

University of Pretoria Yearbook 2025

Public Law 220 (PBL 220)

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
Department	Public Law
Period of presentation	Semester 2

Module content

- Situating constitutional rights within the statist-liberal and multicomunal approaches to constitutionalism
- Conceptualisation: human rights; fundamental rights and constitutional rights; universality versus cultural specificity
- Structure and outline of the Bill of Rights
- Standing
- Interpretation with specific reference to transformationism
- Application: the rights bearers and duty-bearers of constitutional rights
- The structure of a dispute involving constitutional rights and limitation
- Capita selecta of specific rights in liberal, communitarian and transformationist contexts, including:
 - Equality and non-discrimination
 - Freedom of religion, belief and opinion
 - Expression and other selected individual freedoms
 - Socio-Economic Rights
 - Enforcement
 - Communal consent
 - Judicial enforcement; South African courts and their jurisdictions; Capita selecta of judicial remedies
 - Chapter IX-institutions
 - Critical notes

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

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University of Pretoria Programme Qualification Mix (PQM) verification project

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