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## Theories and paradigms 751 (SLK 751)

<b>Qualification</b>	Postgraduate
<b>Faculty</b>	<a href="#">Faculty of Humanities</a>
<b>Module credits</b>	15.00
<b>Programmes</b>	<a href="#">BSocSciHons Psychology</a>
<b>Prerequisites</b>	No prerequisites.
<b>Contact time</b>	1 lecture per week
<b>Language of tuition</b>	Module is presented in English
<b>Academic organisation</b>	Psychology
<b>Period of presentation</b>	Semester 1

### Module content

\*Closed – BSocSciHons (Psychology) only.

In this module five dominant paradigms in psychology – (neo) behaviouristic, (neuro) cognitivist, psycho-analytic, humanist and ecosystemic – and typical theories emanating from these paradigms, are discussed. The philosophical underpinnings of these paradigms and theories are explored, specifically with reference to modernism and postmodernism. Emphasis is then placed on the praxis of quantitative and qualitative theory-building against the background of the five dominant paradigms.

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