

The attached Erratum to the Health Sciences Faculty Undergraduate Handbook should be read as follows:

Page 2 should replace the entry for PED5001W Caring for Children on page 40 of the Handbook.

PED5001W CARING FOR CHILDREN

40 NQF credits at HEQSF level 8

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Course entry requirements: All fourth year MBChB courses.

Objective: Build knowledge, skills and attributes needed for the holistic medical care of children and teenagers.

Course outline:

This course is an eight-week block divided into two four-week rotations. One rotation comprises two weeks of paediatric surgery and two weeks of ambulatory paediatrics both done at Red Cross Children's Hospital. The other rotation focuses on inpatient care and is a ward placement of which two weeks is spent at Red Cross Children's Hospital and two weeks at either New Somerset or Groote Schuur Hospital. In addition, whole group seminars in aspects of the care of children run weekly.

MDN5003H Pharmacology and Applied Therapeutics runs separately on a weekly basis.

The curriculum is composed of common presentations (which students address in terms of history-taking, examination, assessment and management plans, as well as during bedside tutorials, and in assembling their portfolio) and core topics – designated as 'core' and 'core plus' topics. Students who pass this course will have knowledge of common core childhood medical and surgical diseases and conditions; skill at taking a history from children and their caregivers; examining neonates, children and adolescents; the ability to define an appropriate problem list and formulate an appropriate management plan; awareness of basic procedures; professional behaviour and attitudes appropriate to handling children and their caregivers; and awareness of the rights of children and the doctor's role as an advocate for child health.

Lecture times: Monday lecture/seminar program, with other seminars and bedside tutorials according to the rotation.

DP requirements: To qualify for sitting the end-of-block examination, students must fulfill ALL of the following:

- Minimum of 80% attendance in each of the three rotations (ward, ambulatory and paediatric surgery) monitored by signed attendance in the log book;
- A written portfolio of the required minimum number of cases with associated tasks (Primary Health Care and Question & Answer for each case) and the required clinical methods templates;
- A signed paediatric medicine logbook (bedside teaching, ward tutorials, outpatient clinics);
- Completion of online lessons and quizzes for paediatric surgery by the last Tuesday of the 8-week block;
- ANY absence is only allowed with permission subject to the leave of absence rules as stated in the course handbook. If a student is absent with permission for more than five working days in the four-week ward placement or for more than two working days during either of the two-week ambulatory or paediatric surgery placements, the time missed will need to be made up to attain the minimum attendance.

If any of the DP requirements are not met, a student will not be allowed to enter the examinations and will have to repeat the block

Assessment: The end-of-block summative assessment comprises a clinical and portfolio assessment: 50%; and an online MCQ and Extended Matching Items assessment: 50%. Coursework from PPH4056W Health in Context in year 4 is also assessed.

The overall course pass mark is 50%. In addition, in order to pass the course, students are required to achieve 50% or more in EACH of the following components:

- (1) the overall clinical and portfolio assessment;
- (2) the clinical examination assessment (average of the 2 clinical cases);
- (3) the oral portfolio assessment;
- (4) the paediatric medicine (including neonatology) section of the online assessment, and;
- (5) the paediatric surgery section of the online assessment.

Students who score 48 – 49 %:

- (1) In the clinical and portfolio assessments will be required to attend a supplementary one week paediatric medicine clinical attachment followed by a reassessment comprising a clinical (2 short cases) and oral paediatric medicine portfolio examination (existing cases);
- (2) In the clinical assessment but pass the portfolio part of the component will be required to attend a supplementary one week paediatric medicine clinical attachment followed by a reassessment comprising a clinical (2 short cases) only;
- (3) In the oral portfolio assessment but pass the clinical part of the component will have a repeat oral portfolio examination based on the existing paediatric medicine cases;
- (4) In the paediatric medicine section of the online assessment will have a repeat oral portfolio examination based on the existing paediatric medicine cases;
- (5) in the online assessment, of paediatric surgery will have a reassessment comprising a paediatric surgery MCQ and an oral based on the existing surgery cases in the portfolio.

Students who fail with a mark of 47% or less:

- (1) in any aspect of the paediatric medicine rotation will repeat the block including repeat assessments;
- (2) in paediatric surgery will repeat the 2 week rotation with repeat paediatric surgery assessments.