

# University of Pretoria Yearbook 2021

## Biotechnology in the workplace 701 (BTW 701)

<b>Qualification</b>	Postgraduate
<b>Faculty</b>	<a href="#">Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences</a>
<b>Module credits</b>	20.00
<b>NQF Level</b>	08
<b>Programmes</b>	<a href="#">BScHons Biotechnology</a> <a href="#">BScHons Plant Science</a>
<b>Prerequisites</b>	No prerequisites.
<b>Contact time</b>	2 discussion classes per week
<b>Language of tuition</b>	Module is presented in English
<b>Department</b>	Biochemistry, Genetics and Microbiology
<b>Period of presentation</b>	Year

### Module content

Introduction to the principles and realities of working in the field of biotechnology. Discussions on various essential components of the biotechnology industry including bio-entrepreneurship, marketing, business plan writing, business communication skills, capital for start-ups, incubators, basic accounting and finance as well as issues surrounding biosafety, ethics and legal aspects. The module is concluded by students writing a business plan for the development of a hypothetical biotechnological venture. This module is jointly presented in the Departments of Biochemistry, Genetics and Microbiology and Plant and Soil Sciences.

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