

5.3.2.20 MSc in Pharmacology

Specific admission requirements

- One of the following qualifications at NQF level 8:
 - an MBChB or equivalent degree;
 - a four-year professional bachelor's degree in a health-related discipline;
 - a BScHons degree of this University or another recognised university; or
 - an equivalent qualification as approved by Senate.
- International candidates must provide proof of the equivalence of qualifications obtained from a non-South African Institute. A SAQA (South African Qualifications Authority) certificate must be submitted.

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 content

Two streams are available for participating in the full-time master's programme:

Thesis option

A laboratory research project (100%), which leads to the writing of a thesis.

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| Thesis: Pharmacology | 896(180) |
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Structured option

A laboratory research project, including an assignment, as well as coursework identical to that of the BScHons programme in Pharmacology.

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| Pharmacology of Systems | 874(40), 875(40) |
| Principles of Pharmacology | 872(40) |
| Research Assignment | 884(60) |

Assessment and examination

Thesis option

- The standard guidelines of this University regarding the assessment of master's theses are applicable.

Structured option

- The standard assessment of coursework, as in the case of BScHons in Pharmacology, is applicable.
- You must pass the examinations in the modules Principles of Pharmacology and Pharmacology of Systems with a minimum mark of 50%.
- The standard guidelines regarding the assessment of master's assignments are applicable to the assignment.
- The completed assignment must be marked by two examiners. You must pass the assignment with at least 50%.
- The final mark for the degree is calculated as the weighted average of the marks for the individual modules and the assignment. You must obtain a final mark of at least 50% for awarding of the degree, and 75% to pass with distinction.

Enquiries

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