

# University of Pretoria Yearbook 2021

## Explosives engineering 701 (PRX 701)

<b>Qualification</b>	Postgraduate
<b>Faculty</b>	<a href="#">Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology</a>
<b>Module credits</b>	16.00
<b>NQF Level</b>	08
<b>Programmes</b>	<a href="#">BSchHons Applied ScienceMining</a>
<b>Prerequisites</b>	No prerequisites.
<b>Contact time</b>	10 lectures per week
<b>Language of tuition</b>	Module is presented in English
<b>Department</b>	Mining Engineering
<b>Period of presentation</b>	Semester 1 or Semester 2

### Module content

History of explosives, types of explosives: primary and secondary explosives, thermodynamics of detonation, strength of explosives. Methods and techniques, explosive initiating systems, application of explosives in rock breaking; the effects of geology and drilling. Surface and underground blasting, controlled blasting, vibration control, air blast. Ethics and regulatory compliance. Equipment and calculations.

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