

# University of Pretoria Yearbook 2021

## Vehicle dynamics 780 (MVI 780)

<b>Qualification</b>	Postgraduate
<b>Faculty</b>	<a href="#">Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology</a>
<b>Module credits</b>	16.00
<b>NQF Level</b>	08
<b>Programmes</b>	<a href="#">BEngHons Mechanical Engineering</a> <a href="#">BScHons Applied Science Mechanics</a>
<b>Prerequisites</b>	No prerequisites.
<b>Contact time</b>	21 contact hours per semester
<b>Language of tuition</b>	Module is presented in English
<b>Department</b>	Mechanical and Aeronautical Engineering
<b>Period of presentation</b>	Semester 1

### Module content

Tyres: Characteristics and tyre models used in simulation of ride comfort and handling. Road inputs: Classification of roads. Road profiles. Road roughness. Suspension components: springs, dampers. Controllable suspension systems. Modelling aspects. Human reaction: Human response to vibration. Driver models. Human reaction times. Vertical vehicle dynamics (ride comfort): Vibration levels in a vehicle. Simulation of ride comfort. Effect of seat characteristics on vibration levels. Test and evaluation procedures. Lateral vehicle dynamics (handling): Simulation of steady state and dynamic handling. Rollover propensity. Test procedures. Computer applications: Application of computer codes in the analysis of vehicle dynamics.

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