration, a candidate must have:

- (a) a Master of Medicine (MMed) in Psychiatry of the University or another university recognized for this purpose, or a qualification recognized by the Senate as an equivalent (such as the Fellowship in Psychiatry from the Colleges of Medicine of South Africa); and
- (b) six months of supervised training in child and adolescent psychiatry at an MMed level, or approved, equivalent experience.

### **Duration of programme**

FMD16 A candidate shall be registered for two years full-time study or the approved part-time equivalent. In order to meet HPCSA requirements, psychiatrists need to spend at least 12 months of their overall time in full-time training. Candidates may submit their minordissertation during the two years of minimum registration, but may require additional time after the two-year period.

### **Curriculum outline**

### FMD17 The prescribed courses are:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PRY7006W	MPhil in Child & Adolescent Psychiatry Part 1	120	9
PRY7010W	Child & Adolescent Psychiatry Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM7012W	MPhil Subspeciality Clinical Training - Year 2	0	9
	Total NQF credits	180	

### Assessment

- FMD18 For registration with the Health Professions Council of South Africa (HPCSA) in the subspecialty of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry, psychiatrists must pass the examination for the Certificate in Child & Adolescent Psychiatry set by the College of Medicine of South Africa (CMSA). The examination consists of a three-hour written paper, a clinical examination, and an oral examination.
- FMD19 There is ongoing assessment of performance through regular supervision sessions and at seminars. There is also continuous in-course evaluation of observed clinical interviews, clinical case presentations, journal clubs, psychotherapy, and teaching skills. Following these assessments, there is a critical evaluation of the candidate's progress every 6 months. At the end of the programme, candidates are formally assessed by means of:
  - (a) Certificate of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry examination as set by the Colleges of Medicine of South Africa (CMSA);
  - (b) in-course assessment reports; and
  - (c) presentation and external examination of the minor dissertation.

# Clinical Haematology [MM189MDN29]

### **Convener:**

Professor VJ Louw (Department of Medicine)

### **Duration of training**

FMD20 Three years of clinical and laboratory training, research and completion of the minor dissertation.

### **Curriculum outline**

### FMD21 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
MDN7069W	MPhil Clinical Haematology Part 1		9
DOM7012W	MPhil Subspeciality Clinical Training - Year 2	0	9
MDN7065W	Clinical Haematology Minor Dissertation	60	9
	Total NQF credits	0	0

# Community Paediatrics [MM193PED27]

### **Convener:**

Dr Dave le Roux(Department of Paediatrics and Child Health)

### **Admission Requirements**

FMD24 A candidate shall not be admitted to the Master of Philosophy in Community Paediatrics (MPhil (Community Paediatrics)) unless they:

(a) send proof that they, before starting with education and training in Community Paediatrics, have followed all the requirements for registration as a paediatric specialist with the Health Professions Council of South Africa (HPCSA); and (b) have been appointed against an HPCSA-approved training number.

All subspecialist trainees must register with the University as MPhil (Community Paediatrics) students at the start of each year by completing the relevant forms for submission to the Faculty Office and registering annually with the Health Professions Council of South Africa. Retrospective registration is not allowed.

Upon successful completion of training, the head of discipline and the dean must confirm in writing that all the training requirements have been met. Senior registrars are not eligible to apply for registration with the Health Professions Council as specialists without such written confirmation. Registrars who do not register by the due date of a year will not have their training time for that year signed off by the Dean.

### **Curriculum outline**

### FMD25 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PED7047W	MPhil Community Paediatrics Part 1	90	9
PED748W	MPhil Community Paediatrics P24	45	9
PED7049W	Comminity Paediatrics Minor Dissertation	45	9
DOM7012W	MPhil Subspeciality Clinical Training - Year 2		
	Total NQF credits		

### Duration of the programme

A candidate shall be registered on the programme for two years full-time. The MPhil (Community Paediatrics) degree includes coursework (part 1), a portfolio of learning (part 2) and a research project
(part 3). Candidates must complete parts 1, 2 and 3 of the degree. Candidates must write the certificate examination offered by the College of Paediatricians of South Africa

#### Assessment, progression and readmission

Part 1: This will include formative and summative assessment of the coursework.

Part 2: This will include workplace-based assessment of key professional tasks (entrustable professional activities) as part of an e-portfolio.

Part 3: This will include an assessment of a research project (minor dissertation) undertaken by internal and external examiners

Students must attend face-to-face contact sessions with facilitators and supervisors and participate in online activities.

Students with the guidance of their supervisors must complete the portfolio tasks and research project. Successful completion of the degree requires fulfilling the coursework, portfolio tasks, and the research project at the required level.

The programme supervisor must submit a report indicating satisfactory completion of all training requirements, including a completed portfolio of learning and a research project.

Students who do not achieve the required level for the coursework or portfolio tasks will be permitted to repeat these.

Candidates who do not complete the subspecialty examination within the period must motivate with support from their supervisor for a once-off extension.

[Note: These rules must be read in conjunction with the General Rules in the front section of this handbook.]

#### Distinction

The degree will be awarded with distinction if an overall average of 75% is obtained with no less than 70% for any of the three parts of the degree. All parts of the degree must be passed at the first attempt.

# **Developmental Paediatrics** [MM183PED01]

#### **Convener:**

Professor K Donald (Department of Paediatrics and Child Health)

#### **Duration of training**

FMD24 Two years of clinical training, one year of research and completion of the minor dissertation. (Total 2 years).

#### Curriculum outline

# FMD25 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PED7029W	MPhil Developmental Paediatrics Part 1	120	9
PED7030W	Developmental Paediatrics Minor Dissertation		9
DOM7012W	MPhil Subspeciality Clinical Training - Year 2	0	9
	Total NQF credits	180	

# Endocrinology [MM172MDN05]

#### **Convener:**

Professor J Dave (Department of Medicine)

#### **Duration of training**

FMD26 Two years of clinical training and completion of the minor dissertation.

# **Curriculum outline**

FMD27 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
MDN7021W	MPhil Endocrinology Part 1		9
MDN7041W	Endocrinology Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM7012W	MPhil Subspeciality Clinical Training - Year 2	0	9
	Total NQF credits		

# Forensic Psychiatry [MM016PRY03]

# **Convener:**

Dr N Dyakalashe (Department of Psychiatry and Mental Health)

This is a programme by coursework and dissertation that includes seminars, supervision, and demonstrations for registered psychiatrists.

## Admission requirements

FMD28.1 To be eligible for consideration, a candidate must have:

a Fellowship from the College of Psychiatry or equivalent postgraduate medical qualification

- (a) a master's degree in clinical psychology of the University or another university recognised for this purpose, or a qualification deemed to be equivalent; or
- (b) a professional four-year qualification in a mental health discipline such as social work, occupational therapy, or nursing.
- FMD28.2 All candidates must be practising in, or have the intention to practise in, the psycholegal field.

# **Duration of programme**

FMD29 A candidate shall be registered for two years of full-time or three years of part-time study.

## **Curriculum outline**

#### FMD30 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PRY7013W	MPhil Forensic Mental Health Part 1	120	9
PRY7014W	Forensic Mental Health Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM7012W	MPhil Subspeciality Clinical Training - Year 2	0	9
	Total NQF credits	180	

## DP requirements and progression rule

FMD31 Students are required to attend at least 90% of seminars and academic activities in the Department and have to obtain a pass mark (50%) in the Part 1 coursework assessments in the first year in order to be eligible to write the Part 1 examination. They will be allowed to submit their dissertations only once they have passed all coursework requirements and the Part 1 examination.

# Assessment

FMD32.1 Assessment consists of the following:

- (a) Ongoing assessment of performance through regular supervision sessions and through oral and observed clinical examinations every six months. At the end of the programme, candidates will have been assessed formally by means of in-course assessment reports;
- (b) A three-hour written Part 1 examination; and
- (c) The presentation and examination of a dissertation.
- FMD32.2 Part-time candidates undergo the same in-course assessment and examination procedures but are allowed an extra (third) year to complete coursework and monor dissertation requirements.

# Geriatric Medicine [MM177MDN08]

## **Convener:**

Professor M COmbrinck (Department of Medicine)

#### **Duration of training**

FMD33 Two years of clinical training, one year of research and completion of the minor dissertation.

#### **Curriculum outline**

## FMD34 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
MDN7043W	MPhil Geriatric Medicine Part 1	120	9
<b>MDN7044W</b>	Geriatric Medicine Minor Dissertation		9
DOM7012W	MPhil Subspeciality Clinical Training - Year 2	0	9
	Total NQF credits	180	

# **Gynaecological Oncology** [MM1790BS01]

#### Conveners:

Prof TS Adams (Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology) and A/Prof NH Mbatani

# **Duration of training**

FMD35 Two years of clinical training, (full time) or four years of clinical training (part time) and completion of the minor dissertation.

# Curriculum outline

FMD36	The curriculum outline is as follows:		
Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
OBS701	0W MPhil Gynaecological Oncology Part 1		9
<b>OBS701</b>	1W Gynaecological Oncology Minor Dissertation	n 60	9

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
DOM7012W	MPhil Subspeciality Clinical Training - Year 2	0	9
	Total NQF credits		

# Infectious Disease and HIV Medicine [MM178MDN09]

#### **Convener:**

Professor M Mendelson (Department of Medicine)

## **Duration of training**

FMD37 Two years of clinical training, one year of research and completion of the minor dissertation.

#### **Curriculum outline**

# FMD38 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
MDN7050W	MPhil Infectious Diseases and HIV Medicine Part 1		9
MDN7051W	Infectious Diseases & HIV Medicine Minor Dissertation	ion60	9
DOM7012W	MPhil Subspeciality Clinical Training - Year 2	0	9
	Total NQF credits		

# Maternal and Foetal Medicine [MM1800BS02]

**Conveners:** 

Dr A Osman and Dr CJM Stewart (Department of Obstetrics & Gynaecology)

#### **Duration of training**

FMD39 Two years of clinical training (full time) or four years of clinical training (part time), one year of research and completion of the minor dissertation.

#### **Curriculum outline**

# FMD40 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
OBS7013W	MPhil Maternal and Foetal Medicine Part 1		9
<b>OBS7014W</b>	Maternal and Foetal Medicine Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM7012W	MPhil Subspeciality Clinical Training - Year 2	0	9
	Total NQF credits		

# Medical Gastroentorology [MM173MDN06]

Convener: Professor Mashiko Setshedi (Department of Medicine)

#### **Duration of training**

FMD41 Three years of clinical training and completion of the minor dissertation.

# **Curriculum outline**

FMD42 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>MDN7022W</b>	MPhil Medical Gastroenterology	120	9
<b>MDN7042W</b>	MPhil Medical Gastroenterology Minor Dissertation.	60	9
DOM7013W	MPhil Subspeciality Clinical Training - Year 3	0	9
	Total NQF credits	0	0

# Neonatology [MM185PED03]

## **Convener:**

Associate Professor MC Harrison (Department of Paediatrics & Child Health)

## **Duration of training**

FMD43 Two years of clinical training and completion of the minor dissertation.

## Curriculum outline

# FMD44 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>PED7010W</b>	MPhil Neonatology Part 1		9
<b>PED7020W</b>	Neonatology Minor Dissertation		9
DOM7012W	MPhil Subspeciality Clinical Training - Year 2	0	9
	Total NQF credits	180	

# Nephrology [MM174MDN13]

#### **Convener:**

A/Prof Nicola Wearne (Department of Medicine)

#### **Duration of training**

FMD45 Two years of clinical training, one year of research and completion of the minor dissertation.

#### **Curriculum outline**

## FMD46 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
MDN7020W	MPhil Nephrology Part 1	120	9
<b>MDN7040W</b>	Nephrology Minor Dissertation	60	9
	MPhil Subspeciality Clinical Training - Year 2		9
	Total NQF credits	180	

# Neuropsychiatry [MM169PRY08]

## Convener:

Professor JA Joska (Department of Psychiatry and Mental Health)

This is a programme by coursework and dissertation. It includes seminars, supervision and demonstrations for registered psychiatrists who wish to gain special expertise in neuropsychiatry.

# **Duration of programme**

FMD47 A candidate shall be registered for two years of full-time or for four years of part-time study at a minimum of 50% weekly effort.

## **Curriculum outline**

# FMD48 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PRY7018W	MPhil Neuropsychiatry Part 1		9
PRY7019W	Neuropsychiatry Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM7012W	MPhil Subspeciality Clinical Training - Year 2	0	9
	Total NQF credits		

# Paediatric Cardiology [MM181PED04]

#### **Convener:**

Dr G Comitis (Department of Paediatrics & Child Health)

# **Duration of training**

FMD49 Three years of clinical training, one year of research and completion of the minor dissertation.

# **Curriculum outline**

# FMD50 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PED7012W	MPhil Paediatric Cardiology Part 1		9
PED7022W	Paediatric Cardiology Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM7013W	MPhil Subspeciality Clinical Training - Year 3	0	9
	Total NQF credits		

# Paediatric Critical Care [MM182PED05]

## **Convener:**

Professor S Salie (Department of Paediatrics & Child Health)

#### **Duration of training**

FMD51 Two years of clinical training, one year of research and completion of the minor dissertation.

#### **Curriculum outline**

#### FMD52 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PED7027W	MPhil Paediatric Critical Care Part 1		9
PED7028W	Paediatric Critical Care Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM7012W	MPhil Subspeciality Clinical Training - Year 2	0	9
	Total NQF credits		

# Paediatric Endocrinology [MM184PED06]

#### **Convener:**

Dr M Carrihill (Department of Paediatrics & Child Health)

#### **Duration of training**

FMD53 Two years of clinical training, research, and completion of the minor dissertation.

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FMD54 The cu	rriculum outline is as follows:		
Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PED7023W	MPhil Paediatric Endocrinology Part 1	120	9
PED7024W	Paediatric Endocrinology Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM7012W	MPhil Subspeciality Clinical Training - Year 2	0	9
	Total NQF credits	180	

# Paediatric Allergology [MM026PED26]

## **Conveners:**

Professor ME Levin (Department of Paediatrics and Child Health)

Candidates who are accepted for subspeciality training in this training unit are required to register for an MPhil degree. Admission requirements for subspeciality training are determined by the Medical & Dental Professional Board. Candidates usually write the examination offered by the relevant College of Medicine and, upon successful completion of such examination, are granted credit towards Part 1 of the MPhil in Paediatric Allergology. Candidates who register for the MPhil Part 2 and successfully complete the dissertation part of the degree are awarded the MPhil degree. Part 2 candidates are encouraged to design their research projects in one of two ways: as a project whose scope meets the requirements of the MPhil degree, or as a project which would offer sufficient scope for upgrading to PhD studies.

#### **Duration of training**

FMD11 Two years of clinical training plus one year of research and completion of the minor dissertation.

#### **Curriculum outline**

## FMD12 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PED7043W	MPhil Allergology (Paediatric) Part 1	120	9
PED7044W	Allergology Minor Dissertation		9
DOM7012W	MPhil Subspeciality Clinical Training - Year 2	0	9
	Total NQF credits:	180	

# Paediatric Gastroenterology [MM151PED15]

**Convener:** Dr R de Lacy (Department of Paediatrics & Child Health)

#### **Duration of training**

FMD55 Two years of clinical training, one year of research and completion of the minor dissertation.

# **Curriculum outline**

FMD56 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PED7039W	MPhil Paediatric Gastroenterology Part 1		9
PED7040W	Paediatric Gastroenterology Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM7012W	MPhil Subspeciality Clinical Training - Year 2	0	9
	Total NQF credits		

# Paediatric Infectious Diseases [MM188PED07]

## **Convener:**

Professor BS Eley (Department of Paediatrics & Child Health)

#### **Duration of training**

FMD57 Two years of clinical training, one year of research and completion of the minor dissertation.

## Curriculum outline

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FMD58 T	he curriculum outline is as follows		
Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PED7033W	MPhil Paediatric Infectious Diseases Part 1	120	9
PED7034W	Paediatric Infectious Diseases Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM7012V	W MPhil Subspeciality Clinical Training – Year 2	0	9
	Total NQF credits		

# Paediatric Nephrology [MM187PED08]

## **Conveners:**

Professor M McCulloch and Dr P Nourse (Department of Paediatrics & Child Health)

## **Duration of training**

FMD59 Two years of clinical training, one year of research and completion of the minor dissertation.

#### **Curriculum outline**

## FMD60 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PED7009W	MPhil Paediatric Nephrology Part 1		9
PED7019W	Paediatric Nephrology Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM7012W	MPhil Subspeciality Clinical Training - Year 2	0	9
	Total NQF credits		

# Paediatric Neurology [MM186PED09]

## **Convener:**

Professor J Wilmshurst (Department of Paediatrics & Child Health)

#### **Duration of training**

FMD61 Two years of clinical training and completion of the minor dissertation.

#### Curriculum outline

# FMD62 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PED7025W	MPhil Paediatric Neurology Part 1		9
PED7026W	Paediatric Neurology Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM7012W	MPhil Subspeciality Clinical Training - Year 2	0	9
	Total NQF credits	180	

# Paediatric Oncology [MM161PED10]

# **Convener:**

Professor A Davidson (Department of Paediatrics & Child Health)

# **Duration of training**

FMD63 Two years of clinical training, one year of research and completion of the minor dissertation.

# Curriculum outline

# FMD64 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PED7011W	MPhil Paediatric Oncology Part 1	120	9
PED7021W	Paediatric Oncology Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM7012W	MPhil Subspeciality Clinical Training - Year 2	0	9
	Total NQF credits	180	

# Paediatric Pulmonology [MM162PED13]

Convener:

Professor HJ Zar (Department of Paediatrics & Child Health)

## **Duration of training**

FMD65 Two years of clinical training, one year of research and completion of the minor dissertation.

# Curriculum outline

# FMD66 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PED7035W	MPhil Paediatric Pulmonology Part 1	120	9
PED7036W	Paediatric Pulmonology Minor Dissertation		9
DOM7012W	MPhil Subspeciality Clinical Training - Year 2	0	9
	Total NQF credits	180	

# Paediatric Rheumatology [MM016PED18][SAQA ID:96438]

Convener:

Dr K Webb (Department of Paediatrics and Child Health)

# **Duration of training**

FMC67 Two years of clinical training and completion of the minor dissertation.

## **Curriculum outline**

#### FMC68 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PED7041W	MPhil Paediatric Rheumatology Part 1		9
PED7042W	Paediatric Rheumatology Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM7012W	MPhil Subspeciality Clinical Training - Year 2	0	9
	Total NQF credits		

# Pulmonology [MM175MDN16]

#### **Convener:**

Professor K Dheda (Department of Medicine)

#### **Duration of training**

FMD69 Two years of clinical training, one year of research and completion of the minor dissertation.

# **Curriculum outline**

# FMD70 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
MDN7015W	MPhil Pulmonology Part 1	120	9
MDN7037W	Pulmonology Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM7012W	MPhil Subspeciality Clinical Training - Year 2		9
	Total NQF credits		

# Reproductive Medicine [MM160OBS04]

#### **Convener:**

Dr Malike Patel (Department of Obstetrics & Gynaecology)

#### **Duration of training**

FMD71 Two years of clinical training (full time) or four years of clinical training (part time) and completion of the minor dissertation.

#### Curriculum outline

# FMD72 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>OBS7008W</b>	MPhil Reproductive Medicine Part 1		9
<b>OBS7009W</b>	Reproductive Medicine Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM7012W	MPhil Subspeciality Clinical Training - Year 2	0	9
	Total NQF credits		

# Rheumatology [MM176MDN18]

Convener:

Professor B Hodkinson (Department of Medicine)

**Duration of training** 

FMD73 Two years of clinical training and completion of the minor dissertation.

# Curriculum outline FMD74 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>MDN7018W</b>	MPhil Rheumatology Part 1		9
MDN7039W	Rheumatology Minor Dissertation		9
DOM7012W	MPhil Subspeciality Clinical Training - Year 2		9
	Total NQF credits	180	

# Surgical Gastroenterology [MM164CHM11]

## **Convener:**

Professor E Jonas (Department of Surgery)

## **Duration of training**

FMD75 Two years of clinical training, one year of research and completion of the minor dissertation.

# Curriculum outline

# FMD76 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
CHM6003W	MPhil Surgical Gastroenterology Part 1	120	9
CHM6004W	Surgical Gastroenterology Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM7012W	MPhil Subspeciality Clinical Training - Year 2	0	9
	Total NQF credits	180	

# Trauma Surgery [MM152CHM24]

# Convener:

Associate Professor AJ Nicol (Department of Surgery)

## **Duration of training**

FMD77 Two years of clinical training, one year of research and completion of the minor dissertation.

#### Curriculum outline

## FMD78 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
CHM7070W	MPhil Trauma Surgery Part 1	120	9
CHM7071W	Trauma Surgery Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM7012W	MPhil Subspeciality Clinical Training - Year 2	0	9
	Total NQF credits	180	

# Urogynaecology [MM0160BS05]

## **Convener:**

Dr Kendall Brouard (Dept of Obstetrics & Gynaecology)

# **Duration of training**

FMD79 Two years of clinical training (full time) or four years of clinical training (part time) and completion of the minor dissertation.

## **Curriculum outline**

FMD80	The cu	rriculum outline is as follows:		
Code		Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
<b>OBS701</b>	7W	MPhil Urogynaecology Part 1		9
<b>OBS701</b>	8W	Urogynaecology Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM70	12W	MPhil Subspeciality Clinical Training - Year 2	0	9
		Total NQF credits	180	

# Vascular Surgery [MM190CHM13]

#### **Convener:**

Dr NG Naidoo (Department of Surgery)

## **Duration of training**

FMD81 Two years of clinical training, one year of research and completion of the minor dissertation.

#### **Curriculum outline**

# FMD82 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
CHM7052W	MPhil in Vascular Surgery Part 1		9
CHM7053W	Vascular Surgery Minor Dissertation	60	9
DOM7012W	MPhil Subspeciality Clinical Training - Year 2	0	9
	Total NQF credits		

# **MPHIL BY DISSERTATION [MM021]**

The MPhil by dissertation can be done in a range of disciplines, namely:

Specialisation	Qualification code	Academic plan code	Department	SAQA ID NUMBER
Behavioural Medicine	MM021	PRY14	Psychiatry & Mental Health	Awaited
Disability Studies	MM021	AHS06	Health & Rehabilitation Sciences	Awaited
Emergency Medicine	MM021	CHM02	Surgery	Awaited
Surgery	MM021	CHM10	Surgery	Awaited
Health Sciences Education	MM021	HSE01	Health Sciences Education	Awaited
Biomedical Engineering	MM021	HUB05	Human Biology	Awaited
Healthcare Technology Management	MM021	HUB10	Human Biology	Awaited
Mechanobiology	MM021	HUB30	Human Biology	Awaited

Maternal & Child Health	MM021	PED02	Paediatrics & Child Health	Awaited
Occupational Health	MM021	PPH06	Public Health	Awaited
Public Health	MM021	PPH07	Public Health & Family Medicine	Awaited
Public Mental Health	MM021	PRY05	Psychiatry & Mental Health	Awaited
Psychiatry	MM021	PRY09	Psychiatry & Mental Health	Awaited
Counselling & Psychotherapy Services	MM021	PRY11	Psychiatry & Mental Health	Awaited
Medical Virology	MM021	PRY17	Psychiatry & Mental Health	Awaited
Paediatric Pathology	MM021	PTY19	Pathology	Awaited

Also see "General rules for master's students" and "Guidelines for Master's and Doctoral Students."

#### NQF credits: 180 at HEQSF level 9

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results, and write up the dissertation. The dissertation is externally examined.

# Admission requirements

FME1 A candidate shall not be admitted to the programme, unless they:

- a. have an approved four-year tertiary degree from this University or another University recognised by Senate for the purpose; or
- have passed at this University or at any institution recognised by Senate for the purpose such examinations that are, in the opinion of Senate, equivalent to the examination prescribed for an honours degree at the University; or
- c. have in any other manner attained a level of competence which, in the opinion of Senate, is adequate for the purpose of admission as a candidate for the degree.

# Pre- or co-requisites

- FME2.1 Students registered for an MPhil by dissertation in Disability Studies AHS6007W may be required to attend a research methods or critical research literacy course.
- FME2.2 Students registered for the MPhil in Biomedical Engineering by dissertation may be required to do certain co-requisite courses.

# Progression

FME3 Candidates who are, after a reasonable period of training and assessment, deemed by the divisional supervisors concerned to be making insufficient progress, may be asked to withdraw from the programme.

# MASTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH (MPH) [MM012] [SAQA ID: 21426]]

# **Programme Convener:**

Associate Professor J Olivier (overall convener and convener of Health Systems and General specialisations- School of Public Health

Assistant conveners: Professor L Myer (Epidemiology specialisation); Professor S Maswime (Global Surgery specialisation); Dr Lucy Cunnama (Health Economics specialisation); Associate Professor L Knight (Social & Behavioural Science specialisation); Professor HA Rother (Environmental Health specialisation).

# **Admission requirements**

FMF1.1

- (a) A candidate for the General, Epidemiology, Social and Behavioural Science, Health Systems or Global Surgery specialisation shall not be admitted to the programme unless they:
  - hold an approved degree in medicine or a health profession other than medicine with at least a four-year degree from this University or another university recognised by Senate for the purpose; or
  - hold an approved honours or equivalent four-year degree from this University or another university recognised by Senate for the purpose; and
  - have attained at least a C-grade pass in higher-grade Senior Certificate Mathematics or an equivalent recognised by Senate for the purpose; and
  - (iv) are proficient in written and spoken English.
- (b) In addition, a candidate will be required to submit evidence of previous academic performance, work history, research output or involvement in research, and a 500-word typed essay setting out:
  - (i) their reasons for doing the programme; and
  - the ways in which he/she envisages (or hopes) the programme will improve their work skills and/or effectiveness at work.

FMF1.2

- (a) A candidate for the Health Economics specialisation shall not be admitted to the programme unless they:
  - hold an approved degree in economics, health sciences or social sciences from this University or another university recognised by Senate as equivalent;
  - hold an honours or equivalent four-year degree from this University; or another university recognised by Senate for the purpose;
  - (iii) have attained at least a C-grade pass in higher-grade matriculation mathematics or an equivalent recognised by Senate for the purpose; and
  - (iv) are proficient in written and spoken English.
- (b) In addition, a candidate will be required to submit evidence of previous academic performance, work history, and research output or involvement in research, and a 500-word typed essay setting out (i) his/her reasons for doing the course, and (ii) the ways in which they envisage (or hope) the programme will improve their work skills and/or effectiveness at work.

#### **Duration of programme**

FMF2 A candidate must be registered for a minimum of 12 months and a maximum of four years. Please consult the programme brochure for degree duration for each specialisation.

# **Curriculum outline**

FMF3 The following specialisations are offered by coursework and dissertation, with streams in:

# FMF3.1 Community Eye Health specialisation [MM012CHM32]

## **Programme Convener:**

Dr D Minnies (Division of Ophthalmology, Department of Surgery)

# **Compulsory courses:**

Code	Name	Credits	Level
CHM6022F	Community Eye Health I	12	9
CHM6023F	Community Eye Health II	12	9
PPH7018F	Introduction to Epidemiology	12	9
PPH7021F	Biostatistics I	12	9
PPH7065S	Epidemiology of Non-communicable Diseases	12	9
PPH7070S	Quantitative Research Methods	12	9
PPH7093F	Introduction to Health Systems	12	9
CHM6046S	Project Management Essentials	12	9

A further two elective modules should be selected from the below, Plus, another four elective courses, subject to the discretion of the specialisation relevant convener, from the courses below:

#### Plus:

Code	Name	Credits	Level
CHM6045	Fundamentals Oof Global Surgery	12	9
PPH7093F	Introduction to Health Systems	12	9
PPH7041S	Health Policy and Planning	12	9
PPH7092S	Biostatistics II	12	9
PPH7016F	Public Health and Society	12	9
PPH7029F	Advanced Epidemiology	12	9
PPH7022S	Evidence-based Healthcare	12	9
PPH7063S	Epidemiology of Infectious Diseases	12	9
PPH7053F	Public Health and Human Rights	12	9
PPH7054S	Gender and Sexual & Reproductive Health	12	9
PPH7063S	Epidemiology of Infectious Diseases	12	9
PPH7071F	Qualitative Research Methods	12	9
PPH7015W	Public Health Minor Dissertation	60	9
	Total NQF credits	180	

# FMF3.1 Community Eye Health specialisation [MM012CHM03]

#### **Programme Convener:**

Dr D Minnies (Division of Ophthalmology, Department of Surgery)

Compuisory cou	11 303.		
Code	Name	Credits	Level
CHM6022F	Community Eye Health I	12	9
CHM6023F	Community Eye Health II	12	9
PPH7018F	Introduction to Epidemiology	12	9
PPH7021F	Biostatistics I	12	9
PPH7065S	Epidemiology of Non-communicable Diseases	12	9
PPH7070S	Quantitative Research Methods	12	9
PPH7093F	Introduction to Health Systems	12	9
CHM6046S	Project Management Essentials	12	9

#### **Compulsory courses:**

A further two elective modules should be selected from the below, Plus, another four elective courses, subject to the discretion of the specialisation relevant convener, from the courses below:

Plus:			
Code	Name	Credits	Level
CHM6045F	Fundamentals Of Global Surgery	12	9
PPH7093F	Introduction to Health Systems	12	9
PPH7041S	Health Policy and Planning	12	9
PPH7092S	Biostatistics II	12	9
PPH7016F	Public Health and Society	12	9
PPH7029F	Advanced Epidemiology	12	9
PPH7022S	Evidence-based Healthcare	12	9
PPH7063S	Epidemiology of Infectious Diseases	12	9
PPH7053F	Public Health and Human Rights	12	9
PPH7054S	Gender and Sexual & Reproductive Health	12	9
PPH7063S	Epidemiology of Infectious Diseases	12	9
PPH7071F	Qualitative Research Methods	12	9
PPH7015W	Public Health Minor Dissertation	60	9
	Total NQF credits	180	

# FMF3.1.1 Global Surgery [MM012CHM32]

## **Programme Convener:**

Prof Salome Maswime (Department of Surgery)

# **Compulsory courses:**

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Code	Name	Credits	Level
CHM6045F	Fundamentals of Global Health	12	9
CHM6022F	Community Eye Health I	12	9
PPH7016F	Public Health & Society	12	9
PPH7018F	Introduction to Epidemiology	12	9
PPH7093F	Introduction to Health Systems	12	9
PPH7071F	Qualitative Research Methods	12	9
PPH7070S	Quantitative Research Methods	12	9
CHM6048S	Global Surgical Systems	12	9

A further two elective modules should be selected from the below, subject to the discretion of the specialisation relevant convener, from the courses below, or approved alternatives:

Plus:			
Code	Name	Credits	Level

CHM6023F	Community Ete Health II	12	9
PPH7096F	Cancer Prevention and Control	12	9
PPH7098F	Environmental Health Policy	12	9
PPH7053S	Public Health and Human Rights	12	9
PPH7041S	Health Policy and Planning	12	9
PPH7077S	The Economics of Health Systems	12	9
PPH7021F	Biostatistics I	12	9
Plus			
PPH7015W	Public Health Minor Dissertation	60	9
	Total NQF credits	180	

# FMF3.2 Epidemiology specialisation [MM012PPH02]

#### **Programme Convener:**

Professor L Myer

#### **Compulsory courses:**

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PPH7092S	Biostatistics II		9
PPH7095F	Biostatistics III		9
PPH7016F	Public Health and Society		9
PPH7018F	Introduction to Epidemiology		9
PPH7021F	Biostatistics I		9
PPH7029F	Advanced Epidemiology		9
PPH7070S	Quantitative Research Methods		9

# And any two or all four of the following:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PPH7022S	Evidence-based Healthcare		9
PPH7063S	Epidemiology of Infectious Diseases		9
PPH7065S	Epidemiology of Non-communicable Diseases		9
PPH6038S	Health Promotion		9

# And one of the following or alternative, subject to the discretion of the convener

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PPH7039F	Economic Evaluation for Universal Health Coverage		9
PPH7093F	Introduction to Health Systems		9
PPH7094S	Health Systems Research and Evaluation		9
PPH7090S	Seminars in Epidemiology & Biostatistics		9

# PPH70908 -With approval of specialisation convener

Plus:			
Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PPH7015W	Public Health Minor Dissertation		9
	Total NQF Credits	180/192	

# **FMF3.3 Environmental Health specialisation** [MM012PPH15]

## **Programme Convener:**

Professor HA Rother

## **Compulsory courses**

le (	e l	NQF Credits	NQF Level
17016F	Health and Society	12	9
17018F	uction to Epidemiology	12	9
	nmental Health and Policy		9
17097S	te Change, Pollution & Health	12	9
170998	en's Environmental Health	12	0

Plus

One of (based on prior experience, with track convenor permission):				
Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level	
PPH7071F	Qualitative Research Methods	12	9	
PPH7070S	Quantitative Research Methods	12	9	

#### Plus

# Four approved elective courses from those offered in the MPH or alternative, with track convenor permission

[Note that there are restrictions on how many PPH4000 or PPH6000 courses can be taken, and some credit weighting differences that need to be taken into account]

# Plus

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PPH7015W	Public Health Minor Dissertation	60	9

# FMF3.4 General specialisation [MM012PPH07]

## **Convener:**

Associate Professor J Olivier

#### **Compulsory courses:**

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PPH7016F	Public Health and Society	12	9
PPH7018F	Introduction to Epidemiology		9
PPH7021F	Biostatistics I		9
PPH7070S	Quantitative Research Methods	12	9

## And one or two of:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PPH7041S	Health Policy and Planning,	12	9
PPH7093F	Introduction to Health Systems	12	9
PPH7094S	Health Systems Research and Evaluation	12	9

(If two are taken, one will be an elective.)

Plus another four or five elective courses (e.g. if both courses were selected above, four elective courses must be selected) subject to the discretion of the relevant conveners, from the courses below:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PPH7092S	Biostatistics II		9
PPH7095F	Biostatistics III		9
PPH7022S	Evidence-based Healthcare		9
PPH7029F	Advanced Epidemiology		9
PPH7039F	Economic Evaluation for Universal Health Coverage.		9
PPH7050F	Equity and Efficiency for UHC		9
PPH7053F	Public Health and Human Rights		9
PPH7054S	Gender and Sexual & Reproductive Health		9
PPH7063S	Epidemiology of Infectious Diseases		9
PPH7065S	Epidemiology of Non-communicable Diseases		9
PPH7071F	Qualitative Research Methods		9
PPH7077S	The Economics of Health Systems		9
PPH7089F/S	Public Health Practicum		9
PPH6038S	Health Promotion		9
PPH7015W	Public Health Minor Dissertation	60	9
	Total NQF credits:	180/192	

# FMF3.5 Health Economics specialisation [MM012EC007]

**Programme Convener:** 

Dr L Cunnama

#### **Compulsory courses:**

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PPH7039F	Economic Evaluation for Universal Health Coverage		9
PPH7041S	Health Policy and Planning		9
PPH7050F	Equity and Efficiency for UHC		9
PPH7021F	Biostatistics I		9
PPH7070S	Quantitative Research Methods		9
PPH7077S	The Economics of Health Systems		9

#### Plus

and two approved elective courses from those from those offered in the MPH or alternative, with track convenor permission

- □ the Master of Public Health Programme;
- various departments in the Faculties of Commerce and Humanities; or

other universities.

It is important for candidates to confirm the timetable and their eligibility for the elective course that they have chosen and to obtain approval both from the department offering the elective courses and from the convener of the MPH Health Economics specialisation.

# The MPH electives are:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PPH7016F	Public Health and Society		9
PPH7018F	Introduction to Epidemiology	12	9
PPH7022S	Evidence-based Healthcare	12	9
PPH7053F	Public Health and Human Rights		9

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PPH7071F	Qualitative Research Methods	12	9
PPH7089F/S	Public Health Practicum	12	9
PPH7093F	Introduction to Health Systems	12	9
PPH7094S	Health Systems Research and Evaluation	12	9
PPH6038S	Health Promotion	12	9

# Plus:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PPH7087W	Health Economics Minor Dissertation	90	9
	Total NQF credits	180-186	

# FMF3.6 Health Systems specialisation [MM012PPH12]

## **Programme Convener:**

Associate Professor J Olivier

#### **Compulsory courses:**

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PPH7093F	Introduction to Health Systems	12	9
PPH7016F	Public Health and Society	12	9
PPH7018F	Introduction to Epidemiology		9
PPH7094S	Health Systems Research and Evaluation		9
PPH7041S	Health Policy and Planning	12	9
PPH7077S	The Economics of Health Systems		9
PPH7071F PPH7070S	Qualitative Research Methods Quantitative Research Methods		9 9

# Plus three courses from the list below (or approved alternatives):

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PPH7039F	Economic Evaluation for Universal Health Coverage.	12	9
PPH7053F	Public Health and Human Rights	12	9
PPH7054S	Gender and Sexual & Reproductive Health	12	9
PPH7063S	Epidemiology of Infectious Diseases	12	9
PPH7065S	Epidemiology of Non-Communicable Diseases	12	9
PPH7089F/S	Public Health Practicum	12	9
PPH6038S	Health Promotion	12	9

# Plus:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
PPH7015W	Public Health Minor Dissertation	60	9
	Total NQF credits		

# **FMF3.7 Social and Behavioural Sciences specialisation** [MM012PPH14]

**Programme Convener:** Associate Professor L Knight

**Compulsory courses:** 

Code	Course NQF Credits NQF	Level
PPH7016F	Public Health and Society	9
PPH7053F	Public Health and Human Rights	9
PPH7071F	Qualitative Research Methods	9
PPH7018F	Introduction to Epidemiology	9
PPH7054S	Gender and Sexual & Reproductive Health	9
PPH6038S	Health Promotion	9
PPH7015W	Public Health Minor Dissertation	9
	Plus, another four three courses, subject to the discretion of the rel	evant
	convener, from the courses below:	
PPH7041S	Health Policy and Planning	9
PPH7093F	Introduction to Health Systems	9
PPH7094S	Health Systems Research and Evaluation 12	9
PPH7021F	Biostatistics I 12	9
PPH7092S	Biostatistics II 12	9
PPH7095F	Biostatistics III 12	9
PPH7041S	Health Policy and Planning12	9
PPH7022S	Evidence-based Healthcare	9
PPH7029F	Advanced Epidemiology 12	9
PPH7039F	Economic Evaluation for Universaal Health Coverage 12	9
PPH7050F	Equity and efficiency for UHC 12	9
PPH7070S	Quantitative Research Methods 12	9
PPH7063S	Epidemiology of Infectious Diseases12	9
PPH7065S	Epidemiology of Non-communicable Diseases 12	9
PPH7077S	The Economics of Health Systems 12	9
PPH7089F/S	Public Health Practicum 12	9
	Total NQF credits:	

#### Attendance

FMF4

Any candidate who misses the block teaching at the beginning of a course may not join that course afterwards.

## **Progression and readmission**

FMF5 Candidates may be allowed to repeat a course they have failed, at the convener's discretion. No course may be repeated more than twice. Where a candidate fails any compulsory course twice, or any three courses, a recommendation will be made to the Faculty Examinations Committee to refuse readmission (If a failed course is repeated and passed, it is still counted as one fail. Failing any elective twice will be counted as two courses failed. No supplementary examinations are offered).

## Assessment

FMF6.1

The following requirements apply to the General, Social & Behavioural Science, Epidemiology, Health Systems, and Global Surgery specialisations:

- (a) Students are required to pass a minimum of ten courses and the dissertation to qualify for the degree;
- (b) Each course convener will determine the appropriate form of assessment in that course. Such assessment will consist of some combination of home assignments, a semester project and final examination. The examination carries 50% of the assessment weight. Each course is written off at the end of its semester. A pass mark of 50% is required overall, with a 45% subminimum for each of the examination and the semester components. An external examiner is appointed for each course and has the discretion to amend the final mark based on an

assessment of the candidate's performance across the course (or course components) as a whole;

- (c) Students are required to develop a research proposal using the prescribed format; and
- (d) The dissertation is marked by two examiners, both external to the University. The standard *aimed for* will be that of a manuscript publishable as a single paper in a peer-reviewed journal, supplemented by a literature review. Publication is not a requirement.
- FMF6.2 The following requirements apply to the Health Economics specialisation:
  - (a) Students are required to pass a minimum of eight courses and the dissertation to qualify for the degree;
  - (b) The first year of study is dedicated to coursework. Assessment of the coursework component involves a combination of assignments and a final examination per course. The examination makes up 50% of the coursework mark; while the assignments account for the remaining 50%. A pass mark of 50% is required overall, with a 45% subminimum for each of the examination and semester marks. The external examiner retains the discretion to amend the final mark based on assessment of the candidate's performance across the course (or course components) as a whole;
  - (c) Students are required to develop a research proposal by the second semester of the first year. The dissertation accounts for 50% of total marks; while the coursework component accounts for the remaining 50% (assignments 25% and examination 25%); and
  - (d) The dissertation will be marked by two examiners, both external to the University. The standard *aimed for* will be that of a manuscript publishable as a single paper in a peer-reviewed journal, supplemented by a literature review and policy brief. Publication is not a requirement.

# Distinction

FMF7

The degree may be awarded with distinction to candidates who average 75% or above on coursework plus dissertation, with a 70% subminimum on each component.

# MSc IN AUDIOLOGY AND MSc IN SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY [MM008AHS02 and MM009AHS10]

#### **Convener:**

Associate Professor SA Singh (Division of Communication Sciences and Disorders)

# **Admission requirements**

FMG1 An applicant must have a BSc Logopaedics or BSc Audiology/BSc Speech Pathology from the University or an equivalent qualification from this or another university recognised by Senate for the purpose.

# **Duration of programme**

- FMG2 (a) The MSc by dissertation must be completed in a maximum period of three years full-time or five years part-time.
  - (b) A candidate who has not submitted the required dissertation within five years will not be permitted to register for another year unless the head of the Division concerned recommends accordingly on grounds of satisfactory progress.

# Prerequisite for MSc by dissertation

FMG3 Students registering for the dissertation are required to have completed a postgraduate-level course in research methodology prior to the submission of the research proposal or, at the latest, within the first six months following registration for the MSc.

# Dissertation

FMG4	The curriculum is as follows:		
Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
AHS5000W	Audiology Dissertation		9
	Total NOF credits	180	
OR	-		
Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
AHS5001W	Speech-Language Pathology Dissertation		9
	Total NQF credits	180	
Distinction	-		
FMG5	The degree by dissertation may be awarded with dis average of 75%, with not less than 70% for any course		te obtains an

# MSc in Biomedical Engineering [] MSc in Biomedical Engineering by dissertation [MM054HUB05][SAQA ID:21427]

#### **Conveners:**

Dr F Robertson and Dr B Malila (Department of Human Biology)

#### Admission requirements

FMG6 A person shall not be admitted as a candidate for the degree programme unless:

- (a) they hold a four-year degree in Engineering or an Honours degree in Mathematical, Physical or Computer Sciences;
- (b) they hold a qualification deemed by Senate to be equivalent; or
- (c) they have in any other manner attained a level of competence which in the opinion of Senate is adequate for the purpose of admission as a candidate for the degree; and
- (d) they have satisfied Senate that they have the necessary background and training to undertake an approved programme of work for the degree of master in the Faculty.

## **Duration of programme**

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FMG7 A candidate shall not be awarded the degree unless they have been registered there for at least one academic year.

## Prerequisites and co-requisites

FMG8 Candidates will be required to complete the courses below (totalling 56-65 credits) before proceeding to the full dissertation: HUB5002W

Curriculum			
Code	Course	NQF Credits N	IQF Level
HUB4095F	Anatomy for Biomedical Engineers		8
HUB2025H	Physiology for Biomedical Engineers		6
HUB4075W	Biomedical Engineering Overview		9

Code	Course Plus two of the following courses (Students may no HUB5031F and HUB6009F):		
HUB4007F	Biomechanics of the Musculoskeletal System		8
HUB4045F	Introduction to Medical Imaging and Image Processing		8
HUB4071F/S	Applied Electrophysiology*		8
HUB6009F	Medical Device Design Part I		9
HUB5031F	Health Innovation & Design (A)		9
	Total NQF credits:	56-65	
HUB5002W	Biomedical Engineering dissertation		9

[Students may be exempted from these courses if they have completed equivalent courses at this or another institution. Students may be required by their supervisor and the programme convener to take additional courses, in preparation for their dissertation. See note on p4 regarding HEQSF levels and NQF credits.

# **MSc in Biomedical Engineering by coursework and dissertation (in abeyance)** [MM055HUB05][SAQA ID:21427]

#### **Conveners:**

Dr F Robertson and Dr B Malila (Department of Human Biology)

Also see General Rules for Master's Degree Studies of this handbook.

## Admission requirements

- FMG9 An applicant shall not be admitted as a candidate for the MSc in Biomedical Engineering unless they:
  - hold a degree of Bachelor of Science in Engineering or an Honours degree in a quantitative discipline;
  - (b) hold a qualification deemed by Senate to be equivalent; or
  - (c) have in any other manner attained a level of competence which in the opinion of Senate is adequate for the purpose of admission as a candidate for the degree; and
  - (d) have satisfied Senate that they have the necessary background and training to undertake an approved programme of work for the degree of master in the Faculty.

#### **Duration of programme**

FMG10 A candidate shall not be awarded the degree unless they have been registered for the programme for at least one academic year.

#### **Curriculum outline**

# FMG11 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
	Compulsory courses:		
HUB4095F	Anatomy for Biomedical Engineers		8
HUB2025H	Physiology for Biomedical Engineers		6
HUB4075W	Biomedical Engineering Overview		9
HUB5031F	Health Innovation and Design (A)		9
HUB6009F	Medical Device Design Part I		9
HUB6010S	Medical Device Design Part II		9
HUB6007W	Biomedical Engineering Minor Dissertation		9
	Plus one of the following elective courses:		
HUB4007F	Biomechanics of the Musculoskeletal system		8

Code	Course	NQF Credits 1	NQF Level
HUB4045F	Introduction to Medical Imaging and Image Processin	g12	8
HUB4071F/S	Applied Electrophysiology*		8
	Total NQF credits		

\*HUB4071F/S Applied Electrophysiology will run either in first semester or second semester but not both. The course may not be offered.]

#### Prerequisites and co-requisites

- FMG12 Students may be required by their supervisor and the programme convener to take additional course(s) offered in the Faculties of Health Science or Engineering, in preparation for their dissertation.
- FMG13 HUB6009F is a pre-requisite for HUB6010S.

# Distinction

FMG14 The degree may be awarded with distinction if a student obtains an average of 75% or more with not less than 70% for any single course.

# **MSc in Computational Health Informatics** [MM056PTY31]

#### **Programme Convener:**

Shareefa Dalvie, Victoria Nembaware & Raj Ramesar

The primary purpose of the Master of Science in Computational Health Informatics is to provide advanced and specialised training in biomedical data science and technology.

#### Admission criteria

FMG15.1 To be eligible for consideration for admission, a candidate shall:

- (a) Have an overall final mark of at least 65% in a NQF level 8 qualification in genetics, statistics, , biomedical sciences, , bioinformatics, computer sciences, or a related discipline
- (b) Have proven proficiency in written and spoken English, including medical terminology (this may be tested if necessary); and
- (c) have an acceptable level of computer literacy, access to a computer, and the internet.

FMG15.2 Applicants will be ranked based on the following criteria:

- Candidates will be ranked based on overall honours or equivalent degree (NQF level 8) marks:
- (b) If a candidate rejects the offer, the ranking will be used to select the next offer

#### Additional notes

- (a) Applicants may be interviewed telephonically if necessary.
- (b) The selection will be conducted by a departmental selection committee

## Structure and duration

FMG16.1 The programme consists of special-ised coursework (120 credits) and a minor dissertation (60 credits). On completion of the coursework and approval of a research project pro-posal, students will proceed to the research component. The programme offers a series of 11 courses, 8 compulsory and 3 electives. All 11 courses will be offered every year. A student will be required to complete 10 courses, 8 compulsory courses totalling 160 credits and choose 2 elective courses (totalling 20 credits). The elective courses could come from those on offer or

equivalent courses with approval from the programme conveners. A maximum of two courses may be re-taken in the second year.

Duration This is a 2-year programme, comprising lectures, tutorials, self-directed learning, an optional supervised internship and a minor dissertation. The duration of the programme is two years.

## Curriculum

FMG17	The curriculum is as follows: All students shall register for the following Core		
	courses		
Code	Description	NQF	NQF
		credits	level
IBS6024F/S	Biocomputing	20	9
IBS6025F/S	Bio Informatics Programming with Python	20	9
IBS6026F/S	Machine Learning and Bio Medical Data Science	20	9
PTY6034W	ISBS Minor Dissertation	60	9
IBS6034W	Computational Health Informatics Minor Dissertation	60	9

All students will select 4 from the following courses or equivalent courses with approval from the programme conveners:

FMG17	The curriculum is as follows: All students shall re	gister for the	following
	Core courses	-	-
Code	Description	NQF	NQF
	*	credits	level
PTY6027F/S	OMICS Data Mining	10	9
PTY6028F/S	OMICS Data Generation	10	9
PTY6029F/S	Population Genomics	10	9
PTY6030F/S	Omics-Wide Association Studies	10	9
PTY6031F/S	Pharmacomicrobiomics and the Microbiome	10	9
PTY6032F/S	OMICS for Industry	10	9
IBS6033F/S	Computational Phylogenetics	15	9
	Total NQF Credits	180	

#### Assessment overall

- FMG18 (a) Assessment is based on performance in coursework and examinations in the first year, and a dissertation in the second year. Each course convener will determine the appropriate form of assessment in specific courses within the programme. Such assessment will consist of some combination of home assignments, test/quiz or a semester project and final examination;
  - (b) To pass the academic year, the student must obtain an overall average of at least 50% with sub-minima of the research project and 50% for the combined coursework;
  - (c) The overall class mark is 55 % (25% for coursework and 30% for the exam), research project (40%) and an oral presentation of the research project (5%);
  - (d) The evaluation of each course is based on the performance in coursework (formative and summative) and the final examination (summative) scheduled at the end of the course. For each proposed course, the final mark is made up as follows: (15%); coursework mark (assignment) (30%) and final module exam (55%);
  - (e) Students are required to develop a research proposal using the prescribed format;
  - (f) The dissertation is marked by two examiners, both external to the University.

#### **Progression rules**

- FMG19 Except by permission of Senate, a MSc student in the Computational Health Informatics Programme, who does not meet the following requirements may be refused permission to re-register in the following year of study:
  - (a) all courses in the first year must be passed;
  - (b) an overall average of at least 50% of coursework in the first year of registration;
  - (c) a written and oral presentation of a research proposal must be approved by the relevant committee of the Department of Pathology, or Department of Integrative Biomedical Sciences in the second semester of the first year.

# **Distinction Rules**

FMG20 The degree by coursework and dissertation may be awarded with distinction where a candidate obtains an overall average mark of 75% or above for both components, with no less than 70% for each component.:

# **MSc in Epidemiology & Biostatistics** [MM191PPH20]

#### **Programme Convener:**

Professor L Myer (Division of Epidemiology and Biostatistics)

#### Admission requirements

- FMG21 To be eligible for admission an applicant shall
- FMG21.1 (a) hold an approved degree in a health profession or a related field with at least a four-year degree from this University or of another university recognised by Senate for the purpose; or
  - (b) hold an approved honours or equivalent four-year degree from this University or of another university recognised by Senate for the purpose;
  - (c) have attained at least a C-grade pass in higher grade in National Senior Certificate Mathematics or an equivalent recognised by Senate for the purpose; and
  - (d) be proficient in written and spoken English.
- FMG21.2 In addition, an applicant will be required to submit evidence of previous academic performance, work history, and research output or involvement in research, and a 500-word typed essay setting out (i) their reasons for wanting to do the programme, and (ii) the ways in which they envisage the programme will improve their skills and abilities related to quantitative health sciences research.

#### Structure and duration

FMG22 A candidate shall be registered for a minimum of one academic year and a maximum of four academic years.

#### **Curriculum outline**

## FMG23 The curriculum outline is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
	Compulsory courses:		
PPH7018F	Introduction to Epidemiology		9
PPH7021F	Biostatistics I		9
PPH7029F	Advanced Epidemiology		9
PPH7070S	Quantitative Research Methods		9
PPH7092S	Biostatistics II		9
PPH7095F	Biostatistics III		9
	Plus two of the following:		
PPH7022S	Evidence-based Healthcare		9
PPH7063S	Epidemiology of Infectious Diseases		9

Code	Course NQF Credits	NQF Level
PPH7065S	Epidemiology of Non-communicable Diseases12	9
PPH7090S	Seminars in Epidemiology & Biostatistics	9
	Plus	
PPH9080W	Epidemiology & Biostatistics Minor Dissertation	9
	Total NQF credits	

#### Assessment overall

FMG24	(a)	Students are required to pass a minimum of eight courses and the
		dissertation to qualify for the degree;

- (b) Assessment of the coursework component (eight courses) involves a combination of assignments and a final examination per course. The examination makes up 50% of the coursework mark; while the assignments account for the remaining 50%. A pass mark of 50% is required overall, with a 45% subminimum for each of the examination and semester marks. The external examiner retains the discretion to amend the final mark based on assessment of the candidate's performance across the course (or course components) as a whole;
- (c) Students are required to develop a research proposal by the second semester of the first year. The dissertation accounts for 50% of total marks; while the coursework component accounts for the remaining 50% (assignments 25% and examination 25%); and
- (d) The dissertation will be marked by two examiners, both external to the University. The standard aimed for will be that of a manuscript publishable as a single paper in a peer-reviewed journal, supplemented by a literature review and policy brief. Publication is not a requirement.

## Progression

FMG25 Candidates may be allowed to repeat a course they have failed, at the discretion of the programme committee. No course may be repeated more than once. Where a candidate fails any compulsory course twice, or any three courses, a recommendation will be made to the Faculty Examinations Committee to refuse readmission (if a failed course is repeated and passed, it is still counted as one fail. Failing any elective twice will be counted as two courses failed. No supplementary examinations are offered.

# **MSc in Exercise & Sports Physiotherapy** [MM034AHS16][SAQA ID:100993]

#### **Convener:**

Associate Professor T Burgess (Division of Physiotherapy, Department of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences)

This is a degree by coursework and dissertation offered by the Division of Physiotherapy in the Department of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences and the MRC/UCT Research Unit for Exercise Science and Sports Medicine of the Department of Human Biology. The objectives of this programme are to provide a thorough understanding of the effects of physical activity, exercise and sports on the human body and mind, and to emphasise how this knowledge can be applied to the evidence-based management of common problems of physically active people and sportspersons of all ages and abilities; to develop knowledge and competence in the evidence-based assessment, prevention, treatment and rehabilitation of injuries arising from physical activity, exercise and activity, exercise and sports; to develop skills to promote physical health and wellness of inactive and active people; and to provide a thorough understanding of the role of the sports

physiotherapist in the multidisciplinary sports team to contribute to the enhancement of exercise and sports performance.

#### Admission requirements

FMG27 A candidate shall not be admitted to the programme unless they:

- (a) are a graduate in physiotherapy of the University or of any other university recognised by Senate for the purpose;
  - (b) are registered with the Health Professions Council of South Africa as a physiotherapist, or provide evidence of appropriate registration with an equivalent registering body outside of South Africa; and
  - (c) have provided satisfactory evidence of an interest in exercise and sports.

[Note: Preference will be given to applicants with at least two years' post-qualification clinical experience. Successful completion of either the Sports Physiotherapy (SPT1) certificate or the Orthopaedic Manual Therapy (OMT1) certificate is an advantage.]

## **Duration of programme**

FMG28 A candidate shall be registered for a minimum of three years, and a maximum period of five years of part-time study.

#### **Curriculum outline**

FMG29 The programme consists of taught courses and a dissertation. The two sections, Exercise Physiology and Exercise and Sports Physiotherapy, will be offered in alternate years. Research Methodology I and II are offered every year. The candidate is expected to attend three one-week modules in exercise physiology and research methods in the Exercise Physiology year of study; and four one-week modules in exercise and sports physiotherapy, integrated management of exercise and sports-related conditions and research methods in the Exercise and Sports Physiotherapy year of study. The candidate is also expected to attend examinations in October for the Exercise Physiology and Exercise and Sports Physiotherapy sections and Research Methodology I and II respectively. The courses are taught through lectures, tutorials, clinical case discussions, workshops, and self-study of prescribed readings and course materials. Candidates are expected to complete their dissertations in the third year of study.

#### FMG29.1 The prescribed courses are:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
AHS5032H	Research Methodology I		9
AHS5033W	Exercise and Sports Physiotherapy		9
AHS5051W	Research Methodology II		9
AHS5052W	Management of Exercise and Sports-Related Conditio	ns 12	9
HUB5010W	Exercise Physiology	48	9
AHS5034W	Exercise and Sports Physiotherapy Minor Dissertation	; or 60	9
HUB5012W	Exercise and Sports Physiotherapy Minor Dissertation	60	9
	Total NQF credits		

## Assessment

FMG30 A student who does not satisfactorily complete one of the courses may, with permission of the programme convener, be allowed to repeat that course the following year (for Research Methodology 1 and 2), or when the course is offered again in alternate years (for Exercise Physiology, Exercise and Sports Medicine, and Exercise and Sports Physiotherapy).

# Distinction

FMG31 The degree may be awarded with distinction if the student obtains an average mark of 75% for the coursework and the dissertation components, with no less than 70% for each component. All courses must be passed at first attempt.

# MSc in Nursing by dissertation

# **Programme Convener:**

Associate Professor S Clow (Department of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences)

SAQA ID: 59297

# **Admission requirements**

FMG32.1

To be eligible for consideration, a candidate shall:

- (a) have a four-year Bachelor's degree in Nursing and have achieved a minimum aggregate of 65% in the final year of the Bachelor's degree; or
- (b) have a qualification recognised by Senate as equivalent to the above; and
- (c) be registered with the South African Nursing Council (SANC) as a nurse and/or midwife if the dissertation has a clinical component. If an international applicant, registration with the SANC is required if the dissertation has a clinical component;
- (d) submit evidence of successful study in an approved postgraduate-level course in research methodology (or the equivalent) within the past three years. (Applicants who do not meet this requirement will be required to successfully complete a postgraduate-level course in research methodology before submission of the proposal for departmental review);
- (e) submit, with the application, a concept paper of the proposed research project, using the guidelines provided. This should be within the research focus areas of the Division of Nursing and Midwifery
- (f) have an approved level of basic computer literacy; and
- (g) show evidence of English literacy.

# MSc Nursing by coursework and dissertation

FMG32.2 To be eligible for consideration, a candidate shall:

- (a) have a four-year degree in nursing; or
- (b) a Postgraduate Diploma in Nursing, i.e., NQF level 8; and
- (c) have achieved a minimum aggregate of 65% in the final year of the Bachelor's degree or the Postgraduate Diploma in Nursing;
- (d) have a qualification recognised by Senate as equivalent to the above; and
- (e) be registered with the South African Nursing Council (SANC) as a nurse and or midwife if the dissertation has a clinical component. If an international applicant registration with the SANC is required if the dissertation has a clinical component; and
- (f) have an approved level of basic computer literacy; and
- (g) show evidence of English literacy.

In addition, the application should indicate the intended research topic, purpose, design, scope, and research setting. (The research topic should be within the research focus areas of the Division of Nursing & Midwifery)

# MSc Nursing by coursework and dissertation: alternative access through recognition of prior learning FMG32.3

The University allows a limited number of applicants to be admitted via this route: a registered nurse or midwife who does not meet the requirements in

FMG32.2 may be considered for admission through recognition of prior learning. Such a candidate:

- (a) shall have a four-year diploma in Nursing and Midwifery (preference will be given to applicants who have achieved at least an average of 70% in the final-year courses);
- (b) shall submit for evaluation a full portfolio of prior learning, a curriculum vitae and supporting letters of reference; and may, in addition, be required to:
  - i. attend an interview with the programme convener; and
  - ii. successfully complete a prerequisite learning course or courses before registering; and
- (c) maybe required to undergo an interview with the programme convener;
- (d) shall successfully complete a prerequisite learning course or courses before registering;
- (e) shall have an approved level of basic computer literacy; and
- (f) shall show evidence of English literacy.

In addition, the application should indicate the intended research topic, purpose, design, scope, and research setting.(The research topic should be within the research focus areas of the Division of Nursing & Midwifery)

# **Duration of programme**

FMG33

- (a) The degree must be completed in a minimum of two years full-time registration or a maximum of four years.
  - (b) A candidate who has not submitted the required dissertation within four years will not be permitted to register for another year unless the head of the Division recommends accordingly on grounds of satisfactory progress.

# Structure of MSc degree by coursework and dissertation

FMK3 The programme comprises coursework (courses must total a 90-credit weighting) plus a minor dissertation (90 credits) of a maximum of 25 000 words. Taught core courses provide the candidate with a base for critically examining nursing practice by achieving a sound understanding of the principles and methods of research and professional issues. Elective courses reflect the interests and areas of practice of individual candidates. The programme is constructed as follows:

# **MSc in Nursing by coursework and minor dissertation** [MM017AHS07][SAQA ID:116438]

#### **Convener:**

Associate Professor S Clow (Department of Health & Rehabilitation Sciences)

# FMK4 Obligatory core courses:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
AHS5014F	Research Methods (or equivalent)		9
AHS5022S	Theoretical Foundations of Nursing Practice		9

# Plus, elective courses:

Code	Course NQF Credits NQF Level
	Approved by the programme convener, may be taken from courses offered by the
	DHRS or other faculties/departments, where the student meets the required
	prerequisites and places are available.*

#### Plus:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
AHS5024W	Nursing Minor Dissertation	90	9
	Total NQF credits:		

# \*Examples of elective courses:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
AHS5018S	Research Methods II	15	9
PPH7053F	Public Health and Human Rights	12	9

# Assessment of MSc by coursework and dissertation

FMG34.1 Coursework: Essays, project reports and reflective journals all count towards assessment of taught courses. Each course is assessed in a manner appropriate to the course content and objectives.

*Minor Dissertation* (AHS5024W): The minor dissertation (25 000 words) is externally examined and must be passed with at least a 50% final mark. Students registered for the minor dissertation must obtain approval for their research study from the Faculty Human Research Ethics committee

- (a) The proposal for the minor dissertation study must be submitted for departmental review: and
  - in the case of full-time students, within six months of registration for the minor dissertation;
  - (ii) in the case of part-time students, within twelve months of registration for the minor dissertation
- (b) Students registered for the minor dissertation must obtain approval for their research study from the Faculty Human Research Ethics Committee before commencing the research.

To pass, a candidate must obtain an average of at least 50% for the coursework marks and a pass mark of at least 50% for the minor dissertation.

FMG34.2 The minimum requirement for re-registration is successful completion of 50% of courses for which registered in any given year.

# Distinction

FMG35 The degree shall be awarded with distinction where a candidate obtains an average mark of 75% for both components; and obtains at least 70% for each component.

# **MSc in Nursing by dissertation** [MM002AHS07]

# **Programme Convener:**

Associate Professor SE Clow

# Nursing by Dissertation

FMG36

- The dissertation of a maximum of 50 000 words constitutes the full weighting of the degree. See general rules for Master's Degree Studies in the relevant front section of this handbook;
- Students are required to have completed a postgraduate-level course in research methodology prior to submission of the research proposal for departmental review;
- c. The proposal for the dissertation must be submitted for departmental review:
  c. in the case of full-time students, within six months of registration;

FMG37 The curriculum is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
AHS5007W	Nursing Dissertation		9
	Total NQF credits	180	

# Ethics approval

FMG38 Students registered for the MSc in Nursing by dissertation must obtain approval for their research study from the Faculty Human Research Ethics committee before commencing the research.

# Due performance requirement

FMG39 In addition to supervision, at least 50% attendance at tutorials (offered at least six times per year) is required. The proposal for the minor dissertation study must be submitted for departmental review within six months of registration for the dissertation.

# Distinction

FMG40 The degree by dissertation may be awarded with distinction (75% - 100%).

# MSc IN OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY [MM005 and MM018]

**Programme Convener:** 

Associate Professor A Sonday (Department of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences)

#### SAQA ID: 3437

## **Admission requirements**

FMG41 Except by permission of Senate, a candidate must have a Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy or an approved equivalent. Candidates must have obtained an average of 65% in the final year of their undergraduate programme to be accepted for the MSc in Occupational Therapy by dissertation

# **Duration of programme**

FMG42

- (a) The MSc in Occupational Therapy degree by coursework (part time) is offered over two years, followed by a minor dissertation, and must be completed within five years of commencement of study. Not all courses are offered every year; some are offered every second year.
  - (b) The MSc by dissertation must be completed in a minimum period of one year full time and a maximum period of three years full time or five years part time.
  - (c) Individual courses for non-degree purposes may be taken, provided a maximum of two such courses are taken.

# **MSc in Occupational Therapy by coursework and dissertation** [MM018AHS09][SAQA ID:3437]

#### **Convener:**

Associate Professor A Sonday (Department of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences)

FMM3 This programme consists of six courses plus a minor dissertation. Three or four courses are offered per year (usually two per semester). The literature and emphasis of the coursework are updated annually to reflect national, regional, and international professional trends and developments. A focus on professional epistemology, axiology and ontology is offered with the intention of promoting critical professional reasoning and theorising. The combined content of the respective courses offers the student opportunities to consider the philosophy and practice of occupational therapy in the African context from multiple perspectives. An occupational science emphasis promotes rigorous engagement with the theory and assumptions underpinning core professional constructs and intervention approaches. The purpose of the programme is to develop critical thinkers at the forefront of the profession who are able to offer leadership in Africa towards contextually relevant practice and research.

## **Curriculum Outline:**

FMM4 The curriculum outline is as follows:

All students shall register for the following core courses:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
AHS5014F	Research Methods	15	9
AHS5015F	Human Occupation: Theory and Critique	15	9
AHS5016F	Occupational Therapy: Identities and Practices	15	9
AHS5018S	Research Methods II	15	9
AHS5011W	Occupational Therapy Minor Dissertation	90	9

## And shall choose another two courses based on their area of interest from the courses below:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
AHS5044S	Occupational Therapy in Primary Healthcare	15	9
AHS5045S	Occupation-based Community Development Practice	15	9
AHS4089F	Introduction to Disability as Diversity		8
	Total NQF credits:		

# DP requirement for MSc by coursework and dissertation

FMG43 Attendance of teaching commitments for all courses taken per semester. In exceptional circumstances, students will be permitted to miss a maximum of 10% of the lectures for a course with prior arrangement. Lectures are offered on a block release basis. Contact hours range between 36 and 40 hours per course.

# Assessment of MSc by coursework and dissertation

FMG44

- (a) Each course convener will determine the appropriate form of assessment in that course. Such assessments could consist of some combination of assignments a semester project, poster presentations, oral assessments, and a final examination. The examination carries 50% of the assessment weight. A pass mark of 50% is required for each course with a 40% subminimum for each of the assessments that contribute to the course marks.
- (b) No supplementary examinations are offered. A deferred examination may be granted where applicable e.g. on medical grounds.
- (c) Candidates may be allowed to repeat a course they have failed at the convener's discretion. No course may be repeated more than once.
- (d) A candidate failing a core course twice or who fails any two courses will be asked to withdraw from the programme.
- (e) The minor dissertation will be marked by two examiners both external to the University. A pass mark of 50% is required.

# **MSc in Occupational Therapy by dissertation** [M005AHS09]

#### **Convener:**

Associate Professor A Sonday (Department of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences)

## FMG45 The curriculum is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
AHS5027W	Occupational Therapy Dissertation		9
	Total NQF credits	180	

# **Recommendation for MSc by dissertation**

FMG46 It is recommended that students registering for the dissertation complete a postgraduate-level course in research methodology prior to submission of the research proposal or, at the latest, within the first six months following registration for the MSc.

# MSc IN PHYSIOTHERAPY [MM004AHS08][SAQA ID:113564]

## **Convener:**

Associate Professor N Naidoo (Department of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences)

# Admission requirements

FMG47

A candidate shall not be admitted to the programme unless they

- (a) are a graduate in physiotherapy of the University or of any other university recognised by Senate for the purpose;
- (b) are registered as a physiotherapist with the Health Professions Council of South Africa (or provides evidence of appropriate registration with an equivalent registering body outside of South Africa);
- have submitted a study synopsis of approximately 500 words outlining the proposed research; and
- (d) have achieved an average of 60% in the final year of their undergraduate programme.

# **Duration of programme**

FMG48 The MSc by dissertation must be completed in a minimum period of one year fulltime and a maximum period of three years full-time, or five years part-time.

# Curriculum

FMG49	The curriculum is as follows:		
Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
AHS5019W	Physiotherapy Dissertation		9
	Total NQF credits	180	

# Prerequisite and/or co-requisite

FMG50 Students registering for the dissertation are required to have completed a postgraduate-level course in research methodology and research ethics prior to the submission of the research proposal or, at the latest, within the first twelve months following registration for the MSc.

# **MASTER OF SCIENCE IN MEDICINE**

# **MSc (Medicine) by dissertation** [MM095][SAQA ID:3409]

**Programme Convener:** Varies according to specialisation

Specialisation	Qualification code	Academic plan code	Department	SAQA ID NUMBER
Anatomical Pathology	MM095	PTY20	Pathology	Awaited
Anatomy	MM095	HUB01	Human Biology	Awaited
Bioinformatics	MM095	IBS03	Integrative	Awaited
Diolinoimatics	1011095	10303	Biomedical Sciences	Awalteu
Biological	MM095	HUB03	Human Biology	Awaited
Anthropology				
Biomaterials	MM095	CHM19	Surgery	Awaited
Biomedical Sciences	MM095	HUB06	Human Biology	Awaited
Cardiothoracic Surgery	MM095	CHM01	Surgery	Awaited
Cardiovascular	MM095	CHM15	Surgery	Awaited
Biomechanics				
Cell Biology	MM095	HUB07	Human Biology	Awaited
Chemical Biology	MM095	IBS02	Integrative	Awaited
			Biomedical Sciences	
Chemical Pathology	MM095	PTY06	Pathology	Awaited
Clinical Pharmacology	MM095	MDN03	Medicine	Awaited
Clinical Science &	MM095	PTY05	Pathology	Awaited
Immunology				
Dietetics	MM095	HUB20	Human Biology	Awaited
Emergency Medicine	MM095	FCE02	Family, Community	Awaited
			and Emergency Care	
Exercise Science	MM095	HUB08	Human Biology	Awaited
Forensic Genetics	MM095	PTY02	Pathology	Awaited
Forensic Medical	MM095	PTY16	Pathology	Awaited
Microbiology				
Forensic Medicine	MM095	PTY26	Pathology	Awaited
Forensic Toxicology	MM095	PTY27	Pathology	Awaited
Genetic Counselling	MM095	PTY09	Pathology	Awaited
Global Surgery	MM095	CHM32	Surgery	Awaited
Haematology	MM095	PTY11	Pathology	Awaited
Health Science	MM095	HSE01	Health Science	Awaited
Education			Education	
Human Genetics	MM095	PTY12	Pathology	Awaited
Infection Management	MM095	CHM29	Surgery	Awaited
Mechanobiology	MM095	HUB30	Human Biology	Awaited
Medical Biochemistry	MM095	IBS04	Integrative	Awaited
			Biomedical Sciences	
Medical Cell Biology	MM095	HUB07	Human Biology	Awaited
Medical Microbiology	MM095	PTY16	Pathology	Awaited
Medical Physics	MM095	RAY02	Radiation Medicine	Awaited
Medical Virology	MM095	PTY17	Pathology	Awaited
Medicine	MM095	MDN12	Medicine	Awaited
Molecular Forensics	MM095	PTY04	Pathology	Awaited
Musculoskeletal	MM095	CHM27	Surgery	Awaited
Science	10 (005			
Nephrology	MM095	MDN13	Medicine	Awaited
Neuroscience	MM095	MDN31	Medicine	Awaited
(Medicine)				

The MSc(Medicine) by dissertation is offered in a large range of disciplines:
#### 180 RULES AND CURRICULA FOR POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

Neuroscience	MM095	CHM16	Surgery	Awaited
(Neurosurgery) Neuroscience	MM095	PED24	Paediatrics	Awaited
(Paediatrics)				
Neuroscience	MM095	HUB32	Human Biology	Awaited
(Physiology) Neuroscience	MM095	CHM16	Psychiatry & Mental	Awaited
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Obstetrics &	MM095	OBS03	Obstetrics &	Awaited
Gynaecology			Gynaecology	
Otorhinolaryngology	MM095	CHM04	Surgery	Awaited
Paediatrics	MM095	PED11	Paediatrics & Child Health	Awaited
Physiology	MM095	HUB13	Human Biology	Awaited
Psychiatry	MM095	PRY09	Psychiatry & Mental Health	Awaited
Public Health	MM095	PPH07	Public Health	Awaited
Radiobiology	MM095	RAY05	Radiation Medicine	Awaited
Radiotherapy	MM095	RAY07	Radiation Medicine	Awaited
Sports Injuries	MM095	CHM30	Surgery	Awaited
Surgery	MM095	CHM10	Surgery	Awaited
Trauma Science	MM095	CHM28	Surgery	Awaited
Trichology & Cosmetic	MM095	MDN25	Medicine	Awaited
Science				
Urology	MM095	CHM12	Surgery	Awaited

#### NQF credits: 180 at HEQSF level 9

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. The dissertation is externally examined.

## Admission requirements

FMH1

A person shall not be admitted as a candidate for the degree programme unless:

- they hold a Bachelor of Medical Science Honours degree of the Faculty; or
- (b) they hold a qualification deemed by Senate to be equivalent; or
- (c) they have in any other manner attained a level of competence which in the opinion of Senate is adequate for the purpose of admission as a candidate for the degree; or
- (d) they have satisfied Senate that he/she has the necessary background and training to undertake an approved programme of work for the degree of master in the Faculty.

## **Duration of programme**

FMH2 A candidate shall not be awarded the degree unless they have been registered for at least one academic year.

## Pre- and co-requisites

FMH3 Candidates registered for an MSc(Medicine) specialising in Exercise Science who have not completed the BMedScHons in Exercise Science will be required successfully to complete the following components of the BMedScHons in Exercise Science: a six-month coursework component for the first half of each year of registration; four class tests; and the laboratory practicals, including a Science elective.

## Assessment

- FMH4.1 A candidate who is required to do coursework must pass each coursework component as well as the full dissertation with at least 50%.
- FMH4.2 The examiners may, in addition, require a candidate to present himself/herself for an oral examination.

## Progression

FMH5

A candidate may be refused readmission if they, if registered for an MSc (Medicine) specializing in Emergency Medicine:

- (a) have not submitted, by the beginning of the second academic year of study, an initial, abbreviated dissertation proposal in terms of the guidelines for the programme;
- (b) have not submitted a final research proposal by the beginning of the third year of study since first registration for the degree;
- (c) have had a dissertation proposal rejected three times by the Emergency Medicine Research Committee (EMDRC) as a result of his/her not following the recommendations of the Committee and/ or those of the internal (Divisional) supervisor; and/or
- (d) have not completed the required dissertation within five years of first registration for the degree.

# PROFESSIONAL MASTER'S DEGREES

# Master of Chemicals Risk Management [MM037PPH19][SAQA ID:117985]

## **Programme Convener:**

Professor HA Rother

#### Admission requirements

- FMI1 (a) Four-year undergraduate degree or a relevant postgraduate diploma. Since chemicals management is an eclectic field and incorporates a broad range of disciplines (e.g., chemistry, science, toxicology, public health, medicine, environmental sciences, agriculture, biology, political science, economics, sociology, anthropology, psychology) and therefore a broad range of four-year degrees will be accepted depending on the experience the applicant has had with chemicals.
  - (b) Demonstrated proficiency in written and spoken English (TOEFL, or equivalent, required where appropriate).
  - (c) Proven ability to write technical reports and assessments;
  - (d) Demonstrated numeracy skills.
  - (e) For applicants who have completed courses in UCTs postgraduate diploma in Pesticide Risk Management (DPRM; MG021), a GPA of 65% and at least 60% per course. At least 65% GPA must have been achieved for two of the following three courses: PPH4033F (Pesticide Risk Management), PPH4041S (International Chemicals Management Agreements) and PPH4034S (Pesticide Toxicology).

#### Structure and duration

- FMI2 (a) Structure: The programme consists of specialised coursework (7 courses; 108 credits), a situational analysis research task (30 credits) and a master's project (42 credits). Three courses are completed under UCTs postgraduate diploma in Pesticide Risk Management (20 credits each at NQF Level 8).
  - (b) Duration: Duration: This blended programme is offered as a two-year, parttime, flexible learning programme with a substantial distance-learning component, using internet-based education technology. Attendance at a twoweek teaching block at the beginning of the programme is mandatory. Students will be required to be in weekly electronic contact with lecturers and conveners. Students may not be registered beyond three years.

#### Curriculum

FMI3 Students with a UCT postgraduate diploma degree in Pesticide Risk Management (DPRM; MG021) may apply for credit and exemption for the following courses PPH4033F; PPH4034S; PPH4041S. A GPA of 65% and at least 60% per course must have been achieved.

## The curriculum is as follows:

Code	Course	NQF Credits NQF	Level
PPH4033F	Pesticide Risk Management	20	8
PPH4034S	Pesticide Toxicology	20	8
PPH4041S	International Chemical Management Agreements	20	8
PPH6032R	Research Literacies		9
PPH6033R	Risk Communication and Policy Brief Development.		9
PPH6034Q	Situation Analysis Research Task		9
PPH6035Q/R	Core Course in Chemical Risk Management		9
PPH6036R	Chemical Risk Assessment for Managers		9
PPH6037Q/R	Professional Master's Project		9
	Total NQF credits:		

#### **Overall assessment**

FMI4 (a) The course marks for Courses 1-7 will be comprised of:

- 60% Semester assignments consisting of discussion exercises, assessment of participation in bi-monthly web-based discussion seminars and ,online quizzes;
- □ 40% final assignment consisting of a policy brief, policy analysis report or critical review.
- □ Students must obtain a sub-minimum of 45% GPA for the semester continuous assessments (discussion exercises, pesticide discussion forum, chemical network discussion participation, online quizzes, and assignments) to be allowed to write the final assignment.;
- (b) A pass mark of 50% is required overall. Students who obtain 45% 49% for their course mark will be given an opportunity to revise and resubmit the final assignment for reassessment before the final mark is submitted to the Faculty Examinations Committee for approval.

The resubmitted final assignment will receive a maximum of 50%;

- (c) Online assessments are managed through the UCT's online learning platform. Each assignment and exercise have a deadline and submission date and time (penalties apply as described in the course outline);
- (d) Online quizzes are timed once opened and students are given a week to open the quiz on to fit into their work schedule and time zone.
- (e) The situational analysis research task (PPH6034Q) and independent implementation master's project (PPH6037Q/R) will have one final mark each.

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A milestone and rubric will be provided to students which will consist of marks for completed milestones that will form the final mark.

#### **Progression rules**

- FMI5 A student who fails to meet the following minimum requirements may be refused permission to renew their registration for the programme
  - (a) In each year of study, the student shall pass, with a minimum of 50%, at least half of the courses registered, with the exception of the final year of study, in which the

student will be expected to complete the requirements for the masters;

- (b) Students will be allowed to repeat a course they have failed once. Where a candidate fails any course twice, or fails more than one course, a recommendation will be made to the Faculty Examinations Committee to refuse readmission;
- A student must be able to complete all requirements for the master's within three years;
- (d) Students are required to complete and pass by 50% the three DPRM, NQF level 8, courses in the first year to proceed to the NQF 9 courses (i.e., PPH4033F, PPH4034S, and PPH4041S).
- (e) Students need to complete and pass by 50% the Research Literacies course (PPH6032R), which is completed in year one of the programme, before they can register for the Situational Analysis Task course (PPH6034Q which is in year two
- (f) Students need to pass by 50% the Risk Communication and Policy brief course (PPH6033Q) prior to registering for the Masters project (PPH6037Q/R).
- FMF16 The Master's degree will be awarded with distinctions to candidates who average 75% or above for all courses, with not less than 70% for any course, subject to all courses being passed during the first attempt.

[Note: Students who have successfully graduated and hold a postgraduate diploma in Pesticide Risk Management (DPRM; MG021) from UCT, will be eligible to apply for exemption through credit accumulation and transfer of the courses completed that are required for the professional master's (i.e., PPH4033F/S; PPH4034F/S; PPH4041F/S). They must have achieved at least 65% for two of these courses.

# Master of Nursing in Child Nursing [MM035][SAQA ID:102148]

#### **Convener:**

Associate Professor M Coetzee

## **Admission requirements**

FMI7.1 Master of Nursing in Child Nursing. To be eligible for consideration, a candidate shall:

- (a) have a four-year degree in Nursing;
- (b) have a qualification recognised by Senate as equivalent to above;
- have achieved a minimum aggregate of 70% in an approved postgraduate diploma in nursing at HEQSF level;
- (d) be registered with the South African Nursing Council (SANC) as a general and specialist nurse;

- have at least two years' clinical nursing experience in child nursing post-SANC registration;
- (f) if an international applicant, submit proof of registration as a general nurse and paediatric nurse within their home countries. Registration with the SANC is required for any programme which has a clinical learning component;
- (g) have an approved level of basic computer literacy
- (h) provide evidence of English literacy.

Note: The University's diversity in admissions policy is applied to South Africans in respect to designated groups. South Africans have an advantage, with a proportion of SADC applicants, thereafter applicants from Africa, non-SADC, and other international applicants.

- FMI7.2 Alternative access through recognition of prior learning. The University allows 10% of applicants to be admitted via this route: a registered nurse or midwife who does not meet the requirements in FMP1.1 may be considered for admission through recognition of prior learning. Such candidates:
  - (a) shall have a four-year diploma in Nursing and Midwifery;
  - (b) shall have at least a postgraduate diploma in Nursing at HEQSF level 8 with a minimum aggregate of 70% for the postgraduate diploma in Nursing;
  - (c) shall submit for evaluation a full portfolio of prior learning, a curriculum vitae and supporting letters of reference; and may, in addition, be required to
  - (d) be registered with the South African Nursing Council (SANC) as a general and specialist nurse
  - have at least two years' clinical nursing experience in child Nursing post-SANC registration;
  - (f) if an international applicant, submit proof of registration as a general nurse and paediatric nurse within their home countries. Registration with the SANC is required for any programme which has a clinical learning component;
  - (g) (e)(g) shall have an approved level of basic computer literacy; shall show evidence of English literacy; and
  - shall successfully have completed a prerequisite learning course or(h) courses before being allowed to register.
  - (i) Note: May be required to undergo an interview with the programme convener:

## **Duration of programme**

FMI8 The Master of Nursing in Child Nursing programme must be completed within a minimum of two years full-time registration or a maximum of four years.

## Structure of Master of Nursing in Child Nursing degree

FMI9 This is a Professional Master's programme structured to prepare specialist clinician nurses in paediatric disciplines. It includes a significant attachment to a clinical subspecialist team and significant clinical responsibilities in clinical services. The programme includes coursework (4 courses with a total of 135 credit weighting) and research-related independent study (45 credits). Taught courses are designed to enable students to explore and develop advanced specialist nursing practice in local contexts and will be aligned to additional interdisciplinary clinical teaching, and learning. Advanced specialist nursing practice requires a complex and integrated knowledge base; an understanding of discipline-specific theory, clinical research and

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methods; and the ability to deal with complex issues in the real world context of a reengineered Health Service in South Africa. This level of practice also requires the ability to retrieve, interpret and manage complex and disparate data, and link this intentionally to clinical practice settings to ensure continuity of care, anticipate risk and improve health outcomes. The programme design is geared to these and the development of skills, competencies, critical thinking, moral decision making and clinical leadership to this level.

#### FMI10 The curriculum outline is as follows - Year 1 courses:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
AHS5050W	Clinical Research		9
AHS5047W	Clinical Leadership		9
AHS5049W	Advanced Child Nursing Practice A	35	9

## Year 2 courses:

Code	Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
AHS5048W	Advanced Child Nursing Practice B	40	9
AHS5046W	Independent Study Project	45	9
	Total NQF credits:		

#### Assessment

FMI11 Coursework: Formative assessment for all courses. Portfolio of evidence – intentionally designed to capture this learning. Summative assessment for: Advanced Child Nursing Practice B – Practical examination at end of year 2. Summative assessment for independent learning/research component – literature search and of current evidence: to develop a locally usable best practice guideline.

## Distinction

FMI12 The degree shall be awarded with distinction where a candidate obtains an overall average mark of 75% with at least 70% for each course.

## Master of Paediatric Neurosurgery (in abeyance) [MM036CHM27][SAQA ID:102149]

#### **Convener:**

Professor AG Fieggen (Division of Neurosurgery, Department of Surgery)

#### Admission requirements

FMI13.1 Four years, including research and completion of the dissertation.

#### FMI13.2 To be eligible for consideration a candidate must have:

- (a) a specialist qualification in neurosurgery registered with the HPCSA; and
- (b) demonstrated a particular interest in and commitment to paediatric neurosurgery, either through attendance of relevant courses and workshops or appropriate journal publications.

#### **DP** requirements

FMI14 Completion of each course module with a minimum pass mark of 50%. Completion of appropriate clinical and theatre case logbook. Submission of the research component may be made once the clinical coursework has been successfully completed.

#### Assessment

FMI15 Ongoing clinical assessment of performance through regular and interactive supervision sessions. Written and oral examinations will be undertaken during each course.

#### **Duration of training**

FMI16 All candidates shall be registered for a minimum of two years.

#### Curriculum outline

FMI17 The curriculu	m outline is as follows:	
Code Course	NQF Credits	NQF Level
CHM6036W Basic A	natomy & Physiology in Paediatric Neurosurgery	9
CHM6037W Manage	ement of Clinical Conditions in Paediatric Neurosurgery . 45	9
CHM6038W Surgical	1 & Critical Care Management in Paediatric Neurosurgery40	9
CHM6039W Final In	tegrated Clinical Examination0	9
CHM6040W Researc	h Report	9
Total N	QF credits	

## Master of Neuroscience [MM194CHM16]

#### **Programme Convener:**

Dr Melike Fourie

#### Admission requirements

To be eligible for consideration for admission, a candidate shall:

- FMI18 (a) Hold an approved honours or 4-year degree (NQF Level 8 qualification) in a relevant discipline including, but not limited to, Health Sciences, Psychology and Social Sciences, Engineering, Computer Science, Mathematics, Physics, and Philosophy;
  - (b) Hold a qualification recognised by Senate as equivalent to the above;
  - (c) Have achieved a final mark of 65% or more in their prior qualification;
  - (d) Supply evidence of written and spoken English literacy, as English is the primary medium of instruction and administration at UCT;
  - (e) Be required to submit for evaluation a portfolio demonstrating their prior knowledge and interest in the field of neuroscience.

#### Structure and duration

- FMI19 (a) This is a one-year, full-time research Master's degree by coursework and dissertation, with an option of part-time completion over two years. The programme is structured with a minimum of 120 credits of relevant coursework to prepare graduates for advanced professional work in a range of neuroscience-related fields. It further includes a 60-credit research project (minor dissertation) that will be conducted alongside the proscribed coursework under the guidance of a suitable supervisor. The research project should be submitted in the format of a draft manuscript ready for journal submission (max word count ≤ 20000).
  - (b) The coursework will be offered in the classroom and laboratory via a combination of lectures, specialist/guest seminars, clinical case demonstrations, group discussions, and practical assignments.

Curriculum			
FMI20			
The curriculum is	s as follows:		
Code	Course NQF C	Credits	NQF Level
HUB5036F	Molecular and Cellular neuroscience	12	9
PRY6501F	Clinical Applications in Neuroscience	12	9
CHM6047F	Social and Behavioural Neuroscience	10	9
PTY6025F/S	Bioinformatics Programming with Python	20	9
MAM5017S	Introduction to Machine Learning for Neuroscientists	12	9
MDN5010F	Interrogating the Landscape of Global Health Ethics		9
PSY5028W	Clinical Neuroanatomy, Neuropathology and Neuroimaging	24	9
PPH6036R	Chemical Risk Assessment for Managers	12	9
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PLUS	One of the following		
CHM6049W	Master of Neuroscience: Minor Dissertation OR	60	9
HUB5038W	Master of Neuroscience: Minor Dissertation OR	60	9
MDN5009W	Master of Neuroscience: Minor Dissertation OR	60	9
PRY6502W	Master of Neuroscience: Minor Dissertation OR	60	9
PED6006W	Master of Neuroscience: Minor Dissertation OR	60	9
MAM5018W	Master of Neuroscience: Minor Dissertation OR	60	9
CSC5043W	Master of Neuroscience: Minor Dissertation OR	60	9
PHY5009W	Master of Neuroscience: Minor Dissertation OR	60	9
PSY5034W	Master of Neuroscience: Minor Dissertation OR	60	9
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Electives	Choose 1 of the following		
MDN5008S	Intro to Processing and Interpreting Human Genomic Data	14	9
	Total NQF credits:		

#### **Overall assessment**

Curriculum

Assessment is both formative and summative. A high degree of self-study is required and all students are expected to prepare the relevant sections ahead of each lecture.

#### **Progression rules**

- FMI22 Students must pass each of the compulsory courses and one elective course (with 50% or more), as well as the research project (with 50% or more), in order to graduate. Students cannot repeat any course more than once
  - (a) Students unable to complete the degree in one academic year will be allowed to do it part-time over two and a maximum of three years. Such students will have to complete a minimum of 80 credits per year, and will have to take the (i) Neuroanatomy and Neuropathology and (ii) Bioinformatics Programming with Python courses in year one to lay the foundation for the other courses.
  - (b) In each year of study, the student shall pass, with a minimum of 50%, at least half of the courses registered, with the exception of the final year of study, in which the

student will be expected to complete the requirements for the masters;

- (c) Students will be allowed to repeat a course they have failed once. Where a candidate fails any course twice, or fails more than one course, a recommendation will be made to the Faculty Examinations Committee to refuse readmission;
- (d) A student must be able to complete all requirements for the master's within three years;
- **FMF23** The degree may be awarded with distinction (75% 100% average with not less than 70% for any course). All courses must be passed at first attempt.

# **DOCTORAL DEGREES**

# **DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY**

[Degree code: MD001]

This is a degree by full thesis. Rules for this degree are published in Handbook No 3 of the series. PhD degrees are offered in a large range of disciplines, namely:

Specialisation	Qualification	Academic	Department	SAQA ID
	Code	Plan Code		
Anaesthesia	MD001	AAE01	Anaesthesia & Perioperative Medicine	Awaited
Anatomical Pathology	MD001	PTY20	Pathology	Awaited
Anatomy	MD001	HUB01	Human Biology	Awaited
Anatomy & Cell	MD001	HUB02	Human Biology	Awaited
Biology				
Audiology	MD001	AHS02	Health & Rehabilitation Sciences	Awaited
Bioinformatics	MD001	IBS03	Integrative Biomedical Sciences	Awaited
Biological	MD001	HUB03	Human Biology	Awaited
Anthropology	MD001	110205	Human Biology	1 i walica
Biomaterials	MD001	CHM19	Surgery	Awaited
Biomedical	MD001 MD001	HUB05	Human Biology	Awaited
Engineering	MD001	110200	Human Biology	1 i wantea
Biomedical Forensic	MD001	PTY25	Pathology	Awaited
Science	1112 001	11120	1 uniology	
Cardiothoracic	MD001	CHM01	Surgery	Awaited
Surgery			89	
Cardiovascular	MD001	CHM15	Surgery	Awaited
Biomechanics			5	
Cell Biology	MD001	HUB07	Human Biology	Awaited
Chemical Biology	MD001	IBS02	Integrative Biomedical	Awaited
			Sciences	
Chemical Pathology	MD001	PTY06	Pathology	Awaited
Clinical	MD001	MDN03	Medicine	Awaited
Pharmacology				
Clinical Science &	MD001	PTY05	Pathology	Awaited
Immunology				
Computational Health	MD001	PTY31	Pathology	Awaited
Informatics				
Dermatology	MD001	MDN04	Medicine	Awaited
Dietetics	MD001	HUB20	Human Biology	Awaited
Disability Studies	MD001	AHS06	Health & Rehabilitation Sciences	Awaited
Emergency Medicine	MD001	CHM02	Surgery	Awaited
Exercise Science	MD001	HUB08	Human Biology	Awaited
Family Medicine	MD001	FCE09	Public Health & Family Medicine	Awaited
Forensic Genetics	MD001	PTY02	Pathology	Awaited
Forensic Medicine	MD001	PTY26	Pathology	Awaited
Forensic Pathology	MD001	PTY07	Pathology	Awaited
Forensic Toxicology	MD001	PTY27	Pathology	Awaited
Genetic Counselling	MD001	PTY09	Pathology	Awaited

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Global Surgery	MD001	CHM32	Surgery	Awaited
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Haematology	MD001	PTY11	Pathology	Awaited
Health Communication	MD001	PED17	Paediatrics & Child Health	Awaited
Health Innovation	MD001	HUB11	Human Biology	Awaited
Health Sciences	MD001	HSE01	Health Sciences	Awaited
Education			Education	
Healthcare	MD001	HUB10	Human Biology	Awaited
Technology				
Management				
Human Genetics	MD001	PTY12	Pathology	Awaited
Maternal & Child	MD001	PED02	Paediatrics & Child	Awaited
Health			Health	
Mechanobiology	MD001	HUB30	Human Biology	Awaited
Medical Biochemistry	MD001	IBS04	Integrative Biomedical	Awaited
			Sciences	
Medical Cell Biology	MD001	HUB07	Human Biology	Awaited
Medical	MD001	PTY16	Pathology	Awaited
Microbiology				
Medical Physics	MD001	RAY02	Radiation Medicine	Awaited
Medical Virology	MD001	PTY17	Pathology	Awaited
Medicine	MD001	MDN12	Medicine	Awaited
Nephrology	MD001	MDN13	Medicine	Awaited
Neuropsychiatry	MD001	PRY08	Psychiatry & Mental	Awaited
			Health	
Neuroscience	MD001	MDN31	Medicine	Awaited
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Neuroscience	MD001	CHM16	Surgery	Awaited
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Neuroscience	MD001	PED24	Paediatrics & Child	Awaited
(Paediatrics) Neuroscience	MD001	11111222	Health	A
(Physiology)	MD001	HUB32	Human Biology	Awaited
Neuroscience	MD001	PRY13	Parahiatry & Mantal	Awaited
(Psychiatry)	IVID001	FKIIS	Psychiatry & Mental Health	Awalleu
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Nuclear Medicine	MD001 MD001	RAY02	Radiation Medicine	Awaited
Nursing	MD001 MD001	AHS07	Health & Rehabilitation	Awaited
Traising	MID001	/ HIBO/	Sciences	Tivanea
Nutrition	MD001	HUB21	Human Biology	Awaited
Obstetrics &	MD001	OBS03	Obstetrics &	Awaited
Gynaecology			Gynaecology	
Occupational Therapy	MD001	AHS09	Health & Rehabilitation	Awaited
			Sciences	
Ophthalmology	MD001	CHM08	Surgery	Awaited
Orthopaedic Surgery	MD001	CHM06	Surgery	Awaited
Otorhinolaryngology	MD001	CHM07	Surgery	Awaited
Paediatrics	MD001	PED11	Paediatrics & Child	Awaited
			Health	
Pain Neuroscience	MD001	AAE04	Anaesthesia &	Awaited
(Anaesthesia)			Perioperative Medicine	
Physiology	MD001	HUB13	Human Biology	Awaited

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Physiotherapy	MD001	AHS08	Health & Rehabilitation Sciences	Awaited
Plastic &	MD001	CHM09	Surgery	Awaited
Reconstructive Surgery				
Psychiatry	MD001	PRY09	Psychiatry & Mental Health	Awaited
Public Health	MD001	PPH07	Public Health & Family Medicine	Awaited
Radiology	MD001	RAY06	Radiation Medicine	Awaited
Radiotherapy	MD001	RAY07	Radiation Medicine	Awaited
Speech-Language	MD001	AHS10	Health & Rehabilitation	Awaited
Pathology			Sciences	
Sports & Exercise	MD001	FCE003	Family, Community and	Awaited
(Medicine)			Emergency Care	
Surgery	MD001	CHM10	Surgery	Awaited
Trichology &	MD001	MDN25	Medicine	Awaited
Cosmetic Science				
Urology	MD001	CHM12	Surgery	Awaited

#### NQF credits: 360 at HEQSF level 10

**Course outline**: This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-specialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing. **Assessment:** The thesis is examined by three examiners external to the university.

#### FDA1.1 To be eligible for admission an applicant must

- have a relevant master's qualification or equivalent in postgraduate study related to Disability Studies, Health, Rehabilitation, or Education and Development as recognised by Senate;
- b. have obtained at least 60% at a master's level to be eligible for admission to the PhD programme;
- c. have obtained a mark of at least 60% in a relevant research methods course.

[Note: Students may be advised to complete some of the courses of the PG Diploma in Disability Studies or master's coursework in the Department or Faculty, if deemed necessary as a prerequisite for the PhD]

## **Duration of programme: PhD in Disability Studies**

FDA1.2 a. A student shall be registered for at least two years of full-time or five years of parttime study.

b. The student is required to attend contact sessions and spend the equivalent of at least one a month per year in Cape Town.

c. The student is required to present their progress to DHRS PG committee's request division annually during their studies.

#### Progression and assessment: PhD in Disability Studies

FDA1.3 Doctoral students will only be accepted in the research focus areas of the staff in the Division of Disability Studies, except where a student may have a primary supervisor in Department of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences and a co-supervisor from another department or faculty;

Doctoral students are required to complete their proposals in the first year of registration, unless an alternative agreement is made with the Programme convener; The student will submit a research thesis consisting of no more than 80 000 words. The thesis is examined by three international external examiners.

[Note: Students need to be aware that funding their studies over the full period of their research will be their responsibility, with guidance and help from their supervisors.]

### Prerequisites or co-requisites

FDA2 Candidates admitted to a PhD in Exercise Science who have not completed the BMedSc (Hons) in Exercise Science at UCT will be required to complete and pass the coursework component of the honours programme during the first year of registration. Candidates admitted to a PhD in Disability Studies, or a PhD in Nursing may be required to attend a research methods or critical research literacy course as a pre- or co-requisite. Candidates admitted to a PhD in Public Health or Family Medicine may be required to audit a specified pre- or co-requisite course or courses aimed at building their skills to undertake doctoral research. (Details will be included in the Memoranda of Understanding of individual students.)

#### Approval of research proposal: PhD in Public Health or Family Medicine

FDA3 Approval of a research proposal by candidates registered for a PhD in Public Health or Family Medicine shall be subject to the following. Once the proposal has been developed to the satisfaction of the supervisors, the candidate will be required to present the proposal at a departmental seminar to a committee of three assessors. Using a structured template and process, the assessors will agree on a score ranging from A-D, as described below: A: The proposal is ready for submission to the Doctoral Degrees Board; B: The proposal requires minor revisions which can be overseen by the supervisors; C: The proposal requires major revisions and reassessment by the three assessors; D: The proposal is not worthy of doctoral research.

These scores shall be interpreted as follows:

- □ Score of A or B (first or second assessment): with the support of the supervisor(s) the candidate submits his/her proposal to the Doctoral Degrees Board and continues with doctoral research.
- □ Score of C (first assessment): with the support of the supervisor(s), the candidate works to complete the major changes on the proposal and undergoes a second assessment. The candidate may also be asked to present at a second assessment seminar.
- □ Score of C (second assessment): the candidate is required to terminate his/her registration for the doctorate but may be permitted to continue with an MScMed by dissertation.
- □ Score of D (first and/or second assessment): the candidate is required to terminate his/her registration for the doctorate but may be permitted to continue with an MScMed by dissertation.

#### **Progression: PhD in Public Health or Family Medicine**

FDA4 Except by permission of the Senate, a candidate registered for a PhD in Family Medicine or Public Health may be refused readmission if they:

- have not been ready to undergo (i) a first assessment of their doctoral proposal at a departmental seminar within 12 months of first registration, or (ii) a second assessment (which may or may not be required for presentation at a departmental seminar) within 18 months of first registration;
- have failed to obtain approval by the UCT Human Research Ethics Committee (HREC) of the research proposal within 24 months of first registration;
- have not by a specified due date audited the specified pre- or co-requisite course/s aimed at building sufficient skills to undertake doctoral research;
- d. have failed to make satisfactory progress for two consecutive years; and/or
- e. have failed to complete their thesis within five years of first registration for the degree.

## PhD in Computational Health Informatics

FDA5

## Admission criteria

FDA5.1 To be eligible for admission, an applicant must:

- (a) have a relevant master's qualification or equivalent in a master's degree equivalent to MSc in Computational Health Informatics, or related master's degree in Bioinformatics, Public Health, Computer sciences, Biostatistics, Population Genetics and Genetics Epidemiology at NQF level 9, as recognized by Senate;
- (b) have obtained an average of at least 60% at master's level to be eligible for admission to the PhD programme;
- (c) have obtained a mark of at least 60% in a relevant research methods course.

## Structure and duration

FDA5.2 (a) This is a full-time programme, comprising research and internship in industry. The duration of the programme is three years. The PhD is a research degree under supervision of an appointed supervisor. The PhD thesis is examined by three examiners external to the university.

> (b) The thesis must consist of the original work of the candidate or published work pertinent to their PhD research, with such acknowledged extracts from the work of others as may be pertinent. The candidate shall declare the extent to which it represents their own work, both in concept and in execution.

## **Progression rules**

Except by permission of the Senate, a candidate registered for a PhD in Computational Health Informatics may be refused readmission if they:

- FDA5.3 (a) Except by permission of the Senate, a candidate registered for a PhD in Computational Health Informatics may be refused readmission if they:
  - (i) a first assessment of their doctoral proposal at a departmental seminar within 12 months of first registration, or
  - a second assessment (which may or may not be required for presentation at departmental seminar) within 18 months of first registration;
  - (b) have failed to obtain approval by the UCT Human Research Ethics Committee (HREC) of the research proposal within 24 months of first registration;
  - have not by a specified due date audited the specified pre- or co-requisite course/s aimed at building sufficient skills to undertake doctoral research;
  - (d) have failed to make satisfactory progress for two consecutive years; and/or
  - (e) have failed to complete their thesis within five years of first registration for the degree.

## PhD in Sports and Exercise Medicine

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Curriculum outline Code Course NOF Credits NOF Level FCE7015W Sports & Exercise Medicine (Thesis) 360 10 Admission criteria FDA6.1 To be eligible for admission. applicant must: an (a) MBChB together with MSc or MPhil in Sports & Exercise Medicine or MMed in Sports & Exercise Medicine. Structure and duration FDA6.2 (a) This is a full-time programme, comprising research. The duration of the programme is typically three years. The PhD is a research degree under supervision of an appointed supervisor. The PhD thesis is examined by three examiners external to the university. (b) The thesis must consist of the original work of the candidate or published work pertinent to their PhD research, with such acknowledged extracts from the work of others as may be pertinent. The candidate shall declare the extent to which it represents their own work, both in concept and in execution. Assessment Overall FDA6.3 (a) The thesis is examined by three examiners external to the university. Progression rules Except by permission of the Senate, a candidate registered for a PhD in Sports and Exercise Medicine refused readmission if mav be thev: FDA6.4 (a) have not been readv undergo to (i) a first assessment of their doctoral proposal at a department seminar within 12 months of first registration, or (ii) a second assessment (which may or may not be required for presentation at a departmental seminar) within 18 months registration: of first (b) have failed to obtain approval by the UCT Human Research Ethics Committee (HREC) of the research proposal within 24 months of first registration: (c) have failed to make satisfactory progress for two consecutive years; and/or have failed to

## **DOCTOR OF MEDICINE**

[Qualification code: MD002. Qualification/Programme ID (SAQA ID) is pending.]

complete their thesis within five years of first registration for the degree.

This is a doctoral degree by thesis. The degree of Doctor of Medicine (MD) is offered in a range of disciplines, including Anaesthesia, Cardiology, Cardiothoracic Surgery, Emergency Medicine, Medicine, Neurosurgery, Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Orthopaedic Surgery, Otorhinolaryngology, Paediatrics, Pathology, Physiology, Psychiatry, and Surgery.

## NQF credits: 360 at HEQSF level 10

**Course outline**: This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-specialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing. **Assessment:** The thesis is examined by three examiners external to the university.

## Admission requirements

FDB1 The degree of Doctor of Medicine may be conferred on graduates in medicine of any university, or on the holders of an equivalent qualification recognised by Senate for the purpose, provided that graduates of universities other than the University of Cape Town shall have performed at the University of Cape Town the work which is the subject of the thesis.

## **Required period of registration**

FDB2 Every candidate must be registered for at least two academic years. Retrospective registration will not be allowed.

## Supervision

FDB3 A candidate shall undertake doctoral research and such advanced study as may be required, under the guidance of a supervisor or supervisors appointed by Senate.

## Structure of programme

- FDB4.1 This is a degree by thesis.
  - NQF credits: 360 at HEQSF level 10

The thesis may not be more than 80 000 words in length, unless the Dean (acting after consultation with the supervisor) has approved a request by the candidate to exceed this word limit. Where the Dean allows a longer thesis, they may stipulate a maximum number of words for the thesis.

## FDB4.2 Every candidate for the degree of Doctor of Medicine must submit:

- (a) evidence of meeting the requirements above; and
- (b) a statement of about 500 words indicating the purpose, design, and content of the proposed thesis on any branch of knowledge included in the second or any subsequent year of the curriculum for the degree of Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBChB).
- FDB4.3 Candidates are required to submit the thesis online via PeopleSoft. It must be accompanied by the following: an abstract; and IP assessment; a written provision, signed by the candidate, allowing the University to reproduce for the purpose of research either the whole or a portion of the contents in any manner whatsoever (this includes the provision for the University to place the thesis on the Worldwide Web; the onus is therefore on the candidate to deal with any copyright, should any part of the thesis have been published in a journal prior to submission).
- FDB4.4 The thesis must show evidence of original investigation at doctoral level and give a full statement of the literature of the subject with accurate references. Any change in the scope or direction of the programme from that outlined under FDB4.2(b) above must immediately be communicated to the Faculty Office.
- FDB4.5 The thesis must also be accompanied by an abstract for possible publication in the interests of research.
- FDB4.6 The thesis must consist of the original work of the candidate with such acknowledged extracts from the work of others as may be pertinent. The candidate shall declare the extent to which it represents his/her own work, both in concept and in execution.
- FDB4.7 Published work may be incorporated in the thesis, but a collection of published works will not be accepted as a thesis unless it shows coherence of academic style and scientific content. No publication may, without the prior permission of the

University, contain a statement that the published material was or is to be submitted in part or in full for this degree.

- FDB4.8 No thesis, published memoir or work will be accepted which has been already accepted for the purposes of obtaining a degree.
- FDB4.9 The dates for the receipt of the work by the Faculty Office are 15 February for the June graduation, and 15 August for the December graduation.

#### **Oral examination**

FDB5 Every candidate for the degree of Doctor of Medicine may be required to present himself/herself for a viva voce examination in the field of research on which the candidate's research was based.

## **DOCTOR OF SCIENCE IN MEDICINE**

[Degree code: MD004. This degree is not registerable with SAQA since it is not based on a period of study or registration at UCT.]

The degree of Doctor of Science in Medicine is the most senior doctorate in the Faculty of Health Sciences and is awarded for substantial, original, and scholarly contributions to knowledge in one or more medical field/s. It is awarded rarely and only to persons of exceptional academic merit. It is awarded on the basis of original published work, which must be of international standing, and regarded as seminal. The future of the degree is under review.

## Admission requirements

FDC1 The degree of Doctor of Science in Medicine may be conferred upon:

- (a) graduates of this University in medicine or related fields; or
- (b) graduates in medicine or related fields of other universities, where the scholarly activities of such graduates have been closely associated with the University of Cape Town.

#### Application (or nomination) for registration as a candidate for the degree

FDC2 Before a person may be registered as a candidate for the degree, they must submit:

- (a) their curriculum vitae;
- (b) one set of copies of the work to be submitted for the degree, and any collateral evidence;
- a detailed synopsis of the contents of the work, including a statement on the nature and value of the contribution;
- a statement affirming that the work is the original work of the applicant, or indicating the extent to which joint work is the original work of the applicant; and
- (e) a statement that the candidate has not submitted this work for an equivalent degree at this or any other university.

## Curriculum

FDC3 The examination shall consist primarily of an assessment of the published work submitted by the candidate, but a candidate shall, if required by Senate, present himself/herself for written or oral examination on the subject of the work presented, and on any work undertaken under supervision.

NQF credits: 360 at HEQSF level 10.

# DEPARTMENTS IN THE FACULTY ANAESTHESIA AND PERIOPERATIVE MEDICINE

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## Prof and Director of Pain Management Unit:

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#### Lecturer:

K Limakatso, BSc(Phys) MSc(Phys) Cape Town

#### Lecturer Part-time:

DJB Batty, MBChB Cape Town FCA SA

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Associate Professor and Head: IA Joubert, MBBCh *Witwatersrand* DA FCA (Critical Care) *SA* 

Professor:

PL Semple, MBChB Cape Town MMed FCNeurosurg SA PhD

#### **Emeritus Professor:**

WL Michell, MBChB Cape Town DA FFA (Critical Care) SA

#### **Associate Professor:**

MGA Miller, MBChB Stell FCA SA Cert Crit Care(Anaes) DA Thomson, MBChB Kwa Zulu-Natal Dip PEC MMed FCS SA Cert Crit Care(Surg)

## **Professors Part-time in Critical Care:**

K Dheda, MBBCh Witwatersrand FCP SA FCCP PhD FRCP London T Pennel, MBChB Stell FC Cardio SA PhD Cape Town RN van Zyl-Smit, MBChB Cape Town MMed FCP Cert (Pulm) SA Dip HIV(Man) SA MRCP UK PhD ATSF

## Associate Professor Part-time in Critical Care:

GL Calligaro, MBChB Cape Town BScHons Witwatersrand FCP SA J Scherman, MBChB Pretoria DipOccMed Stellenbosch MMed Cape Town FC Cardio SA

## Honorary Associate Professor Part-time in Critical Care:

R Dawson, MBChB Cape Town FCP Cert (Pulm Phys) SA

## Senior Lecturers Full-time:

C Arnold-Day, MBChB *Witwatersrand* MMed(Neurosurg) FCNeurosurg *SA* MPhil(Crit Care) Cert Crit Care(Neuro) DL Fredericks, MBChB *Cape Town* FCEM *SA* Cert Crit Care(Emer Med) JL Piercy, BScHons MBBS *London* FCA *SA* Cert Crit Care(Anaes)

#### Senior lecturers Part-time in Critical Care:

G Symons, MBChB Dip PEC Cape Town FCP Cert (Pulm) SA

## Fellows in training:

D Naicker, MBChB UKZN MMed(Surgery) FCS SA

#### Senior Technology Staff:

G Strathie, BTech Durban

## AAE4003F THE MULTIDIMENSIONAL NATURE OF PAIN

25 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Associate Professor RE Parker

## **Course outline:**

This course focuses on introducing students to the basic concepts of pain science and the principles used in approaching the clinical problem of pain. Students are introduced to the multidimensional nature of pain by using the biopsychosocial approach as a theoretical framework to understanding pain.

#### **DP requirements:** None

**Assessment:** Two assignments, equally weighted (25% each), will make up the coursework mark. The final assessment will consist of a reflective case based essay (50%).

# AAE4004F NEUROANATOMY AND NEUROPHYSIOLOGY OF NOCICEPTION AND PAIN

#### 15 NOF credits at NOF level 8

Convener: Associate Professor RE Parker

#### **Course outline:**

In this course students develop knowledge of the neuroanatomy and neurophysiology of nociception and pain to facilitate critical engagement with advances in the science.

#### **DP requirements:** None

**Assessment:** Coursework will consist of an essay discussing the multiple variables involved in the processing of pain in the peripheral and central nervous system (40%), a series of five weekly online MCQ/SAQ tests (20%), and a group presentation on the neuroscience relating to a paper case (10%). The examination is made up of a three-hour MCQ/SAQ paper (30%).

# AAE4005F ASSESSMENT AND MEASUREMENT OF PAIN AND ITS EFFECTS 15 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Associate Professor RE Parker

#### **Course outline:**

In this course students will develop the knowledge, understanding and skills to use assessment measures appropriate for the person with pain. Students will explore the evidence on the reliability, validity, and clinical utility of measures in practice and design appropriate assessments using a patient-centred biopsychosocial approach. Students will develop skills in the use of assessment tools and the development of diagnostic formulations.

#### **DP requirements:** None

**Assessment:** Two assignments make up the coursework mark. The first assignment counts 20%, the second assignment counts 30%. The final assessment mark is made up of a final 3,000 word essay and it is weighted 50% towards the overall mark.

## AAE4006S COMPREHENSIVE PAIN MANAGEMENT

30 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Associate Professor RE Parker

## Course outline:

In this course students develop the knowledge and understanding of evidence-based pharmacological and non-pharmacological treatments used in managing pain within a comprehensive primary health care team using clinical examples. The course includes training in communication skills, treatment planning based on a diagnostic formulation and evidence based treatment selection.

## **DP requirements:** None

**Assessment:** Three assignments weighted (10%, 20% and 20%), will make up the coursework mark. The final assessment mark is made up of a structured practical examination of communication skills (20%) and a final 3000 word essay (30%).

## AAE4007S PAIN MANAGEMENT IN COMPLEX CONDITIONS

### 15 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Associate Professor RE Parker

#### **Course outline:**

In this course students develop the knowledge and skills to work in interdisciplinary teams to manage patients with complex pain conditions. By working in teams, communities of practice are created, and assessment and treatment plans can be developed that are based on comprehensive diagnostic formulations.

#### **DP requirements:** None

**Assessment:** The coursework will be assessed through the oral examination of a portfolio of cases (50%). The final assessment mark is made up of a reflective 3000 word essay describing the clinical assessment and management of a patient in context (50%).

## AAE4008F PRINCIPLES OF EVIDENCE-BASED PRACTICE

15 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Professor RE Parker

#### **Course outline:**

The course aims to equip the students with the knowledge and skills required to practice as evidencebased healthcare professionals. Students will be introduced to the foundations of evidence-based practice, principles, definitions and basic concepts of clinical epidemiology and research design. A basic understanding of statistical principles will be provided to facilitate skill development in the critique an application of research findings in clinical context.

**DP requirements:** Completion of all coursework requirements by the due dates. Participation in 75% of online teaching activities including discussion forums, blogs and portfolios. **Assessment:** Coursework 50%, final exam 50%

## AAE4009F SUCCEEDING IN POSTGRADUATE STUDIES

15 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Professor R Parker

## **Course outline:**

This course focuses on the acquisition of the basic skills postgraduate healthcare professional students need to succeed in postgraduate studies. Knowledge and skills will be developed in conducting literature searchers using online databases; the ethical principles of plagiarism and tools to avoid plagiarism, and time management for study and research. Students will learn how to structure and write assignments and develop skills for presentations and use of digital media. Skills development include academic critical writing, integration of citations and critical review. The course is delivered in a blended format of one initial week-long contact period, followed by six weeks of online interactive taught material.

DP requirements: Completion of all coursework requirements by the due dates.

Assessment: Assessment is based on coursework (50%), and a final take-home examination assignment (50%).

## AAE5002W PAIN NEUROSCIENCE (ANAESTHESIA) DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

**Convener:** Prof R Parker

## Course outline:

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a Pain Neuroscience relevant topic. Students are trained

in research methods, conducting literature reviews, scientific writing, statistical design and analysis, and in developing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results, and write up the dissertation. The dissertation is externally examined. Assessment: The dissertation is examined by two examiners external to UCT.

## AAE6002W PHD PAIN NEUROSCIENCE (ANAESTHESIA)

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

### Convener: Prof R Parker

**Course entry requirements:** Students who have not completed a research methods course will be required to attend a research methods or critical research literacy course. Students who have not completed the PG Diploma in Interdisciplinary Pain Management or similar Pain Management program may be asked to successfully complete the courses AAE4003F Multidimensional Nature of Pain and AAE4004F Neuroanatomy and Neurophysiology of Nociception and Pain.

#### **Course outline:**

The requirement for this PhD thesis, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a Pain Neuroscience relevant topic. Students are trained in research methods, conducting literature reviews, scientific writing, statistical design and analysis, and in developing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results, and write up the thesis. The thesis is externally examined.

**DP requirements:** A candidate may be refused readmission if he/she: has not submitted, within six months of registration a dissertation proposal for departmental review; and/or has not completed the required dissertation within five years of first registration for the degree.

Assessment: The thesis is examined by three examiners of international standing who are not affiliated to UCT in any way.

## AAE7000W ANAESTHESIA THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

## Convener: Professor JLC Swanevelder

#### Course outline:

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-specialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing. **Assessment:** The thesis is examined by three examiners external to the university.

## AAE7002W ANAESTHESIA MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor BM Biccard and Professor JLC Swanevelder

Course entry requirements: AAE7004W

## Course outline:

A minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. The dissertation must be approximately 7 000 words in length and must be on a topic in anaesthesia. The dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research,

analyse the results, and write up the dissertation. Candidates may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

#### **DP requirements:** None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

### AAE7003W MMED IN ANAESTHESIA PART 1

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr KH Bhagwan

### **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of general practitioners as specialist anaesthetists. Candidates follow the curriculum of the College of Anaesthetists of South Africa. They undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination of the College and receive credit towards AAE7003W. The aim of this course is to provide foundational knowledge in a range of basic science disciplines to enable candidates to apply such foundational knowledge to the clinical conditions and management strategies in their area of speciality. Course content includes physics, the principles of clinical measurements, pharmacology, physiology, and chemical pathology as these relate to anaesthetic practice. For the detailed curriculum, see the regulations of the College of Anaesthetists at <u>www.collegemedsa.ac.za</u>.

#### **DP requirements:** None

Assessment: Candidates write the College of Anaesthetists examination, comprising 2 three-hour papers in each of Physics, and Physiology and Pharmacology. For more information see <a href="http://www.collegemedsa.ac.za">www.collegemedsa.ac.za</a>.

## AAE7004W MMED IN ANAESTHESIA PART 2

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr KJ Timmerman

**Course entry requirements:** AAE7003W

#### **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of general practitioners as specialist anaesthetists. Candidates follow the curriculum of the College of Anaesthetists of South Africa and undergo training in a training unit accredited by the Health Professions Council of South Africa. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination of the College and receive credit towards AAE7004W. The aim of this course is to enable candidates to apply their foundational sciences knowledge to the management of clinical conditions in the practice of anaesthesia. Content includes the principles and practice of anaesthesia and analgesia, including pre- and post-operative treatment, clinical medicine and surgery related to the speciality, the history of its development, theories of narcosis, and molecular mechanisms of anaesthesia. For the detailed updated curriculum, see the regulations of the College of Anaesthetists at <u>www.collegemedsa.ac.za</u>.

**DP** requirements: AAE7003W, successful completion of a logbook of clinical procedures, at least three years following full registration by HPCSA, and evidence of an assignment of at least three months to an intensive care unit on a full-time basis.

**Assessment:** Candidates write the Part 2 examination of the College of Anaesthetists. The examination comprises three written papers of three hours each, an oral, and a clinical examination. For full details see <u>www.collegemedsa.ac.za</u>.

## AAE7005W MPHIL IN CRITICAL CARE PART 1

#### 120 NQF credits at NQF level 9

#### Convener: Associate Professor IA Joubert

**Course entry requirements:** Registration with the Health Professions Council of South Africa as a specialist in anaesthesia, emergency medicine, internal medicine, obstetrics and gynaecology, orthopaedics, surgery, or neurosurgery.

**Objective:** To produce practitioners with expertise capable of independent practice in the subspecialty of critical care.

## Course outline:

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of appropriate medical specialists as subspecialists in critical care. Students follow the relevant curriculum of the relevant Colleges of Medicine of South Africa. The aim of training is to provide theoretical knowledge, technical and procedural skills; teach the application of knowledge and skills in daily practice; and provide other means to enable the critical care specialist to diagnose and manage a range of critical medical conditions. This includes respiratory problems, pulmonary and cardiovascular issues, neurological psychiatric disorders, metabolic crises, gastrointestinal crises, haematological disorders, infections, renal disorders, trauma and life support, and theoretical knowledge underpinning clinical applications – which include relevant knowledge in physiology, pathophysiology, and pathology. The detailed curriculum is available in the relevant regulations of the Colleges of Medicine of South Africa at <u>www.collegemedsa.ac.za</u>.

**DP requirements:** The candidate must be registered as a medical specialist as described earlier, must have completed at least eighteen months as a subspecialty trainee in an accredited ICU in a teaching hospital, and must submit positive written reports from the heads of the institutions in which they trained.

**Assessment:** Candidates write the relevant clinical examination of the Colleges of Medicine. The examination comprises two written papers of three hours each, and an oral examination.

## AAE7006W CRITICAL CARE MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor IA Joubert

**Course entry requirements:** Registration with the Health Professions Council of South Africa as a specialist in anaesthesia, emergency medicine, internal medicine, obstetrics and gynaecology, orthopaedics, surgery, or neurosurgery.

**Objective:** To produce practitioners with expertise capable of independent practice in the subspecialty of critical care.

#### **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation, prepared under supervision, is a requirement for those senior registrars who wish to graduate with the MPhil degree. Those who choose not to complete a dissertation may register with the HPCSA as subspecialists after successful completion of the relevant Colleges of Medicine examination. The dissertation length must be according to the CMSA requirement and must be on a topic in critical care. It must be based, moreover, on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing research proposals. Having obtained formal ethics approval, where necessary, they analyse the results of their research and write up the dissertation. The candidate may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

#### **DP requirements:** None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

# FAMILY, COMMUNITY AND EMERGENCY CARE

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The Department of Family, Community and Emergency Care brings five clinical generalist disciplines together including the Primary Health Care Team, Division of Family Medicine, Division of Interdisciplinary Palliative Care and Medicine, Division of Emergency Medicine and Sports and Exercise Medicine.

#### **Professor and Head of Department:**

S Reid, BSc (Medicine) MBChB Cape Town MFamMed Medunsa PhD UKZN

#### Senior Administrative Officer:

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#### **Chair and Director:**

S Reid, BSc (Medicine) MBChB Cape Town MFamMed Medunsa PhD UKZN

#### Senior Lecturers:

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#### Lecturer:

S Crawford-Browne, MSocSc Cape Town

#### **Honorary Associate Professor:**

L Jenkins, MBChB Stell MFamMed UKZN PhD Stell Dip (Anaesthesia)(Obstetrics & Gynaecology)(Health Services Management) CMCA

#### **Honorary Lecturers:**

K du Pré le Roux, MBChB Cape Town MA Sweden B Gaunt, MBChB Cape Town MSc London Dip (Anaesthesia)(Obstetrics & Gynaecology) SA

## Honorary Research Associate:

J Corrigall, MBChB Johannesburg DMH South Africa MMed Cape Town FCPHM SA

## **Clinical Teaching Platform Manager:**

D Swart, BScHons (Medicine) HDE (Postgraduate) Cape Town MPhil UWC

## **CBE** Coordinator Garden Route District:

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#### Academic Coordinator Garden Route District:

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## Site Facilitators:

C Beauzac, BAHons MA PhD *UWC* J Mahlangu, BSS (Development Studies) *NWU* PGDip (Disability Studies) *UCT* F Jordaan, Dip (Early Childhood Development) Cape College P Ncamile, BA (HumSci) *Unisa* Dip (DisStudies) *UCT* B Najaar, MNutrit *Stell* BSc (Diet) *UWC* 

## Site Coordinators:

N Daniels Z Geyer, BA *Cape Town* BSc (Medical Bioscience) *UWC* F Le Roux A Bernard, Dip (Human Resource Management) *Unisa* L Felix,

#### Senior Administrative Officer:

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#### Assistant Administrator Garden Route District:

Y Zulu, ND (Adult Basic Education) WSU

Senior Secretary: E Kennell, PDSD Cape Town

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The Division of Emergency Medicine is the academic division supporting the emergency care platform of the Western Cape and specifically supporting emergency care clinical services at the UCT training institutions. The Division has a broad clinical and research training footprint, from undergraduate MBBCh, PG Dip, MPhil, MMed, MSc to PhD programs. The Division is uniquely multidisciplinary which mirrors the emergency care team encompassing paramedics, doctors and nurses; and encompasses out of hospital care through to hospital emergency centres and critical care. A good deal of the research focus of the division is on strengthening and developing emergency healthcare systems in SA and across the continent.

## Associate Professor and Head of Division:

C Hendrikse, MBChB Stell MMed (Emergency Medicine) Stell MPhil (Emergency Medicine) Cape Town FCEM SA

#### **Honorary Professor:**

P Brysiewicz, BSocSc (Nursing) UKZN BA MCur PhD UKZN L Wallis, MBChB MD PhD (hon) Dip IMC RCS Edin Dip Sport Med FRCS Edin FRCP Edin FRCEM FCEM SA FEMSSA FIFEM

#### **Associate Professor:**

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## FCE4004F PRINCIPLES OF FAMILY MEDICINE

16 NQF credits at NQF level 8 Convener: A/Prof T Ras

## **Course outline:**

This course includes the foundations of family medicine; applying a bio-psycho-social approach; promotive and preventive care; and the range of consultation skills needed for effective and primary care including basic counselling skills and brief motivational interviewing/behaviour change counselling. The course aims to help practitioners put theory into practice using learning techniques that include role-playing and reviewing video-taped consultations of clinical practices in a supportive group setting. Successful completion of the course enables graduates to practice cost-effective primary care by applying the principles of family medicine, communicating effectively, and building therapeutic doctor-patient relationships with a variety of patients. Graduates are more aware of personal strengths and limitations in the context of therapeutic relationships and are able to identify and address stressors to prevent burnout.

**DP requirements:** Students are expected to attend and participate in all seminars, record and observe at least one consultation, and take part in practical sessions where these apply.

Assessment: Assignments on the application of the principles of family medicine (100%).

## FCE4005F EVIDENCE-BASED MEDICINE

13 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Mr J Irlam and A/Prof T Ras

#### **Course outline:**

This course aims to enable practitioners to define practice-based clinical questions, search for and access relevant literature, and appraise the applicability of the evidence to their practice situations. Tools to understand and assess the results of systematic reviews are taught. Questions such as those related to interventions, diagnostic and screening tests, and prognoses are addressed. The course provides hands-on practice; examples of evidence-based articles are reviewed in the sessions.

DP requirements: Students are required to attend and participate in all seminars.

Assessment: Presenting a critical appraisal of a scientific paper addressing a question derived from the student's practice (100%).

## FCE4006S CLINICAL MEDICINE (A)

21 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr B Schweitzer

## **Course outline:**

Aspects of clinical medicine related to primary care including ENT, ophthalmology, orthopaedics, and minor surgical procedures are learned by means of seminars and practical sessions. Most clinical learning occurs during everyday healthcare practice. Students are expected to address their own learning needs identified in daily practice, the course material and seminars. Contact sessions serve mainly to stimulate learning; computer-based quizzes help identify gaps in knowledge. Attendance at specific specialist clinics can be arranged.

**DP requirements:** Students are required to attend and participate in all seminars and take part in practical sessions.

Assessment:	Computer-based	examination	(100%).
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#### FCE4007F PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE

12 NQF credits at NQF level 8

**Convener:** A/Prof T Ras **Course entry requirements:** FCE4004F

### Course outline:

This course includes the study of a number of ethical theories, human rights issues, professionalism, and legal issues as these relate to health care. Approaches to ethical issues are discussed as they relate to primary care including child health, mental illness, HIV, reproductive and end-of-life care.

DP requirements: Students are required to attend and participate actively in all seminars.

Assessment: Assignment (100%).

## FCE4011S CLINICAL MEDICINE (B)

18 NQF credits at NQF level 8

**Convener:** Dr B Schweitzer

#### **Course outline:**

Aspects of clinical medicine, including women's health, mental health, HIV, TB, STI and pharmacology are covered in seminars and practical sessions. It is not possible to cover all aspects of clinical medicine in contact time available; students are expected to address their own learning needs identified in daily clinical practice, the course material and seminars etc. Attendance at specific specialist clinics can be arranged.

**DP requirements:** Students are required to attend and participate in all seminars and take part in practical sessions.

Assessment: Computer-based examination (100%).

## FCE4016Q INTRODUCTION TO POSTGRADUATE STUDIES

10 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr C Cunningham and A/Prof P Hodkinson

## **Course outline:**

This course focuses on achieving the basic skills set to succeed in postgraduate work. It looks at searching the literature and using a number of medical databases. It also looks at plagiarism avoidance, time planning in study and research, and how to structure and write assignments and do researched presentations. The format of the course is a week-long contact period at the onset, followed by six weeks of predominantly online interactive taught material.

## FCE4017R RESEARCH LITERACY

15 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr C Saunders

#### **Course outline:**

The course will teach students to think like a researcher and will develop an understanding of the research process. It introduces key concepts necessary for developing a postgraduate research proposal including research ethics, research design and academic writing. In addition, the course introduces students to both quantitative and qualitative research approaches, including the principles of critical thinking and evidence-based medicine

**DP requirements:** Completion of all coursework requirements by the due dates. Participation in 75 % of online teaching activities including discussion forums, blogs and portfolios

Assessment: Assessment is based on coursework (50%) and a capstone assignment/ exam at the end of the course (50%)

## FCE4018F CONCEPTS OF EMERGENCY CARE

20 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: A/Prof P Hodkinson and Dr W Stassen

## Course outline:

This course provides the candidate with the basic insight into the differences between Emergency Care and other medical fields. It introduces the EMS and healthcare systems, principles of adult and paediatric triage, principles of acute care diagnostics and aspects of teamwork, handover and communication.

FCE4019Q ADULT EMERGENCY CARE

30 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: W Khan

## **Course outline:**

This course focuses on adult emergency care. It will be a problem-based course with emphasis on evidence based medicine and critical thinking. The course will take a system based approach to the undifferentiated patient presenting for emergency care. It will encompass common problems and differential pathways, as well as relevant basic physiology and anatomy, and deals with the management of common adult medical and surgical emergencies and the evidence-base for these recommendations.

## FCE4020R CHILD HEALTH FOR EMERGENCY CARE

30 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr W Stassen and Dr B Cheema

## **Course outline:**

This course focuses on key aspect of child health for emergency care. We begin with an overview of recent data on global child mortality: How many children die annually, what do they die from and where do they die? Linked to this is an exploration of the causes of these tragic deaths and a look at what the global health community are doing to reduce these unnecessary deaths. We proceed to examine referral pathways and the journeys taken by children seeking emergency care in student's own settings, as well as a look at some of the widely available tools for managing (as well as preventing) childhood emergencies. The next section involves a closer look at the top three causes of child mortality: pneumonia, gastroenteritis and sepsis, including the pathophysiology of these conditions as well as the presenting signs and symptoms, the initial approach to evaluation and management and the usual progression of health professionals in the emergency care field.

**DP requirements:** Completion of all coursework requirements by the due dates. Additional coursework in the form of forum discussions and group collaboration exercises will require a minimum of 80% student engagement duly performed (DP). This DP is a prerequisite to sit the final examination

Assessment: Assessment is based on coursework (50%) and a final examination (50%).

## FCE4021R LEADERSHIP & PATIENT SAFETY IN EMERGENCY CARE

15 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr C Cunningham

## Course outline:

The course provides an overview of basic managerial skills, with a focus on skills e.g. objective setting, implementation of plans and review. Resource management e.g. staffing schedules, basic HR processes, financial management. The aim is to make it practical and applicable to senior/shift leader level, not yet first line manager level.

#### Course entry requirements: FCE4007F

## **Course outline:**

This course will integrate family and community-oriented approaches to primary care. Students will be provided with theoretical input in the form of seminars, and will be required to complete field-based assignments to demonstrate an ability to apply the theory to practice.

**DP requirements:** Students are required to attend and participate in all seminars and online discussions, and to take part in practical sessions.

Assessment: Written assignment - 50%; Final assessment (oral presentation) - 50%

## FCE4029H PREVENTION & PROMOTION OF CHRONIC ILLNESS

21 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr B Schweitzer

#### **Course outline:**

his course focusses on the management of patients with common chronic conditions including cardiovascular, respiratory and musculoskeletal conditions, addressing clinical, preventive and promotive aspects of healthcare, and includes seminars on rehabilitation. Students are required to conduct an audit of an aspect of chronic disease care in their own practices. At the end of this course students are able to describe current theories of disease prevention and health promotion; implement a quality improvement cycle in practice to improve the quality of care; promote health and prevent disease for a chronic condition, diagnose and manage patients with common chronic medical conditions (cardiovascular, respiratory, rheumatologic, geriatric, diabetes, neoplastic) using the principles of family medicine and understand the principles of providing care for patients with chronic diseases; describe the principles of ageing and caring for the elderly; manage common clinical problems in the elderly; manage patients with common disabilities and impairments; and describe the importance of the doctor-patient relationship in chronic care.

**DP requirements:** Students are required to attend and participate in all seminars, take part in practical sessions, and a visit to a rehabilitation centre.

Assessment: QI cycle presentation (40%); assignment on rehabilitation (20%); end-of-course MCQ(multiplechoicequestions)examination(40%).

## FCE4030S CLINICAL PALLIATIVE CARE

60 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr R Krause

## **Course outline:**

The aim of this course is to equip experienced health care workers with the knowledge and skills for the practical management of patients with life limiting/ life threatening illnesses; including advanced cancer, HIV/AIDS and end-stage disease, organ failure, and progressive neurological disorders. It focuses on disease management and symptom control. These topics are explored through interactive workshops and focused readings supported by web-based learning, and students are encouraged to apply their learning in the context of their own work setting.

Lecture times: Weekly online learning material and forum discussions.

**DP requirements:** Compulsory attendance and successful completion of assignments and participation on forum discussions.

Assessment: Continuous coursework assessment contributes 75% of the final mark, with four written assignments (50%) and a portfolio of learning (25%). The final summative assessment comprises a written examination/ final assignment (25%). A pass mark of 50% is required in both the coursework and the final summative assessment. The external examiner has the authority to allocate final marks.

The aim of this course is to introduce students to the principles and ethics of palliative care. The course covers concepts that support patient-centred holistic care in the family context including communication skills; clinical, psychosocial and spiritual supportive care; human rights; and ethics of end-of-life care. These concepts are introduced through interactive workshops and focused readings supported by web-based learning, and students are encouraged to apply their learning in the context of their own work setting.

Lecture times: Two compulsory contact sessions.

**DP requirements:** Compulsory attendance and successful completion of assignments and participation on forum discussions.

Assessment: Continuous coursework assessment contributes 50% of the final mark, with four written assignments counting 40%. Forum participation contributes to 10% each semester. The final summative assessment includes a written examination (25%) and communication skills assessment (25%). A pass mark of 50% is required in the coursework and in the final assessment components respectively. The external examiner has the authority to allocate final marks.

## FCE6005F CLINICAL RESEARCH METHODS I

15 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr C Saunders, Ms E Theron

## **Course outline:**

This is a semester course designed to develop a coherent and basic understanding of the theory, research methodologies and techniques relevant to emergency medicine. Basic research methodologies, bias, confounders and basic biostatistics are covered.

**DP requirements:** The successful submission of a research summary (EMDRC B) to the Divisional Research Committee.

Assessment: Assessment is based on coursework (40%), the research proposal (10%), as well as a final examination (50%).

## FCE6006F/S CLINICAL RESEARCH METHODS II

15 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr C Saunders

## **Course outline:**

This course builds on the basic epidemiology taught in CRM I (CHM6005F) and deals with specific research designs in greater detail (systematic reviews, diagnostic and screening trials, randomised controlled trials) and culminates in techniques of critical appraisal of the major types of study design. In addition, the principles of research ethics are dealt with. DP requirements: The successful submission of the full research proposal to EMDRC (EMDRC D), ready for HREC.

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Assessment: Assessment is on the basis of coursework and assignments. Coursework: 55%; examination: 45%.

## FCE6007F CLINICAL EMERGENCY CARE I

15 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr L Lai King, Dr W Khan, Dr M De Man, Dr J Head, Dr K Evans, Dr C Van Koningsbruggen

## **Course outline:**

This semester course focuses on acute clinical emergency care in the adult and paediatric population. The assumption is that the student already knows the core clinical knowledge and the emphasis is on improving clinical thought processes through exploration of best evidence and best clinical practices as well as exploring controversies and 'grey-areas' regarding evidence and practices. The course is divided into three sections: (1) Introduction to emergency medicine; (2) Paediatric emergency medicine; and (3) Adult emergency medicine. The course uses a combination of e-learning, self-study and contact teaching sessions.

**DP requirements:** Completion of online self-assessment tests and the two-day FEC (Fundamentals of Emergency Care) course (in the first contact week).

**Assessment:** Assignments during the semester (60%); and a final summative assessment comprising MCQ (multiple-choice questions) and SAQ papers (40%).

## FCE6008F/S CLINICAL EMERGENCY CARE II

#### 15 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: A/ Prof P Hodkinson, Dr C Van Koningsbruggen, Dr P Xafis

#### **Course outline:**

This semester course focuses on clinical emergency care and continues the themes started in FCE6007F. It is a problem-based course with emphasis on evidence-based medicine and clinical decision-making. Students are encouraged to critically appraise the evidence and develop their own management protocols. The course focuses on trauma, toxicology and environmental medicine, as well as surgical and obstetric emergencies.

#### **DP requirements:** None

Assessment: Formative assessment (3 assignments): 60%; Summative assessment (oral and written examinations): 40%.

## FCE6009S HEALTHCARE SYSTEMS

15 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr W Stassen, Dr L Lai King

## **Course outline:**

This is a semester course designed to generate an understanding of health systems structure and financing in emergency care. The structure and function of emergency care systems, including global health systems, pre-hospital and in-hospital systems, are examined. An analysis of processes and flow in emergency systems and how these are related to error and productivity are examined.

## DP requirements: None

Assessment: Formative assessment (3 assignments): 60%; Summative assessment (oral and written examinations): 40%.

## FCE6010F/S RESUSCITATION AND CRITICAL CARE

15 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr Mr W Craig, Dr A Parker, Dr W Stassen, Dr D Evans

## **Course outline:**

This semester course focuses on clinical emergency care in resuscitative and critical care medicine. It is a problem-based course with emphasis on evidence-based medicine and clinical decision-making. Students are encouraged to critically appraise the evidence and develop their own management protocols. Core clinical competencies in key emergency medicine related skills and procedures are required.

**DP requirements:** A minimum of 65% needs to be obtained for the semester mark to qualify for the examination.

**Assessment:** Assignments (x2), contact day assessments and forum assessments: 60%; summative assessment: 40% (closed-book: 30% and an oral examination: 10%).

## FCE6012F/S DISASTER MEDICINE

15 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr W Smith, Dr M De Man

## **Course outline:**

The underlying principles of disaster medicine, including risk assessment, preparation and planning, and communication and response, are covered. The course delineates the multi-service response required for a major incident. Students are given practical knowledge of tools, resources and processes utilised in a medical major incident response. In addition, special disaster scenarios are covered, including CBRN responses, mass gatherings, terrorism, earthquakes, complex humanitarian

emergencies and psychological aspects of disaster. The assignments involve case reports evaluating aspects of current disasters/major incidents. Students are required to complete a research project involving disaster, major incidents or mass gathering scenarios. Contact time includes a practical major incident response simulation.

## FCE6013S EDUCATION AND TRAINING IN EMERGENCY CARE

15 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: A/ Prof P Hodkinson, Mr W Craig and Dr W Khan

## **Course outline:**

This is a semester course which covers aspects of adult learning theory, small group teaching, use of virtual learning environments (VLE) and electronic learning resources, and clinical skills-based teaching. The course aims to develop core teaching skills useful on a day-to-day basis when teaching undergraduates, postgraduates and paramedical students in emergency care. The education section builds on the knowledge of the clinical research methods courses and focuses on evidence-based medicine and knowledge translation in EC.

**DP requirements:** Satisfactory completion of a self-reflection portfolio of clinical experiences submitted to the convener at specified times, as outlined in the Portfolio Guidelines.

Assessment: Formative assessment: 65% (assignments: 50% plus forum assessment: 15%); and Summative assessment (oral examination): 35%.

## FCE6016W EMERGENCY MEDICINE MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor P Hodkinson

## **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. It must be between 15 000 and 20 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the same discipline of the coursework master's programme in which the candidate is registered. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals and obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. Master's degree candidates must be able to reflect critically on theory and its application. They must be able to deal with complex issues systematically and creatively, design and critically appraise research, make sound judgement using data and information at their disposal, and be able to communicate their conclusions clearly to specialist and non-specialist audiences.

**DP requirements:** Satisfactory completion of a self-reflection portfolio of clinical experiences submitted to the convener at specified times, as outlined in the Portfolio Guideline. **Assessment:** External examination of the minor dissertation.

## FCE6018W GLOBAL EMERGENCY CARE

30 NOF credits at NOF level 9

**Convener:** Dr L Lai King, Dr C Cunningham, Dr W Stassen, A/Prof P Hodkinson **Course outline:** 

The objectives of this course are: (a) To develop an understanding of the complexities of emergency care in low resource settings. (b) To understand rational systems-based approach to emergency care system development in low resource settings. (c) To develop further knowledge and skills around emergency burden of disease, epidemiology and resource allocation in these settings. The course will start with the historical origins of global or international health, then explore the epidemiology and health indicators, as well as special considerations for Emergency Care in these settings (including patient safety and ethics). The second half of the course looks at more practical planning for Emergency Care in low resources, education and training. Finally this is brought together looking at technology and innovation, and then health promotion, advocacy and research in low resource settings.

**DP requirements:** Satisfactory completion of a self-reflection portfolio of clinical experiences submitted to the Division at specified times, as outlined in the Portfolio Guideline. Participation in specified contact days and forum discussions

**Assessment:** Assessment is by means of coursework (50%), oral examination (20%) and a research assignment (30%).

## FCE6019W EMERGENCY CARE MINOR DISSERTATION

90 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor P Hodkinson

### **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation, prepared under supervision, must be about 25 000 words in length and must be on a topic in emergency medicine. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

**DP requirements:** Satisfactory completion of a self-reflection portfolio of clinical experiences submitted to the convener at specified times, as outlined in the Portfolio Guideline.

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

## FCE6026S CRITICAL THINKING IN EMERGENCY CARE

15 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor P Hodkinson

## **Course outline:**

Candidates are introduced to the principles of critical thinking and on-the-spot decision making in healthcare and its link to patient safety. Topics covered include models of decision making (thinking styles), the human factor in patient safety: contrasting the high reliability models with the "normal accident" model, as well as the identification of cognitive and affective error and countering their influence through cognitive forcing strategies.

DP requirements: Satisfactory completion of all coursework commitments.

Assessment: Assessment is by virtue of coursework (55%), and a final summative assessment (45%).

## FCE6028S MANAGEMENT AND LEADERSHIP IN HEALTHCARE

15 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: C Cunningham and C Wylie

## **Course outline:**

This is a semester course which introduces the candidate to both the theory and practicalities of effective management and leadership in healthcare in general and the emergency department in particular. Using the online learning platform and contact sessions, delegates develop an understanding of the principles of leadership and management which they can use to improve the care delivered in their own environment and beyond, focusing on levels of work theory, leadership styles and situational leadership, team dynamics and effectiveness, and conflict handling strategies and leadership in a crisis. Workplace management or leadership experience within the preceding 24 months is advantageous.

DP requirements: Satisfactory completion of all coursework commitments

Assessment: Formative assessment (assignment): 75%; and Summative assessment (examination) 25%.

## FCE6029S DISASTER MEDICAL RESPONSE TRAINING

15 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr W Smith

#### Course outline:

Medical personnel are often called upon to respond across provincial and/or international borders. The recent earthquakes and other complex humanitarian emergencies are cases in point. Medical staff
deployed to such incidents are faced with providing care in an often difficult or hostile environment. This course attempts to address some of the issues and skills that such a response may require. Topics covered are an introduction to INSARAG, as well as medical considerations in an urban search and rescue environment, an introduction to basic veterinary and dentistry skills, as well as selected primary healthcare considerations, amongst others.

DP requirements: Must attend the five-day practical session (DisMert Course).

Assessment: Assessment is on the basis of coursework (40%), a written examination (20%), and a minor research project (40%).

#### FCE6030F/S AMBULATORY CARE & TRAVEL MEDICINE

15 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr L Lai King, Dr N Docrat

#### **Course outline:**

This course covers aspects of the common primary healthcare complaints which may be managed by emergency care workers. It includes clinical approaches and management of common chronic medical conditions, as well as selected topics in travel medicine. The course is aimed at nurses, paramedics and medical officers who want to improve their knowledge about conditions pertinent to extra-urban placements and deployment, such as for search and rescue and disaster deployments, expeditions, rigs, or mining operations in Africa. DP requirements: Attendance of all coursework commitments.

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Assessment: Formative assessment (assignment): 75%; and summative assessment (examination): 25%.

#### FCE6030W MPHIL IN PALLIATIVE MEDICINE BY DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor E Gwyther

#### **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

### FCE6031F/S PATIENT SAFETY AND FLOW

15 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr K Cohen and Dr H Tuffin

#### **Course outline:**

In this course, candidates develop an in-depth knowledge of the principles of continuous quality improvement and its link to patient safety, which they can use to improve the care delivered in their own field of work. Specific topics include quality measures; risk assessments; communication; teams and teamwork in emergency medicine; the morbidity and mortality meeting; errors in emergency medicine; and how to benchmark and make improvements in ones healthcare environment.

**DP requirements:** Attendance of main contact session.

Assessment: Assessment is by virtue of coursework (55%) and a final summative assessment (45%).

#### FCE6032F/S CONTINUOUS QUALITY IMPROVEMENT

15 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr H Tuffin and Dr K Cohen

#### Course outline:

In this course, students learn an approach to quality management that builds on traditional quality assurance methods by emphasising the organisation and systems. It focuses on the process rather than

the individual, recognises both internal and external customers and promotes the need for objective data to analyse and improve processes. They learn to question the quality of healthcare and the consequences for patient safety of many of the currently applied practices. Building on the introduction of LEAN processes from FCE6032S, a number of tools and processes are explored theoretically and practically. Specific aspects that are explored include the need for quality improvement in resource-poor countries, principles and models of quality improvement, challenges and successes in implementing quality improvement and how to disseminate improvements rapidly through the health care system.

DP requirements: Attendance of main contact session.

Assessment: Assessment is by virtue of assignments (40%), project (30%) and a final summative assessment (30%).

#### FCE6042F/S EVENT AND EXPEDITION MEDICINE

15 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor P Hodkinson

#### Course outline:

Half of this course will focus on large event planning and the other half on expedition and remote site medical support. Large events are becoming a regular occurrence in cosmopolitan urban centres. The correct medical preparedness and response planning is paramount to the success of these events, addressing the specific requirements per nature of event (e.g. rock concert vs. horse race) and coordination with other services, while not overcapitalising on resources. The expedition and remote site medical support component will focus on equipment for expeditions into various terrains, communication solutions, as well as evacuation planning.

**DP requirements:** Attendance at compulsory contact teaching sessions as prescribed. Attendance and engagement at two local events and reflective portfolio entries on each.

#### FCE6043F/S PRACTICING DISASTER PLANS

7 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr W Smith

**Course entry requirements:** FCE6044F/S

#### **Course outline:**

Candidates will become familiar with the principles and details for practicing all-hazard plans for organisations. This will be both in the form of table-top exercises, limited and full-scale physical exercises. Liaising with local response and recovery organisations will form part of the training. Identifying gaps in the plan, both in the form of training needs and unaddressed local complications and how to feed that back into the original response plan is part of the training. Exercise scheduling will also be covered.

Assessment: Formative assessment (assignments): 75%; and Summative assessment (written examinations): 25%.

#### FCE6044F/S WRITING DISASTER PLANS

8 NQF credits at NQF level 9 **Convener:** Dr W Smith

#### Course outline:

Candidates will become familiar with the principles and details for writing all-hazard plans for organisations based on local hazard-risk identification and resources. They will learn to apply the resulting gap analysis in disaster preparedness to the institution, lobbying for and justifying the initial and ongoing financial commitment for plans to be lived rather than remaining pure compliance documents. Developing training regimens that fit the plans will also be covered.

Assessment: Formative assessment (6 assignments): 60%; Contact week: 20%; and SummativeAssessment(finaloralexamination):20%.

#### FCE7015W PHD SPORTS & EXERCISE MEDICINE

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

Convener: Assoc Prof J Swart

**DP requirements:** Except by permission of the Senate, a candidate registered for a PhD may be refused readmission if they: 1. have not been ready to undergo (i) a first assessment of their doctoral proposal at a departmental seminar within 12 months of first registration, or (ii) a second assessment (which may or may not be required for presentation at a departmental seminar) within 18 months of first registration; 2. have failed to obtain approval by the UCT Human Research Ethics Committee (HREC) of the research proposal within 24 months of first registration; 3. have failed to make satisfactory progress for two consecutive years; and/or have failed to complete their thesis within five years of first registration for the degree.

Assessment: The thesis is examined by three examiners external to the university.

#### FCE7048W PALLIATIVE MEDICINE MINOR DISSERTATION

90 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor E Gwyther

#### **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation, prepared under supervision, must be about 25 000 words in length and must be on a topic in palliative medicine. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

#### **DP requirements:** None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation. Master's degree candidates must be able to reflect critically on theory and its application. They must be able to deal with complex issues systematically and creatively, to design and critically appraise research, to make sound judgements using the data and information at their disposal, and to communicate their conclusions clearly to specialist and non-specialist audiences.

#### FCE7051W FAMILY MEDICINE THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10; Associate Professor Klaus von Pressentin.

### **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and nonspecialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

Assessment: The thesis is externally examined.

#### FCE7055W MSC(MEDICINE) BY DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr C Saunders

#### Course outline:

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

Assessment:	The	dissertation	is	externally	examined.
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## FCE7056W MMED EMERGENCY MEDICINE PART 1

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr W Khan

#### Course outline:

This training programme forms part of the process of certification of general practitioners as emergency medicine specialists. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination of the College of Emergency Medicine and receive credit towards FCE7056W. The aim of the course is to provide foundational knowledge in a range of basic science disciplines to enable candidates to apply such knowledge to the clinical conditions and management strategies in the speciality of emergency medicine. The Part 1 course covers a wide range of disciplines and topics within those disciplines that relate to the field of emergency medicine, including clinical anatomy; clinical pathology; infectious diseases and diseases of the immune system; physiology; and clinical pharmacology and toxicology. For the detailed curriculum, see the regulations of the relevant College of Emergency Medicine at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

**DP requirements:** Candidates are required to successfully complete the FCEM I examination or its approved equivalent within the first 18 months of training.

Assessment: Examination (FCEM I) = 100%. Two multiple-choice question papers of three hours each. Emphasis is on clinical anatomy, physiology, pathology and pharmacology relevant to the practice of emergency care.

#### **FCE7057W** MMED IN EMERGENCY MEDICINE PART 2

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr W Khan

#### Course outline:

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process as specialists in emergency medicine. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination of the College of Emergency Medicine and receive credit towards FCE7057W. Content includes pre-hospital emergency care; resuscitative problems and techniques; acute signs and symptoms in adults and in children; emergency wound management; cardiovascular, pulmonary, gastro-intestinal, infectious diseases and allergy; toxicology; environmental emergencies; endocrine, haematologic, oncologic, and neurological emergencies; eye, ear, nose, throat and oral emergencies; trauma; fractures and dislocations; muscular, ligamentous and rheumatic disorders: psychosocial disorders, abuse and assault; imaging modalities; and common implantable devices. A wide range of lectures is offered and a number of short courses recommended, such as Emergency Management of Severe Burns, Disaster Medicine, and Aviation Medicine. See full syllabus at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

**DP requirements:** A candidate has to complete at least six short courses, the following four of which are obligatory: Neonatal Advance Life Support, Disaster Medicine, Aviation Medicine, and either Clinical Research Methods I (CHM6005F) or equivalent. The choice of recognised elective short courses is available from the convener. Prior to writing the final College of Emergency Medicine examination, applicants must have: (a) Successfully completed the primary examination; (b) Been qualified to practice for a period of not less than four years post-internship; (c) Completed a minimum of 36 months' clinical training; (d) Submitted a CMSA-approved comprehensive critical performance portfolio; (e) Completed the Level 1 Emergency Ultrasound certification; and (f) Submitted and passed the part 3 dissertation (CHM7058W) prior to sitting the Part 2 examination.

 Assessment: Examination (FCEM II) = 100%. The final examination consists of written, OSCE, clinical and oral assessments. For the detailed curriculum, see the regulations of the relevant College of Medicine at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

# FCE7058W MMED EMERGENCY MEDICINE MINOR DISSERTATION 60 NOF credits at NOF level 9

Convener: Dr W Khan

#### Course outline:

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. The dissertation must be between 15 000 and 20 000 words in length, and must be on a topic in emergency medicine. The dissertation must be based on a study for which the work was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. Candidates may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

**DP requirements:** Students are required to have obtained approval of a research topic for the minor dissertation and to have signed an MOU with his/her supervisor setting out the conditions of the candidate's research towards his/her minor dissertation within 24 months of first registration. **Assessment:** External examination of the minor dissertation.

### FCE7064W PHD EMERGENCY MEDICINE

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10 Convener: Dr W Stassen

#### **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and nonspecialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

Assessment: The thesis is externally	examined.
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### FCE7072W MMED IN FAMILY MEDICINE PART 1

## 60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: A/Prof T Ras

**Objective:** By the end of the Part 1 course candidates have foundational knowledge of Family Medicine and competence in the management of patients and families at a primary level of care and a community-orientation. For the full curriculum, see the regulations of the College of Family Practitioners at <u>www.collegemedsa.ac.za</u>.

#### **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the accreditation process of doctors as specialist family physicians. Candidates follow the curriculum of the College of Family Physicians. Candidates undergo training at HPCSA-accredited training sites linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, candidates write the Part 1 examination (this is run by the University) and may proceed to the MMed(FamMed) Part 2 (FCE7073W).

The components that make up Part 1 include knowledge and skills essential for primary care, comprising clinical and coursework.

Lecture times: Seminars for first and second year MMed students take place on alternate Thursdays at the University.

**DP requirements:** A final mark of 50% for all the coursework is required to be admitted to the final composite examination.

Assessment: The final composite examination comprises two written and a clinical examination and a portfolio assessment, each contributing 250% to the final mark.

### FCE7073W MMED IN FAMILY MEDICINE PART 2

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: A/Prof T Ras and A/Prof K von Pressentin

Co-requisites: Research protocol completed.

**Objective:** To develop appropriate clinical, counselling, management and academic skills to function efficiently at the district level of healthcare delivery; to complete research project before writing up the dissertation.

#### **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the accreditation process of doctors as specialist family physicians. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements. Candidates undergo training in HPCSA-accredited training units linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, candidates write the final examination of the College of Family Physicians. For the detailed curriculum, see the regulations of the College of Family Physicians at <u>www.collegemedsa.ac.za</u>. Students also complete components of courses in teaching and learning; community-oriented primary care; organisation and management; and research. Lecture times: Alternate Thursdays: 08h00-16h30

**DP requirements:** The Part 2 examination may be taken after a minimum of 36months of full-time post-community service training with an accredited HPCSA training number. Candidates may not apply for the Part 2 examination until they have successfully completed all or a satisfactory part of their clinical training, which includes the satisfactory completion of a logbook. Candidates must hold a current CPR, ACLS or ATLS certificate of competence or its equivalent. Candidates should also have submitted a successfully completed portfolio which has been signed off by the HoD.

Assessment: Candidates write the final examination of the College of Family Physicians. The examination consists of three written papers (MCQ, MEQ and critical appraisal of a journal article), and a clinical examination.

#### FCE7074W FAMILY MEDICINE MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor D Hellenberg and Dr T Ras

#### **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. The dissertation must be on a topic in family medicine .and commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The final submission of the minor dissertation should be in the form of a publication-ready manuscript following the arthor guidelines of a DHET-accredited journal. Students are trained in research methods. Having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

#### DP requirements: None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

#### FCE7080H RESEARCH METHODS

90 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor E Gwyther

#### **Course outline:**

The aim of this course is to equip palliative care professionals with knowledge and understanding of research methods and to impart the skills needed to conduct independent research. It covers the topics of palliative care research methods, quantitative methodology and analysis, biostatistics and epidemiology, qualitative methodology and analysis, research ethics and scientific writing skills. In addition aspects of advanced clinical care are covered to include recent developments in the field of palliative care. These topics are explored through interactive workshops, focused readings, and online discussions with web-based support of learning.

**DP requirements:** Completion and attendance of all coursework commitments.

**Assessment:** Assessment is conducted on the basis of 6 written assignments, substantive contribution to Vula discussion forums, and research ethics approval of the research proposal. A pass mark of 50% is required in each component of the assessment. The external examiner has the authority to allocate final marks.

#### FCE4005F EVIDENCE-BASED MEDICINE

13 NQF credits at NQF level 8

#### **Course outline:**

This course aims to enable practitioners to define practice-based clinical questions, search for and access relevant literature, and appraise the applicability of the evidence to their practice situations. Tools to understand and assess the results of systematic reviews are taught. Questions such as those related to interventions, diagnostic and screening tests, and prognoses are addressed. The course provides hands-on practice; examples of evidence-based articles are reviewed in the sessions.

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#### AHS4089F INTRODUCTION TO DISABILITY AS DIVERSITY

30 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr B Watermeyer Course entry requirements: None

#### Course outline:

The course presents an overview of the contested models and definitions of disability. The students are introduced to issues of power and privilege, as well as theories on identities, oppression, and agency. Othering, marginalisation, and exclusion related to class, gender, race, religion and other markers of difference, and their intersections with disability, are analysed. Students gain an understanding of decoloniality, and the ability to formulate an African perspective on disability. An emphasis is placed on the development of reflexivity, allowing students to examine their own responses to social situations, especially those involving disability. At the end of the course, the student is able to: (1) develop critical analyses of disability from micro to macro contexts; (2) explore disability as an issue of justice, diversity and belonging; (3) analyse emotional responses to disability and how unconscious processes mediate disability-related decision making; and (4) analyse intersections of disability with other positionalities, identifying issues of power, privilege, oppression and agency.

**DP requirements:** Attendance of at least 90% of block sessions and completion of all required assignments within the prescribed time period, unless otherwise approved by the Diploma convener. Participation in seminars and group projects is compulsory and will be monitored. Students are required to participate in at least 80% of online teaching and learning support activities as monitored by Vula site statistics. A year mark of at least 45% is required for examination entrance, unless approved otherwise by the programme convener. Students who obtain a mark between 47% and 49% may be permitted to write a supplementary examination.

**Assessment:** Coursework assessment and online participation will count for 50% of the mark and an integrated oral and written examination presentation for the other 50%.

AHS4091F DEVELOPING CRITICAL RESEARCH LITERACY 30 NQF credits at NQF level 8 Convener: Associate Professor J McKenzie and Dr BO Ige

Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

This course introduces students to research paradigms and the principles of emancipatory disability research within a critical perspective. Students build on undergraduate research knowledge and/or draw on prior learning to develop a critical understanding of approaches, methods and procedures involved in generating rigorous research. They conceptualise tools for problem definition and research design, and identify frameworks for implementation including information management, development of research tools, analytical skills development, research project management, and writing skills. At the end of the course, students will be able to analyse and synthesise information from various sources, will understand some basic concepts of research and its methodologies, will be able to demonstrate understanding of the ethical dimension of conducting applied research, identify appropriate research topics, apply existing skills and knowledge to identify and formulate new problems, organise and conduct basic quantitative and qualitative research, and write a concept note.

**DP requirements:** Attendance of at least 90% of block sessions and completion of all required assignments within the prescribed time period, unless otherwise approved by the programme convener. Students are required to participate in at least 80% of online teaching and learning support activities as monitored by Vula site statistics. A year mark of at least 45% is required for examination entrance, unless approved otherwise by the programme convener. Students who obtain a mark between 47% and 49% may be permitted to write a supplementary exam.

**Assessment:** Specific research tasks will be set during the coursework (50% of year mark) culminating in a concept note and oral presentation for the final assessment (50%).

#### AHS4117S CRITICAL PRIORITIES IN DISABILITY & DEVELOPMENT

30 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Associate Professor J McKenzie

#### Course entry requirements: None

#### Course outline:

The course provides space for critical interrogation of vulnerability and agency related to disability, focusing on transformation and social justice. Relevant ethical frameworks for disability inclusion such as human rights, Ubuntu, and an ethics of care are introduced. Next, students engage with approaches to development, e.g. sustainable livelihoods, the sustainable development goals, and climate change. At the end of the course, the student is able to demonstrate an understanding of how theoretical models can inform transformative practices; a critical stance toward these theories informed by their own world view, experience and practice; an awareness of the global context of neoliberalism and development as it impacts on social transformation; an understanding of disability as a critical issue within global sustainable development initiatives; knowledge of national and international development strategies and how disability issues can be integrated within these in a mainstreaming and twin track approach; and an understanding of collaboration and strategic partnerships to ensure disability inclusive development.

**DP requirements:** Attendance of least 90% of block sessions and completion of all required assignments within the prescribed time period, unless otherwise approved by the Diploma convener. Participation in seminars and group projects is compulsory and will be monitored. Students are required to participate in at least 80% of online teaching and learning support activities as monitored by Vula site statistics. A year mark of at least 45% is required for examination entrance, unless approved otherwise by the programme convener.

**Assessment:** Course work assessment and online participation will make up a 50% year mark and an integrated oral and written examination presentation will make up the other 50% Students who obtain a mark between 47% and 49% may be permitted to write a supplementary examination.

#### AHS4118S MONITORING DISABILITY IN SOCIETY

30 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Professor T Lorenzo

Course entry requirements: None

#### Course outline:

The focus of this course is on approaches to monitoring disability inclusion at different levels of society including community level, in education and at government policy development and implementation level. Students are introduced to international policies such as the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disability, and community-based rehabilitation (CBR) to enable them to examine how these have informed national policies and development initiatives in their countries. The course adopts an action-learning approach to understand monitoring as part of the project cycle. Monitoring skills are fostered through opportunities for students to determine the tangible and intangible elements of capacity of an organization, government department and/or educational institution. Students learn to develop indicators related to projects or policy outcomes. Students have an opportunity to explore principles of collaborative partnerships within the classroom and with disability organisations. The course is designed to develop students' capacity to understand different approaches and tools for monitoring disability inclusion and community participation to build an evidence base for advocacy. It provides conceptual frameworks that inform monitoring and reporting on disability inclusion initiatives and innovations across sectors that contribute to inclusive social, economic, and political development.

**DP requirements:** Attendance of at least 90% of block sessions and completion of all required assignments within the prescribed time period, unless otherwise approved by the Diploma convener. Participation in seminars and group projects is compulsory and will be monitored. Students are required to participate in at least 80% of online teaching and learning support activities as monitored via Vula site statistics. A year mark of at least 45% is required for examination entrance, unless

approved otherwise by the programme convener. Students who obtain a mark between 47% and 49% may be permitted to write a supplementary examination.

Assessment: Action learning activities (50%) and a final assessment comprising a written report and oral examination (50%).

AHS4128W PRACTICE OF NURSING CHILDREN

40 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Associate Professor M Coetzee

Course entry requirements: None

Co-requisites: AHS4122W, AHS4157W and AHS4165W

#### **Course outline:**

This course focuses on the clinical skills refined by research- and practice-based evidence, knowledge and understanding as these are applied in the practice of nursing children, intentionally supportive of the mother-child dyad, and using the primary healthcare approach in each encounter with children and their families. The course includes the full health assessment of the whole child related throughout to the developmental phase of the infant, child, and adolescent as these affect to health, illness, and critical illness. Recognition of deterioration and emergency care related to children with specific symptoms are included. Students are mentored in the skill of astute and perpetual observation accurate assessment, individualised planning, execution, and evaluation of children's nursing care. The course includes intentional application and learning in actual clinical settings in African health systems where children receive care with a focus on quality and safety in efficient ways. It ensures the development of skills to communicate in multidisciplinary teams, and with infants, children, parents, and families in ways to promote health. It includes skills required for appropriate referral to the next levels of care, primary, secondary, and programmes and essential medical management in local child health care settings.

**DP requirements:** (a) Two-thirds of contact time; (b) all of the time-on-task activities, assignments and clinical learning activities prescribed for the course; and (c) a minimum of 50% of hours of clinical learning activities to be completed prior to the summative clinical examination in October/November of the year of examination.

Assessment: Continuous coursework assessment contributes 50% towards the final mark. The final summative assessment contributes 50% towards the final mark. In order to pass the course, both components must be passed. Details of the coursework and summative assessments are given to the student at the beginning of the course. The final summative assessment is externally moderated.

## AHS4130W PRINCIPLES OF CRITICAL CARE NURSING OF CHILDREN

40 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Associate Professor M Coetzee

Course entry requirements: None

Co-requisites: AHS4122W, AHS4131W and AHS4167W

#### **Course outline:**

This course focuses on evidence-based knowledge, understanding, and skills core to the practice of nursing critically ill children, intentionally supportive of the mother-child dyad, and using the primary healthcare approach in each encounter with children and their families. The course is structured to ensure a clear understanding of deterioration from onset of critical illness or injury, stabilisation, transfer, and ongoing critical care. It includes an understanding of physiology and pathophysiology related to growth and development of the growing and maturing child, and ensures a developing knowledge base in communicating with infants, children, parents, and families in ways that promote health while working as an active, contributory member of the multidisciplinary team. A family-centred approach is integral to the course. The course is structured to ensure a sound knowledge of the critical care nurse's approach, diagnosis, plan for intervention, it includes an understanding of complex interdisciplinary team communication, and essential medical management in local paediatric critical care settings.

**DP requirements:** Two-thirds of contact time and all of the time-on-task activities and assignments prescribed for the course.

Assessment: Continuous coursework assessment contributes 40% towards the final mark. The final summative assessment contributes 60% towards the final mark. Details of the coursework and summative assessments are given to the student at the beginning of the course. The final summative assessment is externally moderated.

AHS4131W PRACTICE OF CRITICAL CARE NURSING OF CHILDREN

40 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Associate Professor M Coetzee

Course entry requirements: None

Co-requisites: AHS4011W, AHS4130W and AHS4167W

#### **Course outline:**

This course focuses on the clinical skills refined by research- and practice-based evidence, knowledge and understanding as these are applied in the practice of nursing critically ill infants and children, intentionally supportive of the mother-child dyad, and using the primary healthcare approach in each encounter with children and their families. The course includes integration of biomedical and psychosocial sciences to do a full assessment of the child, related throughout to the developmental phases of the infant, child and adolescent as these relate to health, illness and critical illness. Recognition of deterioration and emergency care related to children are included. Students are mentored in the skill of astute and perpetual observation, accurate assessment, individualised planning, execution and evaluation of children's nursing care. The course includes intentional application to and learning in actual clinical settings in African health systems where children receive care with a focus on quality and safety in efficient ways. It ensures the development of skills to communicate in teams, and with infants, children, parents and families in ways to promote health. It also involves facilitation of essential management in local paediatric critical care settings.

**DP requirements:** (a) Two-thirds of contact time; (b) all of the time-on-task activities, assignments and clinical learning activities prescribed per for the course; and (c) a minimum of 50% of hours of clinical learning activities to be completed prior to the summative clinical examination in October/November of the year of examination.

**Assessment:** 1) Continuous coursework assessment contributes 50% towards the final mark. The final summative assessment contributes 50% towards the final mark; 2) In order to pass the Critical Care Child Nursing Practice course, both continuous and summative assessments must be passed, i.e., the student must obtain a minimum of 50% in both components; 3) Details of the coursework and summative assessments are given to the student at the beginning of the course. The final summative assessment is externally moderated.

#### AHS4144W PRINCIPLES OF NEPHROLOGY NURSING

40 NQF credits at NQF level 8 **Convener:** Y van der Nest

Course entry requirements: None

Co-requisites: AHS4145W

#### **Course outline:**

This course is aimed at the acquisition of knowledge (terms, concepts, and principles), skills and attitudes related to nephrology nursing practice for adults and children in all renal healthcare settings, to inform clinical judgement and clinical decision-making, and to ensure patient safety. In primary healthcare settings, main concepts include health promotion with the emphasis on promoting renal health, principles of the primary healthcare approach, prevention of renal conditions and end-stage kidney failure, and the rehabilitation and psychosocial considerations for individuals of all ages, families and communities. In secondary and tertiary care settings, main concepts include evidence-based renal nursing care of the end-stage kidney failure patient receiving various modalities of renal replacement therapy. The course prepares the student to engage in exploring the effects of chronic kidney failure on family dynamics in the primary, secondary and tertiary settings.

**DP requirements:** Two-thirds of contact time, and all of the time-on-task activities and assignments prescribed for the course.

**Assessment:** Continuous coursework assessment contributes 40% towards the final mark. The final summative assessment contributes 60% towards the final mark and the pass mark is 50%.

AHS4145W NEPHROLOGY NURSING PRACTICE 40 NQF credits at NQF level 8 Convener: Y van der Nest Course entry requirements: AHS4144W Co-requisites: AHS4122W, AHS4144W and AHS4158W

#### Course outline:

The aim of this practice-based course is the application of knowledge of biosciences technology, and to inform clinical judgement and clinical decision-making in nephrology nursing practice in all healthcare settings to ensure patient safety. Emphasis is on the whole person approach, deliverance of quality care, and patient safety. Different education strategies will be explored for the treatment of end-stage kidney failure patients on various modalities of renal replacement therapy. This course equips the nephrology nursing practitioner to apply learnt knowledge and skills in the clinical laboratory setting using simulation, and in the clinical practice under the mentorship of a clinical facilitator. Students incrementally develop skills as specialist practitioners alongside other team members within the healthcare system to become safe competent practitioners. Students gain experience in providing renal screening, physical examination, and in-service training in primary renal care to primary healthcare workers. In secondary and tertiary renal settings, students use evidence-based studies to holistically nurse renal patients of all ages who are receiving all modalities of renal replacement therapy, including their family. Palliative and end-of-life care is provided with sensitivity and cultural relevance.

**DP requirements:** (a) Two-thirds of contact time; (b) all of the time-on-task activities, assignments and clinical learning activities prescribed for the course; and (c) a minimum of 50% of hours of clinical learning activities to be completed prior to the summative clinical examination in October/November of the year of examination.

Assessment: Continuous coursework assessment contributes 50% towards the final mark. The final summative assessment contributes 50% towards the final mark. In order to pass the course, both components must be passed.

#### AHS4157W PRINCIPLES OF NURSING CHILDREN

40 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Associate Professor M Coetzee

Course entry requirements: None

Co-requisites: AHS4122W, AHS4128W and AHS4165W

#### Course outline:

This course focuses on evidence-based knowledge, understanding, and skills core to the practice of nursing children, intentionally supportive of the mother-child dyad, and using the primary healthcare approach in each encounter with children and their families. It includes an understanding of anatomy and physiology, and related pathophysiology, as these pertain to growth and development of the growing and maturing child, and ensures a developing knowledge base of communicating with infants, children, parents and families in ways that promote health while working as an active, contributory member of the multidisciplinary team. A family-centred approach is integral to the course.

The course is structured to ensure a sound knowledge of normal health and development, to recognise deteriorating health in children as this guides the children's nurse with an approach to assessment, diagnosis, plan for intervention and appropriate referral to the next levels of care, primary, secondary and tertiary. It includes an understanding of WHO and National child health approaches and programmes and essential medical management in local child health care settings.

**DP requirements:** Two-thirds of contact time and all of the time-on-task activities and assignments prescribed for the course.

**Assessment:** Continuous coursework assessment contributes 40% towards the final mark. The summative assessment contributes 60% towards the final mark. Details of the coursework and summative assessments are given to the student at the beginning of the course. The final summative assessment is externally moderated.

#### AHS4158W CLINICAL MANAGEMENT IN PAEDIATRIC PHYSIOTHERAPY

90 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Professor B Morrow

#### Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

This course provides students with an understanding of evidence-based treatment methods for acute and chronic paediatric conditions. Students are exposed to evidence-based principles of treatment and learn about the theoretical foundation, core concepts and principal techniques of evidence-based physiotherapy treatment models. Basic training in normal and abnormal child development, pathology, physiology, handling, and interpretation of the literature in clinical decision-making will be provided through different learning activities: lectures (face-to-face, limited interaction, or technologically mediated), tutorials, group learning (if sufficient trainees), and independent self-study. **DP requirements:** Students need to attend a minimum of 70% of formal teaching events and be subminimum of 45% for the coursework is required in order to be granted admission to the final examination.

Assessment: Assignments including completion of logbook: 20%. Assessment of clinical skills: 30%. Final practical and oral examination: 50%.

#### AHS4163S DISABILITY STUDIES IN EDUCATION

30 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Associate Professor J McKenzie

Course entry requirements: None

Co-requisites: None

#### Course outline:

The aim of this course is to examine educational theory and practice through the lens of critical disability studies. The course critiques an underlying deficit model of disability with regard to special education and promotes an understanding of the social context of disability that can enable or disable, educational access and achievement. The course adopts an approach of lifelong learning and is not confined to a particular phase or stage of education.

**DP requirements:** Attendance of at least 90% of face-to-face sessions and completion of all required assignments within the prescribed time period, unless otherwise approved by the Diploma convener. Participation in seminars and group projects is compulsory and will be monitored. Students are required to participate in at least 80% of online teaching and learning support activities as monitored via Vula site statistics. A year mark of at least 45% is required for examination entrance, unless approved otherwise by the Diploma convener.

Assessment: Coursework assignments and online participation (50%); an integrated oral examination presentation (50%).

#### AHS4170W FOUNDATIONS OF SPECIALIST PRACTICE

24 NQF credits at NQF level 8

#### Convener: Dr T de Villiers

#### **Course outline:**

Foundations of Specialist Practice (FSP) is the core course offered in the postgraduate diploma leading to specialisation as a midwife or nurse in various clinical specialties. This course aims to introduce and equip students with foundational knowledge and skills to facilitate taking a leadership and advocacy role in planning and implementing appropriate evidenced-based care of patients, individuals, families and communities within health care and other settings. This course includes five

inter-related strands applied to specialist practice: Professional communication and advocacy; Health systems underpinned by a Primary Health Care approach; Research literacy and evidence-based practice; Self-awareness and resilience for lifelong learning; Leadership and professional practice. These strands intersect in ways that will encourage students to explore specialist practice in the context of vulnerability, and contemporary issues in transformation and health care including moral reasoning, health and human rights, disability, mental health and wellness, HIV/AIDS, and gender-based violence.

**DP requirements:** Two-thirds of contact time. All time-on-task activities including tutorials and work integrated learning. Please consult your 2022 Faculty of Health Sciences (FHS) PG student handbook for clarification and details of the UCT exam rules. The FHS PG student handbook is available online. **Assessment:** Formative coursework assessment contributes 40% towards the final mark. The final integrated assessment contributes 60% towards the final mark. Details of the formative and summative assessments are given to the student at the beginning of the course. The final summative assessment is externally moderated.

#### AHS4172W LEADING QUALITY AND SAFETY IN CHILD NURSING

16 NQF credits at NQF level 8

#### Convener: TBA

Co-requisites: Foundations of Specialist Practice; Principles of Children's Nursing; Child Nursing Practice

#### **Course outline:**

Leading Quality and Safety in Child Nursing is a course that aims to provide students with the knowledge and skills to take a leadership role in ensuring high quality patient care and safety in children's' health care settings. This course will facilitate application of knowledge in the core course, to planning and implementing policies, protocols and appropriate evidenced based care within settings where healthcare is provided to children and families. Clinical governance and resource stewardship are core to quality and safety and to this course. It includes skills of accessing and utilising published data and research, data generated from day-to-day nursing practice and epidemiological data pertaining to child health and the provision of healthcare to children. This will be offered in the context of navigating processes of change management and leading practice improvement initiatives at unit level. All teaching and learning are placed within the context of ethico-legal frameworks and includes robust discussion and adherence to ethical principles, an understanding of children as a vulnerable population as per the International Convention on the Rights of the Child (1989)and the Declaration of Helsinki (World Medical association, 2013).

**DP requirements:** Attendance of two-thirds of contact time; Completion of all of the time- on-task activities, assignments and related learning activities prescribed for this course.

**Assessment:** Formative assessment during the year contributes 40% of the final year mark; summative evaluation at the end of the year contributes 60% of the final year mark. Details of the coursework and summative assessments are given to the student at the beginning of the course. The final summative assessment is externally moderated. Details of the coursework and summative assessments are given to the student at the beginning of the course.

# AHS4173W LEADING QUALITY AND SAFETY IN CRITICAL CARE CHILD NURSING

16 NQF credits at NQF level 8

#### Convener: TBA

**Co-requisites:** Foundations of Specialist Practice; Principles of Critical Care Adult Nursing; Critical Care Child Nursing Practice

#### **Course outline:**

Leading Quality and Safety in Children's Nursing is a course that aims to provide students with the knowledge and skills to take a leadership role in ensuring high quality patient care and safety in children's' health care settings. This course will facilitate application of knowledge in the core course, to planning and implementing policies, protocols and appropriate evidenced based care within settings where healthcare is provided to children and families. Clinical governance and resource stewardship

are core to quality and safety and to this course. It includes skills of accessing and utilising published data and research, data generated from day-to-day nursing practice and epidemiological data pertaining to child health and the provision of healthcare to children. This will be offered in the context of navigating processes of change management and leading practice improvement initiatives at unit level. All teaching and learning is placed within the context of ethico-legal frameworks and includes robust discussion and adherence to ethical principles, an understanding of children as a vulnerable population as per the International Convention on the Rights of the Child (1989) and the Declaration of Helsinki (World Medical association, 2013).

**DP requirements:** Attendance of two-thirds of contact time; Completion of all of the time-on-task activities, assignments and related learning activities prescribed for this course.

**Assessment:** Formative assessment during the year contributes 40% of the final year mark; summative evaluation at the end of the year contributes 60% of the final year mark. Details of the coursework and summative assessments are given to the student at the beginning of the course. The final summative assessment is externally moderated. Details of the coursework and summative assessments are given to the student at the beginning of the course.

# AHS4174W LEADING QUALITY AND SAFETY IN NEPHROLOGY NURSING 16 NOF credits at NOF level 8

#### Convener: TBA

**Co-requisites:** Foundations of Specialist Practice; Principles of Nephrology Nursing; Nephrology Nursing Practice

#### **Course outline:**

The Leading Quality and Safety in Nephrology Nursing course aims to provide students with the knowledge and skills to take a leadership role in ensuring high quality patient care and safety in various health care settings for: pre dialysis care, dialysis, transplantation, acute dialysis, and ICU. This course will facilitate the application of knowledge from the core Foundations of Specialist Practice (FSP) course to planning and implementing policies, protocols and appropriate evidence-based care within settings where healthcare is provided to patients with renal failure and their affected families. Clinical governance and resource stewardship are core to quality and safety. This course will facilitate the skills of accessing and utilising published data and research, data generated from day-to-day nephrology nursing practice and epidemiological data pertaining to patients with renal failure and their affected family's healthcare. Students will be supported in exploring, and where feasible, navigating processes of change management and leading practice improvement initiatives at unit level. All teaching and learning are placed within the context of ethico-legal frameworks and includes robust discussion and adherence to ethical principles, and the Declaration of Helsinki. This course will complement the knowledge, skills and insights gained from other courses provided in this programme. DP requirements: Attendance of two-thirds of contact time; Completion of all of the time- on-task activities, assignments and related learning activities prescribed for this course.

Assessment: Formative assessment during the year contributes 40% of the final year mark; summative evaluation at the end of the year contributes 60% of the final year mark.Details of the coursework and summative assessments are given to the student at the beginning of the course. The final summative assessments are given to the student at the beginning of the course assessments are given to the student at the beginning of the course.

### AHS4175W PRINCIPLES OF OPHTHALMIC NURSING

#### 40 NQF credits at NQF level 8

#### Convener: TBA

**Co-requisites:** Foundations of Specialist Practice; Leading Quality and Safety in Ophthalmic Nursing; Ophthalmic Nursing Practice

#### **Course outline:**

This course is aimed at the acquisition of knowledge (terms, concepts, and principles), skills and attitudes related to ophthalmic nursing practice in all healthcare settings. In primary healthcare settings, main concepts include a whole-person centred approach for health promotion with the emphasis on promoting eye health, principles of the primary healthcare approach, prevention of eye

conditions and avoidable blindness. The development of independence is fostered. Psychosocial considerations of visual impairment are emphasised for individuals of all ages, families and communities. In secondary and tertiary care settings, main concepts include evidence-based perioperative nursing care of the patient having eye surgery. A portion of this course is web-based, guided by a self-paced workbook that builds on prior knowledge of clinical sciences. Links between the biosciences, optics, technology, and ophthalmic nursing practice are explored. Application of knowledge of the biosciences and technology will inform clinical decision-making. The intention is the development of a clear understanding of the reasons for every action and the progressive development of skilful practice in health assessment, diagnosis of certain eye conditions, and management and appropriate referral.

**DP requirements:** Attendance of two-thirds of contact time; and completion of all of the time- ontask activities, assignments and related learning activities prescribed for this course.

**Assessment:** Formative assessment during the year contributes 40% of the final year mark; summative evaluation at the end of the year contributes 60% of the final year mark. Details of the coursework and summative assessments are given to the student at the beginning of the course. The final summative assessment is externally moderated. Details of the coursework and summative assessments are given to the student at the beginning of the course.

# AHS4176W LEADING QUALITY AND SAFETY IN OPHTHALMIC NURSING 16 NQF credits at NQF level 8

#### Convener: TBA

**Co-requisites:** Foundations of Specialist Practice; Principles of Ophthalmic Nursing: Ophthalmic Nursing Practice

#### **Course outline:**

Leading Quality and Safety in Ophthalmic Nursing is a course that aims to provide students with the knowledge and skills to take a leadership role in ensuring high quality patient care and safety in eye health care settings. This course will facilitate application of knowledge in the core course, to planning and implementing policies, protocols and appropriate evidenced based care within settings where eye healthcare is provided to persons of all ages. Clinical governance and resource stewardship are core to quality and safety and to this course. It includes skills of accessing and utilising published data and research, data generated from day-to-day ophthalmic nursing practice and epidemiological data pertaining to eye health and the provision of eye healthcare services to persons of all ages. This will be offered in the context of navigating processes of change management and leading practice improvement initiatives at unit level. All teaching and learning is placed within the context of ethical-legal frameworks and includes robust discussion and adherence to ethical principles, an understanding of visually challenged persons as a vulnerable population in terms of the VISION 2020: THE RIGHT TO SIGHT project, a global initiative for the elimination of avoidable blindness, a joint programme of the WHO and the International Agency for the Prevention of Blindness.

Lecture times: Formative assessment during the year contributes 40% of the final year mark; summative evaluation at the end of the year contributes 60% of the final year mark. Details of the coursework and summative assessments are given to the student at the beginning of the course. The final summative assessment is externally moderated. Details of the coursework and summative assessments are given to the student at the beginning of the course.

**DP requirements:** Attendance of two-thirds of contact time; Completion of all of the time- on-task activities, assignments and related learning activities prescribed for this course.

#### AHS4177W OPHTHALMIC NURSING PRACTICE

40 NQF credits at NQF level 8

#### Convener: TBA

**Co-requisites:** Foundations of Specialist Practice; Leading Quality and Safety in Ophthalmic Nursing; Principles of Ophthalmic Nursing

#### **Course outline:**

The aim of this practice-based course is the application of knowledge of the biosciences, technology and ophthalmology to inform clinical decision-making in ophthalmic nursing practice in all healthcare settings to ensure patient safety. Emphasis is on the whole-person approach and education strategies for the promotion of eye health and the prevention of visual impairment and blindness of individuals of all age groups and within all communities, particularly in patients with systemic conditions that affect the eye. In the clinical laboratory, guided clinical practice and simulation includes eye screening and examination. In primary care settings and within communities, students engage with individuals of all age groups for the diagnosis, management, appropriate referral and follow-up of certain specified eye conditions. Students incrementally develop skills as a specialist practitioner alongside other team members within the healthcare system. Students gain experience in providing in-service training in primary eye care to primary healthcare workers. In secondary and tertiary surgical settings, students manage perioperative aspects of the care of patients of all ages, and discharge planning and follow-up within the context of the family social structure. In all clinical settings, students use evidence-based studies to manage all aspects of the care of patients. When needed, end-of-life care is provided with sensitivity and cultural relevance.

**DP requirements:** Two-thirds of contact time; All of the time-on-task activities, assignments and clinical learning activities prescribed per for the course; and A minimum of 50% of hours of clinical learning activities to be completed prior to the summative clinical examination in October/November of the year of study

Assessment: Formative assessment contributes 50% towards the final mark. The final summative assessment contributes 50% towards the final mark. In order to pass the Ophthalmic Nursing Practice course, both formative and summative assessments must be passed, i.e., the student must obtain a minimum of 50% in both components. Details of the formative and summative assessments are given to the student at the beginning of the course. The final summative assessment is externally moderated.

## AHS4178W LEADING QUALITY AND SAFETY IN CRITICAL CARE ADULT

## NURSING

16 NQF credits at NQF level 8

#### Convener: TBA

**Co-requisites:** Foundations of Specialist Practice; Principles of Critical Care Adult Nursing; Critical Care Adult Nursing Practice

#### **Course outline:**

Leading Quality and Safety in Critical Care (Adult) Nursing is a course that aims to provide students with the knowledge and skills to take a leadership role in ensuring high quality patient care and safety in critical care settings. This course will facilitate application of knowledge in the core course, to planning and implementing policies, protocols and appropriate evidenced based care within settings where critical care is provided to adult persons. Clinical governance and resource stewardship are core to quality and safety and to this course. It includes skills of accessing and utilising published data and research, data generated from day-to-day Critical Care (Adult) Nursing practice and epidemiological data pertaining to critical care and the provision of critical care services to adult persons. This will be offered in the context of navigating processes of change management and leading practice improvement initiatives at unit level. All teaching and learning is placed within the context of thical-legal frameworks and includes robust discussion and adherence to ethical principles, an understanding of persons requiring critical care nursing as a vulnerable population.

**DP requirements:** Attendance of two-thirds of contact time; Completion of all of the time-on-task activities, assignments and related learning activities prescribed for this course.

**Assessment:** Formative assessment during the year contributes 40% of the final year mark; summative evaluation at the end of the year contributes 60% of the final year mark. Details of the coursework and summative assessments are given to the student at the beginning of the course. The final summative assessment is externally moderated. Details of the coursework and summative assessments are given to the student at the beginning of the course.

**Co-requisites:** Foundations of Specialist Practice; Leading Quality and Safety in Critical Care Adult Nursing; Critical Care Adult Nursing Practice

#### Course outline:

This course aims to achieve competency in assessment of the critically ill adult. This includes anatomy, pathophysiology, microbiology, medication and technology. The approach is grounded in a sound knowledge of normal health and development and this will guide the practitioner's approach, diagnosis, plan of intervention and referral. The course focuses on evidence-based care of the critically ill adult in the ICU. Students are enabled to establish a sound nursing approach to acquire and practise skills, and to develop creative responses to the needs of the critically ill adult and the family/significant others. In keeping with a whole person-based approach, this includes physical, emotional, learning, relational and spiritual aspects of the rehabilitation of adults, and interdisciplinary aspects; community resources and involvement; as well as institutional care and primary, secondary and tertiary prevention. Practical application is expected as students initiate and manage care in their practice settings. Diagnostic procedures and medical intervention are covered at an applied level. Constructive co-operation with other members of the health team is part of the process of equipping the critical care nurse. The course also explores the effects of the economic environment on patient care and the implication for nursing practice, effects of sensory alterations including stressors for patients and staff, sensory overload and deprivation, sleep and rest disturbances in the critical care unit, the dying process and death, immobility in critically ill adults including pain management, wound healing and altered body image, communication and interventions that improve communication, effects of occupational hazards, and legal and ethical aspects of practice.

**DP requirements:** Attendance of two-thirds of contact time; Completion of all of the time-on-task activities, assignments and related learning activities prescribed for this course.

Assessment: Formative assessment contributes 40% towards the final mark. The final summative assessment contributes 60% towards the final mark. Details of the coursework and summative assessments are given to the student at the beginning of the course. The final summative assessment is externally moderated.

#### AHS4180W CRITICAL CARE ADULT NURSING PRACTICE

#### 40 NQF credits at NQF level 8

#### Convener: TBA

**Co-requisites:** Foundations of Specialist Practice; Leading Quality and Safety in Critical Care Adult Nursing; Principles of Critical Care Adult Nursing

#### **Course outline:**

This practice-based course includes guided clinical learning experiences and the development of critical care nursing skills with the aim of developing clinical judgement and to equip the critical care nurse to practise independently in a variety of settings. Students incrementally develop skills as a specialist practitioner alongside other team members within the healthcare system. The aim of this practice-based course is the application of knowledge of the biosciences, technology and principles of critical care nursing to inform clinical decision-making in all critical settings to ensure patient safety. Emphasis is on the whole-person approach and early detection of clinical deterioration. For this purpose students are required to become competent in clinical assessment skills and in interpreting early warning systems for signs of physiological deterioration. If present, students gain competence in initiating interventions with urgency to avert episodes of critical illness. Students also gain experience in a nurse-led outreach/rapid response service provided by competent critical care nurses to assess patients on general wards who show signs of clinical deterioration to avert critical illness. If critical illness is established, students gain experience in resuscitation techniques. When needed, end-of-life care is provided with sensitivity and religious and cultural relevance.

**DP requirements:** Two-thirds of contact time; All of the time-on-task activities, assignments and clinical learning activities prescribed per for the course; and A minimum of 50% of hours of clinical learning activities to be completed prior to the summative clinical examination in October/November of the year

Assessment: Formative assessment contributes 50% towards the final mark. The final summative assessment contributes 50% towards the final mark. In order to pass the Critical Care Adult Nursing

Practice course, both continuous and summative assessments must be passed, i.e., the student must obtain a minimum of 50% in both components. Details of the formative and summative assessments are given to the student at the beginning of the course. The final summative assessment is externally moderated.

#### AHS5000W AUDIOLOGY DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor L Ramma

#### **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

### AHS5001W SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor L Ramma

#### **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

#### AHS5007W NURSING DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor SE Clow

#### **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

## AHS5011W OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY MINOR DISSERTATION

90 NQF credits at NQF level 9; Four seminars.

Convener: Associate Professor HA Buchanan

Course entry requirements: AHS5014F and AHS5018S

Objective: To plan and execute a research project at a master's level.

#### **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation of a maximum of 25 000 words is prepared under supervision and must be on a topic in the same discipline of the coursework master's programme for which the candidate is registered. The Master's dissertation must demonstrate rigorous application of the relevant research methodology, but does not have to be original research. The minor dissertation should deal with a topic that is contextually relevant to occupational therapy and may draw on or develop occupational

therapy and occupational science theories and philosophies. The dissertation must comply with all scientific, ethical and legal requirements.

#### **DP requirements:** None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

#### AHS5014F RESEARCH METHODS

15 NQF credits at NQF level 9; 36 hours of contact time delivered in 2 blocks of 3 days each (usually in January and March/April).

Convener: Associate Professor R Galvaan

Course entry requirements: None

Objective: The objective is to introduce students to the research process and equip them with necessary skills and competencies to develop research proposals for their selected research projects. Course outline:

The aim of this course is to introduce students to the research process which includes quantitative, qualitative and mixed method research approaches. It enables students to develop an understanding and an appreciation of what research is, and the process of research at postgraduate level. The course introduces key concepts necessary for developing a postgraduate research proposal. Facilitation of learning draws from different expertise available in the Department of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences.

#### Lecture times: 09h00-16h00.

#### **DP requirements:** None

Assessment: One formative assignment and one summative assignment. The formative assignment contributes 40% towards the final mark. The summative assignment contributes 60% to the final mark and is externally moderated.

#### AHS5015F HUMAN OCCUPATION: THEORY & CRITIQUE

15 NOF credits at NOF level 9; Forty hours of contact time.

Convener: L Peters

#### Course entry requirements: None

#### Course outline:

This course has a strong occupational science focus. The science of occupation is an academic discipline, the purpose of which is to generate knowledge about the form, function and meaning of occupation. Human Occupation I focuses on the many dimensions that influence human occupation and examine the impact of occupation on health and adaptation.

At the end of this course, students will be able to: (1) identify and describe key theoretical frameworks used by occupational science theorists to understand occupation; (2) name and explain a documented critique on key occupational science constructs; (3) use personal lived experience and practice examples to affirm or disaffirm different theoretical perspectives on human occupation; (4) provide a comprehensive analysis of context as it relates to human occupation; (5) appreciate the collective dimension to occupational engagement; and (5) appreciate the political dimension of occupation.

Lecture times: Two one-week lecture blocks (mornings only) in the first semester – usually January and March/April.

**DP requirements:** Attendance and participation in all lectures.

Assessment: Formative assessment: Critical reflective piece - 20%; Applied critical reflection - 30%. Summative assessment: Examination mark - 50%.

#### AHS5016F **OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY: IDENTITIES & PRACTICES**

15 NQF credits at NQF level 9; Forty hours of contact time.

Convener: Dr A Sonday

#### Course entry requirements: None

#### Course outline:

This course builds on and will inform the content of AHS5015F (Human Occupation I) in which the historical, theoretical and philosophical background to human occupation in context and its significance for health, development and adaptation are covered. It explores the phenomenon of occupation within the context of daily life and across the lifespan in order to inform occupation-based practice (OBP). It focuses on the dimensions, principles and processes of OBP with particular emphasis on the African context. Relevant factors that impact directly and indirectly on service provision are considered, including occupational performance, engagement and participation; principles of occupational justice; and processes of enabling occupation, including evidence-based practice. At the end of this course the student will be able to: (1) critically appraise assumptions in occupational therapy about the nature of occupation and occupational performance; (2) explain occupational performance, engagement and participation of individuals, groups and communities; and (4) critically appraise professional models and frameworks for enabling occupational participation and inclusion.

Lecture times: Two one-week lecture blocks (mornings only) in the first semester – usually January and March/April.

DP requirements: Attendance and participation in all lectures.

Assessment: Examination mark (summative) 50%; Course mark (formative) 50%.

#### AHS5018S RESEARCH METHODS II

15 NQF credits at NQF level 9; Thirty-six hours of contact time.

Convener: Associate Professor H Buchanan & Dr P Gretschel

#### Course entry requirements: AHS5014F

**Objective:** At the end of this course, students will: (1) have an advanced appreciation of evidencebased practice as an approach to clinical decision making; (2) be able to formulate a focused clinical question about intervention effectiveness; (3) be able to plan and conduct an effective search using a variety of databases to find relevant research articles to answer a clinical intervention question; (4) have developed the skills required to appraise systemic reviews and randomized controlled trials; (5) be able to apply research findings to health practice in an African context; (6) be able to situate qualitative research correctly with consideration to paradigmatic orientation and/or ontological orientation; (7) be able to critique qualitative research in terms of goodness of fit between research question and data; (8) be able to incorporate relevant strategies in or to ensure trustworthiness of findings generated into the research process; and (9) be able to explain particular dimensions that require attention when ethics is being considered in qualitative research.

#### Course outline:

This course provides more in-depth preparation for students to plan, execute and report research. The course includes advanced qualitative and quantitative research methodology and evidence-based practice. A major focus is on the further development of the research protocol.

Lecture times: Two blocks of three full days in the second semester – usually July and September. DP requirements: Attendance and participation in all lectures.

**Assessment:** Formative assessment: Qualitative research assignment - 25%; Evidence-based practice presentation - 25%. Summative assessment: Examination mark - 50%.

#### AHS5019W PHYSIOTHERAPY DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

#### Convener: TBC

#### **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

#### 30 NQF credits at NQF level 9

#### **Convener:** Dr T de Villiers

#### Course entry requirements: None

**Objective:** The aim of this course is to explore theory development in nursing in an attempt to understand the relationship between theory and research, theory and management, theory and education and theory and clinical practice.

#### **Course outline:**

The aim of this course is to explore and analyse the nature of theory in nursing practice, in an attempt to understand the relationship between theory and research, management, education and clinical practice. An understanding of this relationship should result in a logical, reflective and critical approach to reasoning in nursing practice appropriate for a master's level nurse/midwife. Such understanding should also contribute to the development of new knowledge in nursing science. You will be introduced to several nursing theories and theoretical frameworks or "borrowed theories" with relevance to nursing practice, nursing education, nursing management and research. Concepts of person, health, nursing and environment are explored from various theoretical perspectives. You are expected to consider how these concepts are reflected in their own practice. Theory construction, levels of theories, their function in nursing and contextual application form part of the content of the course.

#### Lecture times: 09h00-16h00.

DP requirements: Attendance and participation in 75% of class times.

**Assessment:** Formative assessment contributes 50% of the final mark. The summative assessment (externally moderated) contributes 50% of the final mark.

#### AHS5024W NURSING MINOR DISSERTATION

90 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor SE Clow

#### Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. It must be a maximum of 25 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the discipline of nursing. Having submitted their research proposals and obtained formal research ethics approval, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. Master's degree candidates must develop conceptual and academic rigour in research, acquire competence in initiating, planning and conducting research, and be able to reflect critically on theory and its application. They must be able to deal with complex issues systematically and creatively, to design and critically appraise research, to make sound judgements using the data and information at their disposal, and to communicate their conclusions clearly to specialist and non-specialist audiences. They must also disseminate research findings that will contribute to the field of nursing in appropriate formats, such as publications or other documents for the information of nurses or nursing organisations.

#### DP requirements: None

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

#### AHS5027W OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY DISSERTATION

180 NOF credits at NOF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor HA Buchanan

#### **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

### AHS5032H RESEARCH METHODOLOGY 1

12 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor T Burgess

Course entry requirements: None

#### Course outline:

This course is completed in the first coursework year. The course includes an introduction to research design, proposal development, the critical appraisal of literature, quantitative and qualitative research methods, and basic statistics. It also includes the development and presentation of the research proposal, and submission of the full proposal for ethical approval.

DP requirements: Attendance and completion of all coursework commitments.

**Assessment:** The year mark is based on one written assignment, the presentation of the research proposal and the submission of the research proposal. The examination mark is based on one theory paper. The year mark constitutes 60% and the examination mark constitutes 40% of the final mark.

#### AHS5033W EXERCISE & SPORTS PHYSIOTHERAPY

36 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor T Burgess

Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

This course includes the prevention, comprehensive assessment, management and rehabilitation of injuries associated with physical activity, exercise and sports. Key concepts include the development of clinical reasoning and evidence-based practice. This course incorporates the assessment and management of athletes of all ages and abilities, and emphasises principles of safe participation in physical activity, exercise and sports.

**DP requirements:** Attendance and completion of all coursework commitments.

**Assessment:** The year mark is based on two class tests and a group assignment. The examination mark is based on a theory paper, a clinical assessment examination, and the submission of a portfolio of evidence for the practicum. The year mark constitutes 49% and the examination mark constitutes 51% of the final mark.

#### AHS5034W EXERCISE & SPORTS PHYSIO MINOR DISSERTATION

When the primary supervisor is in the Department of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences 60 NOF credits at NOF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor T Burgess

Course entry requirements: None

#### Course outline:

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. It must be a maximum of 25 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the same discipline of the coursework master's programme in which the candidate is registered. Having submitted their research proposals and obtained formal research ethics approval, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. Master's degree candidates must develop conceptual and academic rigour in research, acquire competence in initiating, planning and conducting research, and be able to reflect critically on theory and its application. They must be able to deal with complex issues systematically and creatively, to design and critically appraise research, to make sound judgements using the data and information at their disposal, and to communicate their conclusions clearly to specialist and non-specialist audiences. They must also disseminate research findings that will contribute to the field of Exercise and Sports Physiotherapy in appropriate formats, such as publications or other documents for the information of athletes or sporting organisations.

#### **DP requirements:** None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

AHS5044S OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY IN PRIMARY HEALTH CARE 15 NQF credits at NQF level 9; 40 contact hours in the second semester.

#### Convener: Associate Professor H Buchanan & Dr M Ramafikeng

Course entry requirements: None

#### Course outline:

This course examines the role of occupational therapy in comprehensive primary healthcare. It considers how the PHC philosophy and approach can be facilitated through occupation-centred health promotion, prevention, therapeutic and rehabilitative programmes within the district health system. It reviews national and international policy frameworks and principles that guide community-based rehabilitation and the advancement of disability-inclusive development. At the end of this course the student will be able to: (1) critically discuss the relevance of comprehensive primary healthcare in the African context; (2) justify the focus of occupational therapy in promotive, preventive, therapeutic and rehabilitative programmes within the district health system; and (3) appraise a range of pertinent national and international policy guidelines for community-based rehabilitation and disability inclusive development.

Lecture times: Two one-week lecture blocks (mornings only) in the second semester – usually July and September.

**DP requirements:** Attendance and participation in all lectures.

Assessment: Formative assessment: Minor assignment - 20%; Major assignment - 30%. Summative assessment: Examination mark - 50%

AHS5045S OCCUPATION-BASED COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PRACTICE 15 NQF credits at NQF level 9; Forty hours of contact time.

#### Convener: Associate Professor R Galvaan Course entry requirements: None

#### Course entry requirement

#### **Course outline:**

This course examines how occupational therapy is able to contribute to an emancipatory agenda in which population inequities are addressed. It considers how critical perspectives on occupation are able to inform practice that aims to facilitate the participation, social inclusion and, therefore, the wellbeing of vulnerable people. It introduces an appraisal of how occupational-science constructs may be integrated into occupation-based community development practice. At the end of this course the student will be able to: (1) explain the relationship between social inclusion and occupational engagement; (2) identify critical perspectives of occupation that inform community development practice; (3) explain and theorise occupation-based frameworks of practice that are locally situated and globally relevant; and (4) theorise the design of occupation-based community development services.

Lecture times: Two one-week lecture blocks (mornings only) in the second semester – usually July and September.

DP requirements: Attendance and participation in all lectures.

Assessment: Formative assessment: Minor assignment - 20%; Major assignment - 30%. Summative assessment: Examination mark - 50%

#### AHS5046W INDEPENDENT STUDY PROJECT

45 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor M Coetzee(Department of Paediatrics and Child Health

#### Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

This component of the Master of Nursing in Child Nursing programme offers the student the opportunity to assimilate the content of the 4 courses in the programme by developing one set of clinical best practice guidelines. These guidelines are intended to set a standard for practice, to align practice with current best evidence, and to increase accountability for good practice. Development of best practice guidelines requires diligent research, a thorough knowledge of the current context including the clinical and theory base, participative approaches to working with clinicians in practice, and sound reasoning. The guidelines need to be peer-reviewed and validated as acceptable, accessible and achievable in practice so that there is acceptance by clinicians and implementation into actual practice settings.

**DP requirements:** Attendance of at least two thirds of contact time for lectures and tutorials of each course as well as formative assignments as specified in each course.

**Assessment:** The summative evaluation of this course requires the development of a modified Evidence-Based Practice Guideline. The topic should address a well-defined issue in the care of children in local settings. The assessment includes a detailed project report and an oral presentation. Supervision and mentoring will be provided throughout the process. Summative work is externally examined.

#### AHS5047W CLINICAL LEADERSHIP

30 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: A/Prof Minette Coetzee, Department of Paediatrics and Child Health

#### Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

Innovation and value-based principles form the core of this course. These challenge students to deconstruct deeply entrenched thinking and traditions that pervade health service provision. Core values of caring, competence, accountability, integrity, responsiveness and respect are explored, nurtured and applied in various ways. Principle-centred and collaborative leadership styles which support a District Health Service with the philosophy of Primary Healthcare are nurtured. The course includes innovative thinking and emerging modalities including emotional intelligence, a strength-based approach to building and managing teams and honing communication skills. The principles of change management are taught to help students to courageously pursue change implementation. Aspects of economics and financial planning, resource management, systems thinking, monitoring and evaluation are included as well as robust debate encompassing ethics and the various aspects of restorative justice. Knowledge and skills in these essentials of transformative clinical leadership and the ability to model leadership are gained on the Clinical Leadership course (year 1) and evaluated throughout and specifically in the clinical nursing practice courses (year 2).

**DP requirements:** Attendance of at least two thirds of contact time for lectures and tutorials of each course as well as formative assignments as specified in each course.

**Assessment:** Two formative assessments contribute 40% of the final mark. The summative assessment (externally moderated) contributes 60% of the final mark. Formative: review and critique of two published articles using a structured guided framework (20% each). Summative: use a systematic review quality assessment tool to analyse a published randomised control trial (60%). Summative work is externally examined.

#### AHS5048W ADVANCED NURSE PRACTICE B

40 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor M Coetzee

#### Course entry requirements: AHS5049W

#### Course outline:

This course further explores the emerging science and application of advanced children's nursing practice in local, regional and international contexts for the acquisition of an expert knowledge and skills base. Clinical practice improvement in advanced nursing practice in local, regional and international contexts is explored. Learning activities are intentionally designed to facilitate the progressive development of complex decision-making skills for expanded nursing practice in the care of infants, children and adolescents. Clinical reasoning skills require critical and creative thinking skills based on sound knowledge, in order to master clinical competencies for advanced practice, working with individuals, families and communities across all levels of the formal healthcare system. Clinical learning occurs within multidisciplinary teams where students will carry full clinical responsibility for a particular patient load and population, while being accountable to the multidisciplinary team leader (consultant). These skills are gained on this course, evaluated in year 1, and built on and consolidated in Child Nursing Practice B in year 2.

**DP requirements:** Attendance of at least two thirds of contact time for lectures and tutorials of each course as well as formative assignments as specified in each course.

Assessment: Formative assessment contributes 50% of the final mark. The summative assessment contributes 50% of the final mark. Assessment will be structured around the development of a portfolio of evidence embedded in clinical learning and covering assessment, planning, monitoring, and providing and evaluating care within complex, rapidly changing situations. A practice improvement process will be included in this course evaluation. Assessment criteria will be provided to the student in the beginning of the module. The summative assessment (50%) is externally moderated.

#### AHS5049W ADVANCED CHILD NURSE PRACTICE A

35 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor M Coetzee

#### Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

This course explores the emerging science and application of advanced children's nursing practice in local, regional and international contexts for the acquisition of an expert knowledge and skills base. Learning activities are intentionally designed to facilitate the progressive development of complex decision-making skills for expanded nursing practice in the care of infants, children and adolescents. Clinical reasoning skills require critical and creative thinking skills, based on sound knowledge, in order to master clinical competencies for advanced practice, working with individuals, families and communities across all levels of the formal healthcare system. Clinical learning occurs within multidisciplinary teams where students carry full clinical responsibility for a particular patient load and population, being accountable to the multidisciplinary team leader (consultant). These skills are gained in this course, evaluated in year 1, and built on and consolidated in Child Nursing Practice B in year 2.

**DP requirements:** Attendance of at least two thirds of contact time for lectures and tutorials of each course as well as formative assignments as specified in each course.

**Assessment:** Formative assessment contributes 50% of the final mark. The summative assessment contributes 50% of the final mark. Assessment will be structured around the development of a portfolio of evidence embedded in clinical learning and covering assessment, planning, monitoring, providing and evaluating care within complex, rapidly changing situations. Assessment criteria will be provided to the student at the beginning of the module. The summative assessment is externally moderated.

#### AHS5050W CLINICAL RESEARCH

30 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr Nina Power, Department of Paediatrics and Child Health

Course entry requirements: Introduction to Research Methods at HEQSF level 8.

#### Course outline:

This course aims to prepare specialist clinicians who require competence in evidence-based practice as a core part of the curriculum. This includes critical understanding of clinical research methods, data management and analysis, and research ethics and utilisation of research results. Students can expect to develop component in year two. On completion of this course, the student is expected to be able to: (1) Demonstrate evidence of understanding the essential skills and knowledge that you will need to access and research advanced clinical practice apply to your (2) Show evidence of a clear understanding of the ethical implications of doing clinical research, and of regulations and legal ethical frameworks that govern clinical research with particular reference to vulnerable study populations; (3) Apply knowledge and understanding of the clinical research process in the critique of published studies; (4) Make sound judgements using data and information at their disposal and communicate conclusions clearly to specialist and non-specialist audiences. The above aims are in preparation for the task set for the Independent Study Project in Year 2 of this programme. DP requirements: Attendance of at least two thirds of contact time for lectures and tutorials of each course as well as formative assignments as specified in each course.

Assessment: Each of the four formative assessments contribute 10% 40% of the final mark (with each Four formative assessments contribute 40% of the final mark in total. The summative assessment

contributes 60% of the final mark. Summative work is externally examined. Formative: 1. Research summaries: (review and critique of three published articles) (10%) 2. Research writing (synthesis of the three articles previously summarised) (10%) 3. Peer review of research summaries (10%) 4. Identify clinical practice guidelines (10%). Summative: Write a rapid review protocol to support identification and quality appraisal of key research literature linked to a nursing or midwifery practice issue of your choice. This should adhere to a recognised rapid review methodology, with justification, and include construction of a review question, a search strategy with inclusion and exclusion criteria, and design of processes for data extraction, charting and quality appraisal of identified items. Output should be correctly referenced.(60%).

#### AHS5051W RESEARCH METHODOLOGY II

12 NOF credits at NOF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor T Burgess

Course entry requirements: AHS5032H

#### Course outline:

This course is completed in the second coursework year. This course is designed to assist students in developing scientific thinking and critical analysis skills, as well as in the analysis and write-up of their research projects. The course includes the development of a literature review, data management and statistics.

DP requirements: Attendance and completion of all coursework commitments.

Assessment: The year mark is based on the completion of a literature review, and an oral presentation of research progress. The examination mark is based on one theory paper. The year mark constitutes 60% and the examination mark constitutes 40% of the final mark.

#### AHS5052W MANAGEMENT OF EXERCISE- AND SPORTS-RELATED

CONDITIONS

12 NOF credits at NOF level 9 Convener: Associate Professor T Burgess Course entry requirements: None Course outline:

This course covers the assessment and management of common medical conditions associated with physical activity, exercise and sports; sports traumatology, which includes on-field assessment of the injured athlete, management of airway and breathing, management of spinal injuries and disabilities, and resuscitation; pharmacology for exercise and sports physiotherapists; exercise and sports nutrition; and sports psychology.

DP requirements: Attendance and completion of all coursework commitments.

Assessment: The year mark is based on two class tests and an individual assignment. The examination mark is based on a theory paper and a practical examination. The year mark constitutes 49% and the examination mark constitutes 51% of the final mark.

#### AHS6000W OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

Convener: Associate Professor HA Buchanan

#### **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-

specialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing. **Assessment:** The thesis is externally examined.

#### AHS6001W PHYSIOTHERAPY THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

Convener: TBC

#### **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-specialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing. **Assessment:** The thesis is externally examined.

#### AHS6007W DISABILITY STUDIES DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9 **Convener:** Dr B Watermeyer

#### **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

#### AHS7000W AUDIOLOGY THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10 Convener: Associate Professor L Ramma Course outline:

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-specialist must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing. **Assessment:** The thesis is externally examined.

AHS7001W SPEECH-LANG PATHOLOGY THESIS 360 NQF credits at NQF level 10 Convener: Associate Professor L Ramma Course outline:

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Assessment: The thesis is externally examined.

AHS7002W NURSING THESIS 360 NOF credits at NOF level 10 Convener: Dr N Fouche **Course outline:** 

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline: a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and nonspecialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing. Assessment: The thesis is externally examined.

AHS7006W DISABILITY STUDIES THESIS

360 NOF credits at NOF level 10

Convener: Professor T Lorenzo

#### Course outline:

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and nonspecialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing. Assessment: The thesis is externally examined.

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#### HSE4000F LEARNING THEORIES IN HEALTH PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION 30 NOF credits at NOF level 8

Convener: E Badenhorst and Dr BO Ige

#### Course entry requirements: None

#### Course outline:

This course introduces students to learning theories in relation to teaching practice in health sciences education in the clinical, classroom and community context, within a higher education framework and Primary Health Care-led curriculum and health service policy. Students examine their own learning and teaching experience in relation to theories of learning and teaching relevant to their context. At the end of the course, students are able to reflect critically on their own teaching and facilitation of learning and on the student and teacher roles in various educational and organisational contexts: critically apply the theoretical approaches underpinning teaching and facilitation of learning in the clinical, classroom and community context; explain the importance of social accountability and health professionals as agents of change; and critically appraise e-learning in health professional education.

DP requirements: Satisfactory completion and submission of portfolio tasks after formative assessment and feedback, and participation in 80% of the weekly online activities, tracked via Vula site statistics.

Assessment: Summative course assessment constitutes 100% of the final mark at the end of the course, and comprises a written assignment at the end of the course. A re-examination will be awarded if a student achieves between 47% - 49% before the final mark is submitted.

#### HSE4001F LEARNING AND TEACHING PRACTICE

30 NOF credits at NOF level 8

#### Convener: L Pienaar

Course entry requirements: Full-time: HSE4000F; Part-time: HSE4000F & HSE4002S Course outline:

This course aims to critically review the range of teaching methodologies appropriate to teaching and facilitation of learning in the classroom and clinical context in a primary healthcare-led curriculum and health service, and further develops skills in the various methodologies. At the end of the course, students are able to demonstrate an awareness to identify opportunities that exist for facilitating learning in the classroom, clinical and community contexts; select and apply appropriate methodologies for teaching and facilitation of learning in different situations in the classroom, clinical and community contexts; demonstrate evidence of best practice of the effectiveness of various approaches; modify, plan, design and structure appropriate teaching and learning activities in the classroom, clinical and community contexts; demonstrate the integration of the Primary Health Careled curriculum in teaching; demonstrate the ability to provide constructive, critical feedback; demonstrate an understanding of group dynamics and the principles of effective facilitation in small group learning; and identify and raise ethical and human rights issues for discussion within the classroom, clinical and community contexts.

DP requirements: Satisfactory completion and submission of portfolio tasks after formative assessment and feedback, and participation in 80% of the weekly online activities, tracked via Vula site statistics.

**Assessment:** Summative course assessment constitutes 100% of the final mark at the end of the course and comprises a written assignment at the end of the course. A re-examination will be awarded if a student achieves between 47% - 49% before the final mark is submitted.

HSE4002S ASSESSMENT IN HEALTH PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

30 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Professor FJ Cilliers

**Course entry requirements:** Full-time: HSE4001F; Part-time: HSE4000F (in the first year) **Course outline:** 

This course aims to provide an overview of various assessment approaches, purposes, methods, and debates focusing on changing trends in assessment in the classroom, community and clinical context (clinical context in this instance can include clinical procedures, consultation, clinical reasoning and management, professionalism and communication skills). At the end of the course, the student should be able to demonstrate an awareness of concepts, approaches, and debates associated with assessment; critically select, develop or modify an appropriate assessment instrument for specific teaching practice; reflect critically on assessment practices on his/her own and align assessment with course/programme outcomes and teaching/learning activities; develop and implement appropriate assessment instruments for the health sciences educational context; demonstrate an understanding of the role of an assessment blueprint; demonstrate the integration of the Primary Health Care approach in assessment; and critically appraise online assessment in health professional education.

**DP requirements:** Satisfactory completion and submission of portfolio tasks after formative assessment and feedback, and participation in 80% of the weekly online activities, tracked via Vula site statistics.

**Assessment:** Summative course assessment constitutes 100% of the final mark at the end of the course and comprises a written assignment at the end of the course. A re-examination will be awarded if a student achieves between 47% - 49% before the final mark is submitted.

#### HSE4003S CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT AND COURSE DESIGN

30 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr L McNamee

**Course entry requirements:** Full-time: HSE4002S; Part-time: HSE4001F (in the second year). **Course outline:** 

This course examines the relationship between course and curriculum design, the implications of the various models for student learning, and the complexities of health professions curriculum development, particularly within the context of a Primary Health Care-led curriculum. In addition, ways of improving the quality of teaching, learning and assessment in the classroom, community and clinical context are addressed. At the end of the course, the student should be able to explain underlying educational theory, values and beliefs of different approaches to curriculum development; describe the models, principles and elements of curriculum and course design; plan and design a course, demonstrating links to the broader programme or curriculum; discuss the complexity in achieving alignment between curriculum, course planning and implementation; explain the hidden curriculum and identify an instance thereof in the programme or course in which they are teaching; and appreciate the complexities of the relationship between health professional curricula and health service provision.

**DP requirements:** Satisfactory completion and submission of portfolio tasks after formative assessment and feedback, and participation in 80% of the weekly online activities, tracked via Vula site statistics.

**Assessment:** Summative course assessment constitutes 100% of the final mark at the end of the course and comprises a written assignment at the end of the course. A re-examination will be awarded if a student achieves between 47% - 49%, before the final mark is submitted.

#### HSE4004S INTEGRATED ASSESSMENT

0 NQF credits at NQF level 8 **Convener:** M Alperstein

**Course entry requirements:** Successful completion of all the preceding courses.

Course outline:

Not applicable (this course exists for the sole purpose of recording a weighted final mark).

**DP requirements:** None

Assessment: The examination comprises an open-book written examination (20%); a portfolio of course tasks (40%); an oral examination on the portfolio (15%); and a simulated teaching session (25%). Students must obtain a subminimum of 45% for each component and an overall pass mark of 50%. A re-examination will be awarded if a student achieves between 47% - 49%, before the final mark is submitted, at the discretion of the programme convener. A student who fails the final integrated examination with less than 45% may be awarded a supplementary examination at the discretion of the Faculty Examinations Committee.

#### HSE4005S ACADEMIC LITERACY FOR HEALTH PROFESSIONAL

EDUCATION

30 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: L Pienaar

Course entry requirements: Full-time: HSE4002S; Part-time: HSE4001F (in the second year).

## Co-requisites: None

Course outline:

This course aims to enable students to critically examine disciplinary modes of communication within their field in order to identify meaningful themes and features, for example: disciplinary conventions; what is valued in the writing; and how the structure of the writing informs the function. At the end of the course the student should be able to critically engage with the theory of the traditional model and approach of academic literacy and the more contemporary view, which is informed by the academic literacy requirements of their own discipline; evaluate scholarly texts and other disciplinary modes of communication to identify meaningful themes and features of the disciplinary discourse and be equipped to enhance student understanding of core content, by explicitly teaching and supporting the development of academic literacy skills within the discipline, through purpose-designed teaching activities and assessments.

**DP requirements:** Satisfactory completion and submission of portfolio tasks after formative assessment and feedback, and participation in 80% of the weekly online activities, tracked via Vula site statistics.

**Assessment:** The summative course assessment will constitute 100% of the final mark, and comprises a written assignment at the end of the course. A re-assessment will be awarded if a student achieves 47% - 49% before the final mark is submitted.

### HSE4006S TECHNOLOGY-ASSISTED TEACHING AND LEARNING

30 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: G Doyle

**Course entry requirements:** Full-time: HSE4002S; part-time: HSE4001F (in the second year). **Co-requisites:** None

#### Course outline:

The course aims to enable students to evaluate educational technologies suitable for use within health professions education. It investigates which technologies and teaching approaches would be appropriate in a technology-enhanced teaching and learning environment. At the end of the course the student should be able to critically engage with the discourses around the use of technology as an important element in present day curriculum design, demonstrate an understanding of how different types of technology can be used for various teaching and learning activities and critically engage with the practical aspects of technologies in teaching and learning.
**DP requirements:** Satisfactory completion and submission of portfolio tasks after formative assessment and feedback, and participation in 80% of the weekly online activities, tracked via Vula site statistics.

**Assessment:** The summative course assessment will constitute 100% of the final mark, and comprises a written assignment at the end of the course. A re-assessment will be awarded if a student achieves 47% - 49% before the final mark is submitted.

#### HSE5000W HEALTH SCIENCES EDUCATION DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

#### Convener: Dr Natashia Muna

**Course entry requirements:** A PG Diploma in Health Professions Education or equivalent. Applicants who do not have a PG Diploma in Health Sciences/Professions Education or the equivalent may be required to complete 1 or more of the following PG Diploma courses in Health Professional Education for Non-degree purpose: HSE4000F Learning Theories in Health Professional Education; HSE4001F Learning and Teaching Practice; HSE4002S Assessment in Health Professional Education; and HSE4003S Curriculum Development and Course Design.

#### **Course outline:**

This full master's dissertation will be conducted under supervision. The thesis report must not exceed 50 000 words and the topic must be related to a problem in health sciences education. Candidates are required to attend an orientation programme. The programme will include an introduction and basic training in identifying/refining the research problem, research methods, conducting literature reviews, research proposal design, data management, and ethical research practices. In addition to the orientation programme, students are expected to participate on a regular basis in the additional training and enrichment opportunities that are provided throughout the year. Expected outcome: Students are expected to produce a comprehensive research proposal, not exceeding 5000 words, within 18 months of registration. Once the research proposal has been approved at a departmental level, and formal ethics approval has been obtained, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results, and write up the dissertation. The dissertation is externally examined. **Assessment:** External examination of the dissertation.

# HSE6000W HEALTH SCIENCES EDUCATION THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

#### Convener: Dr B Ige

**Course entry requirements:** A MPhil in Health Professions Education or equivalent. Applicants who do not have a Masters in Health Sciences/Professions Education or the equivalent may be required to complete one or more of the following PG Diploma courses in Health Professional Education for Nondegree purposes: HSE4000F Learning Theories in Health Professional Education; HSE4001F Learning and Teaching Practice; HSE4002S Assessment in Health Professional Education; and HSE4003S Curriculum Development and Course Design.

#### **Course outline:**

The doctoral thesis report should not exceed 80,000 words. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of research methodologies, techniques and technologies related to the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non- specialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing. Candidates are required to participate actively in the Departmental MPhil and PhD orientation programme, as well as another enrichment research activities organised by the department.

Assessment: External examination of the thesis.

# HSE40138 RESEARCH METHODS IN HEALTH PROFESSIONS EDUCATION 30 NOF credits at NOF level 8

Convener: L Pienaar

Course entry requirements: HSE4000F, HSE4001F & HSE4002S

**Objective:** The following content will be covered in the course:1. Introduction to research & overview of research process in HPE2. The research problem and exploring your research aim and questions.3. Literature review and developing research questions.4. Quantitative methods in HPE5. Qualitative Research methods in HPE - design, sampling & data collection methods6. Qualitative Research methods in HPE - data collection continued & data analysis.7. Mixed Methods8. Research ethics & Integrity in HPE9. Disseminating & communicating your research findings

#### **Course outline:**

This course covers key concepts on Research Methodology in the field of Health Professions Education (HPE) and delves into a range of theoretical and practical approaches specifically

geared to the most employed research techniques in the field of HPE. The course also encompasses the exploration and evaluation of various paradigms, research designs, sampling techniques, and data analysis while addressing the ethical considerations inherent in these research processes. Acknowledging that HPE spans a diverse range of contexts from healthcare settings to simulation labs for example, the course will equip HP educators with the necessary skill to conduct robust research in these complex and unique settings.

The proposed course will serve as an elective option with existing courses HSE4003S/ HSE 4005 S and HSE 4006S and may be taken as a standalone occasional course or for candidates on the masters or doctoral health sciences programmes.

Lecture times: Blended Learning

**DP requirements:** Satisfactory completion and submission of portfolio tasks after formative assessment and feedback, and participation in 80% of the weekly online activities, tracked via learning management site statistics. Completion of Research ethics modules.

**Assessment:** Summative course assessment constitutes 100% of the final mark at the end of the course and comprises a written assignment at the end of the course. A re-examination will be awarded if a student achieves between 47%-49% before the final mark is submitted.

# **HUMAN BIOLOGY**

Room 5.14, Level 5

Anatomy Building, Health Sciences Campus, and Sports Science Institute of South Africa Building, Newlands. (This incorporates the disciplines of anatomy, biokinetics, biological anthropology, biomedical engineering, cell biology, exercise science, health technology and infrastructure management, physiology, and sport and exercise medicine).

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# HUB2022F ANATOMY FOR BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERS

18 NQF credits at NQF level 6 Convener: Professor GJ Louw

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Course entry requirements: HUB4075W

Objective: Overview of the structure and function of the human body.

#### **Course outline:**

A full course of lectures, tutorials and practicals, with emphasis on practical work. The course includes all aspects of gross anatomy, neuroanatomy and selected topics in applied anatomy.

**DP requirements:** Completion of all coursework. **Assessment:** Final examination: 40%. Class record: 60%.

# HUB2025F PHYSIOLOGY FOR BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERS

12 NQF credits at NQF level 6

Convener: Dr F Robertson and Dr T Mutsvangwa

# **Course outline:**

This course aims at providing postgraduate students with knowledge in selected topics of the human physiology in preparation for their research project in biomedical engineering. The course includes self-directed study and/or lectures and/or practicals in selected topics of physiology, for example (1) Introduction to physiology, (2) cells, tissues and membranes, (3) musculoskeletal system, (4) cardiovascular system, (5) nervous system, and (6) respiratory system. At the end of the course, students will: (1) have basic understanding in the selected topics of human physiology, (2) be able to apply and transfer knowledge obtained to biomedical engineering problems arising in other courses of their curriculum and in their research project, and (3) be able to advance, in self-study, their knowledge in the selected and related topics in physiology.

**DP requirements:** Completion of independent learning module; delivery and attendance of group presentations

Assessment: Independent learning module (15%; group presentation (10%); assignment (25%); and two class tests (25% each).

# HUB4007F BIOMECHANICS OF THE MUSCULOSKELETAL SYSTEM

12 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Associate Professor S Sivarasu

Course entry requirements: Mathematics 2, Physics 2 or Applied Mathematics 2 or equivalent.

#### Co-requisites: HUB2022F

# Course outline:

This course covers physical fundamentals (forms of motion; forces; work, energy and conservation; body segment parameters); the biological properties and the biomechanics of bone, cartilage, tendons, ligaments, nerves and muscles; the biomechanics of joints (knee, hip, ankle, lumbar and cervical spine, shoulder, elbow, wrist, hand and foot); joint forces and torque, and the lubrication of joints. Students then learn methods of application, including the design of artificial joints, implant failure analysis, tissue response to implanted materials, human gait and applied ergonomics.

DP requirements: Completion of all assignments. Attendance of site visits.

Assessment: Continuous course assessments marks along with final class test marks will count towards the total course marks.

# HUB4027W HEALTHCARE TECHNOLOGY ASSESSMENT

13 NQF credits at NQF level 8

**Convener:** Dr L du Plessis

#### Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

This course provides an introduction to formal concepts and methodologies used in support of health technology screening and adoption as part of appropriate, cost-effective healthcare delivery specifically and health-related interventions more generally. Topics include macro- and micro-assessment; assessment criteria, methods and processes; health status, health outcomes and impact analysis; cost-effectiveness analysis (CEA) methods and thresholds; priority-setting for technology adoption; linking HTA to clinical and institutional practice with the role of the clinical engineer highlighted; public health policy decisions on health technology innovations; special needs and challenges of resource-scarce settings; limitations associated with HTA studies and evidence; concepts in the assessment of diagnostic technologies; programme costs in the economic evaluation of health technologies; case studies.

**DP requirements:** Students will be required to attend a minimum of 80% of contact sessions and complete all assignments. Students must achieve a mark of at least 40% for the coursework throughout the year to qualify for the final exam.

**Assessment:** Assessments through coursework will consist of a combination of home assignments and tests which will contribute 60% to the final mark. A final examination carries 40% of the assessment weight. Supplementary exams can be awarded for students achieving a final module mark between 45% and 49%.

# HUB4028W HEALTHCARE TECHNOLOGY PLANNING AND ACQUISITION 13 NOF credits at NOF level 8

Convener: Dr L du Plessis

#### Course entry requirements: None

#### Course outline:

This course introduces the topic of healthcare technology. It clearly defines the terminology associated with healthcare technology. It furthers highlights the role of healthcare technology in the health system. Topics include technology life cycles; technology transfer; strategic planning; health care technology policy frameworks; tendering and procurement processes and donations guidelines, as well as the role of the clinical engineer in the management of these processes. The benefits and challenges of healthcare technology is discussed extensively.

**DP requirements:** Students will be required to attend a minimum of 80% of contact sessions and complete all assignments. Students must achieve a mark of at least 40% for the coursework throughout the year to qualify for the final exam.

**Assessment:** Assessments through coursework will consist of a combination of home assignments and tests which will contribute 60% to the final mark. A final examination carries 40% of the assessment weight. Supplementary exams can be awarded for students achieving a final module mark between 45% and 49%.

# HUB4030W HEALTHCARE PROJECT MANAGEMENT

13 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr L du Plessis

# Course entry requirements: None

# Course outline:

This course underlines the importance of the project management approach in the healthcare delivery environment. Topics include stakeholder and feasibility analysis, scope definition, activity scheduling (network diagrams, critical path analysis, Gantt charts), resource planning, procurement scheduling, cost estimation/budgeting, project control, scope management, project accounts, earned value, risk management, quality management, project teams, project leadership, conflict management, and project evaluation and reporting.

**DP requirements:** Students will be required to attend a minimum of 80% of contact sessions and complete all assignments. Students must achieve a mark of at least 40% for the coursework throughout the year to qualify for the final exam.

**Assessment:** Assessment will be continuous and consist of ten assignments (completing components of a project plan) throughout the year. These assignments will carry equal weight and will contribute 80% to the final mark. A final submission combining all assignments to create a full project plan will contribute 20% to the final mark. Supplementary exams cannot be awarded for this module.

#### HUB4032W PROJECT IN HEALTHCARE TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT 16 NQF credits at NQF level 8 Convener: Dr L du Plessis Course entry requirements: None Co-requisites: Courses forming part of the HTM programme.

#### **Course outline:**

This is an applied research project that aims to consolidate the student's understanding of the course material through application in a target environment. The topic and brief are determined in consultation with the programme convener.

**DP requirements:** Students will be required to attend a minimum of 80% of contact sessions and complete all assignments.

**Assessment:** Students will be required to submit drafts of the project throughout the year which will contribute 40% of the final mark. Final submission will contribute 60% to the final mark. Supplementary exams cannot be awarded for this module.

# HUB4045F INTRODUCTION TO MEDICAL IMAGING & IMAGE PROCESSING 12 NOF credits at NOF level 8

Convener: Dr M Jankiewicz

Course entry requirements: Students must be in their fourth year of study.

#### **Course outline:**

This course provides an introduction to the principles of physics and engineering involved in the acquisition and processing of medical images. Topics include mathematical tools of image processing; computed tomography; ultrasound; and magnetic resonance imaging.

DP requirements: A class average of 40% shall be obtained for the course.

Assessment: The assessment is through assignments, written assessment and/or a final project.

# HUB4065W MEDICAL DEVICES AND INSTRUMENTATION OVERVIEW

13 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr L du Plessis

Course entry requirements: None

Co-requisites: None

#### **Course outline:**

This course provides an introduction to the design and application of medical devices. Topics include healthcare practice overview, medical device nomenclature and classification; design factors and generic models for medical instrumentation; generalised specifications; human factors; functional requirements, basic principles and operational characteristics of commonly encountered diagnostic, monitoring, therapeutic and assistive medical devices. The role of the clinical engineer's involvement particularly with regards to safety, regulation of medical devices, standards and quality assurance of devices will be discussed.

**DP requirements:** Students will be required to attend a minimum of 80% of contact sessions and complete all assignments. Students must achieve a mark of at least 40% for the coursework throughout the year to qualify for the final exam.

**Assessment:** Assessments through coursework will consist of a combination of home assignments and tests which will contribute 60% to the final mark. A final examination carries 40% of the assessment weight. Supplementary exams can be awarded for students achieving a final module mark between 45% and 49%.

# HUB4066W HEALTHCARE TECHNOLOGY INNOVATION AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

13 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr L du Plessis

# **Course outline:**

This course provides a foundation for those interested in developing and commercialising medical devices and/or associated healthcare technologies. Topics include introduction to medical devices and their classification and nomenclature; healthcare technology needs assessment; new medical devices and healthcare delivery (industry, government, hospital and user perspectives); innovation models, risks, costs and rewards; product development and new product management; product failure; funding; intellectual property issues and patenting; design guidance for manufacturers; medical device

regulation including harmonisation; essential principles of safety and performance of medical devices; Council Directive 93/42/EC on Medical Devices; ISO13485 and ISO14971 standards; FDAs 510(k) review procedure for medical devices; product liability and non- conformance; reliability and the product development process; biotechnology innovation; engineering entrepreneurship; medical device innovation for resource-scarce settings.

**DP requirements:** Students will be required to attend a minimum of 80% of contact sessions and complete all assignments. Students must achieve a mark of at least 40% for the coursework throughout the year to qualify for the final exam.

**Assessment:** Assessments through coursework will consist of a combination of home assignments and tests which will contribute 60% to the final mark. A final examination carries 40% of the assessment weight. Supplementary exams can be awarded for students achieving a final module mark between 45% and 49%.

# **HUB4068W** ASSET MANAGEMENT OF HEALTHCARE TECHNOLOGY AND INFRASTRUCTURE

13 NQF credits at NQF level 8 Convener: Dr L du Plessis Course entry requirements: None

# Co-requisites: None

#### Course outline:

Asset management is "the process of guiding the acquisition, use, safeguarding and disposal of assets to make the most of their service delivery potential and manage the related risks and costs over their entire life-cycle" (Asset Management Guide, SA National Treasury). Healthcare providers and organisations require a systematic and co-ordinated set of activities and practices to optimally manage their physical assets – including medical equipment, hospital buildings, plant and machinery, and information systems – for effective health service delivery. Course topics include custodianship and stewardship and related governance issues; life-cycle costing and cost of ownership; strategic planning and investment; operational optimisation and replacement planning; engineering asset management; maintenance strategies and interventions; integrated resource management; asset classification and nomenclature systems; performance, risk and expenditure-related indicators and related benchmarking; audits and asset performance evaluation methodologies. There is a special focus on the public sector.

**DP requirements:** Students will be required to attend a minimum of 80% of contact sessions and complete all assignments. Students must achieve a mark of at least 40% for the coursework throughout the year to qualify for the final exam.

**Assessment:** Assessments through coursework will consist of a combination of home assignments and tests which will contribute 60% to the final mark. A final examination carries 40% of the assessment weight. Supplementary exams can be awarded for students achieving a final module mark between 45% and 49%.

HUB4070W HOSPITAL ENGINEERING PRACTICE 13 NQF credits at NQF level 8 Convener: Dr L du Plessis Course entry requirements: None Co-requisites: None

#### Course outline:

The first aim of the course is to provide relevant skills to ensure a quality estate by developing expertise in strategic healthcare service and estate planning, with a focus on sound business approaches to health service delivery, sustainable estate development, evidence-based inclusive design, and the healing environment. The course further covers the engineering and technical areas associated with the operation of health facilities. Topics include occupational safety legislation and its implications for health facilities, hazards in the hospital environment, overview of occupational health and safety management, legal compliance and general engineering strategies, air flow and quality guidelines and standards, air conditioning and air distribution systems, steam generation and

distribution, hot water reticulation, water storage and distribution, best practice for medical gas installations, electrical reticulation and installations for modern hospitals, operations management and related information systems and indicators, the role of the clinical engineer and case studies'.

**DP requirements:** Students will be required to attend a minimum of 80% of contact sessions and complete all assignments. Students must achieve a mark of at least 40% for the coursework throughout the year to qualify for the final exam.

**Assessment:** Assessments through coursework will consist of a combination of home assignments and tests which will contribute 60% to the final mark. A final examination carries 40% of the assessment weight. Supplementary exams can be awarded for students achieving a final module mark between 45% and 49%.

#### HUB4071F/S APPLIED ELECTROPHYSIOLOGY

12 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr Y Albertus

Course entry requirements: Mathematics 2 and Physics 2, or approved equivalent.

#### Course outline:

This course introduces electrical activity in the human body from an engineering perspective. As such, it is located between cellular electrophysiology and the design of non-invasive electrophysiological equipment. Lecture topics are selected from cellular membrane potentials, electrocardiography (ECG), cardiac fibrillation, pacemakers, surface electromyography (EMG) and high density EMG, electrical stimulation (FES TES) of muscles and nerves, electroencelphalography (EEG), brain-computer interfacing (BCI), electrooculography (EOG), electrical bioimpedance, heart-rate variability (HRV) and galvanic skin response (GSR). The course includes lectures, assignments, practical demonstrations, visits to electrophysiological clinicals at Groote Schuur Hospital by arrangement, class tests and a final examination.

DP requirements: Completion of all assignments.

Assessment: Attendance and participation: 10%. Assignments: 30%. Class tests: 10%. Final examination: 50%.

#### HUB4072F HIGH PERFORMANCE ATHLETE

15 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr D Rae

# Course entry requirements: None

# Course outline:

Sports performance is improving almost daily in most sporting codes, which may in part be due to the many advances in sports training. This course provides an extensive understanding of skills applied when working with high performance or elite athletes. The coursework includes working in a multidisciplinary team, game analysis, travelling with a team, the influence of environmental factors on performance, developing sports-specific drills, and how to prepare for competitions such as the Olympics or World Cup.

Lecture times: Lectures take place during a block week at the beginning of the semester, and then every second week during the semester.

**DP requirements:** Students are required to obtain an average of 50% for the assignments in order to qualify to write the examination. In addition, students are required to attend 80% of lectures to qualify to write the examination.

**Assessment:** Students are required to complete three assignments and an examination at the end of the semester. The assignment and examination each contribute 50% to the total course mark. The examination takes place at the end of semester one.

# HUB4075W BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING OVERVIEW 8 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Professor T Franz Course entry requirements: None Course outline:

Students are provided with a broad view of biomedical engineering that underpins their postgraduate research projects. Topics include an overview of biomedical engineering activities taking place in the Western Cape, an introduction to local healthcare challenges that could potentially be addressed through biomedical engineering innovation, and intellectual property considerations.

**DP requirements:** Completion of all assignments and attendance of all class meetings. **Assessment:** Written assignments: 70%. Seminar: 30%.

#### HUB4077W APPLIED ANATOMY COURSEWORK

78 NQF credits at NQF level 8 **Convener:** A/Prof Geney Gunston

# Course entry requirements: None

#### Course outline:

There is an introductory intensive seven-week laboratory techniques course which includes statistics. Students also attend a scientific communication module that focuses on scientific writing and comprehension. In addition, they attend four specialisation-specific modules, each of which cover a specific field and run over a three-week period. Students are assessed during each module and there is an examination at the end of the first semester.

DP requirements: Completion and attendance of all academic commitments.

**Assessment:** Evaluation is based on performance in the coursework and in the examinations. To pass the coursework component, students must obtain an overall average of at least 50% with sub-minima of 45% for the combined programme interim module and final examination. The final mark is made up as follows: laboratory techniques – tests and examination (15%); scientific communication (10%); programme modules (tests/evaluations) (14%); programme modules (final examination) (16%); and final comprehension examination (5%).

#### HUB4078W APPLIED ANATOMY RESEARCH PROJECT

42 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: A/Prof Geney Gunston

#### Course entry requirements: None

#### Course outline:

The research project begins in April and ends in September / October. Students become integrated into research groups and participate in weekly research discussions and seminars. Finally, they write a research project and give an oral presentation of the research project.

DP requirements: Completion and attendance of all academic commitments.

**Assessment:** Evaluation is based on performance in the research project. To pass the research component students must obtain a sub-minimum of 50% for the research project. The final mark is made up as follows: research project (35%); oral presentation of research project (5%).

#### HUB4079W BIOKINETICS COURSEWORK

90 NQF credits at NQF level 8 Convener: Dr J Kroff Course entry requirements: None

#### Course outline:

This curriculum comprises lectures, practicals, thematic seminars and tutorials arranged into several different modules. Content includes muscle physiology and biochemistry, anatomy and biomechanics, physiological aspects of human performance, intermediary metabolism and endocrinology, respiratory and cardiovascular systems, neurophysiology, orthopaedic injuries and conditions, chronic diseases and disabilities, health promotion and research methodology. The clinical portion of the biokinetics modules includes clinical rotations and ward rounds in the various programmes run by the Sports Science Institute of South Africa, and in the private biokinetics practice at Vincent Pallotti Hospital in Pinelands, and at Victoria Hospital in Wynberg.

**DP requirements:** In order to qualify for clinical examinations during the year, students are required to obtain a minimum number of hours collectively throughout the year during clinical rotations. The

minimum number of hours per examination are: (i) 60 hours prior to first clinical examination, (ii) 120 hours prior to second clinical examination, and (iii) 160 hours prior to the final clinical examination. Additional DP Requirements are attendance and completion of all academic commitments.

Assessment: This includes two written theory papers, an oral examination, class tests, and assignments during and upon the completion of each module. Students are also expected to complete a practical competency examination at two different times during the year in addition to the final Biokinetics clinical examination. The final mark is made up as follows: Coursework modules (including tests, evaluations, assignments) (33%); clinical work module (28%); final clinical examination (15%) and final theory examinations (24%).To pass the coursework students must achieve a minimum of 50% for each of the following sections: 1) Final Theory examinations; 2) Biokinetics final clinical examination; 3) Final coursework mark.

#### HUB4080W BIOKINETICS RESEARCH PROJECT

30 NQF credits at NQF level 8 Convener: Dr J Kroff Course entry requirements: None

# Course outline:

This course comprises of two components: 1) Research Methods and Biostatistics and 2) Research Project.1) Research methods and Biostatistics module comprises of lectures, tutorials, assignments and class tests in basic and applied concepts of Research methods and Biostatistics. 2) The research project begins in April and ends in September / October. Students become integrated into research groups and participate in weekly research discussions and seminars. Finally, they write a research project and give an oral presentation of the research project. The research groups and participate in weekly research discussions and seminars. Finally, they are a research project and give an oral presentation of the research project. The research groups and participate in weekly research discussions and seminars. Finally, they write a research groups and participate in weekly research discussions and seminars. Finally, they write a research groups and participate in weekly research discussions and seminars. Finally, they write a research groups and participate in weekly research discussions and seminars. Finally, they write a research groups and participate in weekly research discussions and seminars. Finally, they write a research groups and participate in weekly research discussions and seminars. Finally, they write a research project and give an oral presentation of the research project.

DP requirements: Completion and attendance of all academic commitments.

**Assessment:** The final mark is made up as follows: The final mark for the Research Methods and Biostatistics module (10%), final project write-up (90%) (80%) and the project oral presentation (10%).

# HUB4081W BIOLOGICAL ANTHROPOLOGY COURSEWORK

78 NQF credits at NQF level 8

**Convener:** Dr J Friedling

#### Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

There is an introductory intensive seven-week laboratory techniques course which includes statistics. Students also attend a scientific communication module that focuses on scientific writing and comprehension. In addition, they attend four specialisation-specific modules, each of which cover a specific field and run over a three-week period. Students are assessed during each module and there is an examination at the end of the first semester.

DP requirements: Completion and attendance of all academic commitments.

Assessment: Evaluation is based on performance in the coursework and in the examinations. To pass the coursework component, students must obtain an overall average of at least 50% with sub-minima of 45% for the combined programme interim module and final examination. The final mark is made up as follows: laboratory techniques – tests and examination (15%); scientific communication (10%); programme modules (tests/evaluations) (14%); programme modules (final examination) (16%); and final comprehension examination (5%).

# HUB4082W BIOLOGICAL ANTHROPOLOGY RESEARCH PROJECT

42 NQF credits at NQF level 8 Convener: Dr J Friedling Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

The research project begins in April and ends in September / October. Students become integrated into research groups and participate in weekly research discussions and seminars. Finally, they write a research project and give an oral presentation of the research project.

DP requirements: Completion and attendance of all academic commitments.

**Assessment:** Evaluation is based on performance in the research project. To pass the research component students must obtain a sub-minimum of 50% for the research project. The final mark is made up as follows: research project (35%); oral presentation of research project (5%).

# HUB4083W MEDICAL CELL BIOLOGY COURSEWORK

78 NQF credits at NQF level 8 Convener: Dr R Ballo Course entry requirements: None

#### Course outline:

There is an introductory intensive seven-week laboratory techniques course which includes statistics. Students also attend a scientific communication module that focuses on scientific writing and comprehension. In addition, they attend four specialisation-specific modules, each of which cover a specific field and run over a three-week period. Students are assessed during each module and there is an examination at the end of the first semester.

DP requirements: Completion and attendance of all academic commitments.

**Assessment:** Evaluation is based on performance in the coursework and in the examinations. To pass the coursework component, students must obtain an overall average of at least 50% with sub-minima of 45% for the combined programme interim module and final examination. The final mark is made up as follows: laboratory techniques – tests and examination (15%); scientific communication (10%); programme modules (tests/evaluations) (14%); programme modules (final examination) (16%); and final comprehension examination (5%).

# HUB4084W MEDICAL CELL BIOLOGY RESEARCH PROJECT

42 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr R Ballo

#### Course entry requirements: None

#### Course outline:

The research project begins in April and ends in September / October. Students become integrated into research groups and participate in weekly research discussions and seminars. Finally, they write a research project and give an oral presentation of the research project.

DP requirements: Completion and attendance of all academic commitments.

**Assessment:** Evaluation is based on performance in the research project. To pass the research component students must obtain a sub-minimum of 50% for the research project. The final mark is made up as follows: research project (35%); oral presentation of research project (5%).

# HUB4085W EXERCISE SCIENCE COURSEWORK

90 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr S Hendricks

# Course entry requirements: None

#### Course outline:

This qualification is aimed at introducing students to an academic or research career in exercise science. It consists of modules and a research project. The academic year starts with a module covering the physiology of exercise. Practical laboratory techniques modules follow, aimed at teaching students basic and advanced molecular and biochemical techniques, and principles of physiological exercise and biomechanical testing. Students complete a module on research methodology and fundamental concepts of applied exercise science. In addition, students attend six modules. Each module covers a specific field in exercise science.

DP requirements: Completion and attendance of all academic commitments.

**Assessment:** Evaluation is based on performance in coursework, and in examination. The final mark is made up as follows: laboratory techniques (15%); course modules (tests/evaluations) (25%); oral presentation of research project (2%); and final examination (25%).

# HUB4086W EXERCISE SCIENCE RESEARCH PROJECT

30 NQF credits at NQF level 8

**Convener:** Dr S Hendricks

Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

The research project begins in April and ends in October. During that period, students become integrated into research groups and participate in weekly research discussions and seminars. Towards the end of the year, students are required to write a research project and final examination. This course is conducted at the Sports Science Institute of South Africa.

**DP requirements:** Completion and attendance of all academic commitments.

Assessment: Research project (33%), and oral presentation of research project (2%).

# HUB4087W NEUROSCIENCE AND PHYSIOLOGY COURSEWORK

78 NQF credits at NQF level 8

**Convener:** Dr JV Raimondo

Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

There is an introductory intensive seven-week laboratory techniques course which includes statistics. Students also attend a scientific communication module that focuses on scientific writing and comprehension. In addition, they attend four specialisation-specific modules, each of which cover a specific field and run over a three-week period. Students are assessed during each module and there is an examination at the end of the first semester.

DP requirements: Completion and attendance of all academic commitments.

Assessment: Evaluation is based on performance in the coursework and in the examinations. To pass the coursework component, students must obtain an overall average of at least 50% with sub-minima of 45% for the combined programme interim module and final examination. The final mark is made up as follows: laboratory techniques – tests and examination (15%); scientific communication (10%); programme modules (tests/evaluations) (14%); programme modules (final examination) (16%); and final comprehension examination (5%).

# HUB4088W NEUROSCIENCE AND PHYSIOLOGY RESEARCH PROJECT

42 NQF credits at NQF level 8

**Convener:** Dr JV Raimondo

Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

The research project begins in April and ends in September / October. Students become integrated into research groups and participate in weekly research discussions and seminars. Finally, they write a research project and give an oral presentation of the research project.

DP requirements: Completion and attendance of all academic commitments.

**Assessment:** Evaluation is based on performance in the research project. To pass the research component students must obtain a sub-minimum of 50% for the research project. The final mark is made up as follows: research project (35%); oral presentation of research project (5%).

# **HUB4090W** HEALTH INFORMATION SYSTEMS, TELEMEDICINE AND MHEALTH

13 NQF credits at NQF level 8 Convener: Dr L du Plessis Course outline:

This course serves as an introduction to the use of information in healthcare. Topics include an introduction to health informatics; patient records (paper-based and electronic); primary healthcare, district and hospital information systems and their assessment; e-health; m-health; telemedicine; management information systems including the role of information in decision-making. There is a special focus on the South African public health sector.

**DP requirements:** Students will be required to attend a minimum of 80% of contact sessions and complete all assignments. Students must achieve a mark of at least 40% for the coursework throughout the year to qualify for the final exam.

**Assessment:** Assessments through coursework will consist of a combination of home assignments and tests which will contribute 60% to the final mark. A final examination carries 40% of the assessment weight. Supplementary exams can be awarded for students achieving a final module mark between 45% and 49%.

#### HUB4095F ANATOMY FOR BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERS

12 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Associate Professor D Shamley

Course entry requirements: None

Co-requisites: None

#### Course outline:

This course introduces postgraduate students to selected topics of human anatomy and applied anatomy, such as osteology, chest wall, upper and lower back, head and neck, limbs, thorax, abdomen and pelvis. Students will be prepared to apply their knowledge in anatomy to problems in their dissertation research in biomedical engineering.

#### DP requirements: Completion of all coursework

**Assessment:** Class tests: 1 viva (25% of course mark),1 Objective structured practical examination (25% of course mark). Final examination: 1 written paper (25% of course mark) and 1 Objective structured practical examination (25% of course mark).

# HUB5001W BIOMEDICAL SCIENCE DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Professor T Franz

#### Course outline:

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

# HUB5002W MSC(MED) IN BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING BY DISSERTATION 180 NOF credits at NOF level 9

**Convener:** Professor T Franz

#### **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. The dissertation is externally examined.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

# HUB5003W MPHIL IN BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING BY DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor T Franz

# **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

# HUB5004W PHYSIOLOGY DISSERTATION

180 NOF credits at NOF level 9

Convener: Professor MR Collins

#### **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

# HUB5005W EXERCISE SCIENCE DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor MI Lambert

#### **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

# HUB5006W MPHIL SPORT AND EXERCISE MEDICINE PART 1A

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

#### Convener: Dr J Swart

#### Course entry requirements: None

## Course outline:

Readings and study material are provided (via email and Vula) for students doing this part-time programme, and students are required to attend week-long practical components of the programme at the University of Cape Town, three times a year. Practical instruction consists of lectures, tutorials, clinical case discussions and seminars.

Part 1 is divided into three main components: in the first year of study (Part 1A), materials from all the basic sciences are covered. This includes exercise physiology, biochemistry, applied anatomy, biomechanics, pathology and pharmacology, and research methodology.

DP requirements: Attendance and completion of all coursework commitments.

**Assessment:** During the first year of study, class tests are written and seminars given which make up the year mark (30% of the final mark for Part 1A). At the end of the first year, written examinations (two papers) are taken, which make up 70% of the final mark for Part 1A. Students are admitted to the second year of study only if the final mark is 50% or more.

# HUB5007W SPORT & EXERCISE MEDICINE MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr J Swart

# Course entry requirements: None Course outline:

Part 2 consists of a minor dissertation, the choice of the topic to be guided by the programme convener. The research work for Part 2 can be conducted over the first three years of study, during Parts 1A, 1B and 1C. Students are expected, however, to complete Part 2 by the end of the fourth year of study. Only in exceptional cases will work for Part 2 be continued after the fourth year of study.

DP requirements: Attendance and completion of all coursework commitments.

**Assessment:** The dissertation is externally examined by two examiners. Students are required to pass the dissertation with 50% or more to successfully complete Part 2.

# HUB5010W EXERCISE PHYSIOLOGY

48 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor T Burgess

Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

This course comprehensively covers exercise physiology, applied anatomy and biomechanics, and principles of exercise prescription. The purpose of this course is to provide a thorough knowledge of basic sciences as the grounding for clinical practice, to provide an understanding of principles of biomechanics and exercise prescription, and to explore the applications of exercise physiology in both training and competition.

DP requirements: Attendance and completion of all coursework commitments.

**Assessment:** The year mark is based on two class tests and a group assignment. The examination mark is based on two theory papers and the submission of a portfolio of evidence for the practicum. The year mark constitutes 49% and the examination mark constitutes 51% of the final mark.

# HUB5012W EXERCISE & SPORTS PHYSIO MINOR DISSERTATION

When the primary supervisor is in the Department of Human Biology

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor T Burgess

#### Course entry requirements: None

# Course outline:

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. It must be a maximum of 25 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the same discipline of the coursework master's programme in which the candidate is registered. Having submitted their research proposals and obtained formal research ethics approval, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. Master's degree candidates must develop conceptual and academic rigour in research, acquire competence in initiating, planning and conducting research, and be able to reflect critically on theory and its application. They must be able to deal with complex issues systematically and creatively, to design and critically appraise research, to make sound judgements using the data and information at their disposal, and to communicate their conclusions clearly to specialist and non-specialist audiences. They must also disseminate research findings that will contribute to the field of Exercise and Sports Physiotherapy in appropriate formats, such as publications or other documents for the information of athletes or sporting organisations.

#### **DP requirements:** None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

# HUB5014W DIETETICS DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor N Steyn

#### **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

#### HUB5015W NUTRITION DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor N Steyn

#### **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. The dissertation is externally examined.

# HUB5016F PHYSICAL ACTIVITY & EPIDEMIOLOGY

15 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr J Kroff

## Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

This course aims to provide students with an understanding of the complex nature of the biological, socio-cultural and socio-ecological interactions on physical activity and health promotion, with an emphasis on quantifying the burden of disease associated with physical activity/inactivity, its relationship with other risk factors, and the evaluation of health promotion programmes in various settings. The topics that are covered in this course include the history of physical activity and health; concepts and methods in epidemiology; measurement and surveillance; development, implementation and evaluation of evidence-based health promotion programmes, focusing on physical activity in various settings; theories of behaviour change and their application in promoting physical activity; and environmental determinants of physical activity.

Lecture times: Lectures take place during a block week at the beginning of the semester, and then every second week until the end of the semester.

**DP requirements:** Students are required to achieve an average of 50% for the assignments in order to qualify to write the examination.

**Assessment:** Students are required to complete three assignments and an examination at the end of the semester. The assignment and examination each contribute 50% to the total course mark.

# HUB5017F RESEARCH METHODS AND STATISTICS FOR PHYSICAL

#### ACTIVITY

15 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor EV Lambert

#### Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

The aim of this course is to provide students with the skills and knowledge to conduct both quantitative and qualitative research studies. In addition, the course facilitates the development and investigation of statistical methods and their application in clinical research. The course is divided into two parts: (i) Research methods and (ii) statistics. Content includes the planning, development, execution and evaluation of a qualitative research study; and advanced statistical methods, such as linear regression and survival analyses.

Lecture times: Lectures take place during a block week at the beginning of the semester, and then every second week during the semester.

**DP requirements:** Students are required to achieve an average of 50% for the assignments in order to qualify to write the examination.

**Assessment:** Students are required to complete three assignments and an examination at the end of the semester. The assignments and examination each contribute 50% to the total course mark.

#### HUB5018F BIOKINETICS IN THE WORKPLACE

15 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Dr J Kroff

#### Course entry requirements: None

#### Course outline:

This course is comprised of two main sections: (i) Ergonomics in the work-site, and (ii) work-site health promotion programmes. The coursework includes the theory underlying ergonomics assessment in various work settings and occupations, and students receive the required training to enable them to conduct an ergonomic risk assessment. In addition, students learn how to make the case for work-site health promotion programmes, to plan and conduct a needs assessment, and to plan various work-site health promotion strategies.

Lecture times: Lectures take place during a block week at the beginning of the semester, and then every second week during the semester.

**DP requirements:** Students are required to achieve an average of 50% for the assignments in order to qualify to write the examination.

**Assessment:** Students are required to complete three assignments and an examination at the end of the semester. The assignments contribute 50% and the examination 50% to the total course mark. The three written assignments must be submitted before the examination.

# HUB5020S ADVANCED STRENGTH AND CONDITIONING FOR ATHLETIC

PERFORMANCE 15 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Professor MI Lambert Course entry requirements: None Course outline:

There is an increasing need for biokineticists to expand their skills to become specialised sports and conditioning practitioners, especially in the climate of rapidly changing and evolving training methods and approaches. The course aims to provide biokineticists with advanced skills for strength and conditioning training, which equip them to prescribe training regimes for special populations, general fitness and conditioning regimes, and sports performance and the rehabilitation of injuries. The coursework includes advanced training in understanding physiological and biomechanical mechanisms, principles and assessment, and how these apply to strength and conditioning training. In addition, students receive extensive training in exercise prescriptions for special populations (children, older adults, pregnancy, and persons with disability). Students are encouraged to write the US Strength and Conditioning Specialist Examination upon completion of the course, although this is not a requirement to pass the course.

Lecture times: Lectures take place during a block week at the beginning of the semester, and then every second week during the semester.

**DP requirements:** Students are required to achieve an average of 50% for the assignments in order to qualify to write the examination.

**Assessment:** Students are required to complete three assignments and an examination at the end of the semester. The assignments contribute 50% and examination 50% to the total course mark. The examination takes place at the end of semester two.

# HUB50218 BIOKINETICS AND NEUROMUSCULAR DISORDERS

15 NQF credits at NQF level 9

#### Convener: Dr J Kroff

#### Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

This course specifically focuses on the role and application of biokinetics (in which exercise is the therapeutic modality) for patients and clients with neuromuscular conditions, and throughout life. A key focus is to position biokinetics practice, and align it with other disciplines such as physiotherapy and occupational therapy.

The conditions that are addressed in this course include the aetiology, prognosis and exercise prescription for patients with stroke, spinal cord injuries, Becker-Duchenne, cerebral palsy, Friederich's ataxia and Parkinson's disease.

Lecture times: Lectures take place during a block week at the beginning of the semester, and then every second week during the semester.

**DP requirements:** Students are required to achieve an average of 50% for the assignments in order to qualify to write the examination.

**Assessment:** Students are required to complete three assignments and an examination at the end of the semester. The assignments contribute 50% and the examination 50% to the total course mark. The examination takes place at the end of semester two.

# HUB50228 NUTRITION & ERGOGENIC AIDS

15 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr J Kroff

Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

Many clients and patients seeking biokinetics advice also require nutritional support. These include overweight and obese persons, persons with chronic, non-communicable disease, and sports persons and athletes. This course aims to provide students with a broad understanding of how ergogenic aids and nutrition can influence exercise and sports performance and also of weight management. The course aims to equip students to make sound judgements of both the value and dangers of ergogenic aids in exercise performance. The topics that are addressed in this course include energy expenditure and requirements for weight management and exercise performance, hyponatremia, body composition for sport and the use and abuse of nutritional and pharmacological supplements and ergogenic aids in sport [It is important to note that students are not sufficiently qualified to prescribe diets and eating plans for individuals or athletes; rather they have an understanding of the physiological mechanisms and adaptations that occur with various forms of nutritional supplementation and effects of ergogenic aids).

**DP requirements:** Students are required to achieve an average of 50% for the assignments in order to qualify to write the examination.

**Assessment:** Students are required to complete three assignments and an examination at the end of the semester. The assignments contribute 50% and the examination 50% to the total course mark. The examination takes place at the end of semester two.

# HUB5023S ADVANCED CLINICAL EXERCISE PHYSIOLOGY

15 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr M Posthumus

#### Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

The aim of this course is to provide biokineticists with advanced training in exercise physiology, enabling them to have a greater understanding of the physiological and metabolic processes and mechanisms that may influence both disease progression and sporting performance. The course content includes an analysis of the cellular and molecular adaptations that may occur with exercise training and the relationship between genetics, injuries and sports performance. Other topics that are

addressed are the effects of exercise on the metabolic system, the neuro-endocrine control of exercise, cellular respiration and regulation, and metabolism during exercise in children and older adults.

Lecture times: Lectures take place during a block week at the beginning of the semester, and then every second week during the semester.

**DP requirements:** Students are required to achieve an average of 50% for the assignments in order to qualify to write the examination.

**Assessment:** Students are required to complete three assignments and an examination at the end of the semester. The assignments contribute 50% and the examination 50% to the total course mark. The examination takes place at the end of semester two.

#### HUB5024W BIOKINETICS MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Dr J Kroff Course entry requirements: None

#### Course entry requirements: None

# Course outline:

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. It must be between 15 000 and 20 000 words in length and must be on a topic in biokinetics. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals and obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. Master's degree candidates must be able to reflect critically on theory and its application. They must be able to deal with complex issues systematically and creatively, to design and critically appraise research, to make sound judgements using the data and information at their disposal, and to communicate their conclusions clearly to specialist and non-specialist audiences.

**DP requirements:** None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

# HUB5025W MPHIL SPORT AND EXERCISE MEDICINE PART 1B

40 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr J Swart

#### Course entry requirements: HUB5006W

#### Course outline:

Readings and study materials are provided (via email and Vula) for students doing the part-time programme, and students are required to attend week-long practical components of the programme at the University of Cape Town, three times a year. Practical instruction consists of lectures, tutorials, clinical case discussions and seminars. In the second and third years (Parts 1B and 1C), the coursework in clinical sport and exercise medicine). The two sections, exercise related injuries and general sport and exercise medicine). The two sections, exercise related injuries and general sport and exercise medicine, are taught in alternate calendar years. The sequence of presentation therefore switches for successive intake groups. At the end of their second year, students take the examination that completes 1B or 1C, as the case may be, and at the end of their third year, correspondingly, they take the examination that completes 1B or 1C.

DP requirements: Attendance and completion of all coursework commitments.

Assessment: Year marks: The year mark for each Part (exercise-related injuries and general sport and exercise medicine in two different years) is made up by marks obtained for the class tests, seminars and clinical examinations during each year. All the class tests and seminars contribute to the year mark, which contributes 30% of the final mark for Parts 1B and 1C. Written examinations: In October/November of the second and the third years (exercise-related injuries and general sport and exercise medicine in two different years), a paper is written which contributes 30% to the final mark for Parts 1B and 1C. Students are required to obtain 50% or more for the written examinations in each year to successfully complete Parts 1B and 1C. *Clinical examinations:* In October/November of each year (exercise-related injuries and general sport and exercise medicine in two different years), a paper is written which contributes 30% to the final mark for Parts 1B and 1C. Students are required to obtain 50% or more for the written examinations in each year to successfully complete Parts 1B and 1C. *Clinical examinations:* In October/November of each year (exercise-related injuries and general sport and exercise medicine in two different years), a clinical examination (clinical cases) and objective structured clinical examination (OSCE) are conducted which contribute 40% to the final mark for Parts 1B and 1C. Students are required to obtain

50% or more for each component of the clinical examination (clinical cases and OSCE) to complete Parts 1B and 1C.

# HUB5026W MPHIL SPORT & EXERCISE MEDICINE PART 1C

40 NQF credits at NQF level 9

# Convener: Dr J Swart

Course entry requirements: HUB5006W

#### **Course outline:**

Readings and study materials are provided (via email and Vula) for students doing the part-time programme, and students are required to attend week-long practical components of the programme at the University of Cape Town, three times a year. Practical instruction consists of lectures, tutorials, clinical case discussions and seminars. In the second and third years (Parts 1B and 1C), the coursework in clinical sport and exercise medicine is presented in two sections (exercise-related injuries and general sport and exercise medicine). The two sections, exercise related injuries and general sport and exercise medicine). The two sections, exercise related injuries and general sport and exercise medicine, are taught in alternate calendar years. The sequence of presentation therefore switches for successive intake groups. At the end of their second year, students take the examination that completes Part 1B or 1C, as the case may be, and at the end of their third year, correspondingly, they take the examination that completes 1B or 1C.

**DP requirements:** Attendance and completion of all coursework commitments.

Assessment: The year mark for each Part (exercise-related injuries and general sport and exercise medicine in two different years) is made up by marks obtained for the class tests, seminars and clinical examinations during each year. All the class tests and seminars contribute to the year mark, which contributes 30% of the final mark for Parts 1B and 1C.In October/November of the second and the third years (exercise-related injuries and general sport and exercise medicine in two different years), a paper is written which contributes 30% to the final mark for Parts 1B and 1C. Students are required to obtain 50% or more for the written examinations in each year to successfully complete Parts 1B and 1C.In October/November of each year (exercise-related injuries and general sport and exercise medicine in two different years), a clinical examination (clinical cases) and objective structured clinical examination (OSCE) are conducted which contribute 40% to the final mark for Parts 1B and 1C. Students are required to obtain 50% or more for the structured solution component of the clinical examination (clinical cases) and OSCE) to complete Parts 1B and 1C.

# HUB5029W HEALTH INNOVATION MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor TS Douglas

# Course entry requirements: None

# Course outline:

The minor dissertation must be on an approved topic and must embody research under the guidance of a supervisor appointed by Senate. The research topic/problem is selected in consultation with the supervisor. The dissertation describes the design, implementation or evaluation of an innovation for improved health. Students are expected to attend scientific seminars and present seminars on their dissertation work. A candidate must identify and select a dissertation topic during the second semester of the first year of registration for the degree. The dissertation must be submitted not later than 31 December of the second year of registration for the degree. This rule is waived only in extenuating circumstances and at the discretion of the Head of Department.

# DP requirements: None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

HUB5030W MSC(MED) IN MECHANOBIOLOGY BY DISSERTATION 180 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Professor T Franz Course outline:

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

# HUB5031F HEALTH INNOVATION & DESIGN (A)

21 NQF credits at NQF level 9; 36 sessions (lectures/tutorials/site visits).

Convener: Dr T Mutsvangwa

**Objective:** The aim is to introduce participants to human-centred design of solutions to promote health and well-being.

#### Course outline:

This course presents the key themes of design thinking as applied to health innovation. A guided tour is provided through the innovation process using design thinking principles. Participants are divided into groups that are tasked with framing a design challenge and addressing it by applying design thinking for health innovation. The design challenges are identified and validated through interaction with stakeholders.

Lecture times: Two to three two-hour sessions per week, by arrangement.

**DP requirements:** Completion of all assignments with a mark of at least 50%. Attendance at all class sessions and field visits.

Assessment: Coursework: 100%.

# HUB5032S HEALTH INNOVATION & DESIGN (B)

21 NQF credits at NQF level 9; 36 sessions (lectures/tutorials/site visits).

Convener: Dr T Mutsvangwa

#### Course entry requirements: HUB5031F

**Objective:** Participants apply advanced design thinking to human-centred design of solutions to promote health and well-being and address needs identified through engagement with relevant stakeholders.

#### **Course outline:**

This course presents advanced key themes of design thinking as applied to health innovation. Participants apply the tools presented in the first semester (HUB5031F) and develop solutions to new design challenges. The semester culminates in the presentation of the developed solutions to the relevant stakeholders. Primer lectures of key points in the innovation cycle are provided at regular intervals during the second semester.

Lecture times: Two to three two-hour sessions per week, by arrangement.

**DP requirements:** Completion of all assignments with a mark of at least 50%. Attendance at all class sessions and field visits.

Assessment: Coursework: 100%.

#### HUB5033F HEALTH INNOVATION & ENTREPRENEURSHIP

12 NQF credits at NQF level 9; 24 sessions (lectures/tutorials/site visits).

Convener: Dr J Fortuin

Course entry requirements: Honours-equivalent degree; HUB5031F or equivalent.

**Objective:** The course provides a framework within which to consider the implementation and commercialisation of health innovations.

# **Course outline:**

The course assists students to develop an implementation pathway for innovation prototypes, and creates awareness of the challenges of implementation. It enables students to identify opportunities and implement mechanisms for creating social and economic value through interventions for better health. The risks, pressures and practicalities associated with innovation and entrepreneurship in the

healthcare and wellness environment are considered. Topics include needs assessment; business idea development, business models, drafting of a business plan; funding models; innovation models, risks, costs and rewards; product development and new product management; intellectual property and patenting.

#### Lecture times: By arrangement.

**DP requirements:** Attendance and completion of all coursework requirements. **Assessment:** Assignment (30%), class test (10%) and written examinations (60%).

# HUB5034W MEDICAL CELL BIOLOGY DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor S Prince

#### **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

# HUB5035W BIOLOGICAL ANTHROPOLOGY DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr J Friedling

# Course entry requirements: None

# **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. The dissertation is externally examined.

#### DP requirements: None

Assessment: External examination of the dissertation.

# HUB6000W BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

**Convener:** Professor T Franz

#### **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and nonspecialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

Assessment: The thesis is external examined.

#### **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-specialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

#### HUB6002W BIOMEDICAL FORENSIC SCIENCE MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr L Heathfield

**Course entry requirements:** HUB6014F/S, PTY6004F/S, PTY6005F/S, PTY6006F/S, PTY6007F/S, PTY6010F/S and PTY6011F/S

#### **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation is conducted under supervision. It must be between 10 000 and 15 000 words in length and must be on a topic in biomedical forensic science. The final submission can be in either a manuscript or monograph format. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals and obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. Master's degree candidates must be able to reflect critically on theory and its application. They must be able to deal with complex issues systematically and creatively, design and critically appraise research, make sound judgement using data and information at their disposal, and be able to communicate their conclusions clearly to specialist and non-specialist audiences.

#### DP requirements: None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

# HUB6007W BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING MINOR DISSERTATION

90 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor T Franz

## Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation, prepared under supervision, must be about 25 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the same discipline of the coursework master's programme for which the candidate is registered. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. Master's degree candidates must be able to reflect critically on theory and its application. They must be able to deal with complex issues systematically and creatively, design and critically appraise research, make sound judgement using data and information at their disposal, and be able to communicate their conclusions clearly to specialist and non-specialist audiences.

#### DP requirements: None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

#### HUB6008W PHD IN MECHANOBIOLOGY BY THESIS 360 NQF credits at NQF level 10 Convener: Professor T Franz

#### **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-specialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing. **Assessment:** The thesis is externally examined.

#### HUB6009F MEDICAL DEVICE DESIGN PART I

21 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor S Sivarasu

Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

This master's level course aims to provide students with the necessary knowledge in health sciences that will enable them to apply their engineering skills to solve important medical/health problems. The proposed design course will enhance students' preparation for research and careers in biomedical engineering by: (1) Allowing them to apply their engineering design skills to solve biomedical engineering problems. (2) Providing a platform to observe and participate in the design project reviews of other students. (3) Preparing a technical report in the format of an academic journal publication. (4) Presenting and defending their design projects before a multi-disciplinary committee. (5) Demonstrating working prototypes. The course is also open to graduates with a first degree in engineering or another quantitative discipline (mathematics, computer science, physics).

DP requirements: Attendance of all design reviews and design tutorials.

**Assessment:** Coursework 55% and final assessment 45%. Coursework: Regular project update presentations, attendance and participation in group design discussions. Final assessment: Technical report 15%; demonstration 15% and oral presentation 15%.

# HUB6010S MEDICAL DEVICE DESIGN PART II

21 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor S Sivarasu

Course entry requirements: HUB2019F and HUB2022F

#### Course outline:

The purpose of the programme is to train the future generation of biomedical engineers / health technology innovators who will make a significant impact on healthcare delivery in South Africa. This postgraduate course is open to graduates with a first degree in engineering or another quantitative discipline (mathematics, computer science, physics), and has the intention of providing students with the necessary knowledge in health science so that they can apply their engineering skills to solve important medical/health problems. The proposed design course will enhance students' preparation for research and careers in biomedical engineering by: (1) Allowing them to apply their engineering design skills to solve biomedical engineering problems; (2) Providing a platform to observing and participate in the design project reviews of other students; (3) Preparing a technical report in the format of an academic journal publication; (4) Presenting and defending their design projects before a multidisciplinary committee; and (5) Demonstrating working prototypes.

DP requirements: Attendance of all design reviews and design tutorials.

**Assessment:** Coursework 55% and Final Assessment 45% made up as follows: Coursework: Regular project update presentations, attendance and participation in group design discussions. Final assessment 45%: consists of technical report 15%; demonstration 15% & oral presentation 15%.

# HUB6011W HEALTHCARE TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr J Fortuin

# Course entry requirements: None

## **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. The dissertation is externally examined.

#### DP requirements: None

Assessment: External examination of the dissertation.

# HUB6012W BIOLOGICAL ANTHROPOLOGY THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10 **Convener:** A/Prof Victoria Gibbon

#### Course entry requirements: None

#### Course outline:

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and nonspecialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

#### DP requirements: None

Assessment: External examination of the thesis.

# HUB6013W MEDICAL CELL BIOLOGY THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10 **Convener:** Professor S Prince

#### Course outline:

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and nonspecialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

# HUB6014F/S FORENSIC ANTHROPOLOGY & ANATOMY

18 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Prof VE Gibbon

# Course outline:

The aim of this course is to introduce the field of forensic anthropology, which is the application of biological anthropology methodology to a medico-legal context. In this course students will learn to

identify human skeletal remains to assist law enforcement through estimating age, sex, ancestry, stature, and unique features from the skeleton (bone pathology & trauma). Also, the following skills will be taught: how to determine if human skeletal remains are of forensic context; methods of scene recovery; and how to use decomposition rates to provide an estimate of the postmortem interval. These topics are covered both theoretically and in application. The course also offers foundational information required for students' forensic science programme, which include topics on human osteology and odontology, anatomy and histology.

**DP requirements:** Students are required to attend all practical sessions, submit all coursework as required, and obtain a mark of not less than 50% in all class assignments and in all theory and practical tests.

Assessment: The coursework component carries 60% of the assessment weight and the examination component contributes 40% towards the final mark.

# HUB6015W BIOMEDICAL FORENSIC SCIENCE MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

**Convener:** Dr VE Gibbon

#### **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation is conducted under supervision. It must be between 10 000 and 15 000 words in length and must be on a topic in biomedical forensic science. The final submission can be in either a manuscript or monograph format. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals and obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. Master's degree candidates must be able to reflect critically on theory and its application. They must be able to deal with complex issues systematically and creatively, design and critically appraise research, make sound judgement using data and information at their disposal, and be able to communicate their conclusions clearly to specialist and non-specialist audiences.

# HUB7000W ANATOMY DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr Adhil Bhagwandin

#### **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. The dissertation is externally examined.

# HUB7001W ANATOMY & CELL BIOLOGY THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

**Convener:** Professor GJ Louw

#### **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and nonspecialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

Assessment: The thesis is externally examined.

#### HUB7003W CELL BIOLOGY DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Professor S Prince

#### Course outline:

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

#### HUB7006W EXERCISE SCIENCE THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

Convener: Professor MI Lambert

#### **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and nonspecialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

Assessment: External examination of the thesis

#### HUB7007W NUTRITION THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10 Convener: Associate Professor N Stevn

#### **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-specialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

Assessment: The thesis is externally examined.

# HUB7008W DIETETICS THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

Convener: Associate Professor N Steyn

# Course outline:

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#### HUB7010W NEUROSCIENCE (PHYSIOLOGY) THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

Convener: Professor MR Collins

# **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-specialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

Assessment: The thesis is externally examined.

# HUB7011W ANATOMY THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10 **Convener:** Dr Adhil Bhagwandin

#### **Course outline:**

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Assessment: The thesis is externally examined.

# HUB7012W CELL BIOLOGY THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10 **Convener:** Professor S Prince

#### **Course outline:**

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specialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing. **Assessment:** The thesis is externally examined.

# HUB7013W HEALTH INNOVATION THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

Convener: Professor TS Douglas

#### **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-specialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing. **Assessment:** The thesis is externally examined.

# HUB7014W HEALTHCARE TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

Convener: Dr J Fortuin

# Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and nonspecialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

#### **DP requirements:** None

Assessment: External examination of the thesis.

#### HUB2025H PHYSIOLOGY FOR BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERS

12 NQF credits at NQF level 6

**Convener:** Professor T Franz and Dr Y Albertus

#### **Course outline:**

This course aims at providing postgraduate students with knowledge in selected topics of the human physiology in preparation for their research project in biomedical engineering. The course includes lectures on the following topics: (1) Introduction to physiology, (2) cells, tissues and membranes, (3) musculoskeletal system, (4) cardiovascular system, (5) nervous system, and (6) respiratory system. In addition, students will complete an independent learning module on basic biological concepts (reading and quizzes), group presentations on aspects covered in self-directed study module and lectures, and an essay on links between physiology and biomedical engineering. At the end of the course, students will: (1) have basic understanding in the selected topics of human physiology, (2) be able to apply and transfer knowledge obtained to biomedical engineering problems arising in other courses of their curriculum and in their research project, and (3) be able to advance, in self-study, their knowledge in the selected and related topics in physiology.

**DP requirements:** Completion of independent learning module; delivery and attendance of group presentations.

Assessment: Independent learning module (15%); group presentation (10%); assignment (25%); two class tests (25% each).

# **INTEGRATIVE BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES**

#### Associate Professor and Head of Department:

DT Hendricks, BScHons (Medicine) PhD Cape Town

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#### **Professor and Head:**

V Leaner, BScHons (Medicine) PhD Cape Town

#### **Professors:**

PN Meissner, BScHons (Medicine) PhD Cape Town

#### **Emeritus Professors:**

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#### **Honorary Professors:**

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#### **Associate Professors:**

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Professor and Head: J Blackburn, BScHons DPhil Oxon

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Honorary Associate Professor: L Zerbini, MSc PhD São Paulo Brazil

Senior Lecturer: HH Ndlovu, BScHons Natal PhD Cape Town

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**Professor and Head:** NJ Mulder, BScHons PhD *Cape Town* 

Honorary Professor: S Bergmann, PhD Rehovot N Tiffin, MPH Cape Town PhD London

Associate Professors: D Martin, PhD Cape Town

Lecturers: M Sinkala, PhD Cape Town H Bendou, PhD Cape Town

# **IBS4006W** BIOINFORMATICS COURSEWORK

78 NQF credits at NQF level 8 Convener: Professor NJ Mulder Course entry requirements: None

Course outline:

There is an introductory intensive seven-week laboratory techniques course which includes statistics. Students also attend a scientific communication module that focuses on scientific writing and comprehension. In addition, they attend four specialisation-specific modules, each of which cover a specific field and run over a three-week period. Students are assessed during each module and there is an examination at the end of the first semester.

DP requirements: Completion and attendance of all academic commitments.

Assessment: Evaluation is based on performance in the coursework and in the examinations. To pass the coursework component, students must obtain an overall average of at least 50% with sub-minima of 45% for the combined programme interim module and final examination. The final mark is made up as follows: laboratory techniques – tests and examination (15%); scientific communication (10%); programme modules (tests/evaluations) (14%); programme modules (final examination) (16%); and final comprehension examination (5%).

# **IBS4007W** BIOINFORMATICS RESEARCH PROJECT

42 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Professor NJ Mulder

Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

The research project begins in April and ends in September / October. Students become integrated into research groups and participate in weekly research discussions and seminars. Finally, they write a research project and give an oral presentation of the research project.

DP requirements: Completion and attendance of all academic commitments.

**Assessment:** Evaluation is based on performance in the research project. To pass the research component students must obtain a sub-minimum of 50% for the research project. The final mark is made up as follows: research project (35%); oral presentation of research project (5%).

# **IBS4008W** MEDICAL BIOCHEMISTRY COURSEWORK

78 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr HH Ndlovu

#### Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

There is an introductory intensive seven-week laboratory techniques course which includes statistics. Students also attend a scientific communication module that focuses on scientific writing and comprehension. In addition, they attend four specialisation-specific modules, each of which cover a specific field and run over a three-week period. Students are assessed during each module and there is an examination at the end of the first semester.

DP requirements: Completion and attendance of all academic commitments.

Assessment: Evaluation is based on performance in the coursework and in the examinations. To pass the coursework component, students must obtain an overall average of at least 50% with sub-minima of 45% for the combined programme interim module and final examination. The final mark is made up as follows: laboratory techniques – tests and examination (15%); scientific communication (10%); programme modules (tests/evaluations) (14%); programme modules (final examination) (16%); and final comprehension examination (5%).

# IBS4009W MEDICAL BIOCHEMISTRY RESEARCH PROJECT

42 NQF credits at NQF level 8

#### Convener: Dr HH Ndlovu

#### Course entry requirements: None

# Course outline:

The research project begins in April and ends in September / October. Students become integrated into research groups and participate in weekly research discussions and seminars. Finally, they write a research project and give an oral presentation of the research project.

DP requirements: Completion and attendance of all academic commitments.

**Assessment:** Evaluation is based on performance in the research project. To pass the research component students must obtain a sub-minimum of 50% for the research project. The final mark is made up as follows: research project (35%); oral presentation of research project (5%).

# **IBS5000W** MEDICAL BIOCHEMISTRY DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

#### Convener: Professor V Leaner

#### **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained

formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. The dissertation is externally examined.

#### **IBS5001W** BIOINFORMATICS DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor NJ Mulder

#### **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. The dissertation is externally examined.

# **IBS5003W** CHEMICAL BIOLOGY DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor J Blackburn

#### Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. The dissertation is externally examined.

DP requirements: None

Assessment: External examination of the dissertation.

# **IBS5004Z** BIOINFORMATICS FOR HIGH-THROUGHPUT BIOLOGY

15 NQF credits at NQF level 9

# Convener: TBC

#### Course outline:

This course is aimed to introduce students to bioinformatics techniques related to processing, analysis and interpretation of high-throughput biological data. It will cover the analysis of next generation sequence data of different types (metagenomic, RNA-Seq and full genome); statistical analysis of NGS in relation to metadata associated with it; phylogenetic analysis of sequence data; and medical population genetics from NGS or array data. The students who complete the course will be skilled both in handling big biological data sets, and in their downstream interpretation.

# **IBS5005W** DATA SCIENCE MINOR DISSERTATION

90 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: TBC

## **Course outline:**

The research component of the degree is based on a 90 credit dissertation. The topic of the research will be based on an analysis of large data sets from Computational Biology.

# **IBS6000W** MEDICAL BIOCHEMISTRY THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10 Convener: Professor V Leaner

#### Course outline:

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-specialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

# **IBS6001W** BIOINFORMATICS THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

Convener: Professor NJ Mulder

#### **Course outline:**

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#### **IBS6002W** CHEMICAL BIOLOGY THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

Convener: Professor J Blackburn

Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and nonspecialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

# DP requirements: None

Assessment: External examination of the thesis.

#### IBS6024F/S BIOCOMPUTING

20 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Dr Hocine Bendou

# Course outline:

Omics is an advanced analytical research field aiming for holistic characterization of any biological system or organism of interest involving serious data storage, management and computational tasks. In addition, the accumulation of new high throughput experimental data in biology results in high volumes of biomedical data which are difficult to manage, to store and to analyse. This course serves as an applied module for mastering High-Performance Computing techniques required to process, store, manage, and transfer big Omics data sets, enabling students to apply such skills in their respective projects. The course seeks to empower students with solid, practical and advanced foundations in developing and designing specialized biomedical databases; designing and implementing parallel and computationally cost-effective tasks for storing, transferring and managing
big Omics data using high-Performance Computing techniques and advanced programming in the Linux operating system. It also introduces Nextflow for pipeline development, containerisation with Singularity and code sharing with Git. Below are topics that will be covered in this course:

- · Linux and parallel programming and advanced High-Performance Computing.
- · Biomedical databases design and management.
- Design and implementation of Nextflow pipelines.
- Containerising tools with Singularity.
- Version control with Git and Github.

**DP requirements:** Students are required :(a) to attend at least 90% of lectures, tutorials and practicals; and(b) to pass all formative assessments of the coursework component in order to gain entrance to the final coursework examination.

**Assessment:** The evaluation of this proposed course is based on performance in coursework and the final exam. To pass the course, students must obtain a final mark of at least 50%. The final mark is made up as follows: in course mark (assessments) (40%) and final course exam mark (60%). A student who fails the exam with 45%–49% may be granted a re-evaluation. A student who gets less than 45% will not qualify for a re-evaluation.

#### **IBS6025F/S** BIOINFORMATICS PROGRAMMING WITH PYTHON

20 NQF credits at NQF level 9 **Convener:** Dr Hocine Bendou

# Course outline:

In the fast growing high-throughput technologies such as next generation sequencing, the main challenge is coping with the analysis of vast amounts of data through advanced bioinformatics tools. Bioinformatics programming with python skills are becoming a necessity across many facets of biology and medicine, owed in part to the continuing explosion of biological data aggregation and the complexity and scale of questions now being addressed through modern bioinformatics. This course will provide training to students in developing python-based applications for biomedical science. It will empower students with computer programming and biomedical problem-solving skills using python and enable them to write computer scripts to mine and model Omics data. Topics covered in this course include:

· advanced python feature for biomedical problem-solving

• design and development of python computer programmes and tools to mine and model big biomedical data, together with the underlying computational and statistical Omics approaches.

**DP requirements:** Students are required:(a) to attend at least 90% of lectures, tutorials and practicals; and(b) to pass all formative assessments of the coursework component in order to gain entrance to the final coursework examination.

**Assessment:** The evaluation of this proposed course is based on performance in coursework and the final exam. To pass the course, students must obtain a final mark of at least 50%. The final mark is made up as follows: in course mark (assessments) (40%) and final course exam mark (60%). A student who fails the exam with 45%– 49% may be granted a re-evaluation. A student who gets less than 45% will not qualify for a re-evaluation.

# IBS6026F/S MACHINE LEARNING AND BIOMEDICAL DATA SCIENCE

20 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Dr Musalula Sinkala

#### Course outline:

Because of the advancements in high throughput biology technologies, the importance of biomedical data analysis and interpretation, and the analysis of variability that draws on our ability to quantify uncertainty and to draw logical inferences from observations and experiments in biomedical data science have been increasing at an unprecedented pace. A foundation in programming biostatistical concepts, will help to bridge the gap in appropriately mining and interpreting biomedical data. In that regard, this course seeks to empower students with knowledge of machine learning algorithms and their application to biomedical data, relevant for clinical and healthcare research, using advanced Python programming. The course also seeks to familiarize

students with complementary methods and techniques such as data preparation and normalization, k-fold cross validation and hyperparameter search to optimize the strength and accuracy of machine learning algorithms. Major topics covered in this course include:

- Data exploration
- □ Supervised machine learning with regression and classification
- □ Unsupervised machine learning

**DP requirements:** Students are required:(a) to attend at least 90% of lectures, tutorials and practicals; and(b) to pass all formative assessments of the coursework component in order to gain entrance to the final coursework examination.

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# **IBS6033F/S** COMPUTATIONAL PHYLOGENETICS

15 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor D Martin

# **Course outline:**

Phylogenetic inference is essential for inferring the evolutionary relatedness of nucleotide and amino acid sequences, defining species boundaries, identifying species, tracing the past geographical distributions and movement dynamics of species, inferring when and where

phenotypic traits evolved, and testing systematic hypotheses such as alternative transmission

routes, demographic histories and modes of natural selection. This course will introduce students to phylogeny, particularly to the general mathematics behind the construction of different types of phylogenetic trees from those constructed using distance and parsimony methods, to those constructed using maximum likelihood and Bayesian methods. Also covered will be the determination and interpretation of branch support statistics and the selection of appropriate nucleotide substitution models.

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**Assessment:** The evaluation of this proposed course is based on performance in coursework and the final exam. To pass the course, students must obtain a final mark of at least 50%. The final mark is made up as follows: in course mark (assessments) (40%) and final course exam mark (60%). A student who fails the exam with 45%– 49% may be granted a re-evaluation. A student who gets less than 45% will not qualify for a re-evaluation.

# **IBS6025F** BIOINFORMATICS PROGRAMMING WITH PYTHON

#### 20 NQF credits at NQF level 9

#### **Course outline:**

In the fast growing high-throughput technologies such as next generation sequencing, the main challenge is coping with the analysis of vast amounts of data through advanced bioinformatics tools. Bioinformatics programming with python skills are becoming a necessity across many facets of biology and medicine, owed in part to the continuing explosion of biological data aggregation and the complexity and scale of questions now being addressed through modern bioinformatics. This course will provide training to students in developing python-based applications for biomedical science. It will empower students with computer programming and biomedical problem-solving skills using python and enable them to write computer scripts to mine and model Omics data. Topics covered in this course include

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#### **Course outline:**

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# **MEDICINE**

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The Department of Medicine is a large academic and clinical department which plays a leading role in medical education and research and provides clinical services to the communities of the Western Cape and, in the case of our highly specialised services, to patients throughout Southern Africa.

#### **Professor and Head:**

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**Professor and Deputy Head:** TBA

#### **Emeritus Professors:**

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The Albertina and Walter Sisulu Institute of Ageing in Africa (IAA) conducts interdisciplinary research in Geriatric Medicine, Neurosciences, Neuropsychology, Old Age Psychiatry and Social Gerontology. Current research interests include physical, cognitive and social functioning in old age: quality of life; vascular risk factors and stroke; falls in older persons; quality of care; dementia and cognitive disorders; and social and economic well-being.

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The Division of Neurology provides clinical and neurophysiological services to the population of Cape Town and surrounding communities in the Western Cape. It also conducts research in the fields of myasthenia gravis, motor neuron disease, stroke, epilepsy and neuroinfections, while at the same time playing a leading role in neurological education institutionally, nationally and across sub-Saharan Africa

#### **Associate Professor and Head:**

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The Division of Occupational Medicine is concerned with the study, diagnosis, treatment, rehabilitation, incapacity management and prevention of disease and ill-health attributable to work. Our Occupational Medicine Clinic at New Groote Schuur Hospital is one of the few referral clinics

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# MDN4030Q CLINICAL MANAGEMENT OF HIV IN A PRIMARY HEALTHCARE

SETTING Online Course 24 NQF credits at NQF level 8 Convener: M May (Department of Medicine) Course entry requirements: None Course outline:

This online course aims to provide doctors and nurse practitioners with the knowledge and capacity to diagnose, treat and manage HIV infected patients in line with national guidelines and programmes in a primary healthcare (PHC) setting. At the end of this course, students will be able to describe the epidemiology of HIV, identify key components in HIV diagnosis, testing in children and adults

including pregnant women, recognise and manage common opportunistic infections in South Africa, recognise patients (adults and children) who are eligible for treatment and select the optimal first line treatment for different patient scenarios, prepare the patient for ART and monitor their response to therapy, recognise and manage common side effects and drug interactions of ARV drugs, and identify and manage treatment failure and drug resistance. The course is taught through online lectures, notes and forum discussions. Module 1: Epidemiology of HIV; Module 2: Diagnosis of HIV in Adults and Children; Module 3: Diagnosis and Management of Opportunistic Infections; and Module 4: Antiretroviral Therapy (ART) for the Treatment of HIV.

**DP requirements:** Students need to complete 80% of specified e-learning activities viz. selfassessment tasks, participation in online forum discussions, online webinars and submit course assignments to make DP. In addition, a subminimum of 45% for the assignment is required in order to be granted admission to the online examination.

Assessment: Assignments 40%; and online examination 60%.

# MDN4031Q CLINICAL MANAGEMENT OF TB IN A PRIMARY HEALTHCARE SETTING

Online course

24 NOF credits at NOF level 8

**Convener:** M May (Department of Medicine)

Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

This online course aims to provide doctors and nurse practitioners with the knowledge and capacity to diagnose, treat and manage TB patients in line with national guidelines and programmes, in a primary healthcare (PHC) setting. At the end of this course, students will be able to describe the epidemiology of TB, demonstrate effective clinical application of algorithms for TB diagnosis, manage contacts of TB patients, manage adults and paediatric TB patients, recognise the indications for first line TB treatment, recognise and manage the common side-effects of medications, properly monitor response to treatment and the correct management of treatment interruption, and the development and transmission of drug-resistant TB and the risk factors for and causes of drug resistant TB. The course is taught through online lectures, notes and forum discussions. Module 1: Epidemiology and an Introduction to TB; Module 2: Diagnosis of TB and Drug-Resistant TB. Module 3: Management of Drug-Sensitive TB; and Module 4: Management of Drug-Resistant TB.

**DP requirements:** Students need to complete 80% of specified e-learning activities viz. self-assessment tasks, participation in online forum discussions, online webinars and submit course assignments to make DP. In addition, a subminimum of 45% for the assignment is required in order to be granted admission to the online examination.

Assessment: Assignments 40%; and online examination 60%.

# **MDN4032R** TB-HIV CO-INFECTION & INFECTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL

Online Course

Online Course

37 NQF credits at NQF level 8 **Convener:** M May (Department of Medicine)

#### **Course outline:**

This online course aims to provide doctors and nurse practitioners with the knowledge and capacity to diagnose, treat and manage TB/HIV co-infected patients in line with national guidelines and programmes, in a primary healthcare (PHC) setting. At the end of this course, students will be able to describe TB/HIV service integration, the correct application of Isoniazid Preventative Therapy and the advantages and risks of starting ARVs early, recognise common drug interactions between TB treatment and ARVs, monitor the co-infected patient, identify and manage the most common overlapping side effects of drugs and to manage patients with TB-IRIS, assist patients in developing strategies to improve treatment adherence, describe why infection prevention and control is important in TB care and how to identify four levels of tuberculosis prevention. Infection control strategies to prevent the transmission of TB in the healthcare setting are addressed to identify necessary post-

exposure prophylaxis (PEP) for Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs) and HIV, including occupational PEP. The course is taught through online lectures, notes and forum discussions. Module 1: Introduction to TB/HIV Co-infection; Module 2: Clinical Management of TB/HIV Co-infected Patients; Module 3: TB/HIV Infection Prevention and Control; and Module 4: Strategies to Improve Adherence.

**DP requirements:** Students need to complete 80% of specified e-learning activities viz. selfassessment tasks, participation in online forum discussions, online webinars and submit course assignments to make DP. In addition, a subminimum of 45% for the assignment is required in order to be granted admission to the online examination.

Assessment: Assignments 40%; and online examination 60%.

### MDN4033R OPERATIONAL RESEARCH

Online Course 35 NQF credits at NQF level 8 Convener: M May (Department of Medicine) Course entry requirements: None Course outline:

This online course aims to provide doctors and nurse practitioners with the knowledge and capacity to design, implement and report on basic operational research projects, including assessing clinic recorded data, in a primary healthcare (PHC) setting. At the end of this course, students will be able to describe the role of operations research in strengthening healthcare and services; describe major study designs and how to apply different study designs to answer different types of OR questions; discuss sources and forms of error in measurement and sampling in OR research; and explain confounding, identify potential confounding influences, and understand the tools used to deal with confounding effects in OR in study design and/or analysis. Students will have a practical understanding of data collection and databases, how to draft a research protocol, perform a literature review, how to structure a research report or paper, and the principles of presenting and interpreting research results. The course is taught through online lectures, notes and forum discussions. Module 1: Introduction to Operational Research; Module 2: Research Protocols; Module 3: Research Ethics; Module 4: Study Designs and Methods; Module 5: Data Collection and Management; Module 6: Research Budgets, Summaries, References and Annexures; and Module 7: Scientific Papers.

**DP requirements:** Students need to complete 80% of specified e-learning activities viz. selfassessment tasks, participation in online forum discussions, online webinars and submit course assignments to make DP. In addition a subminimum of 45% for the assignment is required in order to be granted admission to the online examination.

Assessment: Assignments 40%; online examination 60%.

# MDN4035F INTEGRATED ASSESSMENT I

0 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr S Sattar

**Course entry requirements:** The student must have passed the Clinical Management of HIV in a Primary Healthcare Setting, and Clinical Management of TB in a Primary Healthcare Setting, courses to be allowed entry to the integrated assessment. This examination must be taken on site at the University of Cape Town.

#### Course outline:

Not applicable (this course exists for the sole purpose of recording an integrated, overall mark). **DP requirements:** None

DP requirements: None

**Assessment:** Students are required to pass the individual courses as well as the integrated assessment with a minimum of 50% each in order to be awarded the Diploma.

**Course entry requirements:** The student must have passed TB-HIV Co-infection and Infection Prevention and Control course, the Operational Research course and Biostatistics course to be allowed entry to the integrated assessment.

### Course outline:

Not applicable. This course exists for the sole purpose of recording an integrated, overall mark. **DP requirements:** None

**Assessment:** Students are required to pass the individual courses as well as the integrated assessment with a minimum of 50% each in order to be awarded the Diploma.

# MDN4037W CLINICAL MANAGEMENT IN HEPATOLOGY

100 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Professor CWN Spearman and Associate Professor M Sonderup

#### **Course outline:**

The purpose of this course is to allow practising doctors to develop foundation skills in the assessment and management of patients with acute and chronic liver diseases. Training is designed as an apprenticeship, a close trainer-to-trainee ratio and hands-on experience. On successful completion of the course, the student will: (a) have competency in the diagnosis and treatment of a broad range of hepatobiliary disorders including viral hepatitis, drug-induced liver injury, HIV and associated liver disease, alcoholic liver disease, non-alcoholic fatty liver disease, autoimmune liver disease, vascular liver disease (including bilharzia), acute liver failure, and complications of cirrhosis and malignancy; (b) be able to evaluate the prognostic criteria for acute liver failure and chronic liver disease; (c) understand the long-term follow-up requirements of liver transplant patients, including the monitoring of immunosuppression and management of metabolic and infectious complications; (d) have skill in the performance of a limited number of diagnostic and therapeutic procedures; and (e) have an appreciation of the indications and limitations of a number of diagnostic and therapeutic procedures that are needed to manage hepatobiliary disorders – Ultrasound, CT Scan, MRI/MRCP, ERCP, TIPPS shunts.

**DP requirements:** Attendance of and participation in all academic requirements and completion of assignments by the due dates. Successful assessment of clinical outcome goals every three months. Completion of a logbook reflecting clinical cases assessed and procedures performed, by due date.

Assessment: Coursework assessment (ongoing): 50%. Final examination: a one-hour clinical MCQ (multiple-choice question) paper (30%) and a one-hour clinical case-based oral (20%). The logbook will be assessed as a part of the final examination. A student failing to obtain 50% for the individual components will have one reassessment. If the student scores more than 40% but less than 50%, the student will undergo a reassessment for which a minimum of 50% constitutes a pass, before the final mark is submitted. A student who has undergone a reassessment shall have a maximum pass mark of 50%.

# **MDN4038W** ESSAY: TRANSITION & TRANSLATION OF KNOWLEDGE 20 NOF credits at NQF level 8

#### Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

This course equips students to apply the knowledge and insights gained during their training to their home settings. Students will analyse the epidemiology of the centres at which they practise healthcare and will analyse the healthcare needs of the region, then plan ways in which to apply the knowledge they have gained in the diploma programme to such settings.

DP requirements: Full attendance and completion of all coursework requirements by due dates.

Assessment: Completion of an essay (100%). This is preceded by ongoing assessment of performance through regular clinical supervision/tutorial sessions and coursework tasks. A pass mark of 50% is required for the long essay, failing which the student will be required to make the necessary corrections or improvements and submit the assignment for reassessment. The terms of resubmission of the assignment will be at the discretion of the convener.

# MDN4040W CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY COURSEWORK

90 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: J Norman

# **Course outline:**

This course consists of comprehensive training in laboratory skills; in the theory of drug action and toxicity in humans; and in the pharmacological aspects of drug development.

Students undertake an original research project. The academic year begins with an intensive laboratory techniques course, which exposes the student to a variety of techniques used to evaluate new drug candidates and includes teaching on the theoretical principles underpinning these techniques. This is followed by nine theoretical modules covering both core and more specialised areas of pharmacology.

**DP requirements:** Attendance at all classes, tutorials and laboratory activities is compulsory and completion of all academic tasks, including presentations, seminars, essays and write-ups is required. **Assessment:** Students are assessed throughout the year in coursework activities, presentations, writing tasks, tests and examinations. Module examinations are written in April and July and a comprehension examination is written in November. In order to pass the course, students must obtain an overall final course average of at least 50%, with sub-minima of 45% for the laboratory and theory modules (including course assessments and examinations). The final mark is made up as follows: laboratory techniques (30%); theory modules (60%); and final comprehension examination (10%).

# MDN4041W CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY RESEARCH PROJECT

30 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: J Norman

#### Course entry requirements: None

### Course outline:

Students choose their research project from a variety of projects offered by research groups within the Division. The research project begins in April and ends in October. During that period, students become integrated into the research groups and participate in weekly discussion meetings and research seminars. Towards the end of the year, students are required to write up their research in the form of a research project.

**DP requirements:** Attendance at all classes, tutorials and laboratory activities is compulsory and completion of all academic tasks, including presentations, seminars, essays and write-ups is required. **Assessment:** Projects are evaluated by both assessment of the written research project (90%) and an oral presentation (10%) of results.

# MDN6007W NEPHROLOGY DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Professor N Wearne

# **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. The dissertation is externally examined.

# MDN6008F INTRODUCTION TO SYSTEMATIC REVIEW METHODS IN

HEALTHCARE

12 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor ME Engel

Course entry requirements: None

# Course outline:

This course provides an understanding of the key steps to plan and execute a systematic review. Rigorous review methods are highlighted, such as question formulation, protocol development, searching for potentially relevant articles, selecting primary articles using explicit, reproducible criteria, critical appraisal and quantitative data synthesis and interpretation. Aspects of meta-analysis and synthesis of non-numerate data are also highlighted. The work of the Cochrane Collaboration and in particular the Cochrane handbook, forms the underpinning of much of the material. **Assessment:** Coursework 50%. Exam 25%. Dissertation – protocol 25%.

#### MDN7000W MEDICINE DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor NBA Ntusi

#### **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. The dissertation is externally examined.

#### MDN7001W MEDICINE THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10 **Convener:** Professor NBA Ntusi

#### **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and nonspecialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

#### MDN7002W MD IN MEDICINE

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10 **Convener:** Professor NBA Ntusi

#### **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and nonspecialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

MDN7005W MMED IN MEDICINE PART 1 60 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Associate Professor PJ Raubenheimer Course entry requirements: None Course outline:

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of general practitioners as specialist physicians, Candidates complete the curriculum of the College of Physicians of South Africa in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination of the College and receive credit towards MDN7005W. The aim of the course is to provide foundational knowledge in a range of basic science disciplines to prepare candidates to apply such knowledge to the clinical conditions and management strategies in the speciality of internal medicine. The curriculum includes the "micro" and "macro" anatomy and physiology of relevant tissues and organs; general and relevant pathology and histopathology; relevant clinical pathology, general principles and interpretation of commonly used tests; applied critical care, pathophysiology, biotechnology and measurements of vital organ functions; applied biotechnology; principles of genetics, cell biology, structure, function, and molecular biology; principles of applied biochemistry; basic sciences of immunology; pharmacology; physiology and pathophysiology of acid/base and electrolyte balance; principles of epidemiology; and a working knowledge of imaging techniques and tests. Research methodology and statistical evaluation is regarded as an applied science to the principles and practice of clinical bedside medicine. For the detailed curriculum and the examination rules, see the regulations of the College of Physicians at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

**DP requirements:** A post-internship qualification to practice medicine which is registered or registrable with the Health Professions Council of South Africa (HPCSA). **Assessment:** Two written papers in the basic sciences.

### MDN7006W MMED IN MEDICINE PART 2

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor PJ Raubenheimer

Course entry requirements: MDN7005W

#### **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of general practitioners as specialist physicians. Candidates complete the curriculum of the College of Physicians of South Africa in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination of the College of Physicians and receive credit towards MDN7006W. Content includes the principles and practice of medicine, ethical issues and health policies, with a particular emphasis on diseases important in the South African context, cost-effective investigation, and treatment. For details, see the regulations of the College of Physicians at <a href="http://www.collegemedsa.ac.za">www.collegemedsa.ac.za</a>.

**DP requirements:** Candidates must have completed two years and six months (30 months) full-time post-internship training as a medical registrar/clinical assistant and must also submit a logbook.

Assessment: Two written papers on the principles and practice of medicine, and a clinical examination.

# MDN7007W MEDICINE MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor PJ Raubenheimer

Course entry requirements: None

#### Course outline:

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. The dissertation must be between 15 000 and 20 000 words in length, and must be on a topic in the speciality of medicine. The dissertation must be based on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. The standard aimed for is a potentially publishable article in a national or international peer-reviewed journal. Candidates may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

**DP requirements:** In year one of training, registrars are required to attend a faculty clinical research methods course, and to submit and gain approval for a research project. Submission for marking is expected at the beginning of their year 3 (28 months after starting and before being admitted to MMed Part 2).

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

# MDN7015W MPHIL IN PULMONOLOGY PART 1

120 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor K Dheda

Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of specialist physicians to become subspecialists in adult pulmonology. Students follow the relevant curriculum of the College of Physicians of South Africa and, on successful completion of the relevant Part 1 examination of the College, are granted credit towards MDN7015W. Training covers a foundational knowledge in a range of basic sciences and clinical disciplines that underpin clinical practice in pulmonology (e.g. cardiac physiology and anatomy, pathology of lung disease, respiratory pharmacology, infectious diseases and immunology), and students are trained in the clinical evaluation and management of pulmonology patients and in the principles of critical care as related to pulmonology. Candidates learn diagnostic techniques in allergy and clinical and laboratory competence for diagnosing and treating allergic diseases, and of community related diseases such as TB, occupational lung disorders, HIV-related lung disease and lung cancer. Candidates gain a range of diagnostic skills using contemporary lung function equipment, and of a range of invasive procedures and the interpretation of imaging techniques. Candidates must have at least one publication in respiratory medicine in a peer-reviewed journal (including the South African Respiratory Journal). This may take the form of a report of an original research project, a retrospective review, a case report, or a review in any aspect of pulmonology or critical care. They learn the role of a pulmonologist relative to that of other healthcare specialists. For the detailed curriculum, see the regulations of the relevant College of Physicians at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

**DP requirements:** At least eighteen months as a senior registrar in an accredited specialist department; a prescribed logbook; and a written report from the head of the programme.

**Assessment:** Candidates write the relevant examination of the College of Physicians of South Africa. The examination comprises a written examination (two written papers), assessment of a logbook and an oral examination.

#### MDN7017W MPHIL IN CARDIOLOGY PART 1

120 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor M Ntsekhe

Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of specialist physicians as subspecialists in cardiology. Students follow the relevant curriculum of the College of Physicians of South Africa and, on successful completion of the relevant Part 1 examination of the College, are granted credit towards MDN7017W. The aim of this course is to both provide foundational knowledge in a range of disciplines (such as embryology, anatomy, genetics, epidemiology of heart disease, physiology, vascular biology and pathology, pharmacology, radiology imaging and radiation safety, and ultrasound) and to train candidates in the application of such foundational knowledge to clinical cardiac conditions and management strategies. The latter includes congenital heart disease; acquired heart disease; resuscitation and advanced cardiac life support; diagnostic cardiac catheterisation; percutaneous interventions; echocardiography; cardiac imaging and ECG evaluation; exercise testing; electrophysiology; pacemakers; and principles of post-operative management, including haemodynamic monitoring and the use of inotropes and vasodilators. The detailed curriculum is available in the regulations of the College of Physicians at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

**DP requirements:** Before registering for the examination, candidates must have: (a) completed at least 24 months as a subspeciality trainee in the accredited subspeciality training unit; (b) submitted a written report from the head of the institution/programme in which they trained indicating satisfactory completion of all training requirements; (c) submitted a satisfactorily completed portfolio; and (d) presented or had accepted for presentation, an original first-author research poster or paper at a local or international congress, or submitted for publication an original first-author or co-authored manuscript in a peer-reviewed journal.

**Assessment:** Candidates write the examination offered by the College of physicians of South Africa. The examination includes two three-hour papers and an oral/OSCE/OSPE/clinical component. Each of the two components contributes 50% to the overall mark. A subminimum pass mark of 50% is required in each of the two (written and the oral/OSCE/clinical) components of the examination.

# MDN7018W MPHIL IN RHEUMATOLOGY PART 1

120 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Professor B Hodkinson Course entry requirements: None

#### Course outline:

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of specialist physicians to become subspecialists in adult rheumatology. Candidates learn to diagnose and manage a large spectrum of rheumatic diseases, including regional pain problems and soft-tissue rheumatism, osteoarthritis and related conditions, crystal arthropathies, inflammatory joint disorders, autoimmune rheumatic diseases, vasculitides, metabolic bone disorders, regional bone disorders, infections and arthritis, and a variety of other disorders ranging from haematological disorders and cancer-associated rheumatic diseases to primary immune deficiency disorders and non-inflammatory myopathies. Training should result in demonstrable competence at consultant level in clinical contact with the patient, assessment of multi-system disease, selection of appropriate laboratory tests, knowledge of the place of imaging techniques in the investigation of the rheumatic diseases, an understanding of the role of neurophysiology in the investigation of the rheumatic diseases. For the detailed curriculum, see the regulations of the relevant College of Physicians at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

**DP requirements:** 24 months as a subspeciality trainee in accredited specialist department; a completed logbook, filled in up to date and certified by the heads of the departments/divisions/units in which the candidate trained; and written reports from the heads of the institutions in which they trained.

Assessment: Candidates undergo the relevant examination of the College of Physicians of South Africa. The examination comprises a written examination, a clinical examination and an oral examination, which may cover any aspect of rheumatic diseases outlined in the curriculum.

#### MDN7020W MPHIL IN NEPHROLOGY PART 1

120 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Professor N Wearne Course entry requirements: None Course outline:

This training programme forms part of the accreditation process of specialist physicians to become subspecialists in adult nephrology. Students follow the relevant curriculum of the College of Physicians of South Africa and, on successful completion of the relevant Part 1 examination of the College, are granted credit towards MDN7020W. They learn the management of renal disease and related problems against the background of the relevant basic sciences such as physiology, renal pharmacology, immunology, genetics, cell biology and molecular medicine. The differential diagnosis, investigation and management of acute renal failure and its complications are covered in training. Also included are the physiology of, indications for, complications of, and the various forms both of haemodialysis and of peritoneal dialysis and the management of patients on acute and chronic dialysis. Candidates gain experience in all forms of hypertension and in the pathogenesis and

management of renal stone formation, and of urinary tract infection and the management of urinary tract obstruction. They are trained in the performance of renal transplants, mechanisms of rejection, and in the management of immunosuppression and its complications. For the detailed curriculum, see the relevant regulations of the college of Physicians of South Africa at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

**DP requirements:** At least eighteen months as a subspeciality trainee in an accredited specialist department of nephrology. Candidates must also submit the prescribed logbook and must submit a written report from the head of nephrology in the institution in which they trained.

**Assessment:** Candidates undergo the relevant subspecialist examination of the College of Physicians of South Africa. The examination consists of two written theory papers and of a computer-generated objective test examination.

#### MDN7021W MPHIL IN ENDOCRINOLOGY PART 1

120 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor J Dave

Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of specialist physicians as subspecialists in endocrinology and metabolism. Students follow the relevant curriculum of the College of Physicians of South Africa and, on successful completion of the relevant Part 1 examination of the College, are granted credit towards MDN7021W. The aim of training is to enable candidates to recognise, diagnose and treat a variety of diabetes-related emergencies, hypoglycaemia, lipid disorders, thyroid disorders, pituitary disorders, adrenal disorders, parathyroid disorders, metabolic bone disease, endocrine hypertension, growth and pubertal disorders, ovarian disorders, testicular disorders, nutritional disorders, endocrine disorders in systemic diseases, multi-endocrine disorders, breast disorders, endocrine oncology, renal stones and hypercalcaemia, and a range of other conditions.

**DP requirements:** At least eighteen months' subspeciality training in an accredited specialist endocrinology and metabolism unit/department; a completed logbook; completion of a research component; written report from the head of the institution in which they trained; publication in a peer-reviewed journal or presentation of research project at a scientific meeting. For the detailed curriculum, see the regulations of the relevant College of Physicians at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

Assessment: Candidates write the relevant examination of the College of Physicians of South Africa. The examination comprises one written theory paper and one objective test examination. The written theory paper will address the principles and practice of endocrinology and metabolism, including anatomy, normal physiology, pathophysiology, biochemistry, pharmacology, molecular biology, clinical investigation, diagnosis and treatment. The objective test will include the interpretation of laboratory data, dynamic tests, short case-histories and other material as problem-solving exercises.

#### MDN7022W MPHIL IN GASTROENTEROLOGY PART 1

120 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor M. Setshedi Thomson

Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of specialist physicians to become subspecialists in medical gastroenterology. Students follow the relevant curriculum of the College of Physicians of South Africa and, on successful completion of the relevant Part 1 examination of the College, are granted credit towards MDN7022W. Training in gastroenterology comprises two major elements: a core curriculum (12 months), and advanced training (12 months). The core curriculum consists of clinical training in the inpatient and outpatient diagnosis, and management of gastrointestinal and hepatic diseases. Core knowledge objectives include an understanding of the anatomy, histology, molecular biology, embryology, and development of the gastrointestinal tract and the liver; and of the physiology and pathophysiology of the gastrointestinal system (digestion, absorption, secretion, motility, metabolism and immunology). Trainees are taught to diagnose and evaluate patients with digestive diseases, taking into consideration all biological and psychosocial

aspects. They are taught the pharmacology and appropriate use of the drugs in the management and treatment of gastroenterological illnesses: to recognise and treat indications for nutritional deficiencies; to conduct, write, and publish research; and to perform procedures such as gastroscopy, oesophageal dilation, colonoscopy and oesophageal manometry. The second 12 months of training confers expertise in more advanced areas of gastroenterology, including therapeutic colonoscopy and gastroscopy, therapeutic ERCP (where pancreaticobiliary work is identified as being a preferred expert area) and/or endosonar training. Advanced hepatology training may also be undertaken during this period. For the detailed curriculum, see the relevant regulations of the college of Physicians of South Africa at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

DP requirements: At least eighteen months' training in an accredited subspecialist unit of gastroenterology, a prescribed logbook, and a written report from the head of the institution.

Assessment: The candidate undergoes the final examination of the College of Physicians of South Africa. The examination comprises one three-hour written examination incorporating both clinical and basic science elements, at least two clinical cases and paper cases, and a one-hour oral examination. Candidates must obtain at least 50% in both the written and oral components of the examination in order to pass. A candidate who achieves less than 50% aggregate in the written component of the examination will not be invited to the oral component.

#### MDN7024W MD IN DERMATOLOGY

360 NOF credits at NOF level 10 Convener: Professor NP Khumalo

#### Course outline:

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and nonspecialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

#### MDN7025W DERMATOLOGY MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NOF credits at NOF level 9 Convener: Professor R Lehloenva Course entry requirements: None Course outline:

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. The dissertation must be between 15 000 and 20 000 words in length, and must be on a topic in the same branch of the medical speciality in which the candidate is registered. The dissertation must be based on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. Candidates may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

#### **DP requirements:** None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

#### Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of general practitioners as specialist dermatologists. Candidates follow the relevant curriculum of the College of Physicians of South Africa. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination of the relevant College of Medicine and receive credit towards MDN7026W. The aim of this course is to provide foundational knowledge in a range of basic science disciplines to enable the subsequent training of candidates in the application of such knowledge to the clinical conditions and management strategies in the speciality of dermatology. Content includes anatomy and histochemistry with special reference to the skin, as well as physiology, biochemistry and principles of pathology. For the detailed curriculum, see the regulations of the relevant College of Physicians at <u>www.collegemedsa.ac.za</u>.

**DP** requirements: This examination should be taken within the first 6 to 18 months of admission to registrarship.

Assessment: Written papers, an oral, and a practical examination. See details in regulations of College of Physicians at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

#### MDN7027W MMED DERMATOLOGY PART 2

60 NOF credits at NOF level 9

Convener: Professor R Lehloenya

**Course entry requirements:** MDN7026W

#### Course outline:

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of general practitioners as specialist dermatologists. Candidates follow the relevant curriculum of the College of Physicians of South Africa. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination of the College and receive credit towards MDN7027W. The aim of this course is to apply foundational knowledge in a range of basic science disciplines to the clinical conditions and management strategies in dermatology. Content includes the principles and practice of dermatology, histopathology of the skin, mycology, and common diagnostic and therapeutic procedures. For the detailed curriculum, see the regulations of the relevant College of Physicians at <u>www.collegemedsa.ac.za</u>.

**DP requirements:** At least four years of approved training, or two years of such training and one year of approved training in medicine. Submission of a clinical logbook.

Assessment: Two written papers, a clinical examination, and an oral.

# MDN7028W MMED IN NEUROLOGY PART 1

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor L Tucker

Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of general practitioners as specialist neurologists. Candidates complete the curriculum of the College of Neurologists of South Africa in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination of the College and receive credit towards MDN7028W. The aim of this course is to provide foundational knowledge in a range of basic science disciplines to prepare candidates to apply such knowledge to clinical conditions and management strategies in the speciality of neurology. Content includes neuroanatomy and neurophysiology, neuropharmacology, neurochemistry (especially neurotransmitters), genetics, immunology as applied to the nervous system, statistics, and the neurophysiological basis of electroencephalography, electroneurography and electromyography. For the detailed curriculum and the examination details, see the regulations of the College of Neurologists at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

#### **DP requirements:** None

Assessment: Candidates write the Part 1 examination of the College of Neurologists. The examination comprises two written papers.

# MDN7029W MMED IN NEUROLOGY PART 2

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor L Tucker

**Course entry requirements:** None (Parts 1 and 2 may be taken concurrently if all entry requirements have been met).

# **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of general practitioners as specialist neurologists. Candidates complete the curriculum of the College of Neurologists of South Africa in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination of the College of Neurologists and receive credit towards MDN7029W. Content includes the principles and practice of clinical neurology, interpretations of neurophysical investigations, neuroradiology, basic clinical epidemiology, neuropathology, and applications of basic neurosciences. For the detailed curriculum and the examination details, see the regulations of the College of Neurologists at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

**DP requirements:** Completion of Part 1 (or intention to take Parts 1 and 2 concurrently); at least four years of medical practice (including one year of internship); appointment as a registrar in neurology for at least two years and six months and approved experience in neuropathology for at least six months; or full-time appointment as a registrar in neurology for two years plus full-time appointment as a registrar in neurology for two years plus full-time appointment as a registrar in general medicine, psychiatry, neurosurgery or neuro-ophthalmology for one year. Completion of a logbook as specified in the regulations of the South African College of Neurologists. **Assessment:** Candidates take the Part 2 examinations of the College of Neurologists. The examination comprises two written papers of three hours each, a clinical examination and an OSCE (Objective Structured Clinical Examination).

# MDN7030W NEUROLOGY MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Associate Professor L Tucker

Convener: Associate Professor L Tucker Course entry requirements: None

# Course outline:

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. The dissertation must be between 15 000 and 20 000 words in length, and must be on a topic in neurology. The dissertation must be based on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. Candidates may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

#### **DP requirements:** None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

# MDN7031W CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor L Wiesner

#### **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing

a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. The dissertation is externally examined.

# MDN7032W CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

Convener: Associate Professor L Wiesner

#### **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and nonspecialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

MDN7034W MMED IN CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY PART 1

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor M Blockman

Course entry requirements: None

### **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of general practitioners as specialist clinical pharmacologists. Candidates follow the relevant curriculum of the College of Clinical Pharmacologists of South Africa. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination of the College and receive credit towards MDN7034W. The aim of this course is to provide foundational knowledge in a range of basic science disciplines that candidates will later apply to the clinical conditions and management strategies in their area of speciality. Content includes pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics; the autonomic nervous system; drug hypersensitivity; pharmacoeconomics; drug interactions; drug discovery, evaluation and development; and ethical principles relevant to clinical research and good clinical Pharmacologists at <u>www.collegemedsa.ac.za</u>.

**DP requirements:** The candidate must have completed 15 months' full-time post-internship training as a clinical pharmacology registrar in a teaching hospital department of clinical pharmacology at the time of applying for entry into the Part 1 examination.

Assessment: Two written papers in the basic sciences.

# MDN7035W MMED IN CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY PART 2

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor M Blockman

Course entry requirements: MDN7034W

#### **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of general practitioners as specialist clinical pharmacologists. Candidates follow the relevant curriculum of the College of Clinical Pharmacologists of South Africa. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination of the College and receive credit towards MDN7035W. Content includes the rational and cost-effective use of all major therapeutic classes of drugs; therapeutic drug monitoring: principles and practice; complementary and traditional medicines/natural medicinal products; poisoning and overdose; drugs

of abuse; drug discovery, evaluation and development; medico-legal and regulatory aspects of medicines in South Africa, including research ethics; and adverse drug reactions. For the detailed curriculum, see the regulations of the relevant College of Medicine, at <u>www.collegemedsa.ac.za</u>.

**DP requirements:** At least three years' full-time post-internship training as a registrar/clinical assistant in either of the following combinations: (a) all three years in a teaching hospital department of clinical pharmacology; or (b) two years in a teaching hospital department of clinical pharmacology plus one year as a registrar in a satellite clinical teaching department (this is relevant as 25% of clinical pharmacology training must be in clinical care). In addition, the submission of a logbook is a prerequisite for writing the Part 2 examination.

Assessment: Two written papers on the principles and practice of clinical pharmacology and therapeutics, an Objective Structured Clinical Examination, and an oral examination. Candidates are assessed on their ability to apply the principles of clinical pharmacology and therapeutics to complex clinical and policy-making scenarios.

# MDN7036W CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor M Blockman

#### Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. The dissertation must be between 15 000 and 20 000 words in length, and must be on a topic in clinical pharmacology. The dissertation must be based on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal human research ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results, and write up the dissertation. Candidates may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

#### DP requirements: None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

# MDN7037W PULMONOLOGY MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Professor K Dheda Course entry requirements: None

#### Course outline:

The minor dissertation, prepared under supervision, is a requirement for those senior registrars who wish to graduate with the MPhil degree. Those who choose not to complete a dissertation may register with the HPCSA as subspecialists after successful completion of the relevant College of Medicine Part 1 examination. The dissertation must be between 15 000 and 20 000 words in length, and must be on a topic in pulmonology. It must be based, moreover, on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval, where necessary, they analyse the results of their research and write up the dissertation. The candidate may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

#### DP requirements: None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

# Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation, prepared under supervision, is a requirement for those senior registrars who wish to graduate with the MPhil degree. Those who choose not to complete a dissertation may register with the HPCSA as subspecialists after successful completion of the relevant College of Medicine Part 1 examination. The dissertation must be between 15 000 and 20 000 words in length, and must be on a topic in cardiology. It must be based, moreover, on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval, where necessary, they analyse the results of their research and write up the dissertation. Candidates may be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

# MDN7039W RHEUMATOLOGY MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor B Hodkinson

Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation, prepared under supervision, is a requirement. The minor dissertation must be according to the CMSA requirement in length, and must be on a topic in rheumatology. It must be based, moreover, on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. the minor dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval, where necessary, they analyse the results of their research and write up the minor dissertation. The candidate may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

### DP requirements: None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

# MDN7040W NEPHROLOGY MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr K Ndlovu

#### Course entry requirements: None

### **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation, prepared under supervision, is a requirement for those senior registrars who wish to graduate with the MPhil degree. The dissertation must be between 15 000 and 20 000 words in length, and must be on a topic in nephrology. It must be based, moreover, on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval, where necessary, they analyse the results of their research and write up the dissertation. The candidate may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

#### **DP requirements:** None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

# MDN7041W ENDOCRINOLOGY MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Professor J Dave Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation, prepared under supervision, is a requirement for those senior registrars who wish to graduate with the MPhil degree. Those who choose not to complete a dissertation may register with the HPCSA as subspecialists after successful completion of the relevant College of Medicine Part 1 examination. The dissertation must be between 15 000 and 20 000 words in length, and must be on a topic in endocrinology. It must be based, moreover, on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval, where necessary, they analyse the results of their research and write up the dissertation. The candidate may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

#### DP requirements: None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

# MDN7042W MEDICAL GASTROENTEROLOGY MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Prof. M. Setshedi

#### Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation, prepared under supervision, is a requirement for those senior registrars who wish to graduate with the MPhil degree. Those who choose not to complete a dissertation may register with the HPCSA as subspecialists after successful completion of the relevant College of Medicine Part 1 examination. The dissertation must be between 15 000 and 20 000 words in length, and must be on a topic in medical gastroenterology. It must be based, moreover, on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Students are trained in statistics, research methods, conducting literature reviews, and designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval, where necessary, they analyse the results of their research and write the dissertation. The candidate may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

#### DP requirements: None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

# MDN7043W MPHIL IN GERIATRIC MEDICINE PART 1

120 NQF credits at NQF level 9 **Convener:** Prof. M. Combrinck

# Course entry requirements: None

#### Course outline:

This training programme forms part of the process of accreditation of specialist physicians as subspecialists in geriatric medicine. Students follow the relevant curriculum of the College of Physicians of South Africa and, on successful completion of the relevant Part 1 examination of the College, are granted credit towards MDN7043W. The aim of training is to provide knowledge about the demography of elderly persons (national and international) as well as the factors that affect it; about theories and the biology of ageing; about the physiology and pathology of ageing and their impact on the clinical presentation and management of diseases; and the psychological response of the older persons to the ageing process. Trainces become familiar with the functional assessment and management of the elderly, with major geriatric syndromes and with a range of specific diseases – with specific reference to the cardiovascular system; respiratory system; musculo-skeletal disorders; neurological diseases; endocrine disorders; renal and urological conditions; gynaecological abnormalities; ophthalmological aspects; nutritional deficiencies; gastrointestinal disorders; skin conditions; psychiatric conditions; haematological aspects; immune disorders and infectious diseases. The detailed curriculum is available in the relevant regulations of the College of Physicians at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

**DP requirements:** At least 18 months' subspeciality training in an accredited specialist department of geriatrics; prescribed logbook; and written reports from the heads of the institutions in which they trained.

**Assessment:** Candidates write the relevant examinations of the College of Physicians. The examination comprises one written paper and one paper objective test, and a completed portfolio. There is no oral examination.

# MDN7044W GERIATRIC MEDICINE MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Prof. M. Combrinck

Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation, prepared under supervision, is a requirement for those senior registrars who wish to graduate with the MPhil degree. Those who choose not to complete a dissertation may register with the HPCSA as subspecialists after successful completion of the relevant College of Medicine Part 1 examination. The dissertation must be between 15 000 and 20 000 words in length, and must be on a topic in geriatric medicine. It must be based, moreover, on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval, where necessary, they analyse the results of the research and write the dissertation. The candidate may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

#### **DP requirements:** None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

# MDN7050W MPHIL IN INFECTIOUS DISEASES & HIV MEDICINE PART 1

120 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor M Mendelson

# Course entry requirements: None

# Course outline:

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of specialist physicians to become competent ID subspecialists. Students follow the relevant curriculum of the College of Physicians of South Africa and, on successful completion of the relevant Part 1 examination of the College, are granted credit towards MDN7050W. Training combines clinical experience in infectious diseases medicine with laboratory training in microbiology and virology, and provides exposure to principles of communicable diseases epidemiology, infection prevention and control, and tropical public health. Students gain expertise in all aspects of diagnosis and management of organ system and organismspecific infections. Infectious diseases as an integrative clinical subspeciality draw upon not only all of the elements of general internal medicine and paediatrics, but also have relevance to all fields of medicine and surgery. It is integrally involved with the microbiology and epidemiology of infectious diseases. Clinical ID training includes inpatient and ambulatory care. The student will be able to prescribe and monitor antimicrobial therapy, and should have sufficient insight into other forms of medical therapy such as immunosuppression. Practical experience in hospital infection prevention and control forms an integral part of ID training. For physicians/paediatricians, laboratory training includes clinical microbiology and virology training. For the detailed curriculum, see the regulations of the relevant College of Physicians of South Africa at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

DP requirements: The candidate should submit an approved portfolio/logbook.

**Assessment:** Candidates write the relevant subspecialist examination of the College of Physicians of South Africa. The examination comprises a three-hour written examination, an OSCE, an oral examination and a clinical examination. The review of the case portfolio also forms part of the evaluation.

# MDN7051W INFECTIOUS DISEASES & HIV MEDICINE MINOR

DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor M Mendelson

#### Course entry requirements: None

#### Course outline:

The minor dissertation, prepared under supervision, is a requirement for those senior registrars who wish to graduate with the MPhil degree. Those who choose not to complete a dissertation may register with the HPCSA as subspecialists after successful completion of the relevant College of Medicine Part 1 examination. The dissertation must be between 15 000 and 20 000 words in length, and must be on a topic in geriatric medicine. It must be based, moreover, on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval, where necessary, they analyse the results of their research and write up the dissertation. The candidate may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

#### DP requirements: None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

# MDN7053W MPHIL IN ALLERGOLOGY (ADULT) PART 1

120 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor JG Peter

**Course entry requirements:** Registered Medical Specialist in Internal Medicine or Family Practice. **Course outline:** 

This training programme forms part of the accreditation process for specialist physicians as subspecialist allergologists. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination in allergology of the College of Physicians, and receive credit towards MDN7053W. The aim of this course is to provide foundational knowledge in a range of disciplines that underpin the clinical training in allergology, as well as train candidates in the application of such foundational knowledge to clinical allergology conditions and management strategies. Students see patients in the allergy clinics on a daily basis (under supervision initially) and are expected to present cases to their supervisors in the clinical situation as well as do formal case presentations to departmental meetings. Clinical competence is assessed in terms of knowledge and clinical reasoning, and in terms of clinical judgement and decision-making. For the detailed curriculum, see the regulations of the relevant College of Physicians at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

**DP requirements:** In addition to being registered physicians or specialist family practitioners, candidates must have completed at least 18 months as a subspeciality trainee in the accredited allergology unit in the teaching hospital, submit a written report from the head of the institution and programme in which they have trained indicating satisfactory completion of all training requirements; must have submitted a satisfactorily completed logbook; and must have presented or been accepted to present an original first-author research poster or paper at a local or international congress or have submitted or have had accepted for publication an original first-author or co-authored manuscript in a peer-reviewed journal.

Assessment: Candidates write the examination offered by the College of Physicians. The examination includes formal evaluation of the logbook. The Certificate examination has two components: a written component, and an oral/OSCE/OSPE/clinical component. Each of the two components contributes 50% to the overall mark. The pass mark for the overall examination is 50%. A subminimum pass mark of 50% is required in each of the two (written and the oral/OSCE/clinical) components of the examination.

# MDN7054W ALLERGOLOGY MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor ME Levin and Associate Professor JG Peter

# Course entry requirements: None

# Course outline:

The minor dissertation, prepared under supervision, is a requirement for those senior registrars who wish to graduate with the MPhil degree. Those who choose not to complete a dissertation may register with the HPCSA as subspecialists after successful completion of the College of Medicine examination. The dissertation must be on a topic in allergology and should be of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical or allergy journal. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing and conducting a self-initiated research project during the two-year training period, and are required to analyse the results, present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

#### DP requirements: None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

# MDN7055W DERMATOLOGY THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

Convener: Professor R Lehloenya

### **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and nonspecialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

# MDN7056W MPHIL IN ADVANCED HEPATOLOGY AND

TRANSPLANTATION PART 1

120 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor CWN Spearman and Associate Professor M Sonderup

# Course entry requirements: None

# Course outline:

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of specialist physicians as subspecialists in advanced hepatology and transplantation. Students follow the relevant curriculum of the College of Physicians of South Africa and, on successful completion of the Part 1 examination of the College, are granted credit towards MDN7056W. Training comprises a core gastroenterology curriculum (12 months in an accredited unit with a subminimum of practical skills); and training in advanced hepatology and liver transplantation (24 months). The core curriculum in medical gastroenterology includes an understanding of basic sciences relative to the subspeciality (e.g. anatomy, histology, molecular biology, embryology, physiology and pathophysiology), pharmacology and liver transplantation is included. Knowledge of clinical research methods, biostatistics, epidemiology and ethics is included, as these form part of the patient-based research projects. Participation in research should lead to at least one manuscript for publication in a reputable journal and/or one presentation at a national or international meeting.

**DP requirements:** Registration as a specialist physician; 24 months' training in an accredited unit of gastroenterology and hepatology with a liver transplantation programme; and submission of a logbook.
**Assessment:** Candidates write the relevant examination of the College of Physicians of South Africa. The examination consists of one 2-hour written examination (8 clinical vignettes).

# MDN7057W ADVANCED HEPATOLOGY & TRANSPLANT MINOR

DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor CWN Spearman and Associate Professor M Sonderup

#### Course entry requirements: None

# **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation, prepared under supervision, is a requirement for those senior registrars who wish to graduate with the MPhil degree. Those who choose not to complete a dissertation may register with the HPCSA as subspecialists after successful completion of the relevant College of Medicine Part 1 examination. The dissertation must be between 15 000 and 20 000 words in length, and must be on a topic in the same branch of the medical subspeciality in which the candidate is registered. It must be based, moreover, on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval, where necessary, they analyse the results of their research and write up the dissertation. They are encouraged to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

#### **DP requirements:** None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

# MDN70588 DRUG DEVELOPMENT

20 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor KI Barnes

# Course entry requirements: None

#### Course outline:

This course will focus on pharmacological aspects of drug development with a particular emphasis on in vitro and in vivo models of efficacy, toxicity, absorption, distribution, metabolism and elimination. Students will also be introduced to the basic concepts of medicinal chemistry, hit and lead compounds and in silico computer modelling. At the end of the course, the student will be familiar with all the main steps in the drug development pipeline.

**DP requirements:** Successful completion of all assignments.

Assessment: Written assignments: 50%; written examination: 50%.

# MDN70598 DRUG ASSAYS

30 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor L Wiesner

#### Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

This course is designed to provide an understanding of the basic principles of the development and validation of assays for a range of drugs and their metabolites in blood, plasma and urine. The emphasis of the course will be practical with the student acquiring skills to develop drug assays using HPLC and being exposed to methods for assaying drugs by means of tandem mass spectrometry. Principles of assay validation, including the use of HPLC columns, internal standards, methods of extraction, preparation of calibration standards, selectivity, precision, accuracy and stability will be covered. Principles of quality control and quality assurance, external quality assurance evaluation and laboratory accreditation will also be covered.

DP requirements: Successful completion of all assignments.

Assessment: written examination (100%).

#### MDN7060F PHARMACOMETRICS

30 NOF credits at NOF level 9

Convener: Dr P Denti

Course entry requirements: None Course outline:

This course will build on the principles developed in the Pharmacokinetics module. Students will be taught the theory and practice of non-linear Mixed Effects Modelling and will be introduced to the available data analysis software. Different approaches to quantitative analysis of pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamic data will be introduced. The course will be hands-on and students will be provided with data sets and be taken through the process of developing approaches to analysing the data.

DP requirements: Successful completion of all assignments.

Assessment: Written assignments: 50%: written examination: 50%.

#### MDN7061F PHARMACOKINETICS AND PHARMACODYNAMICS

# PRINCIPLES

10 NOF credits at NOF level 9 Convener: Professor H McIlleron Course entry requirements: None

# **Course outline:**

This course introduces the practice and core concepts of pharmacokinetics (PK) and of pharmacodynamics (PD) to allow students to understand the basic principles underpinning the science of pharmacology. Core concepts of PK: the absorption, distribution, metabolism and excretion (ADME) paradigm; the area under the concentration curve (AUC); half-life; clearance; volume of distribution; bioavailability; single dose vs. steady-state dosing; and therapeutic drug monitoring. Core concepts of PD: receptor-ligand binding; agonists and antagonists; dose-concentration-response relationships: and tolerance.

DP requirements: Successful completion of all assignments.

Assessment: Written assignments: 50%; written examination: 50%.

#### **MDN7062W** CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY MINOR DISSERTATION

90 NOF credits at NOF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor L Wiesner

# Course entry requirements: None

# Course outline:

This comprises a dissertation on an approved topic embodying advanced research under the guidance of a supervisor appointed by Senate. The research topic/problem is selected in consultation with the supervisor. The work involves the construction of a research proposal, a literature review, data collection and analysis of the findings, the drawing of conclusions, the formulation of recommendations, and the preparation of the dissertation. Except by permission of Senate, the dissertation is not to be more than 20 000 words in length.

DP requirements: Students must have completed of MDN7058F/S, MDN7059F/S, MDN7060F/S and MDN7061F/S.

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

# MDN7064W NEPHROLOGY THESIS

360 NOF credits at NOF level 10

Convener: Associate Professor I Okpechi

# **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline: a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and

research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-specialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

# MDN7065W CLINICAL HAEMATOLOGY MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Professor VJ Louw Course entry requirements: None

# Course outline:

The minor dissertation is conducted under supervision and is a requirement for those senior registrars who wish to graduate with the MPhil degree. Those who choose not to complete a dissertation may register with the HPCSA as subspecialists after successful completion of the Part 1 examination of the College of physicians of South Africa. The dissertation must be between 15 000 and 20 000 words in length, and must be on a topic in clinical haematology. It must be based, moreover, on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval, where necessary, they analyse the results of their research and write up the dissertation. In some disciplines they are also required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

# **DP requirements:** None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

# MDN7066W MMED MEDICAL GENETICS PART 1

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

#### Convener: Dr K Fieggen Course entry requirements: None

# Course outline:

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of general practitioners as specialist medical geneticists. Candidates complete the curriculum of the South African College of Medical Geneticists. They undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. They write the Part 1 examination of the College of Medical Geneticists and receive credit towards MDN7066W. Course content aims to build a comprehensive knowledge of basic sciences relative to the practice of medical genetics; including molecular and cell biology; laboratory techniques and interpretation of laboratory results; genetic disorders and birth defects; elementary statistics; public health genetics; applied anatomy, physiology and embryology; and ethical aspects and principles of genetic counselling. For the detailed curriculum, see the regulations of the College of Medical Geneticists at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

**DP requirements:** The examination is written prior to completing 30 months as a full-time registrar. Candidates must have completed at least 12 months in a full-time post as a registrar in an HPCSA-registered medical genetics unit.

Assessment: Two written papers including MCQ questions, short answer questions and essay questions. Pass mark is 50%.

# MDN7067W MMED MEDICAL GENETICS PART 2

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Dr K Fieggen Course entry requirements: MDN7066W Course outline:

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of general practitioners as specialist medical geneticists. Candidates complete the curriculum of the South African College of Medical

Geneticists. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. Towards the completion of their training, they write the final examination of the College and receive credit towards MDN7067W. The aim of the course is to train candidates in the clinical conditions and management strategies in medical genetics: to diagnose patients with medical genetic conditions and birth defects; to judge when to seek the help of other specialists and subspecialists; and to act as the patient's advocate, advisor and guide within the discipline of medical genetics. Candidates gain a detailed knowledge of medical and public health genetics, together with the principles and practices of genetic courselling, medical ethics and interpretation of genetic tests. For the detailed curriculum, see the regulations of the College of Geneticists at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

**DP requirements:** At least four years' post-internship and three years' full-time training as a registrar, and a completed logbook, and portfolio as required by the College of Medical Geneticists of SA.

**Assessment:** The examination comprises a written examination, including an Objective Structured Clinical Examination (OSCE) paper and 2 additional written papers, a clinical examination, including a genetic counselling case, 2 short clinical cases and a long clinical case.

# MDN7068W MEDICAL GENETICS MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr K Fieggen

Course entry requirements: None

# **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. The dissertation must be between 15 000 and 20 000 words in length, and must be on a topic in Medical Genetics. The dissertation must be based on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic or a topic of clinical relevance and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. They are encouraged to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

# DP requirements: None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

# MDN7069W MPHIL CLINICAL HAEMATOLOGY PART 1

120 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor VJ Louw

#### Course entry requirements: None

#### Course outline:

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of specialist physicians as subspecialists in clinical haematology. Students follow the relevant curriculum of the College of Physicians of South Africa and, on successful completion of the relevant Part 1 examination of the College, are granted credit towards LAB7024W. A paediatrician or physician can enter the subspeciality by training in mainly laboratory haematology for two years and passing the appropriate examinations. A haematological pathologist can enter the subspeciality of clinical haematology after training in paediatric or adult haematology for two years and passing the appropriate examinations. The sequence of training is not relevant. A clinical haematologist with the primary speciality of internal medicine should restrict himself/herself to treating adults mainly with haematological disorders, and can also perform laboratory investigations on his/her patients within the scope of his/her training. Training covers, amongst other things, a wide spectrum of laboratory techniques and haematological diseases for at least one year, knowledge and practice of clinical haematology, diagnostic evaluations, treatments and management of haematological conditions and emergencies, and bone marrow and peripheral stem cell transplantation. For the detailed curriculum, see the regulations of the relevant College of Physicians at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

**DP requirements:** The candidate must be registered as a specialist physician, must have completed at least eighteen months as a subspeciality trainee in an accredited specialist department of clinical haematology (of which twelve months must be in a diagnostic haematology laboratory), and must submit positive written reports from the heads of the institutions in which they trained. In addition, registered haematopathologists who have completed eighteen months of clinical training at an accredited specialist clinical department of haematology, and who have an adequate report from the head of the department, may sit the examination.

**Assessment:** Candidates write the relevant clinical examination of the College of Physicians. The examination comprises a written paper, clinical cases, laboratory practical examination and an oral examination.

MDN7070W TRICHOLOGY & COSMETIC SCIENCE THESIS 360 NQF credits at NQF level 10 Convener: Professor NP Khumalo

# Course outline:

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-specialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

Assessment: The thesis is externally examined.

# **OBSTETRICS AND GYNAECOLOGY**

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# **OBS7001W** OBSTETRICS & GYNAECOLOGY THESIS

360 NOF credits at NOF level 10 Convener: Professor M Matjila, Professor SJ Dyer Course outline:

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and nonspecialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

# **OBS7002W** MD IN OBSTETRICS & GYNAECOLOGY

360 NOF credits at NOF level 10

Convener: Professor M Matjila, Professor SJ Dyer

# Course outline:

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-specialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

# **OBS7006W** MMED OBSTETRICS AND GYNAECOLOGY PART 2

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr L. Schoeman & Dr M. Patel

Course entry requirements: OBS7016W (Part 1a) and OBS7015W (Part 1b) or OBS7019W (Intermediate)

**Co-requisites:** Completion of the Portfolio of Learning of the College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, which includes a logbook of clinical experience. The experience which is required is listed in the portfolio.

#### **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the accreditation process of general practitioners as specialist obstetricians and gynaecologists. Candidates complete the curriculum of the College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists of South Africa. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination of the College and receive credit towards OBS7006W. The course content covers the principles and practice of general obstetrics and gynaecology, including reproductive medicine, gynaecological oncology, urogynaecology, maternal and fetal medicine, family planning, community obstetrics, and such aspects of other medical disciplines as are relevant. For the detailed curriculum and the examination rules, see the regulations of the College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists at www.collegemedsa.ac.za\_

**DP requirements:** Approved clinical experience in a registrar training post as outlined in the portfolio; in obstetrics, at least 18 months in a full-time registrar post in a maternity hospital/department, and in gynaecology, at least 18 months in a full-time registrar post in a gynaecological hospital/department and submission of the logbook. Completion of the MMed (O&G) is a requirement for registration as a specialist.

Assessment: Candidates write the Part II examination of the College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists. The examination consists of two written papers, an OSCE (oral examination) and an OSPE (practical examination). They have to complete a Portfolio of Learning which includes documentation of their required clinical experience. They are not admitted to the Part II examination if they have not completed all clinical requirements. The dissertation is required as evidence of research experience for registration as a specialist with the HPCSA and also for completion of the MMed. This is assessed by examiners appointed by the Faculty of Health Sciences. The research proposal should be at minimum submitted to HREC and ideally approved prior to the FCOG Part II written examination. In exceptional circumstances the Head of Department may grant the candidate permission to submit the dissertation at a later stage.

# **OBS7007W** OBSTETRICS & GYNAECOLOGY MINOR DISSERTATION 60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

**Convener:** Dr L. Schoeman & Dr M. Patel **Course entry requirements:** OBS7006W **Course outline:** 

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. The dissertation and successful completion of the part 2 examination is a prerequisite to obtaining the MMed degree. The dissertation should be within the scope of O&G and the requirements and further detail can be accessed via the MMed/ MPhil tab on the Vula platform via the following link.

https://vula.uct.ac.za/portal/site/c0e17ac4-36df-430a-b69c-594cfe5e3620/tool/693b2064-a644-4ae0-80a8-356767d45f72. It is advised that the candidate should identify a topic and a supervisor within the first 18 months of becoming a registrar.

**DP requirements:** The research proposal should be at the minimum submitted to HREC and ideally approved by HREC prior to registration for the FCOG Part II written examination **Assessment:** This is assessed by examiners appointed by external examiners.

# **OBS7008W** MPHIL IN REPRODUCTIVE MEDICINE PART 1

120 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr M. Patel

Course entry requirements: Registration as an O&G specialist with the HPCSA Course outline:

#### Course outline:

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of specialist obstetricians/gynaecologists to become subspecialists in reproductive medicine. Students follow the relevant curriculum of the College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists of South Africa and, on successful completion of the relevant Part 1 examination of the College, are granted credit towards OBS7008W. Candidates acquire an advanced understanding of basic sciences relevant to this subspeciality (e.g. physiology, pharmacology; endocrinology, embryology, immunology and genetics; pathology; epidemiology), as well as psychological, social and psychosomatic aspects of reproductive medicine. Students learn to interpret, perform and/or supervise diagnostic and imaging techniques and procedures relevant to the subspeciality. They acquire expertise in surgery designed to correct particularly infertility problems. The curriculum includes aspects of fertility regulation and family planning, gynaecological endocrinology, menopause, pregnancy loss, infertility and in training with various diagnostic techniques.

The student will have applied knowledge of all aspects of assisted reproductive technology, including IVF, ICSI, of laboratory aspects of management and quality control, and of legal and ethical issues. For the detailed curriculum, see the regulations of the relevant College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

**DP requirements:** Two years (full time) or four years (part time) training after completion of specialist training in Obstetrics and Gynaecology; a research project; and a portfolio of practical and academic experience must be completed and handed in for assessment at the College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists.

**Assessment:** Candidates write the relevant examinations of the College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists of South Africa. Examination comprises both a written component and a clinical examination (OSCE, clinical problem solving, oral).

# **OBS7009W** REPRODUCTIVE MEDICINE MINOR DISSERTATION 60 NQF credits at NQF level 9 **Convener:** Dr M. Patel

# Course entry requirements: OBS7008W

# Course outline:

The minor dissertation, prepared under supervision, is a requirement for those senior registrars who wish to graduate with the MPhil degree. Those who choose not to complete a dissertation may register with the HPCSA as subspecialists after successful completion of the relevant College of Medicine Part 1 examination. The dissertation must be on a topic in reproductive medicine. It must be based on a study, the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval, where necessary, they analyse the results of their research and write up the dissertation. The candidate may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication. Dissertation requirements and further detail can be accessed via the MMed/ MPhil tab on the Vula platform via the following link.https://vula.uct.ac.za/portal/site/c0e17ac4-36df-430a-b69e-594cf

The dissertation and successful completion of the reproductive medicine part 1 examination (run by the CMSA as the certificate in reproductive medicine) is a prerequisite to obtaining MPhil degree.

#### **DP requirements:** None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

# OBS7010W MPHIL IN GYNAECOLOGICAL ONCOLOGY PART 1

120 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor LA Denny , Dr NH Mbatani and Dr TS Adams

Course entry requirements: Registration as an O&G specialist with the HPCSA

#### **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of specialist obstetricians/gynaecologists as subspecialists in gynaecological oncology. Candidates follow the relevant curriculum of the College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists of South Africa and, on successful completion of the relevant Part 1 examination of the College, are granted credit towards OBS7010W. The candidate will gain sufficient knowledge of physiology and pathophysiology to manage patients with gynaecological cancer. On completion of training, they should be able to identify, on the basis of direct visual and microscopic evaluation, lesions that are pre-malignant or malignant, and distinguish them from benign disorders, and should know the derivation, biological behaviour, important characteristics and prognostic features of diseases of the female genital tract. The candidate is also trained to identify and manage a wide range of factors relevant to carcinogenesis. Training covers relevant aspects of genetics, tumour immunology and treatment, general pharmacology, diagnostic techniques and imaging, pre- and post-operative preparation, complications during surgery, and a range of surgical procedures and methods of terminal care. The candidate learns epidemiological techniques and how to apply a range of statistical tests. While most of the training time should be spent in the gynaecological oncology training unit, rotations also take place in radiation oncology, medical oncology, colorectal surgery, urology service, plastic and reconstructive surgery, palliative and hospice care, and the surgical intensive care unit. The full curriculum is available in the regulations of the College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

**DP** requirements: Candidates must have spent two years (full-time) or four years (part time) in clinical training at subspecialist trainee level in gynaecological oncology. A clinical logbook must be completed. Admission to this examination will be permitted following the assessment of the portfolio and the research project.

**Assessment:** Candidates write the relevant final subspecialist examination of the College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists of South Africa. The exit assessment will include an objectively structured clinical examination (OSCE), a number of objectively structured practical examinations (OSPE) and a written paper.

# **OBS7011W** GYNAECOLOGICAL ONCOLOGY MINOR DISSERTATION 60 NOF credits at NOF level 9

**Convener:** Professor LA Denny, Dr NH Mbatani and Dr T Adams **Course entry requirements:** OBS7010W

# Course outline:

The minor dissertation, prepared under supervision, is a requirement for those senior registrars who wish to graduate with the MPhil degree. Those who choose not to complete a dissertation may register with the HPCSA as subspecialists after successful completion of the relevant College of Medicine Part 1 examination. The dissertation must be between 15 000 and 20 000 words in length, and must be on a topic in gynaecological oncology. It must be based, moreover, on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval, where necessary, they analyse the results of their research and write up the dissertation. Dissertation requirements and further detail can be accessed via the MMed/ MPhil tab on the Vula platform via the following link. https://vula.uct.ac.za/portal/site/c0e17ac4-36df-430a-b69c-594cf

**DP requirements:** None **Assessment:** External examination of the minor dissertation.

# OBS7013W MPHIL IN MATERNAL & FOETAL MEDICINE PART 1

120 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr A Osman and Dr CJM Stewart

Course entry requirements: None

# Course outline:

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of specialist obstetricians/gynaecologists to become subspecialists in maternal and fetal medicine. Students follow the relevant curriculum of the College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists of South Africa and, on successful completion of the relevant Part 1 examination of the College, are granted credit towards OBS7013W. Training introduces a broad knowledge of the physiology and pathology of the pregnant woman and the foetus. The trainee is taught to be clinically competent in the investigation and management of both medical and surgical disorders of both patients. Advanced knowledge and skills are taught in biochemistry, and pharmacology and pathology relating to the pregnant woman and the foetus (this includes embryology and teratology, endocrinology of pregnancy, fetal physiology, genetics, immunology, maternal physiology, placental physiology, and the social and psychological aspects of pregnancy). The candidate acquires clinical expertise in complicated obstetrics, including maternal resuscitation and intensive care; foetal medicine including ultrasound examination and invasive procedures; infectious diseases in pregnancy; medical and surgical complications of pregnancy; operative procedures and intrapartum management in pre/post-pregnancy; operative management and bereavement counselling. The detailed curriculum is published in the regulations of the College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists of South Africa at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

**DP requirements:** Candidates must have spent two years(full time) or four years (part time) in clinical training at subspecialist trainee level in maternal and fetal medicine, including research relevant to maternal and fetal medicine.

**Assessment:** Candidates write the relevant final subspecialist examination of the College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists of South Africa. The examination comprises two papers, one in maternal medicine and one in fetal medicine, as well as a clinical examination. The latter consists of an OSCE and OSPE and/or a structured viva. The research component is examined as a part of the final assessment.

# **OBS7014W** MATERNAL & FETAL MEDICINE MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr A Osman and Dr CJM Stewart

Course entry requirements: OBS7013W

#### Course outline:

The minor dissertation, prepared under supervision, is a requirement for those senior registrars who wish to graduate with the MPhil degree. Those who choose not to complete a dissertation may register with the HPCSA as subspecialists after successful completion of the relevant College of Medicine Part 1 examination. The dissertation must be on a topic in maternal and fetal medicine. It must be based, moreover, on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval, where necessary, they analyse the results of their research and write up the dissertation. The candidate may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication. Dissertation requirements and further detail can be accessed via the MMed/ MPhil tab on the Vula platform via the following link.

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#### DP requirements: None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

# **OBS7015W** MMED IN OBSTETRICS & GYNAECOLOGY PART 1B

40 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr L Schoeman and Dr M Patel

Course entry requirements: OBS7016W

# Course outline:

The content of Part 1B covers all relevant applied basic sciences and includes microbiology, pharmacology, pathology, principles of bioethics, basic biostatistics and the pathophysiology of diseases in obstetrics and gynaecology. Knowledge is required of all those aspects of the subjects which should form part of the general education of any specialist and particularly of those aspects applicable to obstetrics and gynaecology.

# **DP** requirements: None

**Assessment:** Candidates write the Part 1B examination of the College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists of the Colleges of Medicine of South Africa, which consists of written papers.

# **OBS7016W** MMED IN OBSTETRICS & GYNAECOLOGY PART 1A

20 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr L. Schoeman & Dr M. Patel

Course entry requirements: None

# Course outline:

The subjects covered by the Part 1A examination include the basic sciences of anatomy, embryology, physiology, endocrinology, cell biology, genetics, immunology and imaging physics.

# DP requirements: None

**Assessment:** Candidates write the Part 1A examination of the College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists of the Colleges of Medicine of South Africa which consists of written papers.

# OBS7017W MPHIL IN UROGYNAECOLOGY PART 1

120 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr S Jeffery

Course entry requirements: Registration as an O&G specialist with the HPCSA

# **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of specialist obstetricians/gynaecologists to become subspecialists in urogynaecology. Students follow the relevant curriculum of the College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists of South Africa and, on successful completion of the relevant certificate examination of the College, are granted credit towards OBS7017W. This is a 2 year full time training programme. The candidate will be integrated into the weekly activities of the unit which include ward rounds, general gynaecology and urogynaecology sub-speciality clinics, surgery and teaching. In addition, the candidate will be involved in the ongoing research activities in the unit. The detailed curriculum is published in the regulations of the College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists of South Africa at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

**DP requirements:** Two years of full time training (or 4 years part time) after completion of specialist training in Obstetrics and Gynaecology; a research project; and a portfolio of practical and academic experience must be completed and handed in for assessment at the College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists.

Assessment: Candidates write the relevant examinations of the College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists of South Africa. Examination comprises both a written component and a clinical examination (OSCE, OSPE and discussion of their research project)Writing the CMSA Certificate examination in Urogynaecology.

#### **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation, prepared under supervision, is a requirement for those senior registrars who wish to graduate with the MPhil degree. Those who choose not to complete a dissertation may register with the HPCSA as subspecialists after successful completion of the relevant College of Medicine certificate examination. The dissertation must be on a topic in urogynaecology. It must be based, moreover, on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval, where necessary, they analyse the results of their research and write up the dissertation. The candidate may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication. Dissertation requirements and further detail can be accessed via the MMed/ MPhil tab on the Vula platform via the following link.

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# **DP requirements:** None

Assessment: Examination of the minor dissertation.

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# PED4003S LEADERSHIP AND MANAGEMENT

15 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr T Kerbelker & Dr A Hawkridge

**Objective:** Learning objectives:

•Understand approaches to the concepts of leadership and management

•Be able to define your role as leaders/managers in the context of the public health system.

•Have conceptual tools for thinking about organisational change.

•Develop skills for analysing everyday management and service delivery problems, and plan improvements to address these problems.

•Understand the scope of human resource management and the systems and skills required for managing relationships with people - down, up and out – in your organisational environment.

•Appreciate systems requirements for managing information, finances and other resources to achieve better health.

•Have reflected on your own management practices and how to improve these.

#### Course outline:

This course explores the organisation of child health services, programmes and support systems at the different levels of care. It focuses on the role of the healthcare professional in coordinating and managing child health services and programmes at the primary and secondary levels of care. The key aspects that are covered in the course include the main child health components within the district

health system (DHS), decentralisation within the DHS, a team approach to addressing child health priorities within the district, intersectoral links and referral systems. It explores resource allocation, management, monitoring, and evaluation of child health programmes. Students are also introduced to economic concepts, financial planning and management, and budgeting and basic accounting.

**DP requirements:** Students need to attend a minimum of 60% of all contact sessions. All assignments must be submitted by the due dates.

**Assessment:** The course assessment consists of 3 unit submissions (3 x 10%); final assignment 60%; attendance and participation 10%.

#### **PED4004S** BIOSTATISTICS 12 NQF credits at NQF level 8 **Convener:** A-R Sayed **Course entry requirements:** None **Course outline:**

The course aims to introduce students to the basic statistical concepts that will enable them to understand and interpret the most commonly used descriptive and inferential statistical procedures and to apply this to published research. Using practical examples and case studies, students are introduced to: types of data; descriptive measures; exploratory data analysis; probability distributions (normal and binomial distributions); sampling distribution and confidence intervals; hypothesis testing; nonparametric methods; sample size estimation; correlation and logistic regression analysis. They are required to perform elementary analyses using STATA statistical software.

**DP requirements:** Students need to attend a minimum of 60% of all contact sessions. All assignments must be submitted by the due dates.

**Assessment:** The final course mark will include a learning activity at the face-to-face session (30%); online assignments (60%) and participation in and timeous submission of learning activities and assignments (10%).

# PED4005S CHILD HEALTH POLICIES AND PROGRAMMES

15 NQF credits at NQF level 8; 13 Lectures (total 14 hours), 3 on-line chatrooms each lasting up to 90 minutes.

Convener: Dr J Shea & Dr L Jacobs

**Objective:** •To describe and analyse the burden and pattern of childhood ill health and mortality globally & in South Africa, and appreciate their determinants both immediate and upstream, and their evolution over time.

•Describe and critically interrogate the various global and local child health policies and programmes that have been developed in response to the above at different times, and describe the different contexts, technical factors, organisations & funding mechanisms.

•Examine and critically comment on current South African health policies and programmes (NHI, PHC reengineering, IYCF, HIV, MNCH, PMTCT, EPI, etc) and their implications for child health & child health services.

•Appreciate the new policy emphasis on child wellness including the First Thousand Days Campaign & Early Childhood Development, their potential for improving survival, health & wellness over the life-course and the challenges in implementing these policies.

# **Course outline:**

The course enables students to know and be able to critically evaluate current child health policies and legislation. It explores the policy and law making processes. Students are provided with an approach to and a critical understanding of child health policy analysis and the methodologies used in its evaluation. It explores how the priority conditions affecting children can be addressed through implementation and support for existing policies and programmes, especially at the district level.

**DP requirements:** The course enables students to know and be able to critically evaluate current child health policies and legislation. It explores the policy and law making processes. Students are provided with an approach to and a critical understanding of child health policy analysis and the methodologies used in its evaluation. It explores how the priority conditions affecting children can be addressed

through implementation and support for existing policies and programmes, especially at the district level.

Assessment: Students need to attend a minimum of 60% of all contact sessions. All assignments must be submitted by the due dates.

# PED4006F OPTIMISING CARE FOR LONG-TERM CONDITIONS

#### 10 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr S Naidoo & Dr L Jacobs

**Objective:** To identify and respond to key components and themes within the experiences of families living with long term conditions globally and in Africa. To identify the potential effects of a long term or disabling condition on a child and family and the implications for service design. To apply and critique definitional systems in long term care for children. To list the differences between acute and long term care. To apply key concepts such as participation, comprehensiveness, continuity, coordination, etc. to individual case and health service design (micro and meso). To employ knowledge of school and community systems to optimise delivery of non-hospital care to children with long term care. To demonstrate the optimal use of case management plans in long term care.

#### **Course outline:**

The course explores approaches to the definitions and classification of long-term and disabling health conditions as well as paradigms for continuing care of children and their families over time. It is envisaged that students will develop a critical understanding of essential concepts and practical tools for long term care and their implementation while learning how to configure health services optimally for long-term and disabling conditions such as asthma, disabilities, and HIV/AIDS at the community, primary and secondary levels of care.

**DP requirements:** Students need to attend a minimum of 60% of all contact sessions. All assignments must be submitted by the due dates.

**Assessment:** There are three assignments related to the units of the course, contributing  $3 \times 30\%$  of the final mark; with 10% allocated for online activities.

# PED4008F ADVOCACY AND CHILDREN'S RIGHTS

10 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: L Lake & L Jamieson

Course entry requirements: None

**Objective:** Learning objectives:

•Raise awareness of the relationship between children's rights and child health, well-being and development.

•Deepen your understanding of child rights principles and provisions as outlined in the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child, the African Charter on the Rights and Welfare of the Child, South African Constitution and Children's Act

•Introduce the primary laws, policies and programmes that give effect to children's rights.

•Enable you to give effect to children's rights in your professional practice.

•Enable you to advocate for changes within the healthcare system.

•Enable you to advocate for child health beyond the health care system.

•Enable you develop and evaluate an advocacy plan.

# Course outline:

This course introduces the main aspects relating to children's rights and introduces the student to a rights-based approach to child health. Students are provided with opportunities to critically reflect on and enhance their professional practice drawing on local and international examples of how children's rights have been used to drive quality improvement. Students are then introduced to the advocacy process and the main principles of an effective advocacy strategy before applying these to advocacy project of their choice. The course also aims to provide students with the knowledge and understanding of ethical principles and legislation guiding the provision of child healthcare.

Lecture times: This is a blended course comprising two face-to-face sessions and weekly readings, online discussion fora and learning activities.

**DP requirements:** Students need to attend a minimum of 60% of all contact sessions. All assignments must be submitted by the due dates.

**Assessment:** The summative assessment comprises three portfolio tasks (3 x 10%) and a final advocacy project which is weighted 60% of the final mark. Participation in face-to-face sessions, online discussion for a and learning activities in this module contributes 10% of the final mark.

# PED4009S HEALTH INFORMATION SYSTEMS

10 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr D le Roux

Course entry requirements: None

**Objective:** Learning objectives:

•To be able to use health information to answer service-related questions in healthcare.

•To understand all the types & roles of various health information systems used in health services.

•To understand methods of collecting and collating health information and the purposes to which it can be put.

# Course outline:

The course introduces essential information needed for planning and monitoring child health interventions at the primary and secondary levels. It looks at existing data sources and provides a critical approach to the interpretation of data and child health indicators. Students are also exposed to the advantages and disadvantages of the various data collection tools and systems. The course also explores how data could be used to improve child health services and programmes at the district and regional levels.

**DP requirements:** Students need to attend a minimum of 60% of all contact sessions. All assignments must be submitted by the due dates.

**Assessment:** The course assessment consists of three assignments (one per unit) weighted 30%, 30% and 30% of the final mark respectively, with 10% allocated to online work.

# PED4010F COMMUNICATION, EDUCATION & TRAINING

10 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr L Jacobs

# Course entry requirements: None

# **Objective:**

•Understand the different theories of communication and the importance of intercultural communication

•Describe children's participation rights and the implications for health care practice

•Identify strategies to help health professionals communicate better and ensure children and caregivers understand them

•Evaluate the design of patient education materials using the Clear Communication Index

•Apply the principles of adult (active) learning to facilitate effective teaching

•Describe best practice in assessment and feedback

# **Course outline:**

This course is practical and explores the principles of effective verbal and written communication. Students are provided with the necessary skills in presenting, writing and publishing health information relevant to their work. The course also explores the principles of adult education and its application to the in-service training of health care workers in child health. Students are introduced to educational methods and effective facilitation of educational initiatives.

**DP requirements:** Students need to attend a minimum of 60% of all contact sessions. All assignments must be submitted by the due dates.

**Assessment:** The course assessment consists of 2 portfolio reports (10% + 10%); final assignments 70%; attendance and participation 10%.

# PED4017F HEALTH & DEVELOPMENT

12 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: J Shea

# Course entry requirements: None

# Course outline:

This course explores the developmental determinants of health and the systems and ideologies that promote and sustain maternal and child health. The objectives of this course are: to develop an awareness of human rights issues within the health context, to introduce students to the tools and strategies for advocating the realisation of the rights of women and children, to analyse existing health services in order to assess whether they adequately meet the health needs of children, to examine critically the political and economic factors that affect health and health interventions, and to develop an understanding of health promotion and of its role as a key strategy for improving health. The course is offered through lectures and two hours per week online interaction with the tutor for six weeks.

**DP requirements:** Full participation in online learning; completion of and an average of at least 50% for all the course assignments.

**Assessment:** Assessment for this course includes weekly discussions on Vula (constituting 20%); unit learning activity posted on Vula (constituting 20%); and two course assignments (constituting 60% of the overall course mark).

PED4018F EPIDEMIOLOGY 14 NQF credits at NQF level 8 Convener: J Shea Course entry requirements: None Course outline:

This course introduces the fundamental concepts of epidemiology for good clinical practice, and district health level management of maternal and child health. The course includes the application of epidemiology to disease causation, prevention and treatment. It introduces participants to the different types of epidemiological studies, sampling design and methods, data measurement and collection, and disease surveillance. The course aims to enable participants to develop an epidemiological approach to defining and measuring the occurrence and health-related states in populations. It provides a foundation in research methods that will enable participants to critically evaluate public health research.

**DP requirements:** Full participation in online learning activities is a prerequisite for completing the end-of-course assignments. All assignments must be completed. An overall pass mark for the coursework component is a prerequisite for sitting the final examination.

**Assessment:** Coursework includes weekly synchronous online learning sessions and independent discussion forum assignments throughout the course which comprise 40% of the final course mark. The final assessment includes an end-of-course assignment that constitutes 40% of the course mark and a multiple-choice examination that constitutes 20% of the course mark.

# PED4020S FOUNDATIONS OF MATERNAL & CHILD HEALTH

12 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: J Shea

# Course entry requirements: None

# **Course outline:**

Over a 10-week period this course critically examines priority maternal and child health issues, the major determinants of health, and the role of health services in promoting and sustaining health. The first three units focus on pregnancy and birth, with the further seven units focusing on children. Specific attention is given to normal growth, nutrition and the developmental processes through which all mothers and children progress. The prerequisites for normal growth and development are explored. Critical or particularly important points along the way are highlighted, e.g. breastfeeding and weaning in nutrition. The role of health services in promoting the health and well-being of mothers and children is discussed in relation to the major determinants of health.

**DP requirements:** Full participation in online learning activities is a prerequisite for completing the end-of-course assignments. All assignments must be completed. An overall pass mark for the coursework component is a prerequisite for sitting the final examination.

**Assessment:** Coursework assessment includes weekly discussion forum posts and synchronous online learning sessions that account for 40% of the mark. The final assessment is based on two end-of-course assignments that account for 60% of the course mark.

# PED4021F PRIORITIES IN MATERNAL & CHILD HEALTH

20 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: J Shea

# Course entry requirements: None

# **Course outline:**

This course integrates the principles of the foundation courses into a public health approach addressing a number of priority maternal and child health issues. Curricular topics include perinatal mental health, reproductive health, obstetric emergencies, the perinatal audit, childhood malnutrition, tuberculosis, HIV, diarrhoeal disease, developmental delay and childhood adversity. Maternal and child health interventions are discussed in the context of environmental health determinants, policy frameworks, health advocacy, health system requirements, and resource mobilisation for improved public health outcomes.

**DP requirements:** Full participation in online learning activities is a prerequisite for completing the end-of-course assignments. All assignments must be completed. An overall pass mark for the coursework component is a prerequisite for sitting the final examination.

**Assessment:** Coursework assessment includes weekly discussion forum posts and synchronous online learning sessions that account for 40% of the grade. The final assessment is based on two end-of-course assignments that account for 60% of the final course mark.

# PED4022S THE PSYCHOSOCIAL CONTEXT OF MATERNAL & CHILD

# HEALTH

12 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: J Shea

# Course entry requirements: None

# **Course outline:**

The focus of this course is the analysis of the social determinants of maternal and child health behaviour. Learning activities are designed to develop a critical approach for understanding significant social, behavioural and cultural variables and issues that affect the health of populations, specifically the health of women and children. The course is divided into units which explore the concepts of community, gender, socio-economic status, race, ethnicity, environment, and behavioural risks. Several theoretical and conceptual frameworks from the social and behavioural sciences, introduced at the face-to-face session, will be applied to intervention strategies or programme initiatives that address current public health problems.

**DP requirements:** Full participation in online learning activities is a prerequisite for completing the end-of-course assignments. All assignments must be completed. An overall pass mark for the coursework component of the course is a prerequisite for sitting the final examination in the course. **Assessment:** Weekly synchronous online learning sessions and independent assignments throughout the course constitute 40% of the total course mark. The final course assignment constitutes 60% of the course mark.

# PED4025W INTRODUCTION TO MATERNAL & CHILD HEALTH

12 NQF credits at NQF level 8 Convener: J Shea Course entry requirements: None Course outline:

This course is aimed at the acquisition of a broad knowledge base pertaining to priority issues and interventions in maternal and child health, the district health system, and the application of basic

management concepts in the management and delivery of maternal and child health services. It introduces participants to the core concepts that will be covered in individual programme courses, the learning/teaching philosophy, and the learning platform. The foundation of academic competence at the postgraduate level that facilitates connecting academic competence with professional and academic goals is introduced. Global and local patterns of maternal and child health and the role of public health in improving maternal and child health outcomes are examined. Several theoretical and conceptual frameworks from the social and behavioural sciences are applied to intervention strategies or programme initiatives that address current public health problems. The focus throughout this course is on primary prevention which focuses on improving both individual and community health. **DP requirements:** Full participation in online learning activities is a prerequisite for completing the end-of-course assignments. All assignments must be completed. An overall pass mark for the coursework component of the course is a prerequisite for sitting the final examination in the course. **Assessment:** Coursework assessment includes an assessment of learning activities submitted on a regular basis, which accounts for 40% of the final course mark. The final assessment consists of an end-of-course mark to the final ecourse for % of the course mark.

# PED4026W MATERNAL MENTAL HEALTH

12 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: J Shea

# Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

The aim of this course is to introduce students to maternal mental health concepts, theories, strategies, and interventions to develop skills essential for effective service development. The course prepares participants to critically analyse strategies and interventions for maternal mental health, engage in research activities to deepen an understanding of local conditions regarding maternal mental health, and design an intervention strategy for maternal mental health that can be put into practise in the local setting.

**DP requirements:** Full participation in online learning activities is a prerequisite for completing the end-of-course assignments. All assignments must be completed. An overall pass mark for the coursework component of the course is a prerequisite for sitting the final examination in the course.

**Assessment:** Coursework assessment includes an assessment of learning activities submitted on a regular basis which accounts for 40% of the course mark. The final assessment consists of an end-of-course assignment that accounts for 60% of the course mark.

# PED4028S INTEGRATED ASSESSMENT

0 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: J Shea

Course entry requirements: Successful completion of all preceding courses.

#### Course outline:

Not applicable. This course code exists for the sole purpose of recording a mark for an integrated assessment.

#### **DP requirements:** None

**Assessment:** The examination comprises a three-hour paper in response to a case study covering the entire syllabus and collectively demonstrating a reasonable balance between the different courses.

# PED4029F/S ORGANISATIONAL & ACADEMIC COMMUNICATION

12 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: J Shea

# Course entry requirements: None

# **Course outline:**

This course covers the principles of organisational communication including verbal and electronic communication, meeting facilitation, and technical and academic writing. Key objectives are to demonstrate effective verbal and written communication skills; to review routine communication

practices in the workplace; to examine communication and information aspects of meetings and their role in health service delivery; and to equip students with skills in basic computer set-up, troubleshooting, email communication and word-processing for effective communication.

**DP requirements:** Full participation in online learning activities is a prerequisite for completing the end-of-course assignments. All assignments must be completed. An overall pass mark for the coursework component of the course is a prerequisite for sitting the final examination in the course.

**Assessment:** Weekly synchronous online learning sessions and independent assignments throughout the course constitute 40% of the final course mark. The final course assignment constitutes 60% of the course mark.

# **PED4030F/S** ORGANISATION & MANAGEMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES 14 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: J Shea

#### Course entry requirements: None

# Course outline:

This course examines the organisation, planning, and management of district health services and the nature and role of policy and advocacy in health service delivery. It facilitates a critical understanding of organisational and legislative issues, such as the decentralisation of decision-making power and how this affects management at a district level. It seeks to contextualise Maternal and Child Health (MCH) services within the district, and explores strategies for improving the health of mothers and children. A specific focus falls on leadership for effective health workforce planning and management. Economic and socio-political factors that influence health policy are examined to develop analytical skills for health policy development and implementation. The course enables participants to gain insight into the purpose, nature, and processes of financial planning for health service delivery.

**DP requirements:** Full participation in online learning activities is a prerequisite for completing the end-of-course assignments. All assignments must be completed. An overall pass mark for the coursework component of the course is a prerequisite for sitting the final examination in the course.

**Assessment:** Weekly synchronous online learning sessions and independent assignments throughout the course constitute 40% of the final course mark. The final course assignment constitutes 60% of the course mark.

# **PED4031W** CLINICAL MANAGEMENT IN PAEDIATRIC HAEMATOLOGY & ONCOLOGY

90 NQF credits at NQF level 8 Convener: Associate Professor A Davidson Course outline:

This course is delivered over a twelve-month period by way of lectures, small group tutorials, and mainly practical workplace experience. The aim of the course is to equip the student to become conversant with the diagnosis and management of haemaglobinopathies, complex anaemia's, nutritional anaemia's, thrombocytopenia's, acquired and congenital bleeding conditions, haematologic conditions encountered in the neonate, and those related to HIV and TB. The student will develop a clinical approach to neutropenia and will develop confidence in the approach to the diagnosis and management of oncological emergencies and all the common childhood tumours including acute leukaemia's, Wilms Tumour, neuroblastoma, Hodgkin and Non-Hodgkin lymphoma, soft tissue sarcomas, retinoblastoma, bone tumours, brain tumours and HIV-associated malignancies. The student will also have developed a knowledge of supportive care and understand the importance of a multidisciplinary team approach. In addition, they will have acquired all the necessary practical skills and procedures required for the practice of paediatric oncology.

**DP requirements:** A pass mark of 50% for the coursework components. Submission of completed logbook by the due date.

Assessment: The final clinical examination consists of a case-based oral assessment.

# PED4032W ESSAY: TRANSITION & TRANSLATION OF KNOWLEDGE

30 NOF credits at NOF level 8

Convener: Professor K Donald

# Course outline:

This course equips students to apply the knowledge and insights gained during their training to their home settings. Students analyse the epidemiology of the centres at which they practise healthcare and analyse the healthcare needs of the region, then plan ways in which to apply the knowledge they have gained in the diploma programme to such settings.

**DP requirements:** Full attendance and completion of all coursework requirements by the due dates. Assessment: Completion of an essay (100%). This is preceded by ongoing assessment of performance through regular clinical supervision/tutorial sessions and coursework tasks. A pass mark of 50% is required for the long essay, failing which the student will be required to make the necessary corrections or improvements and submit the assignment for reassessment. The terms of resubmission of the assignment will be at the discretion of the convener.

#### PED4033W CLINICAL MANAGEMENT IN NEONATOLOGY

90 NOF credits at NOF level 8: Three students slot into existing lecture structure at each site visit.

Convener: Associate Professor MC Harrison and Dr NR Rhoda

Objective: The Diploma aims to provide training for postgraduate students from within South Africa and countries across Africa. The goal of the Diploma is to enhance the capacity of health professionals to manage and deliver neonatal services and programmes at the primary levels of care. This is important as it will reduce the pressure on the very limited tertiary beds available in neonatology within the countries across the region and ultimately have a significant impact on neonatal mortality.

# **Course outline:**

This course provides students with foundation skills in clinical neonatology and, to ensure safe practice, they learn basic principles in the management of neonates. Under the supervision of the neonatal staff, students undergo dedicated clinical exposure to clinical service. Their logbooks, which must record the number of patients and the range of conditions, are signed off by the clinical supervisor. By the end of the course, students should have gained insight into the current recommended international guidelines relevant to practice in the field of neonatology, and should understand the definition, diagnosis, epidemiology, and classification of diseases that affect neonates. They should also be competent in procedures relevant to the care of sick neonates and should be able to implement their acquired knowledge and skills across all levels of healthcare - from primary to tertiary.

# Lecture times: Varies according to site.

**DP requirements:** Students are required to attend at least 70% of lectures and group supervision sessions. Attendance is monitored through signing of attendance registers. A student who does not achieve a formal assessment mark of at least 45% will not qualify to write the final examination. Students are required to submit all supervisors' assessment reports, as well as the logbook, before the final examination may be written

Assessment: Students are assessed by means of 3 formal clinical assessments undertaken at 4-monthly intervals. These assessments may be of a practical and/or oral nature and accrue 50%. The summative assessment comprises of a final written examination (50%).

# PED4034W CLINICAL MANAGEMENT IN PAEDIATRIC CARDIOLOGY

40 NOF credits at NOF level 8

Convener: Associate Professor R De Decker

# Course outline:

This course aims to train qualified general practitioners to practise clinical paediatric cardiology in order to enable the diagnosis, resuscitation, triage and management of children with congenital and acquired heart disease. It does not aim to train the candidate to become a paediatric cardiologist, but rather to practice safely and effectively in resource-limited areas without the immediate supervision of a paediatric cardiologist. Students should become proficient in the following: Routine management

of new patients, including the initiation of appropriate acute treatment and long-term management plans; emergency management and resuscitation; selection and triage for tertiary referral; postoperative care; long-term follow-up of post-operative patients and their potential complications (i.e. not immediate post-op ICU care); ethics, rational case selection and difficult decisions; ECG, defibrillation and cardioversion; echocardiography; pericardiocentesis; proficiency in appropriate referral; and communication and counselling of parents. Clinical training takes place via grand rounds, general and speciality meetings, group meetings and interactive sessions, ward rounds and clinical outpatient interactions, and supervisions. Students also partake in supportive multidisciplinary meetings. Key to development of clinical skills is practical workplace experience obtained in one-onone teaching sessions.

# DP requirements: Satisfactory completion of a logbook.

**Assessment:** Coursework assessment (ongoing): 50%. Final examination: A one-hour clinical MCQ (multiple-choice question) paper (30%) and a one-hour clinical case-based oral (20%). The logbook will be assessed as a part of the final examination. A student failing to obtain 50% for the individual components will have one reassessment. If the student scores more than 40%, but less than 50%, the student will undergo a reassessment for which a minimum mark of 50% may be obtained.

# PED4035W PAEDIATRIC ECHOCARDIOGRAPHY

50 NQF credits at NQF level 8 **Convener:** Dr G Comitis **Course entry requirements:** None

# **Course outline:**

This course aims to develop expertise in the use of echocardiography to make accurate assessments of the anatomy and function of normal and diseased hearts to inform management decisions. This includes the principles of ultrasonology, the technical capabilities and limitations of echocardiography, a sound knowledge and application of the various routine echocardiographic views of the heart and related structures, and relevant ancillary techniques (e.g. bubblegrams).

**DP requirements:** Attendance of and participation in all academic requirements and completion of assignments by the due dates.

Assessment: Final examination: 100%.

# **PED4036W** CLINICAL MANAGEMENT OF PAEDIATRIC DIABETES 90 NOF credits at NOF level 8

Convener: Dr M Carrihill Course entry requirements: None

# Course outline:

The purpose of this course is to allow practising doctors to develop foundation skills in the assessment and management of children with paediatric diabetes. Training is designed as an apprenticeship, a close trainer-to-trainee ratio, and hands-on experience. It does not aim to train the candidate to become a specialist, but rather to practice safely and effectively in resource-limited areas without the immediate supervision of a specialist. Content includes the definition, diagnosis, epidemiology and classification of diabetes; the presentation and phases of diabetes; international guidelines relevant to practice in the field; and the essential biochemical screens and interpretation of results. Students learn to become competent in the role and instigation of insulin treatment and the different insulin regimens. This includes the assessment and monitoring of glycaemic control. Students learn key aspects of the management of hypoglycaemia in the diabetic and the management of diabetic ketoacidosis, as well as microvascular and macrovascular complications of diabetes. Associated conditions and other complications are covered, as are ambulatory diabetes care, diabetes education, nutritional management, exercise and diabetes, sick day management, diabetes care and puberty and adolescent care. Students study the psychological issues affecting the child with diabetes, and the management of the diabetic requiring surgery.

**DP requirements:** A portfolio of at least 25 cases with varied diabetes problems must be completed. Students need to attend a minimum of 70% of training sessions (including lectures, seminars and tutorials.) All assignments must be submitted. A subminimum of 45% for the coursework is required

in order to be granted admission to the final examination. The student will be assessed continuously during the coursework. Each module has specific outcome goals which must be completed. Regular reviews with the supervisors is required. Logbook completion by the due date is obligatory, documenting the required number of cases.

Assessment: Formative assessment (50%) and a final examination, which will consist of a written paper, a clinical examination in an ambulatory setting and a portfolio-based oral examination.

# PED4037W CLINICAL MANAGEMENT OF PAEDIATRIC EPILEPSY

90 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Professor J Wilmshurst

Course entry requirements: None

# Course outline:

This course provides students with foundation skills in clinical electrophysiology and epilepsy to ensure safe practice. Students are exposed to the field of paediatric EEG and epilepsy; they learn how to perform, interpret, and use information attained from EEGs to improve their patient care. They learn basic principles of epilepsy management in children. The student undertakes a combination of dedicated clinical exposure with the paediatric neurology staff in the clinical service for children with epilepsy (the logbook records the number of patients and the range of conditions and is signed by the clinical supervisor). This focusses the appropriate criteria to request an EEG, how the EEG can assist in the patient diagnosis and management, and recognition of key epilepsy syndromes. The student understands the associated co-morbidities of epilepsy and the various epilepsy syndromes. The student is expected to read from the recommended reading list, to have insight into the key recommended through EEG testing, and the logbook documents the number of studies successfully interpreted extending beyond the EEG findings to the clinical supervisor and the technologist).

**DP requirements:** Students need to attend a minimum of 70% of lectures. All assignments must be submitted. A subminimum of 45% for the coursework is required to be granted admission to the final examination. Each module has specific outcome goals which must be completed. Regular reviews with the supervisors will be required. Logbook completion requires students to document the required number of cases (minimum n=50 for EEG performed, n=100 for EEG interpretation, two formal complex clinical cases formally summarised and management challenges identified, and document n=50 clinical cases reviewed)

**Assessment:** In-course and formative assessment accrue 50%. End-of-training assessment will be a written paper (based on illustrative EEG cases n=20) requiring interpretation of the EEG and the clinical relevance of the findings, and clinical exam. (50%)

# PED4038W CLINICAL MANAGEMENT IN PAEDIATRIC GASTROENTEROLOGY 90 NQF credits at NQF level 8 Convener: Professor E Goddard and Dr R de Lacy Course entry requirements: None Course outline:

Training in theory and practice includes the following: routine management of new patients including the initiation of appropriate acute treatment and long-term management plans; emergency management and resuscitation (e.g. the critical neonate, the critical child, hematemesis and melaena, acute liver failure, shock secondary to diarrhoea, and selection and triage for tertiary referral); ethics, rational case selection and difficult decisions; and procedural skills. Diagnostic and therapeutic procedures such as upper colonoscopy; endoscopic procedures; and oesophageal, gastric, small intestinal and other biopsies. Knowledge and interpretation of endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography, transit studies, pancreatic function testing (screening tests, faecal elastase, intubation tests), radio-nucleotide scans, and barium studies. Referral and communication. Knowledge and skills in assessment of nutritional status. Working in nutritional support teams. Clinical training

takes place via grand rounds, general and speciality meetings, group meetings and interactive sessions, ward rounds, and clinical outpatient interactions and supervisions. Students also partake in supportive multidisciplinary meetings. Key to development of clinical skills is practical work-place experience of one-on-one teaching sessions.

**DP requirements:** The student will be assessed continuously during the coursework. A formal assessment will be performed after three months to assess initial progress. A student who fails two formative assessments will forego his/her DP and may be required to withdraw from the programme. Logbook completion will be monitored and the logbook must be submitted by the due date.

**Assessment:** End-of-training assessment will be a one-hour paper and a one-hour oral examination (to test the interpretation of image-based investigations).

#### PED4039W CLINICAL MANAGEMENT IN DEVELOPMENT PAEDIATRICS 90 NQF credits at NQF level 8 Convener: Professor K Donald Course entry requirements: None

#### Course outline:

The purpose of this course is to allow practicing doctors to develop foundation skills in developmental disorders and neutralizability to ensure safe practice. The trainees require skills in the assessment and multidisciplinary management of children with developmental disorders and neutralizability. This enables and empowers these working professionals to undertake advanced reflection and development in this sub-area of their practice by means of training which is targeted at current thinking, practice, and research methods in the area of developmental disorders and neutralizability and allows these skilled workers to use their knowledge gained to lobby for improving child health. The course is designed as an apprenticeship, based on a close trainer-to trainee ratio and hands-on experience. The student will acquire skills in the management of children with developmental disorders and neutralizability. This includes knowledge of and an approach to the common conditions such as cerebral palsy, autism, and global developmental delay seen in childhood. On successful completion of the course, the student has skills in the ability to assess the developmental level of a young child and make recommendations for further diagnostic and management pathways as appropriate

**DP requirements:** Full attendance and completion of all coursework requirements by the due dates. **Assessment:** In-course and formative assessment (50%) and a final examination (50%). The final examination will consist of a written paper (15%), a clinical examination in an ambulatory setting (10%) and a portfolio-based oral examination (25%). A student failing to obtain 50% for each of these individual components will have one opportunity to rewrite this component. If the student obtains an overall score of more than 40% but less than 50%, the student may be eligible to undergo an additional test before the final mark is submitted. If a reassessment was done, the maximum pass mark shall be 50%.

PED4040W CLINICAL MANAGEMENT IN PAEDIATRIC EMERGENCY CARE 90 NQF credits at NQF level 8 Convener: Professor HA Buys Course entry requirements: None Course outline:

There are six related modules, covering the following: (a) Paediatric Medical Emergency Unit Orientation: the trainee needs to be thoroughly familiar with the workings of the Unit, the communication issues and the laboratory facilities before progressing to the rest of the training module; (b) Trauma Unit module: i.e. initial stabilisation and priority management of children with both complicated and uncomplicated trauma of variable actiology, both accidental and non-accidental; (c) Emergency Medicine Service module: knowledge and application of the principles and practice of care of children outside of the hospital, including in Emergency Medical Services (EMS.); (d) Paediatric Anaesthesia module: advanced airway management and vascular access for both treatment and monitoring purposes in children. Sedation and analgesia techniques in children; (e) Paediatric Intensive Care (PICU): clinical management of critically ill children and the comprehensive technical aspects surrounding this including monitoring, life support devices, pharmacology, organisational structures, and ethics; (f) Neonatology: knowledge and application of the principles and practice of care of the new-born including premature infants; (g) Paediatric Medical Emergency Unit Consolidation phase (B): a final case-based oral assessment and structured report by the HOD of Emergency and Ambulatory Paediatrics.

**DP requirements:** Satisfactory progress reports (formative assessment) from the HODs at the end of each module and submission of completed logbook by the due date.

**Assessment:** At the end of each module an integrated formative assessment is done. A student failing to obtain 50% for the individual modules will have one opportunity to repeat the module they have failed, at the convener's discretion. No module may be repeated more than once. The marks for the individual module tests are aggregated to become the course mark. No final examination is written for this course and the aggregate of the module marks comprise the final mark.

# PED4041W CLINICAL MANAGEMENT IN PAEDIATRIC CRITICAL CARE

90 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Professor S Salie

# Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

The purpose of this course is to allow practising doctors to develop foundation skills in the assessment and management of critically ill children. Training is designed as an apprenticeship, a close trainerto-trainee ratio, and hands-on experience. It does not aim to train the candidate to become a critical care specialist, but rather to practise safely and effectively in resource-limited areas without the immediate supervision of a specialist. Content includes the management of specific organ-related problems and support, including brain injury and brain protective strategies; respiratory problems and support; cardiovascular support; gastrointestinal issues in the PICU; the management of fluids and electrolytes in the PICU; renal failure and renal support therapy in the PICU; haematological problems and management; infection control and utilisation of antibiotic therapy in the PICU environment; musculoskeletal issues in the PICU; skin emergencies and dermatological support in the PICU; and other content, including toxin ingestion or exposure. Students are also expected to attend training on the practical management of airway management, vascular access and patient monitoring. Some basic skills in the use of ultrasonography for rapid diagnosis in the PICU setting are taught.

**DP requirements:** Students need to attend a minimum of 70% of training sessions (including lectures, seminars and tutorials). All assignments must be submitted. A subminimum of 45% for the coursework is required. The student is assessed continuously during the coursework. Each module has specific outcome goals which must be completed. Regular reviews with the supervisors are required. Completion by the due date of a logbook, documenting the required number of cases, is obligatory.

**Assessment:** End of training assessment will be a 3 hour paper (with short questions and multiple choice questions), together with an oral examination of 1 hour duration.

# **PED4042W** CLINICAL MANAGEMENT OF PAEDIATRIC RHEUMATOLOGY 90 NOF credits at NOF level 8

Convener: Associate Professor C Scott

Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

Students receive training in a spectrum of rheumatic diseases, which include regional pain problems and soft-tissue rheumatism, inflammatory joint disorders, autoimmune rheumatic diseases, vasculitides, metabolic bone disorders, regional bone disorders, infections and arthritis, crystal arthropathies, and autoinflammatory diseases. They are trained in the assessment of multi-system disease, the selection of appropriate laboratory tests, the place of imaging techniques in the investigation of the paediatric rheumatic diseases, rheumatological diseases in children, and pharmacology of drugs used in the rheumatic diseases. They learn to understand the role of professions allied to medicine in the management of the rheumatic diseases, as well as understand the role of allied specialities (orthopaedic surgery, ophthalmology, dermatology). Finally, they are taught the social, legal, and ethical aspects of the rheumatic diseases. Special skills training includes aspiration and

injection of synovial joints and analysis of synovial fluids, soft tissue injections, counselling and communication skills, and medical management skills.

DP requirements: Logbook and successful completion of two of the three formative assessments.

**Assessment:** A student who fails two formative assessments may be required to withdraw. Coursework counts 50%. A final integrated case-based oral examination is conducted at the end of the course and constitutes 50% of the final mark.

**PED4043W** CLINICAL MANAGEMENT IN PAEDIATRIC PULMONOLOGY 90 NQF credits at NQF level 8 **Convener:** Dr M Zampoli **Course entry requirements:** None

#### Course outline:

This course provides students with foundation knowledge and skills in clinical paediatric pulmonology. Coursework includes relevant basic sciences (embryology, anatomy and pathophysiology of the respiratory tract); clinical history-taking and elicitation (with interpretation) of the physical signs of the respiratory system; indications and interpretation of routine investigations relevant to pulmonary diseases; a systematic approach and management of common childhood respiratory symptoms and conditions; essential skills and procedures (e.g. spirometry) and optional skills/procedures/exposure will be included. The student will undertake a combination of dedicated clinical exposure with the staff in the paediatric pulmonology division through attendance of departmental clinical and academic activities. The logbook will record the number of patients and the range of conditions, investigations and procedures, and will be signed by the clinical supervisors.

**DP requirements:** Students need to attend a minimum of 70% of clinical activities and learning opportunities. A subminimum of 45% for the coursework and submission of satisfactory logbook (min 30 cases) is required in order to be granted admission to the final examination.

**Assessment:** Coursework comprises 50% of the final mark. The final examination consists of an oral/OSCE examination and will constitute 50% of the final mark.

# PED4044W CLINICAL MANAGEMENT IN PAEDIATRIC NEPHROLOGY

90 NQF credits at NQF level 8 Convener: Professor M McCulloch Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

The aim is to train suitable candidates to practice clinical paediatric nephrology in order to enable them to manage basic and complex paediatric nephrology in children, including those from vulnerable populations affected by diseases of poverty. At the end of the course, the student has knowledge in: (i) clinical paediatric nephrology disease clinical markers; (ii) procedures relevant to patients with nephrology disease; (iii) interpretation of results and early initiation of acute interventions; and (iv) management of nephrology disorders.

**DP requirements:** Completion of a logbook including management of cases and procedures. Students are required to attend at least 70% of group supervision sessions if attending full-time, and at least 50% of attendance is expected if attending part-time.

**Assessment:** Formative assessment comprises regular assessments of level of competency achieved throughout the course and are undertaken at four-monthly intervals (40%); Students' range of experience as documented in their assessment and logbooks (20%). Summative assessment comprises a final oral examination (40%).

# PED4062F ADOLESCENT HEALTH CARE

10 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr Z Sablay, Dr M Carrihill & Dr L Jacobs

**Objective:** The course aims to sensitise student to health care issues that are unique to adolescents. It also aims to provide them with skills to engage meaningfully with adolescent patients, provide

adolescent-friendly services and deal with common conditions and situations encountered in this period.

# Course outline:

The course content is designed to help students understand the Adolescent patient, and gain knowledge of common challenges and priorities during adolescence. Students will develop insight into what constitutes adolescent-friendly healthcare and some practical skills in adolescent clinical care.

**DP requirements:** Students must attend a minimum of 60% of all contact sessions. All assignments must be submitted by the due dates.

Assessment: The course assessment consists of 3 assignments (30% each) and in-course assessment (10%).

# PED40458 PAEDIATRIC PALLIATIVE CARE

60 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr MA Meiring

#### **Course outline:**

The aim of the course is to equip health care professionals caring for children with the knowledge and skills for the practical management of children with life-limiting illnesses within their scope of practice. Key competencies include the management of pain and other distressing symptoms, the provision of psycho-social and spiritual care to the child and family as well the management of the terminal and bereavement phases. These topics are explored through interactive workshops and focused readings, supported by web-based learning and students are encouraged to apply their learning in the context of their own work setting.

**DP requirements:** Attendance of > 80% contact workshops, and successful completion of assignments.

**Assessment:** Formative assessment contributes 50% of the final mark with Summative assessment contributing 50%. A pass mark of 50% is required in each component of the assessment (Assignments, written and oral exams as well as portfolio).

# PED4046F PRINCIPLES OF PAEDIATRIC PALLIATIVE MEDICINE

60 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr MA Meiring

# Course outline:

The aim of this course is to engender in the multidisciplinary health care professional a holistic palliative care approach to the care of children with life threatening and life limiting illnesses that also includes the support of the child's family. This course covers the key principles of palliative care as outlined by the World Health Organisation and lays the foundation for the key competencies needed to practice palliative care in the students place of work. The course includes an overview of the history of paediatric palliative medicine and key models of practice. The theoretical basis for communication (including with children), pain and symptom control, ethics, advance care planning, end of life care and bereavement is covered in this introductory course and then practical competencies are further developed in the second semester.

**DP requirements:** Attendance of > 80% contact workshops, and successful completion of assignments.

**Assessment:** Formative assessment contributes 50% of the final mark with Summative assessment contributing 50%. A pass mark of 50% is required in each component of the assessment (Assignments, written and oral exams as well as portfolio).

# PED4049F/S BASIC EPIDEMIOLOGY & RESEARCH APPRAISAL

15 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr D le Roux & Dr A Masu

**Objective:** Learning objectives:

•To understand some of the basic principles of epidemiology:-How we think about & measure health & disease-How we attribute causation in epidemiology-How we approach diagnostic testing-To
understand some of the terminology, and start thinking about using words correctly (e.g. ratio vs rate, causation vs association)

•To understand some of the statistical methods used in medical literature:-Types of data, measures of spread and central tendency-Hypothesis testing, p values and confidence intervals-Statistical testing •To gain confidence in evaluating and assessing these methods and understanding the results.

#### Course outline:

There will be integration of the key statistical and epidemiological concepts. Epidemiology learning will focus on disease causation and measurement, types of epidemiological studies and sources of error, and clinical epidemiology. Students will be required to understand and interpret the basic biostatistical concepts and apply these when interpreting published research. The biostatistical aspects covered will include descriptive statistics, data presentation, concepts of statistical inference, interpretation of systematic reviews and principles relating to evidence-based paediatric practice

**DP requirements:** Students must attend a minimum of 60% of all contact sessions. All assignments must be submitted by the due dates.

**Assessment:** The course assessment consists of 5 unit submissions: (5 x 10%); the final assignment is weighted as 40%; attendance and participation 10%.

#### PED4051F EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING PART 1

10 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr S Chippendale

**Objective:** Learning objectives:

•Reflect constructively and meaningfully on work experiences.

•Communicate such reflections.

•Link such reflections to broader theories and concepts in health and health care.

•Transform such reflections into practical plans and actions in the workplace.

•Reflectively review the implementation of such plans and actions.

#### **Course outline:**

This first semester course focuses on the practical application of the theoretical learning gained from the context of the student. It evaluates their current child health context through primary research, which includes small projects which students need to undertake in their work environment. Students are expected to engage in reflection on their own professional context.

**DP requirements:** Students must attend a minimum of 60% of all contact sessions. All assignments must be submitted by the due dates.

Assessment: The course assessment consists of 3 portfolio reports (30% each); attendance and participation 10%.

#### PED40528 QUALITY IMPROVEMENT IN CLINICAL PRACTICE

#### 15 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr L Jacobs

**Objective:** To demonstrate knowledge of quality improvement processes. Observe and reflect on clinical practice and theory to improve the quality of care in the student's context. To demonstrate knowledge and understanding of a small win and the contribution a small win can make as part of a broader strategy for effecting changes in the student's context.

#### **Course outline:**

By means of a quality improvement (QI) project, the theory and practice of quality improvement and small wins in effecting changes in clinical settings are taught. Reflective exercises are included in the learning activities.

**DP requirements:** Students need to attend a minimum of 60% of all contact sessions. All assignments must be submitted by the due dates.

Assessment: The course assessment consists of three assignments related to the units of the course, contributing 40%, 30% and 30%.

## PED4064F PALLIATIVE CARE FOR CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS

10 NQF credits at NQF level 8

## Course outline:

The course content is designed to help students understand the epidemiology and local prevalence of neonatal, child and adolescent end of life and palliative care conditions. Students will demonstrate skills in managing cases of palliative and end of life care.

## PED4065F CHILD PROTECTION, ABUSE AND NEGLECT

10 NQF credits at NQF level 8

## Convener: Dr D le Roux

**Objective:** The course aims to sensitise students to child protection and safeguarding issues, and how to recognise and manage child abuse and neglect.

#### **Course outline:**

The course content is designed to help students understand the epidemiology and local prevalence of child abuse and neglect. Students will demonstrate skills in recognising and managing cases of child abuse and neglect and understand the principles and practice of safeguarding children in and beyond health services.

**DP requirements:** Students must attend a minimum of 60% of all contact sessions. All assignments must be submitted by the due dates.

Assessment: The course assessment consists of 3 assignments (30% each) and in-course assessment (10%).

## PED5005S RESEARCH METHODS FOR HEALTH PROFESSIONALS I

10 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr T Hawkridge and J Shea

Course entry requirements: None.

#### Course outline:

At the end of this course students will demonstrate knowledge and understanding of: research designs, their strengths, weaknesses and application to clinical research; quantitative and qualitative research methods; constructing, motivating and defending a research design; data collection instruments and data collection procedures; and writing a critical review of an article.

**DP requirements:** Attendance of all course commitments.

Assessment: Students are assessed continuously through unit submissions and must complete a course assignment. Coursework counts 100%.

## PED50118 MPHIL MATERNAL & CHILD HEALTH INTEGRATED FINAL

ASSESSMENT

0 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: J Shea

#### Course entry requirements: None.

#### Course outline:

This course code exists for the sole purpose of permitting a mark to be recorded against an integrated assessment of the coursework.

## DP requirements: None.

Assessment: An integrated assessment based on content across all courses in the specialisation.

## PED5012W MATERNAL & CHILD HEALTH MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: J Shea

## Course entry requirements: None

## **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. It must be between 15 000 and 20 000 words in length and must be on a topic in maternal and child health. Students are trained in statistics where

necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals and obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. Master's degree candidates must be able to reflect critically on theory and its application. They must be able to deal with complex issues systematically and creatively, design and critically appraise research, make sound judgement using data and information at their disposal, and be able to communicate their conclusions clearly to specialist and non-specialist audiences.

#### **DP requirements:** None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

## PED5013F RESEARCH METHODS FOR HEALTH PROFESSIONALS II

10 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: J Shea

## Course entry requirements: None

## Course outline:

The purpose of this course is to provide foundational knowledge and skills for evaluating and interpreting published research. At the end of this course students will demonstrate knowledge and understanding of proposal structure and content; the formulation of a health-related research question; a literature review related to a research question; the formulation of an appropriate research design to address a research question; statistical techniques to test, analyse and report findings; and ethical considerations in clinical research.

DP requirements: Attendance of all course commitments.

**Assessment:** Students are assessed continuously through unit submissions and need to complete a course assignment. A mark of 50% is required to pass the course.

## PED5015H BIOSTATISTICS

12 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr A Masu

### Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

This course will develop effective techniques for maternal and child health communication. The focus of the course is on developing competence in evaluating the best available evidence to facilitate indepth engagement and communication with multiple audiences and stakeholders to advance health service delivery. This course covers the principles of specialised professional and academic communication that includes verbal and electronic communication, meeting facilitation, technical and academic writing, and how these are applied in maternal and child health.

#### **DP requirements:** None

**Assessment:** The final course mark will be made up as follows: two assignments (40%) final summative assessment 50% and class participation 10%. A pass mark of 50% is required overall, with a 45% subminimum for each of the assessment components.

## PED50168 MATERNAL, CHILD AND ADOLESCENT HEALTH

14 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: J Shea

#### Course entry requirements: None

**Objective:** Students should demonstrate an understanding of global maternal, child and adolescent health priorities and critically examine policy and programme responses relevant to their local context. **Course outline:** 

This course critically examines maternal, child, and adolescent health determinants and the role of health policies and programmes in promoting and sustaining health. Specific attention is given to the prerequisites for healthy growth, nutrition, and the developmental processes across the life cycle. Global and national policies, programmes, and health services in promoting the health and well-being

or pregnant women, newborn infants, children and adolescents are examined in relation to health determinants.

**DP requirements:** Attendance and submission of all academic coursework commitments. Full participation in online learning activities is a pre-requisite for completing the end-of-course assignments. All assignments must be completed. An overall pass mark for the coursework component is a prerequisite for sitting the final programme examination.

Assessment: Coursework assessment includes weekly discussion forum posts (20%) and synchronous on-line learning sessions (10%) and an online course assessment (10%). The final assessment consists of two end-of-course assignments that account for 60% of the grade. Course assignments require contextual information which prepares candidates for addressing local challenges. Candidates must obtain a minimum of 50% to pass the course.

## PED5017H INFORMATION, EDUCATION AND ACADEMIC

#### COMMUNICATION

10 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: J Shea

#### **Course outline:**

This course will develop effective techniques for public health communication. The focus of the course is on developing competence in evaluating the best available evidence to facilitate in-depth engagement and communication with multiple audiences and stakeholders to advance public health service delivery. This course covers the principles of specialised professional and academic communication that includes verbal and electronic communication, meeting facilitation, technical and academic writing, and how these are applied in public health.

#### **DP requirements:** None

Assessment: Formative assessment will include a series of written and oral communication exercises starting with the first face-to-face session, the Introduction to Maternal and Child Health Course. The assessment is based on a written paper applied to the disciplines in the programme to assess specialist academic literacy (20%). Summative assessment will include an end of course assignment, an annotated bibliography (20%), and a PowerPoint presentation addressing a specialist research topic (20%), a literature review (40%). Academic competence is incorporated into individual coursework and contributes to 15-20% of individual course papers. This grade is not included in the PED4019 Course grade as it contributes to individual course grades.

## **PED5018F** MATERNAL, CHILD AND ADOLESCENT HEALTH PRIORITIES 20 NQF credits at NQF level 9

#### Convener: J Shea

Course entry requirements: PED4017F, PED4022S, PED4018F and PED4025W

## Course outline:

This course integrates the principles of the foundation courses of the maternal and child health specialisation of the MPhil (MCH) degree, into a comprehensive, evidence-based response for addressing priority maternal and child health issues linked to the current burden of disease. Curricular topics include perinatal priorities, perinatal mental health, sexual and reproductive rights and health, basic emergency obstetric and neonatal care, perinatal audits, developmental delay, child malnutrition, communicable diseases, childhood allergies, WASH diseases, oral health, palliative care, the needs of children in difficult circumstances, child and adolescent mental health, chronic diseases in the childhood and adolescent periods, and the effect of climate change on child health.

**DP requirements:** Attendance and submission of all academic coursework commitments. Full participation in online learning activities is a pre-requisite for completing the end-of-course assignments. All assignments must be completed. An overall pass mark for the coursework component is a prerequisite for sitting the final programme examination.

Assessment: Coursework assessment includes weekly discussion forum posts (20%), synchronous on-line learning sessions(10%) and an online course assessment (10%). The final assessment consists of two end-of-course assignments that account for 60% of the grade. Course assignments require

contextual information that prepares candidates for developing evidence-supported responses to local challenges. Candidates must obtain a minimum of 50% to pass the course.

#### PED5025F EPIDEMIOLOGY 14 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: R Petersen and J Shea

Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

This course introduces fundamental epidemiological concepts relevant to maternal, child, and adolescent health. It includes the application of epidemiology to disease causation, prevention and treatment. It introduces students to key sources of epidemiological data, different types of epidemiological studies; sampling design and methods; data measurement and collection, and disease surveillance. The course aims to develop competence in epidemiological approaches for defining and measuring health-related states in populations. It provides a foundation in research methods that will enable students to critically evaluate and undertake health systems research.

**DP requirements:** Students are required to attend a minimum of 60% of all contact sessions, submit a minimum of 60% of unit submissions, and participate in 60% of synchronous Vula sessions. Discussion Forum posts and Assignments must be submitted by due dates.

Assessment: Coursework assessment includes weekly discussion forum posts (20%), synchronous on-line learning sessions(10%) and an online course assessment (20%). The final assessment consists of two end-of-course assignments that account for 50% of the grade. Course assignments require contextual information that prepares students for developing evidence-supported responses to local challenges. Students must obtain a minimum of 50% to pass the course.

## PED50268 HEALTH INFORMATICS AND SURVEILLANCE

14 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: J Shea and Associate Professor A Westwood

#### Course outline:

This course offers grounding in methods and concepts of health informatics and health information technology application in maternal, child, adolescent, and population health. It explores the range of information systems currently used to support health surveillance, epidemiologic investigations, and disease prevention. Students explore key indicators, data sources, and systems used for monitoring, evaluation, and continuous quality improvement of health services. The challenges and opportunities for improving confidentiality, integrity, and security while maximising the availability of maternal, child, and adolescent health information. are explored. Emphasis is placed on improving informatic practices at facility, programme, district, provincial, and national levels.

**DP requirements:** Students are required to attend a minimum of 60% of all contact sessions, submit a minimum of 60% of unit submissions, and participate in 60% of synchronous Vula sessions. Discussion Forum posts and Assignments must be submitted by due dates.

Assessment: Coursework assessment includes weekly discussion forum posts (20%), synchronous on-line learning sessions(10%) and an online course assessment (20%). The final assessment consists of two end-of-course assignments that account for 50% of the grade. Course assignments require contextual information that prepares students for developing evidence-supported responses to local challenges. Students must obtain a minimum of 50% to pass the course.

# **PED5027S** ORGANISATION, MANAGEMENT, AND LEADERSHIP IN HEALTH 14 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: J Shea

#### **Course outline:**

This course is designed to develop competence in the organisation, planning, management, and leadership of maternal, child, and adolescent health services and programmes. It facilitates a critical understanding of legislative issues like decentralisation of decision-making, resource mobilisation and allocation, and policy implementation. Leadership, influence, diversity, managing change, and

cultural influences in the health context are explored. Specific focus is placed on leadership for effective health workforce planning and management, managing health teams, motivating teams and diverse stakeholder groups, community engagement, and performance management.

Assessment: Coursework assessment includes weekly discussion forum posts (20%), synchronous on-line learning sessions(10%) and an online course assessment (20%). The final assessment consists of two end-of-course assignments that account for 50% of the grade. Course assignments require contextual information that prepares students for developing evidence-supported responses to local challenges. Students must obtain a minimum of 50% to pass the course.

# **PED5028F** PRIMARY HEALTH CARE, RIGHTS AND ADVOCACY IN GLOBAL HEALTH

12 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: J Shea

#### **Course outline:**

This is a foundational course for the MPhil (MCH) programme and focuses on the developmental determinants of health as well as the systems and ideologies that promote and sustain maternal, child and adolescent health. It provides insight into the need for health approaches that address underlying social, economic, political, environmental, cultural and contextual health determinants. It foregrounds the need to strengthen primary health care as a strategic health system response, integrates strategies for health improvements, and emphasises the importance of collaboration within and across countries and continents. It provides insight into the relationship between human rights and health through an exploration of the theoretical and historical evolution of human rights, international rights instruments, and the influence and impact of international and national human rights law on maternal, child and adolescent health response. The concept of empowerment and processes of change linked to it are discussed in relation to the broad implications for advocacy and change agent roles in maternal, child, and adolescent health. Students integrate the course content into a health promotion and advocacy response to contextually relevant health challenges.

**DP requirements:** Students are required to attend a minimum of 60% of all contact sessions, and submit a minimum of 60% of unit submissions, and participate in 60% of synchronous Vula sessions. Discussion Forum posts and Assignments must be submitted by due dates.

Assessment: Coursework assessment includes weekly discussion forum posts (20%), synchronous on-line learning sessions(10%) and an online course assessment (10%). The final assessment consists of two end-of-course assignments that account for 60% of the grade. Course assignments require contextual information that prepares students for developing evidence-supported responses to local challenges. Students must obtain a minimum of 50% to pass the course.

#### PED7000W PAEDIATRICS DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor B Morrow

## **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic relevant to paediatrics and child health. Students may require training in statistics, research methods, conducting literature reviews, and/or designing a research proposal, as appropriate. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyses the results, and write up the dissertation. The dissertation is externally examined.

PED7001W PAEDIATRICS THESIS 360 NQF credits at NQF level 10 Convener: Prof B Morrow Course outline:

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length, on any subject relevant to paediatrics and child health. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-specialist audiences, using the full resources of scholarly and professional writing. The degree is completed under supervision with an expectation of independent applicant scholarship.

## **PED7002W** MD IN PAEDIATRICS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10 Convener: Professor R Muloiwa Course outline:

#### This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and nonspecialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

#### PED7004W MMED IN PAEDIATRICS PART 1

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Dr A Ndondo Course entry requirements: None

## Course outline:

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of general practitioners as specialists. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements, and candidates complete the curriculum of the College of Paediatricians of South Africa. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination of the College and receive credit towards PED7004W. The course aims to build knowledge in the principles of paediatrics and child health with special reference to those aspects of applied sciences and therapeutics that are of importance to the foetus and to the care of the neonate infant, toddler, pre-school and school child, and adolescent. Course content covers the therapeutics of importance of the care of the above, relevant epidemiology, statistics, genetics, physiology, biochemistry, pathology, microbiology and parasitology, and the principles of therapeutics. For the full curriculum and examination details, see the regulations of the College of Paediatricians at <u>www.collegemedsa.ac.za</u>.

**DP requirements:** Registered general practitioner (post-internship). The CMSA Senate, through its Examinations and Credentials Committee, will consider the eligibility of candidates, which may include their professional and ethical standing.

**Assessment:** Candidates write the Part 1 examination of the College of Paediatricians. The examination comprises three written papers.

## PED7006W MMED IN PAEDIATRICS PART 2

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr A Ndondo

Course entry requirements:  $\operatorname{PED7004W}$ 

#### **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of general practitioners as specialist paediatricians. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements, and candidates complete the curriculum of the College of Paediatricians of South Africa. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination of the College and receive credit towards PED7006W. Course content covers the principles of child health, including knowledge of those aspects of foetal life, childhood and adolescence that are important to promotion of normal growth, development and health, health surveillance, preventive health, educational medicine and the management of children with handicaps; and the art and practice of clinical paediatrics. For the full curriculum and examination details, see the regulations of the College of Paediatricians at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

**Assessment:** Candidates write the final examination of the College of Paediatricians. The examination comprises two written papers, a written OSCE, and a clinical examination.

## PED7007W PAEDIATRICS MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

**Convener:** Dr A Ndondo

## Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. The dissertation may take the traditional form (15 000 to 20 000 words) or may take the new form (a literature review of 3 000 to 4 000 words with a publishable journal article of at least 3 000 words), and must be on a topic in paediatrics. The dissertation must be based on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. Candidates may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

#### DP requirements: None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

## PED7009W MPHIL IN PAEDIATRIC NEPHROLOGY PART 1

120 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor M McCulloch and Dr P Nourse

**Course entry requirements:** Qualification as specialist paediatrician in South Africa or approved other country.

#### **Course outline:**

This training program forms part of the certification process of specialist paediatricians to become subspecialists in paediatric nephrology. Students follow the relevant curriculum of the College of Paediatricians of South Africa and, on successful completion of the relevant Part 1 examination of the College, are granted credit towards PED7009W. Students learn to deal specifically with paediatric renal conditions in a South Africa netting, both in inpatient and outpatient situations, but also acquire a sound knowledge of basic sciences (genetics, embryology of the kidneys and urinary tract; anatomy and histology, molecular biology etc.) as these relate to the subspeciality. Training covers specific paediatric renal problems, ranging from paediatric urinary tract infections, management of nephrotic syndrome and acute kidney injury; principles of imaging of the renal tract; diagnosis and management of a range of kidney diseases; renal support to other specialties e.g. paediatric cardiology,

endocrinology and oncology; kidney disorders of adolescents; paediatric dialysis; knowledge of renal transplantation; to pharmacokinetic and practice principles in children with respect to normal and impaired renal function. Candidates receive training in specific clinical skills related to paediatric nephrology which includes urinalysis and interpretation of renal function tests, placement of acute dialysis catheters, principles of dialysis, renal biopsy and ultrasound. For the detailed curriculum, see the regulations of the College of Paediatricians at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

**DP requirements:** At least 18 months (or as prescribed by CMSA) as a subspeciality trainee in an accredited subspeciality unit in a teaching hospital; a written report from the head of the institution/program; a satisfactorily completed logbook; departmental presentation of a research proposal, approval of a research results, or approval of a research proposal by departmental research committee

**Assessment:** Candidates write the relevant examination of the College of Paediatricians of South Africa. The examination comprises two written papers followed by an OSCE and an oral component. An overall pass mark of 50% is required to pass the exam.

## PED7010W MPHIL IN NEONATOLOGY PART 1

120 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor MC Harrison

**Course entry requirements:** Qualification as specialist paediatrician in South Africa or approved other country.(see FMD1; MPhil programmes in subspecialty disciplines)

## Course outline:

This training program forms part of the credentialing process of specialist paediatricians to become subspecialists in neonatology. Students follow the relevant curriculum of the College of Paediatricians of South Africa (CMSA) and, on successful completion of the Certificate in Neonatology examination of the College, are granted credit towards PED7010W. Training includes guidance in obtaining theoretical knowledge, technical and procedure skills, the application of knowledge and skills in daily practice, organizational aspects of neonatology, quality assurance and a perinatal audit, ethical implications and clinical research. Candidates obtain knowledge of a range of basic science and related disciplines that underpin the clinical practice of neonatology, including physiology, anatomy, embryology and pharmacology, microbiology, virology, and immunology, as well as genetics and nutrition. Candidates are taught to recognize, assess, and treat a range of problems, including those that are cardiovascular, neural, renal, gastro-intestinal, hematological, and respiratory. In addition, clinical problems in endocrinology and dermatology and a range of acute and chronic infections of the foetus and new-born are covered. Training also includes guidance in obtaining knowledge of neonatal pathology associated with a range of obstetric conditions and methods of resuscitation at birth. Candidates are exposed to research method study design and biostatical analysis during participation in clinical research and preparation of a research proposal for PED7020W. The detailed curriculum is available in the relevant regulations of the College of Paediatricians at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

**DP requirements:** At least 18 months training (or as prescribed by CMSA) as a subspecialty trainee in an accredited subspecialty unit in a numbered trainee post; a written report from the head of the institution/program indicating adequate clinical progress and competency evidenced by a completed logbook showing competency in clinical procedures and assessment; departmental presentation of a research proposal, research results, or approval of a research proposal by departmental research committee.

Assessment: Candidates undergo the relevant subspecialist Certificate in Neonatology examinations of the College of Paediatricians of South Africa. The examinations include a written and an oral component. Each of the two components contributes 50% to the overall mark. A sub-minimum pass mark of 50% is expected for each of the two components of the examination.

**Course entry requirements:** Qualification as specialist paediatrician (see FMD1; MPhil programmes in subspeciality disciplines).

## **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of specialist paediatricians to become subspecialists in paediatric oncology. Students follow the relevant curriculum of the College of Paediatricians of South Africa and, on successful completion of the Certificate in Medical Oncology (paediatrics) examination of the College, are granted credit towards PED7011W. Training covers, amongst other things, a range of general principles; e.g. of epidemiology, application of molecular biology in childhood cancer and related illnesses; basic tumour biology; pathology relevant to clinical practice, tumour imaging, principles of staging, the role of chemotherapy and the role of surgery in cancer treatment; the principles of radiation treatment; bone marrow transplantation, stem cell rescue and cord blood transplants; statistical principles, methods of research and conduct of clinical trials; and ethics of cancer treatment and clinical trials. Training embodies a comprehensive approach to diagnosis and management of specific tumour types, and includes supportive care of children with cancer. For the detailed curriculum, see the regulations of the College of Paediatricians at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

**DP requirements:** At least 18 months as a subspeciality trainee in an accredited paediatric medical oncology unit; a written report from the head of the institution/programme indicating adequate clinical progress and competency; a completed logbook; presentation or acceptance for presentation of an original first-author research poster or paper at a local or international congress, or submission or acceptance for publication of an original first-author or co-authored manuscript in a peer-reviewed journal; certification of an elective attachment of at least one week to a bone marrow transplant unit or a haematology laboratory service; and certification of an elective attachment of at least one week to a radiation oncology unit.

**Assessment:** Candidates write the relevant examination of the College of Paediatricians of South Africa. The examination includes a written and an oral component. Each of the two components contributes 50% to the overall mark. A subminimum pass mark of 50% is expected for each of the two (written and the oral) components of the examination.

## PED7012W MPHIL IN PAEDIATRIC CARDIOLOGY PART 1

120 NQF credits at NQF level 9

#### Convener: Dr G Comitis

**Course entry requirements:** Qualification as specialist paediatrician in South Africa or approved other country.(see FMD1; MPhil programmes in subspecialty disciplines)

#### **Course outline:**

This training program forms part of the credentialling process of specialist paediatricians to become subspecialists in paediatric cardiology. Students follow the relevant curriculum of the College of Paediatricians of South Africa and, on successful completion of the sub-specialty Certificate in Cardiology of the College of Paediatricians of South Africa: Cert Cardiology (SA) Paed, are granted credit towards PED7012W. The curriculum includes basic knowledge of relevant aspects of embryology; anatomy; genetics; epidemiology of congenital heart disease; physiology; vascular biology and pathology; hemostasis; pathophysiology; pharmacology; radiology imaging and radiation safety; ultrasound; some knowledge of new developments in cardiology; as well as clinical cardiac conditions and management strategies for congenital heart disease, acquired heart disease, resuscitation and advanced cardiac life support including care of the patient with a duct dependent circulation; diagnostic cardiac catheterization; percutaneous interventions; echocardiography; cardiac imaging; ECG evaluation; exercise testing; electrophysiology; related knowledge of pacemakers; and the principles of post-operative management including hemodynamic monitoring and the use of inotropes and vasodilators. For the detailed curriculum, see the regulations of relevant College of Paediatricians at www.collegemedsa.ac.za

**DP requirements:** At least 24 months' training (or as prescribed by CMSA) as a subspeciality trainee in an accredited subspeciality unit; a written report from the head of the institution/program; a satisfactorily completed portfolio; departmental presentation of a research proposal, proposal submission to ethics or approval of a research proposal by departmental research committee;

presentation or acceptance for presentation of an original first-author research poster or paper at a local or international congress or submission or acceptance for publication of an original first-author or co-authored manuscript in a peer-reviewed journal.

**Assessment:** Candidates write the relevant examination of the College of Paediatricians of South Africa. The examination has two components: a written component and an oral/OSCE/OSPE/clinical component. Each of the two components contributes 50% to the overall mark. A subminimum pass mark of 50% is expected for each of the two (written and the oral/OSCE/clinical) components of the examination.

## PED7019W PAEDIATRIC NEPHROLOGY MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor M McCulloch and Dr P Nourse

Course entry requirements: Registered for or completed PED7009W

#### **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation, prepared under supervision, is a requirement for senior registrars to graduate with the MPhil degree. The dissertation may be submitted in "publication-ready/already published format" according to university guidelines, including a manuscript of between 2000 - 5000 words or it may be submitted as a standard monograph, usually between 6 000 and 16 000 words in length, and must be on a topic in paediatric nephrology. It must be based, moreover, on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Approval of the research on which the dissertation is based, is required from the head of the relevant department(s), departmental research committee(s), the supervisor(s), and the relevant research ethics committee if the study involves human or animal subjects Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval, where necessary, they analyse the results of their research and write up the dissertation. The candidate may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

#### DP requirements: None

Assessment: Examination of the minor dissertation is by two examiners (one of whom must be external).

## PED7020W NEONATOLOGY MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor MC Harrison

Course entry requirements: Registered for or completed PED7010W

#### **Course outline:**

The dissertation may be submitted in "publication-ready/already published format" according to university guidelines, including a manuscript of between 2000 - 5000 words or it may be submitted as a standard monograph, usually between 6 000 and 16 000 words in length, and must be on a topic in neonatology. It must also be based on a study for which the work was completed while the candidate was registered in PED7010W or PED7020W. The findings of the dissertation should contribute to the scientific understanding of the topic. Approval of the research on which the dissertation is based, is required from the head of the relevant department(s), departmental research committee(s), the supervisor(s), and the relevant research ethics committee if the study involves human or animal subjects. Students receive guidance in statistics, research methods, in conducting literature reviews, in designing a research proposal and in writing a dissertation. The candidate may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

#### DP requirements: None.

Assessment: Examination of the dissertation by two examiners (one of whom must be external).

## PED7021W PAEDIATRIC ONCOLOGY MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor A Davidson

## **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation, prepared under supervision, is a requirement for those senior registrars who wish to graduate with the MPhil degree. The dissertation may be submitted in "publication-ready format" including a publication-ready manuscript of between 2000 - 5000 word or it may be submitted as a standard monograph, usually between 6 000 and 16 000 words in length and must be on a topic in paediatric oncology. It must be based, moreover, on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The findings of the dissertation should contribute to the scientific understanding of the topic. Approval of the research on which the dissertation is based, is required from the head of the relevant department(s), departmental research committee(s), the supervisor(s), and the relevant research ethics committee if the study involves human or animal subjects. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, in designing a research proposal, and in writing a dissertation. The candidate may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

## DP requirements: None

Assessment: Examination of the minor dissertation by two examiners (one of whom must be external).

## PED7022W PAEDIATRIC CARDIOLOGY MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr G Comitis

Course entry requirements: Registered for, or completed PED7012W

#### **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation, prepared under supervision, is a requirement for senior registrars to graduate with the MPhil degree. The dissertation may be submitted in "publication-ready/already published format" according to university guidelines, including a manuscript of between 2000 - 5000 words or it may be submitted as a standard monograph, usually between 6 000 and 16 000 words in length, and must be on a topic in paediatric cardiology. It must be based, moreover, on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Approval of the research on which the dissertation is based, is required from the head of the relevant department(s), departmental research committee(s), the supervisor(s), and the relevant research ethics committee if the study involves human or animal subjects. Students are trained in statistics, in research formal ethics approval, where necessary, they analyse the results of their research and write the dissertation. The candidate may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

#### **DP requirements:** None

Assessment: Examination of the minor dissertation is by two examiners (one of whom must be external).

## PED7023W MPHIL IN PAEDIATRIC ENDOCRINOLOGY PART 1

## 120 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr M Carrihill

**Course entry requirements:** Qualification as specialist paediatrician in South Africa or other approved country.

#### **Course outline:**

This training program forms part of the credentialling process of specialist paediatricians to become subspecialists in paediatric endocrinology. Students follow the relevant curriculum of the College of Paediatricians of South Africa and, on successful completion of the Certificate in Endocrinology, Metabolism and Diabetes (Paeds) examination of the Colleges of Medicines of South Africa, are

granted credit towards PED7023W. The curriculum covers a range of related emergencies (such as hypoglycemic and diabetes-related comas); the diagnosis and management of Diabetes Mellitus, hypoglycemia, a range of other endocrine pancreatic disorders; lipid disorders; thyroid disorders; pituitary disorders; adrenal disorders; parathyroid disorders; metabolic bone disease; endocrine hypertension; growth and pubertal disorders; disorders of sex development; ovarian disorders; testicular disorders; nutritional disorders; endocrine disorders in systemic diseases; multi-endocrine disorders; breast disorders; endocrine oncology and other conditions. For the detailed curriculum, see the regulations of the relevant College of Paediatricians at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

**DP requirements:** At least 24 months (or as prescribed by CMSA) as a subspeciality trainee in an accredited subspeciality unit in a numbered trainee post; a written report from the head of the institution/program; a completed logbook; departmental presentation of a research proposal, research results, or approval of a research proposal by departmental research committee and an ethics submission; presentation or acceptance for presentation of an original first-author research poster or paper at a local or international congress, or submission or acceptance for publication of an original first-author or co-authored manuscript in a peer-reviewed journal.

**Assessment:** Candidates write the relevant examination of the College of Paediatricians of South Africa. The examination comprises a written and an oral component. Each of the two components contributes 50% to the overall mark. The pass mark for the overall examination is 50%.

# **PED7024W** PAEDIATRIC ENDOCRINOLOGY MINOR DISSERTATION 60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr M Carrihill

## Course entry requirements: Registered for, or completed PED7023W

#### **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation, prepared under supervision, is a requirement for those senior registrars who wish to graduate with the MPhil degree. The dissertation may be submitted in "publication-ready/already published format" according to university guidelines, including a manuscript of between 2000 - 5000 words or it may be submitted as a standard monograph, usually between 6 000 and 16 000 words in length, and must be on a topic in paediatric endocrinology. It must be based, moreover, on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval, where necessary, they analyse the results of their research and write up the dissertation. In some disciplines they are also required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

#### DP requirements: None

Assessment: Examination by two examiners, one must be external.

#### PED7025W MPHIL IN PAEDIATRIC NEUROLOGY PART 1

120 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor J Wilmshurst

**Course entry requirements:** Qualification as specialist paediatrician (see FMD1; MPhil programmes in subspeciality disciplines).

#### **Course outline:**

This training program forms part of the accreditation process of specialist paediatricians to become subspecialists in paediatric neurology. Students follow the relevant curriculum of the College of Paediatricians of South Africa and, on successful completion of the Certificate in Paediatric Neurology examination of the College, are granted credit towards PED7025W. The course encompasses the study, assessment and management of a wide spectrum of neurological diseases from the new-born period to adolescence, including cerebral palsy, childhood epileptic syndromes, strokes, disorders of the spine, hydrocephalus, neuro-cutaneous disorders, neuro-metabolic/inborn errors of metabolism disorders, mental retardation, language and communication (autism) disorders, ADHD

and learning disorders, headaches, sleep disorders, neuronal migration disorders, disorders of the cerebellum, neuro-psychiatric disorders, and complimentary involvement in neurosurgical patients. Candidates learn key basic sciences and receive clinical training in a wide range of paediatric neurological conditions. They gain competence in a range of neurological emergencies and are taught a wide range of rehabilitative therapies; develop specific clinical skills; and develop teaching and research skills. For the detailed curriculum, see the regulations of the relevant College of Paediatricians at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

**DP requirements:** Certification of having completed at least 18 months (or as prescribed by CMSA), as a subspeciality trainee in an accredited subspeciality unit in a teaching hospital, registered and approved by the Health Professions Council of South Africa; submission of a written report from the head of the institution/program in which they trained indicating satisfactory completion of all training requirements; submission of a satisfactorily completed portfolio; departmental presentation of a research proposal, , or approval of a research proposal by departmental research committee; presentation; ethics submission. Acceptance for presentation of a first-author research poster or paper at a local (i.e., PANDA meeting) or international congress, or submission or acceptance for publication of an original first-author or coauthored manuscript in a peer-reviewed journal.

**Assessment:** Candidates write the relevant examination of the College of Paediatricians of South Africa. The examination comprises a written component of which the OSCE is part, and a clinical component. Each of the two components contributes 50% to the overall mark. A subminimum pass mark of 50% is expected for each of the two (written and the oral/OSCE/clinical) components of the examination.

## PED7026W PAEDIATRIC NEUROLOGY MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor J Wilmshurst

Course entry requirements: Registered for, or completed PED7025W

#### Course outline:

The minor dissertation, prepared under supervision, is a requirement for senior registrars to graduate with the MPhil degree. The dissertation may be submitted in "publication-ready format", including a publication-ready manuscript of between 2000 - 5000 words or it may be submitted as a standard monograph, usually between 6 000 and 16 000 words in length, and must be on a topic in paediatric neurology. It must be based, moreover, on a study for which the work was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The findings of the dissertation should contribute to the scientific understanding of the topic. Approval of the research on which the dissertation is based, is required from the head of the relevant department(s), departmental research committee(s), the supervisor(s), and the relevant research ethics committee if the study involves human or animal subjects. Candidates are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, in designing a research proposal, and in writing up a dissertation. The candidate may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

#### **DP requirements:** None

Assessment: Examination (external but may also include one internal examiner) of the minor dissertation.

## PED7027W MPHIL IN PAEDIATRIC CRITICAL CARE PART 1

120 NQF credits at NQF level 9

#### Convener: Professor S Salie

**Course entry requirements:** Qualification as specialist Paediatrician, Anaesthetist, Paediatric Surgeon in South Africa or approved other country (see FMD1; Mphil programmes in subspecialty disciplines).

#### **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of specialists in paediatrics, internal medicine, anaesthesiology or surgery to become subspecialists in paediatric critical care. Students follow the relevant curriculum of the College of Paediatricians of South Africa and, on successful

completion of the relevant Part 1 examination of the College, are granted credit towards PED7027W. Training takes places in critical care facilities for children with acute medical (including cardiac), surgical (including polytrauma), thoracic/cardiac surgical, neurological, neurosurgical and neonatal conditions. The programme extends over a 24-month period which may be divided into sections of not less than six months in length. It is possible to complete the programme at different institutions. Six months of this time may be spent in paediatric traumatology, paediatric cardiology, paediatric pulmonology or neonatology. For the detailed curriculum, see the regulations of the relevant College of Paediatricians at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

**DP requirements:** Registration as a specialist in an approved discipline; certification of having completed at least 18 months as a subspeciality trainee in an accredited subspeciality unit in a teaching hospital, registered and approved by the Health Professions Council of South Africa; submission of a written report from the Head of the Department and programme in which they trained indicating satisfactory completion of all training requirements; and submission of a satisfactorily completed logbook.

**Assessment:** Candidates write the relevant examination of the College of Paediatricians of South Africa. The examination comprises a written component of which a paper OSCE is a part, and an oral/OSCE component. Each of the two components contributes 50% to the overall mark. A subminimum pass mark of 50% is expected for each of the two (written and the oral) components of the examination.

## PED7028W PAEDIATRIC CRITICAL CARE MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor S Salie

Course entry requirements: Registered for, or completed PED7027W

## Course outline:

The minor dissertation, prepared under supervision, is a requirement for those senior registrars who wish to graduate with the MPhil degree. The dissertation may be submitted in "publication-ready/already published format" according to university guidelines, including a manuscript of between 2000 - 5000 words or it may be submitted as a standard monograph, usually between 6 000 and 16 000 words in length, and must be on a topic in paediatric critical care. It must be based, moreover, on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Approval of the research on which the dissertation is based, is required from the head of the relevant department(s), departmental research committee(s), the supervisor(s), and the relevant research ethics committee if the study involves human or animal subjects. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval, where necessary, they analyse the results of their research and write up the dissertation. The candidate may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

#### **DP requirements:** None

Assessment: Examination of the minor dissertation via the UCT postgraduate office, by two examiners (one of whom must be external).

## PED7029W MPHIL IN DEVELOPMENTAL PAEDIATRICS PART 1

## 120 NQF credits at NQF level 9

## Convener: Professor K Donald

**Course entry requirements:** Qualification as specialist paediatrician in South Africa or approved other country. (see FMD1; Mphil programmes in subspecialty disciplines)

## **Course outline:**

This training program forms part of the credentialling process of specialist paediatricians as subspecialists in developmental paediatrics. Students follow the relevant curriculum of the College of Paediatricians of South Africa and, on successful completion of the Part 1 examination of the College, are granted credit towards PED7029W. The course encompasses the study, assessment, and management of variations in normative development and behaviour from the new-born period to

adolescence. Students acquire expertise in physical growth, maturation and development, psychosocial development, psychometric testing, screening and early intervention, common behavioural disorders, cognitive developmental disabilities, educational issues, and rehabilitation and the management of social problems such as child abuse. The paediatric heritage therefore must be superimposed on psychiatry, psychology, neurology, education, social work, the communication sciences, occupational and physical therapy and many more. On completion of training, the candidate must be able to manage children with special needs, whether at risk of, or with established neuro-developmental disabilities. The candidate must have a comprehensive knowledge of the neuroscientific bases underlying child development of the child, including physical, psychological, cognitive, social, and educational development. The candidate must be able to identify, assess and manage children with developmental disability and behaviour problems, and manage a wide variety of clinical problems and conditions commonly encountered in developmental paediatrics

**DP requirements:** Completion of at least 18 months (or as prescribed by CMSA) as a subspeciality trainee in an accredited subspeciality unit; written report from the head of the institution indicating satisfactory completion of all training requirements; submission of a portfolio; departmental presentation of a research proposal, or approval of a research proposal by departmental research committee; must have submitted an ethics proposal. Also presented or been accepted to present an original first-author research poster or paper at a local or international congress or submitted or had accepted for publication an original first-author or co-authored manuscript in a peer-reviewed journal. The detailed curriculum is available in the regulations of the College of Paediatricians at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

**Assessment:** Candidates write the relevant final examination of the College of Paediatricians of South Africa. The examination comprises a written component and oral/OSCE/OSPE/clinical component. Each contributes 50% to the overall mark. A subminimum pass mark of 50% is required in each of the two (written and the oral/OSCE/clinical) components of the examination

#### PED7030W DEVELOPMENTAL PAEDS MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor K Donald

Course entry requirements: Registered for, or completed PED7029W

#### **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation, prepared under supervision, is a requirement for those senior registrars to graduate with the MPhil degree. The dissertation may be submitted in "publication-ready/already published format" according to university guidelines, including a manuscript of between 2000 - 5000 words or it may be submitted as a standard monograph, usually between 6 000 and 16 000 words in length, and must be on a topic in developmental paediatrics. It must also be based, moreover, on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Approval of the research on which the dissertation is based, is required from the head of the relevant department(s), departmental research committee(s), the supervisor(s), and the relevant research ethics committee if the study involves human or animal subjects. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval, where necessary, they analyse the results of their research and write up the dissertation. The candidate may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

#### **DP requirements:** None

Assessment: Examination of the minor dissertation by two examiners (one of whom must be external).

**PED7031W** MPHIL IN MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH BY DISSERTATION 180 NQF credits at NQF level 9 **Convener:** Professor B Morrow

#### **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in an area relevant to the discipline of Maternal and Child Health. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results, and write up the dissertation.

## DP requirements: None

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

## PED7032W MATERNAL & CHILD HEALTH THESIS

360 NOF credits at NOF level 10

Convener: Associate Professor M Coetzee

#### Course outline:

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and nonspecialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

## PED7033W MPHIL IN PAEDIATRIC INFECTIOUS DISEASES PART 1

120 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor BS Eley

Course entry requirements: Qualification as specialist paediatrician in South Africa or other approved country.

## Course outline:

This training program forms part of the credentialling process of specialist paediatricians to become subspecialists in paediatric infectious diseases. Students follow the relevant curriculum of the College of Paediatricians of South Africa and, on successful completion of the relevant Part 1 examination of the College, are granted credit towards PED7033W. Training combines clinical experience with laboratory training in microbiology and virology, and provides exposure to principles of communicable diseases epidemiology, infection prevention and control, and tropical public health. The ID subspecialist has true expertise in all aspects of diagnosis and management of organ, organ system and organism-specific infections. Content includes laboratory microbiology and virology (6 months), during which time the trainee is exposed to mycology, parasitology, epidemiology, hospital infection prevention and control; and clinical infectious diseases (18 months) in both inpatient and ambulatory settings, while clinical training includes a consulting service at the accredited hospital. For the detailed curriculum, see the regulations of the relevant College of Paediatricians at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

**DP requirements:** At least 18 months training (or as prescribed by CMSA), as a subspecialty trainee in an accredited subspecialty unit in a numbered trainee post; a written report from the head of the institution/program; a completed logbook; departmental presentation of a research proposal, approval of a research proposal by departmental research committee; ethics submission; presentation or acceptance for presentation of an original first-author research poster or paper at a local or international congress, or submission or acceptance for publication of an original first-author or coauthored manuscript in a peer-reviewed journal.

Assessment: Candidates write the relevant examination of the College of Paediatricians of South Africa. The final examination comprises two three-hour written examinations, a two-hour OSCE, and

an oral examination. The final examination includes assessment of the candidate's ability to perform research or at least to scrutinize and appropriately evaluate research data and scientific articles.

**PED7034W** PAEDIATRIC INFECTIOUS DISEASES MINOR DISSERTATION 60 NOF credits at NOF level 9

**Convener:** Professor BS Eley

Course entry requirements: Registered for, or completed PED7033W

#### **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation, prepared under supervision, is a requirement for senior registrars to graduate with the MPhil degree. The dissertation may submit in "publication-ready/already published format" according to university guidelines, including a manuscript of between 2000 - 5000 words or it may be submitted as a standard monograph, usually between 6 000 and 16 000 words in length, and must be on a topic in paediatric infectious diseases. It must be based, moreover, on a study for which the work was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval, where necessary, they analyse the results of their research and write up the dissertation. The candidate may also be required to present the work at a congress and is strongly encouraged to submit the research for publication in a peer review journal.

**DP requirements:** Registered for, or completed PED7033W

Assessment: Examination by two examiners, one must be external.

## PED7035W MPHIL IN PAEDIATRIC PULMONOLOGY PART 1

120 NQF credits at NQF level 9

#### Convener: Professor HJ Zar

**Course entry requirements:** Qualification as specialist paediatrician in South Africa or approved other country.(see FMD1; MPhil programmes in subspecialty disciplines)

#### **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of specialist paediatricians to become subspecialists in paediatric pulmonology. Students follow the relevant curriculum of the College of Paediatricians of South Africa and, on successful completion of the relevant Part 1 examination of the College, are granted credit towards PED7035W. Training covers, amongst other things, relevant aspects of anatomy and physiology that will enable the diagnosis and management of a range of clinical diseases, including disorders of the upper airways; infections, congenital disorders of the lower airway, asthma, and bronchiolitis; cystic fibrosis; interstitial lung disease; pneumonia; disorders of the chest wall, diaphragm, and pleural space; acute lung diseases in the new-born infant; the diagnosis and management of respiratory failure and aspiration/inhalation injuries; bronchopulmonary dysplasia; pulmonary vascular diseases. Candidates are trained in relevant invasive procedures and imaging, and in appropriate laboratory diagnostic studies. For the detailed curriculum, see the regulations of the relevant College of Paediatricians at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

**DP requirements:** At least 18 months (or as prescribed by CMSA) as a subspeciality trainee in an accredited pulmonology unit; a written report from the head of the institution/programmed; a completed logbook; departmental presentation of a research proposal, research results, or approval of a research proposal by departmental research committee; presentation or acceptance for presentation of an original first-author research poster or paper at a local or international congress, or submission or acceptance for publication of an original first-author or co-authored manuscript in a peer-reviewed journal.

**Assessment:** Candidates write the relevant examination of the College of Paediatricians of South Africa. The examination comprises a written and an oral/OSCE/OSPE/clinical component. Each of the two components contributes 50% to the overall mark. A subminimum pass mark of 50% is required in each of the two (written and the oral/OSCE/clinical) components of the examination.

## PED7036W PAEDIATRIC PULMONOLOGY MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor HJ Zar

Course entry requirements: Registered for or completed PED7035W

#### **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation, prepared under supervision, is a requirement for those senior registrars. The dissertation may be submitted in "publication-ready/already published format" according to university guidelines, including a manuscript of between 2000 - 5000 words or it may be submitted as a standard monograph, usually between 6 000 and 16 000 words in length, and must be on a topic in paediatric pulmonology. It may be based on a study

which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Approval of the research on which the dissertation is based, is

required from the head of the relevant department(s), departmental research committee(s), the supervisor(s), and the relevant research ethics committee if the study involves human or animal subjects. Students gain training in statistics, research methods, conducting literature reviews, and designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval, where necessary, they analyse the results of their research and write the dissertation. In some disciplines they are also required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication

## DP requirements: None

Assessment: Examination of the minor dissertation by two examiners (one of whom must be external).

## PED7037W HEALTH COMMUNICATION THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

Convener: Associate Professor M Coetzee

#### **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of the discipline's body of knowledge as this relates to maternal and child health with expertise and current specialist knowledge in an area of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialization; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems in the field of Health Communication. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-specialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

## PED7039W MPHIL IN PAEDIATRIC GASTROENTEROLOGY PART 1

120 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr R de Lacy

Course entry requirements: Qualification as specialist paediatrician in South Africa or approved other country.(see FMD1; Mphil

## **Course outline:**

This training program forms part of the credentialling process of specialist paediatricians to become subspecialists in paediatric gastroenterology. Students follow the relevant curriculum of the College of Paediatricians of South Africa and, on successful completion of the relevant Part 1 examination of the College, are granted credit towards PED7039W. Diseases of the gastrointestinal tract and liver and disorders of nutrition are important causes of morbidity and mortality in infancy and childhood, particularly in developing countries like South Africa. Training includes the development of skills in taking a history, performing a physical examination, formulating a differential diagnosis and an appropriate diagnostic and management plan; knowledge of the epidemiology of the principal diseases

in paediatric gastroenterology and hepatology with emphasis on the differences between developed and developing countries and the specific circumstances pertaining to South Africa; an understanding and knowledge of the physiology, pathophysiology, pathology, diagnosis, and treatment of important nutritional, intestinal, and liver diseases in infancy, childhood and adolescence; a range of diagnostic and therapeutic procedures; knowledge and interpretation of tests and scans; knowledge and skills in the nutritional status of children; and research in paediatric gastroenterology, hepatology and nutrition. For the detailed curriculum, see the regulations of the relevant College of Paediatricians at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

**DP requirements:** At least 18 months (or as prescribed by CMSA) as a subspeciality trainee in an accredited subspeciality unit; a written report from the head of the institution/program; a completed logbook; departmental presentation of a research proposal, and approval of a research proposal by departmental research committee and ethics submission; presentation or acceptance for presentation of an original first-author research poster or paper at a local or international congress, or submission or acceptance for publication of an original first-author or co-authored manuscript in a peer-reviewed journal.

**Assessment:** Candidates write the relevant examinations of the College of Paediatricians of South Africa. The examination comprises a written component and an oral/OSCE/OSPE/clinical component. Each of the two components contributes 50% to the overall mark. A subminimum pass mark of 50% is expected for each of the two (written and the oral/OSCE/clinical) components of the examination.

## **PED7040W** PAEDIATRIC GASTROENTEROLOGY MINOR DISSERTATION 60 NOF credits at NOF level 9

#### Convener: Dr R de Lacy

#### Course entry requirements: Registered for or completed PED7039W

#### **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation, prepared under supervision, is a requirement for those senior registrars who wish to graduate with the MPhil degree. Those who choose not to complete a dissertation may register with the HPCSA as subspecialists after successful completion of the relevant College of Medicine Part 1 examination. The dissertation must be between 15 000 and 20 000 words in length, and must be on a topic in paediatric gastroenterology. It must be based, moreover, on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval, where necessary, they analyse the results of their research and write up the dissertation. The candidate may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication

**DP requirements:** Approval of the research proposal by the head of the relevant departmental research committee, the supervisor(s), the Health Sciences Human Research Ethics Committee, and the chair of the relevant master's committee. This needs to be completed within 18 months of registration.

Assessment: Examination by two examiners, at least one examiner must be external.

## PED7041W MPHIL IN PAEDIATRIC RHEUMATOLOGY PART 1

#### 120 NQF credits at NQF level 9

#### Convener: Dr K Webb

**Course entry requirements:** Qualification as specialist paediatrician in South Africa or approved other country.(see FMD1; Mphil programmes in subspecialty disciplines)

## **Course outline:**

This training program forms part of the credentialling process of specialist paediatricians to become subspecialists in paediatric rheumatology. Students follow the relevant curriculum of the College of Paediatricians of South Africa and, on successful completion of the Certificate in Paediatric Rheumatology examination of the College, are granted credit towards PED7041W. Training includes guidance in obtaining a thorough foundational knowledge in a range of basic sciences, and in the

diagnosis and management of an extensive range of rheumatic diseases. Content covers the epidemiology, an etiology, pathogenesis, pathology, immunology, and clinical features and management of the rheumatic diseases. These include inflammatory joint disorders, regional pain problems, soft-tissue rheumatism, and related conditions; autoimmune rheumatic diseases; vasculitis's; metabolic bone disorders; regional bone disorders; and infections, arthritis, and other miscellaneous disorders such as rheumatic diseases. Candidates are also trained in the application of appropriate laboratory tests. They gain extensive experience in the assessment and management of rheumatological emergencies and acquire a range of special clinical skills such as the aspiration and injection of synovial joints and the analysis of synovial fluids. For the detailed curriculum, see the regulations of the relevant College of Paediatricians of South Africa at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

**DP requirements:** At least 18 months (or as prescribed by CMSA) as a subspeciality trainee in an accredited subspeciality unit; a written report from the head of the institution/program indicating adequate clinical progress and competency; a completed logbook; departmental presentation of a research proposal, or approval of a research proposal by departmental research committee and an ethics submission. Presentation or acceptance for presentation of an original first author research poster or paper at a local or international congress, or submission or acceptance for publication of an original first-author or co-authored manuscript in a peer-reviewed journal.

Assessment: Candidates write the relevant examination of the college of Paediatricians of South Africa. The examination has two components: a written component and an oral/OSCE/clinical component. Each of the two components contributes 50% to the overall mark. A subminimum pass mark of 50% is required in each of the two (written and the oral/OSCE/clinical) components of the examination.

## PED7042W PAEDIATRIC RHEUMATOLOGY MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr K Webb

#### Course entry requirements: Registered for, or completed PED7041W

#### Course outline:

The minor dissertation, prepared under supervision, is a requirement for senior registrars to graduate with the MPhil degree. The dissertation may be submitted in "publication-ready format" including a publication-ready manuscript of between 2000 - 5000 words or it may be submitted as a standard monograph, usually between 6 000 and 16 000 words in length, and must be on a topic in paediatric rheumatology. It must be based, moreover, on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The findings of the dissertation should contribute to the scientific understanding of the topic. Approval of the research on which the dissertation is based, is required from the head of the relevant department(s), departmental research committee(s), the supervisor(s), and the relevant research ethics committee if the study involves human or animal subjects. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, in designing a research proposal and in writing a dissertation. The candidate may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

#### DP requirements: None.

Assessment: Examination of the minor dissertation by two examiners (one of whom must be external).

## **PED7043W** MPHIL IN ALLERGOLOGY (PAEDIATRIC) PART 1

120 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor ME Levin

Course entry requirements: Qualification as specialist paediatrician in South Africa or approved other country

#### **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process for specialist paediatricians as subspecialist allergologists. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital

linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination in allergology of the College of Physicians and receive credit towards PED7043W. The aim of this course is both to provide foundational knowledge in a range of disciplines that underpin the clinical training in allergology, and to train candidates in the application of such foundational knowledge to clinical allergology conditions and management strategies. Students see patients in the allergy clinics daily (under supervision initially) and are required to present cases to their supervisors in the clinical situation and to do formal case presentations at departmental meetings. Clinical competence is assessed in terms of knowledge and clinical reasoning, and in terms of clinical judgement and decision-making. For the detailed curriculum, see the regulations of the College of Physicians at www.collegemedsa.ac.za

**DP** requirements: In addition to being registered paediatricians, candidates must have completed at least 18 months (or as prescribed by CMSA) as a subspeciality trainee in the accredited allergology unit in the teaching hospital, must submit a written report from the head of the institution and programme in which he/she trained indicating satisfactory completion of all training requirements. Must submit a satisfactorily completed logbook; departmental presentation of a research proposal, research results, or approval of a research proposal by departmental research committee; must have presented or have been accepted to present an original first-author research poster or paper at a local or international congress or have submitted or had accepted for publication an original first-author or co-authored manuscript in a peer-reviewed journal.

Assessment: Candidates write the examination offered by the College of Physicians. The examination includes formal evaluation of the logbook. The Certificate examination has two components: a written component, and an oral/OSCE/OSPE/clinical component. Each of the two components contributes 50% to the overall mark. The pass mark for the overall examination is 50%. A subminimum pass mark of 50% is required in each of the two (written and the oral/OSCE/clinical) components of the examination.

## PED7044W PAEDIATRIC ALLERGOLOGY MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor ME Levin

Course entry requirements: Registered for or completed PED7043W

#### **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation, prepared under supervision, is a requirement for senior registrars to graduate with the MPhil degree. The dissertation may submit in "publication-ready/already published format" according to university guidelines, including a manuscript of between 2000 - 5000 words or it may be submitted as a standard monograph, usually between 6 000 and 16 000 words in length, and must be on a topic in allergology. It should be of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical or allergy journal. Approval of the research on which the dissertation is based, is required from the head of the relevant department(s), departmental research committee(s), the supervisor(s), and the relevant research ethics committee if the study involves human or animal subjects. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing and conducting a self-initiated research project during the two-year training period, and are required to analyse the results, present the work at a congress, and submit the research for publication.

#### DP requirements: None

Assessment: Examination by two examiners, at least one examiner must be external.

## PED4063F INFANT, CHILD AND ADOLESCENT MENTAL HEALTH

## 10 NQF credits at NQF level 8

**Convener:** Dr B Mpinda

**Objective:** To have knowledge of typical development from infancy to adolescence. To demonstrate knowledge of infant mental health. To assess and treat common psychiatric conditions in children and adolescents. To understand the Children's Act, the Mental Health Care Act and other laws related to mental health. To apply practical approaches to common scenarios in infant, child, and adolescent mental health care.

#### **Course outline:**

Infant, child and adolescent mental health needs should be considered in all aspects of life. This course aims to teach health care professionals in community settings and district hospitals to identify and manage common mental health problems in infants, children and adolescents.

**DP requirements:** Students must attend a minimum of 60% of all contact sessions. All assignments must be submitted by the due dates.

Assessment: The course assessment consists of 3 assignments (30% each) and in-course assessment (10%)..

**PED7045W** MASTER OF SCIENCE IN MEDICINE (PAEDIATRICS NEUROSCIENCE) 180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

**PED7046W** DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN PAEDIATRICS (NEUROSCIENCE) 360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

# **PED7047W** MASTER OF PHILOSOPHY IN COMMUNITY PAEDIATRICS PART 1

90 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr Dave le Roux

Course entry requirements: Fellowship of College of Paediatric

**Objective:** The MPhil in Community Paediatrics (MPhil (Community Paediatrics)) aims to strengthen child health services and programmes and improve the health outcomes for children by providing doctors subspecialising in Community Paediatrics with specialised knowledge, understanding and skills. Part 1 of the programme will use an evidence-based and experiential approach to deepen and advance specialised knowledge, understanding and skills in community and general paediatrics of paediatricians working at primary and secondary levels of care.

#### **Course outline:**

The course outline is based on the learning outcomes for the programme and the syllabus developed for the subspecialty for the Colleges of Medicine of South Africa (CMSA). The coursework is made up of 7 domains including the following: Advocacy and Children's Rights, Epidemiology and Research Appraisal, Child Health Policies and Programmes, Health Information Systems, Optimising Care for Long-term Health Conditions, Communication, Education and Training and Health Management and Leadership.

**DP requirements:** Candidates would need to have completed at least 18 months as a trainee within an accredited unit or facility. The supervisor of the programme would need to submit a report indicating satisfactory completion of all training requirements including a satisfactorily completed portfolio of learning and dissertation. Training is valid for a period of three years from the date of completion in a numbered subspecialty training post. Candidates who do not complete the subspecialty examination within the period must motivate with support from their supervisor for a once off extension.

# **PED7048W** MASTER OF PHILOSOPHY IN COMMUNITY PAEDIATRICS PART 2

45 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: A/Profs. MK Hendricks and A Westwood; Drs P Nongena and R Dunkley

Course entry requirements: Registration as a paediatrics specialist

**Objective:** The MPhil in Community Paediatrics (MPhil (Community Paediatrics)) aims to strengthen child health services and programmes and improve the health outcomes for children by providing doctors subspecialising in Community Paediatrics with specialised knowledge, understanding and skills. Part 2 of the programme will use an experiential and evidence-based approach to deepen and advance specialised knowledge, understanding and skills in key aspects relating to the training in community paediatric.

Course outline:

The learning portfolio includes experiential learning activities that will be undertaken over the 2-year period. It will contribute towards the logbook that will be submitted when the candidate undertakes the certificate examination by the CMSA.

## DP requirements: None

**Assessment:** There will be formative assessment relating to the learner's progress in relation to the learning activities of the Learning Portfolio which will include 20% of the mark and a summative assessment which will include an assessment following completion of all the learning activities that will make up 80% of the marks.

## **PED7049W** MASTER OF PHILOSOPHY IN COMMUNITY PAEDIATRICS PART

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#### 45 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: A/Prof MK Hendricks and A Westwood; Drs P Nongena and R Dunkley

#### Course entry requirements: Registered paediatric specialist

**Objective:** The MPhil in Community Paediatrics (MPhil (Comm Paed)) aims to strengthen child health services and programmes and improve the health outcomes for children by providing doctors subspecialising in Community Paediatrics with the relevant knowledge, understanding and skills. Part 3 of the programme aims to educate and train those undertaking the subspecialty in health systems research so that they can contribute to knowledge and research within community paediatrics at an advanced level.

## **Course outline:**

Part 3 is the research project component of the MPhil in Community Paediatrics. On completion of this component of the programme candidates will have knowledge and understanding of the concept of health systems research; be able to apply their research skills at different levels of the health system; know and be able to apply different study design methods in health systems research; analyse, interpret, write up and present research data as a report or manuscript for publication. Candidates would need to pass the CMSA certificate examination before submitting the dissertation for examination.

**DP requirements:** Candidates would need to have completed at least 18 months as a trainee within an accredited unit or facility. The supervisor of the programme would need to submit a report indicating satisfactory completion of all training requirements including the coursework, a completed portfolio of learning and the research project. Training is valid for a period of three years from the date of completion in a numbered subspecialty training post. Candidates who do not complete the subspecialty examination within the period must motivate with support from their supervisor for a once off extension.

**Assessment:** The research project will contribute to 25% of the overall marks for the MPhil Community Paediatrics degree. Part 3: formative assessment will relate to the research proposal making up 20% of the marks; summative assessment will include the marks assigned by the two examiners for the research project which will make up 80% of the marks.

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## PTY4003W HUMAN GENETICS COURSEWORK

78 NQF credits at NQF level 8 Convener: Dr Khuthala Mnika Course entry requirements: None

## Course outline:

There is an introductory intensive seven-week laboratory techniques course which includes statistics. Students also attend a scientific communication module that focuses on scientific writing and comprehension. In addition, they attend four specialisation-specific modules, each of which cover a specific field and run over a three-week period. Students are assessed during each module and there is an examination at the end of the first semester.

DP requirements: Completion and attendance of all academic commitments.

**Assessment:** Evaluation is based on performance in the coursework and in the examinations. To pass the coursework component, students must obtain an overall average of at least 50% with sub-minima of 45% for the combined programme interim module and final examination. The final mark is made up as follows: laboratory techniques – tests and examination (15%); scientific communication (10%); programme modules (tests/evaluations) (14%); programme modules (final examination) (16%); and final comprehension examination (5%).

## PTY4004W HUMAN GENETICS RESEARCH PROJECT

42 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr Khuthala Mnika

### Course entry requirements: None

#### Course outline:

The research project begins in April and ends in September / October. Students become integrated into research groups and participate in weekly research discussions and seminars. Finally, they write a research project and give an oral presentation of the research project.

DP requirements: Completion and attendance of all academic commitments.

**Assessment:** Evaluation is based on performance in the research project. To pass the research component students must obtain a sub-minimum of 50% for the research project. The final mark is made up as follows: research project (35%); oral presentation of research project (5%).

## PTY4005W INFECTIOUS DISEASES & IMMUNOLOGY COURSEWORK

78 NQF credits at NQF level 8 Convener: TBC

#### Convener: TBC Course entry requirements: None

## Course outline:

There is an introductory intensive seven-week laboratory techniques course which includes statistics. Students also attend a scientific communication module that focuses on scientific writing and comprehension. In addition, they attend four specialisation-specific modules, each of which cover a specific field and run over a three-week period. Students are assessed during each module and there is an examination at the end of the first semester.

DP requirements: Completion and attendance of all academic commitments.

**Assessment:** Evaluation is based on performance in the coursework and in the examinations. To pass the coursework component, students must obtain an overall average of at least 50% with sub-minima of 45% for the combined programme interim module and final examination. The final mark is made up as follows: laboratory techniques – tests and examination (15%); scientific communication (10%);

programme modules (tests/evaluations) (14%); programme modules (final examination) (16%); and final comprehension examination (5%).

# **PTY4006W** INFECTIOUS DISEASES & IMMUNOLOGY RESEARCH PROJECT 42 NOF credits at NQF level 8

#### Convener: TBC

#### Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

The research project begins in April and ends in September/October. Students become integrated into research groups and participate in weekly research discussions and seminars. Finally, they write a research project and give an oral presentation of the research project.

DP requirements: Completion and attendance of all academic commitments.

**Assessment:** Evaluation is based on performance in the research project. To pass the research component students must obtain a sub-minimum of 50% for the research project. The final mark is made up as follows: research project (35%); oral presentation of research project (5%).

## PTY4007W FORENSIC GENETICS COURSEWORK

78 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: TBC

## Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

There is an introductory intensive seven-week laboratory techniques course which includes statistics. Students also attend a scientific communication module that focuses on scientific writing and comprehension. In addition, they attend four specialisation-specific modules, each of which cover a specific field and run over a three-week period. Students are assessed during each module and there is an examination at the end of the first semester.

DP requirements: Completion and attendance of all academic commitments.

Assessment: Evaluation is based on performance in the coursework and in the examinations. To pass the coursework component, students must obtain an overall average of at least 50% with sub-minima of 45% for the combined programme interim module and final examination. The final mark is made up as follows: laboratory techniques – tests and examination (15%); scientific communication (10%); programme modules (tests/evaluations) (14%); programme modules (final examination) (16%); and final comprehension examination (5%).

## PTY4009W FORENSIC GENETICS RESEARCH PROJECT

42 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: TBC

## Course entry requirements: None

Course outline:

The research project begins in April and ends in September/October. Students become integrated into research groups and participate in weekly research discussions and seminars. Finally, they write a research project and give an oral presentation of the research project.

DP requirements: Completion and attendance of all academic commitments.

**Assessment:** Evaluation is based on performance in the research project. To pass the research component students must obtain a sub-minimum of 50% for the research project. The final mark is made up as follows: research project (35%); oral presentation of research project (5%).

## PTY4012F/S KNOWLEDGE-BASED INTERACTION NETWORKS

15 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Professor N Mulder

#### **Course outline:**

The health outcomes of a complex disease, response to treatment, or responses to drugs, are often a result of a biological events involving genetics, epigenetics, human microbiomes or clinical and

environmental profiles. Since many or all these factors may be involved, there is a to integrate information derived from these different omics data and environmental studies, as well as other heterogeneous datasets to enhance the predictive power of health care. This integrative analysis may enable further functional characterization of the biological phenomena being studied with increased confidence and correlate different factors by combining association signals from available knowledge sources, including functional, environmental, epidemiological, and clinical information. The integrative approaches have been shown to increase the likelihood of effectively identifying associated factors. Leveraging post-omics data sets can also increase functional prediction of disease risk. The exposure that current trainees and biomedical postgraduate students receive in leveraging post-Omics summary statistics to perform functional analysis remains informal and not yet incorporated as formal course at the University of Cape Town, particularly for biomedical students at health sciences. Therefore this course is proposed to enable biomedical students to (1) integrate omics datasets from heterogeneous sources to build biological networks to understand the interplay between components of a biological system; (2) leverage networks to do post-omics data analysis for biological interpretation and to conduct meta-analyses.

**DP requirements:** Students are required:(a) to attend at least 90% of lectures, tutorials and practicals; and(b) to pass all formative assessments of the coursework component in order to gain entrance to the final coursework examination.

**Assessment:** The evaluation of this proposed course is based on performance in coursework and the final exam. To pass the course, students must obtain a final mark of at least 50%. The final mark is made up as follows: in course mark (assessments) (40%) and final course exam mark (60%). A student who fails the exam with 45% - 49% may be granted a re-evaluation. A student who gets less than 45% will not qualify for a re-evaluation.

## **PTY4013F/S** DATA SCIENCE FOR EPIDEMIOLOGY HEALTH INFORMATICS 15 NOF credits at NOF level 8

Convener: Associate Professor N Tiffin

#### **Course outline:**

This course provides training in study design and data analysis for health data, and how to research health conditions and the risk factors (genetic and epidemiological) that underly them. Students will learn about health data sources constraints, and how these data are synthesised and integrated to derive meaningful clinical information. As clinical data provides a valuable source of phenotype data for public health genomics and genetic epidemiology research, biomedical students will learn how to use these data appropriately and effectively to generate meaningful phenotypes to integrated with genomic data. This course will also improve the students' ability to critically evaluate current biomedical research, and to better understand the underlying frameworks on which research using clinical data is conducted. The course addresses a critical gap in the quantitative research and hands-on data analysis capabilities in life science postgraduate students. Students will learn about health informatics and working with routine clinical data. Some methods that students will apply using R include data coding and standardisation, calculations for odds ratios, risk ratios, prevalence, incidence, correlation, regression (linear and logistic), sensitivity/specificity calculations, ROC curves. The course will also cover key elements of data governance for routine health data.

**DP requirements:** Students are required:(a) to attend at least 90% of lectures, tutorials and practicals; and(b) to pass all formative assessments of the coursework component in order to gain entrance to the final coursework examination.

**Assessment:** The evaluation of this proposed course is based on performance in coursework and the final exam. To pass the course, students must obtain a final mark of at least 50%. The final mark is made up as follows: in course mark (assessments) (40%) and final course exam mark (60%). A student who fails the exam with 45% - 49% may be granted a re-evaluation. A student who gets less than 45% will not qualify for a re-evaluation.

#### **Course outline:**

Omics is a rapidly evolving, multi-disciplinary, and emerging field that encompasses genomics, epigenomics, transcriptomics, proteomics, and metabolomics. Each of these fields offers the possibility to understand and view biology from a global perspective in a way that was previously unthinkable. Exploiting the potential of omics for clinical diagnosis, prognosis, and therapeutic purposes has currently been receiving a lot of attention. High-throughput methodologies can rapidly provide a global picture of the processes within cells at multiple levels, allowing for accelerated discoveries in health and disease. This course will introduce a solid foundation of molecular biology, it will involve a review of Mendelian and non-Mendelian inheritance, pedigrees as tools to understand family relationships & inheritance of disorders, sex-linked inheritance (e.g. the Y-chromosome), and disorders arising from chromosomal abnormalities, the role of genetics in sexuality and principal of genetic epidemiology. In addition, this course will introduce students to theoretical concepts and principles of various Omics technologies and their application in medicine. The course will be in the form of lectures and the discussion of papers. The course will be taught by faculty members with wide expertise consisting of both scientists and physicians, taking the student through aspects of what is observed in the clinic or hospital to how it is resolved in the laboratory. Teaching will cover technologies include, but are not limited to cancer, genomics, proteomics, epigenomics, metabolomics, transcriptomics, microbiomics, pharmacogenomics, globinopathies and genetic testing.

**DP requirements:** Students are required:(a) to attend at least 90% of lectures, tutorials and practicals; and(b) to pass all formative assessments of the coursework component in order to gain entrance to the final coursework examination.

**Assessment:** The evaluation of this proposed course is based on performance in coursework and the final exam. To pass the course, students must obtain a final mark of at least 50%. The final mark is made up as follows: in course mark (assessments) (40%) and final course exam mark (60%). A student who fails the exam with 45% - 49% may be granted a re-evaluation. A student who gets less than 45% will not qualify for a re-evaluation.

## **PTY4015F/S** OMICS DATA GENERATION, TECHNOLOGIES/PLATFORMS 15 NOF credits at NOF level 0

Convener: Prof. Raj Ramesar, Dr Shareefa Dalvie, Dr Victoria Nembaware

#### **Course outline:**

The rise of technologies that simultaneously measure thousands of data points represents the heart of systems biology. These technologies have had a huge impact on the discovery of next-generation diagnostics, biomarkers, and drugs in the precision medicine era. Driven by high-throughput omics technologies and the computational surge, it enables multi-scale and insightful overviews of cells, organisms, and populations. Exploiting the potential of Omics for clinical diagnosis, prognosis, and therapeutic purposes has currently been receiving a lot of attention. High-throughput methodologies can rapidly provide a global picture of the processes within genes, protein, cells at multiple levels, allowing for accelerated discoveries in health and disease. This course will introduce students to laboratory techniques. High-throughput methodologies and systematic comprehension of each Omics (genomics. proteomics. epigenomics. metabolomics. transcriptomics. microbiomics. pharmacogenomics) data standard, their choice for appropriate clinical application. Topics to cover in this course does not limit to

1. introduction to High-throughput platform methodologies of each Omics (genomics, proteomics, epigenomics, metabolomics, transcriptomics, microbiomics, pharmacogenomics).

2. introduction to each Omics laboratory techniques (from DNA extraction, PCR to next Generation sequencing techniques).

3. Understanding each Omics (genomics, proteomics, epigenomics, metabolomics, transcriptomics, microbiomics, pharmacogenomics) data standard and clinical application.

**DP requirements:** Students are required:(a) to attend at least 90% of lectures, tutorials and practicals; and(b) to pass all formative assessments of the coursework component in order togain entrance to the final coursework examination
**Assessment:** The evaluation of this proposed course is based on performance in coursework and the final exam. To pass the course, students must obtain a final mark of at least 50%. The final mark is made up as follows: in course mark (assessments) (40%) and final course exam mark (60%). A student who fails the exam with 45% - 49% may be granted a re-evaluation. A student who gets less than 45% will not qualify for a re-evaluation.

# PTY4016F/S HIGH-PERFORMANCE COMPUTING

15 NQF credits at NQF level 8

## **Course outline:**

Omics is an advanced analytical research field aiming for holistic characterization of any biological system or organism of interest involving serious computational cost tasks. In addition, the accumulation of new high throughput experimental data in biology results in high volumes of biomedical data which are difficult to manage, to store and to analyse. This course serves as an applied module for understanding High-Performance Computing techniques related to process, store, manage and transfer big biomedical data sets in enabling students to apply such skills in their respective projects. The course will empower biomedical students with solid foundations for developing, analysing, and implementing parallel and locality-efficient for computationally cost tasks in big Omics data science using high-Performance Computing techniques via Linux command. Below are topics that will involve in this course:

- □ Introduce Linux programming and High-Performance Computing.
- □ Able to understand the concepts of partitioning a problem for parallel computing in Omics context.
- Able to appreciate latest and emerging technologies in accessing the clusters and git.
- □ Introduce to NUMA and thread affinity.
- □ Introduce to parallel Omics data analysis: Netflix.

**DP requirements:** Students are required:(a) to attend at least 90% of lectures, tutorials and practicals; and(b) to pass all formative assessments of the coursework component in order to gain entrance to the final coursework examination.

**Assessment:** The evaluation of this proposed course is based on performance in coursework and the final exam. To pass the course, students must obtain a final mark of at least 50%. The final mark is made up as follows: in course mark (assessments) (40%) and final course exam mark (60%). A student who fails the exam with 45% - 49% may be granted a re-evaluation. A student who gets less than 45% will not qualify for a re-evaluation.

# **PTY4017F/S** OMICS-BASED SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMMING WITH PYTHON 15 NOF credits at NOF level 8

Convener: Prof. Raj Ramesar, Dr Shareefa Dalvie, Dr Victoria Nembaware

## Course outline:

Computing has revolutionized the biological and biomedical sciences over the past several decades, such that virtually all contemporary research in molecular biology, biochemistry, and other biosciences utilizes computer programs. Python is a programming language that is increasingly popular in scientific era, particularly in the field of biomedical within various large-scale "Omics" to process and manipulate. This course will empower biomedical students with the ability and the solid foundation in using Python as computer language for solving computational, statistical problems pertinent to biomedical data science and for analysing big Omics data and their manipulation. In addition, this course will empower students with the ability for developing numerical/scientific computing and problem-solving biomedical skills through writing computers scripts with respect to various Omics approaches. Topics to be covered will include and not limited to

- □ understand types of control structures for big biomedical data science, as building blocks for all computer scripts.
- manipulate data structures and advanced programming objects to handle large-scale big data.

- □ understand the concepts/management of variable assignment, different data types, the memory allocation model, functions and function calls, with the mechanics of argument passing.
- appreciate the importance of writing programs with I/O capabilities.
- introduction to object-oriented programming and effectively write computer programs.
- retrieve process and manipulate arrays for big Omics data types.

**DP requirements:** Students are required:(a) to attend at least 90% of lectures, tutorials and practicals; and(b) to pass all formative assessments of the coursework component in order to gain entrance to the final coursework examination.

**Assessment:** The evaluation of this proposed course is based on performance in coursework and the final exam. To pass the course, students must obtain a final mark of at least 50%. The final mark is made up as follows: in course mark (assessments) (40%) and final course exam mark (60%). A student who fails the exam with 45% - 49% may be granted a re-evaluation. A student who gets less than 45% will not qualify for a re-evaluation.

# PTY4018F/S BIOMEDICAL DATA ANALYSIS WITH R

15 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Prof. Raj Ramesar, Dr Shareefa Dalvie, Dr Victoria Nembaware

#### **Course outline:**

The importance of biomedical data analysis, the analysis of variability that draws on our ability to quantify uncertainty and to draw logical inferences from observations, experiment in biomedical data science have been increasing at an unprecedented pace with the advancements of high-throughput biological data. Foundation in explaining and programming statistical concepts, will thereby bridge the gap in appropriately mining Omics data sciences and their interpretation. In that regard, this course seeks to empower biomedical students with the ability of analysing and interpreting Omics data through various statistical and inference approaches omics data sciences using R programming language. This course will empower students with best practices of being biomedical data science analyst with special emphasized on various Omics data science. Topics to be covered in this course are

- R programming
- Biomedical data visualization with R
- Biomedical data manipulation with R
- Understanding distributions in statistics and Population/sample
- statistical inference and tests.
- □ Foundation in machine learnings for biomedical data analysis

**DP requirements:** Students are required:(a) to attend at least 90% of lectures, tutorials and practicals; and(b) to pass all formative assessments of the coursework component in order to gain entrance to the final coursework examination.

Assessment: The evaluation of this proposed course is based on performance in coursework and the final exam. To pass the course, students must obtain a final mark of at least 50%. The final mark is made up as follows: in course mark (assessments) (40%) and final course exam mark (60%). A student who fails the exam with 45% - 49% may be granted a re-evaluation. A student who gets less than 45% will not qualify for a re-evaluation.

# PTY4021F/S OMICS RESEARCH AND BIO-INDUSTRY METHODOLOGY

15 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Prof. Raj Ramesar, Dr Shareefa Dalvie, Dr Victoria Nembaware

# **Course outline:**

The Biotechnology and Biomedical industries are highly volatile and unpredictable sector due to the scientifically intensive operations of companies that reside here. Markets served include medical, agricultural, environmental, and industrial. Biotechnology/Biomedical firms are among the most research-intensive organizations in the world. This course will (1) provide training to biomedical students in industry approaches and practices (2) empower biomedical students with detailed

understanding of entrepreneurial skills and concepts; and with necessary competencies to run, involve or establish their own entrepreneurial venture in a business context and (3) facilitate interaction between biomedical students with various bio-industries. Topics to be covered are

- □ Biomedical research and bio-industries principles/concepts, processes and all their facets in the work/research environment.
- □ Scientific research, ethical principles and behaviour in research, and the nature, methods and process of conducting quantitative and qualitative biomedical research.
- □ Standards and practice in a bio-industry sectors related to biomedical research or career ambitions.
- □ Entrepreneurial skills and concepts; and competencies to run, involve or establish entrepreneurial venture in a business context in biomedical sectors.

**DP requirements:** Students are required:(a) to attend at least 90% of lectures, tutorials and practicals; and(b) to pass all formative assessments of the coursework component in order to gain entrance to the final coursework examination.

**Assessment:** The evaluation of this proposed course is based on performance in coursework and the final exam. To pass the course, students must obtain a final mark of at least 50%. The final mark is made up as follows: in course mark (assessments) (40%) and final course exam mark (60%). A student who fails the exam with 45% - 49% may be granted a re-evaluation. A student who gets less than 45% will not qualify for a re-evaluation.

# PTY4022W FORENSIC ENTOMOLOGY RESEARCH PROJECT

42 NQF credits at NQF level 8 **Convener:** Dr L Heathfield

#### **Course outline:**

The student will be required to carry out a research project under supervision. The research project will pertain to the use of insects and related arthropods that inhabit and feed upon decomposing remains to aid medicolegal investigations, principally through estimation of post-mortem interval, location of remains, identification of victims, determination of antemortem drug usage (through entomotoxicology) and reconstruction of events. The course will develop the student's laboratory techniques and research skills.

**DP requirements:** Obtain ≥ 50% in written research project

Assessment: This course will be assessed as a written research project. It will also comprise an integrated assessment (typically an oral exam) which counts 5% towards the mark for this course

# PTY4023W FORENSIC ENTOMOLOGY COURSEWORK

78 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr L Heathfield

# **Course outline:**

The course aims to provide students with knowledge and skills pertaining to the use of insects and related arthropods that inhabit and feed upon decomposing remains to aid medicolegal investigations, principally through estimation of post-mortem interval, location of remains, identification of victims, determination of antemortem drug usage (through entomotoxicology) and reconstruction of events. It also provides an introduction to death investigation, the criminal justice system and associated legislation. It provides an elementary understanding of criminal trials and the use of scientific evidence in the courtroom. Lastly, the course will introduce students to laboratory and research techniques and writing skills.

**DP requirements:** Complete all assessments, obtain  $\ge 50\%$  in techniques and two compulsory modules for the stream and obtain  $\ge 50\%$  for coursework overall

**Assessment:** Each module of the course has its own formative and summative assessments which include practical, written and oral tests and assignments. Summative assessments will court 95% towards the coursework mark. The coursework exam comprises an integrated assessment (typically a comprehension exam) and counts 5% towards the total coursework mark.

# PTY4024W FORENSIC TOXICOLOGY RESEARCH PROJECT

42 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: B Davies

# Course outline:

The student will be required to carry out a research project under supervision. The research project will pertain to The course aims to equip students with knowledge and skills of core concepts and principles in forensic toxicology, including the analysis, interpretation and reporting of forensic toxicological evidence. The course will develop the student's laboratory techniques and research skills. **DP requirements:** Obtain  $\geq$  50% in written research project

**Assessment:** This course will be assessed as a written research project. It will also comprise an integrated assessment (typically an oral exam) which counts 5% towards the mark for this course

# PTY4025W FORENSIC TOXICOLOGY COURSEWORK

78 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: B Davies

# **Course outline:**

The course aims to equip students with knowledge and skills of core concepts and principles in forensic toxicology, including the analysis, interpretation and reporting of forensic toxicological evidence. It also provides an introduction to death investigation, the criminal justice system and associated legislation. It provides an elementary understanding of criminal trials and the use of scientific evidence in the courtroom. Lastly, the course will introduce students to laboratory and research techniques and writing skills.

**DP requirements:** Complete all assessments, obtain  $\ge 50\%$  in techniques and two compulsory modules for the stream and obtain  $\ge 50\%$  for coursework overall

Assessment: Each module of the course has its own formative and summative assessments which include practical, written and oral tests and assignments. Summative assessments will count 95% towards the coursework mark. The coursework exam comprises an integrated assessment (typically a comprehension exam) and counts 5% towards the total coursework mark.

# PTY4026W BIOMEDICAL FORENSIC SCIENCE RESEARCH PROJECT

42 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr L Heathfield

## Course outline:

The student will be required to carry out a research project under supervision. The research project will pertain to the interdisciplinary field of biomedical forensic science and may include components relating to natural and unnatural deaths, ancillary investigations for cause of death determination and identification of the deceased. The course will develop the student's laboratory techniques and research skills.

**DP requirements:** Obtain  $\geq$  50% in written research project

Assessment: This course will be assessed as a written research project. It will also comprise an integrated assessment (typically an oral exam) which counts 5% towards the mark for this course

# PTY4027W BIOMEDICAL FORENSIC SCIENCE COURSEWORK

78 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr L Heathfield

# **Course outline:**

The course aims to provide students with skills and understanding in various disciplines relating to biomedical forensic science. This will include an understanding of natural and unnatural deaths, ancillary investigations for cause of death determination and identification of the deceased. It also provides an introduction to death investigation, the criminal justice system and associated legislation. It provides an elementary understanding of criminal trials and the use of scientific evidence in the courtroom. Lastly, the course will introduce students to laboratory and research techniques and writing skills.

**DP requirements:** Complete all assessments, obtain  $\geq$  50% in techniques and two compulsory modules for the stream and obtain  $\geq$  50% for coursework overall

**Assessment:** Each module of the course has its own formative and summative assessments which include practical, written and oral tests and assignments. Summative assessments will court 95% towards the coursework mark. The coursework exam comprises an integrated assessment (typically a comprehension exam) and counts 5% towards the total coursework mark.

PTY5001W GENETIC COUNSELLING MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr T Wessels

**Course entry requirements:** Successful completion of PTY5002W, PTY5003F, PTY5004S, PTY5005F and PTY5006S.

## **Course outline:**

The course includes research methodology which focuses on a qualitative approach, and the production of a minor dissertation using a qualitative and/or quantitative approach to answer the research question. The minor dissertation, prepared under supervision, should be no more than 20 000 words in length. Master's degree candidates must be able to reflect critically on theory and its application. They must be able to deal with complex issues systematically and creatively, design and critically appraise research, make sound judgement using data and information at their disposal, and be able to communicate their conclusions clearly to specialist and non-specialist audiences. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Students are also required to interview and counsel a cohort of patients or clients and their families. The student has to present the research findings at a seminar and present two critical reviews of articles at a journal club. Having submitted his/her research proposal for approval and obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, the student proceeds with his/her research, analyses of the results and writes up the dissertation.

**DP requirements:** The analysis of two journal articles and a seminar presentation. **Assessment:** External examination of the minor dissertation (100%).

# PTY5003F PRINCIPLES OF GENETIC COUNSELLING (COURSEWORK)

10 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Dr T Wessels

## Course entry requirements: None

**Objective:** The Learning outcomes of the course are:- Describe the scope, structure and goals of genetic counselling.- Describe and critically evaluate the range of genetic counselling techniques used in practice.- Describe risk communication and decision making.- Obtain a family history and draw apedigree.- Discuss ethical considerations in the field of Genetics.

## Course outline:

Genetic counselling is the process of helping people understand and adapt to the medical, psychological and familial implications of genetic contributions to disease. It provides individuals and their families with information about genetic conditions, diagnostic testing, and risks to other family members within a framework of nondirective counselling and ethical principles.

**DP requirements:** Completion of all course requirements. The student must obtain an average of 45% for in-course assessments to be eligible to write the exam.

**Assessment:** In-course assessments: 50%; Examination: 50%. To pass the course students must obtain 50% for the final examination and an overall mark of 50%.

# **PTY5004S** PRINCIPLES OF GENETIC COUNSELLING (APPLIED LEARNING)

10 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr T Wessels

#### Course entry requirements: None

**Objective:** The objectives of the course are to enable the student to:- Broaden their knowledge of the principles of genetic counselling.- Describe and critically evaluate advanced genetic counselling

techniques used in practice.- Critically evaluate genetic counselling literature.- Apply theory in assignments.- Discuss ethical considerations in the field of Genetics.

# **Course outline:**

Genetic counselling is the process of helping people understand and adapt to the medical, psychological and familial implications of genetic contributions to disease. It provides individuals and their families with information about genetic conditions, availability of diagnostic testing, and risks in other family members within a framework of nondirective counselling and ethical principles. The purpose of this course is to enable students to broaden their knowledge of the principles of genetic counselling and learn to critically evaluate genetic counselling literature and apply theory in role-plays, assignments and workshops.

**DP requirements:** Completion of all course requirements. The student must obtain an averate of 45% for in-course assessments to be eligible to write the exam.

**Assessment:** In-course assessments: 50%; Examination: 50%. To pass the course students must obtain 50% for the final examination and an overall mark of 50%.

## PTY5005F MEDICAL GENETICS I

12 NQF credits at NQF level 9

#### Convener: Dr T Wessels

#### Course entry requirements: None

**Objective:** The objectives of the course are to enable the student to:- Describe the epidemiology, aetiology, phenotypes, medical management and special investigations of common genetic disorders.- Interpret special investigations associated with common genetic condition.- Assess the risk status of an individual and family (risk assessment).- Source genetic data from appropriate internet databases and websites.- Discuss current technologies in genetics.

### **Course outline:**

This course describes the diagnosis, natural course and management of human diseases that are at least partially genetic in origin. It deals with hereditary diseases, the mechanisms of hereditary transmission and the variation of inherited characteristics among individuals with the same disorders. Commonly encountered medical genetic conditions will be covered in more detail including aspects of diagnosis and management. The content includes genetic mechanisms, embryology and dysmorphology, laboratory techniques, and common genetic conditions.

**DP requirements:** Completion of all course requirements. The student must obtain an average of 45% for in-course assessments to be eligible to write the exam.

Assessment: In-course assessments: 50%; written examination: 50%. To pass the course students must obtain at least 50% for the final examination and an overall mark of at least 50%.

#### PTY5006S MEDICAL GENETICS II

12 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr T Wessels

#### Course entry requirements: None

**Objective:** The objectives of the course are to enable the student to:- Describe the epidemiology, aetiology, phenotypes, medical management and special investigations of rare genetic disorders.- Interpret special investigations associated with rare genetic condition.- Assess the risk status of an individual and family (risk assessment).- Source genetic data from appropriate internet databases and websites.- Discuss emerging technologies in genetics.

#### **Course outline:**

This course describes the diagnosis, natural course and management of human diseases that are at least partially genetic in origin. It deals with hereditary diseases, the mechanisms of hereditary transmission and the variation of inherited characteristics among individuals. Wide range of medical genetic conditions will be covered including aspects of diagnosis and management as well as genetic mechanisms, testing for genetic condition and emerging technologies.

**DP requirements:** Completion of all course requirements. The student must obtain an average of 45% for in-course assessments to be eligible to write the exam.

**Assessment:** In-course assessments: 50%; written examination: 50%. To pass the course students must obtain at least 50% for the final examination and an overall mark of at least 50%.

PTY5007W GENETIC COUNSELLING BY DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr T Wessels

#### **Course outline:**

The programme's primary objective is to develop advanced knowledge and research proficiency in a topic in genetic counselling. It is designed to shape candidates into experts and cultivate critical and reflective thinking, problem-solving capabilities, and confidence in, research, and management roles in the field. As a full research qualification, the programme lays a strong foundation for those pursuing academic careers in this field. This full time Master's dissertation is conducted under supervision on a topic relevant to the field of genetic counselling. Students who are aiming to practice as a Genetic Counsellor, will be required to complete a different degree, the

Master of Medical Science in Genetic Counselling (MMedSc), which consists of coursework and research.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

# PTY5008W GENETIC COUNSELLING PRACTICE II

40 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr T Wessels

Course entry requirements: Genetic Counselling Practice 1

## **Course outline:**

This course addresses the theory and practical application of genetic counselling to genetic conditions. Students spend a portion of each week in various clinics, counselling patients and their families initially under direct and indirect supervision and participating in clinical management discussions. Counselling practice starts from the beginning of year one, initially simulated sessions and later in clinics. It involves attending clinics at Groote Schuur Hospital, Red Cross Hospital, school and outreach visits. Students will attend all clinics. Rotations are in blocks and will involve an initial period of observation only before progressing to taking a medical history and drawing a pedigree, counselling under guidance and finally counselling independently. Goal 1, 2 and 3 provide guidance as to the focus of the experiential training. The most frequently presented medical conditions are listed under the specific clinic in the rotation timetable. Students should prepare for cases prior to attending the clinics in order to ensure that patients and their families receive optimum counselling, minimise the stress of the clinical environment and maximise the learning experience. Each student will receive regular clinical facilitation/supervision.

**DP** requirements: In order to qualify for the admission to the end of year clinical counselling and written examination the student must: (1) attend 80% of all classroom and clinic activities (2) obtain an average of 50% for the continuous assessments and the midyear clinical counselling examination. Assessment: Assessment is by continuous clinical counselling assessments, clinical block evaluations, clinical case reports and written exam. Clinical counselling assessments and examinations is an assessment of the student's ability to conduct a genetic counselling session. Clinical block evaluations is an assessment of the student's overall performance in the clinical academic setting. A clinical case report is a written reflective piece on a genetic counselling session. Mark breakdown: Continuous assessments - 50% (Continues clinical counselling assessments 40%, Clinical block evaluations 40%, case reports 20%); Clinical counselling examinations - 50% (midyear clinical exam 33%, end of year written examination 33%). The student will be required to obtain 50% for all examinations in order to pass.

PTY5009W GENETIC COUNSELLING PRACTICE I 40 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Dr T Wessels **Co-requisites:** Medical Genetics 1, Medical Genetics 2, Principles of Genetic Counselling: Coursework, Principles of Genetic Counselling: Applied Learning

### **Course outline:**

This course addresses the theory and practical application of genetic counselling to genetic conditions. Students spend a portion of each week in various clinics, counselling patients and their families initially under direct and indirect supervision and participating in clinical management discussions. Counselling practice starts from the beginning of year one, initially simulated sessions and later in clinics. It involves attending clinics at Groote Schuur Hospital, Red Cross Hospital, school and outreach visits. Students will attend all clinics. Rotations are in blocks and will involve an initial period of observation only before progressing to taking a medical history and drawing a pedigree, counselling under guidance and finally counselling independently. Goal 1, 2 and 3 provide guidance as to the focus of the experiential training. The most frequently presented medical conditions are listed under the specific clinic in the rotation timetable. Students should prepare for cases prior to attending the clinics in order to ensure that patients and their families receive optimum counselling, minimise the stress of the clinical environment and maximise the learning experience. Each student will receive regular clinical facilitation/supervision.

**DP** requirements: In order to qualify for the admission to the end of year clinical counselling and written examination the student must: (1) attend 80% of all classroom and clinic activities (2) obtain an average of 50% for the continuous assessments and the midyear clinical counselling examination. Assessment: Assessment is by continuous clinical counselling assessments, clinical block evaluations, clinical case reports and written exam. Clinical counselling assessments and examinations is an assessment of the student's' ability to conduct a genetic counselling session. Clinical block evaluations are assessments of the student's overall performance in the clinical and academic setting. A clinical case report is a written reflective piece on a genetic counselling session. Mark breakdown: Continuous assessments - 50% (Continues clinical counselling assessments 40%, Clinical block evaluations 40%, Case reports 20%). Clinical counselling examinations - 50% (midyear clinical exam 33%, end of year written examination 33%. The student will be required to obtain 50% for all examinations in order to pass.

## PTY6000W HUMAN GENETICS THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

Convener: Professor A Wonkam

#### **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-specialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

# PTY6001W BASIC AND APPLIED RESEARCH IMMUNOLOGY

15 NQF credits at NQF level 9

#### Convener: Dr M Marakalala and Dr F Kirstein

Course entry requirements: MBChB or Hons in immunology or a related field.

**Objective:** To impart key immunology knowledge and skills to students and post-doctoral fellows embarking upon immunology research projects.

# **Course outline:**

This course aims to give students a basic understanding of research immunology so that they will be able to read and critically assess research reports in immunology. It is primarily intended for students

performing or preparing to perform immunology research. Topics include the innate immune response; B and T cell receptor rearrangement and structure; recognition by B, T and natural killer cells; T cell and antibody-mediated immunity; mucosal immunity; allergy and hypersensitivity; immunological assays; genetically modified mice as research tools; cytokine function; immunity to HIV and tuberculosis; and vaccines. Scientific reports will be assigned as a part of the course material. **Lecture times:** Approximately 24 lectures of 90 minutes each, plus oral presentations by students.

**DP requirements:** Attendance at lectures and attendance at and participation in project presentations and journal clubs. Sit for midterm and final examination.

**Assessment:** Short tests at the end of each topic that test the student's ability to interpret a published scientific report; oral presentation of a critical assessment of an approved scientific report (journal club); oral presentation and defense of a research project; participation in lecturer-led journal clubs; midterm examination and the final examination. The final examination constitutes 40% of the final mark.

# PTY6002W BIOMEDICAL FORENSIC SCIENCE MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr L Heathfield

**Course entry requirements:** HUB6014F/S, PTY6004F/S, PTY6005F/S, PTY6006F/S, PTY6007F/S, PTY6010F/S and PTY6011F/S

## **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation is conducted under supervision. It must be between 10 000 and 15 000 words in length and must be on a topic in biomedical forensic science. The final submission can be in either a manuscript or monograph format. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals and obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. Master's degree candidates must be able to reflect critically on theory and its application. They must be able to deal with complex issues systematically and creatively, design and critically appraise research, make sound judgement using data and information at their disposal, and be able to communicate their conclusions clearly to specialist and non-specialist audiences.

## **DP requirements:** None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

# PTY6003F/S FORENSIC ANTHROPOLOGY AND ANATOMY

18 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr VE Gibbon

# Course entry requirements: None

## Course outline:

This course introduces the field of forensic anthropology, which involves the application of biological anthropology methodology to a medico-legal context. To identify human remains forensic anthropologists assist law enforcement through determining age, sex, ancestry, stature, and unique features from the skeleton. Also, using decomposition rates they can provide an estimate of the postmortem interval. In this module, students learn human osteology and dontology; how to determine forensic context; methods of scene recovery; estimating the postmortem interval; reconstruction of demographic information; and identification of bone pathology and trauma. Additionally, histology and gross anatomy skills necessary in Forensic pathology and anthropology are taught within this module.

**DP requirements:** Students are required to attend all practical sessions, submit all coursework as required, and obtain a mark of not less than 50% in all class assignments and in all theory and practical tests.

**Assessment:** Assessment consists of some combination of assignments, tests and a final examination. The coursework component carries 50% of the assessment weight and the examination component contributes 50% towards the final mark. A pass mark of 50% (test and examinations, theory and practical) is required for each component of the assessment. An external examiner is

appointed for this course and has the discretion to alter any mark based on an assessment of the candidate's overall performance in the course or in one of more of the course components.

# PTY6004F/S FORENSIC PATHOLOGY

20 NQF credits at NQF level 9

# Convener: Dr L Taylor

Course entry requirements: None

# Course outline:

The course aims to provide students with a good understanding of natural and unnatural deaths, statutory obligations for practitioners in the field, basic traumatology, identification of descendants, explanation of the cause of death and the minimum standards in a forensic pathology laboratory. It also provides an introduction to theories of crime and victimisation, the criminal justice system, legislation regarding human tissues, legal age of consent, termination of pregnancy, and sexual offenses. It provides an elementary understanding of criminal trials, and the use of scientific evidence in the courtroom.

**DP requirements:** Students are required to attend all practical sessions, submit all coursework as required, and obtain a mark of not less than 50% in all class assignments and in all theory and practical tests.

**Assessment:** Assessment consists of some combination of assignments, tests and a final examination. The coursework component carries 50% of the assessment weight and the examination component contributes 50% towards the final mark. A pass mark of 50% (test and examinations, theory and practical) is required for each component of the assessment. An external examiner is appointed for this course and has the discretion to alter any mark based on an assessment of the candidate's overall performance in the course or in one of more of the course components.

# PTY6005F/S FORENSIC TOXICOLOGY

20 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: B Davies

Course entry requirements: Suitable courses in undergraduate chemistry.

#### Course outline:

Forensic toxicology encompasses the detection and measurement of alcohol, drugs and toxic substances within biological specimens, and the interpretation and reporting of the results in a medicolegal context. Course content, as it relates to forensic toxicology, includes theory and methodology of analytical instrumentation, analytical techniques, specimen handling and types, interpretation of analytical results, and report writing and oral presentation thereof. The course is taught through lectures (online and/or in contact sessions), practical experiments and demonstrations, tutorials, workshops/discussions and a variety of other formative assessment techniques. The course culminates in the final competency exercise, which includes a theory examination and a case report oral presentation. At the end of the course students will have a strong understanding of the principles and concepts of forensic toxicology, apply theoretical and analytical techniques, and skillfully interpret and present/defend analytical findings.

# Lecture times: Variable

**DP requirements:** Students are expected to attend and participate in all lectures, practical sessions, workshops and tutorials. Students are required to submit all coursework as required in their course manuals. A mark of at least 50% for coursework is required to write the final exam.

Assessment: Assessment consists of a combination of assignments, tests and a final examination. Course mark contributes 50% and comprises of tutorial tasks; presentations, practicals and term test. The examination contributes 50% and comprises a written theory examination. There are no supplementary exams. A pass mark of 50% is required for the coursework component *and* the exam component. An external examiner is appointed for each course and has the discretion to alter any mark based on an assessment of the candidate's overall performance in the course or in one or more of the course components.

# PTY6006F/S MOLECULAR FORENSICS

20 NQF credits at NQF level 9 **Convener:** L Heathfield

# Course entry requirements: None Course outline:

This course explores the areas of genetics and medical microbiology within a forensic context. Topics covered include biological sample collection and handling, body fluid identification, molecular processing of samples in the laboratory (including forensic DNA profiling) as well as the interpretation and reporting of results. Technical and quality aspects of these methods are also discussed. The theoretical and practical components, combined with problem-solving and critical thinking skills equip students to provide expert testimony in a court of law.

**DP requirements:** Students are required to attend all practical sessions, submit all coursework as required, and obtain a mark of not less than 50% in all class assignments and in all theory and practical tests.

**Assessment:** Assessment consists of some combination of assignments, tests and a final examination. The coursework component carries 50% of the assessment weight and the examination component contributes 50% towards the final mark. A pass mark of 50% (test and examinations, theory and practical) is required for each component of the assessment. An external examiner is appointed for this course and has the discretion to alter any mark based on an assessment of the candidate's overall performance in the course or in one or more of the course components.

# PTY6007F/S APPLIED FORENSIC SCIENCE

18 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr L Heathfield

Course entry requirements: HUB6014F/S, PTY6004F/S, PTY6005F/S and PTY6006F/S

#### **Course outline:**

The course is based on the contents of the Forensic Pathology, Forensic Toxicology, Molecular Forensics and Forensic Anthropology and Anatomy courses. Students integrate and apply this knowledge to case simulations from a crime or death scene through to the courtroom appearance. Additional topics covered may include crime scene photography, impression evidence, bloodstain pattern analysis and other analytical techniques. Ethics and how to conduct oneself as an expert witness testifying in court withstanding rigorous cross-questioning without undue emotional stress are also covered. Students manage crime scenes, collect evidence, write affidavits as expert witnesses, and defend their role in a mock court presided by legal professionals.

**DP requirements:** Students are required to attend all practical sessions, submit all coursework as required, and obtain a mark of not less than 50% in all class assignments and in all theory and practical tests.

**Assessment:** Assessment consists of some combination of assignments, presentations, tests and a final examination. The coursework component carries 50% of the assessment weight and the examination component contributes 50% towards the final mark. A pass mark of 50% (test and examinations, theory and practical) is required for each component of the assessment. An external examiner is appointed for this course and has the discretion to alter any mark based on an assessment of the candidate's overall performance in the course or in one or more of the course components.

# PTY6007W APPLIED FORENSIC SCIENCE

18 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: TBC

# Course outline:

The course is based on the contents of the Forensic Pathology, Forensic Toxicology, Molecular Forensics and Forensic Anthropology and Anatomy courses. Students integrate and apply this knowledge to case simulations from a crime or death scene through to the courtroom appearance. Additional topics covered may include crime scene photography, impression evidence, bloodstain pattern analysis and other analytical techniques. Ethics and how to conduct oneself as an

expert witness testifying in court withstanding rigorous cross-questioning without undue emotional stress are also covered. Students manage crime scenes, collect evidence, write affidavits as expert witnesses, and defend their role in a mock court presided by legal professionals.

# PTY6008W FORENSIC MEDICINE DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor LJ Martin

## **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

# PTY6009W GENETIC COUNSELLING THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

Convener: Dr T Wessels

## **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline (specifically Genetic Counselling); show a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research specialist and nonspecialist audiences, using the full resources and opinion to of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing. As a full research qualification, the programme lays a strong foundation for those pursuing academic careers in this field. Students who are aiming to practice as a Genetic Counsellor, will be required to complete a different degree, the Master of Medical Science (MMedSc) in Genetic Counselling, which consists of coursework and research.

Assessment: The thesis is examined externally.

# PTY6010F/S FORENSIC STATISTICS

12 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: C Mole

#### Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

This course is delivered online and introduces the basic concepts of forensic biostatistics and a guide on how to compute the most commonly used descriptive and inferential statistical procedures and for the students to be able to interpret the results.

**DP requirements:** Students are required to submit all coursework and obtain a mark of not less than 50% in all class assignments.

Assessment: Coursework contributes 50% and consists of two home assignments (25% each). The final examination is weighted 50% of the final course mark. A pass mark of 50% is required overall, with a 45% sub-minimum for each of the examination and semester marks. An external examiner is appointed for the course and has the discretion to amend the final mark based on an assessment of the candidate's performance across the course (or course components) as a whole.

# PTY6011F/S FORENSIC RESEARCH METHODS

12 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: C Mole

# Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

The aim of this course is to provide students with the skills and knowledge to conduct both qualitative and quantitative research projects. It introduces students to data management and analysis and gives them a foundation for good scientific writing. The course is based on forensic cases and examples. Students learn to apply their knowledge to interpreting and reporting on their own laboratory data, and to the interpretation of observations from case work with which the forensic scientist may become involved (evidence evaluation).

**DP requirements:** Students are required to submit all coursework. Students are required to obtain at least 50% for the coursework assignments combined.

**Assessment:** Coursework: Summative: two individual home assignments (15% each) and one presentation (20%) = 50%. Final online examination: 50% = a written protocol project (25%) and a traditional written examination component (25%). Online submissions of assessments / examination are conducted according to proposed procedures in order to maintain the integrity of all assessments conducted.

# PTY6019W FORENSIC TOXICOLOGY DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor LJ Martin

## **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master-s dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

# PTY6020W FORENSIC GENETICS DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9 **Convener:** Dr L Heathfield

## **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master-s dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

# PTY6021W FORENSIC MEDICAL MICROBIOLOGY DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor LJ Martin

## **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master-s dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. The dissertation is externally examined.

# PTY6022W MOLECULAR FORENSICS DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9 **Convener:** Dr L Heathfield

#### **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

# PTY6023W FORENSIC ENTOMOLOGY DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor L Martin

# **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. The dissertation is externally examined.

**DP requirements:** Progress will be monitored through annual progress reports and supervisor meetings.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

# PTY6027F/S OMICS DATA MINING

10 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr Shareefa Dalvie

#### **Course outline:**

Current technological advances have led to the development of several biological platforms capable of generating heterogeneous datasets, including proteomics, epigenomics and transcriptomics. This course will expose students to these different OMICS datasets and provide them with the skills to access, manipulate and interpret the results from these datasets. The students will receive hands-on training in the basics of, bioinformatics, data mining and network analysis of transcriptomic and epigenomic data.

**DP** requirements: Students are required:(a) to attend at least 90% of lectures, tutorials and practicals; and(b) to pass all formative assessments of the coursework component in order to gain entrance to the final coursework examination

**Assessment:** The evaluation of this proposed course is based on performance in coursework and the final exam. To pass the course, students must obtain a final mark of at least 50%. The final mark is made up as follows: in course mark (assessments) (40%) and final course exam mark (60%). A student who fails the exam with 45%–49% may be granted a re-evaluation. A student who gets less than 45% will not qualify for a re-evaluation.

#### PTY6028F/S OMICS DATA GENERATION

10 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr K Mnika, Dr V Nembaware and Dr T Ganieef

#### **Course outline:**

The rise of technologies that simultaneously measure thousands of data points represents the heart of systems biology. These technologies have had a huge impact on the discovery of next-generation diagnostics, biomarkers, and drugs in the precision medicine era. Driven by high-throughput omics

technologies and the computational surge, multi-scale and insightful overviews of cells, organisms, and populations is possible. Exploiting the potential of Omics for clinical diagnosis, prognosis, and therapeutic purposes has been receiving a lot of attention. High-throughput methodologies can rapidly provide a global picture of the processes within genes, protein, cells at multiple levels, allowing for accelerated discoveries in health and disease. This course will introduce students to laboratory techniques, High-throughput methodologies and systematic comprehension of each Omics (genomics, proteomics, epigenomics, metabolomics, transcriptomics, microbiomics, pharmacogenomics) data standards, and their choice for appropriate clinical application.

**DP requirements:** Students are required:(a) to attend at least 90% of lectures, tutorials and practicals; and(b) to pass all formative assessments of the coursework component in order togain entrance to the final coursework examination.

**Assessment:** The evaluation of this proposed course is based on performance in coursework and the final exam. To pass the course, students must obtain a final mark of at least 50%. The final mark is made up as follows: in course mark (assessments) (40%) and final course exam mark (60%). A student who fails the exam with 45%–49% may be granted a re-evaluation. A student who gets less than 45% will not qualify for a re-evaluation.

# PTY6029F/S POPULATION GENOMICS

10 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Prof. Raj Ramesar, Dr Shareefa Dalvie, Dr Victoria Nembaware

### **Course outline:**

This course offers an opportunity for learners to model evolutionary forces and predict their effects on populations through the study of population Omics. Students will learn how these forces influence changes at different biological layers over time and contribute to population traits. Moreover, we will explore survival and how this may answer various essential questions such as how studies identify the genes involved in disease to how small populations are preserved from extinction.

**DP requirements:** Students are required to: a) to attend at least 90% of lectures, tutorials and practicals; and (b) to pass all formative assessments of the coursework component in order to gain entrance to the final coursework examination

**Assessment:** The evaluation of this proposed course is based on performance in coursework and the final exam. To pass the course, students must obtain a final mark of at least 50%. The final mark is made up as follows: in course mark (assessments) (40%) and final course exam mark (60%). A student who fails the exam with 45%–49% may be granted a re-evaluation. A student who gets less than 45% will not qualify for a re-evaluation.

# PTY6030F/S OMICS-WIDE ASSOCIATION STUDIES

10 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr Shareefa Dalvie

## Course outline:

Omics data holds great potential for personalized medicine and improved biological knowledge of disease pathophysiology. More recently, Omics-wide association studies (OWAS) has become the method of choice for studying disease aetiology and has been made possible by the generation of human genetic variation maps, largescale availability of clinically phenotyped samples and the development of statistical methods to identify significantly associated genetic variants. This course describes the concept data analysis for OWAS in general, the study design, power calculation, data quality control, clinical applications, limitations, integration of different OMIC types, and future trends.

**DP requirements:** Students are required:(a) to attend at least 90% of lectures, tutorials and practicals; and(b) to pass all formative assessments of the coursework component in order to gain entrance to the final coursework examination.

**Assessment:** The evaluation of this proposed course is based on performance in coursework and the final exam. To pass the course, students must obtain a final mark of at least 50%. The final mark is made up as follows: in course mark (assessments) (40%) and final course exam mark (60%). A

student who fails the exam with 45%-49% may be granted a re-evaluation. A student who gets less than 45% will not qualify for a re-evaluation.

# PTY6031F/S PHARMACOMICROBIOMICS AND THE MICROBIOME

10 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Prof. Raj Ramesar, Dr Shareefa Dalvie

## **Course outline:**

This course will equip students with the bioinformatic skills to analyse and interpret pharmacogenomic and microbiome data relevant to human health. The course will provide a foundation on the principles of pharmacogenomics and microbiomes and the integrative methods for these Omics data types. Topics to be covered in this course are:

1.Key gene classes, drugs for which genetics is critical and pharmacogenomic resources

2.Pharmacogenomics databases

3.Different pharmacogenomic approaches to understand drug responses and treatment variability

4. Microbes and the human microbiome and its role in health and behaviour

5. Statistical data analysis of microbial communities and Microbiome Genome-wide Association Studies.

6.Explore integrative approaches used for pharmacogenomic and microbiome data

**DP requirements:** Students are required:(a) to attend at least 90% of lectures, tutorials and practicals; and(b) to pass all formative assessments of the coursework component in order to gain entrance to the final coursework examination

**Assessment:** The evaluation of this proposed course is based on performance in coursework and the final exam. To pass the course, students must obtain a final mark of at least 50%. The final mark is made up as follows: in course mark (assessments) (40%) and final course exam mark (60%). A student who fails the exam with 45%– 49% may be granted a re-evaluation. A student who gets less than 45% will not qualify for a re-evaluation.

# PTY6032F/S OMICS FOR INDUSTRY

10 NQF credits at NQF level 9

# Convener: Dr Shareefa Dalvie

# Course outline:

This course will provide training in industry approaches and practices, empower students with a detailed understanding of the entrepreneurial skills and concepts; the necessary competencies to run, or establish their own entrepreneurial venture in a business context, and the applications of OMICS data. We will facilitate interaction between biomedical students with various bio-industries and applications such as Forensics. Topics to be covered are Biomedical research and bio-industries principles/concepts, processes and all their facets in the work/research environment.

Scientific research, ethical principles and behaviour in research, and the nature, methods and process of conducting quantitative and qualitative biomedical research. This course will also cover different techniques used for DNA profiling, interpreting DNA profiles, Mitochondrial DNA analysis, Y chromosome markers. 2. introduce machine intelligence approaches to identify and establish paternity, relationship testing, prediction of age and externally visible characteristics using SNPs, STRs, and mitochondria, Next Generation Sequencing technologies. 3. introduce forensic statistics methods to leverage Omics data in evaluating forensic evidence.

**DP requirements:** Students are required:(a) to attend at least 90% of lectures, tutorials and practicals; and(b) to pass all formative assessments of the coursework component in order to gain entrance to the final coursework examination.

**Assessment:** The evaluation of this proposed course is based on performance in coursework and the final exam. To pass the course, students must obtain a final mark of at least 50%. The final mark is made up as follows: in course mark (assessments) (40%) and final course exam mark (60%). A student who fails the exam with 45%– 49% may be granted a re-evaluation. A student who gets less than 45% will not qualify for a re-evaluation.

# PTY6034W BIOMEDICAL DATA SCIENCE MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Prof. Raj Ramesar, Dr Shareefa Dalvie, Dr Victoria Nembaware

# Course outline:

The minor dissertation should be a maximum of 20 000 words and must be prepared under supervision. The dissertation must be on a topic related to Biomedical Data Science. The candidate shall conduct literature reviews and design a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. Master's dissertation must demonstrate rigorous application of the relevant research methodology but does not have to be original research.

**DP requirements:** Students are required:(a) Students are required to complete and obtain a minimum pass mark of 50% for all courses.(b) Students are required to obtain approval for their research study from the Departmental Research Committee and submit their application to the Human Research Ethics Committee within ten months of the date of first registration.

**Assessment:** External examination of minor dissertation. To pass the research component, students must obtain a sub-minimum of 50% for the dissertation. The final mark is made up as follows: dissertation (80%); oral presentation of research project (20%).

# PTY7000W MMED CLINICAL PATHOLOGY PART 1A (CHEMICAL

PATHOLOGY)

18 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor GF van der Watt

# Course entry requirements: None

## **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of medical practitioners as specialist clinical pathologists. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the Part IA examination in Chemical Pathology and receive credit towards PTY7000W. The purpose of this course is to build a foundational knowledge of the theory, principles and practice of physiological chemistry, abnormal body chemistry, and the various biochemical procedures used in the investigation of disease. The full curriculum is available from the South African College of Pathologists at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

**DP requirements:** The candidate must have completed 16 months of approved training in chemical pathology.

Assessment: The examination includes written, practical and oral examinations. Eligibility for the practical and oral examinations is contingent on passing the prior written examination. Failure to pass the Part 1 examination must be followed by a six-month extension in chemical pathology as well as a repeat examination. Candidates are permitted to repeat only one Part 1 examination during their entire training period across disciplines.

# PTY7001W MMED CLINICAL PATHOLOGY PART 1B (HAEMATOLOGY)

18 NQF credits at NQF level 9

**Convener:** Dr F Omar and Associate Professor J Opie **Course entry requirements:** PTY7000W

# Course outline:

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of medical practitioners as specialist clinical pathologists. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements, and candidates complete the relevant curriculum of the College of Pathologists of South Africa. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the Part 1 examination in haematology and receive credit towards PTY7001W. The purpose of this course is to build a foundational knowledge of clinical and laboratory haematology, including blood

transfusion. The full curriculum is available from the South African College of Pathologists at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

**DP requirements:** The candidate must have completed 16 months of approved training in haematology.

**Assessment:** The examination includes written, practical and oral examinations. Eligibility for the practical and oral examinations is contingent on passing the prior written examination. Failure to pass the Part 1 examination must be followed by a six-month extension in haematology and by a repeat examination. Candidates are permitted to repeat only one Part 1 examination during their entire training period and across disciplines.

# **PTY7002W** MMED CLINICAL PATHOLOGY PART 1C (MEDICAL MICROBIOLOGY)

18 NOF credits at NOF level 9

**Convener:** Associate Professor J Opie **Course entry requirements:** PTY7000W

#### Course outline:

This training programme forms part of the process to train medical practitioners for registration as specialist clinical pathologists. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements, and candidates complete the relevant curriculum of the College of Pathologists of South Africa. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the Part 1 examination in medical microbiology and receive credit towards PTY7002W. The purpose of this course is to build a foundational knowledge of medical microbiology. The course content covers clinical and laboratory microbiology including bacteriology, serology, immunology, parasitology, mycology, medical entomology and epidemiology. The full curriculum is available from the South African College of Pathologists at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

**DP requirements:** The candidate must have completed 16 months of approved training in medical microbiology.

**Assessment:** The examination includes written, practical and oral examinations. Eligibility for the practical and oral examinations is contingent on passing the prior written examination. Failure to pass the Part 1 examination must be followed by a six-month extension in medical microbiology and by a repeat examination. Candidates are permitted to repeat only one Part 1 examination during their entire training period and across disciplines.

# **PTY7003W** MMED CLINICAL PATHOLOGY PART 1D (VIROLOGY)

6 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor J Opie

Course entry requirements: PTY7000W

#### **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the process to train medical practitioners to register as specialist clinical pathologists. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the Part 1 examination in virology and receive credit towards PTY7003W. The purpose of this course is to acquire knowledge of the theory, principles and practice of clinical virology and laboratory procedures used in investigation of viral diseases. The full curriculum is available from the South African College of Pathologists at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

**DP requirements:** The candidate must have completed six months of approved training in virology. **Assessment:** The part 1 examination includes written, practical and oral examinations. Failure to pass the Part 1 examination must be followed by a two-month extension in Virology and by a repeat examination. Candidates are permitted to repeat only one Part 1 examination during their entire training period and across disciplines.

# PTY7004W MEDICAL VIROLOGY DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Professor C Williamson

## Course outline:

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

# PTY7005W ANATOMICAL PATHOLOGY THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10 Convener: Professor K Pillay

# **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-specialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

# PTY7006W MMED ANATOMICAL PATHOLOGY PART 2

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

**Convener:** Professor K Pillay

# Course entry requirements: PTY7010W

**Objective:** The objective of this course is to equip the candidate who has completed the minimum training period with the appropriate professional knowledge, skills and attitude stipulated by the HPCSA training requirements and standards in order to be licensed by the HPCSA as a practitioner of anatomical pathology at specialist level.

## **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the process to train general practitioners as specialist anatomical pathologists. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements, and candidates complete the curriculum of the College of Pathologists of South Africa. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination of the College and receive credit towards PTY7006W. This course builds on the foundational knowledge in basic sciences covered in the Part 1 course. Material covered includes diagnostic surgical pathology and cytology; classifications of tumours; use of special stains, immunohistochemistry, electron microscopy, morphometry and relevant molecular techniques in diagnostic anatomical pathology; pathogenesis and epidemiology of disease; and laboratory management including quality assurance and accreditation.

**DP requirements:** Candidates must have completed a minimum of three and a half years of approved training in pathology. At least two-and-a-half of the three-and-a-half years must have been spent in a department of anatomical pathology, and at least six months must have been spent full-time in an approved cytology laboratory. Candidates are required to provide evidence that they have properly completed a minimum of 50 autopsies and are able to cut and stain frozen sections.

**Assessment:** Before being admitted to the Part 2 examination, candidates must have had at least 42 months' approved experience in anatomical pathology. There are two written papers of three hours each (15%); an autopsy (10%); a practical examination consisting of a histopathology slide examination (25%), cytology slide examination (20%), two OSPEs (10% x 2); and an oral examination (10%).

# PTY7007W ANATOMICAL PATHOLOGY MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor K Pillay

Course entry requirements: None

## **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. The dissertation must be between 15 000 and 20 000 words in length, and must be on a topic in the specialty of anatomical pathology. The dissertation must be based on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation (monograph format). Candidates must be able to reflect critically on theory and its application. They must be able to deal with complex issues systematically and creatively, to design and critically appraise research, to make sound judgement using the data and information at their disposal, and to be able to communicate their conclusions clearly to specialist and non-specialist audiences.

**DP requirements:** Candidates must have attended the Registrars Research Training course or equivalent offered by the Faculty of Health Sciences.

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation. Pass mark 50%.

# PTY7008W MMED IN CLINICAL PATHOLOGY PART 2

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

#### Convener: Associate Professor J Opie

**Course entry requirements:** Successful completion of all Part 1 examinations PTY7000W; PTY7001W; PTY7002W and PTY7003W.

#### **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the accreditation process of medical practitioners as specialist clinical pathologists, and candidates complete the relevant curriculum of the College of Pathologists of South Africa. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination of the College and receive credit towards PTY7008W. The aim of the course is to build on the foundational knowledge in the disciplines of chemical pathology, haematology, medical microbiology and virology completed in the Part 1 component of training, and to cover the theory, principles and practice of chemical pathology, haematology, medical microbiology and virology various laboratory procedures used in the investigation of disease. Clinical pathology and laboratory medicine are covered. The full curriculum is available from the South African College of Pathologists at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

**DP requirements:** The candidate must have completed 54 months of approved training in pathology, which must include 16 months in each of chemical pathology, laboratory haematology and medical microbiology and six months in virology.

**Assessment:** The candidate writes the Part 2 examination in Clinical Pathology of the South African College of Pathology. The final examination comprises three written papers of three hours each: one in each of chemical pathology, haematology and medical microbiology/virology; a practical examination and an oral examination. Eligibility for the practical and oral examinations is contingent on passing the prior written examination.

# PTY7009W ANATOMICAL PATHOLOGY DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Professor K Pillay

# Course outline:

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

# PTY7010W MMED ANATOMICAL PATHOLOGY PART 1A

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Professor K Pillay

# Course entry requirements: None

# Course outline:

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of general practitioners as specialist anatomical pathologists. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements, and candidates complete the curriculum of the College of Pathologists of South Africa for the Part 1 examination in Anatomical Pathology. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of 18 months of training, they write the Part 1 examination of the College and receive credit towards PTY7010W. The purpose of this course is to build a foundation of knowledge of the basic principles of pathology, including molecular pathology and autopsy pathology, and to train candidates in laboratory management. The course content covers cell (including gene) and tissue (histology) structure; embryology and development; principles of pathology; the molecular and genetic bases of disease; the principles of the light microscope including photo microscopy and fluorescent microscopy, and the principles of the light microscope. The practical training includes diagnostic histopathology and autopsy pathology.

**DP requirements:** For admission to the Part 1 examination candidates must have completed a minimum of 18 months' approved training in anatomical pathology.

**Assessment:** The Part 1 examination consists of one written paper of three hours (50%) plus a 3 hour practical histopathology slide examination (50%).

# PTY7011W MPHIL PAEDIATRIC PATHOLOGY PART 1

120 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor K Pillay

## Course entry requirements: None

# **Course outline:**

The course is divided into four modules, namely perinatal and placental pathology, including normal and abnormal foetal growth and development; paediatric autopsies and laboratory investigations; pathological aspects of childhood neoplasia and post-natal growth disturbances including malnutrition; and general systemic and surgical pathology applicable to children. Instruction is by means of formal lectures, tutorials and demonstrations.

**DP requirements:** Attendance and completion of all coursework activities and commitments, including the four assignments.

**Assessment:** Part 1 comprises a year mark made up as follows: essays (four assignments) (25%), two written papers (25%), a practical examination including an autopsy (40%), and an oral examination (10%). The pass mark is 50%.

# PTY7012W PAEDIATRIC PATHOLOGY MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor K Pillay

# Course entry requirements: None

# Course outline:

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. It must be between 15 000 and 20 000 words in length and must be on a topic in paediatric pathology. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals and obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation (monograph format). Candidates must be able to reflect critically on theory and its application. They must be able to deal with complex issues systematically and creatively, to design and critically appraise research, to make sound judgement using the data and information at their disposal, and to communicate their conclusions clearly to specialist and non-specialist audiences.

## **DP requirements:** None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation. Pass mark 50%.

# PTY7013W CHEMICAL PATHOLOGY DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor GF van der Watt

# **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

# PTY7014W CHEMICAL PATHOLOGY THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

Convener: Professor AD Marais

# Course outline:

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-specialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

Assessment: The thesis is externally examined.

# PTY7015W MMED CHEMICAL PATHOLOGY PART 1

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor GF van der Watt

Course entry requirements: None

# **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of medical practitioners as specialist chemical pathologists. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements, and candidates complete the relevant curriculum of the College of Pathologists of South

Africa. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. The course aims to build foundational knowledge in the basic sciences applicable to the practice of chemical pathology. The course covers the theory, principles and practice of physiology, chemistry, abnormal body chemistry and the various biochemical procedures used in the investigation of disease. The curriculum is available from the College of Pathologists at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

**DP requirements:** The examination must be completed within eighteen months of formal training having commenced.

**Assessment:** The examination includes written, practical and oral examinations. Eligibility for the practical and oral examinations is contingent on passing the prior written examination. For uniformity nationally the examination is done by the College of Pathology.

# **PTY7016W** MMED CHEMICAL PATHOLOGY PART 2

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor GF van der Watt

Course entry requirements: PTY7015W

#### **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of medical practitioners as specialist chemical pathologists. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements, and candidates complete the relevant curriculum of the College of Pathologists of South Africa. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination of the College and receive credit towards PTY7016W. The course is aimed at consolidating and providing further training in the theory, principles and practice of physiological chemistry, abnormal body chemistry and the various biochemical procedures used in the investigation of disease. The curriculum is available from the South African College of Pathologists at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

**DP requirements:** The candidate must have completed a minimum of three and a half years of approved training in pathology. At least two and a half of the three and a half years must have been spent in chemical pathology in order to sit the Part 2 examination in chemical pathology.

**Assessment:** Candidates write the final examination in Chemical Pathology of the College of Pathologists. The examination consists of two written papers of three hours each, a practical examination and an oral examination. Eligibility for the practical and oral examinations is contingent on passing the prior written examination.

# PTY7017W CHEMICAL PATHOLOGY MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor GF van der Watt

## Course entry requirements: None

#### Course outline:

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. The dissertation comprises four parts: approved research protocol (4 000 words), literature review (4 000 words), publication-ready manuscript (3 000 words) and appendix/ces. The topic must be relevant to chemical pathology. The dissertation must be based on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. Candidates may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

### **DP requirements:** None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

# PTY7018W MMED IN FORENSIC PATHOLOGY PART 2

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor LJ Martin

Course entry requirements: PTY7043W

## **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of general practitioners as specialist forensic pathologists. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements, and candidates complete the relevant curriculum of the College of Pathologists of South Africa. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination of the College and receive credit towards PTY7018W. This course focuses on the application of the knowledge gained in basic and applied sciences in Part 1. Candidates gain competency in legal and operational requirements and ethical underpinnings of the practice of forensic pathology, and an understanding of death scene investigation processes and techniques. They gain proficiency in standard autopsy techniques and in interpretation of autopsy findings; familiarity with basic clinical forensic medicine, including examination techniques. At the end of this training, candidates are expected to have acquired the relevant skills and competencies to be able to provide or effectively participate as a specialist in a forensic pathology service.

**DP requirements:** A minimum of two years' training in forensic pathology, carrying out routine medico-legal autopsies and the associated microscopic examination of tissues removed at such autopsies, with experience of the court work relating to the autopsies carried out by the candidate. A minimum training period of three years in an HPCSA-approved training post must be completed before the Part 2 examination may be written. This period includes a one-year rotation through anatomical pathology and the successful completion of the Part 1 examination.

**Assessment:** Two written papers, a two-hour slide examination of 10 to 15 haematoxylin and eosin and/or other stained sections, an autopsy practical examination, and an oral examination. Candidates must pass each individual component of these examinations, i.e. the written, slide, autopsy and oral examinations, with a minimum of 50%, for successful completion of the Part 2 examination.

# PTY7019W FORENSIC PATHOLOGY MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor LJ Martin

# Course entry requirements: None

#### Course outline:

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. The dissertation must be between 15 000 and 20 000 words in length, and must be on a topic in forensic pathology. The dissertation must be based on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. Candidates may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

# DP requirements: None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

## PTY7020W HAEMATOLOGY THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

Convener: Professor RS Ramesar

# **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an

area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-specialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing. **Assessment:** The thesis is externally examined.

## PTY7021W MMED IN HAEMATOLOGICAL PATHOLOGY PART 2

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Associate Professor J Opie Course entry requirements: PTY7024W

# Course outline:

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of general practitioners as specialist haematologists. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements, and candidates complete the relevant curriculum of the College of Pathologists of South Africa. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination of the College and receive credit towards PTY7021W. Candidates are trained in laboratory practice and in applying the basic principles of haematological disorders. They apply knowledge gained in the first part of training to practical cases requiring blood transfusion, haemolytics and related applications in haematological pathology. For the full curriculum and examination details, see the regulations of the College of Pathologists of South Africa at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

**DP requirements:** A candidate must have completed a minimum of three and a half years of approved training in haematological pathology At least three months training must have been spent in blood transfusion. This may be part of the training in haematology.

**Assessment:** Candidates write the final examination of the College of Pathologists of South Africa. The examination includes two written papers, a practical examination, a two-day examination in laboratory haematology including morphology, a one-day practical examination in clinical haematology, and an oral examination. The clinical and laboratory examinations must be passed independently.

# PTY7022W HAEMATOLOGICAL PATHOLOGY MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor J Opie

# Course entry requirements: None

## **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. The dissertation must be between 15 000 and 20 000 words in length, and must be on a topic in haematology. The dissertation must be based on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. Candidates may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

### DP requirements: None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

# **PTY7023W** HAEMATOLOGY DISSERTATION

180 NOF credits at NOF level 9

Convener: Professor RS Ramesar

# Course outline:

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. The dissertation is externally examined.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

#### MMED HAEMATOLOGICAL PATHOLOGY PART 1 PTY7024W

60 NOF credits at NOF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor J Opie

Course entry requirements: None

# Course outline:

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of general practitioners as specialist haematologists. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements, and candidates complete the relevant curriculum of the College of Pathologists of South Africa. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination of the College and receive credit towards LAB7023W. The first part of training aims to build a foundation of knowledge in basic molecular biology and immunology as applied to haematology, as well as in basic molecular biology. Having become sufficiently acquainted with molecular biological concepts and terms and basic molecular laboratory techniques, the registrar will be able to apply this knowledge to cases that will be encountered in diagnostic and therapeutic haematology. The full curriculum is available in the regulations of the College of Pathologists of South Africa at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

DP requirements: For admission into the Part 1 examination the candidate must have spent a minimum of 12 months in a department of haematology, which may be clinical or laboratory. This part of the course must be completed within 18 months of commencing formal training in haematological pathology.

Assessment: Candidates write the relevant examination of the College of Pathologists of South Africa. The examination has written, practical and oral components.

# **PTY7025W** CLIN SCIENCE & IMMUNOLOGY DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor CM Gray

# Course outline:

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. The dissertation is externally examined. Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

PTY7026W CLINICAL SCIENCE & IMMUNOLOGY THESIS 360 NQF credits at NQF level 10 Convener: Professor CM Grav **Course outline:** 

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-specialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

# PTY7027W MEDICAL MICROBIOLOGY DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr Lynthia Paul

## **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

# PTY7028W MEDICAL MICROBIOLOGY THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

Convener: TBC

## **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and nonspecialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

Assessment: The thesis is externally examined.

# PTY7029W MMED MEDICAL MICROBIOLOGY PART 1D

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr E Prentice

# Course entry requirements: None

# Course outline:

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of general practitioners as specialist microbiologists. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements, and candidates complete the relevant curriculum of the College of Pathologists of South Africa. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination of the College and receive credit towards PTY7029W. The purpose of this course is to build a foundation in the discipline of clinical and laboratory microbiology, which includes basic sciences knowledge in bacteriology, virology, serology, immunology, parasitology, mycology,

medical entomology and epidemiology. For the detailed curriculum, see the regulations of the relevant College of Medicine at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

**DP requirements:** This course must be completed within 18 months of commencing formal training in medical microbiology.

Assessment: Written, practical and oral examinations.

# PTY7030W MMED MEDICAL MICROBIOLOGY PART 2

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

**Convener:** Dr E Prentice

Course entry requirements: PTY7029W

# **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of general practitioners as specialist microbiologists. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements, and candidates complete the curriculum of the College of Pathologists of South Africa. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination of the College and receive credit towards PTY7030W. Candidates use the foundational knowledge acquired in the first part of training to apply their knowledge in a clinical microbiology laboratory situation, where they diagnose and recommend management for a range of disorders in the fields of bacteriology, virology, serology, immunology, parasitology, mycology, medical entomology and epidemiology. The detailed curriculum for this speciality is available from the College of Pathologists of South Africa at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

**DP requirements:** Candidates must have completed a minimum of three and a half years of approved training in pathology. At least two and a half of the three and a half years must have been spent in a department of medical microbiology. At least three months must have been spent in virology. This may be part of the training period in medical microbiology.

**Assessment:** Two written papers on basic microbiology and immunology and on applied clinical microbiology and virology, a practical examination over three days to test applied clinical and laboratory microbiology, and an oral examination. Eligibility for the practical and oral examinations is contingent on passing the prior written examination.

# PTY7031W MEDICAL MICROBIOLOGY MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr E Prentice

# Course entry requirements: None

### Course outline:

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. The dissertation must be between 10 000 and 20 000 words in length, and must be on a topic in medical microbiology. The dissertation must be based on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should generally be on a clinically relevant topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. Candidates may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

# **DP requirements:** None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

PTY7032W MMED VIROLOGICAL PATHOLOGY PART 2 60 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Associate Professor Nei-Yuan Hsiao Course entry requirements: PTY7034W Course outline:

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of general practitioners as specialist virological pathologists. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements, and candidates complete the relevant curriculum of the College of Pathologists of South Africa. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination of the College and receive credit towards PTY7032W. The purpose of this course is to apply the foundational knowledge obtained in the first part of training to practice in a clinical virology laboratory. Candidates study the structure and replication of viruses and the diseases which viruses produce to enable them to make an accurate laboratory diagnosis and practise effective clinical virology. The full detailed curriculum is available from the College of Pathologists at www.collegemedsa.ac.za.

**DP requirements:** Candidates must have completed a minimum of three and a half years of approved training in pathology. At least two and a half of the three and a half years must have been spent in a clinical virology laboratory. At least three months may be spent full-time in a microbiology laboratory or in clinical immunology. This may be part of the training in clinical virology.

**Assessment:** Candidates write the College of Pathologists examination: two written papers, a practical examination over two days to test applied laboratory virology, and an oral examination.

# PTY7033W VIROLOGICAL PATHOLOGY MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor Nei-Yuan Hsiao

# Course entry requirements: None

# **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. The dissertation must be between 15 000 and 20 000 words in length, or in a publication ready manuscript format and must be on a topic in virological pathology. The dissertation must be based on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Candidates are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. Candidates may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

## DP requirements: None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

# PTY7034W MMED VIROLOGICAL PATHOLOGY PART 1

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor Nei-Yuan Hsiao

## Course entry requirements: None

## **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of general practitioners as specialist clinical virologists. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements, and candidates complete the relevant curriculum of the College of Pathologists of South Africa. Candidates write the part 1 examination of the College of Pathologists to complete this part of the training programme.

#### DP requirements: None.

Assessment: College of Pathologist Medical Virology part 1 exam.

#### **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-specialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing. **Assessment:** The thesis is externally examined.

## PTY7037W FORENSIC PATHOLOGY THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10 Convener: Professor LJ Martin

#### **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-specialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

## PTY7038W FORENSIC TOXICOLOGY THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10 **Convener:** Professor LJ Martin

## **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-specialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

## PTY7039W FORENSIC MEDICINE THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

Convener: Professor LJ Martin

# **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly

debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-specialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing. **Assessment:** The thesis is externally examined.

# PTY7040W MPHIL IN PAEDIATRIC FORENSIC PATHOLOGY PART 1

120 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Emeritus Associate Professor ROC Kaschula and Professor LJ Martin

#### Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

This is a part-time course with periodic modules of intensive training involving a total of 75 hours of lectures and 30 hours of practicals/tutorials per annum for the first two years. The course is divided into four quarterly intensive modules, each lasting between 9 and 15 days with an assignment being undertaken at the end of each module. The modules are as follows: foetal, neonatal and paediatric autopsies and placentas; growth anomalies and injuries; medical, surgical and obstetric procedures, diseases and derangements; and clinical and in-depth forensic pathology relevant to childhood. In the event of a candidate securing adequate sponsorship and wishing to undertake the programme on a full-time basis, the four modules of instruction can be compressed into one year of full-time work in the Division of Forensic Medicine at UCT.

DP requirements: Successful completion of assignments.

Assessment: Progress in gaining appropriate skills and knowledge is monitored and assessed by supervising tutors during periods of intensive training, and the marking of assignments. Final evaluation takes place after the completion of all four modules and the submission of the four assignments. At this stage an examination is written comprising: two written papers (at 100 marks each) for a total of 200 marks; performance of an autopsy with histological reporting for 100 marks; practical microscope slide diagnoses for 100 marks; oral examination (external and internal examiners) for 100 marks; and summation of marks given for assignments for a total of 200 marks. There is a subminimum of 40% for each of the above aspects of the examination processes and after completing this with a minimum mark of 50%, the candidate may proceed with the preparation and submission of a research-based dissertation that requires a minimum 50% pass by an external examiner before the degree is awarded.

# **PTY7041W** PAEDIATRIC FORENSIC PATHOLOGY MINOR DISSERTATION 60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Emeritus Associate Professor ROC Kaschula and Professor LJ Martin

# Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. It must be between 15 000 and 20 000 words in length and must be on a topic in forensic pathology. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals and obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. Master's degree candidates must be able to reflect critically on theory and its application. They must be able to deal with complex issues systematically and creatively, to design and critically appraise research, to make sound judgements using data and information at their disposal, and to communicate their conclusions clearly to specialist and non-specialist audiences.

# DP requirements: None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

# PTY7042W BIOMEDICAL FORENSIC SCIENCE THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

Convener: Professor LJ Martin

# **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and nonspecialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

Assessment: The thesis is externally examined.

PTY7043W MMED IN FORENSIC PATHOLOGY PART 1

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor LJ Martin

Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of general practitioners as specialist forensic pathologists. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements, and candidates complete the relevant curriculum of the College of Pathologists of South Africa. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination of the College and receive credit towards PTY7043W. The aim of the course is to build foundational knowledge in pathology that will enable candidates to describe features that may be diagnostic, to diagnose or offer differential diagnoses where relevant, and to comment on special stains that may be required to confirm their diagnosis. This includes the principles of general pathology, the pathology of general systemic and systematic diseases (including the vascular system, the heart, the haemopoietic system, the lympho-reticular system and the lung, the head and neck, the gastrointestinal system, the liver and biliary tract, the pancreas, the kidneys and urinary tract, the breast, endocrine system, skin, skeletal system, and central nervous system). For the full curriculum, see the relevant regulations of the College of Pathologists at www.collegemedsa.ac.za. At the end of the training the candidate has extensive knowledge of the practical application of anatomical pathology in the medicolegal field, with particular emphasis on the aetiology, epidemiology, classification, pathogenesis and the macroscopic and microscopic appearances of pathology seen in deaths commonly due to natural causes in man, with further emphasis on cases of sudden unexpected deaths and 'natural' secondary complications following 'unnatural' primary injuries.

**DP requirements:** A minimum of one year training in forensic pathology and a minimum of one year training, but not more than two years training, in anatomical pathology.

**Assessment:** Candidates write the Part 1 examination of the South African College of Forensic Pathologists. Examinations comprise two three-hour written papers, and a three-hour slide examination of 15 haematoxylin and eosin and/or other stained sections.

#### PTY7044W CLINICAL PATHOLOGY MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor J Opie

Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. The dissertation must be written according to the most recent guidelines as prescribed by the University and must be on a topic in clinical pathology. The dissertation must be based on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate

was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. Candidates may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

# **DP requirements:** None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

# PTY7045W FORENSIC GENETICS THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

Convener: Dr L Heathfield

## **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-specialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing **Assessment:** The thesis is externally examined.

#### PTY7046W FORENSIC ENTOMOLOGY THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

Convener: Prof L Martin

#### **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and nonspecialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing

**DP requirements:** Progress will be monitored through annual progress reports and supervisor meetings.

Assessment: The thesis is externally examined.

# PTY4014F OMICS MEDICINE

15 NQF credits at NQF level 8

#### **Course outline:**

Omics is a rapidly evolving, multi-disciplinary, and emerging field that encompasses genomics, epigenomics, transcriptomics, proteomics, and metabolomics. Each of these fields offers the possibility to understand and view biology from a global perspective in a way that was previously unthinkable. Exploiting the potential of omics for clinical diagnosis, prognosis, and therapeutic purposes has currently been receiving a lot of attention. High-throughput methodologies can rapidly provide a global picture of the processes within cells at multiple levels, allowing for accelerated discoveries in health and disease. This course will introduce a solid foundation of molecular biology,

it will involve a review of Mendelian and non-Mendelian inheritance, pedigrees as tools to understand family relationships & inheritance of disorders, sex-linked inheritance (e.g. the Y-chromosome), and disorders arising from chromosomal abnormalities, the role of genetics in sexuality and principal of genetic epidemiology. In addition, this course will introduce students to theoretical concepts and principles of various Omics technologies and their application in medicine. The course will be in the form of lectures and the discussion of papers. The course will be taught by faculty members with wide expertise consisting of both scientists and physicians, taking the student through aspects of what is observed in the clinic or hospital to how it is resolved in the laboratory. Teaching will cover technologies include, but are not limited to cancer, genomics, proteomics, epigenomics, metabolomics, transcriptomics, microbiomics, pharmacogenomics, globinopathies and genetic testing.

# **PTY4015F** OMICS DATA GENERATION, TECHNOLOGIES/PLATFORMS 15 NQF credits at NQF level 8

# **Course outline:**

The rise of technologies that simultaneously measure thousands of data points represents the heart of systems biology. These technologies have had a huge impact on the discovery of next-generation diagnostics, biomarkers, and drugs in the precision medicine era. Driven by high-throughput omics technologies and the computational surge, it enables multi-scale and insightful overviews of cells, organisms, and populations. Exploiting the potential of Omics for clinical diagnosis, prognosis, and therapeutic purposes has currently been receiving a lot of attention. High-throughput methodologies can rapidly provide a global picture of the processes within genes, protein, cells at multiple levels, allowing for accelerated discoveries in health and disease. This course will introduce students to laboratory techniques, High-throughput methodologies and systematic comprehension of each Omics (genomics, proteomics, epigenomics, metabolomics, transcriptomics, microbiomics, pharmacogenomics) data standard, their choice for appropriate clinical application. Topics to cover in this course not limit to 1, introduction to High-throughput platform methodologies of each Omics (genomics, proteomics, epigenomics, metabolomics, transcriptomics, microbiomics. pharmacogenomics). 2. introduction to each Omics laboratory techniques (from DNA extraction, PCR to next Generation sequencing techniques). 3. Understanding each Omics (genomics, proteomics, epigenomics, metabolomics, transcriptomics, microbiomics, pharmacogenomics) data standard and clinical application.

# PTY4016F HIGH-PERFORMANCE COMPUTING

15 NQF credits at NQF level 8

#### **Course outline:**

Omics is an advanced analytical research field aiming for holistic characterization of any biological system or organism of interest involving serious computational cost tasks. In addition, the accumulation of new high throughput experimental data in biology results in high volumes of biomedical data which are difficult to manage, to store and to analyse. This course serves as an applied module for understanding High-Performance Computing techniques related to process, store, manage and transfer big biomedical data sets in enabling students to apply such skills in their respective projects. The course will empower biomedical students with solid foundations for developing, analysing, and implementing parallel and locality-efficient for computationally cost tasks in big Omics data science using high-Performance Computing techniques via Linux command. Below are topics that will involve in this course: • Introduce Linux programing and High-Performance Computing. • Able to appreciate latest and emerging technologies in accessing the clusters and git. • Introduce to NUMA and thread affinity. • Introduce to parallel Omics data analysis: Netflix.

**PTY4017S** OMICS-BASED SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMMING WITH PYTHON 15 NQF credits at NQF level 8

#### **Course outline:**

Computing has revolutionized the biological and biomedical sciences over the past several decades, such that virtually all contemporary research in molecular biology, biochemistry, and other biosciences utilizes computer programs. Python is a programming language that is increasingly popular in scientifics era, particularly in the field of biomedical within various large-scale "Omics" to process and manipulate. This course will empower biomedical students with the ability and the solid foundation in using Python as computer language for solving computational, statistical problems pertinent to biomedical data science and for analysing big Omics data and their manipulation. In addition, this course will empower students with the ability for developing numerical/scientific computing and problem-solving biomedical skills through writing computers scripts with respect to various Omics approaches. Topics to be covered will include and not limited to • understand types of control structures for big biomedical data science, as building blocks for all computer scripts. manipulate data structures and advanced programming objects to handle large-scale big data. • understand the concepts/management of variable assignment, different data types, the memory allocation model, functions and function calls, with the mechanics of argument passing. • appreciate the importance of writing programs with I/O capabilities. • introduction to object-oriented programming and effectively write computer programs. • retrieve process and manipulate arrays for big Omics data types.

# **PTY4021F/S** OMICS RESEARCH AND BIO-INDUSTRY METHODOLOGY 15 NQF credits at NQF level 8

# **Course outline:**

The Biotechnology and Biomedical industries are highly volatile and unpredictable sector due to the scientifically intensive operations of companies that reside here. Markets served include medical, agricultural, environmental, and industrial. Biotechnology/Biomedical firms are among the most research-intensive organizations in the world. This course will (1) provide training to biomedical students in industry approaches and practices (2) empower biomedical students with detailed understanding of entrepreneurial skills and concepts; and with necessary competencies to run, involve or establish their own entrepreneurial venture in a business context and (3) facilitate interaction between biomedical students with various bio-industries. Topics to be covered are • Biomedical research and bio-industries principles/concepts, processes and all their facets in the work/research environment. • Scientific research, ethical principles and behaviour in research, and the nature, methods and process of conducting quantitative and qualitative biomedical research. • Standards and practice in a bio-industry sectors related to biomedical research or career ambitions. • Entrepreneurial skills and concepts; and concepts; and concepts; ontext in biomedical sectors.

# PTY5003F/S PRINCIPLES OF GENETIC COUNSELLING (COURSEWORK)

10 NQF credits at NQF level 9

**Objective:** The Learning outcomes of the course are:- Describe the scope, structure and goals of genetic counselling.- Describe and critically evaluate the rang of genetic counselling techniques used in practice.- Describe risk communication and decision making.- Obtain a family history and draw apedigree.- Discuss ethical considerations in the field of Genetics.

#### **Course outline:**

The course aims to introduce students to the principles of genetic counselling. Genetic counselling is the process of helping people understand and adapt to the medical, psychological and familial implications of genetic contributions to disease. It provides individuals and their families with information about genetic conditions, availability of diagnostic testing, and risks in other family members within a framework of nondirective counselling and ethical principles. Content includes the purpose and structure of genetic counselling session, genetic counselling techniques used in practice, the scope of genetic counselling, professional communication skills appropriate to various settings and audiences and the various settings in which genetic counsellors practise, and ethical considerations in the field of genetics. **DP requirements:** Completion of all course requirements. The student must obtain an average 45% for in-course assessments to be eligible to write the exam.

# **PTY5004F/S** PRINCIPLES OF GENETIC COUNSELLING (APPLIED LEARNING) 10 NQF credits at NQF level 9

#### **Course outline:**

The purpose of this course is to enable students to broaden their knowledge of the principles of genetic counselling and to apply theory to practice. Genetic counselling is the process of helping people understand and adapt to the medical, psychological and familial implications of genetic contributions to disease. It provides individuals and their families with information about genetic conditions, availability of diagnostic testing, and risks in other family members within a framework of nondirective counselling and ethical principles. Students will learn to critically evaluate genetic counselling literature and apply theory in role-plays, assignments and workshops. There will be group work and case-based learning, longitudinal learning and consolidated learning.

# PTY5005F/S MEDICAL GENETICS I

12 NQF credits at NQF level 9

#### **Course outline:**

This course describes the diagnosis, natural course and management of human diseases that are at least partially genetic in origin. It deals with hereditary diseases, the mechanisms of hereditary transmission and the variation of inherited characteristics among individuals with the same disorders. Commonly encountered medical genetic conditions will be covered in more detail including aspects of diagnosis and management.

# PTY5006F/S MEDICAL GENETICS II

12 NQF credits at NQF level 9

#### **Course outline:**

This course describes the diagnosis, natural course and management of human diseases that are at least partially genetic in origin. It deals with hereditary diseases, the mechanisms of hereditary transmission and the variation of inherited characteristics among individuals with the same disorders. Commonly encountered medical genetic conditions are covered, including aspects of diagnosis and management as well as genetic mechanisms and testing for genetic conditions

# PTY6030S OMICS-WIDE ASSOCIATION STUDIES

# 15 NQF credits at NQF level 9

# Course outline:

Omics epidemiology holds great potential for personalized medicine and improved biological knowledge of disease pathophysiology. More recently, Omics-wide association studies (OWAS) has become the method of choice for studying disease etiology and has been made possible by the generation of human genetic variation maps, the large-scale availability of clinically-phenotyped samples and the development of statistical methods to identify significantly associated genetic variants without bias. This course describes the concept/data analysis in Omics association studies in general, the study design, power calculation, data quality control approach, clinical applications, limitations and its future trends. Learning Objectives: • Introduce the OWAS study design, power calculation, data quality control, analysis of various Omics-wide association scans. • Over and above the fundamental assumptions, showcase recent successes and discuss limitations of each OWAS by exposing students to new disease-mapping, OWAS microbiomics/transcriptomics techniques to overcome current limitations.
#### **Course outline:**

Pharmacomicrobiomics is an emerging field that investigates the interplay of microbiome variation and drugs response and disposition (absorption, distribution, metabolism and excretion). This course will equip students with an integrated view and bioinformatics approach of Pharmacogenomics, microbiomics and Pharmacomicrobiomics technologies relevant to human health. The course will provide a foundation on the principles of microbiomes in integrative methods for pharmacomicrobiomics data of which will initiate academia-industry links that inform future research directions in biomedical research. Topics to cover in this course are: 1. Key gene classes, drugs for which genetics is critical and resources for pharmacogenomics. 2. Phamarcogenomics and PharmacoMicrobiomics databases 3. Different pharmacogenomic approaches to understand drug responses and treatments variability 4. Microbes and the human microbiome and cover topics such as the influence of the gut microbiota on our nutrition, health and behaviour. 5. Studying the microbiome: Statistical data analysis of microbial communities and Microbiome Genome-wide Association Studies. 6. Explore integrative approaches used in pharmacomicrobiomics.

## PTY60338 COMPUTATIONAL PHYLOGENETICS

15 NQF credits at NQF level 9

### **Course outline:**

Phylogenetic inference is essential for defining species boundaries, species identifications, recognition of cryptic species, testing systematic hypotheses such as infection transmission, identifying evolutionary history within a group of organisms based on the inheritance of ancestral characteristics and biogeographic patterns and understanding the evolution of traits. This course will introduce students to phylogeny, particularly to (1) the general mathematics behind the trees and evolutionary models such as distance and parsimony methods, coalescence theory, maximum likelihood methods, Bayesian methods, phylodynamics, branch supports, bootstrapping; (2) will able students to the potential of selecting the best method and evolutionary model and Working with public sequence repositories (BLAST, uploading data). Expose student to tree dating, reconstructing and using character evolution, molecular epidemiology and interpretation of tree topology and nodal support.

## PTY6028F OMICS DATA GENERATION

10 NQF credits at NQF level 9

## Course outline:

The rise of technologies that simultaneously measure thousands of data points represents the heart of systems biology. These technologies have had a huge impact on the discovery of next-generation diagnostics, biomarkers, and drugs in the precision medicine era. Driven by high-throughput omics technologies and the computational surge, multi-scale and insightful overviews of cells, organisms, and populations is possible. Exploiting the potential of Omics for clinical diagnosis, prognosis, and therapeutic purposes has been receiving a lot of attention. High-throughput methodologies can rapidly provide a global picture of the processes within genes, protein, cells at multiple levels, allowing for accelerated discoveries in health and disease. This course will introduce students to laboratory techniques, High-throughput methodologies and systematic comprehension of each Omics (genomics, proteomics, epigenomics, metabolomics, transcriptomics, microbiomics, pharmacogenomics) data standards, and their choice for appropriate clinical application. • introduce current state-of-the art bioinformatics techniques related to the processing, quality control, analysis and interpretation of high-throughput next generation sequencing data; • enable students understanding of the new trends in sequence, alignment, variant and copy number variation calling, protein and gene expression analysis and; • introduce analysis of in silico mutation prioritization and prediction of pathogenicity and enrichment analysis.

#### **Course outline:**

This course will provide training in industry approaches and practices, empower students with a detailed understanding of the entrepreneurial skills and concepts; the necessary competencies to run, or establish their own entrepreneurial venture in a business context, and the applications of OMICS data. We will facilitate interaction between biomedical students with various bio-industries and applications such as Forensics. Topics to be covered are Biomedical research and bio-industries principles/concepts, processes and all their facets in the work/research environment. Scientific research, ethical principles and behaviour in research, and the nature, methods and process of conducting quantitative and qualitative biomedical research. This course will also cover different techniques used for DNA profiling, interpreting DNA profiles, Mitochondrial DNA analysis, Y chromosome markers. 2. introduce machine intelligence approaches to identify and establish paternity, relationship testing, prediction of age and externally visible characteristics using SNPs, STRs, and mitochondria, Next Generation Sequencing technologies. 3. introduce forensic statistics methods to leverage Omics data in evaluating forensic evidence. • introduce different techniques used for DNA profiling, interpreting DNA profiles, Mitochondrial DNA analysis, Y chromosome markers. • introduce machine intelligence approaches to identify and establish paternity, relationship testing, prediction of age and externally visible characteristics using SNPs, STRs, and mitochondria, Next Generation Sequencing technologies. • introduce forensic statistics methods to leverage Omics data in evaluating forensic evidence. • introduce computer forensics through the development of a multiagent system and case-based reasoning.

## PTY6033F COMPUTATIONAL PHYLOGENETICS

15 NQF credits at NQF level 9

#### **Course outline:**

Phylogenetic inference is essential for defining species boundaries, species identifications, recognition of cryptic species, testing systematic hypotheses such as infection transmission, identifying evolutionary history within a group of organisms based on the inheritance of ancestral characteristics and biogeographic patterns and understanding the evolution of traits. This course will introduce students to phylogeny, particularly to (1) the general mathematics behind the trees and evolutionary models such as distance and parsimony methods, coalescence theory, maximum likelihood methods, Bayesian methods, phylodynamics, branch supports, bootstrapping; (2) will able students to the potential of selecting the best method and evolutionary model and Working with public sequence repositories (BLAST, uploading data). Expose student to tree dating, reconstructing and using character evolution, molecular epidemiology and interpretation of tree topology and nodal support.

## PTY4018F BIOMEDICAL DATA ANALYSIS WITH R

15 NQF credits at NQF level 8

#### **Course outline:**

The importance of biomedical data analysis, the analysis of variability that draws on our ability to quantify uncertainty and to draw logical inferences from observations, experiment in biomedical data science have been increasing at an unprecedented pace with the advancements of high-throughput biological data. Foundation in explaining and programming statistical concepts, will thereby bridge the gap in appropriately mining Omics data sciences and their interpretation. In that regards, this course seeks to empower biomedical students with the ability of analysing and interpreting Omics data through various statistical and inference approaches omics data sciences using R programming language. This course will empower students with best practices of being biomedical data science analyst with special emphasized on various Omics data science. Topics to be covered in this course are • R programming • Biomedical data visualization with R • Biomedical data manipulation with R • Understanding distributions in statistics and Population/sample • statistical inference and tests. • Foundation in machine learnings for biomedical data analysis

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#### PRY4003W MENTAL HEALTH EPIDEMIOLOGY

30 NQF credits at NQF level 8 **Convener:** Ms Shaheema Allie

#### **Course outline:**

This course aims to provide the student with an in-depth understanding of mental health epidemiology, including the global mental health burden. On completion of this course, students will be able to demonstrate a good understanding of: (i) basic epidemiological concepts (ii) study designs used in mental health epidemiology and will be able to identify the strengths & limitations of these designs, and appropriate study designs for epidemiological research questions (iii) the need for cultural adaptation of measures and the adaptation process.

**DP requirements:** Students are required to attend a minimum of 70% of mandatory sessions. Relevant reasons for non-attendance will be taken into account.

Assessment: The weighting of the final results consists of participation and engagement (20%) and course assignments (80%).Participation & engagement (20%) consists of: Attendance (5%): Students

are required to attend a minimum of 70% of mandatory sessions. Relevant reasons for non-attendance will be taken into account. Activity engagement (15%): Students need to complete at least 50% of the activities. The quality of online, asynchronous engagement will be assessed on the following criteria: participation in an activity, engagement with the activity content and engagement with peers. Course assignments (80%)Assignments should be completed with a sub-minimum of 50%.

## PRY4004W RESEARCH METHODOLOGY FOR PUBLIC MENTAL HEALTH

30 NQF credits at NQF level 8 **Convener:** Ms Shaheema Allie

## Course outline:

The purpose of this course is to provide instruction in research methodology that is specific to the discipline of public mental health. Content includes the following: introduction to quantitative research methods, introduction to statistics, introduction to qualitative research methods, and mixed methods research.

**DP requirements:** Students are required to attend a minimum of 70% of mandatory sessions. Relevant reasons for non-attendance will be taken into account.

Assessment: The weighting of the final results consists of participation and engagement (20%) and course assignments (80%). Participation & engagement (20%) consists of: Attendance (5%): Students are required to attend a minimum of 70% of mandatory sessions. Relevant reasons for non-attendance will be taken into account. Activity engagement (15%): Students need to complete at least 50% of the activities. The quality of online, asynchronous engagement will be assessed on the following criteria: participation in an activity, engagement with the activity content and engagement with peers. Course assignments (80%)Assignments should be completed with a sub-minimum of 50%.

## **PRY4005W** INTRODUCTION TO PUBLIC MENTAL HEALTH

30 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Ms Shaheema Allie

#### **Course outline:**

This course aims to provide students with an in-depth understanding of

(i) the public mental health approach,

(ii) the interplay between culture and mental health and

(iii) mental health policy and systems, including development, implementation and monitoring and evaluation. Additionally, the course aims to equip students with leadership and management skills. On completion of this course, students will be able to demonstrate a good understanding of:

(i) public mental health as a discipline, and the different ideological approaches and associated debates,

(ii) policy development & analysis, social determinants, health systems research, financing & service models

(iii) the interplay between culture & mental health (with regard to language, ways of understanding wellbeing & illness, and treatment) Additionally, students will acquire academic communication, self-management, teamwork and advocacy skills.

**DP requirements:** Students are required to attend a minimum of 70% of mandatory sessions. Relevant reasons for non-attendance will be taken into account.

Assessment: The weighting of the final results consists of participation and engagement (20%) and course assignments (80%). Participation & engagement (20%) consists of: Attendance (5%): Students are required to attend a minimum of 70% of mandatory sessions. Relevant reasons for non-attendance will be taken into account. Activity engagement (15%): Students need to complete at least 50% of the activities. The quality of online, asynchronous engagement will be assessed on the following criteria: participation in an activity, engagement with the activity content and engagement with peers. Course assignments (80%)Assignments should be completed with a sub-minimum of 50%.

## **PRY4006W** MENTAL HEALTH INTERVENTIONS

30 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Ms Shaheema Allie

Course entry requirements: PRY4005W

#### **Course outline:**

This module aims to provide students with an in-depth understanding of mental health interventions, and knowledge and skills to develop, implement and evaluate mental health interventions. Specifically, the module aims to equip graduates to:

•Locate their interventions in a broad context (environmental scanning)

•Facilitate the development of proposals for interventions

•Raise funds for interventions

•Facilitate the implementation of interventions

•Evaluate interventions

**DP requirements:** Students are required to attend a minimum of 70% of mandatory sessions. Relevant reasons for non-attendance will be taken into account.

Assessment: The weighting of the final results consists of participation and engagement (20%) and course assignments (80%). Participation & engagement (20%) consists of: Attendance (5%): Students are required to attend a minimum of 70% of mandatory sessions. Relevant reasons for non-attendance will be taken into account. Activity engagement (15%): Students need to complete at least 50% of the activities. The quality of online, asynchronous engagement will be assessed on the following criteria: participation in an activity, engagement with the activity content and engagement with peers. Course assignments (80%)Assignments should be completed with a sub-minimum of 50%.

## **PRY4008W** EVIDENCE-BASED TREATMENT APPROACHES

15 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: G Hendricks

**Course entry requirements:** PRY4013F

#### **Course outline:**

This course provides students with an understanding of evidence-based treatment approaches for addictive disorders. Students are exposed to evidence-based principles of treatment and learn about the theoretical foundation, core concepts and principal techniques of several evidence-based psychosocial treatment models. Students are provided with intensive training in motivational interviewing and are expected to participate in role-play exercises. Basic training in cognitive behavioural therapy for the treatment of substance use disorders is included in the course. Other treatment approaches including 12-step programmes, the Matrix Model, and harm reduction are also critically explored. The course is taught through lectures, practical demonstrations and role-play exercises.

**DP requirements:** Students need to attend a minimum of 70% of lectures. All assignments must be submitted. A subminimum of 45% for the coursework is required in order to be granted admission to the final examination.

Assessment: Assignments: 40%; final written examination: 60%.

# **PRY4009F** SCREENING AND ASSESSMENT OF ADDICTIVE DISORDERS 15 NOF credits at NOF level 8

Convener: G Hendricks

**Course entry requirements:** PRY4013F

#### **Course outline:**

This course equips students to screen patients for problematic alcohol and drug use and conduct comprehensive assessments of the nature, extent and severity of alcohol- and other drug-related problems. Students are taught to use various screening tools and to effectively feedback these results during brief interventions with patients. Students learn how to take a holistic patient history, conduct a mental state examination and present a concise etiological formulation. The practical application of

urine testing in treatment settings is discussed. Students are taught principles and practical approaches to risk assessment, and clinical considerations relevant to alcohol and other drugs are examined. The implications that assessment findings have for patient placement and treatment planning are also outlined.

**DP requirements:** Students need to attend a minimum of 70% of lectures. All assignments must be submitted. A subminimum of 45% for the coursework is required in order to be granted admission to the final examination.

Assessment: Assignments: 40%; final written examination: 60%.

## PRY4010S CASE MANAGEMENT AND SERVICE MONITORING

15 NQF credits at NQF level 8 Convener: G Hendricks

Course entry requirements: PRY4013F

## Course outline:

This course provides students with insight into the process of treatment and recovery from addictive disorders and ways in which patient progress towards recovery can be facilitated through proper case management and effective monitoring. Students are introduced to specific case management techniques. The various roles of the multidisciplinary team and the challenges arising in case management are examined. Students are taught about the management of diversions and committals for substance use disorders, referral pathways and the function of assertive community treatment (ACT). Students also explore techniques of evaluating and monitoring addictions services so that the quality and impact of services can be assessed and improvements made where needed.

**DP requirements:** Students need to attend a minimum of 70% of lectures. All assignments must be submitted. A subminimum of 45% for the coursework is required in order to be granted admission to the final examination.

Assessment: Assignments: 40%; final written examination: 60%.

## PRY4011F MANAGING CO-OCCURRING MENTAL DISORDERS

15 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: G Hendricks

## Course entry requirements: PRY4013F

#### Course outline:

This course enables students to identify other mental disorders that frequently co-occur alongside addictive disorders, as well as infectious diseases that co-occur alongside addictions. Students learn about shared risk factors for these disorders in vulnerable population groups. Students also learn about common approaches to managing these disorders in addiction treatment and evidence of their effectiveness. An overview of basic psychopharmacology is included in this course.

**DP requirements:** Students need to attend a minimum of 70% of lectures. All assignments need to be submitted. A subminimum of 45% for the coursework is required in order to be granted admission to the final examination.

Assessment: Assignments: 40%; final written examination: 60%.

## PRY40128 ETHICS & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

15 NQF credits at NQF level 8 Convener: G Hendricks

**Course entry requirements:** PRY4013F

#### Course outline:

This course provides students with an overview of key ethics principles when intervening in substance use disorders and the application of these principles to common ethical dilemmas that arise when attempting to prevent or manage illegal behaviours. Human rights concerns related to the treatment of addictive disorders and the impact human rights abuses have on patient outcomes, both in South Africa and in other countries, are also examined. Students are taught about relevant legislation that impacts on their work in the addictions field. Students are also introduced to other key issues relating to professional addiction workforce development.

**DP** requirements: Students need to attend a minimum of 70% of lectures. All assignments must be submitted. A subminimum of 45% for the coursework is required in order to be granted admission to the final examination.

Assessment: Assignments: 40%; final written examination: 60%.

## PRY4013F UNDERSTANDING ADDICTIVE DISORDERS

15 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: G Hendricks

#### Course entry requirements: None

## Course outline:

This course provides students with an overview of alcohol and drug use both globally and in South Africa, and the burden of harm associated with their use. Theoretical models for understanding addiction are introduced. Students learn about the etiology of substance use disorders, as well as protective and risk factors contributing to their presentation. Barriers to treatment access are explored and students are taught about the neurobiology of addiction. An overview of classification systems for substances of misuse is provided and students are introduced to the range of interventions used to prevent initiation to alcohol and drug use, reverse the negative consequences of use, and/or limit the harmful effects of alcohol and drugs where use continues.

**DP requirements:** Students need to attend a minimum of 70% of lectures. All assignments must be submitted. A subminimum of 45% for the coursework is required in order to be granted admission to the final examination.

Assessment: Assignments: 40%; final written examination: 60%.

# **PRY4015F** MANAGING CHILDREN & ADOLESCENTS WITH ADDICTIVE DISORDERS

15 NQF credits at NQF level 8 Convener: G Hendricks Course entry requirements: PRY4013F Course outline:

This course provides students with an overview of risk and protective factors for child and adolescent substance misuse, and discusses the prevention and treatment of substance use disorders amongst children and adolescents. Students learn about the normal stages of child and adolescent development, and how these may be affected by substance misuse. Students are exposed to low-threshold evidence-based interventions for adolescents who misuse substances, as well as to ways to diagnose and effectively treat substance misuse among adolescents. Dual diagnosis, facilitating groups with adolescents, the impact of foetal alcohol spectrum disorders and prenatal methamphetamine exposure are also discussed.

**DP requirements:** Students need to attend a minimum of 70% of lectures. All assignments must be submitted. A subminimum of 45% for the coursework is required in order to be granted admission to the final examination.

Assessment: Assignments: 40%; final written examination: 60%.

## PRY4016S WORKING WITH THE FAMILY AND SOCIAL NETWORKS

15 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: G Hendricks

#### Course entry requirements: PRY4013F

#### Course outline:

This course provides students with insight into the impact that addictive disorders have on the structure and functioning of the family, and the important role that the family plays in the treatment of addictive disorders. Family dynamics are examined, and concepts popular in the addictions field, such as co-dependency, are critically discussed. Students learn appropriate ways to educate the family about how

to respond effectively to addiction, and how to provide appropriate family support. The role of social networks in recovery is also addressed.

**DP requirements:** Students need to attend a minimum of 70% of lectures. All assignments must be submitted. A subminimum of 45% for the coursework is required in order to be granted admission to the final examination.

Assessment: Assignments: 40%; final written examination: 60%.

# **PRY4018F/S** INTRODUCTION TO PSYCHODYNAMIC CONCEPTS IN PSYCHOTHERAPY

#### PSYCHOTHERAPY

25 NQF credits at NQF level 8 **Convener:** E Benjamin and L Frenkel

## Course outline:

This course gives a basic introduction to core principles of the psychodynamic model and how to recognise them in the process of counselling. Topics covered include the unconscious, transference and countertransference, the therapeutic alliance, and resistance. Candidates are taught how to understand and how to manage these dynamics and, importantly, when it is appropriate to refer to a psychologist. It also introduces the students to the continuum of psychodynamic interventions, teaching core skills in the assessment for and practice of the supportive psychotherapy model. Finally, it considers issues of the broader application of psychodynamic principles with the focus on issues of culture and diversity.

**DP requirements:** Students are required to attend 90% of lectures and participate in all lectures, practical sessions, workshops and tutorials. Attendance is monitored through the signing of an attendance register at each session. Students are required to submit all coursework.

Assessment: Assignment: 100% of the course mark. Any student failing to obtain 50% will have one opportunity to rewrite the assignment.

#### **PRY4019F/S** BASIC THERAPEUTIC COMPETENCIES

30 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: L Abrahams and G Hendricks

## **Course outline:**

This course covers basic competencies common to all methods of psychotherapeutic intervention. These include establishing and negotiating a therapeutic relationship, basic listening and reflecting skills, an awareness of the 'frame' and professional boundaries, an awareness of layers of meaning in interaction, reflective thinking, containment, resistance, and termination. In addition, the course addresses the basic principles of establishing and maintaining a positive therapeutic alliance; understanding and formulating patients' problems; setting realistic treatment goals with patients, helping them maintain or re-establish their best possible level of functioning given the limitations of their personality, native ability, and life circumstances; and practical techniques. Finally, the course introduces knowledge of research-based practice guidelines, assessment of psychotherapy and formulation, and shows how to make appropriate referrals.

**DP requirements:** Students are expected to attend 90% of lectures and participate in all lectures, practical sessions, workshops and tutorials. Students are required to submit all coursework as required in their course manuals.

**Assessment:** Assignment: 100% of the course mark. Any student failing to obtain 50% will have one opportunity to rewrite the assignment.

## PRY4020F/S INTRODUCTION TO COGNITIVE BEHAVIOURAL THERAPY

25 NQF credits at NQF level 8

## Convener: N Parker

## **Course outline:**

This course gives instruction in both the core principles of this fundamental treatment modality and its practice in real-world treatment settings, addressing theoretical, technical, and clinical issues. It focuses on key features of CBT, beginning with the origins of the CBT model and an overview of core

theories and techniques that guide the work of effective cognitive-behaviour therapists, and includes core methods and desired elements of the therapeutic relationship in CBT, including how to conceptualise a case with the CBT model and how to structure effective sessions; the critical functions of structure and psycho-education; pragmatic instructions on how to implement the most important CBT methods, including specific methods used to identify and change maladaptive cognitions and practice in major psychiatric disorders; overcoming common clinical problems in implementing CBT; and guidelines and measures to assess progress toward achieving competency in CBT and continuing to build skills in this effective treatment approach.

**DP requirements:** Students are expected to attend 90% of lectures and participate in all lectures, practical sessions, workshops and tutorials. Students are required to submit all coursework as required in their course manuals.

Assessment: Case presentation: 100% of the course mark. Any student failing to obtain 50% will have one opportunity to redo the case presentation.

## PRY4021F/S ETHICAL PRACTICE IN PSYCHOTHERAPY

15 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: G Hendricks

## Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

This course engages students with the range of ethical dilemmas that arise in the practice of psychotherapy. Students are presented with a framework for ranking ethical issues which guides ethical decision-making. Case examples from the students' own experience are used and worked through, in order to familiarise them with legal, ethical and clinical principles underlying professional conduct. Topics include informed consent and confidentiality and their limits; treatment of minors and other vulnerable clients; clinical competence; boundaries and multiple relationships; and management of social media and other forms of communication in an ethical and professional manner. The course is designed to promote reflective ethical practice, to provide guidance on common ethical dilemmas, and to prevent ethical challenges before they occur.

**DP requirements:** Students are required to attend 90% of lectures and participate in all lectures, practical sessions, workshops and tutorials. Students are required to submit all coursework as required in their course manuals.

**Assessment:** Assignment: 100% of the course mark. Any student failing to obtain 50% will have one opportunity to rewrite the assignment.

## PRY4022F/S EVIDENCE-BASED PRACTICE

25 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Professor S Kleintjes and E Benjamin

## Course entry requirements: None

**Objective:** Student will critically examine the issue of 'evidence' in counselling and psychotherapy and understand the terms and methodology of evidence- based practice and evidence –based treatments as it applies to counselling and psychotherapy.

## **Course outline:**

Students will explore the applicability of evidence to clinical work and the limitations and advantages of evidence- based treatment EBT as well as learn the skills to search for and evaluate evidence in the field of counselling and psychotherapy. This is done through exposure to evidence-based techniques and treatment interventions for selected common DSM-V disorders and other presenting problems.

**DP requirements:** Students are required to attend 90% of lectures and participate in all lectures, practical sessions, workshops and tutorials. Students are required to submit all coursework as required in their course manuals.

Assessment: Oral presentation: 100% of the course mark. Any student failing to obtain 50% will have one opportunity to redo the oral presentation.

## PRY4023F/S INTEGRATED ASSESSMENT

0 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: G Hendricks

Course entry requirements: Successful completion of all other courses.

**Course outline:** 

Not applicable. This course exists for the sole purpose of recording an integrated, overall mark. **DP requirements:** None

**Assessment:** The final integrated examination requires students to submit a specified number of case reports, and has an oral examination component. Students are required to pass the individual courses as well as the integrated assessment with a minimum of 50% each in order to be awarded the Diploma.

## **PRY7001W** PSYCHIATRY THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

## Convener: Professor DJ Stein

## Course outline:

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-specialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

## PRY7006W MPHIL IN CHILD AND ADOLESCENT PSYCHIATRY PART 1

120 NQF credits at NQF level 9 **Convener:** Professor PJ de Vries

#### **Course outline:**

Assessment, formulation and treatment in child & adolescent psychiatry; neurodevelopment and child health; social and applied psychology relevant to child & adolescent psychiatry.

**DP requirements:** In order to be eligible to present themselves for the College of Medicine Certificate in Child and Adolescent Psychiatry examination, the candidate must have at least 18 months full-time experience or the part-time equivalent thereof. This experience must involve primary clinical responsibility for children and adolescents experiencing the full range of child and adolescent mental health disorders under appropriate sub-specialist supervision. At least 12 months of this period must have involved full-time clinical training in approved clinical units.

Assessment: Six-monthly in-course assessment and College Certificate Examination.

## PRY7007W MMED IN PSYCHIATRY PART 1

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Dr N Dyakalashe Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of general practitioners as specialist psychiatrists. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements, and candidates complete the relevant curriculum of the College of Psychiatrists of SA. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination of the College and receive credit towards PRY7007W. The purpose of this course is to build a foundational knowledge of the neurosciences, namely neuroanatomy, neurophysiology and psychopharmacology,

as these apply to modern psychiatry. The course content also covers psychology, biostatistics and genetics.

**DP requirements:** Candidates must have spent one year in full-time capacity non-psychiatric clinical employment or research, or one year full-time in an approved appointment in a psychiatric department of a teaching hospital.

**Assessment:** Candidates write three papers (Neurosciences, Psychology, and Psychiatry) and a Psychiatry clinical examination or must pass the Part 1 examination of the College of Psychiatrists of South Africa.

PRY7008W MMED IN PSYCHIATRY PART 2 60 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Dr N Dyakalashe Course entry requirements: PRY7007W Course outline:

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of general practitioners as specialist psychiatrists. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements, and candidates complete the relevant curriculum of the College of Psychiatrists of SA. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination of the College and receive credit towards PRY7008W. The purpose of this training component is to apply the knowledge gained about the basic sciences, behavioural sciences, medical disciplines such as general medicine and paediatrics, as well as other relevant disciplines, to the clinical practice of psychiatry, intellectual disability and psychotherapy. By the end of training, students should be able to diagnose and manage a variety of common and some less common clinical problems they will encounter in practice. For the full curriculum and examination details, see the regulations of the College of Psychiatry of South Africa at <u>www.collegemedsa.ac.za</u>.

**DP requirements:** Candidates must have been qualified for at least five years; must have spent at least three years in a clinical appointment where they had primary responsibility for patients suffering from psychiatric illness; must have spent at least one year on the staff of an approved psychiatric hospital; must have had satisfactory experience in a community psychiatric service; must have had satisfactory experience in a community psychiatric service; must have had satisfactory supervised experience in psychotherapy, in emergency and crisis care, in the care of psychiatrically ill aged patients, alcoholics, drug dependants and intellectually disabled patients, and in forensic psychiatry.

**Assessment:** Candidates write the final examination of the College of Psychiatrists. The examination comprises three written papers, a clinical examination, an oral examination and an OSCE.

#### PRY7009W PSYCHIATRY MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr N Dyakalashe

Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. The dissertation must be between 15 000 and 20 000 words in length, and must be on a topic in psychiatry. The dissertation must be based on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. Candidates may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

## DP requirements: None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

## **PRY7010W** CHILD AND ADOLESCENT PSYCHIATRY MINOR

## DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor PJ de Vries

Course entry requirements: PRY7006W

## Course outline:

All students are required to produce a minor dissertation under supervision.

(Details about the format and length of such a dissertation are available from the Faculty Office).

## DP requirements: None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

## PRY7011W MSC(MED) IN PSYCHIATRY

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Professor DJ Stein

## Course outline:

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. The dissertation is externally examined.

## PRY7012W PSYCHIATRY DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Professor DJ Stein

## **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

## PRY7013W MPHIL IN FORENSIC MENTAL HEALTH PART 1

120 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr N Dyakalashe

## Course entry requirements: None

## **Course outline:**

General principles of forensic mental health practice; criminal and civil assessments; professional skills development (such as report writing, expert testimony) and ethical considerations.

**DP requirements:** Students are required to attend at least 90% of seminars and academic activities in the Department, and have to obtain a pass mark (50%) in the Part 1 coursework assessments in the first year in order to be eligible to write the Part 1 examination.

**Assessment:** Assessment consists of the following: Ongoing assessment of performance through regular supervision sessions and through oral and observed clinical examinations every six months. At the end of the programme, candidates will have been assessed formally by means of in-course assessment reports and A three-hour written Part 1 examination.

#### Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. It must be between 15 000 and 20 000 words in length, and must be on a topic in the same discipline of the coursework master's programme in which the candidate is registered. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals and obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. Master's degree candidates must be able to reflect critically on theory and its application. They must be able to deal with complex issues systematically and creatively, design and critically appraise research, make sound judgement using data and information at their disposal, and be able to communicate their conclusions clearly to specialist and non-specialist audiences.

**DP requirements:** Students will be allowed to submit their dissertations only once they have passed all coursework requirements and the Part 1 examination.

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

## PRY7016W MPHIL IN ADDICTIONS MENTAL HEALTH PART 1

120 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr H Temmingh

#### **Course outline:**

General principles of addictions mental health practice, pharmacology of substances of abuse, biopsycho-social management of people with substance abuse, recognition and management of comorbid conditions, ethical and legal implications, and professional skills development (such as reportwriting, therapeutic counselling).

**DP requirements:** Students are required to attend at least 90% of seminars and academic activities related to addiction, complete a logbook of all clinical and academic activities and have to achieve a pass mark of 50% in the Part 1 formative assessments in order to sit the Part 1 examination. They are allowed to submit their dissertations (Part 2) prior to completion of Part 1.

Assessment: Continuous assessment of performance through regular supervision sessions and through oral and observed clinical examinations every six months. At the end of the course, candidates will have been assessed formally by means of in-course assessment reports and a three-hour written Part 1 examination.

## PRY7017W ADDICTIONS MENTAL HEALTH MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

## Convener: Dr H Temmingh

#### Course entry requirements: None

#### Course outline:

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. It must be between 15 000 and 20 000 words in length and must be on a topic in addictions mental health. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals and obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. Master's degree candidates must be able to reflect critically on theory and its application. They must be able to deal with complex issues systematically and creatively, to design and critically appraise research, to make sound judgements using the data and information at their disposal, and to communicate their conclusions clearly to specialist and non-specialist audiences.

## **DP requirements:** None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

Course entry requirements: A registerable specialist degree in Psychiatry.

## Course outline:

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of specialist psychiatrists to become subspecialists in neuropsychiatry. Students follow the relevant curriculum of the College of Psychiatrists of South Africa and, on successful completion of the relevant Part 1 examination of the College, are granted credit towards PRY7018W. The aim of training is to develop a sound knowledge base of the principles underlying neuropsychiatric practice in relation to neuroanatomy, neurophysiology, neurochemistry and neuropharmacology. The candidate is led to gain first-hand experience of common neuropsychiatric disorders and become competent in their diagnosis and management; and to develop an expertise in the use and interpretation of specialised neuropsychiatric syndromes, professional skills development, and ethical aspects such as issues pertaining to curatorship and expert testimony. Areas covered include clinical neuropsychiatry, applied neurology, applied neuro-imaging, psycho-pharmacology and relevant psycho-legal aspects.

**DP requirements:** At least 18 months' satisfactory full-time training in an accredited neuropsychiatry unit or part-time equivalent; a report from the head of department or neuropsychiatry unit confirming acceptance of the portfolio; and also in neuro-imaging, psycho-pharmacology and relevant psycholegal aspects. Students are required to attend at least 90% of seminars and academic activities in the Division to be eligible to write the Part 1 examination.

**Assessment:** Candidates undergo the examination of the Fellowship of Neuropsychiatry of the College of Psychiatrists. Details of this examination are available from the CMSA website. In the College of Psychiatrists examination, there is a written examination and an oral/clinical/practical examination (the clinical/oral/practical may be an OCSE).

## PRY7019W NEUROPSYCHIATRY MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

#### Convener: Professor JA Joska

**Course entry requirements:** Students will be allowed to submit their dissertations only once they have passed all coursework requirements and the Part 1 examination, but are allowed to commence work on the dissertation while completing the coursework.

## **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation, prepared under supervision, is a requirement for those senior registrars who wish to graduate with the MPhil degree. Those who choose not to complete a dissertation may register with the HPCSA as subspecialists after successful completion of the relevant Colleges of Medicine Fellowship in Neuropsychiatry examination. The dissertation must be between 15 000 and 20 000 words in length, and must be on a topic in neuropsychiatry. It must be based, moreover, on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval, where necessary, they analyse the results of their research and write up the dissertation. The candidate may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

## DP requirements: None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

## **PRY7020W** MPHIL IN LIAISON MENTAL HEALTH PART 1

120 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Associate Professor J Hoare Course entry requirements: None Course outline: General principles of liaison mental health practice; clinical assessments; professional skills development (such as report-writing, co-ordination of multidisciplinary teams) and ethical considerations.

**DP requirements:** Students are required to attend at least 90% of seminars and academic activities in the Department, and will have to achieve a pass mark (50%) in the Part 1 coursework assessments in the first year in order to be eligible to write the Part 1 examination.

Assessment: Continuous assessment of performance through regular supervision sessions and through oral and observed clinical examinations every six months. At the end of the programme, candidates will have been assessed formally by means of in-course assessment reports and a three-hour written Part 1 examination. Part-time candidates will undergo the same in-course assessment and examination procedures but will be allowed an extra (third) year to complete coursework and dissertation requirements.

#### **PRY7021W** LIAISON MENTAL HEALTH MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor J Hoare

#### Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. It must be between 15 000 and 20 000 words in length and must be on a topic in liaison mental health. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals and obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. Master's degree candidates must be able to reflect critically on theory and its application. They must be able to deal with complex issues systematically and creatively, to design and critically appraise research, to make sound judgements using the data and information at their disposal, and to communicate their conclusions clearly to specialist and non-specialist audiences.

#### **DP requirements:** None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

#### PRY7022W NEUROSCIENCE (PSYCHIATRY) DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor DJ Stein

## **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

## PRY7023W MPHIL IN INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY PART 1

90 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor S Kleintjes

## Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

Content includes the following: determinants of intellectual disability; genetic and other syndromes; child development and developmental disabilities; biological aspects of intellectual disability; ageing and lifespan; physical health in intellectual disability; mental health in intellectual disability; biobehavioural disorders, behavioural phenotypes and social impairment; communication and communication disorders (including autism); cognition in intellectual disability; profound and multiple disability; rights and ethics in intellectual disability; policy and laws in intellectual disability

and mental health; forensic issues in intellectual disability psychiatry and mental health; quality of life issues; sexuality issues in intellectual disability; death, dying and bereavement; psychiatric and comorbid disorders; mood disorders in intellectual disability; central nervous system disorders (including epilepsy, dementia); mental health assessment; cognitive and psychological assessment; special investigations; special issues of diagnosis in intellectual disability and intellectual disability mental health; psychopharmacology; behavioural, psychological and psychotherapeutic interventions; psychosocial rehabilitation; health therapy interventions; advances in neuroscience related to intellectual disability; healthcare policy and service systems; de-institutionalisation; orientation to research in intellectual disability; mental health and other service; consultation liaison in intellectual disability; intellectual disability; health and mental health service; consultation liaison in intellectual disability; intellectual disability health administration.

**DP requirements:** Students are required to attend at least 90% of seminars and academic activities in the Department, and have to obtain a pass mark (50%) in the Part 1 coursework assessments in the first year in order to be eligible to write the Part 1 examination.

Assessment: Assessment consists of: ongoing assessment of performance through regular supervision sessions, and through oral and observed clinical examinations every six months. At the end of the programme candidates will have been assessed formally by means of in-course assessment reports, a three-hour written Part 1 examination, and the presentation. Part-time candidates undergo the same in-course assessment and examination procedures but are allowed an extra (third) year to complete coursework and dissertation requirements.

## PRY7024W INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY MINOR DISSERTATION

90 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Professor S Kleintjes Course entry requirements: None

## Course outline:

The minor dissertation, prepared under supervision, must be about 25 000 words in length and must be on a topic in intellectual disability. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

**DP requirements:** Students will be allowed to submit their dissertations only once they have passed all coursework requirements and the Part 1 examination.

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation. Master's degree candidates must be able to reflect critically on theory and its application. They must be able to deal with complex issues systematically and creatively, to design and critically appraise research, to make sound judgement using the data and information at their disposal, and to communicate their conclusions clearly to specialist and non-specialist audiences.

#### PRY7025W NEUROPSYCHIATRY THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10 **Convener:** Professor J Joska

#### Course outline:

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-specialist must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing. **Assessment:** The thesis is externally examined.

## PRY7026W NEUROSCIENCE (PSYCHIATRY) THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10 Convener: Professor DJ Stein

## Course outline:

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and nonspecialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

## PRY7027W COUNSELLING & PSYCHOTHERAPY SERVICES DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: L Abrahams

## Course entry requirements: None

## **Course outline:**

The aim of this full-research dissertation is to provide students with access to specialised sites of mental health; to research South African and African mental health innovation, interventions and recovery models in public health settings; and to produce research that evaluates mental health interventions being offered at public health settings.

The major dissertation must be a maximum of 50 000 words in length and will reflect the topic in a specialised area. It must be based on the work which the candidate commenced through postgraduate studies. The topic would be clinical and of a standard publishable in a peer reviewed journal. Students are trained in research methodology in conducting literature reviews, and designing research proposals. Having obtained ethics approval, the student will write up the results of their research and complete the dissertation. Students will be encouraged to publish their work.

Assessment: External examination of the dissertation. Dissertation 100%.

## PRY7028W MPHIL BEHAVIOURAL MEDICINE DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr S Rabie and Professor J Joska

**Course entry requirements:** Successful applicants of the programme should be in possession of a minimum Honours degree, or an equivalent four-year degree (NQF 8). UCT offers several admitting qualifications that will facilitate access to the programme. Rigorous attempts will be made to offer the programme to students from previously disadvantaged backgrounds. Moreover, for candidates not in possession of a NQF Level 8 qualification, the programme will make use of recognition of prior learning (RPL) to facilitate access for 10% of applicants. RPL assessments will be conducted by means of a written research outline and individual interview to determine prospective candidates' suitability. The programme will not make use diagnostic testing for placement. Finally, applicants will be required to have demonstrable experience in conducting research, with participation in one or more research project.

#### Co-requisites: None

#### **Course outline:**

The proposed Master of Philosophy in Behavioural Medicine was established in response to the growing recognition of the burden of mental disorders in people living with chronic conditions in South Africa. The purpose of the programme it to provide advanced development and training in research at the intersection of psychiatric disorders, chronic conditions, and health. The programme enables candidates to evaluate interventions and interpret research findings with a critical framework,

and more importantly, builds professional capacity in how to develop, assess, and apply behavioural interventions to promote mental and physical health, and prevent, manage, and treat multimorbid health challenges faced by people in South Africa and beyond. The programme will generate advanced contextual knowledge related to the role of psychosocial factors in health promotion, disease prevention and management. Crucially, the programme will develop research and intervention implementation skills informed by a biopsychosocial, patient-centred, evidence-based approach to the prevention and management of mental disorders and chronic conditions.

DP requirements: None

Assessment: Dissertation

#### PRY6001W PUBLIC MENTAL HEALTH DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor C van der Westhuizen

#### **Course outline:**

The MPhil in Public Mental Health is a part-time research degree that aims to develop advanced research skills, enabling participants to undertake their own research projects (such as evaluating services, policies and interventions) as well as interpret research findings for mental health policy and practice. The programme is designed to be accessible to practitioners who work full-time, and who are from a range of backgrounds including social work, psychology, psychiatry, medicine, occupational therapy, nursing, health economics, public mental health, public health, health service management, policy making and non-governmental organisations (NGOs). The training aims to build the professional capacity of the participants in their work, while contributing to knowledge generation in Africa. The degree requires the preparation of a high quality dissertation of a minimum of 20 000 words and not exceeding 50 000 words. More information may be found at https://cpmh.org.za/teaching/.

DP requirements: None.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

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## PPH4004F PRINCIPLES OF FAMILY MEDICINE

16 NQF credits at NQF level 8; 16 x 1.5hr sessions conducted over 8 Wednesday afternoons which include site/practice visits and learning activities. **Convener:** Dr G Bresick and Dr M Navsa

#### Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

This course includes the foundations of family medicine; applying a bio-psycho-social approach; promotive and preventive care; and the range of consultation skills needed for effective and primary care including basic counselling skills and brief motivational interviewing/behaviour change counselling. The course aims to help practitioners put theory into practice using learning techniques that include role-playing and reviewing video-taped consultations of clinical practices in a supportive group setting. Successful completion of the course enables graduates to practice cost-effectively, and building therapeutic doctor-patient relationships with a variety of patients. Graduates are more aware of personal strengths and limitations in the context of therapeutic relationships and are able to identify and address stressors to prevent burnout.

**DP requirements:** Students are expected to attend and participate in all seminars, record and observe at least one consultation, and take part in practical sessions where these apply.

Assessment: Assignments on the application of the principles of family medicine (100%).

## PPH4005S EVIDENCE-BASED MEDICINE

13 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: J Irlam

## Course entry requirements: None

**Course outline:** 

This course aims to enable practitioners to define practice-based clinical questions, search for and access relevant literature, and appraise the applicability of the evidence to their practice situations. Tools to understand and assess the results of systematic reviews are taught. Questions such as those related to interventions, diagnostic and screening tests, and prognoses are addressed. The course provides hands-on practice; examples of evidence-based articles are reviewed in the sessions.

**DP requirements:** Students are required to attend and participate in all seminars.

**Assessment:** Presenting a critical appraisal of a scientific paper addressing a question derived from the student's practice (100%).

PPH4006S CLINICAL MEDICINE (A) 21 NQF credits at NQF level 8 Convener: Dr B Schweitzer Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

Aspects of clinical medicine related to primary care including ENT, ophthalmology, orthopaedics, and minor surgical procedures are learned by means of seminars and practical sessions. Most clinical learning occurs during everyday healthcare practice. Students are expected to address their own learning needs identified in daily practice, the course material and seminars. Contact sessions serve mainly to stimulate learning; computer-based quizzes help identify gaps in knowledge. Attendance at specific specialist clinics can be arranged.

**DP requirements:** Students are required to attend and participate in all seminars and take part in practical sessions.

Assessment: Computer-based examination (100%).

#### PPH4007S PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE

12 NQF credits at NQF level 8 Convener: Dr M Navsa and Dr T Ras Course entry requirements: None

#### Course outline:

This course includes the study of a number of ethical theories, human rights issues, professionalism, and legal issues as these relate to health care. Approaches to ethical issues are discussed as they relate to primary care including child health, mental illness, HIV, reproductive and end-of-life care.

**DP requirements:** Students are required to attend and participate actively in all seminars. **Assessment:** Assignment (100%).

## PPH40118 CLINICAL MEDICINE (B)

18 NQF credits at NQF level 8

## Convener: Dr B Schweitzer

Course entry requirements: None

## **Course outline:**

Aspects of clinical medicine, including women's health, mental health, HIV, TB, STI and pharmacology are covered in seminars and practical sessions. It is not possible to cover all aspects of clinical medicine in contact time available; students are expected to address their own learning needs identified in daily clinical practice, the course material and seminars etc. Attendance at specific specialist clinics can be arranged.

**DP requirements:** Students are required to attend and participate in all seminars and take part in practical sessions.

Assessment: Computer-based examination (100%).

## PPH4018F INTRODUCTION TO HEALTH ECONOMICS

12 NQF credits at NQF level 8 **Convener:** Professor Susan Cleary

Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

The course aims to give students an introduction to the scope and content of the sub-discipline of health economics, and to explain the reasons why healthcare differs from other commodities and the basis of market failure in healthcare. The following topics are covered: The scope of health economics, healthcare demand, healthcare supply, market failure, medical ethics and efficiency, and equity.

**DP requirements:** Submission of coursework by the due dates.

Assessment: Two assignments, each counting 50% towards the final course mark.

## PPH4019F THE ECONOMICS OF HEALTH SYSTEMS

12 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: C Byaruhanga

#### Course entry requirements: None

## **Course outline:**

The course aims to assist students with an understanding of health systems, different forms of organisation and financing of healthcare systems, and to outline the key elements of strategic purchasing. The following topics are covered: introduction to health systems, universal health coverage goals, overview of healthcare financing functions (revenue collection, pooling and purchasing), key issues in revenue collection and risk pooling to promote equity, efficiency and sustainability, key elements of strategic purchasing, and introduction to importance of economic evaluation and health technology assessment in strategic purchasing.

DP requirements: Submission of coursework by the due dates.

Assessment: Two assignments, each counting 50% towards the final course mark.

## PPH4020S PRIORITY SETTING AND HEALTH TECHNOLOGY ASSESSMENT

12 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Ms B Ndweni

#### Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

This course aims to provide students with an overview of the economic and other approaches to priority setting for healthcare decision-making, in terms of both efficiency and equity. The following topics are covered: review of priority setting, the use of economic evaluation in healthcare decision-

making, budget impact analysis in economic evaluation, programme budgeting and marginal analysis, burden of disease and priority setting, and equity implications for decision-making.

DP requirements: Submission of coursework by the due dates.

Assessment: Two assignments, each counting 50% towards the final course mark.

## PPH40218 KEY FEATURES OF ECONOMIC EVALUATION

12 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr L Cunnama

## Course entry requirements: PPH4020S

## **Course outline:**

The course aims to provide students with an understanding of the concepts, methods and application of economic evaluation in health-related interventions. Topics covered include principles of economic evaluation, different techniques of economics evaluation, key issues in costing and measuring health outcomes.

**DP requirements:** Submission of coursework by the due dates.

Assessment: Two assignments, each counting 50% towards the final course mark.

## PPH4022F/S ECONOMIC EVALUATION FOR HEALTHCARE DECISION-

## MAKING

12 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Associate Professor E Sinanovic

#### Course entry requirements: PPH4020S and PPH4021S

#### **Course outline:**

The course aims to equip students with the skills to interpret the cost-effectiveness ratios and to critique articles from the literature. The following topics are covered: evidence-based medicine, decision analysis models in economic evaluations, interpretation of cost-effectiveness ratios, alternative methods for handling uncertainty, pros and cons of the reference case, and case study.

**DP requirements:** Submission of coursework by the due dates.

Assessment: Two assignments, each counting 50% towards the final course mark.

## PPH4023F STRATEGIC PURCHASING 1

12 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Associate Professor Olufunke Alaba

Course entry requirements: PPH4019F

#### Course outline:

The course aims to give students an overview of the key strategic purchasing actions in relation to both populations served and health care providers. The following topics are covered: Determining health service entitlements, identifying appropriate health care providers, taking action to promote service access, and establishing contracts or service agreements with providers.

**DP requirements:** Submission of coursework by the due dates.

Assessment: Two assignments, each counting 50% towards the final course mark.

## **PPH4024S** STRATEGIC PURCHASING 2 – INFLUENCING PROVIDERS

## 12 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Mr S Mthembu

#### Course entry requirements: PPH4019F and PPH4023F

#### **Course outline:**

The course aims to provide students with an understanding of the provider payment methods and other mechanisms that encourage providers to enhance and maintain service quality and efficiency. The following topics are covered: standard treatment guidelines and formularies for medicines and medical supplies, provider payment mechanisms, monitoring provider performance (particularly quality and service availability), requirements for information from providers, feedback from citizens, and balance of power between purchaser(s) and providers.

**DP requirements:** Submission of coursework by the due dates. **Assessment:** Two assignments, each counting 50% towards the final course mark.

## PPH4025S STRENGTHENING PROGRESS TO UNIVERSAL HEALTH

COVERAGE

12 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Associate Professor Olufunke Alaba

Course entry requirements: PPH4019F, PPH4023F and PPH4024S

#### Course outline:

The course aims to provide students with an overview of other actions required to promote universal coverage, and to review existing international experience of priority setting and strategic purchasing. The following topics are covered: enhancing transparency and accountability: governance of key health system organisations, main issues in promoting financial risk protection, key issues in ensuring access to effective, quality health services, and case studies of international experience with priority setting and strategic purchasing.

DP requirements: Submission of coursework by the due dates.

Assessment: Two assignments, each counting 50% towards the final course mark.

## PPH4028F FAMILY AND COMMUNITY ORIENTED PRIMARY CARE

20 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr M Navsa and Dr T Ras

Course entry requirements: None

## **Course outline:**

This course will integrate family and community-oriented approaches to primary care. Students will be provided with theoretical input in the form of seminars, and will be required to complete field-based assignments to demonstrate an ability to apply the theory to practice.

**DP requirements:** Students are required to attend and participate in all seminars and online discussions, and to take part in practical sessions.

Assessment: Written assignment - 50%; Final assessment (oral presentation) - 50%.

## PPH4029H PREVENTION & PROMOTION OF CHRONIC ILLNESS

21 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr M Navsa and Dr B Schweitzer

Course entry requirements: None

## **Course outline:**

This course focusses on the management of patients with common chronic conditions including cardiovascular, respiratory and musculoskeletal conditions, addressing clinical, preventive and promotive aspects of healthcare, and includes seminars on rehabilitation. Students are required to conduct an audit of an aspect of chronic disease care in their own practices. At the end of this course students are able to describe current theories of disease prevention and health promotion; implement a quality improvement cycle in practice to improve the quality of care; promote health and prevent disease for a chronic condition, diagnose and manage patients with common chronic medical conditions (cardiovascular, respiratory, rheumatologic, geriatric, diabetes, neoplastic) using the principles of family medicine and understand the principles of providing care for patients with chronic diseases; describe the principles of ageing and caring for the elderly; manage common clinical problems in the elderly; manage patients with common disabilities and impairments; and describe the importance of the doctor-patient relationship in chronic care.

**DP requirements:** Students are required to attend and participate in all seminars, take part in practical sessions, and a visit to a rehabilitation center.

**Assessment:** QI cycle presentation (40%); assignment on rehabilitation (20%); end-of-course MCQ (multiple choice questions) examination (40%).

## PPH4030S CLINICAL PALLIATIVE CARE

60 NQF credits at NQF level 8; 4 assignments. Forum discussion. Portfolio. 1 X 5 day contact week.. **Convener:** Dr R Krause

## Course entry requirements: PPH4032H

#### **Course outline:**

The aim of this course is to equip experienced health care workers with the knowledge and skills for the practical management of patients with life limiting/ life threatening illnesses; including advanced cancer, HIV/AIDS and end-stage disease, organ failure, and progressive neurological disorders. It focuses on disease management and symptom control. These topics are explored through interactive workshops and focused readings supported by web-based learning, and students are encouraged to apply their learning in the context of their own work setting.

Lecture times: Weekly online learning material and forum discussions.

DP requirements: Attendance at contact workshops and successful completion of assignments.

Assessment: Continuous coursework assessment contributes 75% of the final mark, with four written assignments (50%) and a portfolio of learning (25%). The final summative assessment comprises a written examination/ final assignment (25%). A pass mark of 50% is required in both the coursework and the final summative assessment. The external examiner has the authority to allocate final marks.

## PPH4032H PALLIATIVE CARE PRINCIPLES

60 NQF credits at NQF level 8; 4 assignments. Forum discussion. Practical communication exam. 1 X 5 day contact week.

#### Convener: Dr R Krause

## Course entry requirements: None

#### Course outline:

The aim of this course is to introduce students to the principles and ethics of palliative care. The course covers concepts that support patient-centred holistic care in the family context including communication skills; clinical, psychosocial and spiritual supportive care; human rights; and ethics of end-of-life care. These concepts are introduced through interactive workshops and focused readings supported by web-based learning, and students are encouraged to apply their learning in the context of their own work setting.

DP requirements: Attendance at contact workshops and successful completion of assignments.

**Assessment:** Continuous coursework assessment contributes 50% of the final mark, with four written assignments counting 40%. Forum participation contributes to 10% each semester. The final summative assessment includes a written examination (25%) and communication skills assessment (25%). A pass mark of 50% is required in the coursework and in the final assessment components respectively. The external examiner has the authority to allocate final marks.

## PPH4033F PESTICIDE RISK MANAGEMENT

## 20 NQF credits at NQF level 8

#### Course outline:

Five modules (two weeks each) introduce students to the International Code of Conduct on Pesticide Management, a life cycle analysis approach, pesticide policy, a legal framework for pesticides, international conventions, and how to regulate vulnerable populations and complex use environments. The central management philosophy taught in this course is to regulate, control and monitor pesticides through a holistic life-cycle approach (from the beginning until the end of a product's life). Students will be introduced to the basic principles of risk, risk assessment, highly hazardous pesticides, ethical pesticide policies, a situation and gap analysis, pesticide management, risk reduction policies, compliance with international commitments and standards, registration issues, pesticide governance, implementation of pesticide legislation, incorporating vulnerability into the registration process and how to design a life cycle management strategy for a particular pesticide. At the end of the course, students will have developed an approach to critically analyze pesticide policies and the registration process to promote effective regulatory implementation in varying pesticide use contexts (e.g., different climates, populations, legal structures).

## PPH4033F PESTICIDE RISK MANAGEMENT

20 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr Meryl Jagarnath

## Course entry requirements: None

**Objective:** By the end of this course students should be able to: Describe and apply the elements of the International Code of Conduct on Pesticide Management for the sound management of pesticides. Explain and apply the pesticide life-cycle in relation to best practices for reducing pesticide health risks. Identify social and individual vulnerability in relation to pesticide exposures and identify how to regulate for these. Access and use various global data bases for effective pesticide regulation

#### **Course outline:**

Five modules (two weeks each) introduce students to the International Code of Conduct on Pesticide Management, a life cycle analysis approach, pesticide policy, a legal framework for pesticides, international conventions, and how to regulate vulnerable populations and complex use environments. The central management philosophy taught in this course is to regulate, control and monitor pesticides through a holistic life-cycle approach (from the beginning until the end of a product's life). Students will be introduced to the basic principles of risk, risk assessment, highly hazardous pesticides, ethical pesticide policies, a situation and gap analysis, pesticide management, risk reduction policies, compliance with international commitments and standards, registration issues, pesticide governance, implementation of pesticide legislation, incorporating vulnerability into the registration process and how to design a life cycle management strategy for a particular pesticide. At the end of the course, students will have developed an approach to critically analyse pesticide policies and the registration process to promote effective regulatory implementation in varying pesticide use contexts (e.g., different climates, populations, legal structures).

**DP requirements:** Attendance at two-week teaching blocks at the beginning of the programme is mandatory, successful completion of web-based forums, and submission of all assignments by the due date (late penalties apply as described in the course outline). Students must obtain a sub-minimum of 45% GPA for the semester continuous assessments (discussion exercises, pesticide discussion forum, chemical network discussion participation, online quizzes, and assignments) to be allowed to write the final assignment.

Assessment: Continuous assessment consists of written assignments, tests, assessment of participation in bi-monthly web-based seminars, and written web-based forum assignments, and contributes 60% towards the final mark. A final summative examination or written assignment counts 40% towards the final mark. A pass mark of 50% is required overall. Students who obtain 45% - 49% for their course mark will be given an opportunity to revise and resubmit the final assignment for reassessment before the final mark is submitted to the Faculty Examinations Committee for approval. The resubmitted final assignment will receive a maximum of 50%.

#### PPH4034S PESTICIDE TOXICOLOGY

20 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr Meryl Jagarnath

Course entry requirements: None

**Objective:** At the end of this course, students should be able to:

#### **Course outline:**

The course provides students with the technical knowledge base and skills to regulate and manage the acute and chronic health effects associated with exposure to pesticides. To promote this understanding, students receive training in the basic chemistry of pesticides and how to interpret the WHO and GHS hazard classification systems. An introduction to pesticide toxicology, pesticide epidemiology, and the principles of risk and hazard assessment provides the technical skills and knowledge base to evaluate the quantitative human risk assessment data in pesticide dossiers. The health consequences of pesticide exposure are covered through an understanding of exposure pathways and multiple exposures, as well as endocrine disruption, neurotoxicity, genotoxicity, immunotoxicity (vital for countries with high immune-compromised populations), and reproductive effects. The course also covers ways to interpret strength-of-association in epidemiological studies and to critically appraise

pesticide health literature. Students learn how to assess human risk assessment data submitted as a part of a pesticide dossier, and the application of the Code and life-cycle approach to health risk assessment.

**DP requirements:** Successful completion of web-based forums and submission of all assignments by the due date (late penalties apply as described in the course outline).Students must obtain a subminimum of 45% GPA for the semester continuous assessments (discussion exercises, pesticide discussion forum, chemical network discussion participation, online quizzes, and assignments) to be allowed to write the final assignment.

**Assessment:** Continuous assessment consists of written assignments, tests, assessment of participation in bi-monthly web-based seminars, and written web-based forum assignments, and contributes 60% towards the final mark. A final summative examination or written assignment counts 40% towards the final mark. A pass mark of 50% is required overall. Students who obtain 45% - 49% for their course mark will be given an opportunity to revise and resubmit the final assignment for reassessment before the final mark is submitted to the Faculty Examinations Committee for approval. The resubmitted final assignment will receive a maximum of 50%.

## PPH4035F PESTICIDE ECOTOXICOLOGY

20 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr Meryl Jagarnath

Objective: At the end of this course, students should be able to:

#### **Course outline:**

This course provides students with an understanding of the principles of environmental risk assessment as used in the pesticide registration process (e.g. predicting environmental concentrations and toxic effects, quantifying risk, tiered assessments); differences between (pre-registration) pesticide risk assessment and (post-registration) pesticide impact studies, and the types of impact a pesticide may have (e.g. effects on organisms, environmental contamination, biodiversity, ecosystem services, agronomic productivity, disease vector control); environmental protection goals (determining what needs to be protected and to what extent); linkages with environmental legislation and policy; harmonisation and environmental governance; approaches to the assessment of (potential) environmental impact of a pesticide after its introduction for use in a country (e.g. environmental monitoring, incident reporting); how basic chemistry of pesticides influences their properties, environmental fate and persistence; the assessment of pesticide contamination - basic methodology; sampling for pesticide residues (e.g. methods for organisms, soils, water); the influence of temperature and other environmental parameters on the environmental fate and persistence of pesticides; the principles of ecotoxicology with reference to pesticide use; impacts at organism, population and community levels of organisation and how ecotoxicology is used in risk assessments and for the formulation of pesticide policy and registration; the use of risk assessment data in the decision-making process, how a risk management component is added, and measures to mitigate and reduce risk; the principles and varied methodologies for assessing pesticide impacts in the field; how pesticides affect non-target organisms and how this can lead to pest resurgence; and how to develop a pesticide resistance management programme.

**DP requirements:** Successful completion of web-based forums and submission of all assignments by the due date (late penalties apply described in the course outline).Students must obtain a sub-minimum of 45% GPA for the semester continuous assessments (discussion exercises, pesticide discussion forum, chemical network discussion participation, online quizzes, and assignments) to be allowed to write the final assignment.

**Assessment:** Continuous assessment consists of written assignments, tests, assessment of participation in bi-monthly web-based seminars, and written web-based forum assignments, and contributes 60% towards the final mark. A final summative examination or written assignment counts 40% towards the final mark. A pass mark of 50% is required overall. Students who obtain 45% - 49% for their course mark will be given an opportunity to revise and resubmit the final assignment for reassessment before the final mark is submitted to the Faculty Examinations Committee for approval. The resubmitted final assignment will receive a maximum of 50%.

## PPH40408 CONTAINERS & CONTAMINATED SITE MANAGEMENT

20 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr Meryl Jagarnath

Objective: At the end of this course, students should be able to:

•Describe Container Management Schemes, the main elements that make up such schemes and container management regulation,

•Demonstrate an understanding of how to design of a contaminated land investigation including site ranking, site investigation techniques, risk assessment and environmental assessment,

•Demonstrate an understanding of the role of the conceptual site model in risk management,

•Demonstrate understanding of remediation techniques

#### **Course outline:**

The course introduces the student to systems for the scoping of project components related to contaminated site assessment and management of pesticide containers (legacy stockpiles and new wastes). The course then progresses to the development of operational plans for the implementation of container and contaminated site assessments, leading to development of site-specific environmental management plans and remediation strategies. With regard to container management, the course makes the distinction between the development and implementation of strategies for addressing existing stockpiles of contaminated materials and the need to develop sustainable container management programmes for the future. The student is required to demonstrate competence in the development of operational plans for a series of case-study contaminated sites, and to develop container management strategies based on a series of hypothetical situations. The student is also required to look to maximise local treatment of all materials based on assessments of national capacities and the application of international best practice/standards for treatment under local conditions.

**DP requirements:** Successful completion of web-based forums and submission of all assignments by the due date (late penalties apply as described in the course outline).Students must obtain a subminimum of 45% GPA for the semester continuous assessments (discussion exercises, pesticide discussion forum, chemical network discussion participation, online quizzes, and assignments) to be allowed to write the final assignment.

**Assessment:** Continuous assessment consists of written assignments, tests, assessment of participation in bi-monthly web-based seminars, and written web-based forum assignments, and contributes 60% towards the final mark. A final summative examination or written assignment counts 40% towards the final mark. A pass mark of 50% is required overall. Students who obtain 45% - 49% for their course mark will be given an opportunity to revise and resubmit the final assignment for reassessment before the final mark is submitted to the Faculty Examinations Committee for approval. The resubmitted final assignment will receive a maximum of 50%.

## PPH4041F/S INTERNATIONAL CHEMICAL MANAGEMENT AGREEMENTS

20 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr Meryl Jagarnath

**Objective:** By the end of this course students should be able to:

#### **Course outline:**

This course aims to provide students with an in-depth knowledge of the various international chemical conventions and agreements, and their relevance to managing chemical risks, particularly in low- and middle-income countries (LMICs). These include the International Code Conduct on Pesticide Management, the Stockholm Convention, the Rotterdam Convention, Basel Convention, Minamata Convention, and the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management (SAICM) and the Beyond 2020 Instrument. The five modules cover an introduction to global cooperation on chemical management, legally binding instruments for chemicals management, and the different implementation elements of the conventions and agreements (e.g., legislation, capacity building, financing, and monitoring and evaluation.

**DP requirements:** Successful completion of web-based forums and submission of all assignments by the due date (late penalties apply described in the course outline). Students must obtain a subminimum of 45% GPA for the semester continuous assessments (discussion exercises, pesticide
discussion forum, chemical network discussion participation, online quizzes, and assignments) to be allowed to write the final assignment.

**Assessment:** Continuous assessment consists of written assignments, tests, assessment of participation in bi-monthly web-based seminars, and written web-based forum assignments, and contributes 60% towards the final mark. A final summative examination or written assignment counts 40% towards the final mark. A pass mark of 50% is required overall. Students who obtain 45% - 49% for their course mark will be given an opportunity to revise and resubmit the final assignment for reassessment before the final mark is submitted to the Faculty Examinations Committee for approval. The resubmitted final assignment will receive a maximum of 50%.

### PPH4042S PESTICIDES AND INTEGRATED VECTOR MANAGEMENT

20 NQF credits at NQF level 8

#### Convener: Dr Meryl Jagarnath

**Objective:** At the end of this course, students should be able to:•Demonstrate understanding about vector biology, behaviour and ecology, and their significance for the transmission of disease pathogens, as a basis for selecting vector control interventions,

•Identify the motives, guiding principles and key elements of IVM and their significance in a local context,

•Describe the process of planning, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of IVM,

•Describe the contribution of vector control and transmission reduction in the effective control, elimination, and prevention-of-reintroduction of vector-borne disease,

•Describe and identify the major types of urban pests and strategies for their control,

•Understand the factors that influence insecticide management for vector control.

•Understand to integrate public health pesticides legislation, develop reporting systems, and assure efficacy and compliance with international conventions.

#### **Course outline:**

This course is comprised of eight modules and provides the student with the skills for managing public health pest problems and for implementing effective control strategies (e.g. integrated vector management [IVM]) through a life-cycle approach, alternatives, and cost-effective approaches.

Students examine the World Health Organisation (WHO) models for evaluating and testing pesticides to be used in public health, along with the WHO's strategies, policies and guidelines for using pesticides in public health.

On completion of the course, students will have knowledge of a holistic approach to public health vectors and disease management; basic vector ecology, biology and control for major diseases; how to develop a framework for IVM; how to plan for and implement IVM; identify IVM strategies for malaria control; how to control vectors and pests in the urban environment; and how to integrate public health pesticides into legislation, how to develop a reporting system, managing insecticides in vector control and assure efficacy and compliance with international conventions

**DP requirements:** Successful completion of web-based forums and submission of all assignments by the due date (late penalties apply as described in the course outline).Students must obtain a subminimum of 45% GPA for the semester continuous assessments (discussion exercises, pesticide discussion forum, chemical network discussion participation, online quizzes, and assignments) to be allowed to write the final assignment.

**Assessment:** Continuous assessment consists of written assignments, tests, assessment of participation in bi-monthly web-based seminars, and written web-based forum assignments, and contributes 60% towards the final mark. A final summative examination or written assignment counts 40% towards the final mark. A pass mark of 50% is required overall. Students who obtain 45% - 49% for their course mark will be given an opportunity to revise and resubmit the final assignment for reassessment before the final mark is submitted to the Faculty Examinations Committee for approval. The resubmitted final assignment will receive a maximum of 50%.

# Convener: Professor HA Rother

#### **Course outline:**

The course provides students with the complex and diverse background knowledge required to prevent pesticide exposures (protecting human health and the environment) through various alternatives, control mechanisms, and risk reduction strategies. The course presents the methods for a life-cycle assessment, needs assessment, and exposure management through a Hierarchy of Control approach. To reduce increased ineffective use of pesticides and associated hazards/risks, students are introduced to alternative approaches to pest management (e.g. IPM, agro-ecology, conservation agriculture, sustainable intensification of production), the implementation of registration as a risk reduction strategy, ways to control distribution and trade, ways to conduct a social impact assessment, and risk communication approaches and applications.

**DP requirements:** Attendance at on-campus teaching blocks, successful completion of web-based forums and submission of all assignments by the due date (late penalties apply).

Assessment: Continuous coursework assessment consists of written assignments, tests, assessment of participation in bi-monthly web-based seminars and written web-based forum assignments, and contributes 60% towards the final mark. A final summative examination or written assignment counts 40% towards the final mark. Any student failing to obtain 50% has one opportunity to rewrite the examination or assignment.

# PPH4057S CRITICAL HEALTH MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

25 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Associate Professor M Shung King

# Course outline:

This course introduces participants to key areas of health management that are important in sustaining health policy implementation and health system improvement towards public value creation. These include the use and interpretation of data in monitoring team and system performance, which is essential to support health planning and accountability; health economics principles that offer insight for priority-setting and efficient resource use; practical financial and wider resource management strategies; and quality improvement principles. The course also provides opportunities for students to integrate leadership and managerial practices in strengthening the health policy implementation and health system improvement actions developed in PPH4060S and PPH4058W. On completion of the course, students are able to apply a core set of health management practices and principles; work with formal and informal data to support managerial decisions; integrate management practices and principles in health policy implementation and health system improvement activities; and appreciate the leadership-management practice continuum.

### DP requirements: None

Assessment: Coursework: 100%. Pass requirements are as follows: An average of 50% across all the course assessments with a subminimum of 50% for the primary written assignment. Students with a mark of between 45-49% are eligible for resubmission. Only one resubmission is allowed, subject to the proviso (see rule FPU5.1) that no more than two resubmission across all four courses shall be allowed.

#### PPH4058Z LEADING HEALTH SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT

25 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Associate Professor M Shung King

# Co-requisites: PPH4060S

# Course outline:

The course draws on students' own experiences, as well as relevant analytic frameworks, to deepen students' understanding of how to work in teams in leading health policy implementation and health system change. It deepens the understanding that policy is constructed through actors' practices and influenced by their mindsets, values and interests. It highlights the importance of recognising that policy implementation involves change throughout the health system – from the macro level to the underpinning institutions of the system and on to individuals' and teams' daily activities. It equips students with analytical skills and approaches in managing the process and politics of health policy

implementation and improvement. It helps them understand their own power, and how to draw on it, to support implementation and system innovation. Students' personal and team roles and influence over policy implementation and system improvement are made explicit. The value of reflective practice as essential to ethical health leadership is emphasised. On completion of the course, students will be able to work in teams; appreciate multiple perspectives and worldviews; recognise and use their power to support health policy implementation and health system improvement through appropriate, ethical strategies that take account of other system actors; and deepen their personal reflective practice, communication and critical analysis skills.

#### **DP requirements:** None

**Assessment:** Coursework: 100%. The pass requirements are as follows: An average of 50% across all the course assessments with a subminimum of 50% for the primary written assignment. Students with a mark of between 45-49% are eligible for one resubmission, subject to the proviso (see rule FPU5.2) that no more than two resubmissions across all four courses shall be allowed.

# PPH4059Z HEALTH SYSTEM INTERVENTION PROJECT (B)

40 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Associate Professor M Shung King

**Course entry requirements:** Attendance and completion of all tasks for PPH4062X (Health Systems Intervention Project (A).

#### Course outline:

This course aims to: Provide opportunities to synthesise and integrate new knowledge and skills in leadership practice, through the opportunity to plan, implement and evaluate a larger-scale workplace based intervention intended to support health system improvement. This final course prepares participants to implement a larger scale, action-learning, intervention project that supports health system improvement for public value. Participants will have the opportunity to integrate knowledge, skills and practices across the programme. They will be specifically required to develop, implement and evaluate a health system intervention, in response to a significant health system improvement opportunity or challenge in their workplace. Their ability to apply the analytical and synthesis skills gained from the programme in taking appropriate action, underpinned by ethical leadership practice, will be tested through an action-learning process. This process will involve the following steps: diagnosis; construction of theory of action appropriate to the context; implementation; observations of process and implementation results; and critical reflection on the process to evaluate leadership practice. The project must be implemented by a team, allowing participants to demonstrate their team leadership skills, Assessment is based on: a summative personal assessment that demonstrates deep personal reflection on personal leadership practice; peer/team assessment of the intervention experience; and a final written report about the intervention project.

**Assessment:** Coursework 100%. Pass requirements are as follows: An average of 50% across all the course assessments, with a subminimum requirement of 50% for the written assignment at the end of the course. Students with a mark of between 40% and 49% for the written assignment are eligible for resubmission only once, subject to rule FPU5.2.

# PPH4060F WORKING IN COMPLEX HEALTH SYSTEMS

25 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Associate Professor M Shung King

Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

This course aims to provide participants, by drawing on their experiences and combining it with relevant analytic frameworks, with an understanding of the multiple and complex dimensions of health system workplaces and to how to apply analytical frameworks to negotiate their complex work environments.

It introduces core relevant concepts and ideas that cut across the programme, such as: public value; equity, efficiency and responsiveness; human rights principles; people-centredness in the health system; the importance of teams; personal and related power in the health system; ethical leadership practice; and policy as practice.

It also introduces core leadership practices including: reflective practice; teamwork; critical appraisal and critical thinking that will allow participants to explore how their personal understandings and behaviours influence how they work. In particular participants will consider the practices of ethical leadership; develop the thinking and analytic skills important in appropriately responding to challenges and opportunities for improved performance: and practice communication skills important in effective leadership.

Assessment: Coursework 100%. The pass requirements are as follows: An average of 50% across all the course assessments with a subminimum of 45% for the primary written assignment. Students with a mark of between 40- 44% for the written assignment are eligible for one resubmission, subject to the provision that no more than two resubmissions across all four courses area allowed (see rule FPU2).

# **PPH4062X** HEALTH SYSTEM INTERVENTION PROJECT (A)

5 NOF credits at NOF level 8

Convener: Associate Professor M Shung King **DP requirements:** Attendance of the 5-day compulsory block. Assessment: Completion of all academic commitments.

# PPH4067Z MODELLING AND ANALYSIS IN ECONOMIC EVALUATION

12 NOF credits at NOF level 8

#### **Course outline:**

This module introduces principles of economic evaluation within a face-to-face learning environment; it aims to provide a practical introduction to health economic costing, outcome measurement and modelling.

# PPH4068Z ANALYSING UNIVERSAL HEALTH COVERAGE

# 12 NOF credits at NOF level 8

#### **Course outline:**

This module introduces principles of economic evaluation within a face-to-face learning environment; it aims to provide a practical introduction to health economic costing, outcome measurement and modelling.

#### PRACTISING INTEGRATED OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH IN PPH4069W

#### CONTEXT

#### 60 NOF credits at NOF level 8

#### Convener: Dr IMT Ntatamala

Objective: The aim of this course is to equip students with the values, knowledge and skills to practice occupational health in an integrated, effective and ethical manner in a variety of clinical and workplace/industry contexts, as regulated by South African occupational health and safety legislation. **Course outline:** 

This course covers all the key principles and the application of key concepts in order to demonstrate an integrated approach to occupational health in a variety of preceding courses to different industry/workplace settings. The course introduces students to progressive and critical thinking in relation to a broad and extensive range of issues relevant to occupational health and is an important final component that enables the student to demonstrate competencies across different workplace/industry contexts.

**DP requirements:** Satisfactory attendance of the course block contact week (at least 80% attendance); and At least a 50% grade point average for the semester assignments and quizzes (incourse assessment).Satisfactory attendance of the course block contact week (at least 80% attendance)

Assessment: Consists of a combination of an integrated portfolio assignment specific to this course (practicing integrated occupational health in context), quizzes and a final end-of-course examination which covers all work covered over the two year diploma period. 66.7% final examination (summative

assessment); 33.3% assignments and quizzes (in-course assessment A student failing to obtain 50% in the in-course assessment, will have one opportunity to repeat this component (portfolio and/or quizzes). A student failing to obtain 50% in the final examination will only have one opportunity to repeat the examination.

# PPH4070F OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH SERVICES MANAGEMENT, ETHICS

# AND LEGISLATION

20 NQF credits at NQF level 8

# Convener: Dr IMT Ntatamala

**Objective:** The aim of this course is to provide students with the knowledge and skills to establish and comprehensively manage an occupational health service, have sufficient knowledge of relevant occupational health and safety legislation, and have the appropriate knowledge and skills to deal with ethical issues that occur in occupational health and safety practice.

#### **Course outline:**

The course introduces students to progressive and critical thinking in relation to a broad range of issues relevant to occupational health services management, occupational health and safety legislation and ethical issues encountered in the workplace/practice of occupational health. This course will provide students with the knowledge and skills to establish and comprehensively manage an occupational health service, have sufficient knowledge of relevant occupational health and safety legislation, and have the appropriate knowledge and skills to deal with ethical issues that occur in occupational health and safety practice.

**DP requirements:** Satisfactory attendance of the course block contact week (at least 80% attendance); and At least a 50% grade point average for the semester assignments and quizzes (in-course assessment).

**Assessment:** Consists of a combination of a work-based practical portfolio assignment specific to this course (occupational health services management), quizzes and a final end-of-course examination.40% final examination (summative assessment); 50% for portfolio assignments and 10% for quizzes (in-course assessment)A student failing to obtain 50% will have one opportunity to repeat the portfolio assignment or course only once. The examination cannot be repeated and there is no supplementary examination.

# PPH4072F OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH RISK ASSESSMENT AND

#### MANAGEMENT

20 NQF credits at NQF level 8

# Convener: Dr IMT Ntatamala

**Objective:** The aim of this course is to provide students with the knowledge and skills to conduct a comprehensive health risk assessment in a workplace, to prioritise risks and identify appropriate control measures to mitigate risks for the protection of working populations, in accordance with laws/regulations responsible for the prevention of occupational injury and disease.

#### **Course outline:**

This course covers all the key principles and the application of key concepts in order to assess and manage occupational health risks. This course lays the foundation for introducing students to progressive and critical thinking in relation to a broad and extensive range of issues relevant to occupational health risk assessment and management in different occupational settings. Students will develop the knowledge and skills to conduct a comprehensive health risk assessment in a workplace, to prioritise risks and identify appropriate control measures to mitigate risks for the protection of working populations, in accordance with laws/regulations responsible for the prevention of occupational injury and disease.

**DP requirements:** Satisfactory attendance of the course block week (at least 80% attendance); and At least a 50% grade point average for the semester assignments and quizzes (in-course assessment).

**Assessment:** Consists of a combination of a work-based practical portfolio assignment specific to this course (occupational health risk assessment and management), online quizzes and a final end-of-course examination. 40% final examination (summative assessment); 50% for portfolio assignments and 10% for quizzes (in-course assessment) A student failing to obtain 50% will have one opportunity

to repeat the portfolio assignment or course only once. The examination cannot be repeated and there is no supplementary examination.

# PPH6004W PUBLIC HEALTH DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor L Myer

#### **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

# PPH6030W MPHIL IN PALLIATIVE MEDICINE BY DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor E Gwyther

#### **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

# **PPH6032R** RESEARCH LITERACIES

#### 12 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor HA Rother and Rebecca Mlelwa

**Objective:** The aim of this course is to equip students with: Critical and analytical research and writing skills, the ability to translate research findings for academic and non-academic audiences; and skills in writing proposals, sourcing funding and project management of research projects. On completion of this course, students will be able to:

•Demonstrate skills in academic writing for different audiences and publications.

•Evaluate and synthesis evidence from varying sources.

•Knowledge in conducting a review of the literature and relevant data bases.

•Critically evaluate research articles, documents and data for research and regulatory decision-making.

•Demonstrate skills in conducting a situation analysis, gap analysis, needs assessment and health and environment impact assessment.

•Design and write a project proposal.

•Develop a fundraising strategy for research proposals.

•Describe the funding landscape for research and projects.

•Apply project management and budgeting skills.

#### **Course outline:**

This course is comprised of three modules. In the first module, students will be introduced to academic writing principles, conducting literature reviews, mechanics of referencing, and drafting literature reviews. In the second module, students will also be introduced to different methodological approaches such as situational analysis, needs assessment, and health and environmental impact assessment, and relevant tools for supporting methodological assessments. In the third module, students will be taught fundraising strategies and how to write strong funding proposals.

**DP requirements:** Successful completion of web-based forums and submission of all assignments by the due date (late penalties apply as described in the course outline).Students must obtain a subminimum of 45% GPA for the semester continuous assessments (discussion exercises, pesticide discussion forum, chemical network discussion participation, online quizzes, and assignments) to be allowed to write the final assignment.

**Assessment:** Continuous assessment consists of written assignments, tests, assessment of participation in bi-monthly web-based seminars, and written web-based forum assignments, and contributes 60% towards the final mark. A final summative examination or written assignment counts 40% towards the final mark. A pass mark of 50% is required overall. Students who obtain 45% - 49% for their course mark will be given an opportunity to revise and resubmit the final assignment for reassessment before the final mark is submitted to the Faculty Examinations Committee for approval. The resubmitted final assignment will receive a maximum of 50%.

# **PPH6033Q** RISK COMMUNICATION AND POLICY BRIEF DEVELOPMENT 12 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor HA Rother and Rebecca Mlelwa

Objective: Upon completion of this course, students should be able to demonstrate:

•Advanced knowledge in chemical risk communication concepts and methods as part of risk management.

•Advanced skills in developing risk communication strategies for the appropriate context and target audience.

•Advanced skills in conducting research for a policy brief.

•Advanced critical skills and literacies in developing a policy brief.

•Ability to identify the different stakeholders in chemicals management nationally and internationally and to describe methods to engage with these.

•Ability to pilot policy briefs with target audiences.

•Ability to describe the role, impact and complexity of research translation

#### **Course outline:**

The aim of this course is to provide students with skills needed for research translation through implementing chemical risk prevention and risk reduction interventions. Students will learn different intervention models, particularly risk communication strategies, and promoting policy changes through policy briefs. They will learn the purpose and functions of policy briefs, developing and disseminating policy briefs. The course also covers other elements and issues linked to risk communication in chemicals management, various tools and developing chemicals risk communication strategies.

**DP requirements:** Successful completion of web-based forums and submission of all assignments by the due date (late penalties apply as described in the course outline).Students must obtain a subminimum of 45% GPA for the semester continuous assessments (discussion exercises, pesticide discussion forum, chemical network discussion participation, online quizzes, and assignments) to be allowed to write the final assignment.

# PPH6034Q SITUATIONAL ANALYSIS RESEARCH TASK

30 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor HA Rother and Rebecca Mlelwa

Course entry requirements: Research Literacies course PPH6032R

**Objective:** The aim of this data collection and data analysis course is for students to apply the skills obtained in the Research Literacies course (PPH6032R) to a real-life problem linked to chemical management within their country or the country they are working in. Upon completion of this course, students will demonstrate:

• Ability to conduct, for example, a situation analysis, needs assessment, gap analysis or health impact assessment within a specific country context for a chemical health and environmental risk or issue of concern.

• Ability to appraise national strategies to identify gaps and opportunities for chemical risk prevention and risk reduction interventions.

• Ability to evaluate current interventions for risk prevention and reduction related to the chemical of concern identified.

#### **Course outline:**

This is a self-driven course. Students will be provided with instructions, marking rubric and milestones. They will be expected to submit a task proposal for approval by the course convenors, and the final report at the end of the course. The final report will comprise of an introduction, literature review, methods, results, findings, recommendations and conclusion.

**DP requirements:** Successful completion of the research work (proposal, data collection, draft report with data analysis) and submission of the final report by the due date (late penalties apply as described in the course outline).

**Assessment:** The situational analysis research task will have one final mark. A pass mark of 50% is required overall. Students who obtain 45% - 49% for their course mark will be given an opportunity to revise and resubmit the situation analysis research task for reassessment before the final mark is submitted to the Faculty Examinations Committee for approval. The resubmitted task will receive a maximum of 50%.

# PPH6035Q/R CORE COURSE IN CHEMICAL RISK MANAGEMENT

12 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor HA Rother and Rebecca Mlelwa

**Objective:** Upon completion of this course, students should be able to demonstrate:

•Knowledge of principles of chemicals risk management covering health, environment, human rights, environmental justice and gender mainstreaming.

•Insights to the environmental and social determinants of chemical exposures by vulnerable populations and in diverse contexts including climate change.

•Advanced knowledge of chemicals and their associated hazards and risks for health and the environment, particularly in LMIC.

•Insights into decision-making mechanisms for chemicals management and specifically risk reduction in LMIC.

•Critically appraise the various policies to identify gaps and opportunities with various systems and structures.

•Advanced knowledge of global governance of the sound management of chemicals particularly in relation to international harmonization, hazard and risk management and labelling.

•Apply human rights, ethics, and environmental principles to managing health risks.

•Ability to describe governance and policy analysis theories as applied to chemical risk management. •Ability to identify the key stakeholders and roles each play in the life cycle management of chemical

#### risks.

•Advanced knowledge of policies and drivers in chemical risk management through understanding relevant frameworks for managing chemical risks.

#### **Course outline:**

The aim of this course is to provide students with extensive knowledge on the complex aspects of managing chemical health and environmental risks along the life cycle of the chemical to protect vulnerable populations in low- and middle-income countries. Students will learn advanced knowledge in frameworks for sound management of chemicals, policy, drivers and principles of chemicals management, and strategies for developing chemicals management. They will also gain advanced knowledge to promote decision-making and critical thinking involved in chemicals management and specifically health and environmental risk reduction.

**DP requirements:** Successful completion of web-based forums and submission of all assignments by the due date (late penalties apply as described in the course outline).Students must obtain a subminimum of 45% GPA for the semester continuous assessments (discussion exercises, pesticide discussion forum, chemical network discussion participation, online quizzes, and assignments) to be allowed to write the final assignment.

**Assessment:** Continuous assessment consists of written assignments, tests, assessment of participation in bi-monthly web-based seminars, and written web-based forum assignments, and contributes 60% towards the final mark. A final summative examination or written assignment counts

40% towards the final mark. A pass mark of 50% is required overall. Students who obtain 45% - 49% for their course mark will be given an opportunity to revise and resubmit the final assignment for reassessment before the final mark is submitted to the Faculty Examinations Committee for approval. The resubmitted final assignment will receive a maximum of 50%.

# PPH6036R CHEMICAL RISK ASSESSMENT FOR MANAGERS

12 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor HA Rother and Rebecca Mlelwa

**Objective:** On completion of this course students will demonstrate:

•Advanced knowledge of the health and environmental impacts and risks linked to chemical use and exposures for a cross-spectrum of chemicals.

•Advanced knowledge of methods for chemical hazard, risk and exposure assessment.

•Advanced knowledge of basic principles of hazard and risk assessment of chemicals.

•Advanced skills in accessing health and environmental surveillance data within a country or for a country through using mutually accepted data from other countries.

•Ability to identify and design strategies for addressing complex environmental health issues in relation to chemicals use and management.

•Specialised knowledge of risk assessment modelling and monitoring.

•Advanced knowledge of ethical risk assessment that incorporates human rights into chemicals risk management.

•Ability to critique and design chemical risk communication strategies.

•Ability to critique and identify gaps in hazard and risk assessments relevant for LMIC regulation of chemicals.

•Advanced skills in managing highly hazardous chemicals in LMIC

#### Course outline:

The aim of this course is to provide students with the knowledge to implement risk assessment for sound management of chemicals at a management level. It covers the background to risk assessment for managers, hazard and risk assessment, risk reduction and assessment issues for managers. Students will learn on using risk assessment data for making regulatory decisions, conducting substitution and alternative assessments, and three safety nets in managing chemicals. The course also covers risk assessment in managing public health incidents and alternative approaches to risk assessment.

**DP requirements:** Successful completion of web-based forums and submission of all assignments by the due date (late penalties apply as described in the course outline).Students must obtain a subminimum of 45% GPA for the semester continuous assessments (discussion exercises, pesticide discussion forum, chemical network discussion participation, online quizzes, and assignments) to be allowed to write the final assignment.

**Assessment:** Continuous assessment consists of written assignments, tests, assessment of participation in bi-monthly web-based seminars, and written web-based forum assignments, and contributes 60% towards the final mark. A final summative examination or written assignment counts 40% towards the final mark. A pass mark of 50% is required overall. Students who obtain 45% - 49% for their course mark will be given an opportunity to revise and resubmit the final assignment for reassessment before the final mark is submitted to the Faculty Examinations Committee for approval. The resubmitted final assignment will receive a maximum of 50%.

#### PPH6037Q/R MASTER'S PROJECT

42 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor HA Rother and Rebecca Mlelwa

**Course entry requirements:** PPH6033Q: Risk Communication and Policy Brief Development course PPH6034Q: Situational Analysis Research Task course

**Objective:** Upon completion of this course, students will demonstrate:

•Ability to develop an intervention based on research findings and data collected

•Ability to evaluate the current country interventions for chemical risk prevention and risk reduction

•Skills in intervention monitoring and evaluation

•Skills in designing and implementing a risk prevention and risk reduction intervention •Ability to write a well-structured and clearly written report

### **Course outline:**

This is a self-directed intervention project where the student makes use of the research findings and data collected in the Situational Analysis Research Task course (PPH6034Q), as well as applies the research translation skills learned in the Risk Communication and Policy Brief Development course (PPH6033Q). Students will develop, implement, and evaluate an intervention to address the real-life problems linked to chemicals within their country or the country they are working in. The problems to be addressed and implementation recommendations will be informed by the findings and data the student collected in the Situational Analysis Research Task course (PPH 6034Q).

**DP requirements:** Successful completion of the project work and submission of the final report by the due date (late penalties apply as described in the course outline).

Assessment: The mark is comprised of the intervention design and implementation proposal, the preand post-intervention evaluations, and the final report. A pass mark of 50% is required overall. Students who obtain 45% - 49% for their course mark will be given an opportunity to revise and resubmit the master's project for reassessment before the final mark is submitted to the Faculty Examinations Committee for approval. The resubmitted master's project will receive a maximum of 50%.

# PPH7015W MASTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor L Myer

### Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation, prepared under supervision, must be about 25 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the same discipline of the coursework master's programme for which the candidate is registered. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

#### DP requirements: None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation. Master's degree candidates must be able to reflect critically on theory and its application. They must be able to deal with complex issues systematically and creatively, design and critically appraise research, make sound judgement using data and information at their disposal, and be able to communicate their conclusions clearly to specialist and non-specialist audiences.

# PPH7016F PUBLIC HEALTH AND SOCIETY

12 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor L Knight

Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

The course consists of two related components. The first provides a historical analysis of the concept of public health and the growth and development of a public health movement in Europe and South Africa. The second considers social patterning of disease around the world and the role of public health in addressing health illness.

DP requirements: At least 45% for the semester assignments taken as a whole.

**Assessment:** Two to three semester assignments and a final examination. The examination makes up 30% of the coursework mark, and the assignments the remaining 70%. A pass mark of 50% is required overall, with a 45% subminimum for each of the semester and examination components.

#### Convener: Dr A de Voux

#### Course entry requirements: None

**Objective:** The course aims to introduce the basic principles and methods of epidemiology. Candidates are able to demonstrate knowledge of: the nature and uses of epidemiology; the epidemiological approach to defining and measuring the occurrence of health-related states in populations; the strengths and limitations of epidemiological study designs; the epidemiological approach to disease causation.

#### Course outline:

The course aims to introduce the basic principles and methods of epidemiology. The course focuses on the epidemiological approach to defining and measuring the occurrence and associations of healthrelated states in populations, the strengths and limitations of study designs, and the approach to disease causation.

DP requirements: At least 45% for the semester assignments taken as a whole.

**Assessment:** Two to three semester assignments and a final examination. The examination makes up 50% of the coursework mark, and the assignments the remaining 50%. A pass mark of 50% is required overall, with a 45% subminimum for each of the semester and examination components.

### **PPH7021F** BIOSTATISTICS I

12 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: E Mukonda Course entry requirements: None

# Course outline:

This course introduces most commonly used descriptive and inferential statistical procedures using *STATA* statistical software and for the students to be able to interpret the results.

**DP requirements:** At least 45% for the semester assignments taken as a whole.

**Assessment:** A class test and one to two semester assignments and a final examination. The examination makes up 50% of the coursework mark, and the test and assignments the remaining 50%. A pass mark of 50% is required overall, with a 45% subminimum for each of the semester and examination components.

PPH7022S EVIDENCE-BASED HEALTH CARE

12 NQF credits at NQF level 9

#### Convener: TBC

**Course entry requirements:** A pass mark of at least 55% in PPH7018F Introduction to Epidemiology. A pass in PPH7021F Biostatistics I. Experience in clinical practice or health policy is recommended.

#### **Course outline:**

The course introduces students to the principles of evidence-based health care. It teaches the skills of critical appraisal of systematic reviews and clinical papers related to diagnosis, therapy, prognosis, clinical practice guidelines, and clinical decision analysis.

The group assignment is designed to test the skill of presenting a critical appraisal of a paper in the context of an evidence-based journal club. The individual assignment teaches the use of the GRADEPro software package for summarizing and presenting information for healthcare decision-making. The final examination tests understanding of theoretical concepts and skills in critically appraising a clinical paper or systematic review.

DP requirements: At least 45% for the semester assignments taken as a whole.

**Assessment:** Two semester assignments (one individual and one group assignment) and a final examination. The examination makes up 50% of the coursework mark, and the assignments the remaining 50%. A pass mark of 50% is required overall, with a 45% subminimum for each of the semester and examination components.

#### Convener: Professor L Myer

**Course entry requirements:** PPH7018F Introduction to Epidemiology with a pass mark of at least 55%; PPH7021F Biostatistics I; and PPH7092S Biostatistics II. *Recommended:* one or more of: PPH7022H Evidence-based Healthcare; PPH7063S Epidemiology of Infectious Diseases; PPH7065S Epidemiology of Non-communicable diseases. Regular access to a computer and the internet at home and/or on campus to make use of online course materials and teaching resources.

#### Course outline:

This course provides candidates with a deeper understanding of the concepts learned in the introductory epidemiology course. These include: causation, measures of occurrence and measures of association; the relationships between observational and experimental study designs, and an understanding of how different observational designs are inter-related; the role of variable measurement in research, with emphasis on bias and misclassification and their effects; how confounding is controlled in epidemiological research, and the uses and limitations of matching in analytical studies; the role of intermediate variables in investigating the determinants of disease; effect modification/interaction, including the relevance of these concepts to public health and the difficulties in identifying these phenomena in data; and the integration and application of different epidemiological concepts to provide a thorough critique of study design, conduct and analysis. **DP requirements:** At least 45% for the semester assignments taken as a whole.

**Assessment:** Two to three semester assignments and a final examination. The examination makes up 50% of the coursework mark, and the assignments the remaining 50%. A pass mark of 50% is required overall, with a 45% subminimum for each of the semester and examination components.

# **PPH7033W** MMED IN PUBLIC HEALTH PART 1

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor L London

#### Course entry requirements: None

**Objective:** The purpose of the Part 1 training is to build a foundational knowledge in Public Health Medicine.

#### Course outline:

This training programme forms part of the accreditation process of medical practitioners as public health medicine specialists. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements. Candidates complete the relevant curriculum of the College of Public Health Medicine of SA, available at <u>www.collegemedsa.ac.za</u>, and undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. The Part 1 training includes epidemiology; biostatistics; demography; health informatics; qualitative study methods; behavioural and social sciences; health economics; health management; the organisation of healthcare; social marketing; occupational health and disease; communicable and non-communicable diseases; environmental health; healthcare organisations (locally and internationally) in the legal and political context; and international health structures. At the end of the part I course, candidates are able to describe, explain, quantify and prioritise the burden of disease, risk factors amenable to intervention and health service needs for individuals, communities and society, at home, at work and in wider society; and plan, design and evaluate interventions to promote health.

**DP requirements:** At least two years as a registered student for the MMed (Public Health Medicine) and appointment as a registrar.

Assessment: Candidates must complete the assessments for selected courses in the Epidemiology track of the Master of Public Health, Diploma in Health Economics and the Diploma in Health Management, but are not required to complete projects or research-related courses in these streams or qualifications. Students who fail an examination are allowed to repeat the course and rewrite the exam once only. No more than two examinations may be repeated in this manner, failing which a student may not be permitted to progress to the Part II course.

#### Course entry requirements: PPH7033W and PPH7035W

**Objective:** The purpose of this training component is to enable successful candidates to attain the appropriate skills in public health practice and to demonstrate their ability to master the application of these skills in service delivery.

#### **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the accreditation process of medical practitioners as public health medicine specialists. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements. Candidates complete the curriculum of the College of Public Health Medicine of SA, available at <u>www.collegemedsa.ac.za</u>, and undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. The training comprises experiential learning in supervised public health practice in service sites at different levels of the health services and health system. By the end of the Part II, candidates are able to identify and characterise a public health problem for the health system; and to develop, plan and implement interventions relating to evaluation outcomes and impacts, in terms of effectiveness, efficiency, quality, equity and sustainability.

**DP requirements:** (i) Successful completion of PPH7033W; (ii) at least 36 months as a registered student for the MMed (Public Health Medicine); and (iii) certification by the HoD that the candidate has achieved a required skills range (listed in the Regulations for Admission to the Fellowship of the College of Public Health Medicine). Candidates must also have met other requirements set by the College of Public Health Medicine for admission to the college examination, which include:(iv) Completed their dissertation for the MMed degree (PPH7035W); (v) submitted a short report on a public health topic that fulfils the requirements of the College of Public Health Medicine; and (vi) submitted an electronic portfolio that conforms to the CMSA format and contains six-monthly institutional formative assessment reports for a period of at least 36 months of training.

Assessment: Formative assessment is carried out every six months by the candidate and his/her designated academic supervisor, overseen by the Head of Division (HoDiv). The formative assessment provides an opportunity for the candidate, academic supervisor and HoD to review the learning that has taken place and that is planned for the next six months. For summative assessment, candidates write the examination of the South African College of Public Health Medicine, which fulfils the requirement for Part 2. The final examination consists of four written papers, a short report and an Objective Structured Practical Examination (OSPE). A minimum of 50% must be obtained as an average for all the written papers and a minimum of 50% must be obtained for the aggregate mark.

# PPH7035W PUBLIC HEALTH MEDICINE MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor L London

#### Course entry requirements: PPH7033W

**Objective:** The purpose of the dissertation is to demonstrate the capacity to undertake research appropriate to a Public Health Medicine specialist.

# **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. The dissertation must be on a topic in public health medicine. The dissertation must be based on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should generally be on a public health topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation, under appropriate supervision. The dissertation must follow guidelines issued by the Postgraduate Office. Candidates may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

# PPH7039F ECONOMIC EVALUATION FOR UNIVERSAL HEALTH

COVERAGE 12 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Professor E Sinanovic **Objective:** This course aims to provide an understanding of the concepts, methods, and applications of economic evaluation in health-related programmes and interventions.

#### **Course outline:**

The main objectives of the course are to gain insights into the theory underlying the application of economic evaluation to health-related programmes and interventions; develop an understanding of economic evaluation methodologies; and develop skills in designing and conducting cost, cost-effectiveness, cost-utility and cost-benefit analyses with an aim of informing policy formulation and implementation.

DP requirements: At least 45% for the semester assignments taken as a whole.

**Assessment:** Two to three semester assignments and a final examination. The examination makes up 50% of the coursework mark, and the assignments the remaining 50%. A pass mark of 50% is required overall, with a 45% subminimum for each of the semester and examination components.

# PPH7041S HEALTH POLICY AND PLANNING

12 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Dr E Whyle Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

This course enables participants to gain insights into the purpose, nature and processes of health policy development and implementation; recognise the socio-political factors acting on health policy; conduct comprehensive analyses of health policy development and implementation, including stakeholder analysis; apply theoretical frameworks and concepts in analysis of policy processes; develop strategies for influencing agenda setting and policy implementation; and demonstrate understanding of critical factors influencing policy change towards health equity.

DP requirements: At least 45% for the formative assignments taken as a whole.

**Assessment:** Two to three formative assignments and a final summative assessment. The summative assessment makes up 50% of the course mark, and the formative assignments the remaining 50%. A pass mark of 50% is required overall, with a 45% subminimum for each of the formative and summative assessment components.

# PPH7048W PALLIATIVE MEDICINE MINOR DISSERTATION

90 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor E Gwyther

Course entry requirements: None.

#### **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation, prepared under supervision, must be about 25 000 words in length and must be on a topic in palliative medicine. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

#### DP requirements: None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation. Master's degree candidates must be able to reflect critically on theory and its application. They must be able to deal with complex issues systematically and creatively, to design and critically appraise research, to make sound judgements using the data and information at their disposal, and to communicate their conclusions clearly to specialist and non-specialist audiences.

#### PPH7050F EQUITY AND EFFICIENCY FOR UNIVERSAL HEALTH COVERAGE 12 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Dr Lucy Cunnama Course entry requirements: None

**Objective:** The objective of the course is to enable an understanding of the theory and principles of microeconomics and their application to health and healthcare, including the analysis of the structure and characteristics of the healthcare market with a view to informing healthcare planning and policy. Course outline:

The course covers the following: Theory and principles of microeconomics as applied in health economics; theory and principles of microeconomics applied to the healthcare market; theory of the firm and production of health and healthcare; theory of individual behaviour and demand and utilisation of health services; efficiency and equity in healthcare provision and utilisation; agency theory; and economics of health insurance.

DP requirements: At least 45% for the semester assignments taken as a whole.

Assessment: Two to three semester assignments and a final examination. The examination makes up 50% of the coursework mark, and the assignments the remaining 50%. A pass mark of 50% is required overall, with a 45% subminimum for each of the semester and examination components.

### **PPH7051W** FAMILY MEDICINE THESIS

360 NOF credits at NOF level 10

Convener: Associate Professor D Hellenberg

#### Course outline:

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and nonspecialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

Assessment: The thesis is externally examined.

# PPH7053F/S PUBLIC HEALTH & HUMAN RIGHTS

12 NOF credits at NOF level 9 Convener: Professor L London & Dr Haricharan Course entry requirements: None

#### Course outline:

This course provides students with insight into the theoretical and historical background to human rights; international and national human rights instruments and institutions; contemporary debates in defining human rights and their implement ability; the relationship of human rights to health; the right to health, and of access to healthcare in national and international law; health as a socio-economic right; when it may be legitimate to restrict rights and the public health rationale; instruments to examine the human rights impact of public health policies, and to incorporate human rights in public health planning and practice; vulnerable groups, human rights and health; participation in health systems; and the impact of intellectual property restrictions on medicines access.

**DP requirements:** At least 45% for the semester assignments taken as a whole.

Assessment: Three three-semester assignments and a final examination. The examination makes up 50% of the coursework mark, and the assignments the remaining 50%. A pass mark of 50% is required overall, with a 45% subminimum for each of the semester and examination components.

# **PPH7054S** GENDER AND SEXUAL & REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH

12 NOF credits at NOF level 9 Convener: Associate Professor L Knight Course entry requirements: None Course outline:

The course aims to provide an introduction and overview to sexual and reproductive health as well as the impacts of gender and sex on health, health care and health systems. It seeks to do this by exploring; gender and sex as key social determinants of health and disease and making reference to global and local patterns and examples. It will also explore gender theory and conceptual frameworks relating to sexual and reproductive health as well as explore related health care policies and practice. Specific topics are used to examine sexual and reproductive health.

**DP requirements:** At least 45% subminimum average mark and submission of all semester assignments.

**Assessment:** Two to three semester assignments and a final examination. The examination makes up 30% of the coursework mark, and the assignments the remaining 70%. A pass mark of 50% is required overall, with a 45% subminimum for each of the semester and examination components.

#### PPH7055W PUBLIC HEALTH THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

**Convener:** Professor S Cleary

#### **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-specialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

Assessment: The thesis is externally examined.

PPH7056W MMED IN OCCUPATIONAL MEDICINE PART 1

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor S Adams

#### Course entry requirements: None

**Objective:** The purpose of the Part 1 training is to build a foundational knowledge in Occupational Medicine.

#### **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of medical practitioners as occupational medicine specialists. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements. Candidates complete the relevant curriculum of the Occupational Medicine Division of the College of Public Health Medicine available at <u>www.collegemedsa.ac.za</u>, and candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited Occupational Medicine training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. The purpose of Part 1 is to provide foundational knowledge in basic public and occupational health sciences, including epidemiology and biostatistics; health economics, health policy and management; social and behavioural sciences including industrial relations; occupational medicine and toxicology; occupational hygiene; occupational safety; occupational health management systems; legislation and ethics; and environmental health.

Assessment: Candidates must complete the assessments for selected modules in the Epidemiology track of the Master of Public Health, Diploma in Occupational Health, and Diploma in Health Management (optional), but are not required to complete research projects on these courses. Students who fail an examination are allowed to repeat the course and rewrite the examination once only. No more than two examinations may be repeated in this manner, failing which a student may not be permitted to progress to the Part II.

# PPH7057W MMED IN OCCUPATIONAL MEDICINE PART 2

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor S Adams

Course entry requirements: PPH7056W & PPH7058W

**Objective:** The purpose of this training component is to enable successful candidates to attain the appropriate skills in occupational medicine practice and to demonstrate their ability to master the application of these skills in service delivery.

### **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the process to prepare medical practitioners to register as occupational medicine specialists. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements. Candidates complete the curriculum of the Occupational Medicine Division of the College of Public Health Medicine available at <u>www.collegemedsa.ac.za</u>, and candidates undergo training in HPCSA-accredited Occupational Medicine training units linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. The training comprises experiential learning in supervised occupational medicine practice in service sites at different levels of the health services and health system. The purpose of this part of the training course is to enable candidates to attain the appropriate skills to diagnose and manage all aspects of work-related disease or disability, or threats to the health and well-being of individual employees through their clinical attachments. Aside from the clinical training, key skills in occupational health policy analysis and programme development are acquired through attachments in the provincial health department.

**DP requirements:** (i) Successful completion of PPH7056W and the submission of three clinical case reports; (ii) at least three calendar years as a registered student for the MMed (Occupational Medicine); and (iii) certification by the HoD that the candidate has achieved a required skills range (listed in the Occupational Medicine Regulations for Admission to the Fellowship of the College of Public Health Medicine). and (iv) Confirmation that the candidate has successfully completed and submitted the dissertation for the MMed degree, and the dissertation has been passed with proof of confirmation of passing the dissertation provided. Candidates are also required to submit: (i) a short report on an occupational health topic that fulfils the requirements of the College of Public Health Medicine; and (ii) submit an electronic portfolio that conforms to the CMSA format, which also contains six- monthly institutional formative assessment reports for a period of at least 36 months of training.

Assessment: Formative assessment is carried out every six months by the student's designated academic supervisor, overseen by the Head of Division (HoDiv) of Occupational Medicine in the Department. The formative assessment provides an opportunity for the candidate, academic supervisor and HoDiv of Occupational Medicine to review the learning that has taken place and that is planned for the next six months. For summative assessment, candidates write the Occupational Medicine examination of the South African College of Public Health Medicine, which fulfils the requirement for Part 2. The final examination includes three written papers, an assessment of the short report and a clinical skills examination, which comprises an objectively structured clinical exam (OSCE) and a structured oral exam. For a pass in this examination, candidates must obtain 50% or higher across all components.

# PPH7058W OCCUPATIONAL MEDICINE MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor S Adams

Course entry requirements: PPH7056W

**Objective:** The purpose of the dissertation is to demonstrate the capacity to undertake research appropriate to an occupational medicine specialist.

#### **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. The dissertation is on a topic in occupational health. The dissertation is based on a study for which the work was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation must be of a standard publishable in a peerreviewed medical journal. Having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. In terms of length, format and style, the dissertation must follow the guidelines issued by the Faculty. Candidates may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

DP requirements: Completion of PPH7057W. Candidates are also required to submit the mark obtained for the MMed dissertation upon registration for the Occupational Medicine Fellowship examination held under the auspices of the College of Public Health Medicine. Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

#### PPH7059W MPHIL IN OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH PART 1

120 NOF credits at NOF level 9

Convener: Professor MF Jeebhay

Course entry requirements: None

#### Course outline:

Coursework includes key learning areas in relation to occupational health risk assessment and management; occupational medicine and work ability; occupational health services management; epidemiology, biostatistics and research methods.

**DP requirements:** Attendance and submission of all academic coursework commitments.

Assessment: Assessment of coursework is by means of written assignments/portfolios, quizzes, written and oral examinations. A pass of 50% is required for the course. In addition, the examiners retain the discretion to alter any mark based on assessment of the candidate's overall performance on the course or in one of more of the course components.

#### OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH MINOR DISSERTATION PPH7060W

60 NOF credits at NOF level 9

Convener: Professor MF Jeebhav

#### Course entry requirements: PPH7059W

#### Course outline:

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. The dissertation must be on a topic in occupational health. The dissertation must be based on a study for which the work was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should be of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, students proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. Students are required to critically evaluate their results and limitations and discuss the implications for knowledge production and implementation of preventive and/or promotive measures in the workplace. In terms of length, format and style, the dissertation must follow the guidelines issued by the Faculty. Candidates may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

**DP requirements:** Completion of PPH7059W is required before the dissertation is submitted. Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

#### PPH7061W MSC(MED) IN PUBLIC HEALTH

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor L Myer

# **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

EPIDEMIOLOGY OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES PPH7063S 12 NQF credits at NQF level 9

#### Convener: Professor A Boulle

Course entry requirements: A pass of at least 55% in PPH7018F. Recommended: Biostatistics I (PPH7021F)

# Course outline:

This course is designed to enable candidates to apply descriptive epidemiology to communicable diseases and outbreak situations; discuss how observational studies are used to investigate causation; discuss transmission dynamics and mathematical modelling of epidemics; discuss routine and sentinel surveillance; discuss how experimental studies are used to evaluate efficacy and effectiveness of treatment and control measures; discuss the epidemiology of vaccination; and apply epidemiology to specific communicable diseases including HIV/AIDS, TB, STIs and childhood communicable diseases.

DP requirements: At least 45% for the semester assignments taken as a whole.

**Assessment:** Two to three semester assignments and a final examination. The examination makes up 50% of the coursework mark, and the assignments the remaining 50%. A pass mark of 50% is required overall, with a 45% subminimum for each of the semester and examination components.

# PPH7065S EPIDEMIOLOGY OF NON-COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

12 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor L Dugas

**Course entry requirements:** A pass of at least 55% in PPH7018F Introduction to Epidemiology. Recommended: PPH7021F Biostatistics I.

### **Course outline:**

The course aims to equip candidates with conceptual frameworks for understanding the epidemiology of the major chronic diseases such as the eco-social model and Rose's high risk/low risk strategies, and to provide a critical perspective on (i) the quality of evidence on risk factors, and (ii) the likely effectiveness of approaches to the control of these diseases. Curricular topics include the epidemiology of early-life factors, nutrition, physical exercise, diabetes, cardiovascular disease, chronic lung disease, cancer, mental illness, injuries and environmental and occupational hazards.

DP requirements: At least 45% for the semester assignments taken as a whole.

**Assessment:** Two to three semester assignments and a final examination. The examination makes up 50% of the coursework mark, and the assignments the remaining 50%. A pass mark of 50% is required overall, with a 45% subminimum for each of the semester and examination components.

# **PPH7070S** QUANTITATIVE RESEARCH METHODS

12 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr A de Voux

#### Course entry requirements: None

**Objective:** To enable candidates to write detailed research proposals, directed at health or health service problems that utilise quantitative methods; to encourage students to engage with their dissertation topic during the beginning of their MPH; to introduce candidates to data management including open source questionnaire management software; to introduce candidates to the application of quantitative research methods in the monitoring and evaluation of programmes; To discuss opportunities for MPH graduates by introducing key public health agencies, their missions and their funding mechanisms; to strengthen public presentation skills and introduce alternative presentation mediums and software; and to promote research reading and review skills, and writing skills (including citation and scientific argument) for purposes of the research proposal.

#### **Course outline:**

The course has four parts: (1) Introduction to quantitative research including an overview of data management; (2) Overview of programme monitoring & evaluation; (3) Overview of public health agencies and their funding; (4) Introduction to good scientific writing.

DP requirements: At least 45% for the semester assignments taken as a whole.

**Assessment:** Two to three semester assignments and a final examination. The examination makes up 50% of the coursework mark, and the assignments the remaining 50%. A pass mark of 50% is required overall, with a 45% subminimum for each of the semester and examination components.

# PPH7071F QUALITATIVE RESEARCH METHODS

12 NQF credits at NQF level 9 **Convener:** Assoc Professor L Knight

Course entry requirements: None

# Course outline:

Conceptual/theoretical foundations for qualitative research and the relationship/differences between qualitative and quantitative research designs and theoretical perspectives; overview of qualitative data collection methods and study designs; overview of data analysis techniques; formats and strategies for write-up; reporting and dissemination of qualitative research results; ethical issues in qualitative research; evaluating the quality of qualitative research projects.

DP requirements: At least 45% for the semester assignments taken as a whole.

**Assessment:** Two to three semester assignments and a final examination. The examination makes up 30% of the coursework mark, and the assignments the remaining 70%. A pass mark of 50% is required overall, with a 45% subminimum for each of the semester and examination components.

# PPH7072W MMED IN FAMILY MEDICINE PART 1

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9; Courses vary in length from 8 to about 15 weeks.

### Convener: Dr T Ras

**Objective:** By the end of the Part 1 course candidates have foundational knowledge of Family Medicine and competence in the management of patients and families at a primary level of care and a community-orientation. For the full curriculum, see the regulations of the College of Family Practitioners at <u>www.collegemedsa.ac.za</u>.

#### **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the accreditation process of doctors as specialist family physicians. Candidates follow the curriculum of the College of Family Physicians. Candidates undergo training at HPCSA-accredited training sites linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, candidates write the Part 1 examination (this is run by the University) and may proceed to the MMed(FamMed) Part 2 (PPH7073W).

The components that make up Part 1 include Principles of Family Medicine; Clinical Medicine A and B; Community-oriented Primary Care; Ethics; Evidence-based Medicine; Chronic Diseases, Prevention and Promotion; Research Methods; Child and Family Health.

Lecture times: Seminars for first and second year MMed students take place on Wednesday afternoons at the University.

**DP requirements:** A final mark of 50% for all the coursework is required to be admitted to the final composite examination.

**Assessment:** The final composite examination comprises a written and a clinical examination, each contributing 50% to the final mark.

# PPH7073W MMED IN FAMILY MEDICINE PART 2

Equivalent to FCFP(SA) Final Part A

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9; Courses vary in length from four to nine weeks.

Convener: Associate Professor D Hellenberg and Dr T Ras

#### Course entry requirements: PPH7072W

Co-requisites: Research protocol completed.

**Objective:** To develop appropriate clinical, counselling, management and academic skills to function efficiently at the district level of healthcare delivery; to complete research project before writing up the dissertation.

# **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the accreditation process of doctors as specialist family physicians. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements. Candidates undergo training in HPCSA-accredited training units linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, candidates write the final examination of the College

of Family Physicians. For the detailed curriculum, see the regulations of the College of Family Physicians at <u>www.collegemedsa.ac.za</u>. Students also complete components of courses in teaching and learning; community-oriented primary care; organisation and management; and research.

Lecture times: Thursdays: 14h00 – 17h30.

**DP requirements:** The Part 2 examination may be taken after a minimum of three years of full-time post-community service training. Candidates may not apply for the Part 2 examination until they have successfully completed all or a satisfactory part of their clinical training, which includes the satisfactory completion of a logbook. Candidates must hold a current CPR, ACLS or ATLS certificate of competence or its equivalent. Candidates should also have submitted a successfully completed portfolio which has been signed off by the HoD.

**Assessment:** Candidates write the final examination of the College of Family Physicians. The examination consists of three written papers (MCQ, MEQ and critical appraisal of a journal article), and a 20 station OSCE.

# PPH7074W FAMILY MEDICINE MINOR DISSERTATION

Equivalent to CFP(SA) Final Part B

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor D Hellenberg and Dr T Ras

Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. The dissertation must be between 15 000 and 20 000 words in length, and must be on a topic in family medicine. The dissertation must be based on a study for which the work was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Students are trained in research methods. Having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

#### **DP requirements:** None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

#### PPH70778 THE ECONOMICS OF HEALTH SYSTEMS

12 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr OA Alaba

#### Course entry requirements: None

**Objective:** At the end of the course, students should be able to demonstrate an understanding of the complex nature of health systems and the interrelationships between the various components of the health systems; identify key functions of health care financing; recognise the advantages and disadvantages of various health care financing options; engage in debate about health financing reforms; and use a range of analytical tools to examine specific issues in health systems.

# **Course outline:**

Health systems, comprising all organisations, institutions and resources devoted to producing actions whose primary intent is to improve health, are located within a county's macroeconomic, public policy and social environment, which is further surrounded by the global economy and environment. Health systems provide three main functions: governance, financing and service delivery, all of which closely interact. This course looks at health systems from a broader economic perspective and explores the use of economic concepts and tools to examine various issues in health systems, with an emphasis on the financing of health systems. Part 1 focuses on health systems financing and discusses relating to universal coverage in low- and middle-income country settings; Part 2 introduces a number of analytical tools for assessing health financing systems, with a focus on progress towards universal coverage; and Part 3 discusses the inter-relationships between healthcare financing and other components of health systems (e.g. human resources, gender and health care service provision). Theories and methodologies used to examine the economics of health systems are integrated with practical sessions, such as group exercises, to help students better

understand the application of those theories and methodologies in the context of low- and middleincome countries.

DP requirements: At least 45% for the semester assignments taken as a whole.

**Assessment:** Two semester assignments and a final examination. The examination makes up 50% of the final mark and the assignments the remaining 50%. A pass mark of 50% is required overall, with a 45% subminimum for each of the semester and examination components.

#### **PPH7080H** RESEARCH METHODS

90 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor E Gwyther

Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

The aim of this course is to equip palliative care professionals with knowledge and understanding of research methods and to impart the skills needed to conduct independent research. It covers the topics of palliative care research methods, quantitative methodology and analysis, biostatistics and epidemiology, qualitative methodology and analysis, research ethics and scientific writing skills. In addition aspects of advanced clinical care are covered to include recent developments in the field of palliative care. These topics are explored through interactive workshops, focused readings, and online discussions with web-based support of learning.

DP requirements: Completion and attendance of all coursework commitments.

**Assessment:** Assessment is conducted on the basis of 6 written assignments, substantive contribution to Vula discussion forums, and research ethics approval of the research proposal. A pass mark of 50% is required in each component of the assessment. The external examiner has the authority to allocate final marks.

# PPH7087W HEALTH ECONOMICS MINOR DISSERTATION

90 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr L Cunnama

#### Course entry requirements: None

**Objective:** Master's degree candidates must be able to reflect critically on theory and its application. They must be able to deal with complex issues systematically and creatively, design and critically appraise research, make sound judgement using data and information at their disposal, and be able to communicate their conclusions clearly to specialist and non-specialist audiences.

# Course outline:

The minor dissertation, prepared under supervision, is comprised of 4 components (a detailed literature review, a protocol, a journal-ready article based on the work conducted and policy brief) and must be on a topic in health economics. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

#### DP requirements: None

Assessment: External examination of the dissertation.

# PPH7089F/S PUBLIC HEALTH PRACTICUM

12 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor L London and Dr Eleanor Whyle

**Course entry requirements:** Successful completion of at least two modules from the MPH programme, one of which should be either PPH7070S or PPH7071F.

**Objective:** To provide candidates with the experience of practical application of public health skills in a community, organisational or other service context. The Practicum is also intended to help students gain confidence, competence and a sense of personal achievement and satisfaction while preparing them to gain better insight into their own personal and professional skills, including communication with non-academic audiences.

**Course outline:** 

Each practicum attachment has learning outcomes specific to the particular placement, which is developed on a case-by-case basis. However, the learning outcomes are, in general, (a) ability to apply public health skills to a client/organisational problem; (b) ability to adapt to a service setting and meet client need; and (c) ability to process and communicate the practical experience. To varying degrees, the practicum experience aims to provide the student with opportunities (i) to integrate their skills acquired during the MPH with a practice activity; (ii) to understand the structure, governance, inputs, output, outcomes and programmes associated with public health organisations to improve the health of their target populations; (iii) to exercise their critical skills in improving the delivery of a service or programme with a health objective. These learning outcomes are finalized in discussion between the practicum host, the course convener and the student and written into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), signed by all parties, before the student registers.

#### **DP requirements:** None

**Assessment:** Student performances are assessed in three written pieces of work and an oral presentation as follows: A reflective journal (10%), an oral presentation of the project output to teaching staff and hosts (10%), a report by the host on the student's practicum contributions (30%) and a written report (50%).

# PPH7090S SEMINARS IN EPIDEMIOLOGY AND BIOSTATISTICS

12 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor L Myer

**Course entry requirements:** Introduction to Epidemiology (PPH7018F), Advanced Epidemiology (PPH7029F), Biostatistics I (PPH7021F), Biostatistics II (PPH7092S), and Biostatistics III (STA5056F). Prior arrangements need to be made with the convener.

#### **Course outline:**

The purpose of this course is to provide MPH candidates with advanced training in epidemiological methods that extends beyond the existing course offerings. The course is structured as a reading and tutorial seminar over one semester that provides students with understanding of recent developments in epidemiological principles and with proficiency in advanced epidemiological analytic methods. Topics for the seminar series include: causal thinking; the application of marginal structural models; infectious diseases modelling; directed acyclic graphs and estimator biases; instrumental variables, propensity scoring and alternative methods of adjusting for confounding. Students will meet the convener or designated lecturer for weekly sessions of two to four hours and are expected to undertake an additional four to six hours of reading or demonstration analyses each week. Admission is by prior arrangement with the course convener.

**DP requirements:** Completion of all coursework.

**Assessment:** Formative: 33% student critical reading summaries and class participation, and 33% student project based on methods and concepts taught in class. Summative: 34% final examination.

# PPH70928 BIOSTATISTICS II

12 NQF credits at NQF level 9; 15 lectures.

Convener: F Honwana

Course entry requirements: A pass of at least 65% in PPH7021F and a pass in PPH7018F.

#### Course outline:

The course is designed to equip candidates with a good understanding of modelling the relationship between a response and a set of risk factors, so as to be able to perform such analyses themselves using sophisticated statistical software. The nature of the response variable determines the modelling framework and both linear and logistic regression are covered. At the end of the course, students are able to recognise data forms and analyses that require commonly used regression methods in the health sciences, conduct preliminary analyses to inform the application of specific regression methods, apply and interpret correctly specific regression methods (including model building approaches), and apply and interpret techniques to examine model fit and model diagnostics.

**DP requirements:** Completion of all assessment tasks and a minimum of 45% for the semester component.

**Assessment:** Two to three semester assignments, a mid-term examination and a final examination. The examinations make up 50% of the coursework mark, and the assignments and class participation the remaining 50% (the semester component). A pass mark of 50% is required overall, with a 45% subminimum for each of the semester and examination components.

# PPH7093F INTRODUCTION TO HEALTH SYSTEMS

12 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Dr T Assegaai & Assoc Prof J Olivier Course entry requirements: None

Course outline:

This course aims to provide an introduction to the core elements of any health system, and an understanding of health systems as complex systems comprised of components, actors and interrelationship. It provides a foundation for understanding health systems analysis, action and research. Drawing on cutting-edge international thinking and experience, it considers various frameworks for understanding health systems, as well as their core performance goals; examines international experience of, and key international debates about, health system development; and considers how to intervene and manage change in health systems. It draws on relevant case studies as well as participants' own experience.

**Assessment:** There are coursework assignments and a final summative assessment. The coursework assignments make up 50% of the final course mark, and the summative assessment the remaining 50%. A pass mark of 50% is required overall, with a 45% subminimum for each of the coursework and summative assessment components.

# PPH7094S HEALTH SYSTEMS RESEARCH & EVALUATION

12 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor J Olivier

Course entry requirements: PPH7093F

#### **Course outline:**

This course comprises an introduction to health systems research and evaluation methods. It seeks to open up the "black box" of the health system, and the contemporary approaches to studying it, with the view to encouraging students to consider future research in this field. There has been substantial debate around the definition and scope of health system (and linked to this policy) research, and there is no single definition. This is due to the fact that health systems research is a relatively new field and - because health systems are complex - involve many different actors engaged in a variety of activities. However, there is consensus that health systems research draws on a variety of disciplines (economics, sociology, anthropology, political science and epidemiology). As an applied field, it starts with a problem or topic and selects methods, whether qualitative or quantitative, that address this in the most appropriate manner. It is different from classic public health research. By the end of the course, students are expected to be able, confidently, to identify substantively relevant HPSR questions, select appropriate research strategies for addressing these questions in specific contexts, and think through approaches that support the use of research evidence in decision-making.

Assessment: There are coursework assignments and a final summative assessment. The coursework assignments make up 50% of the final course mark, and the summative assessment the remaining 50%. A pass mark of 50% is required overall, with a 45% subminimum for each of the coursework and summative assessment components.

# PPH7095F BIOSTATISTICS III

12 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: F Honwana Course entry requirements: PPH7021F and PPH7092S Course outline:

This course aims to provide candidates with a good understanding of the analysis of "time-to-event" data, longitudinal data, methods for survey designs, and with the ability to perform such analyses

themselves. It further introduces students to more advanced statistical methods relevant to medical research, so that they are aware of their availability for application to specific problems in medical research. Part of the practical work involves the analysis of data from their own research.

DP requirements: At least 45% for the semester assignments taken as a whole.

**Assessment:** Two to three semester assignments and a final examination. The examination makes up 50% of the coursework mark, and the assignments the remaining 50%. A pass mark of 50% is required overall, with a 45% subminimum on each of the semester and examination components.

# PPH7096F CANCER PREVENTION AND CONTROL

12 NQF credits at NQF level 9; Sixteen contact sessions (seminars), each lasting two hours.

# Convener: Professor J Moodley

**Objective:** By the end of the course participants should be able to: Identify and describe key concepts related to cancer prevention and control; discuss prevention and early diagnosis strategies for common cancers; discuss key cancer risk factors; evaluate cancer prevention and early detection interventions, including screening programmes and behavioural and lifestyle interventions; understand the role of molecular biomarkers and cancer genetics in assessing cancer risk and outcome; discuss the role the role of cancer registries and surveillance systems; understand the interaction between infections and cancer; and understand key elements of cancer survivor care.

#### **Course outline:**

This course aims to introduce the principles of cancer prevention and control. It covers a broad range of topics relevant to the South African setting e.g. cancer screening; biomarkers to assess cancer risk and determine outcome; surveillance and cancer registries; infection and cancer; survivorship; cancer genetics; behavioural interventions; molecular epidemiology and its role in cancer control; etc. The course has an interdisciplinary approach and teaching staff include clinical, public health and basic scientists.

DP requirements: At least 45% for the semester assignments taken as a whole.

Assessment: Class participation (10%) 2 take-home assignments (each weighted at 20%) and a summative end-of-course exam (weighted at 50%).

# PPH70978 CLIMATE CHANGE, POLLUTION AND HEALTH

12 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Professor HA Rother

# **Course outline:**

The course aims to equip students with an understanding of environmental health from a global and local perspective by informing them about the major environmental health issues which impact local and global burden of disease, enabling them to critically analyse environmental health problems, strengthening their commitment to environmental health issues and equipping them with skills to study environmental health problems. The topics that will be covered by the course include Environmental Epidemiology, Environmental Burden of Disease, Climate change and Health, Air pollution and Health, Water Pollution and Health, Toxic Chemicals and Health (Including pesticides, persistent organic pollutants, metals and endocrine disruptors . Learning will take place through a combination of formal seminars and group work in class.

# PPH7098F ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH POLICY

12 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Prof L London & Dr M Jagarnath

Course entry requirements: None

### Co-requisites: None

# Course outline:

This course aims to equip students with a broad overview of the field of environmental health policy, as well as some of the key debates in the environmental health field. Students are encouraged to develop a critical understanding of national and global environmental health policies, so that they can shape health and other public policies to promote environmental health and environmental justice.

The course covers key concepts such as: the environment as a public good; sustainable development; environmental ethics, environmental justice and human rights-based approaches to environmental stewardship. Additionally, the course covers the main global environmental health conventions and agreements; the national regulatory, policy and governance arrangements; and the place of environmental health in the health system. Case studies that illustrate each of these content areas draw on both local and international examples, including acid mine drainage; asbestos; chemicals management; Marikana; pesticides in rural farming communities; and other environmental health case studies.

**DP requirements:** At least 45% for the semester assignments taken as a whole.

**Assessment:** 50% final examination; 50% individual assignments. A pass mark of 50% is required overall, with a 45% subminimum for each of the semester and examination components.

# PPH7099F/S CHILDREN'S ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

12 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor HA Rother

#### **Course outline:**

The aim of this course is to equip students with: (1) a comprehensive understanding of children's environmental health issues and their unique vulnerabilities, and (2) the ability to address these issues through analysing policy options and identifying relevant health interventions and risk management / risk reduction approaches. Specifically, the course provides students with a broad understanding of children's environmental health issues from a disease, rights, regulatory, preventative and community action perspective. This is through an understanding and critical evaluation of environmental risk factors; exposure risks to chemicals and pollutants; health risks, including epigenetics; child labour; children's rights; relevant sustainable development goals; climate change; housing; mental health; and indicators. Prevention skills include critical appraisal of the hierarchy of control; risk communication mechanisms; risk assessment; risk mapping; policy briefs; theory of change; and health behaviour/promotion theories and methods.

# PPH4071S OCCUPATIONAL MEDICINE AND WORK ABILITY

#### 20 NQF credits at NQF level 8

# Convener: Dr IMT Ntatamala

**Objective:** The aim of this course is to provide students with the knowledge and skills to evaluate patients with work-related health problems (occupational injury/disease), develop a workplace medical surveillance programme, and the ability to assess health problems and disease in relation to fitness for work and work ability.

#### **Course outline:**

This course covers all the key principles and the application of key concepts in order to diagnose and manage occupational diseases, injuries and work ability. The course introduces students to progressive and critical thinking in relation to a broad and extensive range of issues relevant to occupational medicine and work ability practice including impairment and disability assessment of various health problems encountered in the workplace

**DP requirements:** Satisfactory attendance of the course block week (at least 80% attendance); and At least a 50% grade point average for the semester assignments and quizzes (in-course assessment). **Assessment:** Consists of a combination of a work-based practical portfolio assignment specific to this course (occupational medicine and work ability), quizzes and a final end-of-course examination.40% final examination (summative assessment); 50% for portfolio assignments and 10% for quizzes (in-course assessment)A student failing to obtain 50% will have one opportunity to repeat the portfolio assignment or course only once. The examination cannot be repeated and there is no supplementary examination.

The course provides students with the technical knowledge base and skills to regulate and manage the acute and chronic health effects associated with exposure to pesticides. To promote this understanding, students receive training in the basic chemistry of pesticides and how to interpret the WHO and GHS hazard classification systems. An introduction to pesticide toxicology, pesticide epidemiology, and the principles of risk and hazard assessment provides the technical skills and knowledge base to evaluate the quantitative human risk assessment data in pesticide dossiers. The health consequences of pesticide exposure are covered through an understanding of exposure pathways and multiple exposures, as well as endocrine disruption, neurotoxicity, genotoxicity, immunotoxicity (vital for countries with high immune-compromised populations), and reproductive effects. The course also covers ways to interpret strength-of-association in epidemiological studies and to critically appraise pesticide health literature. Students learn how to assess human risk assessment data submitted as a part of a pesticide dossier, and the application of the Code and life-cycle approach to health risk assessment.

# PPH40358 PESTICIDE ECOTOXICOLOGY

20 NQF credits at NQF level 8

#### **Course outline:**

This course provides students with an understanding of the principles of environmental risk assessment as used in the pesticide registration process (e.g. predicting environmental concentrations and toxic effects, quantifying risk, tiered assessments); differences between (pre-registration) pesticide risk assessment and (post-registration) pesticide impact studies, and the types of impact a pesticide may have (e.g. effects on organisms, environmental contamination, biodiversity, ecosystem services, agronomic productivity, disease vector control); environmental protection goals (determining what needs to be protected and to what extent); linkages with environmental legislation and policy; harmonisation and environmental governance; approaches to the assessment of (potential) environmental impact of a pesticide after its introduction for use in a country (e.g. environmental monitoring, incident reporting); how basic chemistry of pesticides influences their properties. environmental fate and persistence; the assessment of pesticide contamination - basic methodology; sampling for pesticide residues (e.g. methods for organisms, soils, water); the influence of temperature and other environmental parameters on the environmental fate and persistence of pesticides; the principles of ecotoxicology with reference to pesticide use; impacts at organism, population and community levels of organisation and how ecotoxicology is used in risk assessments and for the formulation of pesticide policy and registration; the use of risk assessment data in the decision-making process, how a risk management component is added, and measures to mitigate and reduce risk; the principles and varied methodologies for assessing pesticide impacts in the field; how pesticides affect non-target organisms and how this can lead to pest resurgence; and how to develop a pesticide resistance management programme.

# **PPH4040S** CONTAINERS AND CONTAMINATED SITE MANAGEMENT 20 NOF credits at NOF level 8

#### **Course outline:**

The course introduces the student to systems for the scoping of project components related to contaminated site assessment and management of pesticide containers (legacy stockpiles and new wastes). The course then progresses to the development of operational plans for the implementation of container and contaminated site assessments, leading to development of site-specific environmental management plans and remediation strategies. With regard to container management, the course makes the distinction between the development and implementation of strategies for addressing existing stockpiles of contaminated materials and the need to develop sustainable container management programmes for the future. The student is required to demonstrate competence in the development of operational plans for a series of case-study contaminated sites, and to develop container management strategies based on a series of hypothetical situations. The student is also required to look to maximise local treatment of all materials based on assessments of national capacities and the application of international best practice/standards for treatment under local conditions.

# **PPH4041S** INTERNATIONAL CHEMICALS MANAGEMENT AGREEMENTS 20 NQF credits at NQF level 8

# **Course outline:**

This course aims to provide students with an in-depth knowledge of the various international chemical conventions and agreements, and their relevance to managing the risks associated with pesticides. These include the Code, the Stockholm Convention, the Rotterdam Convention, Basel Convention, Minamata Convention, and the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management (SAICM). By the end of the course, students are able to describe the detailed requirements of different conventions at each stage in the pesticide life-cycle and relate them to national legislation to regulate pesticides, understand how chemical conventions can be implemented at local level in a systematic and synergistic way, critically appraise their own national legislation and assess its compliance with international convention requirements, and identify and use existing information resources about conventions and international initiatives.

# PPH4042S PESTICIDES AND INTEGRATED VECTOR MANAGEMENT

20 NQF credits at NQF level 8

#### **Course outline:**

This course provides the student with the skills for managing public health pest problems and for implementing effective control strategies (e.g. integrated vector management [IVM]) through the lifecycle approach, alternatives, and cost-effective approaches. Students examine the World Health Organisation (WHO) models for evaluating and testing pesticides to be used in public health, along with the WHO's strategies, policies and guidelines for using pesticides in public health. On completion of the course, students have knowledge of a holistic approach to public health vectors and disease management; basic vector ecology and biology for major diseases; WHO global framework for IVM; IVM for malaria; IVM for nuisance pest control; and how to integrate public health pesticides legislation, develop a reporting system, and assure efficacy and compliance with international conventions.

# **PPH6032R** RESEARCH LITERACIES

12 NQF credits at NQF level 9

# Course outline:

This course is comprised of three modules. In the first module, students will be introduced to academic writing principles, conducting literature reviews, mechanics of referencing, and drafting literature reviews. In the second module, students will also be introduced to different methodological approaches such as situational analysis, needs assessment, and health and environmental impact assessment, and relevant tools for supporting methodological assessments. In the third module, students will be taught fundraising strategies and how to write strong funding proposals.

# **PPH6033Q** RISK COMMUNICATION AND POLICY BRIEF DEVELOPMENT 12 NOF credits at NOF level 9

#### Course outline:

The aim of this course is to provide students with skills needed for research translation through implementing chemical risk prevention and risk reduction interventions. Students will learn different intervention models, particularly risk communication strategies, and promoting policy changes through policy briefs. They will learn the purpose and functions of policy briefs, developing and disseminating policy briefs. The course also covers other elements and issues linked to risk communication in chemicals management, various tools and developing chemicals risk communication strategies.

The aim of this course is for students to apply the skills obtained in the research literacy course to a real life problem linked to chemical management within their country or the country they are working in. This is a self-driven course. Students will be provided with instructions, marking rubric and milestones. They will be expected to submit a task proposal for approval by the course convenors, and the final report at the end of the course. The final report will comprise of an introduction, literature review, methods, results, findings, recommendations and conclusion.

# PPH6036R CHEMICAL RISK ASSESSMENT FOR MANAGERS

#### 12 NQF credits at NQF level 9

### **Course outline:**

The aim of this course is to provide students with the knowledge to implement risk assessment for sound management of chemicals at a management level. It covers the background to risk assessment for managers, hazard and risk assessment, risk reduction and assessment issues for managers. Students will learn on using risk assessment data for making regulatory decisions, conducting substitution and alternative assessments, and three safety nets in managing chemicals. The course also covers risk assessment in managing public health incidents and alternative approaches to risk assessment.

# PPH6037Q PROFESSIONAL MASTER'S PROJECT

# 42 NQF credits at NQF level 9

# **Course outline:**

The aim of this course is for students to conduct a research project linked to specific chemical risk management issue in their country. Upon completion of this course, students will demonstrate: - Ability to conduct a case-study research project in their country or country of work. - Ability to write a research project proposal and concept document. - Advanced skills in applying the principles and content of the other courses in a research project. - Ability to conduct a case-study analysis research project. - Advanced skills in research literacy and critical thinking. - Ability to write up a research project.

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# PPH70998 CHILDREN'S ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

12 NQF credits at NQF level 0

#### **Course outline:**

The aim of this course is to equip students with: (1) a comprehensive understanding of children's environmental health issues and their unique vulnerabilities, and (2) the ability to address these issues through analysing policy options and identifying relevant health interventions and risk management / risk reduction approaches. Specifically, the course provides students with a broad understanding of children's environmental health issues from a disease, rights, regulatory, preventative and community action perspective. This is through an understanding and critical evaluation of environmental risk factors; exposure risks to chemicals and pollutants; health risks, including epigenetics; child labour; children's rights; relevant sustainable development goals; climate change; housing; mental health; and indicators. Prevention skills include critical appraisal of the hierarchy of control; risk communication mechanisms; risk assessment; risk mapping; policy briefs; theory of change; and health behaviour/promotion theories and methods.

# **PPH9080W** MINI-DISSERTATION FOR MSC IN EPIDEMIOLOGY AND BIOSTATISTICS

90 NQF credits at NQF level 9

#### **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation, prepared under supervision, is comprised of 4 components (a detailed literature review, a research protocol, a journal-ready article based on the work conducted and policy brief) and must be on an approved topic in epidemiology and/or biostatistics. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the minor dissertation. Master's degree candidates must be able to reflect critically on the theory and application of epidemiological and/or biostatistical methods to salient concerns in public health and/or clinical medicine. They must be able to deal with complex issues systematically and creatively, design and critically appraise research, make sound judgement using data and information at their disposal, and be able to communicate their conclusions clearly to specialist and non-specialist audiences. Assessment is via external examination.

# PPH6038S INTRODUCTION TO HEALTH PROMOTION

12 NQF credits at NQF level 9

#### Convener: Dr J N Githaiga

**Objective:** By the end of the course, students should be able to:1) Explain the historical, sociopolitical, and theoretical underpinnings of health promotion and how these influence contemporary health promotion policy andpractice.2) Demonstrate understanding of key concepts, methods, and debates in health promotion.3) Critically assess key health promotion strategies.4) Describe key health promotion theories and models including comparative advantages, disadvantages, and applicability in low-and-middle-income versus high-income contexts.5) Articulate the differences between various downstream, midstream, and upstream strategies as they apply to individual, group and population health promotion strategies.6) Design a health promotion program in response to a pertinent health issue in the South African context, using any of the health promotion theories featured in the course.

#### **Course outline:**

This course aims to introduce students to the theory and practice of health promotion including the historical and theoretical underpinnings, key concepts, methods, and debates. The course seeks to develop critical thinking around the feasibility of health promotion interventions with consideration for the ramifications of social determinants on health outcomes in various contexts such as geographical (e.g. LMIC, Sub-Saharan Africa), work, school, community, and diverse population contexts. Students will apply knowledge gained in planning, implementing, and evaluating select health promotion programs.

Lecture times: Block followed by 2 hour lecture every week (in second semester) – time set as per MPH program

**DP requirements:** Attendance of the teaching block at the start of the course. At least 45% for the semester assignments taken as a whole.

**Assessment:** Grading for this course will entail 70% from coursework assessment in the form of two to three smaller assignments and a class participation mark, and 30% from the final exam score. A pass mark of 50% is required overall, with a 45% subminimum for each of the semester and examination components.

#### PPH6035Q CORE COURSE IN CHEMICAL RISK MANAGEMENT

# 12 NQF credits at NQF level 9

# **Course outline:**

The aim of this course is to provide students with extensive knowledge on the complex aspects of managing chemical health and environmental risks along the life cycle of the chemical to protect vulnerable populations in low- and middle-income countries. Students will learn advanced knowledge in frameworks for sound management of chemicals, policy, drivers and principles of chemicals

management, and strategies for developing chemicals management. They will also gain advanced knowledge to promote decision-making and critical thinking involved in chemicals management and specifically health and environmental risk reduction.

# PPH6033R RISK COMMUNICATION AND POLICY BRIEF DEVELOPMENT

# 12 NQF credits at NQF level 9

# **Course outline:**

The aim of this course is to provide students with skills needed for research translation through implementing chemical risk prevention and risk reduction interventions. Students will learn different intervention models, particularly risk communication strategies, and promoting policy changes through policy briefs. They will learn the purpose and functions of policy briefs, developing and disseminating policy briefs. The course also covers other elements and issues linked to risk communication in chemicals management, various tools and developing chemicals risk communication strategies.

# PPH7103F/S EPIDEMIOLOGY AND BIOSTATISTICS FOR OCCUPATIONAL

HEALTH

30 NQF credits at NQF level 9

#### **Course outline:**

The course aims to introduce the principles and methods of epidemiology and biostatistics and its application to occupational health, and to develop proficiency in occupational epidemiological analytic methods using statistical software. The course covers all the key principles and the application of key concepts in occupational epidemiology and biostatistics in order to conduct epidemiologic and exposure assessment studies.

# PPH7104F/S RESEARCH METHODS FOR OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH

30 NQF credits at NQF level 9

# **Course outline:**

The course is aimed at candidates who wish to develop a broad understanding of quantitative research methods and its application in occupational health research in a career that requires skills in collecting, understanding, synthesising and reporting of epidemiological data or other quantitative data sources.

# **RADIATION MEDICINE**

Associate Professor and Head: Rotating Head Currently: SEI Moosa, MBChB FCRad SA

L-Block, Groote Schuur Hospital

#### Head:

N Joubert, BMedScHons PGDip MMedSc UFS

# Lecturers:

A.Groenewald H Mac Gregor, BScHons *Stell* B Smith, BMedScHons *UCT* D Violante C Stofile

C3/C4/C9, Groote Schuur Hospital

#### Head of Division and Senior Lecturer Full-time:

S More, MBBCh Wits FCNP SA MMed Cape Town

#### **Consultants:**

Consultant at lecturer level: MP Rivombo, MBChB *MEDUNSA* FCNP *SA* MMed *SMU* 

**Red Cross Hospital:** 

Consultant at lecturer level: K Hlongwa, MBChB Pretoria FCNP SA MMed Nuclear Medicine Pretoria

#### **Honorary Professors:**

V Prasad

# Honorary Lecturers:

Nuclear Medicine Physicians: A Brink, MBChB UP DCH FCNP SA MMed UCT PhD UCT AO Ayeni, MBChB (Ife) FCNP SA MMed (Nucl Med) Wits

#### **Radiopharmacist:**

J Kleynhans, B PharmNWU MSc (Pharmaceutical Chemistry) SU PhD(Phaemaceutical Chemistry) NWU

Red Cross Children's Hospital

#### Lecturer Full-time:

T Pillay E Banderker, MBChB *Cape Town* FCRadDiag *SA* A Rajkumar, MBChB *Cape Town* FCRadDiag *SA* D Govender

L-Block, Groote Schuur Hospital

**Professor and Head of division:** J Parkes, MBBCh *Witwatersrand DA SA* FCRad Onc *SA* 

**Emeritus Professor:** R Abratt, MBChB *UP* FFRad Onc *SA* 

Associate Professor full-time: AJ Hunter, BScHons (Medicine) PhD *Cape Town* (Radiobiology) Z Mohamed, MBChB *Stell* MMed *US* 

Honorary Associate Professor: S Grover, BA MD MPH Rad Onc *UPenn* S Fairhead, MBChB FC Rad Onc *SA* 

Senior Lecturers Part-time: A Hendrickse, (Radiobiology)

# Lecturers Full-time:

S Dalvie, MBChB Cape Town FCRadOnc SA N Fakie, MBChB Cape Town FCRadOnc SA

T Naiker, MBBCh *Witwatersrand* FCRadOnc *SA* J Wetter, MBChB *Cape Town* FCRadOnc *SA* MMedRadOnc *UFS* L Punt, MBChB *Stell* MMed(Rad Onc) *Cape Town* S Viranna, MBChB *UKZN* FC Rad Onc *SA* MMed Rad Onc *Cape Town* 

#### Lecturers Part-time:

J Day

C16, New Groote Schuur Hospital

#### Associate Professor and Head:

SEI Moosa, MBChB MPhil Cape Town BScHons Stell FFRadDiag SA

#### **Emeritus Professor:**

SJ Beningfield, MBChB FFRad(D) SA

#### **Emeritus Associate Professor:**

SE Candy, BSc HED MBChB FCRadDiag SA

#### Senior Lecturers Full-time:

N Ahmed, MBChB UCT Cape Town FCRadDiag SA QM Said-Hartley, MBChB UCT Cape Town FCRadDiag SA R Gamieldien, MBChB UCT Cape Town FCRadDiag SA

#### Senior Lecturers Part-time:

AT Scher, MBChB UCT DMRD (RCP&S) London FCRad(D) SA

#### Lecturers Full-time:

FM Oompie, UCT FC RadDiag SA MMed UCT PG Dip Diagnostic RadDiag CPUT MBChB MEDUN SA GP Human, MBChB Free State FC Rad (SA) Diag MMed UCT

C van Zyl, MBChB US FC Rad SA Diag MMed UCT DK Creamer, MBChB UKZN FC Rad SA Diag MMed US

# RAY4010S QUANTUM MECHANICS

9 NQF credits at NQF level 8

# Course outline:

Postulates of QM, mathematics of QM: infinitely dimensional vector spaces; functions as vectors; Hermitian vs. self-adjoint operators; spectral decomposition; Lie algebra; generators of transformations; (some) representation theory. |Heisenberg picture, Schroedinger picture. Path integrals; Trotter formula; propagator for a free particle, simple harmonic oscillator, uniform gravity; functional analysis. Perturbation theory: time independent, non-degenerate and degenerate; time dependent, time order exponential, Dyson series; interaction picture. Scattering Theory; Lippman-Schwinger equation; Fermis Golden rule; Born cross section; Optical theorem. Quantum Statistics: Bosons vs. fermions; density matrices. Bells inequality; Einstein-Podolsky-Rosen paradox. Time permitting: WKB approximation, method of steepest descent.

RAY4014W PHYSICS OF RADIOLOGY 9 NQF credits at NQF level 8 Convener: A Groenewald Course entry requirements: None Course outline: The aim of the course is to introduce the student to the basic principles of imaging in diagnostic radiology. The student will be acquainted with imaging modalities such as computed tomography, ultrasound and magnetic resonance imaging. Content includes production of x-rays: x-ray tubes, x-ray generators; factors influencing x-ray emission; conventional radiography computer tomography; and ultrasound magnetic resonance imaging.

**DP requirements:** A minimum year mark of 45% for continuous coursework assessment, for each course. The year mark is calculated from a 30% contribution from tutorials / practical assignments and 70% from the test.

Assessment: Continuous coursework and a final summative assessment of each of the courses take place throughout and at the conclusion of each course. The coursework assessment includes tests, assessment of tutorial participation, group-work, and practical assignments. The final summative assessment involves an integrated examination for each of the courses, moderated by an external examiner. The weighting of the final result is 50% coursework (year mark) and 50% examination. A minimum of 50% in the final mark is required for each of these courses, with a minimum of 45% in the examination. In the case where a student's year mark is between 40% and 45%, the student may gain access to a reassessment opportunity, to achieve a 45% year mark (DP), and thereby gain access to the examination in the course. Students who achieve at least 45% in the examination but who fail a course (final mark of less than 50%) may gain access to a reassessment before the final mark is submitted to the Faculty Examinations Committee for approval. Students with a final mark of 50% or higher, but with an exam mark of between 40% and 45%, will need to complete a reassessment if access is gained. Students who achieve 50% or more for the reassessment will be allocated 50% as the final course mark. Students who achieve less than 50% for the reassessment, or whose final marks are less than 50%, will fail the course. Reassessments will only be granted at the discretion of the HOD, and limited to one (1) reassessment per student per course, i.e. either for DP or examination.

#### RAY4015W PHYSICS OF NUCLEAR MEDICINE

9 NQF credits at NQF level 8 Convener: N Joubert Course entry requirements: None

#### Course outline:

The aim of the course is to familiarise the student with the theory and principles of operation of all medical nuclear instrumentation; the quality control measures of nuclear instrumentation; the practical uses of radioactive sources; the theoretical principles of common tracer techniques; and computer processing techniques of nuclear medicine images. The course outline includes radiation detectors; the gamma camera quality control of the gamma camera computers in nuclear medicine; principles of SPECT; principles of PET; statistics of counting basic principles of tracer studies; and whole body counters.

**DP requirements:** A minimum year mark of 45% for continuous coursework assessment, for each course. The year mark is calculated from a 30% contribution from tutorials / practical assignments and 70% from the test.

Assessment: Continuous coursework and a final summative assessment of each of the courses take place throughout and at the conclusion of each course. The coursework assessment includes tests, assessment of tutorial participation, group-work, and practical assignments. The final summative assessment involves an integrated examination for each of the courses, moderated by an external examiner. The weighting of the final result is 50% coursework (year mark) and 50% examination. A minimum of 50% in the final mark is required for each of these courses, with a minimum of 45% in the examination. In the case where a student's year mark is between 40% and 45%, the student may gain access to a reassessment opportunity, to achieve a 45% year mark (DP), and thereby gain access to the examination in the course. Students who achieve at least 45% in the examination but who fail a course (final mark of less than 50%) may gain access to a reassessment before the final mark is submitted to the Faculty Examinations Committee for approval. Students with a final mark of 50% or higher, but with an exam mark of between 40% and 45%, will need to complete a reassessment if access is gained. Students who achieve less than 50% for the reassessment, or whose final marks

are less than 50%, will fail the course. Reassessments will only be granted at the discretion of the HOD, and limited to one (1) reassessment per student per course, i.e. either for DP or examination.

#### RAY4016W RADIOTHERAPY

9 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: H McGregor

#### Course entry requirements: None

#### Course outline:

The aim of the course is to introduce the student to the basic principles of the physics of Radiotherapy, which includes linear accelerator design, dose measurements and dose calculations for teletherapy and brachytherapy, beam shaping, shielding and treatment planning. Content includes quality assurance, radiation characteristics, photon therapy, electron therapy, brachytherapy and advanced radiotherapy techniques.

**DP requirements:** A minimum year mark of 45% for continuous coursework assessment, for each course. The year mark is calculated from a 30% contribution from tutorials/practical assignments and 70% from the test.

Assessment: Continuous coursework and a final summative assessment of each of the courses take place throughout and at the conclusion of each course. The coursework assessment includes tests, assessment of tutorial participation, group-work, and practical assignments. The final summative assessment involves an integrated examination for each of the courses, moderated by an external examiner. The weighting of the final result is 50% coursework (year mark) and 50% examination. A minimum of 50% in the final mark is required for each of these courses, with a minimum of 45% in the examination. In the case where a student's year mark is between 40% and 45%, the student may gain access to a reassessment opportunity, to achieve a 45% year mark (DP), and thereby gain access to the examination in the course. Students who achieve at least 45% in the examination but who fail a course (final mark of less than 50%) may gain access to a reassessment before the final mark is submitted to the Faculty Examinations Committee for approval. Students with a final mark of 50% or higher, but with an exam mark of between 40% and 45%, will need to complete a reassessment if access is gained. Students who achieve 50% or more for the reassessment will be allocated 50% as the final course mark. Students who achieve less than 50% for the reassessment, or whose final marks are less than 50%, will fail the course. Reassessments will only be granted at the discretion of the HOD, and limited to one (1) reassessment per student per course, i.e. either for DP or examination.

# **RAY4017W** RADIATION PROTECTION AND DOSIMETRY

9 NQF credits at NQF level 8 Convener: N Joubert Course entry requirements: None

#### Course outline:

The aim of the course is to present the student with a sound conceptual foundation in the theory and practice of radiological protection and the shielding of ionising radiation. Content includes physical quantities used in radiological protection; biological aspects of radiological protection; the control of exposure; internal dosimetry calculations; and radiation transport calculations.

**DP requirements:** A minimum year mark of 45% for continuous coursework assessment, for each course. The year mark is calculated from a 30% contribution from tutorials/practical assignments and 70% from the test.

Assessment: Continuous coursework and a final summative assessment of each of the courses take place throughout and at the conclusion of each course. The coursework assessment includes tests, assessment of tutorial participation, group-work, and practical assignments. The final summative assessment involves an integrated examination for each of the courses, moderated by an external examiner. The weighting of the final result is 50% coursework (year mark) and 50% examination. A minimum of 50% in the final mark is required for each of these courses, with a minimum of 45% in the examination. In the case where a student's year mark is between 40% and 45%, the student may gain access to a reassessment opportunity, to achieve a 45% year mark (DP), and thereby gain access to the examination in the course. Students who achieve at least 45% in the examination but who fail a

course (final mark of less than 50%) may gain access to a reassessment before the final mark is submitted to the Faculty Examinations Committee for approval. Students with a final mark of 50% or higher, but with an exam mark of between 40% and 45%, will need to complete a reassessment if access is gained. Students who achieve 50% or more for the reassessment will be allocated 50% as the final course mark. Students who achieve less than 50% for the reassessment, or whose final marks are less than 50%, will fail the course. Reassessments will only be granted at the discretion of the HOD, and limited to one (1) reassessment per student per course, i.e. either for DP or examination.

# RAY4018W RADIOTHERAPY TREATMENT PLANNING

9 NQF credits at NQF level 8

#### Convener: B Smith

#### Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

The aim of the course is to present the student with a sound foundation in the theory and practice the radiation treatment planning process, including parameters such as target volume, dose-limiting structures, treatment volume, dose prescription, dose fractionation, dose distribution, positioning of the patient, and treatment machine settings.

Content includes imaging in radiotherapy; DICOM conformance; patient data acquisition, patient and organ movement; localisation, multiple beams, correction techniques, patient positioning and immobilisation; treatment planning algorithms; quality assurance; 3D conformal radiation therapy; IMRT, IGRT, VMAT, radiosurgery, LDR brachytherapy, HDR brachytherapy; and treatment plan evaluation.

**DP requirements:** A minimum year mark of 45% for continuous coursework assessment, for each course. The year mark is calculated from a 30% contribution from tutorials / practical assignments and 70% from the test.

Assessment: Continuous coursework and a final summative assessment of each of the courses take place throughout and at the conclusion of each course. The coursework assessment includes tests, assessment of tutorial participation, group-work, and practical assignments. The final summative assessment involves an integrated examination for each of the courses, moderated by an external examiner. The weighting of the final result is 50% coursework (year mark) and 50% examination. A minimum of 50% in the final mark is required for each of these courses, with a minimum of 45% in the examination. In the case where a student's year mark is between 40% and 45%, the student may gain access to a reassessment opportunity, to achieve a 45% year mark (DP), and thereby gain access to the examination in the course. Students who achieve at least 45% in the examination but who fail a course (final mark of less than 50%) may gain access to a reassessment before the final mark is submitted to the Faculty Examinations Committee for approval. Students with a final mark of 50% or higher, but with an examination mark of between 40% and 45%, will need to complete a reassessment if access is gained. Students who achieve 50% or more for the reassessment will be allocated 50% as the final course mark. Students who achieve less than 50% for the reassessment, or whose final marks are less than 50%, will fail the course. Reassessments will only be granted at the discretion of the HOD, and limited to 1 reassessment per student per course, i.e. either for DP or examination. A minimum of 50% average is required for the course, with both practical and theoretical components within the course receiving a mark of at least 40%.

# RAY4019W RADIOBIOLOGY

9 NQF credits at NQF level 8 Convener: Dr AJ Hunter Course entry requirements: None

# Course outline:

The aim of the course is to provide the student with an introduction to basic radiobiology, anatomy and physiology. Content includes cellular radiobiology; tumour radiobiology and radiation effects in normal tissues; an overview of radiobiological modelling of cellular and organ effects, including tumour control probability and normal tissue; and complication probability.
**DP requirements:** A minimum year mark of 45% for continuous coursework assessment, for each course. The year mark is calculated from a 30% contribution from tutorials/practical assignments and 70% from the test.

Assessment: Continuous coursework and a final summative assessment of each of the courses take place throughout and at the conclusion of each course. The coursework assessment includes tests. assessment of tutorial participation, group-work, and practical assignments. The final summative assessment involves an integrated examination for each of the courses, moderated by an external examiner. The weighting of the final result is 50% coursework (year mark) and 50% examination. A minimum of 50% in the final mark is required for each of these courses, with a minimum of 45% in the examination. In the case where a student's year mark is between 40% and 45%, the student may gain access to a reassessment opportunity, to achieve a 45% year mark (DP), and thereby gain access to the examination in the course. Students who achieve at least 45% in the examination but who fail a course (final mark of less than 50%) may gain access to a reassessment before the final mark is submitted to the Faculty Examinations Committee for approval. Students with a final mark of 50% or higher, but with an exam mark of between 40% and 45%, will need to complete a reassessment if access is gained. Students who achieve 50% or more for the reassessment will be allocated 50% as the final course mark. Students who achieve less than 50% for the reassessment, or whose final marks are less than 50%, will fail the course. Reassessments will only be granted at the discretion of the HOD, and limited to one (1) reassessment per student per course, i.e. either for DP or examination.

# RAY4020W MEDICAL PHYSICS RESEARCH PROJECT

30 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: N Joubert

# Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

The aim of the course is to perform independent research work at honours level on topics that form part of medical physics. The independent project work that must be of an experimental nature and it culminates in an individual research project.

**DP requirements:** A class record average of all Research Project components completed prior to final presentation of the project shall be at least 40%

**Assessment:** The research project mark comprises marks for the protocol, for the literature review, for the execution of the research, and for the write-up and presentation of the results.

# RAY4021W RADIOBIOLOGY COURSEWORK

78 NQF credits at NQF level 8 Convener: Dr AJ Hunter Course entry requirements: None

#### Course outline:

This specialisation aims to introduce students to an academic or research career in biological aspects of oncology with emphasis on radiation biology and radiotherapy. The course prepares students for further postgraduate studies in relevant areas of the biomedical sciences as well as professional service careers in radiobiology. The course consists of a series of two- to three-week modules over one year covering core aspects of radiobiology and scientific aspects of oncology. Modules include Techniques; General Radiobiology; Cellular Radiobiology; Normal Tissue Radiobiology; Radiobiological Modelling; Radiosensitizers and Protectors; Special Radiation Modalities; Chemotherapeutic Drugs and Targeted Agents; Medical Radiation Physics; Cancer Biology; and Clinical End-points in Oncology.

DP requirements: Completion and attendance of all academic commitments.

**Assessment:** The final mark is made up as follows: class tests at completion of each module (15%); four written papers at mid-year (25%); and two written papers at the end of the year (15%); techniques (10%), scientific communication (10%). The research project makes up the other 25% of this total mark.

# RAY4022W RADIOBIOLOGY RESEARCH PROJECT

42 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr AJ Hunter

Course entry requirements: None

# **Course outline:**

Students are also required to conduct a research project and literature review. During the year, students are expected to participate in departmental meetings, including seminars and journal clubs.

DP requirements: Completion and attendance of all academic commitments.

Assessment: Assessment of the research project (25% of total honours mark).

# RAY4025W MODERN PHYSICS FOR MEDICAL PHYSICISTS

18 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: A Groenewald

#### **Course outline:**

This course teaches the basic principles of modern physics required by the medical physicist. It comprises of two components. Quantum Mechanics for Medical Physics and Nuclear Physics. The Quantum Mechanics section focusses on the wave-particle duality, planck's constant, uncertainty principle and particle-wave equations (which form the basis of all x-rays). It explores wave functions and wave mechanics, Schrodinger's equation, and the behaviour of a particle in a magnetic field (with applications in magnetic resonance imaging and linear accelerator design). For dosimeters/detectors the course component explores perturbation, scattering and time dependent theories. Angular momentum, atoms and the hydrogen atom (forming the basis of medical imaging) looks at magnetic moments, classical mechanics, variation principle, electron states and energy levels and the effects of electric fields. The Nuclear Physics component covers nuclear properties including Segre plot, binding energies, nuclear shapes and sizes, magnetic moments. Radioactive decay: alpha, beta and gamma decay, fission. Semi-empirical mass formula, the liquid drop model. Cross-sections, nuclear reactions. Acceleration methods, interactions with matter, detectors, counting statistics. Deuteron. Nucleon-nucleon potential. Nuclear structure: Fermi gas, nuclear shell model, collective motion, nonspherical nuclei. Gamma spectroscopy. Nucleosynthesis. Applications: radioactive dating, fission, fusion, biomedical applications. Dosimetry. Radiation sources, the process of radioactive decay as source of radiation, interaction of photons and neutrons with matter, isotope production with reactors and accelerators, nuclear fission as a source of radiation, lasers and microwaves as sources of radiation.

DP requirements: A class average of at least 40% obtained for each module.

Assessment: Quantum Mechanics (1): In first semester; examination to take place in June/July, counting 50% towards course mark. Radiation Physics and Interaction with matter: second semester; examination to take place in November, counting 50% towards course mark. A minimum of 50% average is required for the course, with no individual module within the course receiving a mark below 40%. No supplementary exams shall be granted.

# RAY4026W CLINICAL AND ADVANCED TECHNIQUES

9 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr A Groenewald

**Co-requisites:** RAY4014W, RAY4015W, RAY4016W, RAY4017W, RAY4018W, RAY4019W, RAY4020W, RAY4025W, HUB4045F

# **Course outline:**

The aim of the course is to indicate useful, purposeful, safe and innovative application of radiation in modern clinical radiotherapy. It is a core course for advanced courses in medical physics. Identifying the risk factors, biology, epidemiology and etiology of different cancers. Knowledge of treatment options and regimes for different cancers. Cancer staging and prognosis. Physics of advanced treatment techniques in Radiotherapy, i.e. VMAT, IMRT, IGRT, proton therapy, stereotaxes, SBRT, modern HDR and LDR brachytherapy, heavy ions, neutrons.

**DP requirements:** A minimum year mark of 45% for continuous coursework assessment, for each course. The year mark is calculated from a 30% contribution from tutorials / practical assignments and 70% from the test.

Assessment: Continuous coursework and a final summative assessment of each of the courses take place throughout and at the conclusion of each course. The coursework assessment includes tests. assessment of tutorial participation, group-work, and practical assignments. The final summative assessment involves an integrated examination for each of the courses, moderated by an external examiner. The weighting of the final result is 50% coursework (year mark) and 50% examination. A minimum of 50% in the final mark is required for each of these courses, with a minimum of 45% in the examination. In the case where a student's year mark is between 40% and 45%, the student may gain access to a reassessment opportunity, to achieve a 45% year mark (DP), and thereby gain access to the examination in the course. Students who achieve at least 45% in the examination but who fail a course (final mark of less than 50%) may gain access to a reassessment before the final mark is submitted to the Faculty Examinations Committee for approval. Students with a final mark of 50% or higher, but with an exam mark of between 40% and 45%, will need to complete a reassessment if access is gained. Students who achieve 50% or more for the reassessment will be allocated 50% as the final course mark. Students who achieve less than 50% for the reassessment, or whose final marks are less than 50%, will fail the course. Reassessments will only be granted at the discretion of the HOD, and limited to one (1) reassessment per student per course, i.e. either for DP or examination.

# RAY5000W RADIOTHERAPY DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Professor J Parkes

#### **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

# RAY5001W MEDICAL PHYSICS MASTERS DISSERTATION

A limited number of student places are available, and selection is highly competitive.

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

# Convener: N Joubert

**Course entry requirements:** Applicants are required to have a Honours degree in Medical Physics, or equivalent. Applicants must submit a research concept, full academic transcripts and proof of obtained degrees for consideration by the Head of Division.

**Objective:** This degree teaches students the ability to conduct research independently, scientific writing skills, audience presentation skills, problem solving and critical thinking skills.

# **Course outline:**

The research Master's by full dissertation is conducted under supervision on a relevant Medical Physics topic. Submission and approval of a research protocol whilst under supervision by the relevant departmental research committee/s and ethical approval (as applicable) is a requirement.

The final dissertation (maximum 50 000 words) must demonstrate acquaintance with research methodology, scientific writing and ethical standards of research, and may include a submission ready- manuscript. Publication of part or the whole of the work, done by the student whilst under supervision and registered for the degree, prior to dissertation submission is permissible, if approved by the supervisor.

Lecture times: This degree extends over a minimum of 1 year.

**Assessment:** The dissertation is examined externally, by two examiners. The examiners will be identified by the supervisor and Head of Division.

# RAY6000W MEDICAL PHYSICS PHD THESIS

*A limited number of student places are available, and selection is highly competitive.* 360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

#### Convener: Dr Annemari Groenewald

**Course entry requirements:** Applicants are required to have a Master's degree in Medical Physics. Applicants must submit a research concept, full academic transcripts and proof of obtained degrees for consideration by the Head of Division.

**Objective:** This degree teaches a candidate in-depth knowledge and advanced research skills, including innovative thinking, problem solving abilities, data collection, processing and interpretation skills, scientific writing and presentation skills.

# **Course outline:**

The degree of Doctor of Philosophy is a research degree undertaken under the guidance of a supervisor for the minimum period of two years.

Candidates shall undertake research in Medical Physics, and such advanced study as may be required, under the guidance of a supervisor or supervisors appointed by Senate for the minimum period of two years.

At the conclusion of their supervised research candidates shall submit a thesis for examination, of between 40 000 to 80 000 words. The thesis must constitute a substantial contribution to knowledge in the chosen subject and may embody only the original work of the candidate with such acknowledged extracts from the work of others as may be pertinent.

Lecture times: This degree extends over a minimum of 2 years and a maximum of 5 years.

**Assessment:** The thesis is examined by three external examiners, two international and one South African, unless specifically motivated for. The examiners will be identified by the supervisor and Head of Division.

# **RAY7000W** RADIOBIOLOGY DISSERTATION (MSC MED)

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor S Beningfield

Course entry requirements: Relevant BSc honours or equivalent

# **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

# RAY7001W PHD IN RADIOTHERAPY THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

Convener: Professor J. Parkes

# **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-

specialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing. **Assessment:** The thesis is externally examined.

# RAY7009W MMED IN RADIATION ONCOLOGY PART 1

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor J Parkes

Course entry requirements: Full- time Registrar post in Radiation Oncology at Groote Schuur Hospital

**Objective:** The purpose of this course is to provide a sound foundation of basic sciences for the subsequent training in clinical oncology. Training for Part 1 covers relevant areas of disciplines such as anatomy, radiobiology and cancer biology and medical physics as applied to the practise of radiotherapy; including the physical basis of treatment with radioactive isotopes; and radiation hazards and protection.

# Course outline:

After a minimum period of 6 months of training, in a registered training post, candidates write the Part I Radiation Oncology examination of the College of Radiation Oncology and receive full credits towards RAY7009W.

For the full curriculum and examination details, see the regulations of the College of Radiation Oncologists, at www.cmsa.co.za.

**DP requirements:** Candidates may register to write Part 1 examinations after a minimum period of 6 months in a registered Radiation Oncology training post. In addition, End-of block formative assessments of performance will take place at the end of each four-month clinical attachment. An annual formative assessment will be done by course convenor or designate. Performance in the clinical blocks, ward attachments, planning and technical radiotherapy, chemotherapy management and research is reviewed as well as completion of the logbook and portfolio as outlined in the College of radiation Oncology curriculum.

**Assessment:** Candidates write the Part 1 examination of the College of Radiation Oncology of the Colleges of Medicine of South Africa (CMSA). The examination consists of three written papers: Anatomy, Radiobiology and Cell Biology, and Medical Physics.

# **RAY7010W** MMED IN RADIATION ONCOLOGY PART 2

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor J Parkes

Course entry requirements: RAY7009W

# **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process as specialist radiation oncologists. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements, and candidates complete the relevant curriculum of the College of Radiation Oncologists of SA. Candidates undergo training as a registrar in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences.

The part 2 curriculum includes applied applied physics, applied radiobiology, applied molecular medicine and pharmacology, applied tumour pathology, applied physiology, palliative care, psycosocial oncology, end of life ethics and evidence-based medicine as applied to the practice of oncology, as well as system-based principles and practice of oncology including radiotherapy, chemotherapy, palliative care and medical statistics.

After a minimum period of 36 months in a registered training post, candidates may apply to write the Part 2 examination of the College of Radiation Oncology of the CMSA provided all College requirements are met and the RAY7011W minor dissertation has been handed in for marking. Success in this examination allows credit towards RAY7010W. For the full curriculum and examination details, see the regulations of the College of Radiation Oncologists, at www.cmsa.co.za.

**DP requirements:** The part 2 examination must be passed within six years of passing Part 1. Candidates must have practised medicine for at least five years and must have spent three years in a full-time post in a recognised department of radiation therapy.

Assessment: Candidates may apply to write the Part 2 examination of the College of Radiation Oncologists of the Colleges of Medicine of South Africa (CMSA) provided all end of block assessments and annual assessments are adequate. The examination consists of three written papers (general oncology and tumour pathology, radiation and medical oncology x2 papers), an OSPE examination and 3 viva voce examinations. The viva voce examination includes a portfolio assessment.

#### **RAY7011W** RADIATION ONCOLOGY MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

#### **Convener:** Professor J Parkes

**Course entry requirements:** Must be in a registrar post at Groote Schuur Hospital and have successfully completed RAY7009W

#### **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision and according to the rules for MMed Part III in Faculty of Health Sciences. The candidate must identify a research topic for MMed Part III(RAY7011W) and sign an MOU with their supervisor within 24 months of entering the radiation Oncology registrar rotation. The research protocol must be submitted and approved by the UCT Human Research Ethics Committee (HREC) within 36 months of entering the radiation Oncology registrar rotation. The finalised mini-dissertation must be submitted for marking prior to registering for the Part 2 examination. (RAY7010W)

#### **DP requirements:** None

**Assessment:** Examination of the dissertation by two examiners, of which at least one will be external to UCT.

# RAY7012W MMED IN NUCLEAR MEDICINE PART 1

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

#### Convener: Dr S. More

**Course entry requirements:** A joint staff appointment as a registrar in Nuclear Medicine **Course outline:** 

This training programme forms part of the process to train and register general practitioners as nuclear medicine specialists. Candidates complete the training program of the College of Nuclear Physicians of South Africa. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the Part 1 examination of the College of Nuclear Physicians and receive credit towards RAY7012W. The aim of this course is to provide foundational knowledge in a range of basic science disciplines to prepare candidates to apply such knowledge to the clinical conditions and management strategies in nuclear medicine. Content includes radiation physics, radiation protection, radiation biology, instrumentation, statistics, radiopharmacology, applied physiology, and anatomy and pathology. For the detailed curriculum and the examination rules, see the regulations of the College of Nuclear Physicians at www.cmsa.co.za

**DP requirements:** Appointment as a registrar in nuclear medicine: one year as medical officer in internal medicine at a secondary or tertiary hospital. The candidate must have completed Part 1 of the College of Nuclear Physicians within the first 18 months of their rotation. Two attempts at the examination will be allowed. If the candidate does not succeed within the first 24 months, they will be deemed not eligible to continue the degree. The MMED proposal must be finalized and ethics approval obtained within the first 24 months of the rotation.

Assessment: Candidates write the Part 1 examination of the College of Nuclear Physicians. The examination comprises two written papers.

# RAY7013W MMED IN NUCLEAR MEDICINE PART 2

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr S. More

# Course entry requirements: RAY7012W

#### **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of general practitioners as specialist nuclear medicine physicians. Candidates complete the training programme of the College of Nuclear Physicians of South Africa. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital. On successful completion of training, they write the Part 2 examination of the College and receive credit towards RAY7013W. Course material includes clinical nuclear medicine, radiopharmacology, in-vitro studies and the therapeutic use of radionuclides. For the detailed curriculum and the examination rules, see the regulations of the College of Nuclear Physicians at <u>www.collegemedsa.ac.za</u>.

**DP requirements:** Medical practice of at least five years at least four years of which must have been in a recognised department of nuclear medicine as a registrar. The MMED project must be completed before Part 2 examination is attempted. The requirements for the College logbook must be met before Part 2 examination is attempted.

Assessment: Candidates write the Part 2 examination of the College of Nuclear Physicians. The examination comprises two papers, an OSCE session and an oral examination. Entry into this examination is only permitted after MMed mini-thesis(RAY7014W) has been submitted for marking.

# RAY7014W MMED IN NUCLEAR MEDICINE MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

# Convener: Dr S. More

Course entry requirements: RAY7012W and a joint staff appointment as a registrar in Nuclear Medicine

# **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. The dissertation must be between 15 000 and 20 000 words in length, and must be on a topic in nuclear medicine. The dissertation must be based on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. Candidates may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

#### DP requirements: None

Assessment: Examination of the dissertation by two examiners, of which at least one will be external to UCT.

# RAY7015W PHD IN NUCLEAR MEDICINE THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

Convener: Dr S. More

**Course entry requirements:** Must have a registered degree in Nuclear Medicine or allied discipline. **Course outline:** 

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and nonspecialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing. Assessment: The thesis is externally examined.

# RAY7017W MMED IN DIAGNOSTIC RADIOLOGY PART 1

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

**Convener:** Professor S Beningfield

**Course entry requirements:** This course must be completed to be considered for a registrar training position

# Course outline:

This training programme forms part of the process of training general practitioners to register as specialist radiologists. Candidates follow the curriculum of the College of Radiologists of South Africa. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements. After undertaking the College examinations and on passing, candidates receive full credit towards RAY7017W. The aim of this course is to provide foundational knowledge in a range of basic science disciplines to prepare candidates to apply such knowledge to clinical conditions and management strategies in the specialty of radiology. There are two parts: (1) Medical Physics, including general physics, radiation physics, principles of X-rays, fluoroscopy, angiography, diagnostic ultrasound, computed tomography, magnetic resonance imaging and thermography, general radiation biology, and radiation protection and techniques; and (2) Imaging Anatomy, which includes human physiology and anatomy, and imaging anatomy and related techniques. More detail is available in the curriculum regulations of the College at www.cmsa.co.za

Assessment: A written paper for Medical Physics and a slide test for Imaging Anatomy as conducted by the College.

# RAY7019W PHD IN RADIOLOGY THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

Convener: A/Prof SEI Moosa

Course entry requirements: Registered specialty in Radiology

#### Course outline:

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-specialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

# RAY7020W MMED IN DIAGNOSTIC RADIOLOGY PART 2

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

#### Convener: Professor S Beningfield

**Course entry requirements:** RAY7017W. A registered clinical registrar training post. NOTE: Submission of MMed mini-thesis(RAY7021W) for marking is required prior to registering for Part 2 college examination

# **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of general practitioners as specialist radiologists. Candidates follow the curriculum of the College of Radiologists of South Africa. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit based in a teaching hospital. On successful completion

of training, they write the final examination of the College and receive credit towards RAY7020W. The aim of the course is to apply foundational and clinical knowledge in a range of basic science disciplines to the clinical conditions and management strategies in the specialty of diagnostic radiology. Content includes all medical imaging modalities, including X-rays, fluoroscopy, ultrasound, angiography, computed tomography, and magnetic resonance imaging, as well as clinical medical practice and pathology as applied to diagnostic and interventive radiology.

DP requirements: Four years approved training; submission of a logbook.

**Assessment:** Candidates write the Part 2 examination of the College of Radiology. The examination comprises three written papers, long case reporting and oral examinations. Details for examination on college web-site www.cmsa.co.za.

# RAY7021W DIAGNOSTIC RADIOLOGY MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor S Moosa

Course entry requirements: Registered clinical registrar training post

# Course outline:

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. The dissertation must be between 15 000 and 20 000 words in length, and must be on a topic in diagnostic radiology. The dissertation must be based on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should generally be on an imaging or intervention topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Students are offered training in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. This is then marked by external examiners and needs to be passed for credit. Candidates may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

# DP requirements: None

Assessment: Examination of the dissertation by two examiners, of which at least one will be external to UCT.

# RAY4027W GENERAL PAEDIATRIC RADIOLOGY

56 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Course entry requirements: Registered specialty in Radiology

# Course outline:

This course is aimed at consolidation of knowledge, skills and techniques in all modalities acquired in Course 1. It facilitates in-depth clinical and radiological exposure necessary for accurate reporting of paediatric pathology. It will also allow the fellow to work independently and allow opportunity for independent decision-making regarding patient management within the scope of correct imaging choices. It also allows for a limited supervisory role. Workload to be accomplished consists of reporting: 1500 digital radiographs, 200 CT and 80 MRI cases, and performing and reporting 250 ultrasound and 40 Fluoroscopy cases.

# **RAY4028W** RESEARCH & CASE PRESENTATIONS FOR PAEDIATRIC RADIOLOGY

14 NQF credits at NQF level 8

# **Course outline:**

This course is aimed at acquisition of appropriate knowledge of research methodology and techniques appropriate for clinical research in paediatric radiology. The fellow is expected to gain interest in a current Research project relating to Red Cross Children's Hospital. Students must complete: • 3 case presentations • Contribution to a research project or publish a case report(s) or original article in a peer reviewed journal.

# RAY4029W SPECIFIC MODALITIES IN PAEDIATRIC RADIOLOGY

70 NQF credits at NQF level 8

# **Course outline:**

The course aims to enhance the clinical practice and teaching of paediatric radiology at all levels of health care in South Africa and more broadly in Africa, by developing specialists' expertise in paediatric imaging techniques and familiarity with protocols appropriate to the continent's burden of childhood disease. This to be achieved by the training one Paediatric Radiology Fellow annually. The course is designed to complement and expand the specialist training of a qualified Diagnostic Radiologist. This course is based on one-on-one intense training in the 5 specific modalities for one month at a time in each modality with continued feedback.

# **SURGERY**

J Floor, Old Main Building, Groote Schuur Hospital

# **Professor and Head:**

LL Cairneross, MBChB Cape Town FCS SA

# **Emeritus Professors:**

PC Bornman, MMedSurg FRCS *Edinburgh* FCS *SA* FRCS *Glasgow* DM Dent, MBChB ChM *Cape Town* FCS *SA* FRCS *UK* FRCPS *Glasgow* (Hon) JEJ Krige, MBChB MSc (Medicine) *Cape* Town FRCS *Edinburgh* FCS *SA* J Terblanche, MBChB ChM *Cape Town* FCS *SA* FRCS *UK* FRCPS *Glasgow* FACS (Hon) FACP (Hon) FRCS *UK* (Hon) FRCSC (Hon) FRCS *Edinburgh* FMC *SA* FRCSI (Hon) D Kahn, MBChB CRM FCS *SA* A Murray, MBChB *Witwatersrand* FRCS *Edinburgh* FRCOphth AB van As, MBChB *Netherlands* FCS *SA* PhD *Cape Town* MBA *SA* A Numanoglu, MBChB *Turkey* FCS *SA* 

# **Emeritus Associate Professor:**

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Groote Schuur Hospital; Red Cross Children's Hospital; Cape Heart Centre, Health Sciences Campus

The Division of Cardiothoracic Surgery provides clinical cardiac and thoracic surgery services for the community of Cape Town and the Western Cape region at both Groote Schuur Hospital and Red Cross Children's Hospital. In addition to being the only academic unit that provides heart and lung transplantation in South Africa, the Division targets innovative solutions for cardiovascular health care. The Cardiovascular Research Unit housed within Cardiothoracic Surgery focuses on the development of a myocardial regeneration, restenosis and angiogenesis in tissue engineering.

# Chris Barnard Chair of Cardiothoracic Surgery and Head:

T Pennel, MBChB Stell MMed Cape Town FC Cardio SA PhD Cape Town

**Professor:** N Davies, PhD *Cape Town* 

#### **Emeritus Professor:** P Zilla, MD *Zurich* PD *Vienna* PhD *Cape Town*

# Associate Professors Full-time: J Scherman, MBChB Pret Dip (Occupational Medicine) Stell FC Cardio SA MMed Cape Town PhD Cape Town P Human, PhD Cape Town A Brooks, MBChB Stell FCS SA

Associate Professors Part-time: JG Brink, MBChB Cape Town FC Cardio SA

# Senior Lecturers Full-time: C Ofoegbu, MBBS(Ibadan) FWACS FC Cardio SA MMed Cape Town N Da Silva, MBChB Pret FC Cardio SA J Theron, PhD Cape Town

Senior Lecturers Part-time: R Kanyongo, MBChB Cape Town FC Cardio SA

# Senior Scientific Officer:

A Oosthuysen, MSc Stell H Ilsley, NDip CPUT

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The Division of General Surgery services Groote Schuur Hospital, Victoria Hospital, New Somerset Hospital, Mitchells Plain District Hospital and Red Cross War Memorial Children Hospital. The Division offers Undergraduate teaching, Postgraduate teaching and has a reputation for innovative surgical methods and a strong research infrastructure. The Division is made up of 8 sub specialist Units and Firms and is the largest division within the Department of Surgery.

#### **Professor and Head:**

L Cairncross, MBChB Cape Town FCS SA

#### **Professors:**

P Navsaria, MBChB MMed *Cape Town* FCS *SA* E Jonas, MBChB MMed FCS *SA* PhD AJ Nicol, (Head: Trauma Unit) MBChB *Cape Town* FCS *SA* 

#### **Emeritus Professors:**

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#### **Associate Professors:**

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RJ Baigrie, BSc MD Cape Town FRCS UK

#### **Honorary Full Professors:**

E Muller, MBChB Pret MMed Cape Town MRCS FCS VN Nfonsam, MD MS FACS FASCRS

# Senior Lecturers Full-time:

S Burmeister, MBChB Cape Town FCS SA Cert (Gastro) JM du Toit, MBChB Stell MMed Cape Town FCS SA FEBS S Edu, Dip (Medicine) Romania FCS SA F Gool, MBChB DA SA FCS SA CertGastro F Noor, MBBCH Witwatersrand FCS SA NG C Warden, MBChB Cape Town MMed FCS SA J Plaskett, MBChB MMed FCS SA M Mihalik, MBChB MMed FCS SA T Mabogoane, MBChB MMed FCS SA L Moloi, MBChB MMed FCS SA L Pohl, MBChB MMed FCS SA D McPherson, MBChB MMed FCS SA H Molabe, MBChB MMed FCS SA N Govender, MBChB MMed FCS SA M Kariem, MBChB MMed FCS SA H Stark, MBChB FCS SA

#### **Associate Professors Part-time:**

PA Goldberg, MBChB MMed Cape Town FCS SA

#### Senior Lecturers Part-time:

ME Dalwai, MBChB FCS SA Cert (Surgical Gastroenterology) M Madden, MBChB FCS SA FRCS England Edinburg A Sander, MBChB FCS SA Cert (Vascular Surgery) R Moydien, MBChB FCS SA Cert (Vascular Surgery) L Roodt, MBChB MMed FCS SA

#### **Honorary Senior Lecturer:**

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Based in the Faculty of Health Sciences at the University of Cape Town (UCT), Global surgery is an area of study, research, practice, and advocacy that seeks to improve health outcomes and achieve health equity for all who require surgical, obstetric and anaesthesia care. Our vision is of a world in which all people have access to quality, comprehensive, surgical care. Our mission is to improve the quality of surgical care in Africa through education, research, implementation and advocacy. We have a special emphasis on underserved populations and populations in crisis, and on improving equity and social justice in healthcare systems. As part of our efforts to become a centre of excellence in Global Surgery, we aim to: develop an academic programme that will build surgical leadership in global health; create an internationally recognised, interdisciplinary Global Surgery hub at UCT; and provide global leadership in the provision of high-quality, cost-effective surgical care.

**Professor and Head:** TS Maswime, MBCHB FCOG *SA* MMED PhD

Associate Professors Part Time: J Stewart, Bachelor of social work BA(Hons) MA (PhD)

Senior Lecturers Full Time: J Park-Ross, (BTech EMC MPHIL EM)

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Junior Research Fellow: M Isiagi, BSc (Hons) sports sci BSc (Hon)(Med) MSc (Med)

#### **Researcher:**

B Green-Thompson, Dip Nur Dip Midwifery BA BA(Hons) PGDip palliative medicine MPH (Health systems)

**Community Liaison Officer:** N Mdayi M Kinney

Honorary Professor: K Lahkoo

Honorary Research Affiliate: R Chawana

F Floor Neuroscience Institute, Groote Schuur Hospital

The Division of Neurosurgery is responsible for the neurosurgical management of patients at the two internationally-renowned teaching hospitals affiliated with the University of Cape Town (UCT), treating patients from across the Western Cape as well as elsewhere in South Africa and abroad. Our clinical platform enables us to teach students, train specialists and pursue cutting-edge research into conditions relevant to our clinical practice. We treat various diseases of the brain and spinal cord including traumatic brain injury, brain tumours, vascular diseases of the brain and various types of strokes, spinal disorders, congenital abnormalities, hydrocephalus, and functional disorders such as epilepsy.

#### Helen & Morris Mauerberger Professor and Head:

AG Fieggen, BSc (Medicine) MBChB Cape Town MSc London MD Cape Town FCS SA

DST/ NRF Research Chair in Clinical Neuroscience Research:

AA Figaji, MBChB MMed PhD Cape Town FCNeurosurg SA

#### Professors:

PL Semple, MBChB MMed PhD Cape Town FCS SA

#### **Honorary Professors:**

MJA Wood, MBChB Cape Town DPhil Oxon WJ Peacock, BSc Stell MBChB Cape Town FRCS Edin

#### **Associate Professors:**

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#### Senior Lecturers Part-time:

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#### **Research Enterprise Manager:**

JC Bracher, BSc(Med) Hons PhD Cape Town

#### **Chief Scientific Officer:**

J Combrinck, BSc(Med) Hons PhD Cape Town

#### Laboratory Manager:

L Ungerer, ND Med Tech (Chem Path) Med Technician: Clin Path

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The Division of Ophthalmology provides eye care services at Groote Schuur Hospital, Red Cross Children's and across the metropole at Victoria, Somerset, and Mitchell's Plain hospitals, with cataract surgery lists also taking place at False Bay and Eerste River Hospitals. Teaching and training of undergraduates, postgraduates and subspecialty fellows is offered, with skill development and transfer taking place both locally and regionally in sub-Saharan Africa. We are involved in research activities, which includes the South African Ophthalmology Journal being edited from within our division. We also run a UCT Community Eye Health unit in collaboration with the Kilimanjaro Centre for Community Ophthalmology; a Simulated Surgery unit; and we have completed set up of our Clinical Research unit .

#### Morris Mauerberger Professor of Ophthalmology and Head:

N Du Toit, MBChB MMed PhD Cape Town Dip (Ophthalmology) SA FRCS Edinburgh FCOphth SA

#### Emeritus Professor:

A Murray, MBChB Witwatersrand FRCS Edinburgh FRCOphth

#### Senior Lecturers Full-time:

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Senior Lecturers 5/8: J de Villiers, MBChB *Witwatersrand* FCOphth SA T van der Lecq, MBChB MMed Pret FCOphth SA

**Director Community Eye Health Programme:** D Minnies, NHDMT (Haematology) SA MPH Cape Town

Associate Professor Part-time: C Tinley, MBChB Cape Town FRCOphth S Mustak, MBChB MMed Cape Town Dip (Ophthalmology) SA FCOphth SA

#### Senior Lecturers Part-time:

E Albrecht, MBChB Stell FCOphth SA P Van der Merwe, FCOphth SA Y De Beer Theron H van Velden, MBChB Stell FCOphth SA M Lenake, MBChB Witwatersrand FCOphth SA MMed D Steven, MBChB Franzco J van der Merwe, MBChB Stell MMed Dip (Ophthalmology) SA FCOphth SA D McClunan, MBChB Stell Dip (Ophthalmology) SA FCOphth SA MMed C Tinley, MBChB Cape Town FRCOphth

Honorary Research Associate:

L Heydenrych, MBChB FCOphth SA MMed

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The Orthopaedic surgical division offers a clinical service across the western metropole platform at all three level two hospitals (VHW, NSH and MPH), Red Cross Children's and Groote Schuur Hospital with outreach to surrounding areas. This facilitates teaching of both under-and postgraduate students and research for the local environment resulting in locally appropriate skill development and transfer. We continue to run post-specialist qualification sub-discipline fellowships and collaborate internationally in research and academic activities.

Pieter Moll & Nuffield Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery and Head:

R Dunn, MBChB MMed Cape Town FCSOrth SA

#### **Full Professors:**

M Held, Med Cert *Heidelberg* MD *Munich* MMed PhD *Cape Town* FC Orth *SA* S Maqungo, MBChB *Natal* FCSOrth *SA* S Roche, MBChB *Cape Town* LMCC *Canada* FCSOrth *SA* 

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Honorary Associate Professor: BC Vrettos, MBChB Zimbabwe FRCS England MMed Cape Town FCSOrth SA

#### **Adjunct Associate Professors:**

G Grobler, MBChB MMed *Cape Town* FRCS *Edinburgh* FCS (Orth) *SA* WM van der Merwe, MBChB *UFS* Social Studies *Oxon* BMedScHons *Cape Town* FCSOrth *SA* B Bernstein, MBChB *Witwatersrand* FCSOrth *SA* K Hosking, MBChB *Cape Town* FCSOrth *SA*  D McGuire, MBChB Witwatersrand MMed Cape Town FCOrth SA

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#### **Honorary Senior Lecturers:**

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The Division of Otorhinolaryngology (ENT) provides a world class comprehensive clinical service to the Western Cape community, as well as for complex cases referred from other provinces. It also runs the only clinical fellowships in Africa in head and neck surgery, rhinology and anterior skull base surgery, paediatric otolaryngology, and otology.

#### Professor of Otorhinolaryngology and Head:

L Goldman, To be appointed January 2025

#### Senior Lecturers Full-time:

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#### **Lecturers Part-time:**

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Institute of Child Health, Red Cross War Memorial Children's Hospital, Rondebosch

The Division of Paediatric Surgery in the Department of Surgery (UCT) is a nationally recognised resource and based at the Red Cross War Memorial Children's Hospital. In addition to the regional drainage area, it receives patients from other provinces for certain tertiary care conditions. Fields

such as Oncological Surgery, Trauma, Burns, Colorectal, Hepatobiliary transplant and Upper GIT are offered to the patients. There is a well-designed undergraduate training program and highly successful postgraduate program training colleagues in Paediatric Surgery. Research output predominantly derives from conditions that are relevant to our setting and has been an important factor in us providing best care possible to our patients. Surgical Skills Training Centre is also situated in the Division, which is a national resource and has been functioning for over 10 years. Outreach is an important component of our mission and regular high-quality sessions are offered using online teaching methods since 2010.

#### Charles F M Saint Professor of Paediatric Surgery and Head:

S Cox, MBChB Cape Town FCS SA Cert (Paediatric Surgery) SA

#### **Emeritus Professors Part-Time:**

AJW Millar, MBChB *Cape Town* FRCS *UK* FRCS *Edinburgh* FRACS DCH (RCP&Seng) FCS *SA* H Rode, MBChB *Pret* MMed Surg FRCS *Edinburgh* FCS *SA* AB van As, MBChB *Netherlands* FCS *SA* PhD *Cape Town* MBA *SA* A Numanoglu, MBChB *Turkey* FCS *SA* 

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# Senior Medical Technologist:

J Raad, D (Medical Technology) UJ

# Surgical Skills Training Centre:

K Mac Dermott, MSc Clinical Anatomy Stell

#### F26, New Groote Schuur Hospital

The Division of Plastic, Reconstructive and Maxillofacial Surgery is based at Groote Schuur and Red Cross War Memorial Children's hospitals. We offer the whole range of surgery, in many cases via a combined approach. The combined Breast, Skin and the Head and Neck service at GSH, and the Cleft, Craniofacial and Burn service at RXH deserve special mention. We also offer surgical management of pressure wounds at Eerste River hospital via Cape Rehab and have specialised access to Advanced Wound Care. At RXH we have the only laser scar resurfacing service on the continent since 2016. Both hospitals share the maxillofacial trauma load with the Dept of Maxillofacial Surgery which is based at the Tygerberg Dental School (UWC). We offer undergraduate and postgraduate teaching catering for both local and foreign elective students. The division trains supernumerary registrars from the African continent and is currently involved in strategic research partnerships in the UK (Bristol) and the Netherlands (AMC). The division has a long history of publishing in the most prestigious plastic surgery journals. We are also involved in community outreach both locally since partnering with the Smile Foundation of South Africa in 2009 and abroad since our collaboration with Operation Smile in 2009 and the Smile Train in 2015.

#### Associate Professor and Head:

S Adams, MBChB Cape Town FC Plast (Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery) SA

# Senior Lecturers Full-time:

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# Acting Head of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery:

GJ Hein, BSc BChD MChD UWC

# **Emeritus Professor:**

DA Hudson, MBChB MMed Cape Town FCS SA FRCS Edinburgh FACS

**Full Professors Part Time:** MR Hendricks, BChD MChD PhD *UCT* 

E23, New Main Building, Groote Schuur Hospital

Professor and Head: E Jonas, MBChB MMed FCS SA PhD

Head Colorectal Clinic:

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# **Associate Professors Full Time:**

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# Senior Lecturers:

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C14 New Main Building, Groote Schuur Hospital

Head: AJ Nicol, MBChB Cape Town FCS SA

**Full Professor Full time:** P Navsaria, MBChB MMed *Cape Town* FCS *SA* 

Senior Lecturers Full Time: S Edu, Dip (Medicine) *Romania* FCS *SA* D McPherson, MBChB MMed FCS *SA* Cert Trauma

New Main Building, Groote Schuur Hospital

#### **Head of Department:**

NG Naidoo, MBChB UKZN FCS SA

#### Senior Lecturers Part Time:

A Sander, MBChB FCS SA Cert (Vascular Surgery) N Cloete, MBChB MMed FCS SACert (Vascular Surgery) MR Moydien, MBChB FCS SA Cert (Vascular Surgery)

# CHM4000F COMMUNITY EYE HEALTH

20 NQF credits at NQF level 8; The course comprises a total of six modules covered over a six-week period through online access with accompanying self-study tasks, plus the completion and submission of two assignments over a further six-week period.

Convener: Dr Deon Minnies

#### Co-requisites: None

# **Course outline:**

This course is delivered in blended format, comprising of a one-week contact period plus an on-line component over a 6-week period. An additional 12 weeks are allocated for tutorials and the completion of group exercises and assignments. The on-line course entitled "Planning and managing eye care services" serves as foundation for self-study and exploration. Through downloadable course materials, interactive individual and group exercises and case study analyses, students gain the knowledge and understanding of the magnitude, causes, and different control strategies for the major blinding eye diseases in the world, with a particular focus on cataract, glaucoma, refractive error, diabetic retinopathy and childhood blindness, as well as the global strategies to eliminate avoidable blindness. Students are introduced to the principles of community eye health planning and are required to conduct a situational analysis of the needs and resources for their own eye care programme. Using this knowledge, students develop strategies to develop service delivery responses for the major blinding and visual-impairing eye conditions in their local settings. These strategies are integrated into an eye care programme plan for their particular service units.

**DP requirements:** Completion of on-line course during initial six-week period, including scoring of at least 75% for all in-course quizzes.

**Assessment:** During the second six-week period, the students complete two assignments, each making up 50% of the course mark. Students must obtain a minimum of 40% to pass an assignment, but must obtain an aggregate of 50% to pass the course. Students who fail to achieve the pass mark must repeat it. No examination is written for this course.

# CHM4001F HEALTH PROMOTION AND HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT 10 NQF credits at NQF level 8

#### Course outline:

This course is delivered on-campus over a two-week period. The following half-week long modules are offered: "Health Promotion for Eye Care", "Advocacy for Eye Care", "Human Resource Development for Eye Care" and "Health Professional Education for Eye Care". Through didactic lectures, group exercises and case study analyses, students gain knowledge and understanding of the principles and techniques of advocacy, health promotion and human resource development for eye care programmes, with a particular focus on the challenges eye care service delivery face in the highly resource-limited, disease-burdened and competitive health systems of the developing world. The study material is largely based on current understandings of health system principles and applications. During this period, the students develop appropriate strategies for health promotion, advocacy, human resource development and health worker education, to address these challenges in their local settings.

# CHM4002F MANAGEMENT FOR EYE CARE

20 NQF credits at NQF level 8; The course comprises a total of 15 contact sessions per week, including didactic lessons, individual and group exercises, and field visits. **Convener:** Dr D Minnies

# Course entry requirements: CHM4000F and CHM4001F

# Course outline:

This course is delivered in blended format, comprising of a four-week contact period during which the following sub-modules are covered: "Leadership and management," "Project management essentials," "Developing action plans," and "Programme administration and management." A fifth sub-module entitled "Programme implementation and development" is covered through online sessions.

This is followed by 13 weeks of online exercises, tutorials and mini-assignments to consolidate application of the learning. The overall paradigm of the course is that better eye care service delivery outcomes can be achieved through strengthened management practices. Through didactic lectures, group exercises and case study analyses, students gain knowledge and understanding of the principles and techniques of planning, organising, controlling and leading as core competencies of management. Special attention is given to key management responsibilities including project, financial, stakeholder, quality and strategic management, as well as personal leadership and communication. During this period, the students study and apply the principles and techniques of management to develop strategies for the planning, implementation and administration of district eye care programmes.

**DP requirements:** Attendance of all coursework commitments and submission of coursework requirements by the due dates.

Assessment: Assessment: At the end of each sub-module, an integrated assessment is done, comprising a short written test and a practical exercise, each weighted appropriately to constitute formative assessments for these study areas. A student failing to obtain 50% for the individual assessments will have one opportunity to repeat the assessment. The marks for the individual module tests are aggregated to become the course mark. A course aggregate mark of 50% and greater constitutes a pass, while a mark of less than 40% constitutes a fail. If the student scores more than 40%, but less than 50%, the student is eligible to write a course test, for which a minimum of 50% constitutes a pass. Scores below 50% in the course. No examination is written for this course.

# CHM4003W IMPLEMENTATION OF EYE CARE

70 NQF credits at NQF level 8; The course is delivered in distance mode and comprises the preparation and submission of a portfolio of assignments.

#### Convener: Dr D Minnies

Course entry requirements: Successful completion of the following three courses: CHM4000F, CHM4001F and CHM4002F

# **Course outline:**

This course is delivered in distant mode: a period of practical assignment preparation and submission followed by a two-week period of online debriefing and feedback, facilitated through supervision by the course conveners. The assignment phase of the course requires students to complete and submit up to eight compulsory assignments, through which they apply the knowledge gained and techniques learned during the coursework and exercises of the other three courses: CHM4000F, CHM4002F and CHM4028Q. The assignments pose context-particular interventions to develop and improve eye care programme performance. This includes developing district action plans, advocacy strategy for eye care, financial planning and management, developing monitoring systems and strategies for managing human resources. Each assignment is supervised by a faculty member who provides the student with further reading materials, coaching and support through email and a web-based interactive platform, and feedback. During this period, students establish strategies to develop service delivery responses for the major blinding and visual-impairing eye conditions in their local settings. These strategies are integrated into an eye care programme plan for their specific health service units.

**DP requirements:** Attendance of all academic commitments and submission of all assessments by the due dates.

Assessment: Assessment: Assessment comprises assignments (80%) and a final examination (20%). The examination, a three-hour paper, covers the study areas of the three preceding courses CHM4000F, CHM4001F and CHM4002F and is written online. A pass mark of 40% is required for each assignment, failing which the student will be required to make the necessary corrections or

improvements and submit the assignment for reassessment. The terms of resubmission of the assignment is at the discretion of the assignment supervisor or responsible faculty. A final course mark is calculated by adding 80% of the total assignment mark to 20% of the examination mark. A final course mark of 50% and greater constitutes a pass, while a mark of less than 40% constitutes a fail. Students scoring 40% and more but less than 50% are eligible for a supplementary examination for which a minimum of 50% constitutes a pass.

# CHM4016F INTRODUCTION TO POSTGRADUATE STUDIES

10 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Associate Professor P Hodkinson and Associate Professor RE Parker

# Course entry requirements: None

# Course outline:

This course focuses on achieving the basic skills set to succeed in postgraduate work. It looks at searching the literature and using a number of medical databases. It also looks at plagiarism avoidance, time planning in study and research, and how to structure and write assignments and do researched presentations. The format of the course is a week-long contact period at the onset, followed by six weeks of predominantly online interactive taught material.

DP requirements: Completion of all coursework requirements by the due dates.

Assessment: Assessment is based on coursework (50%), and a final take-home examination assignment (50%).

# CHM4017F CLINICAL RESEARCH METHODS

15 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr C Saunders & S Rhambharose

# **Course outline:**

The course will teach students to think like a researcher and will develop an understanding of the research process. It introduces key concepts necessary for developing a postgraduate research proposal including research ethics, research design and academic writing. In addition, the course introduces students to both quantitative and qualitative research approaches, including the principles of critical thinking and evidence-based medicine

**DP requirements:** Completion of all coursework requirements by the due dates. Participation in 75 % of online teaching activities including discussion forums, blogs and portfolios

Assessment: Assessment is based on coursework (50%) and a capstone assignment/ exam at the end of the course (50%).

# CHM4017R RESEARCH LITERACY

15 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr C Saunders & S Rhambharose

# **Course outline:**

The course will teach students to think like a researcher and will develop an understanding of the research process. It introduces key concepts necessary for developing a postgraduate research proposal including research ethics, research design and academic writing. In addition, the course introduces students to both quantitative and qualitative research approaches, including the principles of critical thinking and evidence-based medicine

**DP requirements:** Completion of all coursework requirements by the due dates. Participation in 75 % of online teaching activities including discussion forums, blogs and portfolios

Assessment: Assessment is based on coursework (50%) and a capstone assignment/ exam at the end of the course (50%)

#### **Course outline:**

This course provides the candidate with the basic insight into the differences between Emergency Care and other medical fields. It introduces the EMS and healthcare systems, principles of adult and paediatric triage, principles of acute care diagnostics and aspects of teamwork, handover and communication.

DP requirements: Completion of all coursework requirements by the due dates.

Assessment: Assessment is based on coursework (50%), a final examination (30%) and a take-home examination assignment (20%).

# CHM4018Q CONCEPTS OF EMERGENCY CARE

20 NQF credits at NQF level 8

# **Course outline:**

This course provides the candidate with the basic insight into the differences between Emergency Care and other medical fields. It introduces the EMS and healthcare systems, principles of adult and paediatric triage, principles of acute care diagnostics and aspects of teamwork, handover and communication.

# CHM4019Q ADULT EMERGENCY MEDICINE

30 NQF credits at NQF level 8 **Convener:** W Khan

Co-requisites: CHM4016R

# Course outline:

This course focuses on adult emergency care. It will be a problem-based course with emphasis on evidence based medicine and critical thinking. The course will take a system based approach to the undifferentiated patient presenting for emergency care. It will encompass common problems and differential pathways, as well as relevant basic physiology and anatomy, and deals with the management of common adult medical and surgical emergencies and the evidence-base for these recommendations.

**DP requirements:** Satisfactory completion of a self-reflection portfolio of clinical experiences submitted to the Division at specified times, as outlined in the Portfolio Guideline. Participation in specified contact days and forum discussions;

Assessment: Assessment is by means of coursework (50%), oral examination (20%) and a research assignment (30%)

# CHM4020R CHILD HEALTH FOR EMERGENCY CARE

30 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr W Stassen and Dr B Cheema

# Course entry requirements: CHM4016

#### **Course outline:**

This course focuses on key aspect of child health for emergency care. We begin with an overview of recent data on global child mortality: How many children die annually, what do they die from and where do they die? Linked to this is an exploration of the causes of these tragic deaths and a look at what the global health community are doing to reduce these unnecessary deaths. We proceed to examine referral pathways and the journeys taken by children seeking emergency care in student's own settings, as well as a look at some of the widely available tools for managing (as well as preventing) childhood emergencies. The next section involves a closer look at the top three causes of child mortality: pneumonia, gastroenteritis and sepsis, including the pathophysiology of these conditions as well as the presenting signs and symptoms, the initial approach to evaluation and management and the usual progression of health professionals in the emergency care field.

**DP requirements:** Completion of all coursework requirements by the due dates. Additional coursework in the form of forum discussions and group collaboration exercises will require a

minimum of 80% student engagement duly performed (DP). This DP is a prerequisite to sit the final examination

Assessment: Assessment is based on coursework (50%) and a final examination (50%).

# CHM4021R LEADERSHIP & PATIENT SAFETY IN EMERGENCY CARE

15 NQF credits at NQF level 8

Convener: Dr C Cunningham

# **Course outline:**

The course provides an overview of basic managerial skills, with a focus on skills e.g. objective setting, implementation of plans and review. Resource management e.g. staffing schedules, basic HR processes, financial management. The aim is to make it practical and applicable to senior/shift leader level, not yet first line manager level.

**DP requirements:** Completion of all coursework requirements by the due dates. Additional coursework in the form of forum discussions and group collaboration exercises will require a minimum of 80% student engagement duly performed (DP). This DP is a prerequisite to sit the final examination.

Assessment: Assessment is based on coursework (50%) and a final examination (50%).

# CHM4028Q EYE CARE AND HEALTH SYSTEMS

20 NQF credits at NQF level 8 **Convener:** Dr Deon Minnies

# **Course outline:**

This course is delivered partly distant and partly contact over a six-week period. During the first contact period, students participate in lectures and exercises to obtain knowledge and understanding of "Health Promotion for Eye Care," "Eye and health systems," "Human Resource Development for Eye Care" and "Health Professional Education for Eye Care", relevant to development of eye care services in district health programmes. During the second contact week, "Advocacy for eye care," a key competency required for developing eye services is offered, in work-shop format. The contact period is used to enhance knowledge sharing, provide and receive feedback. This is followed by four weeks of distant teaching and learning activities, including individual and group exercises and mini assignments. The study material is largely based on current understandings of health system principles and applications. Using didactic lectures, group exercises and case study analyses, students gain knowledge and understanding of the principles and techniques of advocacy, health promotion and human resource development for eye care programmes, with a particular focus on the challenges eye care service delivery face in the highly resource-limited, disease-burdened and competitive health systems of the developing world.

**DP requirements:** DP requirements: Attendance of all coursework commitments and submission of coursework requirements by the due dates.

Assessment: Assessment: At the end of each module, an integrated assessment is done, comprising a short written test and a practical exercise, each weighted appropriately to constitute formative assessments for these study areas. A student failing to obtain 50% for the individual assessments will have one opportunity to repeat the assessment. The marks for the individual module tests are aggregated to become the course mark. A course aggregate mark of 50% and greater constitutes a pass, while a mark of less than 40% constitutes a fail. If the student scores more than 40%, but less than 50%, the student is eligible to write a course test, for which a minimum of 50% constitutes a pass. Scores below 50% in the course test constitute a fail and students have to repeat the course. No examination is written for this course.

CHM5001W MSC(MED) IN SURGERY 180 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Professor L Cairn Cross Course outline: The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

# CHM5002W UROLOGY DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor L Cairn Cross

# **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

# CHM6003W MPHIL IN SURGICAL GASTROENTEROLOGY PART 1

120 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor E Jonas

# Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the process to prepare specialist surgeons to become subspecialists in adult surgical gastroenterology. Candidates declare their area of clinical focus and follow the relevant curriculum of the College of Surgeons of South Africa. On successful completion of the relevant examination of the College of Surgeons they are granted credit towards CHM6003W. There is emphasis on acquiring updated knowledge on relevant basic sciences; congenital and acquired non-neoplastic and neoplastic diseases; and surgical and interventional management of the conditions relevant to the declared special interest. During placement in the specialised gastrointestinal surgical units candidates undergo formal training in diagnostic and therapeutic endoscopy as well as in surgical techniques for basic and complex gastrointestinal conditions. Candidates become proficient in performing procedures designated as "mandatory" unsupervised, and are exposed to and assist at procedures designated as "advanced". All trainees are required to participate in basic or clinical research during their training during which research skills (clinical research methods, biostatistics, epidemiology and ethics) are acquired. Participation in research should lead to the submission of at least one manuscript to a peer-reviewed journal and one presentation at a national or international meeting or conference in the relevant field. For the detailed curriculum, see the regulations of the relevant College of Surgeons of South Africa at www.cmsa.co.za.

**DP requirements:** At least eighteen months as a subspeciality trainee in an accredited specialist Surgical Gastroenterology department/division/unit; submission of the prescribed logbook; and written reports from the heads of the institutions in which the student has been trained.

**Assessment:** Candidates undergo the relevant examination of the College of Surgeons of South Africa. The examination comprises one three-hour written examination incorporating both clinical and basic science elements; at least three clinical cases; and a one-hour oral examination that includes applied anatomy, physiology, pathology and radiology relevant to gastroenterology in general and the declared area of clinical focus declared by the candidate and reflected in the logbook.

#### **Convener:** Professor E Jonas **Course entry requirements:** None **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. As per the faculty minor dissertation guidelines, the minor dissertation can be submitted in publication or publication-ready format (standard journal article length) or monograph format according to the CMSA requirement, and must be on a topic in Surgical Gastroenterology. the minor dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and should be based on a study for which the work was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. Candidates are trained in research skills such as clinical research methods, biostatistics, epidemiology and ethics and in research proposal design. The research should lead to the submission of at least one manuscript to a peer-reviewed journal and one presentation at a national or international meeting or conference in the relevant field.

#### **DP requirements:** None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

# CHM6006F CLINICAL RESEARCH METHODS II

15 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr C Saunders

# Course entry requirements: CHM6005F

#### **Course outline:**

This course builds on the basic epidemiology taught in CRM I (CHM6005F) and deals with specific research designs in greater detail (systematic reviews, diagnostic and screening trials, randomised controlled trials) and culminates in techniques of critical appraisal of the major types of study design. In addition, the principles of research ethics are dealt with.

**DP requirements:** The successful submission of the full research proposal to EMDRC (EMDRC D), ready for HREC.

Assessment: Assessment is on the basis of coursework and assignments. Coursework: 55%; examination: 45%.

# CHM6007F EMERGENCY CARE I

15 NQF credits at NQF level 9 **Convener:** Dr K Evans

#### **Course outline:**

This semester course focuses on acute clinical emergency care in the adult and paediatric population. The assumption is that the student already knows the core clinical knowledge and the emphasis is on improving clinical thought processes through exploration of best evidence and best clinical practices as well as exploring controversies and 'grey-areas' regarding evidence and practices. The course is divided into three sections: (1) Introduction to emergency medicine; (2) Paediatric emergency medicine; and (3) Adult emergency medicine. The course uses a combination of e-learning, self-study and contact teaching sessions.

**DP requirements:** Completion of online self-assessment tests and the two-day FEC (Fundamentals of Emergency Care) course (in the first contact week).

**Assessment:** Assignments during the semester (60%); and a final summative assessment comprising MCQ (multiple-choice questions) and SAQ papers (40%).

# CHM6008S EMERGENCY CARE II

15 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor P Hodkinson, Dr D Moiloa and Dr P Xafis

Course entry requirements: CHM6007F

#### **Course outline:**

This semester course focuses on clinical emergency care and continues the themes started in CHM6007F. It is a problem-based course with emphasis on evidence-based medicine and clinical decision-making. Students are encouraged to critically appraise the evidence and develop their own

management protocols. The course focuses on trauma, toxicology and environmental medicine, as well as surgical and obstetric emergencies.

#### DP requirements: None

Assessment: Assessment is by virtue of assignments (60%) and a final summative assessment (40%).

# CHM6009S HEALTHCARE SYSTEMS

15 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Dr J Fleming and Dr I D'Andrea Course entry requirements: None

# Course outline:

This is a semester course designed to generate an understanding of health systems structure and financing in emergency care. The structure and function of emergency care systems, including global health systems, pre-hospital and in-hospital systems, are examined. An analysis of processes and flow in emergency systems and how these are related to error and productivity are examined.

#### **DP requirements:** None

Assessment: Formative assessment (3 assignments): 60%; Summative assessment (oral and written examinations): 40%.

# CHM6010F RESUSCITATION AND CRITICAL CARE

15 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr A Parker, Dr R Dickerson and Dr L Phillips

# Course entry requirements: CHM6008F

# Course outline:

This semester course focuses on clinical emergency care in resuscitative and critical care medicine. It is a problem-based course with emphasis on evidence-based medicine and clinical decision-making. Students are encouraged to critically appraise the evidence and develop their own management protocols. Core clinical competencies in key emergency medicine related skills and procedures are required.

**DP requirements:** A minimum of 65% needs to be obtained for the semester mark to qualify for the examination.

**Assessment:** Assignments (x2), contact day assessments and forum assessments: 60%; summative assessment: 40% (closed-book: 30% and an oral examination: 10%).

# CHM6012F DISASTER MEDICINE

15 NQF credits at NQF level 9

# **Course outline:**

The underlying principles of disaster medicine, including risk assessment, preparation and planning, and communication and response, are covered. The course delineates the multi-service response required for a major incident. Students are given practical knowledge of tools, resources and processes utilised in a medical major incident response. In addition, special disaster scenarios are covered, including CBRN responses, mass gatherings, terrorism, earthquakes, complex humanitarian emergencies and psychological aspects of disaster. The assignments involve case reports evaluating aspects of current disasters/major incidents. Students are required to complete a research project involving disaster, major incidents or mass gathering scenarios. Contact time includes a practical major incident esponse simulation.

# CHM6012F/S DISASTER MEDICINE

15 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr W Smith

Course entry requirements: None

#### Course outline:

The underlying principles of disaster medicine, including risk assessment, preparation and planning, and communication and response, are covered. The course delineates the multi-service response

required for a major incident. Students are given practical knowledge of tools, resources and processes utilised in a medical major incident response. In addition, special disaster scenarios are covered, including CBRN responses, mass gatherings, terrorism, earthquakes, complex humanitarian emergencies and psychological aspects of disaster. The assignments involve case reports evaluating aspects of current disasters/major incidents. Students are required to complete a research project involving disaster, major incidents or mass gathering scenarios. Contact time includes a practical major incident response simulation.

**DP requirements:** Must be able to attend the week-long practical session (Disaster Medicine Course) and successfully complete the written examination at the end thereof.

**Assessment:** Assessment is on the basis of coursework assignments (60%), a contact week assessment (10%), and a final oral examination (30%).

# CHM6013S EDUCATION & TRAINING IN EMERGENCY CARE

15 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr A Oosthuizen and Dr H Geduld

# Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

This is a semester course which covers aspects of adult learning theory, small group teaching, use of virtual learning environments (VLE) and electronic learning resources, and clinical skills-based teaching. The course aims to develop core teaching skills useful on a day-to-day basis when teaching undergraduates, postgraduates and paramedical students in emergency care. The education section builds on the knowledge of the clinical research methods courses and focuses on evidence-based medicine and knowledge translation in EC.

**DP requirements:** Satisfactory completion of a self-reflection portfolio of clinical experiences submitted to the convener at specified times, as outlined in the Portfolio Guidelines.

Assessment: Formative assessment: 65% (assignments: 50% plus forum assessment: 15%); and Summative assessment (oral examination): 35%.

# CHM6016W EMERGENCY MEDICINE MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor P Hodkinson

#### Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. It must be between 15 000 and 20 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the same discipline of the coursework master's programme in which the candidate is registered. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals and obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. Master's degree candidates must be able to reflect critically on theory and its application. They must be able to deal with complex issues systematically and creatively, design and critically appraise research, make sound judgement using data and information at their disposal, and be able to communicate their conclusions clearly to specialist and non-specialist audiences.

**DP requirements:** Satisfactory completion of a self-reflection portfolio of clinical experiences submitted to the convener at specified times, as outlined in the Portfolio Guideline. **Assessment:** External examination of the minor dissertation.

CHM6018F/S GLOBAL EMERGENCY CARE 30 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Professor L Wallis Course entry requirements: CHM6009S Course outline: The objectives of this course are: (a) To develop an understanding of the complexities of emergency care in low resource settings. (b) To understand rational systems-based approach to emergency care system development in low resource settings. (c) To develop further knowledge and skills around emergency burden of disease, epidemiology and resource allocation in these settings.

The course will start with the historical origins of global or international health, then explore the epidemiology and health indicators, as well as special considerations for Emergency Care in these settings (including patient safety and ethics). The second half of the course looks at more practical planning for Emergency Care in low resource settings, covering aspects of essential Emergency Care services, and human resources, education and training. Finally this is brought together looking at technology and innovation, and then health promotion, advocacy and research in low resource settings. **DP requirements:** Satisfactory completion of a self-reflection portfolio of clinical experiences submitted to the Division at specified times, as outlined in the Portfolio Guideline. Participation in specified contact days and forum discussions

Assessment: Assessment is by means of coursework (50%), oral examination (20%) and a research assignment (30%)

# CHM6019W EMERGENCY MEDICINE MINOR DISSERTATION

90 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor P Hodkinson

#### Course entry requirements: None

# **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation, prepared under supervision, must be about 25 000 words in length and must be on a topic in emergency medicine. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

**DP requirements:** Satisfactory completion of a self-reflection portfolio of clinical experiences submitted to the convener at specified times, as outlined in the Portfolio Guideline.

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

# CHM6021W BIOMATERIALS DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor AG Fieggen

# **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

# CHM6022F COMMUNITY EYE HEALTH I

12 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr D Minnies

Course entry requirements: None

# Course outline:

The aim of this course is to provide an overview of the principles of the control of blindness in general and an overview of the control of avoidable blindness due to cataract and childhood blindness and visual impairment due to refractive error and low vision. The coursework is covered through an initial, contact block during which part 1 of the Community eye-health course manual is studied, a six-week, on-line course called "Planning and managing eye care services" is completed along with and reading of selected journal article, reports and strategy documents are completed. A set of individual and group

assignments are completed with the aim of consolidating the knowledge assimilated during the online study phases.

**DP requirements:** At least 45% for the semester assignments taken as a whole.

**Assessment:** Two semester assignments and a final examination. The examination makes up 50% of the coursework mark and the assignments the remaining 50%. A final course mark of 50% and greater constitutes a pass, while a mark of less than 40% constitutes a fail. Students obtaining marks between 40% and 49% are eligible for a supplementary examination for which a minimum of 50% constitutes a pass.

CHM6023F COMMUNITY EYE HEALTH II 12 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Dr D Minnies Course entry requirements: None

# Course outline:

The aim of this course is to provide an overview of the principles of the control of blindness due to other blinding conditions such as glaucoma, diabetic retinopathy and childhood blindness. Specific emphasis is laid on information and research strategies in eye health, for example Rapid Assessment of Avoidable Blindness and Trachoma survey. The coursework is covered through an initial, contact block during which part 2 of the Community eye-health course manual is studied, a six-week, on-line course called "Global blindness: ophthalmic epidemiology" is completed along with and reading of selected journal article, reports and strategy documents. A set of individual and group assignments are completed with the aim of consolidating the knowledge assimilated during the online study phases.

DP requirements: At least 45% for the semester assignments taken as a whole.

**Assessment:** Two semester assignments and a final examination. The examination makes up 50% of the coursework mark and the assignments the remaining 50%. A final course mark of 50% and greater constitutes a pass, while a mark of less than 40% constitutes a fail. Students obtaining marks between 40% and 49% are eligible for a supplementary examination for which a minimum of 50% constitutes a pass.

# CHM6024W CARDIOVASCULAR BIOMECHANICS DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Professor AG Fieggen

# **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

# CHM60268 CRITICAL THINKING IN EMERGENCY CARE

15 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor P Hodkinson

#### Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

Candidates are introduced to the principles of critical thinking and on-the-spot decision making in healthcare and its link to patient safety. Topics covered include models of decision making (thinking styles), the human factor in patient safety: contrasting the high reliability models with the "normal accident" model, as well as the identification of cognitive and affective error and countering their influence through cognitive forcing strategies.

**DP requirements:** Satisfactory completion of all coursework commitments.

Assessment: Assessment is by virtue of coursework (55%), and a final summative assessment (45%).

# CHM6028S MANAGEMENT & LEADERSHIP IN HEALTHCARE

15 NQF credits at NQF level 9 **Convener:** C Cunningham and C Wylie

Course entry requirements: None

# Course outline:

This is a semester course which introduces the candidate to both the theory and practicalities of effective management and leadership in healthcare in general and the emergency department in particular. Using the online learning platform and contact sessions, delegates develop an understanding of the principles of leadership and management which they can use to improve the care delivered in their own environment and beyond, focusing on levels of work theory, leadership styles and situational leadership, team dynamics and effectiveness, and conflict handling strategies and leadership in a crisis. Workplace management or leadership experience within the preceding 24 months is advantageous.

DP requirements: Satisfactory completion of all coursework commitments.

Assessment: Formative assessment (assignment): 75%; and Summative assessment (examination) 25%.

# CHM6029S DISASTER MEDICAL RESPONSE TRAINING

15 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Dr W Smith

# Course entry requirements: CHM6012F and CHM6030S

#### Course outline:

Medical personnel are often called upon to respond across provincial and/or international borders. The recent earthquakes and other complex humanitarian emergencies are cases in point. Medical staff deployed to such incidents are faced with providing care in an often difficult or hostile environment. This course attempts to address some of the issues and skills that such a response may require. Topics covered are: an introduction to INSARAG, as well as medical considerations in an urban search and rescue environment, an introduction to basic veterinary and dentistry skills, as well as selected primary healthcare considerations, amongst others.

DP requirements: Must attend the five-day practical session (DisMert Course).

Assessment: Assessment is on the basis of coursework (40%), a written examination (20%), and a minor research project (40%).

# CHM60308 AMBULATORY CARE & TRAVEL MEDICINE

15 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr G Lemke and Dr C Groenewald

#### Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

This course covers aspects of the common primary healthcare complaints which may be managed by emergency care workers. It includes clinical approaches and management of common chronic medical conditions, as well as selected topics in travel medicine. The course is aimed at nurses, paramedics and medical officers who want to improve their knowledge on conditions pertinent to extra-urban placements and deployment, such as for search and rescue and disaster deployments, expeditions, rigs, or mining operations in Africa.

DP requirements: Attendance of all coursework commitments.

Assessment: Formative assessment (assignment): 75%; and summative assessment (examination): 25%.

CHM6031S PATIENT SAFETY & FLOW 15 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Dr K Cohen and Dr H Tuffin Course outline:

Candidates develop an in-depth knowledge of the principles of continuous quality improvement and its link to patient safety, which they can use to improve the care delivered in their own field of work. Specific topics focused on include quality measures; risk assessments; communication; teams and teamwork in emergency medicine; the morbidity and mortality meeting; bedside teaching of error in EM; and learning how to benchmark and make improvements in one's healthcare environment. **DP requirements:** Attendance of main contact session.

Assessment: Assessment is by virtue of coursework (55%) and a final summative assessment (45%).

# CHM6032F CONTINUOUS QUALITY IMPROVEMENT

15 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr H Tuffin and Dr K Cohen

Course entry requirements: CHM6031F

#### **Course outline:**

Students learn an approach to quality management that builds upon traditional quality assurance methods by emphasising the organisation and systems. It focuses on the "process" rather than the individual, recognises both internal and external "customers" and promotes the need for objective data to analyse and improve processes. They learn to question the quality of healthcare and the consequences for patient safety of many of the currently applied practices. Building on the introduction of LEAN processes from CHM6032S, a number of tools and processes are explored theoretically and practically in this course. Specific aspects which are explored include the need for quality improvement in resource-poor countries, principles and models of quality improvement, challenges and successes in implementing quality improvement and how to disseminate improvements rapidly through the health care system.

DP requirements: Attendance of main contact session.

Assessment: Assessment is by virtue of assignments (40%), project (30%) and a final summative assessment (30%).

# CHM6036W BASIC ANATOMY & PHYSIOLOGY IN PAEDIATRIC

NEUROSURGERY 50 NQF credits at NQF level 9 **Convener:** Dr L Padayachy **Course entry requirements:** None

#### **Course outline:**

The course covers the basic anatomical, physiological and pathophysiological characteristics of commonly encountered paediatric neurosurgical conditions. The application of these theoretical concepts in daily practice is assessed and implemented as a part of the ongoing clinical evaluation. An understanding of the basic principles involved in the disease processes is fundamental to improving the quality of care afforded to children with surgical abnormalities of the nervous system. Emphasis is placed on conditions encountered in an African setting, so that the training is most relevant to a local environment. Exposure to anatomical teaching is included in surgical theatre time, where exposure to surgical anatomy forms an integral part of the course. The differences between adults and children in terms of anatomical, pathological and management strategies are emphasised. Teaching includes structured lecture time (both in groups and in one-on-one sessions), grand ward rounds and outpatient clinics. This course provides foundational skills and interface with the remaining components of the training programme to provide a comprehensive theoretical and practical basis for the overall qualification.

**Assessment:** The formative assessment of clinical competence is based on examining aspects of patient care and contributes 40% to the final mark. The oral case-based assessment contributes 60% of the final mark.

#### **Convener:** Dr L Padayachy **Course entry requirements:** None **Course outline:**

The learning template that is applied to theoretical and clinical training in the paediatric neurosurgical conditions as described in the course layout includes definition, epidemiology, natural history, classification, diagnosis, management and assessment of associated conditions. Clinical training occurs during grand ward rounds, elective surgical slates and outpatient clinics. Students learn the application of appropriate treatment protocols for new patients, including initiation of acute and emergency care treatment protocols, initiation of acute and emergency care treatment protocols, initiation of acute and emergency care treatment, transition of care to the ward and rehabilitation, as well as interaction within a multidisciplinary team. Students are required to demonstrate a level of competency in a range of clinical, procedural and surgical techniques. Key to development of clinical skills is practical workplace experience, integrated with one-on-one teaching sessions. Didactic lectures are offered, following a weekly teaching roster, and are merged with the departmental academic roster.

# DP requirements: None

**Assessment:** The on-going assessment of clinical competence contributes 40% to the final mark for the course. Oral-based assessment contributes 60% to the final mark. A subminimum of 50% is required to pass each of these two components of assessment.

# **CHM6038W** SURGICAL AND CRITICAL CARE MANAGEMENT IN PAEDIATRIC NEUROSURGERY

40 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr L Padayachy

# Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

The clinical management of neonates, infants and young children with neurosurgical conditions is profoundly different from that of adults and demands sound knowledge of the characteristics unique to children. A comprehensive care programme involves integrated management from the acute care setting to surgical technique, critical care and rehabilitation. The student is exposed to commonly occurring paediatric neurosurgical conditions, and is expected, by the end of the course, to have a comprehensive working knowledge of the surgical aspects of these conditions. Particular emphasis is placed on locally relevant conditions, such as central nervous system infections like TB, traumatic brain injury, tumours of the central nervous system, and congenital malformations, e.g. myelomeningocele. The student should be able to independently manage the commonly occurring paediatric neurosurgical conditions and decide which conditions need early referral to a specialist centre. Students will also benefit from being exposed to a wider international network of specialists, should advice be sought.

# DP requirements: None

**Assessment:** The formative assessment of clinical competency will be based on examining aspects of patient care and will contribute 40% to this course. The oral case-based assessment will contribute 60% of the examination. A minimum of 50% will be required to pass each component of the examination. Candidates who fail more than two components of the formative assessments will not be granted a DP and may be asked to withdraw from the programme. Successful completion of this course, together with completion of a logbook, will form part of a DP requirement for entering the final examination.

# CHM6039W FINAL INTEGRATED CLINICAL EXAMINATION

#### 0 NQF credits at NQF level 9

#### **Convener:** Dr L Padayachy

**Course entry requirements:** Satisfactory completion of a clinical and theatre case logbook and successful completion of all courses other than the Research Report.

#### **Course outline:**

The final integrated examination is aimed at testing the student's knowledge as well as his/her ability to integrate and apply this knowledge adequately in a clinical situation.

#### **DP requirements:** None

**Assessment:** The integrated final examination includes a written component that contributes 40% to the final mark and an oral component that contributes 60%. A subminimum of 50% is required to pass each component of the examination.

# CHM6040W RESEARCH REPORT

45 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Dr L Padayachy Course entry requirements: None Course outline:

# The Research Report comprises an independent study, under supervision, designed to develop and demonstrate innovative thinking and application of knowledge. The Report, which covers specific areas of interest the student has encountered during the programme, allows the student to integrate and apply various aspects of the training programme. The Report measures the student's ability to assimilate knowledge, access relevant literature, collect data, analyse such data and write up the results independently.

# DP requirements: None

**Assessment:** The Report is externally examined. The Report should be a well-constructed manuscript that is publishable in a peer-reviewed journal.

# CHM6041W SURGERY DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Professor AG Fieggen

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# Course outline:

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

# CHM6042F EVENT AND EXPEDITION MEDICINE

15 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor P Hodkinson

# Course outline:

Half of this course will focus on large event planning and the other half on expedition and remote site medical support. Large events are becoming a regular occurrence in cosmopolitan urban centres. The correct medical preparedness and response planning is paramount to the success of these events, addressing the specific requirements per nature of event (e.g. rock concert vs. horse race) and coordination with other services, while not overcapitalising on resources. The expedition and remote site medical support component will focus on equipment for expeditions into various terrains, communication solutions, as well as evacuation planning.

**DP requirements:** Attendance at compulsory contact teaching sessions as prescribed. Attendance and engagement at two local events and reflective portfolio entries on each.

# CHM60438 PRACTISING DISASTER PLANS

7 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr W Smith

# **Course outline:**

Candidates will become familiar with the principles and details for practicing all-hazard plans for organisations. This will be both in the form of table-top exercises, limited and full-scale physical exercises. Liaising with local response and recovery organisations will form part of the training.

Identifying gaps in the plan, both in the form of training needs and unaddressed local complications and how to feed that back into the original response plan is part of the training. Exercise scheduling will also be covered. Please note that the module 'Writing disaster plans' is a prerequisite to entry into this module.

Assessment: Formative assessment (assignments): 75%; and Summative assessment (written examinations): 25%.

# CHM6044F WRITING DISASTER PLANS

8 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr W Smith

# **Course outline:**

Candidates will become familiar with the principles and details for writing all-hazard plans for organisations based on local hazard-risk identification and resources. They will learn to apply the resulting gap analysis in disaster preparedness to the institution, lobbying for and justifying the initial and ongoing financial commitment for plans to be lived rather than remaining pure compliance documents. Developing training regimens that fit the plans will also be covered.

Assessment: Formative assessment (6 assignments): 60%; Contact week: 20%; and Summative Assessment (final oral examination): 20%.

# CHM6045F FUNDAMENTALS OF GLOBAL SURGERY

12 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Assoc Prof S Maswime

# **Course outline:**

This course examines the role of public and global health systems in surgery and explores strategies to improve surgical healthcare in the African context. The course aims to build surgical leadership in Africa by equipping students with the foundational knowledge, critical analysis, reasoning skills, and tools needed to contribute to global surgery through research, advocacy, and implementation of surgical healthcare programs for large-scale impact. Students will apply theoretical concepts and empirical trends in surgical systems to develop pragmatic solutions to improve surgical healthcare.

**DP requirements:** To be eligible to write the final examination, students are required to have: (a) complete all course related activities (b) attended 80% of block week activities. Absence is permitted only with approval of the course convener.

Assessment: Examination 20%; Project proposal 40%; Class participation 20%; Class presentation 20%

# CHM7001W SURGERY THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

Convener: Professor AG Fieggen

# **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and nonspecialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

Assessment: The thesis is external examined.

#### Convener: Professor AG Fieggen

# **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-specialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing. **Assessment:** The thesis is externally examined.

CHM7004W MMED IN SURGICAL DISCIPLINES PART 1

60 NOF credits at NOF level 9

**Convener:** Varies per surgical discipline

Course entry requirements: None

# Course outline:

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of general practitioners as specialist surgeons in various surgical disciplines. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements, and candidates complete the relevant curriculum of the College of Surgeons of SA. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination of the College and receive credit towards CHM7004W. The purpose of this course is to build a foundation of knowledge in the basic sciences for the clinical practice of the surgical disciplines. The course covers core knowledge of anatomy, including applied anatomy; physiology and applied physiology; and the principles of pathology and microbiology common to all surgical disciplines. For the detailed curriculum, see the regulations of the College of Surgeons at www.cmsa.co.za.

# DP requirements: None

Assessment: Candidates write the primary examination of the College of Surgeons. The examination includes two three-hour papers of MCQs (multiple choice questions) and/or short written questions on basic sciences.

# CHM7005W PLASTIC & RECONSTRCT SURGERY THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10 **Convener:** Professor AG Fieggen

# Course outline:

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-specialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing. **Assessment:** The thesis is externally examined.

#### Convener: Professor L Caincross Course entry requirements: CHM7004W and CHM7010W Course outline:

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of general practitioners as specialist surgeons. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements ,and candidates complete the curriculum of the College of General Surgeons of SA. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination of the College and receive credit towards CHM7008W. The purpose of the last component of the specialist in general surgery is for the candidates to acquire an in-depth knowledge of all aspects relating to paediatric surgery, general surgery, breast disease, malignant skin diseases, and arrange of other general surgery areas. The training also covers related radiological and therapeutic aspects where relevant. For the full curriculum and examination details, see the regulations of the College of Surgeons at www.cmsa.co.za

**DP requirements:** Candidates may be admitted to the final examination if they fulfil the criteria specified by the College and HPCSA, as well as the internal DP criteria of the Division which are a requirement for receiving the HOD approval letter. They need to have passed the primary and the intermediate CMSA examinations and completed a period of not less than four years of general surgery training at UCT. During this time, they need to have shown a commitment to attending academic activities, with >70% attendance at weekly academic tutorials, morbity and mortality meetings and MMed presentation meetings (absence is permitted only with valid excuse submitted and approved by the course convenor). As per the College of Surgeons guidelines, candidates need to have submitted a first draft of their minor dissertation for evaluation to the course convenor. Candidates are required to keep a logbook of procedures which must be uploaded at the time of application for the final examination. Finally, candidates are required to have completed the prescribed minimum number of workplace-based assessments/observations per rotation, to enable the postgraduate education committee to assess their competence in the workplace.

Assessment: Candidates take the final examination of the College of Surgeons of South Africa. The examination comprises two written papers and clinical, practical and oral examinations in the theory and practice of general surgery, including operative surgery, surgical anatomy, physiology and pathology.

# CHM7009W GENERAL SURGERY MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor L Caincross

# Course entry requirements: None

# **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. As per the faculty minor dissertation guidelines, The minor dissertation can be submitted in publication or publication-ready format (standard journal article length) or monograph format according to the CMSA requirement , and must be on a topic related to general surgery. the minor dissertation must be based on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. the minor dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Through attending a research methods course students may receive training in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. Candidates may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit there search for publication.

#### **DP requirements:** None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.
#### **Convener:** Varies per surgical discipline **Course entry requirements:** CHM7004W **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of general practitioners as specialists. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements, and candidates complete the curriculum of the relevant College. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital accredited by the CMSA. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination of the College and receive credit towards CHM7010W. This course covers the principles of surgery in general applicable to all branches of the surgical speciality disciplines. The objective is to build an understanding of aspects of patient care basic to the perioperative period, namely principles of pre-operative assessment, supportive measures, and complications for both adults and children. The syllabus includes pre-operative care, intra-operative care, post-operative care and complications. This will include trauma, infections and other emergencies as these apply to ENT and ocular emergencies, plastic surgery, orthopaedic surgery, cardiothoracic surgery, urology, paediatric surgery and general surgery. For the detailed curriculum, see the regulations of the College of Surgeons at <u>www.emsa.co.za</u>.

**DP requirements:** The candidate may be admitted to the intermediate examination having passed the primary; Applicants are required to have completed at least 12 months' approved training in any of the surgical disciplines, excluding otorhinolaryngology, but including not less than three months of intensive care and not less than six months of training in surgical disciplines. and having obtained the ATLS certificate or having registered to take the ATLS certificate examination.

Assessment: Candidates write the intermediate examination organised by the College of Surgeons, which comprises two multiple choice written papers and such oral examinations as determined by the College.

# CHM7012W MMED IN PLASTIC & RECONSTRUCTIVE SURGERY PART 2B 30 NOF credits at NOF level 9

**Convener:** Professor S Adams

Course entry requirements: CHM7004W and CHM7010W

### Course outline:

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of general practitioners as specialist plastic surgeons. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements, and candidates complete the relevant curriculum of the College of Plastic Surgeons of SA. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination of the College and receive credit towards CHM7012W. The purpose of this course is to build on the knowledge of basic sciences and general introduction to surgical disciplines covered in the first two parts of training. The course content covers the theory and practice of plastic and reconstructive surgery, which includes operative surgery and the application of the basic sciences of anatomy, physiology and pathology. Candidates are also trained in aspects of radiology and therapy that relate to plastic and reconstructive surgery. The full curriculum is available from the College of Plastic Surgeons of South Africa at <u>www.emsa.co.za</u>.

**DP requirements:** A candidate may be admitted to the final examination having passed the primary and the intermediate examinations or having completed the Fellowship of one of the Colleges with which there is an agreement of reciprocity; having produced evidence of having been qualified to practise for a period of not less than four years (the year of internship not to form part of this period); and having completed a period of not less than 36 months' training prior to the examination date in a recognised plastic and reconstructive surgery training post certified by the academic head of the department of plastic and reconstructive surgery. A maximum of six months of the training called for above may form part of these 36 months, provided this period is spent in a recognised plastic and reconstructive training post.

Assessment: Two written papers and clinical, practical and oral examinations in the theory and practice of plastic and reconstructive surgery, including operative surgery, surgical anatomy, physiology and pathology.

# CHM7013W PLASTIC & RECONSTRUCTIVE SURGERY MINOR

# DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Professor S Adams Course entry requirements: None

## **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. As per the faculty minor dissertation guidelines, the minor dissertation can be submitted in publication or publication-ready format (standard journal article length) or monograph format according to the CMSA requirement, and must be on a topic related to plastic surgery. The minor dissertation must be based on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The minor dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Through attending a research methods course students may receive training in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the minor dissertation. Candidates may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

## DP requirements: None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

# CHM7016W CARDIOTHORACIC SURGERY DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor T Pennel

#### **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

# CHM7017W CARDIOTHORACIC SURGERY THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

Convener: Professor T Pennel

# Course outline:

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-specialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing. **Assessment:** The thesis is externally examined.

CHM7019W MMED IN CARDIOTHORACIC SURGERY PART 2B 30 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Professor T Pennel Course entry requirements: CHM7010W

#### **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of general practitioners as specialist cardiothoracic surgeons. Candidates follow the curriculum of the College of Cardiothoracic Surgeons of South Africa. They undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination of the College and receive credit towards CHM7019W. For the detailed curriculum, see the regulations of the College of Cardiothoracic Surgeons, at <u>www.cmsa.co.za</u>.

**DP requirements:** CHM7010W; Pre-requisites: successful completion of at least 18 months of approved training in surgery including trauma, intensive care and the surgical specialities. Of the 18 months, at least six months must be spent in general surgery and six months in one or more of the surgical specialities (orthopaedics, urology, neurosurgery, paediatric surgery, cardiothoracic surgery, and plastic and reconstructive surgery). In addition, the candidate must have obtained the ATLS certificate. At least four years must have been spent in a registrar post in cardiothoracic surgery. Candidates are also required to submit a completed logbook and have prepared a dissertation for submission for the MMed Part 3 prior to writing the final College examination. For full details see <u>www.cmsa.co.za</u> - College of Cardiothoracic Surgeons: Regulations including Curriculum, and Logbook.

Assessment: Two written papers and an oral examination, set by the College of Cardiothoracic Surgeons.

# CHM7020W CARDIOTHORACIC SURGERY MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Professor T Pennel Course entry requirements: None

## Course outline:

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. As per the faculty minor dissertation guidelines, the dissertation can be submitted in publication or publication-ready format (standard journal article length) or monograph format according to the CMSA requirement, and must be on a topic related to cardiothoracic surgery. The minor dissertation must be based on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a post graduate student. The dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Through attending a research methods course students may receive training in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the minor dissertation. Candidates may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

#### DP requirements: None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

### CHM7024W NEUROSURGERY THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10 Convener: Professor AG Fieggen

# Course outline:

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-specialist must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing. **Assessment:** The thesis is externally examined.

# CHM7025W MD IN NEUROSURGERY

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10 **Convener:** Professor AG Fieggen

Course outline:

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-specialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

CHM7026W MMED IN NEUROSURGERY PART 2B

30 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Professor AG Fieggen Course entry requirements: CHM7010W

# **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of general practitioners as specialist neurosurgeons. Candidates complete the training programme of the College of Neurosurgeons of South Africa. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination of the College and receive credit towards CHM7026W. The curriculum includes the principles and practice of neurosurgery, including applied anatomy, physiology and pathology and related radiological and therapeutic aspects. For the detailed curriculum and examination rules, see the regulations of the College of Neurosurgeons at <u>www.collegemedsa.ac.za</u>.

**DP requirements:** Candidates must have obtained the ATLS certificate and must have passed the intermediate examination of the College of Neurosurgery.

**Assessment:** Candidates write the final examination of the College of Neurosurgery. The examination comprises three written papers, as well as clinical, practical and oral examinations in the theory and practice of neurosurgery, including operative surgery, surgical anatomy, physiology and pathology.

# CHM7027W NEUROSURGERY MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor AG Fieggen

### **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. As per the faculty minor dissertation guidelines, the minor dissertation can be submitted in publication or publication-ready format (standard journal article length) or monograph format according to the CMSA requirement, and must be on a topic related to neurosurgery. The minor dissertation must be based on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The minor dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Through attending a research methods course students may receive training in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the minor dissertation. Candidates may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

## **DP requirements:** None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

# CHM7030W MMED IN OPHTHALMOLOGY PART 2

30 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor C Tinley

Course entry requirements: CHM7069W

### **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of general practitioners as specialist ophthalmologists. Candidates complete the curriculum of the South African College of Ophthalmologists. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination of the College and receive credit towards CHM7030W. Training includes all aspects of medical and surgical ophthalmology. For the full curriculum, see the regulations of the College of Ophthalmologists at <u>www.cmsa.co.za</u>.

**DP requirements:** A candidate may be admitted to the final Part 2 examination after producing evidence of having been qualified to practice medicine for a period of not less than four years, including the year of internship; and after completing a period of not less than three years of training in ophthalmology in a full-time post-internship post approved by the HPCSA.

Assessment: Candidates write the final examination of the College of Ophthalmologists. The examination comprises written, clinical and oral examinations.

# CHM7031W OPHTHALMOLOGY MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor N du Toit

#### Course entry requirements: None

### **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. As per the faculty minor dissertation guidelines, the minor dissertation can be submitted in publication or publication-ready format (standard journal article length) or monograph format according to the CMSA requirement , and must be on a topic related to opthalmic surgery. The minor dissertation must be based on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a post graduate student. The minor dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Through attending a research methods course students may receive training in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the minor dissertation. Candidates may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

# DP requirements: None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

# CHM7032W MMED IN OPHTHALMOLOGY (PAPERS 1&2)

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Associate Professor C Tinely

# Course entry requirements: None

## Course outline:

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of general practitioners as specialist ophthalmologists. Candidates complete the Part 1 curriculum of the South African College of Ophthalmologists. The aim of the curriculum is to provide foundational knowledge in a range of basic science disciplines to prepare candidates to apply such knowledge to the clinical conditions and management strategies in ophthalmology. The curriculum includes anatomy and embryology of the visual system, and ocular and visual physiology. For the detailed curriculum and the examination rules, see the regulations of the College of Ophthalmologists at www.cmsa.co.za.

### DP requirements: None

**Assessment:** Candidates write the Part 1 examination of the College of Ophthalmologists. There are two written papers and a subminimum of 50% is required for each.

# CHM7033W ORTHOPAEDIC SURGERY THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10 Convener: Professor R Dunn

# Course outline:

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-specialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

CHM7035W MMED IN ORTHOPAEDIC SURGERY PART 2B

30 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor R Dunn

Course entry requirements: CHM7004W and CHM7010W.

### **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of general practitioners as specialist orthopaedic surgeons. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates training requirements, and candidates complete the curriculum of the South African College of Orthopaedic Surgeons. They undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination of the College of Orthopaedic Surgeons and receive credit towards CHM7035W. Content includes the theory and practice of orthopaedic surgery, including operative surgery and the applied basic sciences; orthopaedic trauma (adult and paediatric); reconstructive orthopaedic surgery; orthopaedic pathology; material aimed at covering a range of orthopaedic cognitive and affective objectives; hand surgery; elective adult reconstructive surgery; and a range of other orthopaedic topics. For the detailed curriculum and the examination details, see the regulations of the College of Orthopaedic Surgeons at <u>www.cmsa.co.za</u>.

**DP requirements:** At least four years' practice excluding internship and community service, three of which are in a recognised orthopaedic training post certified by the academic head of the department of orthopaedic surgery; logbook; ATLS certificate.

Assessment: Candidates write the final examination of the College of Orthopaedic Surgeons. The examination includes three three-hour written papers on applied orthopaedic knowledge of anatomy, pathology, physiology, radiology and biomechanics; two papers on the full spectrum of orthopaedics, including adult and paediatric trauma, paediatric orthopaedics, spinal surgery, surgical rheumatology and arthroplasty, hand and foot surgery, sports injuries and arthroscopy, amputations, orthotics and prosthetics; a final clinical examination; and an oral examination.

# CHM7036W ORTHOPAEDIC SURGERY MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor R Dunn

#### Course entry requirements: None

# **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. the minor dissertation must be between according to the CMSA requirement in length, and must be on a topic in orthopaedic surgery. the minor dissertation must be based on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The minor dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic

and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the minor dissertation. Candidates may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

#### DP requirements: None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

# CHM7037W OTORHINOLARYNGOLOGY DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Professor JJ Fagan

### Course outline:

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

# CHM7038W OTORHINOLARYGOLOGY THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10 Convener: Professor JJ Fagan

#### **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-specialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing. **Assessment:** The thesis is externally examined.

# CHM7040W MMED IN OTORHINOLARYNGOLOGY PART 2

30 NQF credits at NQF level 9 **Convener:** Professor JJ Fagan

## Course entry requirements: CHM7010W

### Course outline:

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of general practitioners as specialist otorhinolaryngologists. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination of the College of Otorhinolaryngology and receive credit towards CHM7040W. The aim of this course is to build on the foundational knowledge in the basic sciences offered in Part 1. The course content covers applied anatomy, applied physiology, special pathology, and audiology. Candidates cover the full spectrum of otorhinolaryngological medicine and otorhinolaryngological surgery, including head and neck surgery. The spectrum of congenital anomalies and acquired pathologies and their clinical management, upon which this examination is based, will include all conditions pertinent to modern otorhinolaryngological practice and head and neck surgical practice.

For the detailed curriculum, see the regulations of the College of Otorhinolaryngology of SA, at <u>www.cmsa.co.za</u>.

**DP requirements:** CHM7004W and CHM7010W; and at least four years' clinical practice, at least three of which should be in an approved training position in otorhinolaryngology. Candidates must also produce a logbook covering all activities of their training and must have obtained the ATLS certificate.

**Assessment:** Candidates take the final examination of the College of Otorhinolaryngology. This comprises a written paper and a clinical, practical and oral examination in each of the special basic sciences and audiology, in the theory and practice of otorhinolaryngology, and in the theory and practice of head and neck surgery, including operative surgery.

### CHM7041W OTORHINOLARYNGOLOGY MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor JJ Fagan

Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. As per the faculty minor dissertation guidelines, the minor dissertation can be submitted in publication or publication-ready format (standard journal article length) or monograph format according to the CMSA requirement, and must be on a topic related to otorhinolaryngology. the minor dissertation must be based on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a post graduate student. the minor dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Through attending a research methods course students may receive training in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the minor dissertation. Candidates may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

#### **DP requirements:** None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

## CHM7042W UROLOGY THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

Convener: Associate Professor JM Lazarus

## **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-specialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

Assessment: The thesis is externally examined.

# CHM7044W MMED IN UROLOGY PART 2B

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Associate Professor JM Lazarus Course entry requirements: CHM7010W Course outline:

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of general practitioners as specialist urologists. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements.

Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination of the College of Urologists and receive credit towards CHM7044W. The final component of training includes the theory and practice of the full spectrum of clinical urology, including (but not limited to) congenital anomalies of the urogenital system, trauma of the kidney, ureter, bladder, urethra and external genitalia, infections of the urinary tract and male genital system, obstructive uropathy, neuromuscular dysfunction of the lower urinary tract, disorders of continence and voiding, urethral stricture disease, interstitial cystitis and prostatitis, urolithiasis, renal cystic diseases, renovascular diseases, principles of dialysis, renal transplantation and immunosuppression, neoplasms of the kidney, adrenal, retroperitoneum, ureter, bladder, prostate, urethra, penis, testis and spermatic cord, scrotal swellings, erectile dysfunction and ejaculatory disorders, and male infertility. For the full curriculum and examination details, see the regulations of the College of Urologists at <u>www.cmsa.co.za</u>.

**DP requirements:** Candidates may be admitted to the final examination having passed the primary and intermediate examinations or having completed the Fellowship of one of the Colleges with which there is an agreement of reciprocity; having produced evidence of having been qualified to practise for a period of not less than four years (the year of internship not to form part of this period); and having served a period of not less than two and a half years of approved training in urology. Candidates must also submit a completed logbook.

**Assessment:** Candidates take the final examination of the College of Urologists. The examination comprises two written papers; and clinical, practical and oral examinations.

# CHM7045W UROLOGY MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor JM Lazarus

#### Course entry requirements: None

## Course outline:

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. As per the faculty minor dissertation guidelines, the minor dissertation can be submitted in publication or publication-ready format (standard journal article length) or monograph format according to the CMSA requirement , and must be on a topic related to urological surgery. the minor dissertation must be based on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a post graduate student. the minor dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Through attending a research methods course students may receive training in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. Candidates may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

#### **DP requirements:** None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

# CHM7050W OPHTHALMOLOGY THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10 **Convener:** Professor N du Toit

## **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and nonspecialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing. **Assessment:** The thesis is externally examined.

# CHM7051W MD IN OPHTHALMOLOGY

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

# CHM7052W MPHIL IN VASCULAR SURGERY PART 1

120 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Dr NG Naidoo

# Course entry requirements: None

# **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of specialist surgeons to become subspecialists in vascular surgery. Students follow the relevant curriculum of the College of Surgeons of South Africa and, on successful completion of the relevant Part 1 examination of the College, are granted credit towards CHM7052W. The curriculum is divided into mandatory and desirable components. Mandatory components include a strong foundational knowledge of basic sciences relevant to this subspeciality, including applied anatomy, vascular haemodynamics, vascular physiology, vascular pathology, as well as the basics of ultrasound, aspects of cardiology, pulmonology, nephrology, neurology, diabetes, ICU care, haematology, coagulation, and thrombolysis. Candidates learn to diagnose and clinically manage a range of diseases, ranging from carotid artery disease, aortic aneurysms, renal artery disease, mesenteric artery disease and venous thrombosis to venous incompetence. A strong foundation in research methodology and statistics is included in the training. For the detailed curriculum, see the regulations of the relevant College of Surgeons of South Africa at <u>www.cmsa.co.za</u>.

**DP** requirements: At least eighteen months as a subspeciality trainee in accredited specialist unit(s) of vascular surgery, registered and approved by the Health Professions Council of South Africa; submission of the prescribed logbook; written report(s) by the Head of the Unit and a curriculum vitae. Assessment: Candidates undergo the final examination of the College of Surgeons related to this subspeciality. The examination comprises a multiple choice written paper of three hours' duration, and two half-hour oral evaluations of the candidate's knowledge of vascular surgery conducted by two sets of two examiners for each half-hour period.

# CHM7053W VASCULAR SURGERY MINOR DISSERTATION 60 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Dr NG Naidoo

# Course entry requirements: None

# **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation, prepared under supervision, is a requirement for those senior registrars who wish to graduate with the MPhil degree. Those who choose not to complete a dissertation may register with the HPCSA as subspecialists after successful completion of the relevant College of Medicine Part 1 examination. The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. As per the faculty minor dissertation guidelines, the minor dissertation can be submitted in publication or publication-ready format (standard journal article length) or monograph format according to the CMSA requirement , and must be on a topic related to vascular surgery. It must be based, moreover, on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. the minor dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval, where necessary, they analyse the results of their research and write up the minor dissertation. The candidate may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication

**DP requirements:** Registration as a specialist surgeon; certification of having completed at least eighteen months as a subspeciality trainee in accredited specialist unit(s) of vascular surgery,

registered and approved by the Health Professions Council of South Africa; submission of the prescribed logbook, filled in and up to date, and certified by the head of the department; written report(s) by the Head of the Unit and a curriculum vitae.

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

# CHM7055W EMERGENCY MEDICINE DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor S Bruijns

#### **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

# CHM7056W MMED IN EMERGENCY MEDICINE PART 1

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor L Wallis

Course entry requirements: Current ATLS, ACLS and APLS/PALS certification.

### **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the process of certification of general practitioners as emergency medicine specialists. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination of the College of Emergency Medicine and receive credit towards CHM7056W. The aim of the course is to provide foundational knowledge in a range of basic science disciplines to enable candidates to apply such knowledge to the clinical conditions and management strategies in the speciality of emergency medicine. The Part 1 course covers a wide range of disciplines and topics within those disciplines that relate to the field of emergency medicine, including clinical anatomy; clinical pathology; infectious diseases and diseases of the immune system; physiology; and clinical pharmacology and toxicology. For the detailed curriculum, see the regulations of the relevant College of Emergency Medicine at <u>www.collegemedsa.ac.za</u>.

**DP requirements:** Candidates are required to successfully complete the FCEM I examination or its approved equivalent within the first 18 months of training.

Assessment: Examination (FCEM I) = 100%. Two multiple-choice question papers of three hours each. Emphasis is on clinical anatomy, physiology, pathology and pharmacology relevant to the practice of emergency care.

# CHM7057W MMED IN EMERGENCY MEDICINE PART 2

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor L Wallis

## Course entry requirements: CHM7056W

### **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process as specialists in emergency medicine. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination of the College of Emergency Medicine and receive credit towards CHM7057W. Content includes prehospital emergency care; resuscitative problems and techniques; acute signs and symptoms in adults and in children; emergency wound management; cardiovascular, pulmonary, gastro-intestinal, infectious diseases and allergy; toxicology; environmental emergencies; endocrine, haematologic, oncologic, and neurological emergencies; eye, ear, nose, throat and oral emergencies; trauma; fractures and dislocations; muscular, ligamentous and rheumatic disorders: psychosocial disorders, abuse and assault; imaging modalities; and common implantable devices. A wide range of lectures is offered and a number of short courses recommended, such as Emergency Management of Severe Burns, Disaster Medicine, and Aviation Medicine. See full syllabus at <u>www.collegemedsa.ac.za</u>.

**DP requirements:** A candidate has to complete at least six short courses, the following four of which are obligatory: Neonatal Advance Life Support, Disaster Medicine, Aviation Medicine, and either Clinical Research Methods I (CHM6005F) or equivalent. The choice of recognised elective short courses is available from the convener. Prior to writing the final College of Emergency Medicine examination, applicants must have: (a) Successfully completed the primary examination; (b) Been qualified to practice for a period of not less than four years post-internship; (c) Completed a minimum of 36 months' clinical training; (d) Submitted a CMSA-approved comprehensive critical performance portfolio; (e) Completed the Level 1 Emergency Ultrasound certification; and (f) Submitted and passed the part 3 dissertation (CHM7058W) prior to sitting the Part 2 examination.

Assessment: Examination (FCEM II) = 100%. The final examination consists of written, OSCE, clinical and oral assessments. For the detailed curriculum, see the regulations of the relevant College of Medicine at <u>www.collegemedsa.ac.za</u>.

#### CHM7058W EMERGENCY MEDICINE MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor L Wallis

Course entry requirements: None

# Co-requisites: CHM6005F

## **Course outline:**

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. The dissertation must be between 15 000 and 20 000 words in length, and must be on a topic in emergency medicine. The dissertation must be based on a study for which the work was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. Candidates may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

**DP requirements:** Students are required to have obtained approval of a research topic for the minor dissertation and to have signed an MOU with his/her supervisor setting out the conditions of the candidate's research towards his/her minor dissertation within 24 months of first registration. **Assessment:** External examination of the minor dissertation.

# CHM7059W MMED IN PAEDIATRIC SURGERY PART 1

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor S Cox

#### Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of general practitioners as specialists. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements, and candidates complete the curriculum of the College of Paediatric Surgeons of South Africa. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination of the College and receive credit towards CHM7059W. The aim of the course is to provide foundational knowledge in a range of basic science disciplines to prepare candidates to apply such knowledge to the clinical conditions and management strategies in the speciality of paediatric surgery. The course content covers anatomy, including applied anatomy, applied physiology, principles of pathology and the applications of the principles to clinical surgery. For the full curriculum and examination details, see the regulations of the College of Paediatric Surgeons at <u>www.collegemedsa.ac.za</u>.

**DP requirements:** Candidates are required to have successfully completed the Basic Surgical Skills course prior to applying for admission to the primary examination.

Assessment: Candidates write the examination of the College of Surgeons. The examination usually consists of one or more written papers about the basic sciences.

## CHM7060W MMED IN PAEDIATRIC SURGERY PART 2

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor S Cox

Course entry requirements: CHM7059W and CHM7010W

# Course outline:

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of general practitioners as specialist paediatric surgeons. The Health Professions Council of South Africa stipulates the training requirements. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. On successful completion of training, they write the final examination of the College of Paediatric Surgeons and receive credit towards CHM7060W. The course content covers the principles and practice of paediatric surgery, including embryology, applied anatomy, physiology and pathology, and related radiological and therapeutic aspects, including foetal diagnosis and treatment. For the full curriculum and examination details, see the regulations of the College of Paediatric Surgeons at <u>www.collegemedsa.ac.za</u>.

**DP requirements:** Candidates must have passed the primary examinations; must have completed not less than 12 months of approved post-community service training as a registered medical practitioner, in surgery, with at least 6 months in general surgery, not less than 3 months in ICU and not less than 3 months in trauma/emergency surgery; and must have obtained the ATLS certificate.

Assessment: Two three-hour papers of MCQs (multiple choice questions) and/or short written questions on basic sciences.

CHM7061W PAEDIATRIC SURGERY MINOR DISSERTATION 60 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Professor S Cox Course entry requirements: None Course outline:

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. As per the faculty minor dissertation guidelines, the minor dissertation can be submitted in publication or publication-ready format (standard journal article length) or monograph format according to the CMSA requirement, and must be on a topic related to paediatric surgery, the minor dissertation must be based on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a post graduate student. the minor dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Through attending a research methods course students may receive training in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the minor dissertation. Candidates may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

### DP requirements: None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

## CHM7062W NEUROSCIENCE (SURGERY) DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor AG Fieggen

# Course outline:

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in the relevant discipline. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing

a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation.

Assessment: The dissertation is externally examined.

#### CHM7063W NEUROSCIENCE (SURGERY) THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

Convener: Professor AG Fieggen

#### **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-specialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

# CHM7064W EMERGENCY MEDICINE THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

Convener: Associate Professor S Bruijns

#### **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-specialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

#### CHM7065W BIOMATERIALS THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

Convener: Professor T Pennel

#### **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and nonspecialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

Assessment: The thesis is externally examined.

# CHM7066W CARDIOVASCULAR BIOMECHANICS THESIS

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

# **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-specialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing. **Assessment:** The thesis is externally examined.

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# CHM7067W MPHIL IN CLINICAL PAEDIATRIC SURGERY PART 1

120 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: TBA

## Course entry requirements: None

#### **Course outline:**

This course is designed to enable trainees to develop the following competencies: to manage patients presenting on an unselected emergency paediatric surgical 'in-take', by diagnosing, assessing, and treating or referring them on as appropriate; to manage patients presenting with a range of symptoms and elective conditions as specified in the core syllabus for the speciality of paediatric surgery; and to manage an additional range of elective and emergency conditions that may occur within a given period of training and thereby give rise to opportunities for appropriate training and corresponding assessment.

### **DP requirements:** None

Assessment: One final examination of all coursework, including a written, oral and clinical component.

#### CHM7068W CLINICAL PAEDIATRIC SURGERY MINOR DISSERTATION 60 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Professor S Cox

# Course entry requirements: None Course outline:

The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. As per the faculty minor dissertation guidelines, the dissertation can be submitted in publication or publication-ready format (standard journal article length) or monograph format according to the CMSA requirements, and must be on a topic related to paediatric surgery. The minor dissertation must be based on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a postgraduate student. The dissertation should generally be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Through attending a research methods course students may receive training in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates may also be required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

# DP requirements: None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

# CHM7069W MMED IN OPHTHALMOLOGY PART 2A

30 NQF credits at NQF level 9 Convener: Associate Professor C Tinely

#### Course entry requirements: CHM7032W

**Objective:** This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of general practitioners as specialist ophthalmologists. Candidates complete the curriculum of the South African College of Ophthalmologists. Candidates undergo training in an HPCSA-accredited training unit in a teaching hospital linked to the UCT Faculty of Health Sciences. Content includes ocular pathology and optics. For the detailed curriculum, see the regulations of the College of Ophthalmologists at <u>www.collegemedsa.ac.za</u>.

**Assessment:** Candidates write the examination of the College of Ophthalmologists. The examination includes written, clinical and oral examinations.

## CHM7070W MPHIL IN TRAUMA SURGERY PT 1

120 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor AJ Nicol

Course entry requirements: None

#### Course outline:

This training programme forms part of the credentialling process of specialist surgeons to become subspecialists in trauma surgery. Students follow the relevant curriculum of the College of Surgeons of South Africa and, on successful completion of the relevant Part 1 examination of the College, are granted credit towards CHM7070W. The structured academic programme includes multidisciplinary meetings with units and departments which impact on trauma surgery, such as cardiothoracic, diagnostic and interventional radiology, intensive care, and anaesthesiology. Candidates acquire a foundational knowledge of all pertinent aspects of applied anatomy, trauma physiology, haemodynamics, trauma pathology, ultrasonography and non-invasive trauma diagnosis, angiography and trauma radiology, and any aspects of trauma surgery that might be encountered in the day-to-day practice of trauma surgery. Training also covers the co-ordination, evaluation and supervision of a trauma care system, including pre-hospital care and transport; and the evaluation, resuscitation and surgical or non-surgical management of critically injured patients of all ages. Students are assigned to a cardiac/thoracic unit, a burn unit, a surgical nutrition unit, a neurosurgical unit, or other trauma related rotations. The candidate will acquire an advanced level of skill in management of critically injured patients, including the clinical management of patients with critical injuries complicated by chronic cardiac, respiratory, renal or metabolic dysfunction. Candidates acquire expertise in the use of advanced technology and instrumentation to monitor the physiologic status of trauma patients of all ages; of organisational and administrative aspects of trauma care; and of the ethical, economic, and legal issues as they pertain to trauma care. For the detailed curriculum, see the regulations of the relevant College of Surgeons of South Africa at www.cmsa.co.za.

**DP requirements:** At last two years of training in an accredited trauma unit; a logbook and a curriculum vitae; certification by the Heads of Departments in which the training was completed, confirming satisfactory completion of training and achievement of the requisite level of technical and operative skill.

Assessment: Candidates undergo the relevant final examination of the College of Surgeons of South Africa. The examination comprises a multiple-choice written paper of three hours duration, and two half-hour oral evaluations of the candidate's knowledge of trauma surgery and trauma critical care, conducted by two sets of two examiners.

# CHM7071W TRAUMA SURGERY MINOR DISSERTATION

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Associate Professor AJ Nicol

Course entry requirements: None

## Course outline:

The minor dissertation, prepared under supervision, is a requirement for those senior registrars who wish to graduate with the MPhil degree. Those who choose not to complete a minor dissertation may register with the HPCSA as subspecialists after completion of the relevant College of Medicine Part1 examination. The minor dissertation is prepared under supervision. As per the faculty minor dissertation guidelines, the minor dissertation can be submitted in publication or publication-ready

format (standard journal article length) or monograph according to the CMSA requirements, and must be on a topic related to trauma surgery. It must be based, moreover, on a study the work for which was commenced while the candidate was registered as a post graduate student. The minor dissertation should be on a clinical topic and of a standard publishable in a peer-reviewed medical journal. Students are trained in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having obtained formal ethics approval, where necessary, they analyse the results of their research and write up the minor dissertation. In some disciplines they are also required to present the work at a congress and submit the research for publication.

#### **DP requirements:** None

Assessment: External examination of the minor dissertation.

# CHM7072W MMED IN OTORHINOLARYNGOLOGY PART 1

60 NQF credits at NQF level 9 **Convener:** Professor JJ Fagan

### **Course outline:**

This course covers the following: Anatomy (including head, neck and upper thorax; neuro-anatomy; applied anatomy relevant to diseases and spread of infection in head and neck; and relevant anatomy of the thorax); physiology (including general principles of physiology; discipline-orientated physiology; and basic principles of audiology and vestibular testing); and general principles of pathology.

#### DP requirements: None

Assessment: Students write the examinations of the Colleges of Medicine of South Africa.

# CHM7073W MUSCULOSKELETAL SCIENCES DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

### Convener: Associate Professor M Held

**Course entry requirements:** Clinical Research Methods I (CRM 1) as offered by the Department of Emergency Medicine – CHM6005F This is a semester based module designed to develop a coherent and basic understanding of the theory, research methodologies and techniques relevant to Emergency Medicine. Basic research methodologies, bias, confounders and basic biostatistics are covered.

### Co-requisites: None

### Course outline:

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in musculoskeletal science. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. The dissertation is externally examined. The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it is publishable in a peer reviewed journal and therefore submitted in a ready-for publication format. The focus needs to be musculoskeletal science, adhering to the research focus outlined by the Orthopaedic Research Unit at UCT. These are: Trauma, Infections, efficiency of health care, systems, and innovations. As projects require, students will be trained further in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and submit the dissertation. The dissertation is externally examined.

Assessment: Dissertation 100%. The dissertation is externally examined.

# CHM7074W TRAUMA SCIENCE DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

### **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in trauma science. Students are trained in

statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. The dissertation is externally examined.

# CHM7075W INFECTION MANAGEMENT DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

## **Course outline:**

The MSc(Med) in Infection Management by full dissertation aims to expose graduates to components of effective control of human pathogens in the hospital and community settings, especially for osteoarticular infections, and will provide knowledge in the monitoring, prevention, diagnosis, and treatment. The main focus will be on the influence of TB and HIV, on musculoskeletal structures. The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in infection management. It must also be publishable in a peer-reviewed journal and therefore submitted in a ready-for-publication format. Where required, students will be trained further in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and submit the dissertation. The dissertation is externally examined.

# CHM7076W SPORTS INJURIES DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

# Course outline:

The MSc(Med) in Sport Injuries by full dissertation aims to expose, doctors, sport therapists, physiotherapists and other allied health professionals to the science of sports injuries, with a focus on the management and assessment of acute injuries, as well as the rehabilitation and prevention of injuries. The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in sports injuries. It must also be publishable in a peer-reviewed journal and therefore submitted in a ready-for-publication format. Where required, candidates will be trained further in statistics, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and submit the dissertation. The dissertation is externally examined.

# CHM7077W GLOBAL SURGERY DISSERTATION

180 NQF credits at NQF level 9

Convener: Professor S Maswime

# **Course outline:**

The requirement for this full master's dissertation, conducted under supervision, is that it must not exceed 50 000 words in length and must be on a topic in global surgery. Students are trained in statistics where necessary, in research methods, in conducting literature reviews, and in designing a research proposal. Having submitted their research proposals for approval and having obtained formal ethics approval where necessary, candidates proceed with their research, analyse the results and write up the dissertation. The dissertation is externally examined.

**Assessment:** Examination of the dissertation by two examiners of international standing external to UCT.

# CHM7078W GLOBAL SURGERY THESIS (SURGERY)

360 NQF credits at NQF level 10

Convener: Professor S Maswime

### **Course outline:**

This is a degree by doctoral thesis of up to 80,000 words in length. It must reflect a comprehensive and systemic grasp of a discipline's body of knowledge with expertise and specialist knowledge in an

area at the forefront of the discipline; a critical understanding of the most advanced research methodologies, techniques and technologies in the discipline; an ability to participate in scholarly debates at the cutting edge of an area of specialisation; and an ability to apply knowledge, theory and research methods creatively to complex practical, theoretical and epistemological problems. The candidate should demonstrate advanced information retrieval and processing skills and an ability to effectively present and communicate the results of research and opinion to specialist and non-specialist audiences, using the full resources of an academic/professional discourse. The production of the thesis must meet international standards of scholarly and professional writing.

# CHM6047F SOCIAL AND BEHAVIOURAL NEUROSCIENCE

10 NQF credits at NQF level 9 **Convener:** Dr Melike Fourie

# Course outline:

The aim of the course is for students to develop a broad understanding of the core principles, methods and theories guiding social neuroscience. We will consider how several social processes are implemented at the neural level, but also how different cultural, social, political, and economic factors affect personal beliefs and implicit biases.

- 1. The Changing Field of Social Neuroscience
- 2. Research Methods of Social Neuroscience
- 3. Evolution of the (Human) Social Brain: Social brain hypothesis vs. Ecological Intelligence
- 4. Social Groups and Hierarchies
- 5. Stereotypes, attitudes, and prejudice
- 6. Emotion and Motivation
- 7. What good are positive emotions?
- 8. What's so special about Mirror Neurons?
- 9. What happens when we are stressed?
- 10. Environment and Mental health
- 11. Developmental social neuroscience
- 12. Class presentations on a topic of personal interest.
- DP requirements: Attendance at all seminars and discussions.

Assessment: The final mark for the course will be averaged from the 10 best class quiz results (10%), a class presentation on a topic of their choice (10%), and one essay type assignment (80%). A high degree of self-study is required and all students are expected to prepare the relevant sections ahead of each lecture.

### CHM6048S GLOBAL SURGERY SYSTEMS

### 12 NQF credits at NQF level 9

**Objective:** 1. To harness the skills of designing prevention interventions in the context of Global Surgery2. To introduce different types of innovation that can be used to reduce the need for surgery.3. To introduce determinants of health, including social, geospatial and political determinants of health. Learning outcomes At the end of the course, students will be able to:1. Apply the concepts of health promotion and prevention principles into the surgical disciplines to reduce the need for surgery and to improve access to surgical care in poorly resourced settings2. Critical analysis and reasoning skills: critically analyse and evaluate existing theories, methods and practices employed in global surgery from an African, lower middle income country perspective.3. Team-work and networks: engage effectively with peers from different backgrounds, perspectives, disciplines and countries to find equitable solutions for surgical care.

### **Course outline:**

The Global Surgery Systems course introduces the principles of implementation and innovation in Global Surgery to improve access to surgical care and surgical outcomes in low-and middle-income settings. The course aims to equip students with the foundational knowledge, critical analysis, reasoning skills, and tools needed to contribute to global surgery through research, policy, community engagement and implementation of surgical healthcare interventions for large-scale impact. Students

will apply theoretical concepts and empirical trends in surgical systems to develop pragmatic solutions to improve surgical healthcare at population level.

Lecture times: (MPH program dependent – second semester)

**DP requirements:** To be eligible to write the final examination, students are required to: (a) complete all course-related assessment, and attend assessment-related activities, (b) attended the teaching block at the start of the course.

**Assessment:** Coursework assessment (60%)End of course summative exam (40%)A pass mark of 50% is required overall, with a 45% subminimum for each of the coursework and exam assessment components.

# **RESEARCH STRUCTURES**

# Alan J Flisher Centre for Public Mental Health

Department of Psychiatry and Mental Health, University of Cape Town, and Department of Psychology, Stellenbosch University

The Alan J Flisher Centre for Public Mental Health (CPMH, www.cpmh.org.za), based in the Department of Psychiatry and Mental Health was established in April 2010, through approval by the UCT Senate Executive Committee and a Memorandum of Understanding signed between UCT and Stellenbosch University. Since its establishment the Centre has grown substantially, has been appointed as a World Health Organization Collaborating Centre and now conducts research in 13 countries in sub-Saharan Africa. South America, south Asia, and southeast Asia with a research budget of over US\$14 million. It is one of the leading international research centres in public mental health based in a low- and middle-income country, and employs a multi-disciplinary team dedicated to undertaking high quality research and teaching in the areas of public mental health, and mental health policy and services. The Centre is currently involved in three major mental health research and capacity building consortia: the Wellcome Trust-funded "Improving Adolescent mental health by reducing the Impact of poVErty (ALIVE), the Wellcome Trust-funded African Mental health Research Initiative (AMARI, www.amari-africa.org) capacity building programme and the Fogarty International-funded African mental health Researchers InSpired and Equipped (ARISE) capacity building programme. CPMH is also home to the Sue Struengmann Initiative (SSI), funded by the Andreas and Sue Struengmann Foundation, and the Perinatal Mental Health Project (www.pmhp.za.org). Additionally, the Centre attracts students from across Africa and beyond to the CPMH postgraduate programmes, including the blended learning Postgraduate Diploma (PGDip) in Public Mental Health, a distance learning MPhil in Public Mental Health as well as the PhD programme.

K Sorsdahl, PhD Cape Town

Biomedical Engineering Research Centre Room 514, Anatomy Building

The Biomedical Engineering Research Centre has the goal of conducting research that supports and leads to technological innovation for improved health and wellbeing, particularly in developing contexts. At the same time, it aims to generate scholarship that has global value. The Centre is underpinned by postgraduate programmes in Biomedical Engineering, Health Innovation, and Healthcare Technology Management, and integrates UCT's strengths in these areas into a synergistic whole. The broad research mandate of the Centre spans a range of disciplines, including engineering, computing and physical sciences, health and life sciences, and social sciences. The Centre incorporates the Medical Imaging Research Unit.

### **Professor and Director:**

T Douglas, BScEng MBA Cape Town MS Vanderbilt MPhil Stell PhD Strathclyde

Brain and Behaviour Unit (BBU) Dept of Psychiatry, Groote Schuur Hospital

The Brain and Behaviour Unit is a multi-disciplinary hub for psychiatric neuroscience research based in the Division of Psychopharmacology and Biological Psychiatry of the Dept of Psychiatry & Mental Health. The Brain and Behaviour Unit focuses on psychiatric neuroscience (i.e. psychiatric neurogenetics, psychiatric neuroimaging, translational neuroscience relevant to mental disorders), and provides a mechanism for supporting postgraduate students and postdoctoral fellows; for psychiatric neuroscience education; and for multi-disciplinary collaborative relationships. It comprises three groups; the Psychiatric Neurogenetics Group, the Psychiatric Neuroimaging Group, and the Translational Neuroscience Group. The Brain and Behaviour Unit aims to contribute to issues that are particularly relevant to the South African and African contexts, such as psychological trauma, substance use, and neuroHIV. Members of the Brain and Behaviour Unit employ a range of methods in this work, including phenotyping, cognotyping, genotyping, brain imaging and characterizing molecular signatures.

DJ Stein, BSc (Medicine) MBChB Cape Town FRCPC PhD DPhil Stell

Cancer Research Initiative

Room 3.45 Falmouth Building, FHS, UCT and J52-12, Old Main Building, Groote Schuur Hospital

The Cancer Research Initiative (CRI) brings together basic science, clinical and public health researchers to address the complex burden of cancer. Established in 2013, the CRI is housed in the Faculty of Health Sciences at UCT. The CRI aims to:

-Support collaborative, interdisciplinary cancer research relevant to the African context -Develop cancer research capacity

-Support cancer research infrastructure development

-Influence policy and practise by translating scientific discoveries into public benefit

#### **Professor and Director:**

J Moodley, MBChB MMed PhD Cape Town

Cape Heart Institute

Levels 4, 5 and 6, Christiaan Barnard Building, Faculty of Health Sciences

The Cape Heart Institute (CHI) is a multidisciplinary and interprofessional centre of excellence that concentrates on research activities and expertise relating to cardiovascular risk factors and diseases common to sub-Saharan Africa. Its focus is to consolidate and expand major existing efforts to combat the most serious cardiovascular threats to health and to improve overall prosperity within the region.

The Institute's strategic intent is the focused application of its extensive array of scientific and research skills and capacities, within a multi-disciplinary environment, extending from the most basic enabling technologies to clinical studies and public health approach. This includes leadership in global studies.

Through its bridge position between laboratory-based research and clinical research, the CHI sees itself as an institution fostering translation. The CHI creates a modern, consolidated and vibrant environment between a number of shared laboratories, facilities and expertise, in which scientific excellence is pursued within a number of laboratory groups. Each group is headed by a scientist of international stature and is facilitated by efficient and effective infrastructure and centralized facilities, with minimum bureaucracy, thereby enabling local research capacity to prosper in Africa.

## **Professors and Co-Directors:**

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Prof. Liesl Zühlke MD Cape Town PhD Cape Town

#### **Cardiovascular Research Unit**

Second, Third and Fifth Floor, Cape Heart Institute, Chris Barnard Building, Faculty of Health Sciences

The CRU is a transdisciplinary research unit that investigates biomaterials in the context of regenerative medicine. It provides postgraduate training in the disciplines of Cardiovascular Biomaterials and Cardiothoracic Surgery Research. Both MSc (Medicine) and PhD degrees by dissertation are offered in these disciplines.

Laboratory-based research is carried out in the fields of biomaterials research, bioprosthetic and polymeric heart valves, myocardial regeneration, regenerative vascular grafts and tissue engineering.

**Professor and Director:** N. Davies PhD *Cape Town* 

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Financial Officer:

# **Centre for Environmental and Occupational Health Research (CEOHR)**

Level 4, Falmouth Building South

The Centre, a WHO collaborating centre in occupational health between 2005 – 2014 and an MRC research entity between 2001-2005, was upgraded in 2009, following its initial establishment as a research unit in 1993. The SA Swiss Bilateral Research Chair in Global Environmental Health is based in the Centre. The core objectives of the Centre are:

To be a principal Centre of environmental and occupational health research, teaching and training, occupational medical clinical services, policy advisory, technical consultancy services, advocacy and a source of supportive outreach activities in South Africa, in the Southern and Eastern regions of Africa, Africa more generally, and internationally;

To conduct multidisciplinary research, teaching and service provision integrating laboratory, clinical, epidemiological and policy skills in relation to environmental and occupational health problems that have high priority in Southern Africa in order to facilitate identification and improved characterisation of these and other problems and to better understand the determinants of these problems and their solution;

To explore and develop means of maintaining the health of individuals and the environment, especially in relation to environmental health risks and the work environment, and of preventing the development of health problems in those exposed to injurious environments at work or more generally.

To conduct public policy research into issues ranging from toxic or injurious exposures through to health surveillance, the functioning of relevant health services including promotive, preventive, curative and rehabilitative/ compensation aspects;

To foster inter-institutional research, teaching and service (including outreach) collaboration with United Nations and other agencies;

To foster inter-institutional research, teaching and service (including outreach) collaboration and capacity development; and

To translate and implement the results of research in teaching, training, policy, service provision and outreach.

#### Associate Professor and Director:

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#### **Post-Doctoral Research Fellow:**

B O Fagbayigbo, BSc MSc PhD

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# **Centre for Infectious Disease Epidemiology and Research (CIDER)**

Level 5, Falmouth Building South, & Standard Bank Building, Mowbray

The Centre for Infectious Disease Epidemiology and Research is a World Health Organization (WHO) Collaborating Centre in HIV Epidemiology and Research) and conducts multidisciplinary research on priority infectious diseases in Southern Africa, in order to improve disease prevention and management. The Centre has strong links to service providers at provincial and national level, and a long track record of conducting operations research around service delivery challenges. Staff includes epidemiologists, biostatisticians, mathematical modellers, data scientists, social scientists and public health specialists.

## 564 RESEARCH STRUCTURES

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### **Honorary Senior Lecturers**:

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# **Children's Institute**

46 Sawkins Road, Rondebosch

Universities play an important role in contributing to strategies that address the circumstances of children. As one of the duty-bearers responsible for intervention to improve children's lives, universities are increasingly being called upon to exercise their social responsibility towards this important sector of society. Against this background, the Children's Institute aims to harness the collective academic capability in the University to promote enquiry into the situation of children, to share this capacity through teaching and training programmes, and to present evidence to guide the development of laws, policies and interventions for children. In addition, in positioning itself as an independent broker of evidence, the Institute is also able to provide evidence to those who are advocating on behalf of children. The work of the Children's Institute is aimed at promoting the principle of taking the best interest of the child into account, and at ensuring that children are given primary consideration by society. In particular, the Institute pays special attention to promoting child participation in its work, and advocates for their voices to be heard, and their opinions to be taken seriously.

The Children's Institute is a multi-disciplinary institute aiming to contribute to policies, laws and interventions that promote equality and realise the rights and improve the conditions of all children in South Africa, through research, advocacy, education and technical support.

### Research

- defining research questions in specific child policy areas
- *conducting quality policy research*
- stimulating inter-disciplinary research
- collating and analysing secondary research and data sets

Education

- conducting policy research training for graduate students from different disciplines
- contributing child policy modules to existing programmes
- delivering short courses or other appropriate training to child practitioners and policy makers

#### Technical assistance and support

- D providing technical assistance to policy makers and practitioners
- supporting child policy role players with information, training and practice guidelines

Advocacy

- using evidence-based communication with government decision-makers
- producing publications directed at the policy, service provider, academic and popular fields
- *information dissemination through a range of platforms*
- participating in and supporting social movements that prioritise and promote children's well-being
- □ increasing the cadre of practitioners, scholars and researchers versed in evidence-based approaches to child-focused policies and practice.

## **Director and Associate Professor:**

S Mathews, MPH PhD

# **Chronic Disease Initiative for Africa (CDIA)**

J47/86 Old Main Building, Groote Schuur Hospital

The CDIA is unique in South Africa, as well as in the region. It strives to connect a wide range of experts in NCD public health, clinical medicine, epidemiology, lifestyle modification, health economics, health behaviour, and implementation research and health service management in an expanding collaborative network. CDIA supports the World Health Organisation's model for innovative, integrated care for chronic conditions (ICCC) and focuses on underprivileged patients attending public sector primary health care facilities. Consequently, CDIA is committed to the development, evaluation and dissemination of methods and programmes to prevent NCD and to improve the quality of care for people with these diseases and their risk factors. This commitment has already impacted on practice in South Africa and other African countries. Further, the initiative is developing the next generation of NCD researchers, by mentoring postgraduate students, as well as developing clinical capacity for NCD in health care providers who participate in CDIA research projects. Many CDIA network members have been actively involved with the Departments of Health in contributing to NCD policy development in South Africa.

Originally, CDIA research network members were drawn from three major tertiary academic institutions in Cape Town: (the University of Cape Town (UCT), Stellenbosch University (US) and the University of the Western Cape (UWC), as well as the South African Medical Research Council (MRC) and Harvard University (HU), USA. Since 2012, the membership has expanded to include members from Malawi, Kenya, Botswana, the Universities of Witwatersrand, North-West and Pretoria. In addition, Western Cape and National Departments of Health representatives sit on our management committee and governing board respectively.

### **Professor and Director:**

N Levitt, MBChB MD FCP SA

# **Collaborating Centre for Optimising Antimalarial Therapy (CCOAT)**

UCT Division of Clinical Pharmacology, K Floor, Old Main Building, Groote Schuur Hospital

UCT's Collaborating Centre for Optimising Antimalarial Therapy (CCOAT, www.ccoat.uct.ac.za) serves to bring together the expertise of clinical and laboratory researchers, working together to improve malaria treatment. Our strong track record of successful malaria research initiatives has led to our being selected to lead the Pharmacology module of WorldWide Antimalarial Resistance Network (WWARN) and as one of three South African Medical Research Council Collaborating Centres for Malaria Research. CCOAT Director,Prof Barnes participates actively in national, regional and global policy bodies. She is co-chair of the South African Malaria Elimination Committee.

CCOAT conducts translational research on the clinical pharmacology of antimalarials in vulnerable target populations (young children, pregnant women, those with prevalent co-morbidities such as HIV and malnutrition) and comprehensive evaluations of changes in malaria treatment policy, including from monotherapy to artemisinin-based combination therapy (ACT's) for treating uncomplicated malaria, from injectable quinine to injectable artesunate for the treatment of severe malaria and single low dose primaquine for malaria transmission blocking. We support the development of much-needed novel antimalarials through the conduct of clinical trials including the Phase 1 First-in-Human study on MMV048 and drug-drug interaction studies.

WWARN (www.wwarn.org) aims to provide the information necessary to prevent or slow antimalarial drug resistance and therefore reduce malaria morbidity and mortality. Through WWARN, our data is combined with those contributed by research groups globally, to conduct pooled individual patient data analyses to answer pivotal questions to inform the best use of available antimalarials to prolong their useful therapeutic life and develop regulatory-compliant data standards for malaria clinical trials. Building on WWARN's experience in collating and curating individual patient data from >400 clinical trials in >135,000 malaria patients, we have facilitated the development of CDISC standards for malaria (https://www.cdisc.org/).

We also have an interest in finding optimal methods to evaluate the efficacy and safety of malaria treatments. The world-class quality of all our research is driven by our research staff, who also serve as members of The Global Health Network (www.tghn.org). Our staff contribute to and work with both local and global clinical research communities to use Global Health Network eLearning and other resources to enhance clinical research standards in low and middle income settings, while internal resources developed for our clinical research studies are shared with the broader Global Health Network community.

#### **Professor and Director:**

K Barnes, MBChB MMed Cape Town

Project Manager: M Solomons

# **Desmond Tutu HIV/AIDS Research Centre**

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#### **Professor and Head:**

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# Gender, Health and Justice Research Unit

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The GHJRU is an interdisciplinary research unit that unites scholars, NGOs and practitioners to develop and implement innovative, interdisciplinary research and social interventions on social exclusion and violence in a range of social, political and institutional settings. We have a proven history of empirical, evaluation and monitoring projects, many of which are well cited in the literature and are foundational studies in the areas of gender-based violence, sexual and gender minority rights, and reproductive rights. We use our empirical research to develop well-informed, evidence-based advocacy positions to support legal and policy reform in South Africa and similarly situated countries. Our research is almost exclusively conducted in interdisciplinary teams, frequently including NGOs and government departments. The Unit also has a well-established history of providing technical assistance to a wide range of implementing partners including government and NGOs.

The mission of the Gender, Health and Justice Research Unit is to improve service provision to victims of crime, violence and human rights violations, to facilitate violence prevention, and to promote access to justice in Southern and Eastern Africa through interdisciplinary research, advocacy and education.

#### Director and Professor:

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Geriatric Medicine and the Albertina and Walter Sisulu Institute of Ageing in Africa L-51 Old Main Building, Groote Schuur Hospital

The Albertina and Walter Sisulu Institute of Ageing in Africa conducts interdisciplinary research in Geriatric Medicine, Neurosciences, Neuropsychology, Old Age Psychiatry and Social Gerontology. Current research interests include physical, cognitive and social functioning in old age: quality of life; vascular risk factors and stroke; falls in older persons; quality of care; dementia and cognitive disorders; and social and economic well-being; Covid-19 and older persons

#### William P Slater Chair of Geriatric Medicine and Professor:

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#### **Professor:**

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#### Associate Professor and Director Institute of Ageing in Africa

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#### **Professor:**

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#### **Honorary Senior Lecturers:**

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### Visiting Associate Professor:

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#### **Honorary Research Associate:**

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# **Health Economics Unit**

## Health Economics Unit

The Health Economics Unit (HEU) works to improve the performance of health systems by informing health policy and enhancing technical and managerial capacity in sub-Saharan Africa. Its foundation is academic excellence in research in health economics and related health systems issues. The four core objectives of the HEU are:

- □ To conduct high-quality research in health economics and health systems.
- □ To train at the postgraduate level to improve technical research and health systems capacity;
- □ To develop capacity in health economics and related health systems research in South Africa and Africa; and
- □ To provide technical support to facilitate the translation of health policies into practical programmes.

#### **Professor and Director:**

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#### **Research Officers:**

# 570 RESEARCH STRUCTURES

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#### **Emeritus Professor:**

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# HIV Mental Health Unit

Neuroscience Institute, Groote Schuur Hospital

The HIV Mental Health Research Unit is involved in neurobehavioral (specifically adherence and psycho-therapeutic interventions) and neuro-biological (specifically brain imaging, genetic, neurocognitive aspects, as well as drug interventions) research in HIV-associated neuropsychiatric disorders. Our work includes both adults and adolescents affected by HIV. The Unit is funded by the NIMH, MRC and NRF, as well as the University. It is collaborating with senior investigators from leading international and local groups. Further information may be found at www.hivmentalhealth.uct.ac.za

#### **Director and Professor:**

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#### Adminstrative Assistant:

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# Institute of Infectious Disease and Molecular Medicine

Wolfson Pavilion Building

The Institute of Infectious Disease and Molecular Medicine (IDM) is a trans-faculty, multidisciplinary postgraduate research enterprise that operates in the fields of infectious disease and molecular medicine research. Located on the health sciences campus of the University of Cape Town (UCT), the IDM comprises several buildings with the iconic Wolfson Pavilion providing the official entrance into a complex containing state-of-the-art core and research laboratories, as well as modern office, conferencing, and meeting room facilities.

The IDM is distinguished by the ability to drive world-class research and postgraduate training at the laboratory-clinic-community interface by engaging a wide range of scientific and clinical disciplines with access to advanced technologies and infrastructure and supported by dedicated administrative and technical personnel.

Key disciplines include medical biochemistry; chemical biology; genetics; clinical and experimental immunology; paediatrics; microbiology; molecular and cell biology; virology; infectious diseases; vaccinology; epidemiology; medicinal chemistry; pre-clinical pharmacology; structural biology and bioinformatics and computational biology.

Established in 2004, the IDM has grown into the largest research entity at UCT and is reconized nationally and internationally as a leader in research and human capital development in the field of health sciences.

Web address: http://www.idm.uct.ac.za/

#### **Professor and Director:**

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#### Full Member and Honorary Professor:

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#### Full Member and Emeritus Professor:

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#### Full Member, Emerita Professor and Senior Scholar

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# **Kidney and Hypertension Research Unit**

E13, Groote Schuur Hospital

The Kidney and Hypertension Research Unit is a group of approximately 40 staff and students, who through their academic and clinical activities seek to reduce death rates and improve the quality of health of people with kidney disease and hypertension particularly in the Black population of South Africa. This would be in keeping with the strategic goal of the University of Cape Town namely expanding and enhancing South Africa's Development Challenges.

The focus areas of research will concentrate on aspects of hypertension and kidney disease in African (Black) people of our country, who are prone to excess morbidity and mortality from both hypertension and chronic kidney disease. For example, HIV associated nephropathy is an almost exclusive disease of Blacks. The thrust of the research will explore the underlying causes and translate this into preventive and treatment strategies. The specific focus areas are resistant hypertension in indigenous people, genetics of salt sensitive hypertension, genetics of hypertensive kidney disease, therapeutic drug monitoring, physiological treatment of hypertension, classification of HIV and the kidney or HIVAN, effects of tenofovir on renal function, kidney biopsy finding in HIV+ve to HIV+ve kidney transplants, outcomes and genetics of systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE), bioinformatics of SLE and glomerulonephritis in Africa. In the past 5 years, the unit has published 84 peer reviewed publications.

From the capacity point of view the Unit has at least 16 post graduate students registered for Master's degrees and 1 intended PhD candidate, and is involved in the teaching of post graduate students through degrees, lectures, seminars, and courses. Teaching and training of nephrologists from Sub-Saharan Africa through the International Society of Nephrology is a major component of our programme. Acquisition of a state of the art ultrasound machine has resulted in upskilling of post graduate registrars in the insertion of vascular access and performance of renal biopsies. Two major NRF research grants to the value of nearly R3 million were awarded to Brian Rayner and Ike Okpechi.

### Head:

KCZ Ndlovu, MBChB Cape Town FCP SA Cert (Nephrol Phys) PhD KwaZulu-Natal

#### **Honorary Professor:**

P Heering, MD Fellow of the American Society of Nephrology

#### Associate Professor:

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# 574 RESEARCH STRUCTURES

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#### **Emeritus Associate Professors:**

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#### Senior Lecturers:

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Honorary Senior Lecturer: M Pascoe, MBChB FCP SA

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# Surgeons (Transplants and Dialysis Access):

JM Du Toit, MBChB Stell FCS SA D Kahn, MBChB Birmingham ChM Cape Town FCS SA E Muller, MBChB Pret MMed Cape Town MRCS FCS SA DA Thomson, MBChB UKZN FCS SA MMed Cape Town

## Social Worker:

L Hlakudi

Transplant coordinators:

F McCurdie L Steenkamp

Transplant Clinic/Unit Nursing Staff:

K Goliath R Solomon F Du Plessis

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# **MRC/UCT unit on Child & Adolescent Health**

Red Cross War Memorial Children's Hospital, University of Cape Town,

The MRC Unit on Child & Adolescent Health undertakes translational research focused on priority childhood diseases including TB, pneumonia, HIV and the intersection of infectious diseases and noncommunicable diseases such as asthma. Research integrates perspectives from basic, clinical and population science. Studies are conducted at several hospital or community based sites in the Western and Eastern Cape, with many local, African and global collaborations. A flagship study is a longitudinal birth cohort study, the Drakenstein Child Health study, to investigate the early life determinants of child and adolescent health and the intersection of infectious exposures with development of non-communicable diseases. This unique study integrates comprehensive underlying mechanisms and measures of child and adolescent health in a low and middle-income country context.

## **Professor and Director:**

HJ Zar, MBBCh FCPaeds SA BC Pediatr BC Pediatr Pulm USA FRCP Edinburgh PhD

# MRC/UCT Drug Discovery and Development Research (DDD) Unit

Institute of Infectious Disease and Molecular Medicine (IDM), Wernher & Beit Building North

The MRC/UCT Drug Discovery and Development Research (DDD) Unit, amongst other things, focuses on executing drug discovery projects while also undertaking the following:

- Becoming a principal integrated Drug Discovery and Development Research (DDD) Unit in South Africa, in Africa and internationally;
- Attracting young South African scientists, and scientists from elsewhere on the African continent, and in doing so to make a concerted effort at transformation and capacity building;
- Providing career development opportunities for mid-career researchers;

#### **Professor and Director:**

K Chibale, BScEd Zambia PhD Cantab FRSSAf FRSC MASSAf FAAS

#### Senior Research Officer:

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#### **Research Officers:**

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The control and eradication of infectious diseases, leading cause of childhood and adult morbidity and mortality, is a high priority area for South Africa and the African continent. The unit investigates the underlying cellular and molecular immunological mechanisms for host protection or failure thereof in experimental murine models for human diseases like:

- Tuberculosis
- Leishmaniasis
- Helminthis diseases (bilharziosis)
- African trypanosomiasis (sleeping sickness)
- Allergy
- Ulcerative colitis
The Unit's mission is to be relevant as an excellent multidisciplinary and international team, embracing both basic and applied research, in order to improve capacity, teaching and training in Immunology.

### **Professor and Director:**

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## **Neurosciences Institute (NI)**

UCT Faculty of Health Sciences and Groote Schuur Hospital

The Neurosciences Institute (NI) was established in 2016 as a flagship interdisciplinary research in initiative of the University. The NI's mission is to create a vibrant environment where clinicians, basic scientists and colleagues from other disciplines can share ideas about the human brain in health and disease, thereby accelerating scientific discovery and innovation.

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The SAMRC/UCT Precision and Genomic Medicine Research Unit (PGMRU) is interested in using the exciting developments in the field of genomic sciences to investigate human biodiversity. This quest will contribute to a more proactive and preventive approach to health. Tied closely to this quest is the expansion of research to cover genome-wide investigations pertaining to the burden of disease in Southern Africa and to assess the impact of genomic variants on the health of the indigenous populations of Africa.

Key focus areas:

- □ To identify the ancestral groupings detectable in the current populations of Southern Africa, and to compare the genetic lineages/composition of populations of Southern Africa, with those already characterised in Africa, and elsewhere in the world.
- □ To identify low frequency, possibly functional genetic variants, in the populations of Southern Africa.
- □ To collate allele frequencies of sample data in order to identify sub-populations and to relate this to susceptibility and resistance to disease.
- □ To provide a genetic dimension towards understanding the heterogeneity of practically all disorders, and the biology underlying this heterogeneity, towards devising improved clinical management.
- □ To create an attractive research environment comprising well characterised disease resources.
- □ To establish a state of the art health ecosystem which has a knowledgeable subject/patient/client at its centre
- $\Box$  To enhance public understanding of genetics and genomics

### **Professor and Director:**

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# **Research Centre for Adolescent and Child Health (REACH)**

Red Cross Children's Hospital

REACH is a paediatric clinical research unit based at Red Cross War Memorial Children's Hospital (RCH) in the Department of Paediatrics & Child Health, Faculty of Health Sciences, University of Cape Town. It was opened in October 2013, following a decade of successful clinical research at

RCH. From 2015, the South African Medical Research Council (SAMRC) Unit on Child & Adolescent Health has also been part of the unit. The Centre comprises 74 clinical and research support staff members (29 on-site) funded through grant support and is involved in the training of 46 postgraduate students (18 masters, 19 doctoral and 9 post-doctoral). Further, the Centre collaborates with many African and international healthcare professionals, building clinical and research capacity to improve child health across Africa. The research program addresses national and global priorities such as TB, HIV, RSV, childhood pneumonia and includes a flagship study, the Drakenstein Child Health study, a birth cohort to investigate the early life determinants of child and adolescent health. The unit's work involves numerous international, national, and local collaborations and has received substantial national and international funding. Directed by Prof Heather Zar, this Centre is a partnership between RCH, the Western Cape Health Department and the Department of Paediatrics and Child Health, UCT.

### **Professor and Director:**

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### SA Medical Research Council (MRC) Unit on Risk & Resilience in Mental Disorders

Department of Psychiatry & Mental Health, University of Cape Town, and Department of Psychiatry, University of Stellenbosch.

The Medical Research Council (MRC) Unit on Risk & Resilience in Mental Disorders was founded with the mandate to: 1) Strengthen and grow existing research and multi-disciplinary collaborations in mental disorders and mental health to improve health in South Africa and the region.; 2) Develop and expand new research programs specifically focused on translational research and new collaborations addressing major African mental disorders; 3) Provide a platform for the training and support of clinician-scientists working in the area of mental disorders and mental health, including women and African scientists; 4) Promote implementation of research findings from the fields of psychiatry and mental health into policy and practice.

### **Professor and Head:**

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# South African Tuberculosis Vaccine Initiative (SATVI)

Institute of Infectious Disease and Molecular Medicine

The South African Tuberculosis Vaccine Initiative (SATVI) is a tuberculosis research group housed within the Institute of Infectious Disease and Molecular Medicine, accommodating several disciplines including paediatrics, infectious diseases, epidemiology, public health, immunology and clinical/biological sciences. SATVI has a large and well-developed clinical field site in the Boland Overberg region, with the core on the premises of the Brewelskloof TB Hospital in Worcester, from where most clinical/epidemiological studies and clinical trials of new TB vaccines are conducted. Clinical immunology research is led by SATVI Deputy Director, Professor Tom Scriba; and clinical trials research is led by SATVI Director, Professor Mark Hatherill.

SATVI has achieved international recognition as a world-leader in the evaluation of the safety, immunogenicity, and efficacy of novel TB vaccines. SATVI's research mandate spans clinical vaccinology and TB immunology, including the search for correlates of risk for TB, correlates of vaccine-induced protection against TB, and application of TB biomarker tests for prevention of TB. The focus on this research agenda has underpinned SATVI's academic success, in terms of research funding secured, students graduated, and papers published.

SATVI has conducted 32 Phase I-III trials of nine novel TB vaccine candidates, among more than 4,000 research participants. SATVI played a leading role in the first new infant tuberculosis vaccine efficacy trial in half a century; a pivotal Phase 3 efficacy trial of the M72/AS01E candidate vaccine that showed 50% efficacy in reducing incidence of lung tuberculosis in HIV-negative adults; and a

ground-breaking trial of BCG revaccination that showed 45% protection against sustained IGRA conversion. SATVI recently started a large, multi-site Phase 3 trial of the live attenuated M. tuberculosis candidate vaccine MTBVAC in infants. Additionally, the group has enrolled more than 20,000 participants in epidemiological and immunological TB studies and clinical trials of BCG vaccine.

The SATVI postgraduate program has produced several PhD and Masters graduates since 2006 and has published a number of highly cited papers in the fields of TB immunology, vaccinology, diagnostics and therapeutics.

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# **Structural Biology Research Unit**

Institute of Infectious Diseases and Molecular Medicine, Wolfson Pavilion

The Structural Biology Research Unit co-ordinates and promotes the experimental determination of biological structure at the University of Cape Town. The Unit is a grant funded entity, operationally located in the Integrative Biomedical Sciences Department in the Health Sciences Faculty. It employs staff, provides a home for post-graduate students and post-doctoral fellows and conducts research. It has members who are UCT academics and PASS staff who wish to conduct structural research and who are prepared to apply for grants to fund research in the Unit. The Unit also has affiliates, either from South Africa or abroad, who participate in the activities of the Unit in a variety of ways – including but not limited to: providing advice and expertise, exchanging materials, providing resources and using the resources of the Unit.

The visualization of the structure of biological objects ranging from cells to macromolecules with microscopic or atomic detail is essential for understanding how living systems work. The knowledge of the structures can be exploited to produce medicines and vaccines, ecologically friendly industrial processes and agricultural products. The unit specializes in determining structures experimentally by electron microscopy and X-ray crystallography and makes extensive use of computer-based modelling to extend the results. The unit has access to unique resources for the purification and preliminary characterization of proteins, cryo-electron microscopy and X-ray diffraction at a synchrotron beamline. It plays a pivotal role in South Africa's BioEconomy strategy by providing the core expertise for establishment of the discipline of Structural Biology in the whole country and applying the technology to a wide range of problems of scientific, medical and industrial interest.

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### **University of Cape Town Lung Institute**

George Street, Mowbray

The University of Cape Town Lung Institute is a privately registered company, wholly owned by the University of Cape Town. The Institute opened for business in 1999 and as a private registered company retains its own separate corporate identity, administration department, staffing procedures and finance. The Institute benefits from representation from the University on its Board and Finance committees, and the Institute collaborates with many departments within the Health Sciences Faculty. Associate Professor Rod Dawson has been Director of the UCT Lung Institute since January 2016.

### There are four Clinical Research Units (CRU'S) that are part of the Lung Institute:

### Allergy and Immunology Unit

University of Cape Town Lung Institute, George Street, Mowbray

The Allergy and Immunology Unit (AIU) of the UCT Lung Institute serves as a centre for the investigation, diagnosis and management of allergic diseases.

It has five main areas of operation:

- □ A state of the art diagnostic and research Allergology laboratory for investigation of allergic reactions to environmental agents, including several allergens unique to Southern Africa.
- □ A clinical trial section research unit focusing on studies of paediatric and adult asthma, rhinitis, urticaria, eczema, allergen immunotherapy, immune mediated diseases, vaccinology, drug allergy and allergy diagnosis.
- □ Specialist allergy clinics for investigation and treatment of children and adults with allergic diseases, with a special focus on sublingual and subcutaneous allergen immunotherapy, food allergy, chronic urticaria and drug allergy.
- □ Training of undergraduates and postgraduates students in clinical and laboratory aspects of Allergology.
- Destgraduate training of subspecialist allergists

### Associate Professor and Head:

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### Centre for TB Research Innovation

2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, University of Cape Town Lung Institute, George Street, Mowbray

Tuberculosis is one of the most important global health problems. The vast majority of TB cases are in developing countries and South Africa has an exceedingly high TB case rate. New drug treatment

regimens for tuberculosis are a global priority and the current TB regimen although effective in drug sensitive disease but is not user friendly and requires prolonged observed therapy. Developing drug-resistance fuelled by poor compliance is a growing concern.

Our mandate at the CTBRI is to facilitate the development of innovative new drug compounds aimed at reducing duration of therapy, pill burden and improved patient outcomes. We have developed extensive clinical experience in conducting relevant and quality tuberculosis drug research.

### Our particular strengths are:

- □ An experienced team of dedicated research staff dedicated to improving quality of life in our patients living with tuberculosis.
- □ A proven patient recruitment network and established relationships with local TB authorities with excellent patient compliance profiles developed through our day to day experience with monitoring patients on clinical trials.
- □ Broad experience gained through an extensive network of collaborating institutions, funders and NGO's.
- A proven academic record at the University of Cape Town Lung Institute.
- □ Extensive experience in bronchial lavage studies and lung immunology studies in tuberculosis.
- Access to a state of the art, FDA compliant digital database.
- Our state of the art inpatient drug testing unit is situated on Level 1 of the UCT Lung Institute. Our medical staff of TB research sisters and an on-site clinicians and pulmonologists handle the clinical and regulatory aspects required for quality research. We also are able to provide advice and guidance on investigating new treatments for multi drug resistant (MDR) tuberculosis and new TB vaccine candidates.

### Associate Professor and Head:

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### **Knowledge Translation Unit**

4th Floor, University of Cape Town Lung Institute, George Street, Mowbray

The Knowledge Translation Unit is a Clinical Research Unit of the University of Cape Town Lung Institute. It was formally established in 2005 to continue work begun in 2000 to provide primary care guidelines and training on respiratory disease. It has since expanded its scope to address priority conditions in primary care in line with the Lung Institute's mandate to "address priority health issues in Southern Africa through education, research and service."

Knowledge Translation defines the interactions between researchers, health services and patients to expedite the implementation of research findings into practice, to strengthen health services and to improve patient outcomes. It is about bridging the gap between evidence based research (what we know) and its use and implementation by health services (what we do). The Knowledge Translation Unit has developed, rigorously tested and implemented at provincial and national scale programmes that have helped to standardize and integrate healthcare delivered at primary level. At the core of these programmes are clinical practice guidelines that are evidenced-based, aligned with policy and outreach. KTU has been responsible for Western Cape and National guidelines, training and implementation during the COVID-19 pandemic.

# Associate Professor and Head:

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### Lung Clinical Research Unit

3rd Floor, University of Cape Town Lung Institute, George Street, Mowbray

The LCRU has been in existence from the beginning of the Lung Institute, and has gained international recognition for work done on asthma COPD drug and clinical management in addition to the epidemiology of lung disease in South Africa. The Unit's strategic focus remains in three areas – airways disease drug evaluation, Poverty related respiratory disease and tobacco cessation, with a broad objective "to perform research and provide highly specialized services in the field of pulmonology, relevant to the needs of Africa".

### Research:

Research in the LCRU is in four distinct directions: Asthma and COPD drug development with Industry partners, Clinical research in COPD and non-tobacco COPD epidemiology and mechanisms, Clinical research in smoking cessation strategies and laboratory research in environmental exposures and infectious diseases (tobacco, indoor air pollution and pneumonia, tuberculosis).

### Clinical service:

The Unit provides a dedicated world class clinical trial unit capable of conducting phase II-IV clinical trials including detailed respiratory physiology and radiology. The Unit houses a dedicated research laboratory focusing on tobacco and indoor air pollution and respiratory infection. The unit also serves as a referral centres for complicated asthma and COPD review for the public and private sectors.

### Associate Professor and Head:

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### Lung Infection and Immunity Unit

University of Cape Town Lung Institute, George Street, Mowbray

The Lung Infection and Immunity Unit is a WHO-associated Center for Diagnostic Excellence. The group's main research interests are the study of pulmonary regulatory immunological pathways in relation to infection, development and validation of rapid and field-friendly diagnostics for pulmonary infections, and outcome and intervention studies of drug-resistant tuberculosis.

The Lung Infection and Immunity unit has been associated with the University of Cape Town Lung Institute since 2009 and has conducted seminal studies into new diagnostics for tuberculosis. The unit has successfully managed and completed multiple national and international research grants and has published widely in the fields of tuberculosis immunology, new TB diagnostics and drug- resistant TB. Prof Dheda's team of experienced researchers conduct studies ranging from basic science to pragmatic clinical trials of new tuberculosis drugs.

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UCT Molecular Mycobacteriology Research Unit

The Molecular Mycobacteriology Research Unit (MMRU) is based in the Institute of Infectious Diseases and Molecular Medicine (IDM) and forms the UCT node of the DST/NRF Centre of Excellence for Biomedical TB Research (CBTBR). Research in the MMRU is focused on aspects of mycobacterial physiology and metabolism relevant to tuberculosis (TB) drug discovery and drug resistance, mycobacterial persistence, and TB aerobiology. As past recipient of several major grants from the South African government through the South African Medical Research Council, the National Research Foundation and the Department of Science and Te arechnology, the Unit uses research as the vehicle to develop the next generation of biomedical TB researchers. The Unit, which currently comprises senior scientists, post-doctoral fellows, PhD, MSc and Honours students, participates in the TB Drug Accelerator through the TBRU programme of the US National Institutes of Health. Members of the MMRU are also affiliated with the Wellcome Centre for Infectious Diseases Research in Africa (CIDRI-Africa).

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### Vaccines for Africa Initiative (VACFA)

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The Vaccines for Africa Initiative (VACFA) is a non-profit academic unit founded in 2009 by Professor Gregory Hussey, previous unit Director. VACFA is in the Department of Public Health and Family Medicine, within the Faculty of Health Sciences at the University of Cape Town. VACFA partners with concerned individuals and organisations with a goal of increasing awareness of and promoting uptake of vaccines on the African continent. VACFA provides a forum for the exchange of accurate, up-to-date, and fully researched information on vaccines and immunisation practices relevant to Africa for health professionals, policymakers, programme managers, parents, and the public. VACFA's mission is to increase awareness of the benefits of vaccines and to promote the uptake of established and newly available vaccines in Africa as well as make a significant contribution to capacity building, product development, and research on vaccines in Africa.Staff includes vaccinologists and infectious disease specialits

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# Wellcome Centre for Infectious Diseases Research in Africa (CIDRI-Africa)

IDM, UCT Faculty of Health Sciences

The Wellcome Centre for Infectious Diseases Research in Africa (CIDRI-Africa) fosters investigatorled approaches via the overarching scientific objective of combatting infection, especially HIV and tuberculosis (TB), through clinical and laboratory research. CIDRI-Africa achieves these goals through the provision of core support to Centre investigators in the form of expertise, facilities, equipment and staff. CIDRI-Africa operates three shared platforms: Basic Science, Biomedical Data Integration, and Clinical Research. A major focus of our clinical research activities is in Khayelitsha township where people suffer high levels of unemployment and chronic ill-health.

Centre investigators work on a range of studies with strong underpinning immunology, inflammation and –omics science. This includes work on TB drug discovery; the physiology and metabolism of Mycobacterium tuberculosis; biomarkers and diagnostics for TB; and clinical and immunological

studies of TB pericarditis, meningitis, and immune reconstitution inflammatory syndrome. HIV work includes trials of antiretroviral (ART) regimens, and investigation of HIV infection and vascular disease. There is significant international collaboration in vaccine development and testing for TB, HIV and COVID-19.

To develop future research leaders CIDRI-Africa supports postdoctoral fellows and PhD scholars. In addition, our staff and investigators go beyond the laboratory and clinic to engage the communities in which they work: we have an active relationship with civil society through our community engagement stakeholders' forum.

### Honorary Professor and Director:

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