

# University of Pretoria Yearbook 2025

# Research methodology 801 (EBW 801)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Faculty	Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences
Module credits	0.00
NQF Level	09
Programmes	PhD specialising in Economics
	PhD specialising in Marketing Management
	PhD specialising in Organisational Behaviour
	PhD specialising in Tourism Management
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	Friday and Saturday classes
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Economic and Management Sciences Dean's Office
Period of presentation	Year

### Module content

- Developing the background to a research problem, and developing a problem statement and propositions and hypotheses relevant to their study.
- Compiling a thorough literature review of the topics they intend to study.
- Approaches to research: An overview of the different approaches to research (qualitative, quantitative and mixed methods) and the philosophical approaches that underpin them (positivism, post-positivism, interpretivism, constructivism, critical theory and pragmatism).
- Different research designs in quantitative and qualitative methods, and appropriate sampling approaches for the different research designs.
- Qualitative research methodology: An overview of qualitative methods for organisational research. An
  overview of the different methodologies on a continuum between modernistic qualitative and post-modernistic
  qualitative research.
- Quantitative research methodology

#### **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.

## Regulations, degree requirements and information

The faculty regulations, information on and requirements for the degrees published here are subject to change and may be amended after the publication of this information.

### University of Pretoria Programme Qualification Mix (PQM) verification project

The higher education sector has undergone an extensive alignment to the Higher Education Qualification Sub-Framework (HEQSF) across all institutions in South Africa. In order to comply with the HEQSF, all institutions are legally required to participate in a national initiative led by regulatory bodies such as the Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET), the Council on Higher Education (CHE), and the South African Qualifications Authority (SAQA). The University of Pretoria is presently engaged in an ongoing effort to align its qualifications and programmes with the HEQSF criteria. Current and prospective students should take note that changes to UP qualification and programme names, may occur as a result of the HEQSF initiative. Students are advised to contact their faculties if they have any questions.