



SELECTION FOR BACHELOR OF HEALTH SCIENCES IN OCCUPATIONAL HYGIENE (BHSc in OH)

1. INTRODUCTION

In order to be admitted to the Bachelor of Health Sciences in Occupational Hygiene (BHSc in OH) study in the Faculty of Health Sciences, the prospective student has to meet the entry requirements as outlined in the faculty calendar. After that, they are subjected to a selection process.

Selection is based on the student's academic achievement (matric average). **Students must provide a certified or signed (by the headmaster) statement of all their available marks or symbols and submit it to the Applications Office. The June examination marks must be submitted as soon as it becomes available.**

For more information about the application process, visit:

<http://studies.nwu.ac.za/studies/apply>

With the implementation of a selection system, the following must be emphasised:

- a) The object of the selection of prospective occupational hygiene students is to increase effectiveness and by implication the standard of training, and to select those students who stand the best chance of passing the course.
- b) Selection does not replace, but is indeed additional to the minimum admission requirements for the BHSc in OH study, as published in the Faculty calendar and yearbook.
- c) Particularly in the current economic climate, it is beneficial for prospective students to get an early indication of whether they will be able to successfully complete a particular course [in this case BHSc in OH]. Prospective students who are not admitted to the Occupational hygiene qualification after selection will not be turned away from the University; as a matter of fact, the University will make available its entire guidance service with a view to assisting students to plan an alternative career.

2. SELECTION PROCEDURE

2.1 PRELIMINARY SELECTION

Students are **provisionally selected** on the basis of their June examination marks (Grade 12).

2.2 FINAL SELECTION

Final selection only takes place as soon as the final matric results are received, before the academic year starts at the NWU – Potchefstroom campus.

It remains the responsibility of the prospective student to provide a certified copy of his/her matric result statement as soon as possible to the central applications department.

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2.3 ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

The admission requirements for the BHSc in OH programme are as follows:

- The results achieved in four Designated Subjects plus two NSC subjects are considered. The results achieved in Life Orientation are not considered.
- An APS Score of 27 is required.
- Mathematics and Physical Science (Physics and Chemistry) at level 5 (60-69%) is a requirement. Recommended: Life Science or Physiology (Level 4: 50-59%).
- A pass rate of 50-59% (level 4) in the language of teaching and learning at Home Language of First Additional Language level is also required.

Provisionally selected students who perform worse than the minimum admission requirements during the final matriculation examination will not be admitted to the course.

The language of tuition of this programme is Afrikaans, but lectures are simultaneously interpreted into English.

2.4 CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS

The **closing date for applications** is **30 June** each year. Late applications will be considered on merit. Such students will also have to undergo selection.

3. ENQUIRIES

Enquiries regarding the course may be directed to Prof A Franken at e-mail address anja.franken@nwu.ac.za.

For application enquiries, contact applicationsug@nwu.ac.za or telephone number (018) 285 4320.