



# University of Pretoria Yearbook 2025

## Behavioural finance 841 (GIG 841)

**Qualification** Postgraduate

**Faculty** [Gordon Institute of Business Science](#)

**Module credits** 6.00

**NQF Level** 09

**Programmes** [Master of Administration full-time \[MBA\]](#)

[Master of Administration modular \[MBA\]](#)

[Master of Administration part-time \[MBA\]](#)

[MPhil \(Business Management\) \*Change Leadership\* \(Coursework\)](#)

[MPhil \(Business Management\) \*Corporate Strategy\* \(Coursework\)](#)

[MPhil \(Business Management\) \*Leading in New Economies\* \(Coursework\)](#)

[MPhil \(Business Management\) \*International Business\* \(Coursework\)](#)

**Prerequisites** No prerequisites.

**Contact time** 21 contact hours per 3 week-cycle

**Language of tuition** Module is presented in English

**Department** Gordon Institute of Business Science

**Period of presentation** Semester 2

### Module content

Behavioural finance provides insights into how market participants and investors act inductively - each creating their own set of predictors, beliefs and hypotheses (internal models) - and respond to the current state of the market based on their currently most accurate information. This insight helps market participants to successfully navigate complex adaptive financial markets and to better understand and account for market phenomena such as the emergence of market psychology, fat-tail distribution events, asset price bubbles, financial crashes, market anomalies and random periods of high or low volatility.

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