

## University of Pretoria Yearbook 2016

## Spatial analysis in ecology 788 (BOT 788)

| Qualification          | Postgraduate                                 |
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| Faculty                | Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences |
| Module credits         | 10.00  |
| Programmes             | BScHons Biotechnology                        |
|                        | BScHons Option: Medicinal Plant Science      |
|                        | BScHons Plant Science                        |
|                        | BScHons Wildlife Management                  |
| Prerequisites          | No prerequisites.                            |
| Contact time           | 2 lectures per week                          |
| Language of tuition    | English                                      |
| Academic organisation  | Plant and Soil Sciences                      |
| Period of presentation | Semester 2                                   |
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## Module content

Mapping and analysing spatial data. Theory and basic techniques of analysing and manipulating spatial data using geographical information systems. Mapping of vegetation types, species distributions and diversity, species traits. Understanding the spatial drivers of biodiversity patterns. The influence of scale on biodiversity analyses. Relevance for conservation planning for mapping biodiversity risk and prioritsing conservation, especially in a South African context.

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