



University of Pretoria Yearbook 2017

LLB (04130012)

Duration of study 4 years

Total credits 506

Programme information

The LLB is the first professional qualification for legal practitioners and provides qualifiers with the necessary theoretical knowledge and practical skills to gain entry into the formal legal profession (eg attorneys/advocates), or to follow other careers in law.

Admission requirements

- In order to register for degree programmes, NSC/IEB/Cambridge candidates must comply with the minimum requirements for degree studies as well as the minimum requirements for the relevant programme.
- Life Orientation is excluded when calculating the Admission Point Score (APS). The following persons may also be considered for admission: a candidate who is in possession of a certificate that is deemed by the University to be equivalent to the required Grade 12 certificate with university endorsement; a candidate who is a graduate from another tertiary institution or has been granted the status of a graduate of such an institution; and a candidate who is a graduate of another faculty at the University of Pretoria.
Note: Candidates who obtained a BA (Law) or BCom (Law) degree at UP will not be subjected to a selection process and will automatically be admitted to register for the LLB degree.
- International students must obtain a full exemption certificate from Universities South Africa before they will be considered for admission.
- A conditional exemption certificate is not accepted for admission to LLB studies.
- LLB is a full-time four-year programme. Students are not permitted to obtain full-time employment while registered for LLB.
- Only applicants who comply with all the above-mentioned admission requirements will be considered for admission.

Minimum requirements for 2017				
Achievement level				
Afrikaans or English				APS
NSC/IEB	HIGCSE	AS-Level	A-Level	
5	3	C	C	32*

*Candidates with an APS of 32 or higher will, on receipt of their applications, be accepted on a continuous basis until 30 September or until all available places have been taken. Candidates with an APS of 38 or higher will be accepted on a continuous basis until registration in January of the next academic year, irrespective of the number of candidates already accepted.



Other programme-specific information

The Dean determines which elective modules will be presented each year, taking into consideration the availability of lecturing personnel, space and financial implications and/or other circumstances. The Dean may determine the maximum number of registrations for a specific elective module. The Dean may, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine that a particular fourth-year elective module will not be offered where on the first day of lectures nine or fewer students are registered for the module.

The Dean has the discretion to credit any other legal module of equal standard passed at another institution as an elective.

The following aspects should be kept in mind:

- Students have to familiarise themselves with the prerequisites for modules from other faculties.
- The modules must fit in on the timetable.
- Number limits of some modules.

Advisory note: Students who intend to pursue an LLB degree must note that to obtain the LLB degree they will be required to obtain at least 24 credits from the following list of language modules: AFR 110, AFR 120, AFR 114, ENG 118, ENG 110, ENG 120.

Elective modules for fourth year of study:

4 modules selected from the following list:

- Law and transformation 410 (AMR 410)
- Alternative dispute resolution 420 (AGF 420)
- Child law 410 (KID 410)
- Deeds and notarial practice 410 (ANO 410) [prerequisite: SAR 310]
- Education law 420 (ONR 420)
- Environmental law 410 (OMR 410)
- Information and communications technology law 420 (KUB 420)
- International elective module 1 (IET 411)
- International elective module 2 (IET 412)
- International elective module 3 (IET 413)
- International elective module 4 (IET 414)
- International humanitarian law 420 (PUR 420)
- Jurisprudence 420 (JUR 420)
- Land and land reform law 420 (GHR 420)
- Law and the community 420 (CLW 420)
- Law of banking and financial institutions 410 (LBF 410)
- Law of damages 410 (SGR 410)
- Law of securities 410 (LOC 410)
- Legal problems of HIV and Aids 410 (RHV 410)
- Media law 420 (MDR 420)
- Medical law 410 (GRG 410)
- Moot Court 420 (SKH 420)(students representing UP in the African Human Rights Moot Court Competition or in the Phillip Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition)
- Municipal law 410 (MRG 410)
- Practical law 400 (PRR 400)(see # below) (20 credits; 2 electives)
- Private international law 410 (IPR 410)
- Social security law 420 (SOR 420)



- Sports law 420 (SRR 420)
- Statutory crimes 410 (SMI 410)
- Tax practice 420 (BLP 420)
- Transnational business law 420 (TBR 420)
- Trusts and estates 410 (TBS 410)

Practical law 400

The number of students who may be admitted to the module Practical law (PRR 400) is predetermined by the Dean, in consultation with the Head of the Department of Procedural Law.

Prospective students must apply for admission to the module.

Should more students apply for admission to the module than can be accepted, a selection process will take place on the basis of a student's previous performance and an interview with the Director of the Law Clinic.

Students are promoted on the basis of tests, satisfactory execution of assignments, sessions in the Law Clinic and an oral examination.

Practical law (PRR 400) counts 20 credits and counts as two electives.

Certain modules are only applicable to exchange students.

General requirements

1. Repeating of modules and maximum number of modules per year

- Students who fail modules must repeat the modules in the following year.
- Students will, however, not be allowed to take more than 200 credits per year. (This will mean that in certain instances students will not be allowed to take all the modules required for a specific year as the outstanding modules must first be repeated and passed.) The Dean may, however, exercise discretion to grant exemption from this provision.
- It is the student's responsibility to choose modules that will not lead to class, test or examination timetable clashes.

2. Credit for modules

Students transferring from another university can only obtain credit for at the most 50% of the modules needed for the degree and must complete at least 50% of the modules at the University of Pretoria.

Dean's merit list

The Student Administration office publishes the Dean's merit list by March of every calendar year. The list contains the student numbers, in chronological sequence, of those students who achieved a weighted average (ie in accordance with the credit value of each module) of at least 75% in the preceding calendar year.

The weighted average is calculated as follows: The final mark obtained for each module for which the student registered in the preceding calendar year is multiplied by the credit value for that particular module. The sum of the values so obtained for each module are added together and divided by the total of the credit values of all modules for which the student registered in the preceding calendar year. The average so calculated is not rounded off.

A student who failed module(s) or who failed to gain entrance to the exam in the module(s) in a given calendar year may not appear on the Dean's merit list for that calendar year. A student who registered for less than nine modules in a calendar year may not appear on the Dean's merit list for that calendar year. Modules passed at other universities are not considered in calculating the weighted average.

Examinations and pass requirements

Please consult the Examination and Test policy as contained in the Faculty Regulations.



Promotion to next study year

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(According to Regulation G.3 the Faculty Board may set promotion requirements which students must adhere to before they will be promoted.)

1. A student must pass modules to the value of 60 credits in order to be promoted to the next year of study.
2. A student who passed less than 4 semester modules will not be readmitted to the Faculty of Law. A student, who has forfeited readmission to the Faculty, may apply in writing to the Admissions Committee of the Faculty for conditional readmission to the Faculty – with the proviso that the Admissions Committee may stipulate further requirements for progress. A student’s application for conditional readmission to the Faculty may be refused.
3. A student who has been conditionally readmitted to the Faculty will have his/her studies monitored after the first-semester examination in order to determine whether such student has met the set conditions.

Re-registration will only be permitted if a student is capable of completing the degree in the prescribed minimum period of 4 years plus a further 2 years according to the opinion of the Admissions Committee.

Pass with distinction

For the 4-year LLB degree to be awarded with distinction, a student must obtain a grade point average (ie in accordance with the credit value of each module) of at least 75% in respect of all the modules prescribed for the third and fourth years of the LLB degree, completed at this University. The grade point average is calculated as follows: The final mark obtained for each third- and fourth-year module prescribed for the LLB degree, including the electives, is multiplied by the credit value of that particular module. The sum of these values are added together and divided by the total of the credit values of all prescribed third- and fourth-year LLB modules. The average so calculated is not rounded off. A student who failed a third- or fourth-year LLB module, including any of the electives, may not be awarded the degree with distinction.

BA (Law) graduates

For the LLB degree to be awarded with distinction to a BA (Law) (UP) graduate, a student must obtain a grade point average (ie in accordance with the credit value of each module) of at least 75% in respect of the following modules completed at this University:

RPK 210 and 220

VBB 220

BLR 310

BWR 300

IGZ 320

ISR 310

ODR 320

PBL 310 and 320

SAR 310

VHD 320

ABR 410

PBL 410 and 420

PVR 420

SIP 400

SKY 410



SPR 400

Four final-year electives

The grade point average is calculated as follows: The final mark obtained for each of the modules listed above, including the electives, is multiplied by the credit value of that particular module. The sum of these values are added together and divided by the total of the credit values of the modules listed above. The average so calculated is not rounded off. A BA (Law) (UP) graduate who failed any of the modules listed above, including any of the electives, may not be awarded the LLB degree with distinction.

BCom (Law) graduates

For the LLB degree to be awarded with distinction to a BCom (Law) (UP) graduate, a student must obtain a grade point average (ie in accordance with the credit value of each module) of at least 75% in respect of the following modules completed at this University:

FMR 121
PBL 200
RPK 210 and 220
RPR 210
RVW 210
BLR 310
BWR 300
IGZ 320
JUR 310
PBL 310 and 320
ABR 410
PBL 410 and 420
PVR 420
SIP 400
SKY 410
SPR 400

Four final-year electives

The grade point average is calculated as follows: The final mark obtained for each of the modules listed above, including the electives, is multiplied by the credit value of that particular module. The sum of these values are added together and divided by the total of the credit values of the modules listed above. The average so calculated is not rounded off. A BCom (Law) (UP) graduate who failed any of the modules listed above, including any of the electives, may not be awarded the LLB degree with distinction.



Curriculum: Year 1

Minimum credits: 121

Fundamental modules

Jurisprudence 110 (JUR 110)

Module credits 15.00

Service modules Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences
Faculty of Humanities

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 4 lectures per week, 1 tutorial per week, 4 seminars

Language of tuition Separate classes for Afrikaans and English

Academic organisation Jurisprudence

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

*For LLB and BA/BCom specialising in law

The module has both a theoretical and skills component. All elements described below will encompass conceptual knowledge combined with practical application.

UNDERLYING JURISPRUDENTIAL ASPECTS OF LAW / THE LAW IN GENERAL

- (a) A first-year definition of law / the Law
- (b) The relationships between law and society, law and history, law and politics, law and language
- (c) Being a law student or lawyer in South Africa
- (d) Introduction to different perspectives on the law

THE SOUTH AFRICAN LEGAL SYSTEM AND ITS HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENT

SOURCES OF SOUTH AFRICAN LAW AND THEIR HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENT

- (a) Introduction to characteristics and components of the South African legal system
- (b) Mixed legal systems
- (c) The South African Constitution and its historical development
- (d) Customary law and its historical development
- (e) Common law and its historical development
- (f) Primary and other sources of modern South African law
- (g) Applying the sources of law to a set of facts and relying on the sources of law to answer a jurisprudential question.

THE ABOVE CONTENT FORMS THE BASIS OF THE SKILLS COMPONENT (INCORPORATING ACADEMIC LITERACY SKILLS) WHICH CONSISTS OF:

- (a) Conducting research in the library
- (b) Finding, reading and applying the sources of law
- (c) Reading, understanding and summarising texts on topics of law
- (d) Analysing, criticising and improving ("edit") a piece of writing on the law in a theoretical sense; and
- (e) Writing a well-constructed essay or paragraph on legal problems and topics of law or legal history.



Jurisprudence 120 (JUR 120)

Module credits 15.00

Service modules Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences
Faculty of Humanities

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 1 tutorial per week, 4 seminars, 4 lectures per week

Language of tuition Separate classes for Afrikaans and English

Academic organisation Jurisprudence

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

*For LLB and BA/BCom specialising in law

BASIC PRINCIPLES OF THE:

- (a) Law of obligations (contract and delict)
- (b) Criminal law
- (c) Law of civil procedure;
- (d) Law of criminal procedure; and
- (e) Law of evidence.

ACCESS TO JUSTICE:

- (a) Courts and alternative dispute resolution;
- (b) Legal profession; and
- (c) Access to justice and its promotion in South Africa (the idea, problems, representation in criminal matters, role of different organisations, etc).

THE ABOVE CONTENT FORMS THE BASIS OF THE SKILLS COMPONENT (INCORPORATING ACADEMIC LITERACY SKILLS) WHICH CONSISTS OF:

- (a) Drafting a simple contract based upon a set of facts (law of contract)
- (b) Reading, understanding, summarising a case on the law of delict and applying the principles of legal argument and logic to it
- (c) Summarising, analysing, criticising and improving ("edit") a piece of writing on the law of evidence
- (d) Understanding and applying the principles of examination in chief, cross-examination and re-examination to a concrete set of facts with a view to participation in a "moot court" or debate.

Academic orientation 104 (UPO 104)

Module credits 0.00

Language of tuition Afrikaans and English is used in one class

Academic organisation Law Dean's Office

Period of presentation Year

Academic information management 102 (AIM 102)

Module credits 6.00



Service modules Faculty of Education
Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences
Faculty of Humanities
Faculty of Law
Faculty of Health Sciences
Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences
Faculty of Theology
Faculty of Veterinary Science

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Separate classes for Afrikaans and English

Academic organisation Information Science

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

Find, evaluate, process, manage and present information resources for academic purposes using appropriate technology. Apply effective search strategies in different technological environments. Demonstrate the ethical and fair use of information resources. Integrate 21st-century communications into the management of academic information.

Core modules

Afrikaans 110 (AFR 110)

Module credits 12.00

Service modules Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology
Faculty of Education
Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences
Faculty of Law
Faculty of Health Sciences

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 discussion classes per week, 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in Afrikaans

Academic organisation Afrikaans

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

*This module is only offered in Afrikaans

Taalkundekomponent: Inleiding tot die Afrikaanse taalkunde met klem op lees-en skryfvaardigheid.

Letterkundekomponent: Inleiding tot die Afrikaanse en Nederlandse letterkunde aan die hand van kortverhale en gedigte.

Afrikaans 114 (AFR 114)

Module credits 12.00



Service modules Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences
Faculty of Law

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in Afrikaans

Academic organisation Afrikaans

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

Afrikaans for speakers of other languages (1) *No mother tongue speakers of Afrikaans will be allowed to take this module. A subject for advanced learners of Afrikaans. A basic knowledge of Afrikaans grammar and listening, reading, writing and speaking skills are required.

Afrikaans 120 (AFR 120)

Module credits 12.00

Service modules Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology
Faculty of Education
Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences
Faculty of Law
Faculty of Health Sciences

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week, 2 discussion classes per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in Afrikaans

Academic organisation Afrikaans

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

*This module is only offered in Afrikaans

Taalkundekomponent: Inleiding tot die Afrikaanse sintaksis, fonetiek en taalgeskiedenis.

Letterkundekomponent: Inleiding tot die Romankuns Inleiding tot die Drama

English 110 (ENG 110)

Module credits 12.00

Service modules Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology
Faculty of Education
Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences
Faculty of Law
Faculty of Health Sciences

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 1 discussion class per week, 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English



Academic organisation English

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

*Alternative evening classes - 2 discussion classes per week
Introduction to Literature in English (1)
This module introduces the study of literature by examining a number of texts representing different genres (poetry, prose, drama). The texts studied here will be mainly from the pre-twentieth century era and may include texts written in English from both Africa and other parts of the world. The aim of this module is to equip students with the critical and analytical skills required for a perceptive reading of poetry, novels and plays.

English 120 (ENG 120)

Module credits 12.00

Service modules Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology
Faculty of Education
Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences
Faculty of Law
Faculty of Health Sciences

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 1 discussion class per week, 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Academic organisation English

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

*Alternative evening classes: 2 discussion classes per week

Introduction to Literature in English (2)

This module introduces the study of post-nineteenth century literature by examining a number of texts representing different genres (poetry, drama, prose). Texts will be from both Africa and other parts of the world. By the end of this module students should have the background and analytical skills to perceptively read modern and contemporary poetry, novels and plays.

Law of persons 110 (PSR 110)

Module credits 10.00

Service modules Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences
Faculty of Humanities

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 1 tutorial per week, 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Separate classes for Afrikaans and English

Academic organisation Private Law

Period of presentation Semester 1



Module content

*For LLB and BA/BCom specialising in Law

The legal rules in respect of the coming into existence, private law status and termination of a natural person or legal subject

English for specific purposes 118 (ENG 118)

Module credits 12.00

Service modules Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology
Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences
Faculty of Law

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Academic organisation English

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

This module is intended to equip students with a thorough knowledge of English grammar and is particularly useful for those interested in a career in teaching, editing, document design or other forms of language practice.

Family law 121 (FMR 121)

Module credits 15.00

Service modules Faculty of Humanities

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 1 tutorial per week, 4 lectures per week

Language of tuition Separate classes for Afrikaans and English

Academic organisation Private Law

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

*For LLB and BA/BCom specialising in law (a) Introduction to family law (b) General principles regarding the coming into existence of a marriage (c) Void, voidable and putative marriages (d) The invariable consequences of the marriage (e) Basic principles regarding the legal relationship between child and parent (f) The variable consequences of a marriage (g) Principles regarding the dissolution of a marriage (h) The consequences of the dissolution of a marriage Law of Parent and Child; (a) Variable consequences of marriage; (b) Dissolution of marriage; (c) Consequences of the dissolution of marriage; (d) Customary marriages; and (e) Domestic partnerships and religious marriages.

Roman law 120 (ROM 120)

Module credits 10.00

Service modules Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences



Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	1 tutorial per week, 3 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
Academic organisation	Jurisprudence
Period of presentation	Semester 2

Module content

*For LLB and BA/BCom specialising in law

General introduction to Roman law and European law as foundations of South African private law

INTRODUCTION TO THE ROMAN LAW OF THINGS

- (a) Things, real rights, possession
- (b) Ownership, limitations, acquisition, protection
- (c) Limited real rights, servitudes, real security

INTRODUCTION TO THE ROMAN LAW OF CONTRACT

- (a) General principles of the law of contract
- (b) Specific contracts
- (c) Quasi contracts

INTRODUCTION TO THE ROMAN LAW OF DELICT

- (a) General principles of the law of delict
- (b) Specific delicts
- (c) Quasi delicts

Elective modules

Philosophy 110 (FIL 110)

Module credits	12.00
Service modules	Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology Faculty of Law
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	3 lectures per week, 1 discussion class per week
Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
Academic organisation	Philosophy
Period of presentation	Semester 1



Module content

Introduction to Philosophy

The two semester modules at first-year level introduce students to the four main subfields of Philosophy, namely epistemology and metaphysics, ethics and political philosophy. This module introduces students to two of these subfields. Students must contact the Department of Philosophy to ascertain which two subfields are covered in each semester as the choice may change from time to time due to availability of teaching staff. Students will become acquainted with the nature of philosophical reflection by exploring a number of classical philosophical themes in each subfield. Throughout the module there is an emphasis on developing those critical thinking, reading and writing skills that are required in Philosophy, while students become acquainted with the power of critique as critical judgment and discernment.

Philosophy 120 (FIL 120)

Module credits 12.00

Service modules Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology
Faculty of Law

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 1 discussion class per week, 3 lectures per week

Language of tuition Separate classes for Afrikaans and English

Academic organisation Philosophy

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

Introduction to Philosophy

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Financial accounting 111 (FRK 111)

Module credits 10.00

Service modules Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology
Faculty of Education
Faculty of Law
Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 4 lectures per week

Language of tuition Separate classes for Afrikaans and English



Academic organisation Accounting

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

The nature and function of accounting; the development of accounting; financial position; financial result; the recording process; processing of accounting data; treatment of VAT; elementary income statement and balance sheet; flow of documents; accounting systems; introduction to internal control and internal control measures; bank reconciliations; control accounts; adjustments; financial statements of a sole proprietorship; the accounting framework.

History 110 (GES 110)

Module credits 12.00

Service modules Faculty of Education
Faculty of Law
Faculty of Health Sciences

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Separate classes for Afrikaans and English

Academic organisation Historical and Heritage Stud

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

The making of the Modern World: a survey

A selection of themes on Asia, Africa, the Americas and Europe and their contribution to the making of the Modern World.

History 120 (GES 120)

Module credits 12.00

Service modules Faculty of Education
Faculty of Law
Faculty of Health Sciences

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Separate classes for Afrikaans and English

Academic organisation Historical and Heritage Stud

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

Africa and South Africa: a survey

An overview focusing on the making of African and South African societies from the earliest times to the present with emphasis on the most significant historical forces, factors and events.



Criminology 110 (KRM 110)

Module credits	12.00
Service modules	Faculty of Law
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
Academic organisation	Social Work and Criminology
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

Part 1: Fundamental criminology

Introduction to criminology, definition of crime, crime tendencies, classical and positivistic explanations of crime.

Part 2: Violent crime

A brief analysis of causes, consequences and mechanisms to prevent and reduce violent crime within a South African context. Define violent crime in terms of interpersonal violence, homicide, violent crimes within the criminal justice system and property-related violent crimes.

Criminology 120 (KRM 120)

Module credits	12.00
Service modules	Faculty of Law
Prerequisites	KRM 110
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
Academic organisation	Social Work and Criminology
Period of presentation	Semester 2

Module content

Part 1: Penology

In Penology attention is given to the criminal justice system to emphasise the importance of using an integrated approach in the handling of offenders. The impact of overpopulation in prisons is critically evaluated. Attention is also given to awaiting trial offenders, the importance of community-based sentences as well as the re-integration of offenders in the community.

Part 2: Crime prevention and control

Responsibilities of the police and the community in crime prevention and control. Primary, secondary and tertiary crime prevention, crime prevention and reduction strategies in South Africa.

Politics 111 (PTO 111)

Module credits	12.00
Service modules	Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences Faculty of Law



Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	1 discussion class per week, 2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
Academic organisation	Political Sciences
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

Basics of politics

An introduction to the study of organised political society at national and international levels with specific reference to political concepts, approaches and methods. The emphasis is on state and governance as frameworks for analysis. This includes the development and comparison of related political entities, processes and regime types of a democratic and non-democratic nature, also considering the salient changes brought about by globalisation.

Politics 120 (PTO 120)

Module credits	12.00
Service modules	Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences Faculty of Law
Prerequisites	PTO 111(GS)
Contact time	1 discussion class per week, 2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
Academic organisation	Political Sciences
Period of presentation	Semester 2

Module content

Cooperation in the political world

An introduction to cooperation at national and international levels with specific reference to the nature, foundations and politics of cooperation. This includes an analysis and comparison of the politicisation, localisation and internationalisation of issues and of the problems at national, regional and international levels related to cooperation in an increasingly interdependent world characterised by the absence of supranational institutions. Attention is also paid to the corresponding dynamics of regime development, performance and change.

Sociology 110 (SOC 110)

Module credits	12.00
Service modules	Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology Faculty of Law
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	3 lectures per week, 1 tutorial per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English



Academic organisation Sociology

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

Part 1: The individual and society

An introduction to sociology, the classical sociological paradigm and the principles of sociological research.

Part 2: *The making of the South African order*

This section explores key factors involved in the making and shaping of the contemporary South African social order and considers the sociological implications thereof. Students will be introduced to the political economy of South Africa, with an emphasis on the nature of South Africa's industrialisation, the process of proletarianisation and the introduction of the migration labour system. In addition, the racial state, the foundations of its social project, and the spatial form of its 20th century racial modernity will be considered.

Sociology 120 (SOC 120)

Module credits 12.00

Service modules Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology
Faculty of Law

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 3 lectures per week, 1 tutorial per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Academic organisation Sociology

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

Part 1: The sociology of institutions

An introduction to the social dynamics of institutions such as the family, the state, the economy, religion, education, and civil society, with specific focus on Southern Africa.

Part 2: Social stratification: Race, class and gender

The nature and dynamics of social stratification and inequality will be explored. Race, gender and class are the foci of the section. The South African reality in this regard is highlighted.

Financial accounting 122 (FRK 122)

Module credits 12.00

Service modules Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology
Faculty of Law
Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences

Prerequisites FRK 111 GS or FRK 133, FRK 143

Contact time 4 lectures per week

Language of tuition Separate classes for Afrikaans and English

Academic organisation Accounting



Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

Budgeting, payroll accounting, taxation – income tax and an introduction to other types of taxes, credit and the new Credit Act, insurance, accounting for inventories (focus on inventory and the accounting entries, not calculations), interpretation of financial statements.



Curriculum: Year 2

Minimum credits: 120

Core modules

Specific contracts 220 (KTH 220)

Module credits 15.00

Service modules Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 4 lectures per week

Language of tuition Separate classes for Afrikaans and English

Academic organisation Mercantile Law

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

*For LLB and BCom specialising in law

- (a) Law of purchase and sale
- (b) Law of letting and hiring of things
- (c) Law of agency
- (d) Law of surety
- (e) Law of letting and hiring of work

Legal pluralism 210 (RPR 210)

Module credits 10.00

Service modules Faculty of Humanities

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 1 tutorial per week

Language of tuition Separate classes for Afrikaans and English

Academic organisation Private Law

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

*For LLB and BA specialising in law

- (a) Indigenous culture groups, their culture, and the definition of legal pluralism
- (b) Law of persons and family law of indigenous culture groups
- (c) Indigenous law of delict
- (d) Indigenous law of succession
- (e) Indigenous law of contract
- (f) Legal conflict and court structure
- (g) Legal systems based on religion in South Africa



Legal interpretation 210 (RVW 210)

Module credits	10.00
Service modules	Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences Faculty of Humanities
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
Academic organisation	Public Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

*For LLB, BAdmin, BA specialising in law and BCom Taxation

Statute law:

- (a) General introduction: relationship between text and context
- (b) What is legislation: categories and types of legislation
- (c) The structure and format of legislation (enacted law texts)
- (d) Commencement, amendment and demise of legislation

Principles of interpretation:

- (a) How to interpret legislation: various theories and methods of interpretation and the influence of the supreme Constitution on statutory interpretation
- (b) Internal and external aids to determine the legislative purpose
- (c) So-called peremptory and directory provisions
- (d) Statutory interpretation and judicial lawmaking
- (e) Basic principles of constitutional interpretation

Consumer protection 220 (VBB 220)

Module credits	15.00
Service modules	Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	3 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
Academic organisation	Mercantile Law
Period of presentation	Semester 2

Module content

*For LLB and BCom specialising in law

- (a) Basic principles of the National Credit Act 34 of 2005
- (b) Aspects regarding the law applicable to credit agreements
- (c) Basic principles of the Consumer Protection Act 68 of 2008

Public Law 200 (PBL 200)

Module credits	20.00
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Service modules	Faculty of Humanities
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
Academic organisation	Public Law
Period of presentation	Year

Module content

*For LLB, BA specialising in law; BAdmin and BCom law (a) Introduction to constitutional law theory (b) Basic principles: the law, the state and the individual (c) The historical development of the South African constitutional law (d) Different elements of a state (e) Sources of the South African constitutional law (f) The founding provisions, the legal order and symbols of the South African state (g) Cooperative government (h) The national legislative authority (i) The president and the national executive authority (j) Provincial government (k) Judicial authority (l) The Bill of Rights: History of human rights in South Africa, jurisprudential and political perspectives on human rights, application, justiciability and interpretation of the bill of rights, jurisdiction, procedures and remedies, limitation of human rights, an analysis of selected human rights (m) State institutions supporting constitutional democracy (n) The public administration (o) The South African security services (p) General provisions

Law of succession 222 (ERF 222)

Module credits 15.00

Service modules	Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences Faculty of Humanities
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	4 lectures per week, 1 tutorial per week
Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
Academic organisation	Private Law
Period of presentation	Semester 2

Module content

*For LLB and BA/BCom specialising in Law

- (a) Intestate succession
- (b) Testate succession
- (c) Administration of states

Law of contract 211 (KTR 211)

Module credits 15.00

Service modules	Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences Faculty of Humanities
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.



Contact time	4 lectures per week, 1 tutorial per week
Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
Academic organisation	Private Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

*For LLB and BA/BCom specialising in law

- (a) General principles of the law of obligations
- (b) Formation of the contract
- (c) Content of the contract
- (d) Interpretation of written contracts
- (e) Breach of contract
- (f) Remedies for breach of contract
- (g) Termination of contractual obligations
- (h) Drafting of contracts

Legal practice 210 (RPK 210)

Module credits	10.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	1 tutorial per week, 2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
Academic organisation	Procedural Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

*For LLB ((a) An overview of the origin and development of the various legal professions (b) Statutory provisions applicable to the legal profession (c) Professional conduct and ethics (d) Professional costs and fees (e) Professional liability of legal practitioners (f) Research skills (g) Writing skills (letter of advice to client; office memorandum; heads of argument)

Legal practice 220 (RPK 220)

Module credits	10.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week, 1 tutorial per week
Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
Academic organisation	Procedural Law
Period of presentation	Semester 2

Module content

*For LLB (a) Practice management (b) Taking of instructions (c) Bookkeeping for legal practices (d) Aspects of trial advocacy (e) Practical application (f) Research skills (g) Writing skills (letter of advice to client; office memorandum; heads of argument)



Curriculum: Year 3

Minimum credits: 127

Core modules

Law of delict 320 (DLR 320)

Module credits 15.00

Service modules Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences
Faculty of Humanities

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 4 lectures per week

Language of tuition Separate classes for Afrikaans and English

Academic organisation Private Law

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

*For LLB and BA/BCom specialising in law

(a) General principles of the law of delict

(b) Capita selecta from the principles applicable to specific delicts

Intellectual property law 320 (IGZ 320)

Module credits 10.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Separate classes for Afrikaans and English

Academic organisation Private Law

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

*For LLB (a) General principles of intellectual property law (b) Copyright (c) Law relating to inventions and designs (d) Trademark law (e) Law relating to plant breeders' rights (f) Law of competition

Law of things 310 (SAR 310)

Module credits 15.00

Service modules Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 1 tutorial per week, 4 lectures per week

Language of tuition Separate classes for Afrikaans and English

Academic organisation Private Law



Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

*For LLB and BA/BCom specialising in law

(a) General principles of the law of things

(b) Constitutional aspects

(c) Control (possession and holdership)

(d) Ownership (including joint ownership and sectional-title property)

(e) Limited real rights (including servitudes, limiting provisions, public servitudes, mineral rights and real security rights)

Payment methods 320 (VHD 320)

Module credits 10.00

Service modules Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Separate classes for Afrikaans and English

Academic organisation Mercantile Law

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

*For LLB and BCom specialising in Law (a) Elements of negotiability; the bill of exchange, cheque and promissory note; parties to bills, cheques and notes (b) Requirements for validity, negotiation, holdership and acceptance (c) The banker-client relationship; crossings and additions to crossings; the legal position of the drawee and collecting bank (d) Electronic payment methods

Insolvency law 310 (ISR 310)

Module credits 10.00

Service modules Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Separate classes for Afrikaans and English

Academic organisation Mercantile Law

Period of presentation Semester 1



Module content

**For LLB and BCom specialising in law

- (a) General introduction and historical background
- (b) The process of sequestration
- (c) Effects of sequestration
- (d) Voidable and void dispositions
- (e) Overview of administration of insolvent estates
- (f) Composition, rehabilitation and offences
- (g) Liquidation of insolvent companies and close corporations

Entrepreneurial law 320 (ODR 320)

Module credits 12.00

Service modules Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 3 lectures per week, 1 tutorial per week

Language of tuition Separate classes for Afrikaans and English

Academic organisation Mercantile Law

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

*For LLB and BCom specialising in law

- (a) Company law
- (b) Law relating to close corporations
- (c) Partnership law

Tax Law 310 (BLR 310)

Module credits 10.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Separate classes for Afrikaans and English

Academic organisation Mercantile Law

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

*For LLB

- (a) Foundations of income tax
- (b) Calculation of income tax payable
- (c) Capital gains tax

Jurisprudence 310 (JUR 310)

Module credits 10.00



Service modules	Faculty of Humanities
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	1 tutorial per week, 2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
Academic organisation	Jurisprudence
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

*For LLB and BA specializing in Law

An overview of the most important jurisprudential approaches amongst others natural law, positivism, realism, critical legal theory, modern and post-modern approaches. The theoretical and practical value of these approaches are investigated within a post-apartheid context.

Public law 320 (PBL 320)

Module credits	10.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
Academic organisation	Public Law
Period of presentation	Semester 2

Module content

*For LLB

- (a) The historical development and theory of international law
- (b) Sources of international law
- (c) Territory
- (d) International legal personality
- (e) Jurisdiction, immunity from jurisdiction and extradition
- (f) Self-contained legal regimes and state responsibility
- (g) Judicial settlement of international disputes
- (h) International law in municipal law

Law of evidence 300 (BWR 300)

Module credits	10.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
Academic organisation	Procedural Law
Period of presentation	Year



Module content

*For LLB

(a) Basic principles of the law of evidence and rules relating to the admissibility of specific categories of evidence.

(b) Evidential aspects relating to the giving of evidence and the constitutional implications for the law of evidence.

Public law 310 (PBL 310)

Module credits 10.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Separate classes for Afrikaans and English

Academic organisation Public Law

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

*For LLB and BAdmin

An overview of judicial review of administrative action in light of the Constitution and the Promotion of Administrative Justice Act 3 of 2000, with a focus on the legitimate scope of such judicial review and the grounds for judicial review.

Research methodology 320 (RHP 320)

Module credits 5.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Separate classes for Afrikaans and English

Academic organisation Jurisprudence

Period of presentation Semester 2



Module content

*For LLB

The module includes the following:

- (a) How to plan a research project
- (b) Reading strategies and techniques
- (c) Broad theoretical approaches and methodologies (Sociology of law, Legal pluralism, Legal history, Comparison)
- (d) Citation, ethics of citation, presentation and language
- (e) How to write a research proposal and general drafting (As this module is a prerequisite to register for SKY 410, attendance at all the sessions and a mark of at least 50% for the submitted research proposal are required in order to obtain the prescribed credits)



Curriculum: Final year

Minimum credits: 140

Core modules

Private Law 420 (PVR 420)

Module credits	10.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
Academic organisation	Private Law
Period of presentation	Semester 2

Module content

*For LLB Capita selecta from any of the following: (a) Enrichment (b) Estoppel (c) Personality rights

Criminal procedure law 400 (SPR 400)

Module credits	15.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
Academic organisation	Procedural Law
Period of presentation	Year

Module content

*For LLB

(a) The general principles of criminal procedure law in the lower courts, High Court and the High Court of Appeal of South Africa.

(b) Drafting of pleadings

(c) Practical application

Public law 410 (PBL 410)

Module credits	10.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	3 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
Academic organisation	Public Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1



Module content

*For LLB

Introduction to criminal law:

- (a) Criminal law and the legal system
- (b) Criminal law and law of delict
- (c) The concepts "criminal law" and "crime"
- (d) The history and sources of our criminal law
- (e) Determinism and indeterminism
- (f) The purpose and function of the criminal law and crime
- (g) The classification of criminal law and crimes

General principles of criminal law: elements of criminal liability:

- (a) Legality
- (b) The deed
- (c) Unlawfulness
- (d) Capacity
- (e) Fault
- (f) Multiple defences

Public law 420 (PBL 420)

Module credits 10.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 3 lectures per week

Language of tuition Separate classes for Afrikaans and English

Academic organisation Public Law

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

*For LLB

Specific crimes:

- (a) Attempt, incitement and conspiracy
- (b) Participation and accessories after the fact
- (c) Crimes against life
- (d) Crimes against bodily integrity and parental authority
- (e) Crimes against reputation and dignity
- (f) Crimes against property and freedom of will
- (g) Crimes against sexual morality and family life
- (h) Crimes against public morality and religious feelings
- (i) Crimes against the administration of justice and public administration
- (j) Crimes against the state

Punishment:

- (a) Theories of punishment
- (b) Forms of punishment



Labour Law 410 (ABR 410)

Module credits	10.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
Academic organisation	Mercantile Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

*For LLB

- a) Individual labour law
- b) Collective labour law
- c) Resolution of labour disputes

Civil procedure law 400 (SIP 400)

Module credits	15.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
Academic organisation	Procedural Law
Period of presentation	Year

Module content

*For LLB

- (a) Aspects of litigation techniques
- (b) General principles of civil procedure
- (c) Practical application
- (d) Compiling pleadings

Research: Essay and seminar 410 (SKY 410)

Module credits	30.00
Prerequisites	RHP 320
Contact time	1 lecture per week
Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
Academic organisation	Law Dean's Office
Period of presentation	Semester 1



Module content

*For LLB

(a) The essay deals with a subject from the field of law.

(b) The supervisor advises final-year students of the date on which the subject of the essay must be submitted to him for approval.

(c) The head of department responsible for the subject, or a lecturer designated by him/her, acts as project leader and as examiner: Provided that the head of department may appoint an external examiner should he/she deem it necessary.

(d) Two typed, duplicated or printed copies of the essay of between 8 000 and 14 000 words (with an indication of the amount of words on the last page of the essay), must be submitted. The date when the essay must be submitted will be communicated.

Each lecturer supervises a maximum of 15 students annually. The topics chosen by these students must preferably be thematically linked. At the beginning of the year, all registered students as a group attend one compulsory lecture on the approach to and writing of an essay. Following this, each lecturer organises one seminar of two hours with his or her group of students, during which students submit the topics and basic structure of their essays.

After completion of the essays, a copy of each essay is made available to students. For this purpose, one copy must be handed in at the library, and the other at the supervisor. The lecturer then organises a further series of seminars, where each student presents his or her conclusions for the group to criticise. At these seminars, the lecturer also involves another faculty member or expert.

The evaluation is as follows:

Written document: 70%

Participation in seminar: 30%

Draft essay: 10%

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