

## University of Pretoria Yearbook 2017

## Power electronics 780 (EED 780)

**Qualification** Postgraduate

Faculty Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology

Module credits 32.00

**Programmes** BEngHons Electrical Engineering

**Prerequisites** Undergraduate level Power electronics

**Contact time** 32 contact hours per semester

**Language of tuition** Module is presented in English

Academic organisation Electrical, Electronic and Com

**Period of presentation** Semester 1 or Semester 2

## Module content

Power semiconductors - basic structure, I-V characteristic physics of device operation, switching characteristics, SOA; passive components; converter topologies - AC-DC rectifiers, DC-DC converters, DC-AC inverters, AC-AC converters and resonant converters; Dynamics and control - state space models, feedback control design; Ancillary issues - gate and base drives, snubber circuits and clamps, thermal modelling and heatsinking; Applications - electric utility applications, isolated switch-mode power supplies, optimising of the utility interface with power electronic systems.

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