

Postgraduate Diploma in Engineering (PGDip (Eng))

Admission requirements

To be considered for admission to a PGDip (Eng) programme, you must:

- hold at least an approved BTech, BEng or BSc degree from a South African university or university of technology; *or*
- hold other academic degree qualifications and appropriate experience that have been approved by the Faculty Board. The relevant department's chairperson must make a recommendation regarding such qualification and experience to the Faculty Board.

Also refer to the postgraduate admission model in Figure 3.1 in Section 3.2 near the beginning of this chapter.

Selection

Irrespective of the admission requirements above, you must be selected for the PGDip programme by the home department of the relevant field of study.

Application procedure

Submit your written application for admission to the PGDip (Eng) to the Registrar at least three months before the start of the first semester. Official application forms will then be sent to you.

You must also provide the following information to the University along with your application forms:

- details of qualifications already obtained and appropriate experience gained,
- certified copies of the relevant certificates,
- the field of study of the PGDip (Eng) that you want to follow.

To obtain further details about the application procedure, please send an e-mail to the address at "Postgraduate enquiries" under the relevant home department in Section 1.1.2.

Duration and period of enrolment

Table 3.1 in Section 3.4.1 earlier in this chapter shows the minimum, normal and maximum time you have available to complete the PGDip (Engineering) as a full-time or part-time student. Full-time students can normally complete the programme in one academic year (from February to November).

Pass requirements

You must obtain a final mark of at least 50% in each of the modules prescribed by the home department's chairperson.

If you required the approval of the Faculty Board for readmission (refer to Section 3.4.1 above), you will not be awarded the diploma *cum laude*, even if your marks otherwise would have permitted it.

Programme structure

- Depending on the composition of a PGDip (Eng), it may be presented in semester, self-study or block courses.
- The programme must include at least 120 credits on NQF level 8 (modules with a 7xx number).
- The chairperson of the home department may prescribe that you to undertake preparatory and/or supplementary study.
- As a student in a PGDip programme, you may normally not register for modules on NQF level 9 (i.e. modules with an 8xx module number).