Bachelor of Science Honours in Epidemiology

Specific admission requirements

For admission to the Bachelor of Science Honours, with Epidemiology as field of study, a candidate shall hold one of the following qualifications of this University or another recognised university:

• an MB,ChB or BChD degree;

or

• a bachelor's degree in a biological discipline that preferably includes a one-year programme in Mathematics and/or Statistics;

or

• an equivalent qualification that shall be approved by Senate for this purpose, on condition that the applicant has passed Mathematics in matric.

Duration

This part-time programme, which comprises two compulsory modules, is presented over two academic years, during which time weekly two-hour contact sessions are held.

Presentation

Afrikaans and English.

Module outline and credit values

Biostatistics	772(60)
Epidemiology	771(60)

Assessment and examination

The two-year programme includes two formal class tests and culminates in three three-hour examination papers, one covering the field of Epidemiology, one covering the field of Biostatistics and one being problem based, covering integrated examples. The written assessments are complemented by a problem-based, integrated compulsory oral examination attended by an external examiner (after also having moderated the students' written examination papers). The final mark for the programme is calculated as follows:

- assessment by means of two written class tests (20% of the final mark);
- three written examination papers (60% of the final mark); and
- an oral examination (20% of the final mark).

Candidates shall pass both modules with a minimum of 50% to obtain the degree.

Enquiries

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