

University of Pretoria Yearbook 2025

Drama and film studies 220 (DFK 220)

Qualification Undergraduate

Faculty [Faculty of Humanities](#)

Module credits 15.00

NQF Level 06

Programmes [BA specialising in Languages](#)

[BA specialising in Visual Studies](#)

[Bachelor of Arts \[BA\] 3-year programme](#)

[Bachelor of Arts \[BA\] 4-year programme](#)

[Bachelor of Drama \[BDram\] 3-year programme](#)

[Bachelor of Drama \[BDram\] 4-year programme](#)

Prerequisites DFK 210

Contact time 3 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department School of the Arts

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

Realism and contemporary South African performance

Concepts of naturalism and realism will be interrogated in relation to dramatic texts and performance values in both drama and film. Ways in which dramatic realism emerges from and reflects historical perspectives since the "Age of Reason" will be offered. Against this background, the concept of "realism" will be interrogated in relation to performance texts and performance values in the emergence of interdisciplinary framework of performance studies. Ways in which dramatic realism emerges from and reflects historical perspectives will be offered and discussed, so as to draw connections between realism, and contemporary South African performance.

A & B: For students who enrolled for the BA Drama programme prior to 2016, as well as for students entering the BDram programme in 2016.

General Academic Regulations and Student Rules

The [General Academic Regulations \(G Regulations\)](#) and [General Student Rules](#) apply to all faculties and registered students of the University, as well as all prospective students who have accepted an offer of a place at the University of Pretoria. On registering for a programme, the student bears the responsibility of ensuring that

they familiarise themselves with the General Academic Regulations applicable to their registration, as well as the relevant faculty-specific and programme-specific regulations and information as stipulated in the relevant yearbook. Ignorance concerning these regulations will not be accepted as an excuse for any transgression, or basis for an exception to any of the aforementioned regulations. The G Regulations are updated annually and may be amended after the publication of this information.

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