

5.3.3.26 MPhil in Neuropsychiatry – Old Age Psychiatry

Specific admission requirements

- One of the following qualifications:
 - Master of Medicine in Psychiatry/Neurology;
 - a fellowship of the South African College of Psychiatrists/Neurologists; or
 - an equivalent qualification approved by Senate for this purpose.
- Registration as medical practitioner in the category independent practice/specialist psychiatrist with the Health Professions Council of South Africa.

Application procedure and closing date

Apply online at www.maties.com by **30 September** of the previous year. Applications for prospective international students close on **31 August**.

Duration of programme

The programme extends over two years.

Programme description

The teaching and learning strategy in each module is determined by the nature of the subject. Modules are presented within the framework of a student-centred approach with the purpose of stimulating critical thinking. The programme uses didactical methods, interactive learning, group sessions and supervised clinical work. Independent learning is encouraged. The research assignment is completed under the guidance of a supervisor.

Programme content

First year

Applied HIV and Medicine	871(10)
Applied Neurology	871(10)
Applied Neuropsychiatry	871(10)
Applied Psychosomatic Medicine	871(10)
Ethics	871(5)

Neuropsychopharmacology	871(5)
Research Methodology	871(5)

Second year

Applied Geriatric Medicine	871(10)
Clinical Imaging	871(5)
Neuropsychological and Specialised Assessments	871(5)
Old Age Psychiatry	871(45)
Research Assignment	871(60) *

* The research assignment is completed over the course of the two years.

Assessment and examination

- Flexible assessment is applicable to all modules and you must pass each module with a minimum mark of 50%.
- You will be assessed regularly as part of the flexible assessment strategy and you must keep a log-book as record of your clinical exposure.
- If you fail a module, you may repeat the assessment which has contributed to the final mark for the module. Whether the topic and nature of the assessment remain unchanged or you are required to take an amended assessment, is left to the discretion of the module chair.
- If you fail a module, you may repeat it. If you, however, fail the module for the second time, you may be denied the right to attempt the module again on recommendation of the Faculty Board.
- If you do not show adequate clinical and/or professional progress (as outlined in the module/programme guide), you will be afforded an opportunity to remediate your inadequate clinical and/or professional conduct or performance. If you fail to remediate, you may only repeat the module or continue with the programme on recommendation of the departmental programme committee and the approval of the Faculty Board.
- You must submit a satisfactory research assignment demonstrating your ability to conduct an independent scientific investigation, to interpret the results and to make deductions from the results.
- The assignment is assessed according to the guidelines of Stellenbosch University and you must achieve a mark of at least 50% to pass.
- The final mark is calculated according to the credit weights of the individual modules.
- You must obtain a final mark of at least 50% to pass the programme.

Enquiries

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