

RHODES UNIVERSITY

FACULTY OF PHARMACY – FINAL YEAR PHARMACY STUDENTS ADJUSTED ACADEMIC YEAR (2020) 12 JUNE 2020

Semester One – 2020 – for Final Year Pharmacy Students			
Date	Detail	Teaching Days	Comments
10 Feb – 13 Mar Week 1: 10-14 Feb Week 2: 17-21 Feb Week 3: 24-28 Feb Week 4: 2-6 Mar Week 5: 9-13 Mar	Period prior to lockdown	25 days	During this period of face-to-face learning (Week 1-5), both Formative Assessment (not for marks) and Continuous Assessment (for marks) was conducted.
16 Mar – 17 Mar	Lectures Suspended	2 days	
18 Mar – 17 Apr	VACATION (extended)		
20 Apr – 1 May	Orientation to Remote/Online Teaching and Learning		
4 May – 26 Jun Week 6: 4-8 May Week 7: 11-15 May Week 8: 18-22 May Week 9: 25-29 May Week 10: 1-5 Jun Week 11: 8-12 Jun Week 12: 15-19 Jun Week 13: 22-26 Jun	Remote/Online Teaching and Learning	40 days	During this period (Week 6-13), in addition to normal studies, Formative Assessment (not for marks) will also be conducted in Weeks 6-12
Note: 20 and 21 June Final year Pharmacy students who choose option 1 return to campus. Students who did not choose option 1 stay at home. 21 June – 5 July Final year Pharmacy students who choose option 1 self-quarantine for 14 days During this period final year Pharmacy students continue with online teaching and learning, and start with online formative and summative assessments on 29 June.			

29 June – 3 July	CATCH-UP		
[6 July – 17 July]	Final year Pharmacy students who choose option 1 complete practicals in laboratories	10 days	
Note: 29 June – 24 July ALL Final year Pharmacy students complete online assessments (i.e. those on campus and those still at home) (20 days) During this period, final year students continue with online teaching and learning, and complete online summative assessments			
[27 July – 7 August]	Final year Pharmacy students who choose option 1 complete the following assessments (in person): 1. Pharmaceutics presentations 2. OSCEs 3. Pharmacology orals.	10 days	Those who choose option 2 will do this in November
Note: 7 August Pharmacy students who have access to online learning may then leave campus if they choose to do so (i.e. it is optional) - provided they have reliable internet access. Students will need to return to campus to write the November exams (in person). There will be no further delivery of paper-based material outside of Makhanda/Grahamstown (for final year students).			

Semester Two – 2020 - for Final Year Pharmacy Students			
Date	Detail	Teaching Days	Comments
10 August – 11 Sept (5 weeks) Week 1: 10-14 Aug Week 2: 17-21 Aug Week 3: 24-28 Aug Week 4: 31 Aug-4 Sept Week 5: 7-11 Sept Public Holiday: 10 Aug: Women's Day	Remote/Online Teaching and Learning – for ALL Final year Pharmacy students	24 days	Online teaching and learning, as well as continuous online summative assessments
14 Sept – 18 Sept	UNIVERSITY VACATION (Including Faculty of Pharmacy)		
21 Sept – 6 Nov (7 weeks) Week 6: 21-25 Sept Week 7: 28 Sept–2 Oct Week 8: 5 – 9 Oct Week 9: 12-16 Oct Week 10: 19-23 Oct Week 11: 26-30 Oct Week 12: 2-6 Nov Public Holiday: 24 Sept: Heritage Day	Remote/Online Teaching and Learning – for ALL Final year Pharmacy students	34 days	Online teaching and learning, as well as continuous online summative assessments
Note: end of Oct or early Nov Final year Pharmacy students who choose option 2 return to campus. If necessary they self-quarantine before they commence with practicals and assessments. The University will monitor the lockdown levels and will advise if there is a need to self-quarantine.			

<p>[9 Nov - 30 Nov]</p> <p>Week S2.1: 9-13 Nov Week S2.2: 16-20 Nov Week S2.3: 23-27 Nov Week S2.4: 30 Nov</p>	<p><u>Final year Pharmacy students who choose option 1</u> complete written summative assessments (including Supps if they qualify)</p> <p><u>Final year Pharmacy students who choose option 2:</u></p> <p>(1) complete practicals in laboratories, (2) complete the following assessments (in person):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pharmaceutics presentations - OSCEs - Pharmacology orals, and <p>(3) complete written summative assessments</p>	<p>16 days</p>	<p>Summative Assessment (formal sit-down examinations)</p> <p>Practicals All other summative assessments</p>
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IMPORTANT DATES: These dates differ for final year Pharmacy students due to requirements of internships which start 1 January 2021

15 Dec: Approval by Faculty

16 Dec: South African Pharmacy Council to be advised on assessment results

Early January 2021 – Supplementary Examinations (dates to be advised)

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