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Research methodology 320 (RHP 320)

Qualification Undergraduate **Faculty** Faculty of Law Module credits 10.00 **Prerequisites** No prerequisites. Contact time 2 lectures per week Language of tuition Both Afr and Eng Academic organisation Jurisprudence Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

*For IIB

The module has two main components: Generic research skills and methods and perspectives concerning legal research.

GENERIC SKILLS

- (a) How to plan a research project
- (b) How to write a research proposal
- (c) Drafting of chapters
- (d) Language
- (e) Citation, ethics of citation, presentation

METHODS AND PERSPECTIVES CONCERNING LEGAL RESEARCH

- (a) The nature and purpose of Comparative Law, the advantages, disadvantages, and pitfalls of comparative research, dogmatic and functional approaches to legal comparison, types of comparative studies and the comparative method
- (b) Legal historical research
- (c) Legal pluralism
- (d) Socio-legal approaches
- (e) Broad theoretical perspectives

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