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## Wood science and forest products 834 (FOR 834)

<b>Qualification</b>	Postgraduate
<b>Faculty</b>	<a href="#">Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences</a>
<b>Module credits</b>	15.00
<b>Programmes</b>	<a href="#">MSc Forest Management and the Environment (Coursework)</a>
<b>Prerequisites</b>	No prerequisites.
<b>Contact time</b>	20 discussion classes per block, 1 web-based period per week
<b>Language of tuition</b>	Module is presented in English
<b>Academic organisation</b>	Plant and Soil Sciences
<b>Period of presentation</b>	Semester 2

### Module content

Common characteristics of wood. Properties controlling the technical performance of wood. Natural growth phenomena affecting wood quality. Effect of site and silviculture on wood quality. The genetics of wood. Sawmilling and wood drying. Composite wood products. Deterioration of wood and wood products and methods of protection.

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