

# University of Pretoria Yearbook 2018

## Pharmacognosy/Phytotherapy 749 (BOT 749)

**Qualification** Postgraduate

**Faculty** [Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences](#)

**Module credits** 10.00

**Programmes** [BScHons Medicinal Plant Science](#)

**Prerequisites** No prerequisites.

**Contact time** 1 discussion class per week, 1 practical per week

**Language of tuition** Module is presented in English

**Department** Department of Plant and Soil Sciences

**Period of presentation** Semester 1

### Module content

Basic concepts of toxicology. Systemic, developmental, genetic and organ-specific toxic effects. Hallucinogenic, allergenic, teratogenic and other toxic plants. Plant constituents, contradictions and interactions. Phytotoxicity unrelated to plant constituents. Safety and efficacy issues of commonly used Phyto-drugs with emphasis on pharmaceutical applications. Practical aspects related to the manufacture of good quality plant-based medicines. Phyto-drug formulation, standardisation and aspects concerning different dosage forms.

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