5.3.1.31 MMed Thoracic Surgery MMed (Thor Surg)

Specific admission requirements

This programme does not have specific admission requirements. The general admission requirements for MMed programmes as mentioned in section 5.3.1 above are applicable.

Duration of programme

The programme extends over five years.

Programme content

Anatomy	861(33)
Anatomical Pathology	876(34)
Physiology	876(33)
Thoracic Surgery	871(160)
Thoracic Surgery (Intermediate)	871(100)
Research Assignment	831(120)

Assessment and examination

- The MMed Part I written examination is conducted within 18 months and you must pass it with a minimum of 50%.
- The intermediate examination is conducted in writing and orally, and must be passed with a minimum of 50% within three and a half years.
- The MMed Part II examination consists of written, practical and oral examinations, which must each be passed with a subminimum of 50%.
- The assignment carries a weight of 25% of the total credits and must focus on a relevant topic in Thoracic Surgery in a discipline of your choice. By way of the assignment, you must demonstrate your ability to perform independent research. The report must be completed in a standard format to the satisfaction of an internal and an external examiner.
- You must keep and update a case-book in the course of the study period. It must be approved by the head of the Division of Thoracic Surgery before the MMed (Thor Surg) studies will be regarded as complete.
- You must complete the assignment before the degree is awarded.
- The Health Professions Council of South Africa (HPCSA) requires that you successfully complete the single national exit examination to register as a specialist.
- The Division acknowledges this examination as equivalent to and substituting the MMed (Thor Surg) Part II examination.
- It, however, remains the responsibility of the head of the Division to confirm the following:
 - o successful completion of clinical training time;
 - o submission of a completed case-book;
 - successful completion of the assignment according to the regulations of the University in this regard; and
 - o successful completion of flexible assessment.

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