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Information science 260 (INL 260)

Qualification Undergraduate

Faculty [Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology](#)

Module credits 16.00

NQF Level 06

Programmes [BIS \(Information Science\)](#)

[BIT \(Information Systems\)](#)

[BSc \(Computer Science\)](#)

[BA \(Visual Studies\)](#)

[BPolSci \(Political Studies\)](#)

Service modules Faculty of Humanities

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 3 lectures per week, 3 practicals per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Information Science

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

Economics and politics of information. This module examines the economics and politics of information, with a special emphasis on South Africa's information sector. It aims to promote an understanding of the market and non-market qualities of information, and their consequences for the production, distribution and marketing of information goods and services. The ways in which information access and expression are regulated and the use of ICTs in crime and corruption is also addressed. The module also addresses the different types of information industries which are located within the information sector of the economy, and how their growth transforms the production and delivery of products and services across the local and global economy.

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