

BACCALAUREUS TECHNOLOGIAE: ENGINEERING: CIVIL: GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING

Qualification code: BTGO02 - NQF Level 7

Campus where offered: Pretoria Campus

Important notification to new applicants:

Students who intend to enrol for this qualification should take note that no new applications will be accepted as from 2020. Potential students are advised to consult the University's website for possible new qualifications which are aligned with the newly-implemented Higher Education Qualification Sub-Framework.

REMARKS

a. *Admission requirement(s):*

- A National Diploma: Engineering: Civil or an NQF Level 6 (old NQF and the new HEQF) qualification in Civil Engineering (or a closely related field), obtained from an accredited South African university. Preference will be given to candidates with an average of 60% or more.
- Candidates who do not meet the 60% requirement will be evaluated by the Department and may be requested to provide a portfolio of relevant work experience (excluding P1 and P2) in order to be considered for selection.
- Apart from meeting the above requirements, a candidate must have obtained a minimum of 60% in Construction Materials I and in Geotechnical Engineering II and III.

National Diploma students at TUT who are busy with their final semester (P2) and do not have more than one theoretical subject outstanding, may also apply for admission and may be considered based on the average of their completed theoretical subjects, but admission will be subject to the successful completion of the National Diploma and the Faculty's Student Enrolment Plan (SEP).

Holders of any other equivalent South African or international qualifications may also be considered, but will have to apply at least six months in advance for the recognition of such qualifications. Candidates will be required to submit an evaluation of their qualifications by the South African Qualifications Authority (SAQA) with their application forms for admission. The University and/or Faculty reserves the right to assess these qualifications and the applicant's suitability and/or competence for admission to the programme. Depending on the nature of such an equivalent qualification, the completion of certain additional subjects may be required. Proof of English proficiency may be required.

b. *Selection criteria:*

Due to capacity constraints, candidates will be selected based on academic performance and/or work experience. Selection will be done after the closing date for applications. Please note that meeting the minimum requirements does not guarantee admission.

c. *Minimum duration:*

One year.

d. *Presentation:*

Block-mode classes. Subjects are offered over a period of two years. Classes and assessments may take place on Friday afternoons and/or Saturdays.

e. *Intake for the qualification:*

January and July.

f. *Exclusion and readmission:*

See Chapter 2 of Students' Rules and Regulations.

g. *Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL), equivalence and status:*

See Chapter 30 of Students' Rules and Regulations.



- h. *Accreditation by professional body:*
This qualification has been accredited by the Engineering Council of South Africa (ECSA).
- i. *Subject credits:*
Subject credits are shown in brackets after each subject.

CURRICULUM

Please note:

Students must pass eight subjects. A minimum of five compulsory subjects in their particular field of specialisation should be taken, with the balance made up of subjects offered in the other fields of specialisation. Optional/elective subjects taken from the other fields must be closely related/relevant to the qualification. Subjects are offered as determined by the Head of the Department. The total credits of the Level IV subjects may not be less than 0,500.

Students who register for the subject Construction Materials Technology IV are not permitted to register for Asphalt Technology IV or Concrete Technology IV.

ATTENDANCE

CODE	SUBJECT	CREDIT
FIRST SEMESTER (2018)		
HGE301B	Hydrogeology III	(0,125)
KMT401T	Construction Materials Technology IV	(0,125)
SECOND SEMESTER (2018)		
FDE401T	Foundation Engineering IV	(0,125)
SOI401T	Soil and Groundwater Pollution: Civil IV	(0,125)
FIRST SEMESTER (2019)		
EWD401T	Earthworks Design IV	(0,125)
GEC401T	Geology: Civil IV	(0,125)
SECOND SEMESTER (2019)		
AGM401T	Applied Geomechanics IV	(0,125)
PDE401T	Principles of Dam Engineering IV	(0,125)
TOTAL CREDITS FOR THE QUALIFICATION:		1,000

SUBJECT/MODULE INFORMATION (OVERVIEW OF SYLLABUS)

The syllabus content is subject to change to accommodate industry changes. Please note that a more detailed syllabus is available at the Department or in the study guide that is applicable to a particular subject. On 13 October 2017, the syllabus content was defined as follows:

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APPLIED GEOMECHANICS IV (AGM401T) 1 X 3-HOUR PAPER (OPEN BOOK)
(Subject custodian: Department of Civil Engineering)
 Soil mechanics: properties of soil, testing, site investigation. Lateral earth support. Buried structures. Ground improvement. In situ tests. Project. (Total tuition time: ± 32 hours)



C**CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS TECHNOLOGY IV (KMT401T)****1 X 3-HOUR PAPER****(Subject custodian: Department of Civil Engineering)**

Concrete technology, asphalt and bitumen technology, other materials, testing. (Total tuition time: ± 32 hours)

E**EARTHWORKS DESIGN IV (EWD401T)****1 X 3-HOUR PAPER****(Subject custodian: Department of Civil Engineering)**

Materials selection. Design and construction of embankments. Design and construction of cuttings. Environmental impact control. Problem soils. Compaction equipment and techniques. (Total tuition time: ± 32 hours)

F**FOUNDATION ENGINEERING IV (FDE401T)****1 X 3-HOUR PAPER (OPEN BOOK)****(Subject custodian: Department of Civil Engineering)**

Shallow and deep foundation design, lateral earth support. (Total tuition time: ± 32 hours)

G**GEOLOGY: CIVIL IV (GEC401T)****1 X 3-HOUR PAPER (OPEN BOOK)****(Subject custodian: Department of Civil Engineering)**

Advanced engineering geology, rock mechanics, geotechnical instrumentation, geophysical methods. (Total tuition time: ± 32 hours)

H**HYDROGEOLOGY III (HGE301B)****1 X 3-HOUR PAPER****(Subject custodian: Department of Civil Engineering)**

Basic concepts, the principles of groundwater hydraulics. Pumping tests and the measurement of spring and river flow. Groundwater replenishment and the rudiments of determining groundwater reserves. Hydrochemistry, water quality requirements and an introduction to the quality of South African groundwater. The water-bearing properties of South African rock groups. Geological and geophysical investigations for borehole siting. (Total tuition time: ± 32 hours)

P**PRINCIPLES OF DAM ENGINEERING IV (PDE401T)****1 X 3-HOUR PAPER (OPEN BOOK)****(Subject custodian: Department of Civil Engineering)**

Geological and foundation considerations, design principles, dam safety, seepage, grouting and drainage, project. (Total tuition time: ± 32 hours)

S**SOIL AND GROUND WATER POLLUTION: CIVIL IV (SOI401T)****1 X 3-HOUR PAPER****(Subject custodian: Department of Civil Engineering)**

Sources of pollution, fluid flow and the transport of solute in porous media, remediation of contaminated groundwater, sanitation of polluted soils. Project. (Total tuition time: ± 32 hours)

