



University of Pretoria Yearbook 2025

Contemporary challenges in disability law, policy and practice in Africa 805 (DRL 805)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Faculty	Faculty of Law
Module credits	25.00
NQF Level	09
Programmes	LLM (Human Rights) Disability Rights (Coursework) MPhil (Human Rights) Disability Rights (Coursework)
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	30 contact hours per semester
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Centre for Human Rights
Period of presentation	Semester 2

Module content

In this module a multidisciplinary approach is adopted to disability law, policy and practice. The focus is on contemporary challenges in disability law, policy and practice in an African context and selected topics may include:

- Contemporary challenges in disability law, policy and practice in Africa
- Anthropology of disability in an African context
- Disability and intersectionality in an African context, exploring multiple identities and cumulative discrimination
- Disability and social change in an African context
- Disability rights in practice: legal capacity, supported decision-making and independent living in an African context
- Disability and development in Africa: Inclusive development and the sustainable development goals
- Disability and social policy
- Inclusive education law, policy and practice
- Mental health law, policy and practice
- Advocacy and access to justice in Africa

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