

University of Pretoria Yearbook 2025

Public Law 210 (PBL 210)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Faculty	Faculty of Law
Module credits	10.00
NQF Level	06
Programmes	BAdmin specialising in Public Management and International Relations BA specialising in Law Bachelor of Laws [LLB]
Service modules	Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences Faculty of Humanities
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Public Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

- Introduction to constitutional law and theory
- Basic principles regarding constitutional law, the law in general, the State and the individual
- Important constitutional principles and concepts
- The historical development of modern constitutional law
- Overview of the recent constitutional developments in South Africa since 1952
- The different elements of State
- Sources of South African constitutional law
- The founding provisions, the legal order and symbols of the South African State
- Basic principles of co-operative governance in South Africa
- The South African President and the National Executive Authority
- The National Legislative Authority
- Provincial Government

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.