

University of Pretoria Yearbook 2018

Contemporary development issues and debates 756 (GSO 756)

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| Qualification | Postgraduate |
| Faculty | Faculty of Humanities |
| Module credits | 20.00 |
| Programmes | BSocSciHons Development Studies |
| Prerequisites | No prerequisites. |
| Contact time | 1 other contact session per week, 2 lectures per week |
| Language of tuition | Module is presented in English |
| Department | Anthropology and Archaeology |
| Period of presentation | Semester 1 |

Module content

The module provides a critical analysis of contemporary development themes currently dominating development debates and the world of development practice. Particular attention is given to development strategies and practices in the post-development theory impasse era, as well as development challenges and their manifestation in the 21st century. The module will take students through a journey in post-1980s/1990s development, and explores in depth the future prospect of development. Topical themes include grassroots development, gender and development, democracy and governance, food security, climate change and local adaptation, migration and development, disaster and humanitarian emergencies. It will also cover initiatives like the MDGs and the SDGs to demonstrate changing emphasis in development practice.

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