

University of Pretoria Yearbook 2025

Plants and society 161 (BOT 161)

Faculty	Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences
Module credits	8.00
NQF Level	05
Programmes	BEd (Senior Phase and Further Education and Training Teaching)
	BSc Computer Science
	BSc Information and Knowledge Systems
	BSc (Geography) Geography and Environmental Science
	BSc Biochemistry
	BSc Biotechnology
	BSc Chemistry
	BSc Ecology
	BSc Entomology
	BSc Food Science
	BSc Genetics
	BSc Human Genetics
	BSc Human Physiology
	BSc Meteorology
	BSc Microbiology
	BSc Physics
	BSc Plant Science
	BSc specialising in Chemistry 4-year programme
	BSc specialising in Ecology 4-year programme
	BSc specialising in Human Physiology 4-year programme
	BSc specialising in Meteorology 4-year programme
	BSc specialising in Physics 4-year programme
	BSc Zoology
	BScAgric Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness Management



	BScAgric Animal Science
	BScAgric Applied Plant and Soil Sciences
	BScAgric Plant Pathology
	BScAgric specialising in Applied Plant and Soil Sciences 5-year programme
	BScAgric specialising in Plant Pathology 5-year programme
Service modules	Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology
	Faculty of Education
Prerequisites	MLB 111 GS
Contact time	2 lectures per week, fortnightly practicals
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Department of Plant and Soil Sciences
Period of presentation	Semester 2

Module content

Botanical principles of structure and function; diversity of plants; introductory plant systematics and evolution; role of plants in agriculture and food security; principles and applications of plant biotechnology; economical and valuable medicinal products derived from plants; basic principles of plant ecology and their application in conservation and biodiversity management.

This content aligns with the United Nation's Sustainable Debelopment Goals of No Poverty, Good Health and Well-being, Climate Action, Responsible Consumption and Production, and Life on Land.

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.