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# University of Pretoria Yearbook 2019

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## Museum skills 712 (MKD 712)

<b>Qualification</b>	Postgraduate
<b>Faculty</b>	<a href="#">Faculty of Humanities</a>
<b>Module credits</b>	30.00
<b>Programmes</b>	<a href="#">BSocSciHons Heritage, Museum and Preservation Studies</a>
<b>Prerequisites</b>	No prerequisites.
<b>Contact time</b>	2 Block weeks
<b>Language of tuition</b>	Module is presented in English
<b>Department</b>	Historical and Heritage Studies
<b>Period of presentation</b>	Semester 2

### Module content

This module will introduce students to the practices in museums including collecting, collections management, conservation and curation. In addition to mainstream museum collections, students will work with 'ordinary' and hidden archives found beyond the museum walls. This module is strongly focused on developing a familiarity and confidence when working with heritage objects including appropriate handling, housing and mounting for storage and exhibition; risk assessment and mitigation and general collections care theory and practice. In addition, students will be exposed to contemporary curatorial practices necessary for the practicalities of conceptualising and mounting of exhibitions and displays in a public space. They will as well be introduced to the growing field of digital curation.

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