

University of Pretoria Yearbook 2025

Medical nutrition therapy 310 (MNX 310)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Faculty	Faculty of Health Sciences
Module credits	9.00
NQF Level	07
Programmes	Bachelor of Dietetics [BDietetics]
Prerequisites	3rd-year status
Contact time	1 discussion class per week, 2 lectures per week for 7 weeks
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Human Nutrition
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

Aetiology and clinical manifestations of under- and over-nutrition/PEM; principles and practices of medical nutrition therapy in under-nutrition/PEM; impact and influence of worm infestation. Relationship between malnutrition and AIDS; role of nutrition in immunity within the context of HIV/AIDS; clinical signs, symptoms and problems associated with HIV/AIDS and guidelines for the alleviation of these symptoms; nutritional related problems of medication used by HIV/AIDS patients. Metabolic response to acute and chronic stress. Principles of special nutritional care, special feeding methods and products required for injured/critically ill patients. Appropriate practical assignments and case studies.

General Academic Regulations and Student Rules

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