



Faculty of Health Sciences

Postgraduate Diploma in Pesticide Risk Management

The Postgraduate Diploma in Pesticide Risk Management (DPRM) offered by the School of Public Health & Family Medicine aims to equip candidates with the knowledge and skills to enable them to practise as a pesticide risk manager in line with the International Code of Conduct on the Distribution and Use of Pesticides.

Candidates wishing to proceed to a research degree may qualify for upgrading to a master's degree (MPhil in Pesticide Risk Management) after successfully completing the coursework requirements for the Diploma.

Applications are invited for this flexible learning programme, which runs over two years with web-based courses and face-to-face learning, including examinations during 4 weeks in Cape Town. This programme is open to students with an undergraduate degree in agriculture, public health, toxicology, chemistry, social science or other relevant field.

The curriculum covers the following: • pesticide risk management policies and principles • legal framework for pesticide management • health and safety management, including pesticide epidemiology and toxicology • management of environmental risk, including ecotoxicology, risk assessment and basic environmental chemistry • control of use • laboratory quality assurance assessment • obsolete pesticide stock management • container and contaminated site management • international chemical conventions and • management of public health pesticides.

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