

University of Pretoria Yearbook 2019

Big data science elective 820 (INL 820)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Faculty	Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology
Module credits	5.00
Programmes	MIT Big Data Science
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Information Science
Period of presentation	Semester 2

Module content

Five credits of an elective module can be drawn from Information Science. A module in Research Data Management (RDM) is available as an elective. The following topics would typically be covered: Open Science and the dependency on open (big) data, The research process and the life cycle of big data (data management plans to publishing derivative data sets, licensing and legal implications); managing (curating) big vs long tail data; solving problems with research data vs the business value of big data (data-intensive decisionmaking); managing data as an asset (also data citation); issues and challenges involved in the management of big data (principles and best practices for effective big data governance); trusted data repositories; data stewardship frameworks for big data; and the data steward's toolbox.

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