

# University of Pretoria Yearbook 2020

## Physical meteorology 261 (WKD 261)

<b>Qualification</b>	Undergraduate
<b>Faculty</b>	<a href="#">Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences</a>
<b>Module credits</b>	12.00
<b>Programmes</b>	<a href="#">BSc Environmental Sciences</a> <a href="#">BSc Geography</a> <a href="#">BSc Meteorology</a> <a href="#">BSc Physics</a>
<b>Prerequisites</b>	WTW 114 or WTW 158 or WTW 134 or WTW 165.
<b>Contact time</b>	1 tutorial per week, 4 lectures per week
<b>Language of tuition</b>	Module is presented in English
<b>Department</b>	Geography Geoinformatics and Meteorology
<b>Period of presentation</b>	Quarter 2

### Module content

Conservative forces and conservation laws. Basic thermodynamic laws for dry and humid air. The equation of state. Adiabatic processes and temperature lapse rates. The Clausius-Clapeyron equation. Calculation of the wet adiabat. Radiative transfer. The physical basis of climate change.

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