



University of Pretoria Yearbook 2025

Law and sustainable development 801 (LRD 801)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Faculty	Faculty of Law
Module credits	30.00
NQF Level	09
Programmes	LLM (Multidisciplinary Human Rights) (Coursework) MPhil (Multidisciplinary Human Rights) (Coursework)
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Centre for Human Rights
Period of presentation	Semester 1 or Semester 2

Module content

This module is an introduction to the Law and Sustainable Development discipline. Using a “systems” approach, the module exposes students to the complexities of development given globalisation, the separation of powers, and international public interest / human rights law. Three core subsystems (politics, economics and law) are considered, to make the case for a multidisciplinary but integrated development model. In this model, the law, judiciary and legal practitioners play a primary role to galvanise and shape development policy and a secondary role to redress infractions and omissions. Students will consider development in a post-WWII context and the paradigms that have shaped the thinking, policies, programmes and practices adopted by nation states to advance the aspirations and legal obligations set out in international, regional and national human rights instruments. The module content includes:

- Development in a Post-World War II context
- Institutional economics
- Foreign investment and Law and Sustainable Development
- Practical considerations in Law and Sustainable Development

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