

# University of Pretoria Yearbook 2021

## Distressed business assessment 821 (OBS 821)

<b>Qualification</b>	Postgraduate
<b>Faculty</b>	<a href="#">Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences</a>
<b>Module credits</b>	20.00
<b>NQF Level</b>	09
<b>Programmes</b>	<a href="#">MPhil Insolvency and Business Rescue (Coursework)</a>
<b>Prerequisites</b>	No prerequisites.
<b>Contact time</b>	20 contact hours
<b>Language of tuition</b>	Module is presented in English
<b>Department</b>	Business Management
<b>Period of presentation</b>	Semester 1

### Module content

The aim of this module is to equip students to explore the concepts, theories, patterns and recent cases of the four stages of corporate sickness: decline, distress, insolvency and bankruptcy. It examines contemporary product, production, accounting, financial, marketing, alliance and joint venture-based turnaround strategies. The module provides students with a perspective on identifying and remedying turnaround business situations, that is, established businesses experiencing operational, financial and managerial difficulties. Students learn, from the viewpoint of a general manager, how to distinguish between "troubled" and "crisis" companies and how to use both qualitative and quantitative tools to effect solutions.

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