

University of Pretoria Yearbook 2021

Agricultural project planning and appraisal 785 (LEK 785)

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| Qualification | Postgraduate |
| Faculty | Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences |
| Module credits | 15.00 |
| NQF Level | 08 |
| Programmes | BComHons Agricultural Economics BAgricHons Rural Development |
| Service modules | Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences |
| Prerequisites | No prerequisites. |
| Contact time | 1 discussion class per week, 1 lecture per week |
| Language of tuition | Module is presented in English |
| Department | Agricultural Economics Extension and Rural Develo |
| Period of presentation | Semester 1 |

Module content

- Project planning and priority setting (project concept to rural socioeconomic development, logical framework analysis, research priority setting methods, strategic planning, scenario planning).
- Economic analysis of agricultural development projects through CBA (decision making in public and private sectors, financial, social and economic considerations; identification of Cs and Bs, valuation of Cs and Bs; project assessment criteria.
- Monitoring, evaluation and impact assessment (process and program monitoring, MandE systems; causality, incrementality and the attribution problem; impacts assessment methodology.
- Project management (scheduling, techniques for management, managing risk and uncertainty, monitoring performance
- Welfare economics and political economy considerations (Pareto optimality, compensation tests, efficiency and distribution, politics of CBA, development projects vs. development policies, first vs. second best shadow prices, market failure)

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