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VISION
The University of Venda aspires to be at the centre of
tertiary education for rural and regional
development in Southern Africa.

MISSION
The University of Venda, anchored on the pillars of excellence in
teaching, learning, research and community engagement,
produces graduates imbued with knowledge, skills and
qualifications which are locally relevant
and globally competitive.
THE CALENDAR IS OBTAINABLE IN THE FOLLOWING SEPARATE PARTS:

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8. SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT SCIENCES
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LH Kone

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Lab Technician  Vacant

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SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURE

RULES FOR THE SCHOOL

S.1 DEGREES / DIPLOMAS CONFERRED IN THE SCHOOL.

Bachelor of Science in Agriculture (various specializations) BSC (Agric)
Bachelor of Science in Forestry BSCFON
Bachelor of Science in Food Science and Technology BSCFSN
Bachelor of Science in Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering BSC(ENG.)
Bachelor of Agriculture Honours BAGRIC (Hons)
Bachelor of Arts Honours in Rural Development BAHRDV
Master of Science in Agriculture (various specializations) MSCAGR
Master of Science in Food Science and Technology MCFST
Masters in Rural Development MRDV
Doctor of Philosophy in Agriculture PhD (Agric)
Doctor of Philosophy in Rural Development PhDRDV

S. 2 ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

2.1 GENERAL ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

2.1.1 The minimum admission requirement for a candidate wishing to enroll for the degree program is a National Senior Certificate (NSC) or Independent Examination Board (IEB) school leaving certificate as certified by Council for Quality Assurance in General and Further Education (Umalusi) with a minimum achievement rating of 4 (adequate achievement, 50-59%) in Mathematics and Physical Science, English and either Life Sciences or Agricultural Sciences. In addition, applicants must have a minimum admission point score (APS) of 26 (subject to review by Senate from time to time). A grade 12 certificate with a bachelor degree or matric exemption if grade 12 was completed before 2008.

2.1.2 Candidates may be admitted based on Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) (Selection testing; interviewing; and assessment of portfolio of evidence). Individuals will be declared competent on the basis of the provisions of the Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) policy of UNIVEN.

Note: Achievement of the minimum admission requirements does not guarantee an applicant admission to any programme.

Calculation of admission point score

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The School does not include Life Orientation and Mathematics Literacy in the calculation of APS.
2.2 DEGREE - SPECIFIC ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

2.2.1 BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN AGRICULTURE (leading to BSc in Agriculture with specialization in Agricultural Economics, Agribusiness, Animal Science, Horticultural Sciences, Plant Production and Soil Science):

2.2.1.1 The minimum admission requirement for a candidate wishing to enroll for the degree program is a National Senior Certificate (NSC) with a bachelor’s endorsement or Independent Examination Board (IEB) school leaving certificate as certified by Council for Quality Assurance in General and Further Education (Umalusi). A pass with a minimum achievement rating of 4 (50-59%) in Mathematics and Physical Science, English and either Life Sciences or Agricultural Sciences is required to enroll for the programme. In addition, applicants must have a minimum point score of 26.

2.2.2. BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN FORESTRY

2.2.2.1 The admission requirements are the same as for the Bachelor of Science in Agriculture above.

2.2.3. BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN FOOD SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

2.2.3.1 The minimum admission requirement for a candidate wishing to enroll for the degree program is a National Senior Certificate (NSC) with a bachelors’ endorsement or Independent Examination Board (IEB) school leaving certificate as certified by Council for Quality Assurance in General and Further Education (Umalusi). A pass with a minimum achievement rating of 5 (60-69%) in Mathematics and Physical Science, achievement rating of 4 (50-59%) in English and either Life Sciences or Agricultural Sciences is required to enroll for the programme. In addition, applicants must have a minimum point score of 32.

2.2.4 BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN AGRICULTURAL AND BIOSYSTEMS ENGINEERING

2.2.4.1 The minimum admission requirement for a candidate wishing to enroll for the degree program is a National Senior Certificate (NSC) with a bachelors’ endorsement or Independent Examination Board (IEB) School Leaving Certificate as certified by Council for Quality Assurance in General and Further Education (Umalusi). A pass with a minimum achievement rating of 6 (70-79%) in Mathematics, Physical Science, Life Sciences or Agricultural Sciences and a minimum achievement rating of 4 (50-59%) in English is required to enroll for the programme. In addition, applicants must have a minimum point score of 32.

2.2.5 BACHELOR OF AGRICULTURE HONOURS

2.2.5.1 To qualify for admission a student must possess a Bachelor's degree in Agriculture with an average of 60% pass in the field of specialization.

2.2.6 BACHELOR OF ARTS HONOURS IN RURAL DEVELOPMENT

2.2.6.1 To qualify for admission, a student must possess a Bachelor's degree with an average of 60% pass in the field of specialization.

2.2.6.2 Minimum qualification for admission is an undergraduate degree in Agriculture (B. Agric or BSc. Agric), BA or BSc in Sociology, Anthropology, Development Studies, Community Development, Environmental Sciences, Education, B.Com in Economics, Management or any other related discipline, from this or any other university, as may be determined by the Director of the Centre.

2.2.6.3 Recognition of Prior Learning of practitioners in line with the University policy.
2.2.7 MASTER OF SCIENCE IN AGRICULTURE and MASTER OF SCIENCE IN FOOD SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (DISSERTATION ONLY)

2.2.7.1 A relevant Honours degree or the equivalent is required for admission to study for the Master's degree.
2.2.7.2 A student who has obtained an Honours degree at another university or any other institution must apply for status recognition subject to the prescribed conditions.
2.2.7.3 Before a student's application for registration can be considered, a provisional topic and field of study is to be specified and submitted to the Registrar on recommendation by the Head of Department and approval by the School Board.
2.2.7.4 A student may be required to visit the University for an Interview with the Head of the Department concerned before admission.
2.2.7.5 Unless otherwise decided by Senate, a second Master's degree may not be taken in the same field of study.

2.2.8 MASTERS IN RURAL DEVELOPMENT

2.2.8.1 A relevant Honours degree or the equivalent is required for admission to study for the Masters degree.
2.2.8.2 A student who has obtained an Honours degree at another university or any other institution must apply for status recognition subject to the prescribed conditions.
2.2.8.3 Before a student's application for registration can be considered, a provisional topic and field of study is to be specified and submitted to the Registrar on recommendation by the Head of Department and approval by the School Board.
2.2.8.4 A student may be required to visit the university for an interview with the Head of Department concerned before admission.
2.2.8.5 Unless otherwise decided by Senate, a second Master's degree may not be taken in the same field of study.

2.2.9 DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN AGRICULTURE

2.2.9.1 A relevant Master's degree or its equivalent is required for admission to study for a Doctoral degree.
2.2.9.2 A student who has obtained a Master's degree from another university or institution must apply for status recognition subject to the prescribed rules.
2.2.9.3 Before a candidate's application for registration can be considered, the title or topic of the proposed thesis, together with a brief outline of the research must be submitted to the Department and the School's Postgraduate Committee for recommendation and approval by Senate.

2.2.10 DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN RURAL DEVELOPMENT

2.2.10.1 The minimum admission criterion for a doctoral degree is a master's degree in the relevant areas from this University or any other university, which is evaluated by the Director of the Centre and judged adequate.
2.2.10.2 Before a candidate's application for registration can be considered, the title or topic of the proposed thesis, together with a brief outline of the research must be submitted to the Department/Centre and the School's Postgraduate Committee for recommendation and approval by Senate.

S. 3 DURATION OF STUDY

3.1 The curriculum shall extend over at least four years of full-time study for the BSCAGRIC, BSCFON, BSCFSN and BSCENG.
3.2 The minimum duration of study for the MSCAGRIC and MRDV (research only) is one academic year. The maximum period of study is three years for full-time study and four years of part-time study. Students who wish to defer their studies at any stage must submit an application to the relevant department. If granted, such deferment will
be for a maximum period of one year, after which a further application must be submitted. Deferment will, at most, be granted twice.

3.3 The duration of study for a **DOCTORAL degree** will extend over a period of at least two years of full-time study and three years of part-time study. The maximum period of study is five years full-time and seven years part-time, subject to Senate approval. Extension may be granted only in exceptional cases and for only one year. A student who desires an extension must submit a motivated application for consideration by Senate.

**S. 4 COMPOSITION OF THE CURRICULUM**

**4.1 BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN AGRICULTURE (all specializations)**

4.1.1 When the word "module" is used, it shall mean for a period of one semester except those ending with code ...081.

4.1.2 Students may not select modules that clash on the lecturing and practical timetables. No modules, whether within the School or from outside the School will be recognized unless approved by the relevant Heads of Departments and the Dean of the School. Students wishing to enroll for **non-degree purpose (NDP) modules** must consult the Head of Department and the Dean.

4.1.3 **Students are allowed to register only modules for which prerequisites have been passed.**

4.1.4 A student who does not gain any credit in his/her first year of study will not be readmitted to the same programme in the following year.

**4.2 BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN FORESTRY**

4.2.1. Same as in 4.1

**4.3 BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN FOOD SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**

4.3.1. Same as in 4.

**4.5 MASTER OF SCIENCE IN AGRICULTURE, MASTER OF SCIENCE IN FOOD SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY and MASTERS IN RURAL DEVELOPMENT**

(Dissertation only)

4.5.1 The curriculum consists of a dissertation based on a topic recommended by the Head of Department as well as the school’s Postgraduate Studies Committee for approval by Senate.

4.5.2 Students may be required to take some makeup/ancillary modules as may be determined by the Head of Department under which the student is specializing. The modules may be at undergraduate or honours level or both.

**4.6 DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN AGRICULTURE and DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN RURAL DEVELOPMENT**

4.6.1 The curriculum consists of a thesis based on a topic approved by the Head of the Department as well as the school’s Postgraduate Studies Committee for approval by Senate.

**S. 5 MODULE CREDITS**

5.1 Students retain credits for all modules passed.

5.2 A candidate shall not be permitted to repeat a module more than once. In the case of a final year student, the rule may be waived at the discretion of the Dean in consultation with the Head of Department.
5.3 No student will be allowed to switch from one School to another without consulting the relevant Deans and Heads of Departments and without complying with the relevant School entrance requirements.

5.4 Senate, on the recommendation of the School, may cancel or refuse to renew the registration of any student whose academic record is regarded by the School to be so unsatisfactory that the degree will not be completed within the period as stipulated in the General Rules.

5.5 In order to register second year modules, a student must pass 60% of first year modules. To register third year modules, all first year and second year modules must be passed while all modules at first, second and third years must be passed in order to register for the final year of study of a programme.

5.6 To register for a module, the prerequisite module(s) must be passed where applicable.

S. 6 CREDIT FOR MODULES PASSED ELSEWHERE.

6.1 Accepted candidates may, subject to the provision of Rules S.4 and S.5 receive credit for modules completed at another recognized University towards a degree of this University, on application to the Senate.

6.2 Candidates holding a Diploma in Agriculture from a recognized Tertiary Institution may be exempted from certain modules on recommendation by the School and approval by Senate. For students who are granted exemption, there may be restrictions on the choice of disciplines.

S. 7 ASSESSMENT METHOD FOR DIPLOMA, BACHELOR’S AND HONOURS DEGREES

7.1 In the first 3 or 4 years of study (bachelors) each module will be assessed thus: Continuous assessment of content (60%) Examinations of content (40%)

7.2 A student must acquire a minimum of 40% in each of the two components of assessment. To qualify for the examination a student must have obtained 40% in the continuous assessment (tests, assignments and projects).

7.3 Subject to the respective rules, candidates for postgraduate degrees will only be assessed in a particular module if they attended lectures, tutorials and prescribed practicals satisfactorily and obtained a semester mark of 50%.

7.4 Candidates are not entitled to their assessment results unless they have paid the prescribed fees.

7.5. A student must attain a minimum of 50% pass in each of the components of assessment. A student who fails one of these components, will be allowed to repeat only that component. The written examination component will be conducted during the next normal examination period for that specific module.

7.6 All written examinations will be taken only during official examination sessions.

7.7. A mini dissertation / research report for honours students will not exceed 60 pages. Progress must be kept by both the supervisor and the Head of department and a report must be produced every semester. This report must serve at the respective school boards through the School's Postgraduate Studies Committee at the end of every semester. Each school shall submit their reports to the Dean who will in turn submit these reports to Senate.

7.8. All examination reports will be approved by the respective departments. These reports should be submitted to the School Postgraduate Studies Committee. The Committee should then forward these reports to Senate for ratification.

7.9. A candidate who fails the mini-dissertation will be allowed to resubmit within a period not exceeding 6 months.

7.10 Students must submit five bound copies of the final mini-dissertation to their departments for onward transmission to the Examination Section. These mini-dissertations must be hard bound after finalization.
S. 8  ASSESSMENT METHOD FOR MASTERS DEGREE BY COURSEWORK

8.1 The examination comprises a minimum of five (5) papers (may vary depending on individual departmental requirements) and a mini-dissertation.
8.2 Individual departments will, where applicable prescribe compulsory papers to be taken.
8.3 The student must write the relevant examinations during the year of registration (i.e., Jun/Jul) and (Nov/Dec) of the year of registration.
8.4 To pass the examination the student must obtain an average of 50% in each individual paper.

S. 9  ASSESSMENT METHOD FOR MASTERS DEGREE BY RESEARCH

9.1 The examination consists of a dissertation based on a topic recommended by the Head of Department and approved by Senate.
9.2 A dissertation may not be submitted until one year has elapsed after completion of the relevant honours degree.
9.3 The dissertation will be examined by both internal and external examiners. An oral examination may be required.

S. 10 ASSESSMENT METHOD FOR DOCTOR of PHILOSOPHY IN AGRICULTURE AND DOCTOR of PHILOSOPHY IN RURAL DEVELOPMENT

10.1 A Doctor's degree is awarded on the basis of a thesis only.
10.2 The degree may be conferred on a candidate after a period of two years has elapsed since he/she has obtained the Masters degree.
10.3 A candidate for the doctoral degree has to present himself / herself for the oral defense of his / her thesis before the examination committee as part of the assessment criteria for the degree.

S. 11 COMPOSITION OF THE CURRICULA FOR UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN AGRICULTURE (BSCAEN) (AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS SPECIALIZATION)

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# S. 13 COMPOSITION OF THE CURRICULUM FOR BA(Hons) IN RURAL DEVELOPMENT

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## S. 14 COMPOSITION OF THE CURRICULUM FOR MASTER OF SCIENCE IN AGRICULTURE (COURSEWORK AND MINI-DISSERTATION)

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**MASTER OF SCIENCE IN AGRICULTURE (MSCSSC) (Soil Science)**

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**S. 15 MODULES OFFERED BY DEPARTMENTS**

**Department of Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness**

- AEC 2541: Introduction to agricultural economics
- AGM 2641: Introduction to agribusiness management
- AEC 3541: Farm Business management
- AEC 3542: Agricultural sector planning and project appraisal
- AEC 3543: Introduction to mathematical economics
- AEC 3642: Introduction to econometrics.
- AEC 3643: Research Methods for Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness
- AGM 3641: Agribusiness management and applications
- AEC 4541: Agricultural production economics
- AEC 4542: Agricultural policy in developing countries
- AEC 4641: Natural resource and environmental economics
- AEC 4642: Markets and price analysis
- AEC 4081: Project and seminar presentation
- EXT 2541: Introduction to rural sociology
- EXT 3641: Introduction to agricultural extension
- EXT 5641: Communication and extension for rural development
- AEC 6541: Advanced agricultural production economics
- AEC 6542: Advanced agribusiness management & marketing
- AEC 6543: Research methodology
- AEC 6641: Advanced agricultural policy
- AEC 6642: Research project and seminar
- EXT 6641: Advanced agricultural extension education
- AEC 6099: Dissertation
- AEC 7099: Thesis
Department of Agricultural and Rural Engineering  
(Modules for the new BSC(ENG.) degree programme) (First Intake 2017)

ABE 1531 Technical Communication skills
ABE 1532 Introduction to Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering
ABE 1533 Physics I
ABE 1534 Chemistry I
ABE 1535 Pure Mathematics I
ABE 1536 Applied Mathematics I
ABE 1537 Engineering Drawing I
ABE 1631 Introduction to Agricultural Sciences
ABE 1632 Physics II (Prerequisites ABE 1536)
ABE 1633 Chemistry II (Prerequisites ABE 1534)
ABE 1634 Earth and Environmental Science
ABE 1635 Pure Mathematics II (Prerequisites ABE 1535)
ABE 1636 Applied Mathematics II (Prerequisites ABE 1536)
ABE1637 Fundamentals of Computing
ABE 2531 Engineering Mathematics I (Prerequisites ABE 1635, ABE 1636)
ABE 2532 Electrical Engineering (Prerequisites ABE 1632)
ABE 2233 Thermodynamics I (Prerequisites ABE 1632)
ABE 2534 Solid and Structural Mechanics I (Prerequisites ABE 1632)
ABE 2535 Mechanics of Machines I (Prerequisites ABE 1632)
ABE 2536 Material Science and Engineering (Prerequisites ABE 1532)
ABE 2537 Engineering Drawing II (Prerequisites ABE 1537)
ABE 2538 Fluid Mechanics I (Prerequisites ABE 1632)
ABE 2631 Engineering Mathematics II (Prerequisites 2531)
ABE 2632 Computer Programming for Engineers (Prerequisites ABE 1637)
ABE 2633 Engineering Surveying (Prerequisites ABE 2531)
ABE 2634 Solid and Structural Mechanics II (Prerequisites ABE 2534)
ABE 2635 Mechanics of Machines II (Prerequisites ABE 2535)
ABE 2636 Electronics (Prerequisites ABE 1632)
ABE 2637 Materials Processing (Prerequisites ABE 2536)
ABE 2638 Fluid Mechanics II (Prerequisites ABE 2538)
ABE 3531 Renewable Energy Resources and Technologies (Prerequisites ABE 1533)
ABE 3532 Thermodynamics II (Prerequisites ABE 2533)
ABE 3533 Operations Research (Prerequisites ABE 1532)
ABE 3534 Soil Science (Prerequisites ABE 1532)
ABE 3535 Instrumentation (Prerequisites ABE2636)
ABE 3536 Engineering Hydrology and Meteorology (Prerequisites ABE2632)
ABE 3537 Statistical Methods and Experimental Design (Prerequisites ABE 2632, ABE 1635)
ABE 3631 Soil dynamics and Mechanics (Prerequisites ABE 1532)
ABE 3632 Irrigation and Drainage Engineering (Prerequisites ABE 3536, ABE 1532)
ABE 3633 Tractor Power Engineering (Prerequisites ABE 2635)
ABE 3634 Structural Design (Prerequisites ABE 2634)
ABE 3635 Process and Food Engineering (Prerequisites ABE 1631)
ABE 3636 Principles of Microeconomics
ABE 3637 Heat and Mass Transfer (Prerequisites ABE 3532)
ABE 3638 Rural Water Supply and Sanitation (Prerequisites ABE 3536)

Session I 
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ABE 4000 Industrial/Field Attachment (Prerequisites – PASSED ALL YEAR 3 MODULES)

Session II
ABE 4532 Engineering Economy (Prerequisites AB 3633)
ABE 4533 Built Environment Engineering (Prerequisites ABE 2633)
ABE 4534 Soil and Water Conservation Engineering (Prerequisites ABE 1634, ABE 3534)
ABE 4535 Entrepreneurship and Product Development (Prerequisites ABE 4532)
ABE 4536 Design Project I* (Prerequisites – PASSED ALL YEAR 3 MODULES)
ABE 4537 Project Planning and Management (Prerequisites ABE 3537)
ABE 4538 Rural Structures (Prerequisites ABE 2633)
ABE 4631 Design Project II – CONTINUES FROM SESSION I (Prerequisites ABE 4536)
ABE 4632 Electrification (Prerequisites ABE 2532)
ABE 4999 ECSA outcome portfolio
ABE 4633 Conservation and Precision Agriculture (Prerequisites ABE 3534)
ABI 4642 Water Systems Engineering (Prerequisites ABE 3632, ABE 3638)
ABE 4634 Mechanization & Machinery Management (Prerequisites ABE 3633)
ABE 4635 Aquatic Machinery Engineering (Prerequisites ABE 3633)
ABE 4637 Tractor Power and Machinery Systems Design (Prerequisites ABE 3633)
ABE 4638 Transport Systems (Prerequisites ABE 3633, ABE 4538)
ABE 4639 Land Development Machinery (Prerequisites ABE 3633)
ABE 4641 Construction Management (Prerequisites ABE 4533)
ABE 4624 Rural Extension & Technology Transfer (Prerequisites ABE 4535, ABE 4532)
ABE 4643 Geo-Information Systems (Prerequisites ABE 2633)
ABI 4631 Hydrological Design of Reservoirs (Prerequisites ABE 3536)
ABI 4632 Design of Irrigation and Drainage Systems (Prerequisites ABE 3632)
ABI 4634 Groundwater Hydrology (Prerequisites ABE 3536)
ABI 4635 Surface Water Hydrology (Prerequisites ABE 3536)
ABS 4631 Refrigeration and air conditioning (Prerequisites ABE 3635)
ABS 4632 Storage of agricultural products (Prerequisites ABE 3635)
ABS 4633 Processing plant design (Prerequisites ABE 3635)
ABS 4634 Food engineering systems (Prerequisites ABE 3635)
ABS 4635 Dairy technology (Prerequisites ABE 3635)
ABS 4636 Post harvest technology (Prerequisites ABE 3635)
ABS 4637 Agro-Industrial Waste Management (Prerequisites ABE 1634)
ABS 4638 Packaging technology (Prerequisites ABE 3635)

Department of Animal Science

GEN 1641: Principles of genetics
ANS 2531: Introduction to Animal production
ANS 2532: Biochemical principles in animal nutrition
ANS 2541: Basic principles of nutrition
ANS 2631: Principles of animal nutrition
ANS 2641: Feeding of farm livestock
ANS 2643: Anatomy, histology and physiology of farm animals
ANS 3531: Genetic principles in animal breeding
ANS 3533: Management of dairy cattle
ANS 3541: Applied animal nutrition
ANS 3542: Management of ruminant farm animals
ANS 3543: Management of small stock
ANS 3544: Management of beef cattle
ANS 3632: Principles of poultry production
ANS 3633: Animal health
ANS 3634: Pig production
ANS 3641: Reproductive physiology
ANS 3642: Poultry production
ANS 4531: Qualitative and quantitative genetics
ANS 4532: Biochemical principles in animal nutrition
ANS 4081: Seminar/Scientific Project
ANS 4621: Animal production systems and management
ANS 4632: Environmental physiology
ANS 4641: Applied animal breeding
ANS 4642: Livestock products
ANS 5531: The science and management of monogastric animals
ANS 5532: The science and management of ruminant animals
ANS 5631: Selected topics in animal production
ANS 5632: Animal health and disease control
ANS 5099: Research project and mini dissertation
ANS 6541: Agricultural biometry
ANS 6531: Seminar presentation /special topic
ANS 6542: Ruminant nutrition
ANS 6543: Advance large stock production
ANS 6544: Advance pig production
ANS 6545: Advance animal breeding
ANS 6631: Seminar presentation / special topic
ANS 6642: Non ruminant nutrition
ANS 6643: Advance animal physiology and anatomy
ANS 6644: Advance small stock production
ANS 6645: Advance poultry production
ANS 6099: Dissertation
ANS 7099: Thesis

**Department of Consumer Sciences**

FEC 1541: Introduction to Family Ecology
FEC 1641: Family Development and Management
FEC 1642: Introduction to nutrition
FEC 2541: Family resource management and decision making
FEC 2542: Life-cycle nutrition
FEC 2543: Introduction to foods
FEC 2544: Housing provisions
FEC 2545: Introduction to clothing and textiles
FEC 2641: Family financial management and consumer studies
FEC 2642: Nutrition-related diseases
FEC 2643: Food preservation
FEC 2644: Ecology and design perspectives of housing
FEC 2645: Garment construction and pattern design
FEC 3541: Adult education, gender and development
FEC 3542: Community nutrition
FEC 3543: Meal management and food product development
FEC 3544: Interior planning of houses
FEC 3545: Fashion marketing & clothing industry consumer services
FEC 3081: Research project / industrial attachment

**Department of Food Science and Technology**

FST 2541: Introduction to food science and technology
FST 2621: Introduction to food and nutrition
FST 2642: Fundamentals of Post-harvest biology and storage technology
FST 2643: Fundamentals of food preservation technology
FST 2644: Food process engineering
FST 3541: Principles of human nutrition
FSN 3542/ FST 3542: Food chemistry I
FSN 3543: Food Microbiology
FSN 3081: Food commodity processing
FSN 3641: Product development and sensory evaluation of food
FSN 3642: Food chemistry II
FSN 3643: Quality management systems
FSN 3644: Cereal science and technology
FST 4541: Industrial attachment/Work Integrated Learning
FSN 4641: Fruit and vegetable technology
FSN 4642: Meat and poultry products technology
FST 4643: Food machinery
FST 4081: Research project
FST 6541: Quality assurance and marketing in food process enterprise
FST 6542: Food machinery
FST 6543: Advances in post-harvest technology
FST 6641: Seminar presentation
FST 6642: Research project
FST 6643: Technical report writing
FST 6099: Dissertation
FST 7099: Thesis

Department of Forestry

FRT 2541: Forest ecology and tree identification
FRT 2542: Wood science
FRT 2543: Wood anatomy and properties
FRT 2641: Introduction to forestry engineering
FRT 2642: Wood and non-wood-based materials
FRT 3531: Silviculture I
FRT 3541: Mensuration, inventory and harvesting
FRT 3542: Sawmilling
FRT 3544: Forest resources assessment
FRT 3641: Silviculture II
FRT 3642: Forest policy
FRT 3643: Silviculture of planted forests
FRT 3644: Forest protection
FRT 3645: Logging and roads
FRT 4541: Agroforestry
FRT 4542: Forest conservation
FRT 4641: Forest engineering
FRT 4642: Community forestry
FRT 4643: Timber transportation and planning
FRT 4644: Silviculture of natural forests
FRT 4081: Project and seminar presentation

Department of Horticultural Sciences

HRT 2541: Principles of horticultural crops production
HRT 2641/3641: Plant propagation
HRT 3531: Ornamental horticulture
HRT 3533: Plant tissue culture
HRT 3534: Citriculture/Citrus production
HRT 3544: Controlled environment horticulture
HRT 3631: Olericulture
HRT 3642: Turf grass and landscape horticulture
HRT 4532: Spice, herbs, beverages and medicinal crops
HRT 4541: Postharvest physiology of horticultural crops
HRT 4542: Tropical and subtropical fruit and nut trees production
HRT 4633: Temperate fruits and nut trees production
HRT 4642: Agriculture biotechnology
HRT 4081: Project and seminar presentation
HRT 5531: Advanced plant propagation
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HRT 5533: Advanced olericulture
HRT 5621: Special topics in horticultural sciences
HRT 5622: Sustainable horticultural crops production
HRT 5099: Research project and mini dissertation
HRT 6541: Data analysis & evaluation techniques in HRT
HRT 6542: Agriculture biotechnology
HRT 6543: Special Topics in HRT crop production
HRT 6544: Guide to interdisciplinary research
HRT 6641: Advances in Horticultural crops production systems
HRT 6642: Post harvest diseases: Tropical & subtropical HRT crops
HRT 6643: Advances in Horticultural crop protection
HRT 6099: Dissertation
HRT 7099: Thesis

Department of Plant Production

AGR 1631: Agriculture and Humankind
AGR 2541: Introduction to plant production (Prerequisite AGR 1631)
AGR 3541: Principles & application of plant physiology in plant production (Prerequisites BIO 1542, BIO 1643)
AGR 3631: Dryland farming technology (Prerequisite AGR 2541)
AGR 3641: Introductory plant breeding and seed production (Prerequisites GEN 1641, AGR 3541)
AGR 4531: Agronomy of selected commercial crops
AGR 4631: Agronomy of selected oil seed, fibre & cereal crops
AGR 4532: Management of natural and cultivated pastures (Prerequisite AGR 2541)
AGR 4533: Bio-energy crops: Agronomy and postharvest processing (Prerequisite AGR 2541, AGR 3641, PPR 3541)
AGR 4632: Agronomy of selected field crops (Prerequisite AGR 2541, AGR 3641, PPR 3541)
AGR 4081: Project and seminar presentation
AGR 5531: Agronomy of cereal crops
AGR 5631: Agronomy of legumes and tuber crops
PPR 3541: Introduction to plant protection
PPR 3631: Agricultural entomology (Prerequisite PPR 2541/3541)
PPR 3641: Weed science (Prerequisite PPR 2541/3541)
PPR 4541: Plant pathology (Prerequisite PPR 3541)
PPR 5621: Weed science
PPR 5632: Disease and insect pest control
PPR 5099: Research project and mini dissertation
AGR 6531: Special topics in crop production
AGR 6542: Special topics in plant breeding
AGR 6631: Crop production systems
AGR 6642: Advances in applied crop physiology
PPR 6541: Advanced plant protection
AGR 6099: Dissertation
AGR 7099: Thesis

Department of Soil Science

SSC 2541: Introduction to Soil Science
SSC 2642: Geology for soil science
SSC 3531: Soil biology and ecology
SSC 3541: Soil classification and mapping
SSC 3542: Soil chemistry
SSC 3543: Pedology
SSC 3544: Soil physics
SSC 3632: Soil fertility and analysis
SSC 3633: Soil physics
SSC 3643: Pedology
SSC 3641: Soil survey, classification and mapping
SSC 3642: Soil microbiology
SSC 3644: Regional pedology
SSC 4541: Soil-plant-water relationships
SSC 4641: Soil fertility and plant nutrition
SSC 4642: Advanced soil chemistry
SSC 4643: Advanced soil physics
SSC 4644: Land evaluation
SSC 4645: Soil, water and plant analysis
SSC 4081: Project and Seminar presentation
SSC 5531: Soil genesis and morphology
SSC 5631: Soil survey and classification
SSC 5632: Soil technology and conservation
SSC 5099: Research project and mini-dissertation
SSC 6531: Soil genesis, survey and classification
SSC 6532: Soil chemistry and clay mineralogy
SSC 6533: Soil physics
SSC 6631: Project and seminar presentation
SSC 6632: Chemical analysis of soils, plants, fertilizer and water
SSC 6633: Soil fertility and fertilizer use
SSC 6634: Soil biology and biochemistry
SSC 6635: Soil technology and conservation
SSC 6099: Dissertation
SSC 7099: Thesis

**Institute for Rural Development**

IRD 5541: Rural Development Theories and Practice
IRD 5542: Research Methods 1
IRD 5543: Project Management
IRD 5544: Entrepreneurship
IRD 5641: Institutions for Rural Development
IRD 5631: Contemporary Issues in Rural Development
IRD 5642: Research Methods 2
IRD 5621: Ethics in Community-based International Research
IRD 5622: People, Culture and the Environment
IRD 5099: Research Project
IRD 6099: Dissertation
IRD 7099: Thesis
S. 18 SYLLABI

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL AND AGribusiness MANAGEMENT (Module content)

AEC 2541 Introduction to agricultural economics

EXT 2541 Introduction to rural sociology
Rural Institutions and Organisations in rural areas. Structural set up and decision making in rural areas. Communications and diffusion of innovations in rural societies. Cognitive, attitudinal and interpersonal factors influencing social change. Some selected case studies of social action in rural African Communities.

AGM 2641 Introduction to agribusiness management
Prerequisite AEC 2541

AEC 3541 Farm business management
Prerequisites AEC 2541

AEC 3542 Agricultural sector planning and project appraisal
Prerequisite AEC 2541

AEC 3543 Introduction to mathematical economics
Prerequisite MAT 1543

AEC 3642 Introduction to econometrics
Prerequisites STA 1648 and AEC 3543
AEC 3643  Research methods for Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness
Prerequisites STA 1549 and STA1648

AGM 3641  Agribusiness management and applications
Prerequisite AGM 2641

EXT 3641  Introduction to agricultural extension

AEC 4081  Project and seminar presentation
Prerequisite AEC 3643

AEC 4541  Agricultural production economics
Prerequisite AEC 3541

AEC 4542  Agricultural policy in developing countries
Prerequisite AEC 2541
Role of agriculture in the economic development process. Macro-economic goals in relation to agriculture in the economic development process. Agricultural policies relating to land use and land reform; credit, water use, extension, research and marketing of agricultural products. Structural adjustments and their impact on African Agriculture. Agricultural institutions and their role in poverty alleviation in developing countries.

AEC 4641  Natural resource and environmental economics
Prerequisite AEC 2541

AEC 4642  Markets and price analysis
Prerequisite AEC 2541
WIL 4582  Work-integrated learning
Prerequisite  AGM 3641

DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL SCIENCE (Module content)

GEN 1641  Principles of genetics
Prerequisites  None
Credits  12
Module Contents: History of genetics; Mendelian genetics; Multiple alleles; Modified ratios; Sex determination and sex linkage; Structure and functions of the genetic material; Chromosomal and gene mutations; Biotechnology (genetics and society).

ANS 2531  Introduction to animal production
Prerequisites  CHE 1540 and CHE 1622
Credits  9
Module content: breeds of livestock and their products; environmental physiology; vegetation and livestock distribution in RSA; selected management practices in animal production; breeding of livestock; grazing systems and veld management practices; diseases of animals and their causes; grading and classification of livestock products

ANS 2532  Biochemical principles of animal nutrition
Prerequisites  CHE 1540 and CHE 1622
Credits  9
Module content: an understanding of metabolism, bioenergetics and energy metabolism, final common pathway of energy metabolism including substrate level phosphorylation and oxidative phosphorylation, carbohydrates, lipids and protein and digestion and metabolism in non-ruminants and ruminants, and indicators in pasture and range studies.

ANS 2631  Principles of animal nutrition
Prerequisites  ANS 2532
Credits  9

ANS 2641  Feeding of farm livestock (syllabus not available)

ANS 2643  Anatomy and physiology of farm animals
Prerequisites  None
Credits  12
Module content: Cell structures and cell physiology, terminology, identification of body parts in anatomy, nervous system, digestive system, respiratory system, excretory system, blood and circulation, reproductive system, endocrine system, homeostasis and its control, immune system.

ANS 3531  Genetic principles in animal breeding
Prerequisites  GEN 1641, ANS 2531
Credits  12
Module Content: Genetic properties of a population; Factors that change gene frequencies; Qualitative and Quantitative characters; Types of traits in farm animals; Breeding value; Principles of selection; Aids to selection; Multiple-trait selection; Inbreeding; Crossbreeding in farm animals.
ANS 3533  Management of dairy cattle  
**Pre-requisite:**  ANS 2531  
**Credits:**  9  
**Module content:** Dairy breeds, Mating systems, Feeds and feeding of dairy cattle, Fodder flow, Milking program, Herd management. Herd health, Facilities, equipment and technological, developments, Dairy record keeping.

ANS 3541  Applied animal nutrition  
**Pre-requisite:**  ANS 2631  
**Credits:**  12  
**Module content:** Classification of livestock feeds, Feed ingredients of livestock rations; agricultural and industrial waste products, Nutrient requirements for different physiological stages of livestock, Basic principles of ration formulation, Ration formulation using computer software’s.

ANS 3542  Management of ruminant farm animals (old code)  
**Prerequisites**  ANS 2531, ANS 2641 and GEN1641  
**Credits:**  9  
**Module content:** beef breeds; beef management practices, beef production systems, dairy breeds; mating systems; feeds and feeding of dairy cattle; fodder flow; milking and milking palors, problems associated with dairying; diseases of cattle and their control.

ANS 3543  Management of small stock  
**Pre-requisite:**  ANS 2531  
**Credits:**  12  
**Module content:** Sheep and goat breeds and their distribution in S.A, Management practices of sheep and goats, Breeding systems, Lamb/kid management, Describe and discuss the feeds and feeding of goats and sheep, Fodder flow planning, Basic flock-health principles, Management calendar, Recordkeeping, Welfare issues.

ANS 3544  Management of beef cattle  
**Pre-requisite:**  ANS 2531  
**Credits:**  12.  
**Module content:** Beef cattle breeds and their distribution in S.A, Production systems and associated management requirements, Feeds and feeding of beef cattle, Fodder flow planning, Basic flock-health principles, Management calendar, Record keeping, Welfare issues.

ANS 3633  Animal health  
**Prerequisites**  ANS 2531 and ANS 2643  
**Credits:**  12  
**Module content:** Animal immune system and vaccines, most important pathological conditions: bacterial, viral, protozoal, fungal, toxins. Vaccination programs, first aid, castrations, dehorning, branding, injections, parasites and their control. Poultry diseases.

ANS 3634  Pig production  
**Pre-requisite:**  ANS 2531  
**Credits:**  9  
**Module content:** Pig breeds and their distribution in SA, Pig production systems and their requirements, Breeding and genetic improvement, Nutrition and feeding, Computer formulation of pig rations, Production schedule for different production goals, Basic pig health principles, Welfare issues.

ANS 3641  Reproductive physiology  
**Prerequisites**  ANS 2643  
**Credits:**  9  
**Module content:** Hormones and reproduction, spermatogenesis, oogenesis, reproductive cycles, synchronization, physiology, fertilization, gestation and parturition, animal biotechnology and assisted reproduction, poultry reproduction.
**ANS 3642**  
**Poultry production**  
**Prerequisites**  
ANS 2531  
**Credits**  
12  
**Module Content:** Domestication of poultry; Poultry products Growth; Reproduction – female reproduction: Male reproduction Incubation; Brooding and raising of chicks; Poultry breeding and genetic improvement; Nutrition and feeding; Poultry production systems; Poultry housing and welfare.

**ANS 4531**  
**Quantitative animal breeding (old code)**  
**Prerequisites**  
ANS 3531, STA 1642  
**Credits**  
12  
**Module Content:** Traits, phenotypes, genotypes, environment; Strategies for genetic improvement of farm animals; Genetic model for quantitative traits; Heritability and repeatability; Factors affecting the rate of genetic change; Genetic prediction; Comparing animals from genetically similar groups; Selection index; Introduction to BLUP; Correlated response to selections; Mating systems: Inbreeding and relationship; Outbreeding and hybrid vigour; Biotechnology in animal breeding.

**ANS 4532**  
**Biochemical principles of animal nutrition (old code)**  
**Prerequisites**  
CHE 1545 and CHE 1624  
**Credits**  
10  
**Module content:** to create an understanding of metabolism, bioenergetics and energy metabolism, final common pathway of energy metabolism including substrate level phosphorylation and oxidative phosphorylation, carbohydrates, lipids and protein and digestion and metabolism in non-ruminants and in ruminants, and indicators in pasture and range studies.

**ANS 4621**  
**Animal production systems & management (old code)**  
**Prerequisites**  
ANS 3531 and ANS 3632  
**Credits**  
14  
**Module content:** to develop students with a holistic approach towards beef, fat lamb, goats, pigs and poultry and be cable of identifying and solving production problems associated with these systems. Emphasis will be placed on the role of small-scale farming systems. Students will have the insight and skills to evaluate animal production systems and how to manage them.

**ANS 4632**  
**Environmental physiology (old code)**  
**Prerequisites**  
ANS 2641 and ANS 3641  
**Credits**  
10  
**Module content:** to integrate knowledge towards maximal animal production in terms of the environmental effects on body systems. The content of the course covers body temperature and thermoregulation in animals, acclimatization and adaptation to different environment, thermoregulations in various farm animals.

**ANS 4641**  
**Applied animal breeding**  
**Prerequisites**  
ANS 3531  
Definition of animal breeding concepts such as trait, phenotypes, genotypes etc. Strategies for genetic improvement of farm animals. Genomics. Introduction to BLUP. Factors affecting the rate of genetic change. Genetic prediction. Inbreeding and relationship. The role of breed societies in the national data base.

**ANS 4642**  
**Livestock products**  
**Prerequisites**  
ANS 3543; ANS 3544 and ANS 3642  
criteria and their modifications by production practices. Wool and fibre: sheep wool, mohair and cashmere. Skins and hides

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ARE 2631  Agro-meteorology
The module introduces the learner to principles of agricultural meteorology. It gives a learner the basic knowledge on how climate influences agricultural activities. Therefore the module introduces the learner to the elements of weather and climate, measurements and simple analysis of climatic data, climatic surveys and their classifications. Having completed the module, the learner is expected to be able to determine what agricultural enterprises would suit various regions depending on a variety of conditions such a climate and socio-economic factors among others.

ARE 2641  Introduction to agricultural mechanization
Prerequisites  AGR 1631; ANS 2531; AGR 2541; MAT 1643 and PHY 1527
The module introduces the learner to principles of agricultural engineering and mechanization. It gives a learner a holistic approach towards proper identification, planning and solving related agricultural mechanization problems encountered in the field. The module also introduces the learner to farm machinery working principles (tractors and animal power technologies), crop processing technologies and mechanization systems for agricultural production and processing.

ARE 3531  Engineering drawing and design I
To introduce the learners to principles of Engineering drawing and design of machinery parts, systems and other technologies.

ARE 3532  Farm workshop practice I
Prerequisite  ARE 2641
To give students an understanding of the basic workshop tools, e.g. spanners, sockets, welding machine, poprivert, grease gun, and etc. this will enable the students to be able to fix broken metals and farm implements. This module introduces students to metal work.

ARE 3543:  Principles of surveying and measurements
(Prerequisite MAT 1643, PHY1527)
The module introduces student to surveying and instruments. Both theoretical and field measurement for the following types of surveying are covered: profile surveying (levelling), two-peg test, distance, area and volume measurement, traverse surveys.

ARE 3542  Farm workshop practice II
Prerequisite  ARE 3532
To give an understanding of the basic wood materials, and how to cut, measure, join and to work on the carpentry activities.

ARE 3545  Renewable energy technologies
Prerequisites  CHE 1624; MAT 1543 and PHY1527
To develop a good appreciation on how renewable energy technologies play a vital role in agricultural production and improving rural livelihoods.

ARE 3641  Engineering drawing and design II
Prerequisite  ARE 3531
To introduce the learners to advanced Engineering drawing and design of machinery parts, systems and other technologies. (including farm buildings).

ARE 3546  Farm structures
ARE 3542  Farm structures
Prerequisite  ARE 2641
The module introduces the learner to principles of farmyard planning and building technology. Emphasis will be on livestock structures and farm buildings. The module also introduces the learner to basic
leveling techniques, site selection and preparation of layout, elementary surveying, elementary building planning and construction. The learner is expected to be aware of the role of farm buildings in agricultural production and livestock enterprises.

**ARE 3547**  
**Principles of irrigation and drainage**  
**Prerequisites** ARE 2631 and ARE 2641  
The module introduces the learner to the principles of irrigation and drainage. It gives a learner, knowledge on the importance of irrigation in South African agriculture and the various irrigation methods. Learners acquire skill on how to evaluate the water requirement of crops. It also imparts to the learner the knowledge of irrigation scheduling and removal of excess water from agricultural fields. Having completed the module, the learner is expected to be able to select the appropriate irrigation method for a particular field and determine irrigation schedules.

**ARE 3548**  
**Soil and water conservation**  
**Prerequisites** ARE 2631 and ARE 2641  
The module introduces the learner to field of soil and water conservation. It gives a learner the basic knowledge on how man’s activities and nature influence soil and water. Having completed the module, the learner is expected to be able to assess the dangers poised to soil and water resources and how to solve them.

**ARE 3641:**  
**Engineering drawing and design II**  
**(Prerequisite ARE 3531)**  
To introduce the learners to Engineering drawing and design of machinery parts, systems and simple buildings used in agriculture.

**ARE 3632:**  
**Farm workshop practices II**  
**(Prerequisite ARE 3532)**  
To give an understanding of the basic wood materials, and how to cut, measure, join and to work on the carpentry activities.

**ARE 3633**  
**Irrigation and drainage system design**  
**Prerequisites** ARE 3547 and ARE 3548  
The module introduces the learner to the principles of design of irrigation and drainage systems. It also gives a learner the basic knowledge on irrigation development. Having completed the module, the learner is expected to be able to design small scale irrigation and drainage projects.

**ARE 3634**  
**Postharvest processing technology**  
**Prerequisite** ARE 2641  
To impart knowledge and information of post-harvest processing machinery / equipment, and instrumentation systems used in crop processing. To expose learners to design and operational principles of processing technologies and storage facilities.

**ARE 3646**  
**Farm power and machinery**  
**Prerequisite** ARE 2641  
The aim of the module is to introduce students to the different types of farm power that can be used in the farm and the various machinery used in the farm. This module introduces students on the types of farm power and machinery to use for farm operation.

**ARE 3647**  
**Rural and urban transport systems**  
**Prerequisite** ARE 3543  
The module introduces learners to the transport modes and systems. It covers aspects rural and urban transport system with emphasis on planning, traffic generation, management of transport systems and operations.
ARE 4521  Land use planning and management  
**Prerequisites** ARE 3543 and ARE 3548  
The module introduces learners to the land and its suitability depending on what that land can be used for. E.g. Agricultural purpose, industries, or any other means, different land types can be used for many purposes but the use of land depend on the type of soil. The module also introduces learners to land capabilities, land evaluation, planning possibilities, resource inventory evaluation, soil interpretation.

ARE 4522  Mechanization planning and costing  
**Prerequisite** ARE 2641  
The module introduces students on the planning, and costing of mechanization in the farm. Type of machine to employ on the farm, depending on the size of the farm, population needs of the community, laborers, and financial status of the farmer.

ARE 4543  Entrepreneurship in rural development  
To develop a good appreciation on how business are created and developed. Various types of agricultural oriented businesses will be identified for which the student can be self-employed.

ARE 4544  Research methods and experimental design  
To review knowledge of basic statistical principles concepts and their application to experimentation. Also to familiarize the student with the Research methods and common statistical designs for experimentation particularly on the fields, as well as with data analysis and interpretation of same.

ARE 4526  Project and seminar presentation  
**Prerequisite** ECS 1541  
To expose the student to a problem solving approach to research in the area of agricultural and rural engineering. The student should be able to identify a research problem and adopt a scientific methodology to investigate the problem through appropriate data collection, data analysis and careful interpretation of the results of data analysis. To integrate knowledge and practice in rural engineering and development problems.

ARE 4541:  Evaluation and management of irrigation and drainage systems  
(Prerequisites ARE 3547 and ARE 3633)  
The module introduces the learner to the principles of evaluating irrigation and drainage systems, and their management. Topics covered include evaluation of different irrigation and drainage systems, irrigation development, and management of irrigation and drainage systems, among others. Having completed the module, the learner is expected to be able to evaluate and manage small-scale irrigation and drainage projects.

ARE 4621  Selected topics in appropriate technology design  
**Prerequisite** ARE 3634  
To expose learners to the current trend in technology design and developments. New technologies and methods are being invented on a daily basis. Budding engineers have to be kept abreast with these developments. Learners are to be equipped with principles of Computer Aided Design and Design of material handling structures/machines and selected crop processing technologies.

ARE 4622  Ergonomics and environmental safety  
**Prerequisite** ARE 3646  
To develop a good appreciation on ergonomics principles and how they affect human safety and comfort at a particular work environment.

ARE 4641:  Animal traction  
(Prerequisite ARE 2641)  
The module covers the role of animal traction as used in agriculture and rural settings. It covers aspects such as the selection of traction animals, harnesses, animal health and care, and use of animal in provision of tractive power.
ARE 4643  Rural water resource development  
**Prerequisite** ARE 4541  
The module introduces the learner to the basic principles of hydrology. It gives a learner the basic knowledge on how to evaluate water demand and how to manage it especially for rural areas. The module also introduces the learner to the concept of water resource management and water quality management. Having completed the module, the learner is expected to be able to determine the water demand of a community, select a source of supply and manage the scheme.

ARE 4644:  Field practical/attachment  
This module is intended to expose the student to a real-world working environment of graduates of the program. It is intended to expose the student to the following aspects of Agricultural and Rural Engineering: farm power and machinery, primary processing and handling of agricultural products, management, research, sales and marketing of agricultural tools and equipment, entrepreneurship, etc.

ARE 4645:  Project and mini dissertation  
**(Prerequisite ARE 4526)**  
This is a final-year research/design project conducted by a student in any of the areas of specialization in Agricultural and Rural Engineering. It is carried out individually or in groups of student depending on scope and complexity of the problem being solved. The work culminates in a research project report that is defended by the student before a public audience and academic staff members in the department.

ARE 5531:  Soil - Plant – Water Relationships and Irrigation  
**(Prerequisite ARE 3633)**  
This is an honours module that is offered to graduates of the Bachelor of Agriculture. It covers application of elements of soil science, and irrigation and drainage.

ABE 1531  Technical Communication Skills  
The module is designed to make the engineering students understand the basics and the importance of Technical Communication. It will enhance their ability in listening comprehension by making them understand the listening process and train them in professional speaking by imparting the knowledge of the various speech/presentation situations they have to face as technical students and as professionals later.

ABE 1532  Introductions to Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering  
This module is to teach engineering students important skills that include technical problem solving and engineering design, ethical decision-making, the role of an engineer, teamwork, and communicating to diverse audiences.

ABE 1533  Physics I  
The module is designed to make the engineering students understand the application of physics in engineering- applications of vibrational motion are developed and a basic description of the properties of elastic media given. The methods required to predict the performance of physical or engineering systems are demonstrated using examples drawn from various fields of science and engineering with emphasis on mechanics and vibrations, waves and optics.

ABE 1534  Chemistry I  
This module is designed to equip the students with the knowledge of nature through building a basic knowledge of the structure of chemistry, analyzing scientific concepts and thinking critically, reviewing the importance and relevance of chemistry in our everyday lives and being able to utilize the methods of science as a logical means of problem solving.

ABE 1535  Pure Mathematics I  
To understand advanced mathematical applications.

ABE 1536  Applied Mathematics I  
Applied mathematics concepts.
**ABE 1537  Engineering Drawing I**
The aim of this course is to introduce students the basic concepts and the use of engineering drawing in the design and manufacturing field. The students acquaint with the basic knowledge and skills in engineering drawings and the capability to read and interpret blue prints for manufacturing.

**ABE 1631  Introductions to Agricultural Sciences**
This module is designed to enhance student perception of agriculture and its applications. This module covers principles in soil science; and plant and animal science and their products.

**ABE 1632  Physics II**
Prerequisite: ABE 1536
The module is designed to make the engineering students understand the application of physics in engineering - the description of electrostatics, magnetostatics and electromagnetic induction, together with a discussion of the properties of dielectrics and ferromagnetics, are presented.

**ABE 1633  Chemistry II**
Prerequisite: ABE 1534
This module is designed to give student an introduction to general organic chemistry with an emphasis on natural aspects of the topic. Areas of concentration will include: organic nomenclature, structural theory and stereochemistry of aliphatic and aromatic compounds, and chemical reactions of fundamental importance to organic chemistry.

**ABE 1634  Earth and Environmental Science**
The module is designed to make the engineering students understand the function of Earth's systems. Emphasis is placed on matter, energy, environmental awareness, materials availability, and the cycles that circulate energy and material through the earth system; and conservation.

**ABE 1635  Pure Mathematics**
Prerequisite: ABE 1535
Mathematics applications and principles.

**ABE 1636  Applied Mathematics**
Prerequisite: ABE 1536
Mathematics applications.

**ABE 1637  Fundamentals of Computing**
This module is designed to help student understand fundamentals of programming such as variables, conditional and iterative execution, methods, etc; understand fundamentals of object-oriented programming in Java, including defining classes, invoking methods, using class libraries; be aware of the important topics and principles of software development and ability to write a computer program to solve specified problems.

**ABE 2531  Engineering Mathematics**
Prerequisite: ABE 1635, ABE 1636
To understand advanced mathematical applications.

**ABE 2532  Electrical Engineering**
Prerequisite: ABE 1632
The module is designed to make the engineering students understand electrostatics, basic dc circuits, circuit simplification techniques, magnetic fields, ac circuit components, the dynamic of circuits, analysis of ac circuits, resonance, sinusoids and phasor, three phase power systems, operational amplifiers, transistors as amplifiers, diodes and transistors as switches.

**ABE 2533  Thermodynamics I**
Prerequisite: ABE 1632
The module is intended to give engineering students a comprehensive introduction to thermodynamics. It is designed as a module that will give students a necessary foundation for a comprehensive understanding of energy and other engineering systems. Energy systems are fundamental not only in
energy production but in many other important aspects of engineering including the manufacturing of materials.

**ABE 2534 Solid and Structural Mechanics**  
**Prerequisite** ABE 1632  
The module is designed to teach the engineering student how to use the knowledge of mechanics in understanding the behaviour of structures. This module serves as an introduction to structural systems, and to methods of analyzing these systems under various loading conditions.

**ABE 2535 Mechanics of Machines I**  
**Prerequisite** ABE 1632  
The module is designed to make the engineering students understand the extension of classical mechanics and engineering applications. Plane dynamics, relative motion and forces in moving and accelerated reference frames; and it introduces students to general three-dimensional motion of a rigid body, inertia tensor and steady-state precession; and the laws of conservation of mass, momentum and energy.

**ABE 2536 Material Science and Engineering**  
**Prerequisite** ABE 1532  
The module is designed to make the engineering students understand the fundamentals of materials engineering, including bonding, crystal structures, and phase diagram; terminology, mechanical testing and behavior, heat treating, and processing of metals, ceramics, polymers, and composites; degradation of materials and criteria for materials selection.

**ABE 2537 Engineering Drawing II**  
**Prerequisite** ABE 1537  
The module is designed to make the engineering students understand the techniques and practices of engineering towards those elements and composites which are relevant to a particular field of engineering design and construction.

**ABE 2538 Fluid Mechanics I**  
**Prerequisite** ABE 1632  
The module is designed to make the engineering students understand the properties of fluids and hydrostatics pressure, basic principles of kinematics of fluid mechanics, relative equilibrium of liquids, flow through orifices, tubes, and wires.

**ABE 2631 Engineering Mathematics II**  
**Prerequisite** ABE 2531  
To advance concepts of Engineering Mathematics.

**ABE 2632 Computer Programming for Engineers**  
**Prerequisite** ABE 1637  
The module is designed to make the engineering students understand computer programming. The principal goal of the module is to teach basic computer programming concepts and apply them to computer-based problem-solving methods. The course stresses hands-on computer programming using MATLAB, a powerful high-level programming environment.

**ABE 2633 Engineering Surveying**  
**Prerequisite** ABE 2531  
The module is designed to give students full understanding of the nature of surveying data, including errors and the need for error control. Students will learn about surveying project fundamentals, particularly referencing systems, horizontal and vertical control, and topographic mapping and gain an understanding of the nature of calculations made with surveying data, methods of data recording, display, and storage.
ABE 2634  Solid and Structural Mechanics II  
**Prerequisite**  ABE 2534  
The module builds on solid and structural mechanics I. The module gives an understanding of the design of multiply loaded complex structures with the addition of less than ideal boundary conditions. It reviews stress and strain in three dimensions, elastic and inelastic material behavior, and energy methods. It also covers use of the strength of materials approach to solving advanced problems of torsion, bending of beams and plates, buckling of columns, stress concentrations, and fracture mechanics.

ABE 2635  Mechanics of Machines  
**Prerequisite**  ABE 2535  
This course is designed to enable students upon completion of the course to develop viable kinematic and dynamic models of real-world mechanisms and machines, and to describe and explain their dynamic behaviour during operation. The experience and reflective inquiry will enable students to obtain knowledge, skills and attitudes needed to understand and predict the dynamic behaviour of machinery and to relate these findings to their key design features and parameters.

ABE 2636  Electronics  
**Prerequisite**  ABE 1632  
This module is designed to teach students the design of electronic circuits and systems, using commonly available devices and integrated circuits. The properties of linear circuits are discussed with particular reference to the applications of feedback; operational amplifiers are introduced as fundamental building blocks. Digital circuits are examined and the properties of the commonly available I.C. types are studied; their use in measurement, control and signal analysis is outlined.

ABE 2637  Materials Processing  
**Prerequisite**  ABE 2536  
This module is designed to give engineering students a wide overview of materials and processes used to transform them. This module focuses on the classifying, properties, and processes of materials and the selection of those materials to be used in applications. Learners should be concerned with processes and materials used in metals, woods, plastics, ceramics, and composites.

ABE 2638  Fluid Mechanics II  
**Prerequisite**  ABE 2538  
The module is designed to expand on the knowledge gained in Fluid mechanics I. A few of the more important topics will be taken to a moderately advanced level in this module. Students are taught the conservation principles of mass, momentum, and energy for fluid flow and how to apply the basic mathematical tools that support fluid dynamics.

ABE 3531  Renewable Energy Resources and Technologies  
**Prerequisite**  ABE 1533  
The module is designed to make the engineering students understand the principles and utilization of solar (thermal and photovoltaic), hydroelectric, wind, geothermal, ocean thermal, wave, tidal and geothermal energy, as well as energy from biomass. The potential of using renewable energy technologies as a complement to, and, to the extent possible, replacement for conventional technologies are analyzed.

ABE 3532  Thermodynamics II  
**Prerequisite**  ABE 2533  
This module builds on Thermodynamics I. The students will be asked to demonstrate their knowledge of the material covered in Thermodynamics I. Through the study of this course on thermodynamics the student will among others be able to sketch figures of systems and control volumes; sketch process diagrams for the processes occurring within systems and control volumes; develop the governing equations for conservation of mass, conservation of energy, and process relations for processes occurring in systems and control volumes.
ABE 3533  Operations Research  
Prerequisite  ABE 1532  
This module introduces the methods of Operations Research to engineering students. It further emphasizes the mathematical procedures of nonlinear programming search techniques, introduce advanced topics such as probabilistic models (Markov chain & queuing theory) and dynamic programming.

ABE 3534  Soil Science  
Prerequisite  ABE 1532  
This module is designed to give students of engineering an understanding of soil as a product of physical, chemical and biological processes acting over time on various rock and organic parent materials; the wide variety of soils resulting from soil-forming processes; the major criteria used for classifying these soils into the South African System of Soil Classification and the importance of appropriate management and land use practices to ensure conservation of this vital resource for forestry and agriculture.

ABE 3535  Instrumentation  
Prerequisite  ABE 2636  
This module is designed to give the students of engineering an understanding of key aspects of current instrumentation and process control technology and upon completion enable them to carry out commissioning, calibration and maintenance of the typical devices used for measurement and control in industrial systems.

ABE 3536  Engineering Hydrology and Meteorology  
Prerequisite  ABE 2632  
The module is designed to give students an understanding of engineering hydrology meteorology and applying the concepts in carrying out quantitative calculations relating to ground water and surface flows.

ABE 3537  Statistical Methods and Experimental Design  
Prerequisite  ABE 1635, ABE 2632  
The module is designed to give students of engineering a broad overview of experimental designs and statistical methods in order to plan their own experiments and to analyze existing data. This will enable them to select the appropriate statistical model for the design in question.

ABE 3631  Soil Dynamics and Mechanics  
Prerequisite  ABE 1532  
This module is designed to develop student technical competence in basic principles of soil mechanics and fundamentals of application in engineering practice; ability to identify common situations when the soil becomes a factor in an engineering or environmental problem; and capability of performing basic analytical procedures in these situations to obtain the engineering quantity desired given the formulæ, tables, and the soil properties and understand their limitation.

ABE 3632  Irrigation and Drainage Engineering  
Prerequisite  ABE 1532, ABE 3536  
This module is designed to give students an understanding of the basic soil-plant-water parameters related to irrigation; the hydrologic cycle, principles and processes necessary to effectively manage water resources through well designed drainage and irrigation systems. Further to enable them apply appropriate techniques and analyses to the effective design of both irrigation and drainage systems; design, test, and analyze agricultural irrigation and drainage systems and their components.

ABE 3633  Tractor Power Engineering  
Prerequisite  ABE 2635  
This module is designed to teach as much as possible about engines and tractors, with particular emphasis on design features, principles of operation, and maintenance for those going into industry, students will learn terminology, design features and principles of operation that will help them in a sales
and/or service position for those going into farming, the course will help students decide which tractor to buy and how to get the most out of it.

**ABE 3634  Structural Design**  
**Prerequisite**  ABE 2634  
The module is designed to develop skills in design of structures and an understanding of the overall structural concept, the choice of materials, and the concepts for details in a structure. Students will learn how to design and apply engineering principles to the design and analysis of structures used for agricultural and biological production. At the end of the course, the students are expected to know how to determine forces and displacements of determinate structures.

**ABE 3635  Process and Food Engineering**  
**Prerequisite**  ABE 1631  
This module is designed to give train students in the engineering design, testing and analysis of unit processing operations employed in the food and biotechnology industries (sterilization, pasteurization, freezing/refrigeration, drying, evaporation, and fermentation, along with physical, chemical and phase separations); and to introduce students to the general approach for design and economic feasibility of an entire process line for a food, pharmaceutical or biotech manufacturing plant.

**ABE 3636  Principles of Microeconomics**  
This module is designed to introduce students to the basics of microeconomic analysis; develop students’ ability to understand economic relationships; learn to use models to analyze current economic problems, particularly as they relate to the behavior of firms and individuals within a market economy.

**ABE 3637  Heat and Mass Transfer**  
**Prerequisite**  ABE 3532  
This module is designed to teach the students the concept of energy balances and the three modes of heat transfer - conduction, convection, and radiation - are covered. Upon completing this course, the student will have an understanding of the mechanisms of heat transfer in physical systems and be able to calculate heat transfer rates and temperature distributions in practical engineering applications.

**ABE 3638  Rural Water Supply and Sanitation**  
**Prerequisite**  ABE 3536  
The main goal and objective of this class is to study and understand aspects of rural water supply and sanitation. The course will discuss the relationship between water and sanitation and sustainability of rural water supply.

**ABE 4000  Industrial/Field Attachment**  
**Prerequisite**  Passed All Year 3 Modules  
A period of attachment to an agro-industrial firm, a parastatal or a government department dealing with Environmental and Biosystems Engineering to gain practical knowledge, understanding and experience.

**ABE 4531  Rural Structures**  
**Prerequisite**  ABE 2633  
The module is designed to teach students adequate tools to apply in the design criteria of rural buildings. The module considers both functional requirements deriving from the farm production scheme, and the effects of planning options on farm management, on environment and landscape.

**ABE 4532  Engineering Economy**  
**Prerequisite**  ABE 2633  
This module is designed to teach the students economic theories and principles as applied to engineering decision making. It includes methods of compound interest, annual worth, and present worth, rate of return, benefit/cost ratio, capital allocation, depreciation, and risk analysis.
ABE 4533  Built Environment Engineering
Prerequisite  ABE 2633
This course is designed to teach students the design and analysis of structures, and environmental modification of systems used in agricultural production. It will provide them with the fundamental knowledge necessary to understand structural and environmental control design parameters for agricultural buildings. It will train students in the use of current computational software and computer data acquisition and control equipment used for analysis of structural design, environmental monitoring and control, and analysis of environmental control systems.

ABE 4534  Soil and Conservation Engineering
Prerequisite  ABE 1634, 3534
This module will teach students descriptive and quantitative hydrology that deals with the distribution, circulation, and storage of water on the earth's surface; discusses principles of hydrologic processes and presents methods of analysis and their applications to engineering and environmental problems.

ABE 4535  Entrepreneurship and Product Development
Prerequisite  ABE 4532
This module will introduce engineering students to the relevant principles, processes, and practices of technical entrepreneurship. It will develop principles of entrepreneurship in a global economy and will include developing technology-based business plans for industrial firms, allowing students to apply in a real-world situation what they have previously learned about communications and engineering economics.

ABE 4536  Design Project I
Prerequisite  Passed All Year 3 Modules
The project is a practical assignment aimed at solving a particular engineering problem. It requires the application of knowledge gained in the courses up to the final year. It might deal with a problem in any of the five areas of specialization. This course shall be examined by coursework, oral presentation and report.

ABE 4537  Project Planning and Management
Prerequisite  ABE 3537
The module is designed to help students master the principles of efficient project planning and control - needs analysis, work breakdown, scheduling, resource allocation, risk management, and performance tracking and evaluation - within the timeframe and cost projections stated in the overview section. Concepts and techniques will be developed by navigating through a recent textbook in project management and through a popular project management software package.

ABE 4631  Design Project II
Prerequisite  ABE 4536
The project is a practical assignment aimed at solving a particular engineering problem. It requires the application of knowledge gained in the courses up to the final year. It might deal with a problem in any of the five areas of specialization. This course shall be examined by coursework, oral presentation and report.

ABE 4632  Electrification
Prerequisite  ABE 2532
This module will help students understand electricity as a power source on the farm lighting, farm production and processing. They will learn how to plan the farm stead distribution system - demand load for farm buildings and workshops, central metering and distribution, capacity of main service; and care and maintenance of electrical farm installations and machines – hatcheries, milking machines, feed mills, etc.

ABE 4999  ECSA Outcome Portfolio
The ECSA portfolio is compiled by a student as s/he advances in the programme. It is a file kept by a student that shows all the academic work that a student undertakes throughout the programme.
ABE 4633  Conservation and Precision Agriculture  
**Prerequisite**  ABE 3534  
The module is designed to help students to master comparative assessment of spatial variability in erosion prediction, sediment yield, C inputs and N use. Initiate evaluation of precision conservation and agroecologic suitability.

ABE 4634  Machinery and Mechanisation Management  
**Prerequisite**  ABE 3633  
This module will teach students how to manage mechanization - performance, costs, application, selection, and replacement of farm tractors and field implements; optimization of mechanized agricultural field operations.

ABE 4635  Aquatic Machinery Engineering  
**Prerequisite**  ABE 3633  
Study of the principles and design methodology for aquatic machinery used for plant and animal production and processing and environmental control.

ABE 4636  Transport Systems  
**Prerequisite**  ABE 3633, ABE 4538  
This module is designed to teach students descriptors of transportation systems; allocation models; transportation as an industrial activity and public good; and transportation and spatial development, including the role of transportation in developing countries and in urban and regional development and problems involved in measuring the impact of transport investment.

ABE 4637  Tractor Power and Machinery System Design  
**Prerequisite**  ABE 3633  
The module teaches students the design and specification of power and machine elements applied to agricultural, biological, land and water resources, or food engineering; fundamentals of power units, design of machine elements, power transmission, traction and stability, fundamentals of fluid power circuits, and an introduction to mechatronics.

ABE 4638  Land Development Machinery  
**Prerequisite**  ABE 3633  
This module is designed to make engineering students understand the planning, designing, and constructing of earthworks. They will learn how to estimate production rates, characteristics, operation techniques, and soil considerations for earthmoving equipment. They will acquire knowledge on how to select the most economical and effective equipment for each individual operation.

ABE 4639  Minor Roads  
**Prerequisite**  ABE 3631, ABE 4538  
The course will provide the students with a thorough understanding of the issues related to the application of planning and scheduling principles in the construction industry. It is intended to provide an in-depth discussion of some of the important scheduling issues faced by various agencies involved in the construction industry. The focus is on the development and planning of rural road, project financing, and rural project administration.

ABE 4623  Watershed Management  
**Prerequisite**  ABE 3536  
This module is designed to introduce students the principles of the watershed management approach and the value of working at a watershed; generate awareness about the importance of sustainable development and maintenance of natural resources; and develop human resource in watershed development and management.
ABE 4641 Construction Management  
**Prerequisite** ABE 4533  
The module teaches students critical elements in the development and planning of construction projects; project economic justification; alternative analysis procedures; cost estimation; site civil design; surveying; construction management; construction procedures for given projects.

ABE 4643 Geo-Information System  
**Prerequisite** ABE 2633  
The module is designed to make the engineering students understand the concepts, techniques and interdisciplinary application of GIS as an environmental decision-making tool. This module introduces methods of managing and processing geographic information. Emphasis will be placed on the nature of geographic information, data models and structures for geographic information, geographic data input, data manipulation and data storage, spatial analytic and modelling techniques, and error analysis.

ABE 4634 Rural Extension and Technology Transfer  
**Prerequisite** ABE 4532, ABE 4535  
This module is designed to help students understand the genesis, meaning and concept of Agricultural Extension; know the various facets of Agricultural Extension, its objectives, principles and philosophy in reaching farmers and other clients effectively; know the process and steps involved in Agricultural Extension in transfer of technology; and identify and find out the meaningful extension strategy for realizing higher productivity and income of family community.

ABI 4631 Hydrological Design of Reservoirs  
**Prerequisite** ABE 3536  

ABI 4632 Design of Irrigation and Drainage Systems  
**Prerequisite** ABE 3632  
The module is designed to give students an understanding of the fundamental principles of economic efficiency, soil physics and crop water use applied to the design of irrigation and drainage systems. It will enable them to develop design specifications for surface, sprinkler and trickle irrigation application systems and their operation; familiarize them with considerations for development of computerized analysis techniques for the design and operation of irrigation systems and enable them to develop design specifications for pumps and drainage systems.

ABI 4633 Water Systems Engineering  
**Prerequisite** ABE 3632, ABE 3638  
This module is designed to equip the student with skills that are needed to enhance the ability of student to sustain adequate water supply facilities. It will give knowledge on the planning, design, construction, operation and maintenance aspects of water supply and sanitation programs and projects; and give them management skills with regard to sustainable water supply and sanitation facilities.

ABI 4634 Groundwater Hydrology  
**Prerequisite** ABE 3536  
This module will teach students fundamentals of subsurface flow and transport, emphasizing the role of groundwater in the hydrologic cycle, the relation of groundwater flow to geologic structure, and the management of contaminated groundwater. The class includes laboratory and computer demonstrations.
ABI 4635  Surface Water Hydrology  
Prerequisite ABE 3536  
This module will teach students specific knowledge in the field of water management in general and with respect to quantitative assessment of the surface water runoff in particular. Students will be trained on the development of their reasoning ability and critical reflection and on the writing of reports. Students are also trained in the use of up-to-date simulation models and GIS techniques and are hereby encouraged to develop their skills with respect to self-study.

ABS 4631  Refrigeration and Air Conditioning  
Prerequisite ABE 3635  
Air conditioning: heat sources, cooling loads, psychrometrics, systems and equipment; design of ducts and fans. Elements of control. Interpretation of air conditioning data on psychrometrics and mollier charts. Refrigeration: vapour compression, absorption systems industrial and commercial refrigeration, refrigerants and their properties, systems control, heat pumps, other forms of refrigeration. Applications of refrigeration and air conditioning principles and practice in environmental and Biosystems engineering.

ABS 4632  Storage of Agricultural Products  
Prerequisite ABE 3635  
The module is designed to teach students the requirements for storage of cereals, fruits, vegetables and potatoes. Analysis of the processes that occur during storage, ways to reduce losses. Selection of parameters and their impact on the quality characteristics of stored raw materials, storage and design for the type of raw material.

ABS 4633  Processing Plant Design  
Prerequisite ABE 3635  
This module is designed to train students in the engineering design, testing and analysis of unit processing operations employed in the food, pharmaceutical, and biotechnology industries (sterilization, pasteurization, freezing/refrigeration, drying, evaporation, and fermentation, along with physical, chemical and phase separations). Introduce students to the general approach for design and economic feasibility of an entire process line for a food, pharmaceutical or biotech manufacturing plant.

ABS 4634  Food Engineering Systems  
Prerequisite ABE 3635  
The module will give the student an understanding of the functional requirements and principles of operation of systems for handling and processing food and agricultural products. The student will become acquainted with the principles of handling and processing food and agricultural products. Particular emphasis will be given to the principles of operation of equipment used in the processing industry and the response of biological materials to these operations.

ABS 4635  Dairy Technology  
Prerequisite ABE 3635  
This module will introduce students to all methods of handling milk from production and consumption - including processing, packaging, storage, transport and physical distribution. They will learn principles of engineering that are employed in dairy technology; and how to prevent spoilage, improve quality, increase shelf-life, and make milk palatable and safe for human consumption.

ABS 4636  Post Harvest Technology  
Prerequisite ABE 3635  
To impart knowledge and information of post-harvest processing machinery / equipment, and instrumentation systems used in crop processing. To expose learners to design and operational principles of processing technologies and storage facilities.
ABS 4637  Agro-Industrial Waste Management  
**Prerequisite**  ABE 1634  

ABS 4638  Packaging Technology  
**Prerequisite**  ABE 3635  
To understand the functional and protective aspects of packaging in food systems. The module includes aspect of packaging selection and its impact on the shelf-life of products, packaging design, packaging materials.

FEC 1541  Introduction to family ecology  
Introduce learners to; the philosophy and mission of Family Ecology, the various family structures existing in the society and apply family ecology skills to enhance the quality of life of individuals, families and communities.

FEC 1641  Family Development and Management  
The module covers family types, family relations, parenting, and socialization, changing needs and dynamics of families over time, the growth and the development of individuals over family life cycle, the interrelationship of individuals, families and communities in the context of diverse socio-economic and cultural systems.

FEC 1642  Introduction to nutrition  
Introduce learners to the world’s food/nutrition problems, digestion, and metabolism and to the basic nutrition principles of macronutrients and micronutrients.

FEC 2541  Family resource management and decision making  
The module introduces learners to the management of resources (Time, Money, energy) that apply to families and households.

FEC 2641  Family financial management and consumer studies  
Introduce learners to financial management and consumer studies. Content includes how to manage the family financial resources effectively, understanding factors that influences families’ consumer behaviour and choices, and consumer rights and marketing strategies.

FEC 3541  Adult education, gender and development  
**Prerequisite**  FEC 2641  
Sensitise learners to gender issues; to broaden their problem solving skills of learners, to needs and problems of communities/women. Helps learners develop cognitive skills in designing strategies/programs/policies to meet the needs of women and other groups of people in the community.

FEC 2542  Life-cycle nutrition  
Learners acquire knowledge about the nutrient requirements of individuals in a life cycle (pregnancy, lactation, infant feeding, toddler, school children, adolescents, men and women, the elderly,) with the use of Dietary Guidelines, Recommended Daily Allowances;’ food groups and exchange lists.

FEC 2642  Nutrition related diseases  
Learners acquire knowledge about nutrition related diseases and ways in which diets can be modified to promote health and prevent nutrition related diseases. The module covers eating habits, effect of malnutrition on infection and nutrition related diseases (cancer, diabetes mellitus, atherosclerosis and hypertension, osteoporosis, HIV/AIDS)
FEC 3542 Community nutrition
Prerequisite FEC 2642
Learners learn skills of planning nutrition intervention programs in the communities (food security, nutrition education, growth monitoring, feeding programs, food supplementation/fortification promotion of good health, programs to control micronutrient deficiencies) integrated nutrition programs in South Africa, Africa and other countries.

FEC 2543 Introduction to foods
Learners gain skills about composition of food (physical/chemical), reaction processes during application of different preparation methods, preparation of different foods and equipment used in the foods laboratory.

FEC 2643 Food preservation
Prerequisite FEC 2543
Introduce learners to; the role of food microorganisms during food preparation, the general principles of food preservation /methods of preservation (high/low temperature, dehydration, chemical preservatives, irradiation, controlled atmosphere packaging), reaction processes that take place, the effects of chemical preservatives and additives, food preservation equipment, packaging, sanitation and hygiene.

FEC 3543 Meal management and food product development
Prerequisite FEC 2643
Learners acquire skills in meal planning/serving/purchasing of food/ and basic techniques of food preparation for food service institutions. Scientific principles involved in food preparation, research, and product development are explored.

FEC 2544 Housing provisions
Environmental and health impact of rapid urbanisation and housing crisis in the world/South Africa, factors which influence housing needs of individuals, families, specific groups/ communities, financial/legal aspects of housing, community involvement in housing and alternative energy sources explored.

FEC 2644 Ecology and design perspectives of housing
Prerequisite FEC 2544
Learners acquire skills about factors which influence housing needs and problems faced by individuals and families with regards to housing issues. Profiling of communities and evaluation of architectural plans and materials that are used in different types of houses are covered.

FEC 3544 Interior planning of houses
Prerequisite FEC 2644
Learners are introduced to; elements and principles of interior design, interior design of residential spaces for life-cycle, maintenance/restoration/arrangement of furniture according to floor plan, interior planning from a multi-cultural perspective. Curtains, soft furnishings and interior materials/accessories for the home are examined and constructed.

FEC 2545 Introduction to clothing and textiles
The module covers physical and chemical properties of natural and man-made fibres, fibre composition, care of textiles, basic construction techniques/methods/finishing (basic stitches, seam finishes, neckline finishes, collars, sleeves, hems, pockets, fasteners).

FEC 2645 Garment construction and pattern design
Prerequisite FEC 2545
The module covers, pattern manipulation, designing/ construction of different types of garments, and handling of different types of fabrics.
FEC 3545: Fashion marketing and clothing industry consumer services  
**Prerequisite:** FEC 2645  
The module covers fashion development and trends, wardrobe planning, fashion/marketing and retailing (fashion creators, quality assurance, consumer behavior regarding clothing) and Socio-cultural aspects of clothing.

FEC 3081 Family Ecology Research Project and Industrial attachment  
Students are introduced to the broad spectrum on basic research methodologies and research procedures used in academic discipline. They formulate and carry out an independent research on a topic in Consumer Sciences. Students are placed for internship in an organization of their interest. To get hands on work place experience.

FST 2541 Introduction to food science and technology  

Practical work: Food science and technology as a career (SAAFoST video); processing of marula wine, baking technology, quality factors in food, sensory evaluation of processed foods, preservation of food, microbiological analysis of food and factory visits

FST 2621 Introduction to food and nutrition  

FST 2642 Fundamentals of postharvest biology and storage technology  
Biological and environmental factors in the deterioration of intact plant tissues i.e. Fruits, vegetables, seeds, nuts and post-slaughter animal tissues. Post harvest technology procedures to extend shelf life – temperature management procedures, control of relative humidity, treatment to manipulate the environment e.g. packaging, controlled or modified atmospheres, control of air exchange or ventilation, etc. Techniques for fresh produce quality measurements. Practical work: Visit to packing houses

FST 2643 Fundamentals of food preservation technology  

Practical work: Enzymatic browning of fruits, determination of pH in fruit juices, demonstration of food processing equipment, blanching and pasteurisation of seasonal fruits and vegetables, preparation of syrup and canned fruits, freezing of seasonal vegetables, meat and fish products, dehydration of fruits & vegetables, preparation of fruit bar, preparation of Jam, Jelly & squash, pickle preparation and fermented food products and visit to fruits and vegetable industry to see above operations.

FST 2644 Food process engineering  
**Prerequisite:** PHY 1527 and PHY 1627  
Basic principles of food process engineering, dimensions and units. Materials and energy balance, heat and mass transfer during food processing, thermal processing of foods, non-thermal processing of
foods. Conversion unit operations: size reduction, mixing, separation processes: filtration, sedimentation, separation, sieving and distillation.

Practical work: Calculations on mass and energy balances, psychrometry, refrigeration and freezing. Drawings of appropriate equipment and processes

**FST 3541 Principles of human nutrition**
Prerequisite FST 2621

**FSN 3542 Food chemistry I**
Prerequisite BCM 2521 and BCM 2522
Chemistry of the major food components; including carbohydrates, proteins, Lipids and water. Chemical and nutritional aspects of food processing. Implications of different processing techniques on major food components. Functional properties of major food components. Modification of functional characteristics, Food analysis methodology.

Practical work: Activation and control of enzymatic reactions in fruits and vegetables; consequences of water migration on food quality; gelatinization-retrogradation in starch based foods (e.g., pudding, bread, and rice); initiation and control of non-enzymatic browning (e.g., pretzels, meat); and food emulsions (e.g., salad dressings, commutated meats products).

**FSN 3543 Food microbiology**
Prerequisite MBY 2521
Microbiology of milk and milk products like cheese, butter, Ice-cream, milk powder. Microbiology of meat, fish, poultry and egg products. Microbiology of oil and fat based foods. Microbiology of Nuts, oilseeds, and dried legumes. Microbiology of fruits and vegetable products like jam, jelly, sauce, juice. Microbiology of cereal and cereal products like bread, etc. Practical work: Microbiological analysis of the above mentioned products.

**FSN 3081 Food commodity processing**
Exercise aimed at producing value added food products from a food raw material of plant and animal origin using the principles and practices of relevant food processing technologies. The exercise involves the following components: planning, execution and reporting. Practical work: Food processing practical exercises should among others include processing technologies for processing and preservation of fruit and vegetable product, animal products, cereal based products, milk and dairy products, roots and tubers etc. One of the main objectives of this practical exercise is to develop and improve technological expertise and communication skills

**FSN 3641 Product development and sensory evaluation of foods**
Product development- A study on the consecutive steps followed in the development of a new food products, including packaging, factory hygiene and sanitation. Application of sensory evaluation, types of test and their specific functions. Selection and training of panel members, statistical analysis and interpretation of dat. Practical work: New food product development and application of different sensory evaluation methods

**FSN 3642 Food chemistry II**
Prerequisite BCM 2621, BCM 2622
Chemistry of the major food components; including carbohydrates, proteins, Lipids and water. Chemical and nutritional aspects of food processing. Implications of different processing techniques on major food components. Functional properties of major food components. Modification of functional characteristics, Food analysis methodology. Practical work: Food analysis.
FSN 3643  Quality management systems
Food quality systems charts, fundamentals of quality control, assurance and management with specific references to HACCP concept, Food standard and legislation, shelf life of foods and Food labeling. Food toxicants, food safety and food toxicants, food safety and food safety management tools. Practical work: New product development and application of HACCP plan in food products.

FSN 3644  Cereal science and technology
Prerequisite  FST 2642 and FST 2643

FST 4541  Work integrated learning
Six months practical training in a relevant accredited food industry which covers at least two of the following: Research and product development, production/ processing/ manufacturing, quality assurance/ quality control, stock control and marketing.

FSN 4641  Fruit and vegetable technology
Prerequisite  FST 2642; FST 3542 and FST 3642
Fruit and vegetable technology: Overview of structure and composition. Post-harvest handling: storage, packaging and transport; extension of shelf life of fresh and minimally processed products. Preprocessing and / or preservation: canning, freezing, dehydration, concentration, fermentation, juice extraction, irradiation. Quality evaluation of processed products. Practical work: Practical execution of the process discussed above. Determination of preprocessing on losses, colour, and texture; inhibition of enzymatic browning, bottling, canning and pouches; juice extraction; freeze drying; factory visits; execution and reporting of a project on extended shelf life of a fresh juice or minimally processed products.

FSN 4642  Meat and poultry products technology
Prerequisite  FSN 3081

FST 4643  Food machinery
Prerequisite  FST 2642; FST 2643; FST 3543 and FST 3544
General consideration of the nature and properties of material of construction, design features and functions of equipment used in unit operations in the food and Agro-processing industry. Equipment specification and some know-how of the construction of the equipment system. Information sources on food machinery / equipment.

FST 4081  Research project
Small research projects in Food Science and Technology or related fields under the supervision of a research advisor.
FRT 2541  Forest ecology and tree identification  
**Prerequisite** BIO 1643  

FRT 2542  Wood science  *(syllabus not available)*

FRT 2543  Wood anatomy and properties  
**Prerequisite** CHE1540 and CHE 1622  
Botanical background of woody plants. Tree growth and cell differentiation in the xylem of gymnosperms and angiosperms. Gross structure of wood: sapwood and heart wood, growth increments, grain, texture, figure, odour and taste. Minute structure of wood: cell types, cell arrangements, cell wall structure and special features of cell wall. Relationship between wood anatomy and wood quality. The chemical structures and properties of some important, commonly occurring extractives. Natural defects in wood: knots, reaction wood, cross grain, growth stresses, shakes, bark pockets, resin or pitch pockets, compression failures, mineral streaks and pith. Variation in the structure of wood: variability between species, between trees of the same species and within a tree. Mechanical properties of wood: fundamental considerations, assessment of mechanical properties, description of tests, factors affecting mechanical properties.

FRT 2641  Introduction to forestry engineering  
**Prerequisite** None  

FRT 2642  Wood and Non-wood based materials  
**Prerequisite** FRT 2543  

FRT 3531  Silviculture I  *(syllabus not available)*

FRT 3541  Mensuration, inventory and harvesting  *(syllabus not available)*

FRT 3542  Sawmilling  
**Prerequisite** FRT 2543 and FRT 2642  
Log handling at the log yard: types of log yards, deterioration of floated and stored logs. Types of sawing machinery and layouts. Sawmill production planning: raw material requirements, sawing
patterns and determination of sizes to be cut, personnel requirement, preventive maintenance, production costs, quality control (sawing accuracy and surface quality). Record keeping including recovery rates. Timber handling while in process including sorting. Saw doctoring: saw tightness and looseness, tensioning, sharpening and teeth setting. Timber drying: methods of drying, types of kilns and drying schedules. Timber preservation: preservation methods, types of preservatives, procedures, properties of treated wood, treatment specifications and quality control. Timber grading: rules, grading of softwood and hardwoods. Manufacturing and seasoning defects: raised, loosened, fuzzy grain; checks, cupping, warping, case hardening, collapse and honey combing.

**FRT 3544  Forest resource assessment**
**Prerequisite  FRT 2642**

**FRT 3641  Silviculture II (syllabus not available)**

**FRT 3642  Forestry policy**
Different types and ownerships of forests and woodland resources in Southern Africa. The South African forest sector and the National Forestry Action Programme. Forest policy and the processes by which it is developed. State, local Government and tribal laws and regulations which influence forest management and use, how different policies, laws, Acts (e.g. Forests and Veld and Fire Acts, land reform Act) and regulations interact with socioeconomic and environmental factors to influence management and use of forests and woodland resources in Southern Africa.

**FRT 3643  Silviculture of planted forests**
**Prerequisite  FRT 2541**
The role, current status and challenges facing plantation forests in South Africa. Role and organizational issues of silvicultural practices for establishment, tending and harvesting of plantation forest South Africa. Factors affecting the sustainability of plantation forest management in South Africa. Criteria for selection of plantation sites, tree species, provenances and tree improvement practices through tree species & provenance trials, selection of plus trees, clonal orchards, progeny trials, seed stands, seed collection, handling, storage and nursery practices. Silvicultural techniques for site preparation, planting depth & spacing, blanking, weeding, pruning and thinning practices. Conservation of soil, water and biodiversity in plantation forests and afforestation in difficulty sites (steep slopes, arid lands etc)

**FRT 3644  Forest protection**
**Prerequisites  FRT 2541**
The concept of forest health. Types and causes of forest fires, environmental and socioeconomic impacts of forest fires, forest fires behavior, theoretical approaches, strategies and practices to prevent forest fires (detection, management response to suppress), tools, equipment and organization set-up for fire-fighting. With regards to protection and maintenance of forest health and vitality the major focus will be on the following aspects: Major and emerging insect pests, disease wild animals of concern in Southern Africa plantation forests. Classification and identification of the most common insects pests. Identification of the most affected and resistant tree species and places, the causes of the outbreak, effective protection strategies & methods, phytosanitary measures. Principles of integrated pest management in plantation forests. International and local organization set-ups for collaboration in monitoring, evaluation and reporting of risks of outbreaks and impacts of insect pests disease pathogens and other major destructive agents of plantation forests in Southern Africa.
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FRT 4644  **Silviculture of natural forests**
Multiple values of natural forests and woodlands. Management goals and objectives of natural forest and woodland. Silvicultural basis for management of trees and forests which includes. Historical and current silvicultural activities in natural forests (management, research, inventory and monitoring). General silvicultural principles (interaction effects between ecology, biology attributes of trees with abiotic and biotic environmental conditions, human activities and needs. Silvicultural systems and practices; functions of silvicultural systems and practices. Silviculture of the major indigenous tree species in natural forests and woodlands of Southern Africa; forest harvesting systems and regeneration processes/practices. Constraints and opportunities of natural regeneration and enrichment planting of major indigenous trees in Southern Africa. Factors influencing the implementation of various silvicultural systems and practices, adaptation process of silvicultural systems to suite local conditions e.g. for restoration of degraded natural forests and woodlands in rural areas of Southern Africa.

FRT 4081  **Project and seminar presentation**

Data collection techniques and Data analysis. Presentation of Research Results. Project Research report writing. Seminar on Research Findings.

WIL 4582  **Forest management planning**
Biophysical and socio-economic data collection and analysis. Indigenous rights issues. Land management goals. Regulatory context. Participatory approaches to monitoring and management. Integrative strategies. Preparation of forest management plans for a specified plantation or natural forest area. The plan must contain sections on description, registration, directives, and prescriptions of different operations. Preparation of annual plan of operations (APO).

HRT 2541  **Principles of horticultural crops production**  
**Prerequisite** AGR 1631
This module is designed to introduce learners to fundamental principles and practices underlying successful production of horticultural crops. The module will explore the basic plant structure, growth and development of horticultural plants from practical and scientific approaches; environmental effects, basic principles of propagation, nutrition, pruning. It provides an aesthetic appreciation of how plants affect us in our daily lives.

HRT 2641  **Plant propagation**
This module deals with the principles, practices and techniques followed in sexual and asexual plant multiplication. Seed production, seed harvesting, postharvest seed handling and storage will also be covered. Learners will be provided with the opportunity to practice different techniques in plant propagation; crop micropropagation, cutting propagation, stem, leaf and root cuttings; propagation by layering, grafting techniques, and propagation by specialized plant structures.

HRT 3531/3545  **Ornamental horticulture**  
**Prerequisite** HRT 2541
This module exposes learners to identification, classification, selection, adaptation, production techniques and utilization of common ornamental and native plants in South Africa and the world, relating to decorative purposes for indoor and outdoor living. Learners will gain knowledge in the production of cut flower plants, flowering pot plants, and flowering plants for outdoor.

HRT 3533  **Plant tissue culture**
This module presents to the learners principles of plant tissue culture and micropropagation. It covers the totipotency concept, laboratory requirements and set up for tissue culture, role and composition of tissue culture media and pathways of plant regeneration by tissue culture. Characteristics of callus and suspension cultures, somatic embryogenesis, genetic stability and artificial seeds, organogenesis and meristem culture will be covered. Case studies on successful micropropagation of horticultural crops are included.
HRT 3534  Citriculture (citrus production)  
**Prerequisite**  HRT 2541  
This module deals with world citrus production and marketing. Topics covered include, history, botany, classification, distribution, cultivation, varieties and rootstocks, soil and climate suitable for citrus production, propagation, layout and planting new citrus orchard, and management practices of established citrus orchard. The module will emphasize the relationship of environment to species, cultivar, and rootstock selection. Recent significant developments in plant breeding and cultural practices will also be covered.

HRT 3544  Controlled environment horticulture  
**Prerequisite**  HRT 2541  
This module exposes learners to controlled environment technology in horticulture. Topics covered include; concepts and systems of environmental control, commercial applications, relative merits and demerits of controlled environment production systems. Learners will be introduced to the cropping and production of high value horticultural crops in plastic tunnels, shade houses and greenhouses. Other topics covered are; types of structures for protected cultivation and their characteristics, greenhouse design and site considerations, greenhouses and their operations, plant culture in hydroponics, plant nutrition in soil-less culture, Hydroponics media and Aeroponics.

HRT 3631  Olericulture  
**Prerequisite**  HRT 2541  
This module deals with a comprehensive study of principles and practices related to the production of major and minor vegetables of South Africa, Africa and world in relation to production practices, nutritional value and quality characteristics. Special emphasis will be placed on growing crops for markets. It includes the following families Salicaceae, Asparagaceae, Asteraceae, Brassicaceae, Chenopodiaceae, Fabaceae, and Gramineae

HRT 3642  Turfgrass and landscape horticulture  
**Prerequisite**  HRT 2541  
This module deals with Turfgrass production and management, comparisons of turfgrass for recreational, landscape uses and covers area. Other topics covered are: growth, characteristics, methods of propagation, and basic management requirements, including control of important pest and diseases, turfgrass identification and adaptation, establishment and maintenance of high quality turf areas. Learners will be briefly introduced to application of the principles and elements of design to planning and developing residential landscape designs.

HRT 4532  Spices, herbs, beverages and medicinal crops  
**Prerequisite**  HRT 2541  
This module deals with history, origin, classification, cultural practices in production of major spices, herbs, beverages and medicinal plants. It discusses ecology, factors affecting growth and development, crop management and cultural practices, pest and disease control, harvesting, sorting, packaging storage and marketing. Their contemporary uses will also be discussed.

HRT 4541/4644  Postharvest physiology of horticultural crops  
**Prerequisite**  AGR 3541  
This module is designed to provide learners with knowledge of physiological changes associated with storage and handling of horticulture produce. It covers current practices used in extending shelf-life, basic and applied laboratory analysis techniques, produce deterioration, senescence of perishable crops, properties of ethylene, biosynthesis and mechanism of action of ethylene, and its role in fruit ripening. Other topics covered include; manipulation of postharvest physiological processes to enhance quality of fresh produce, waxes and edible coatings, postharvest chlorination, cooling and pre-cooling methods, and curing root, tuber and bulb crops.
HRT 4542/4643  Tropical and subtropical fruit and nut trees
Prerequisite  HRT 2541
This module is designed to introduce learners to current principles and practices in production of fruit and nut trees of economic importance in tropical and subtropical areas. Topics covered include; history, botany, classification, taxonomy, origin, adaptation, cultural practices, climate, producing regions of the world, varieties grown, rootstocks and factors for successful cultivation and utilization of these crops. Emphasis is on application of modern science and advanced technologies in the production of fruit crops for fresh and processing industries.

HRT 4633  Temperate fruit and nut trees production
Prerequisite  HRT 2541
This module deals with temperate fruits and nut trees production in summer rainfall areas of South Africa. Topics include climatic and soil conditions, cultural management, pruning and training. Physiological principles involved in growing temperate fruits in marginal environment of the sub-tropics will be covered. Emphasis will be on selection of low chilling requirement cultivars, rootstocks and methods of breaking dormancy in temperate trees.

HRT 4642  Agriculture biotechnology
Prerequisite  BCM 2621 and BCM 2622
This module deals with organization of genetic material, gene structure, expression and transmission. It covers topics in control of gene expression, structure and properties of DNA, DNA replication, protein synthesis and principles of gene cloning. Learners are introduced to recombinant DNA technology, concept, and basis of biotechnology and application of biotechnology in agriculture and crop improvement.

HRT 4081  Project and seminar presentation
Prerequisite  RME 3648
Independent research under academic adviser culminating in an oral and research report. Research topic related to horticulture. Students should demonstrate good practice in using skills and knowledge acquired during the programme and follow dissertation guidelines as laid down by the department.

AGR 1631  Agriculture and humankind
Prerequisite  None

AGR 2541  Introduction to plant production
Prerequisite  AGR 1631

AGR 3541  Principles and applications of plant physiology in plant production
Prerequisite  BIO 1542 and BIO 1643

AGR 3631  Dryland farming technology
Prerequisite  AGR 2541
Definition and classification of drylands. Distribution of drylands in South Africa. Factors that constrain crop production in the drylands. Management practices to ameliorate the constraints. Soil water and conservation
AGR 3641  Introductory plant breeding and seed production  
**Prerequisite** GEN 1641 and AGR 3541


AGR 4532  Management of natural and cultivated pastures  
**Prerequisite** AGR 2541


AGR 4533  Bio-energy crops: Agronomy and postharvest processing  
**Prerequisite** AGR 2541; AGR 3631 and PPR 3541


AGR 4632  Agronomy of selected field crops  
**Prerequisite** AGR 2541; AGR 3641 and PPR 3541


AGR 4081  Project and seminar presentation

PPR 3541  Introduction to plant protection  
**Prerequisite** AGR 2541


PPR 3631  Agricultural entomology  
**Prerequisite** PPR 2541 or PPR 3541

PPR 3641  **Weed science**  
**Prerequisite**  PPR 2541 or PPR 3541  

PPR 4541  **Plant pathology**  
**Prerequisite**  PPR 3541  

SSC 2541  **Introduction to soil science**  

SSC 2642  **Geology for soil science**  

SSC 3531  **Soil Biology and Ecology (Old curriculum)**  

SSC 3541  **Soil Classification (Old curriculum)**  
Profile description. Diagnostic horizons and diagnostic soil characteristics in the SA system. The Soil orders in Soil Taxonomy: concepts, genesis, uses and problems. Procedure of classifying soils for both systems.

SSC 3542  **Soil chemistry**  
**Prerequisite**  SSC 2541  

SSC 3543  Pedology  
Prerequisite SSC 2541  
Soil forming factors and processes. The effect of soil forming factors to soil morphology and on soil physical, chemical and biological properties. Physical and chemical weathering processes of rocks and minerals and their products. Pedogenesis i.e. soil forming processes (sulfurization, salinization, calcification, eluviation, illuviation, Podzolization, gleization, erosion, leaching, alkalinization, dealkalinization, calcification, decalcification, braunification, and deposition. Soil morphology: development of A, B, C and other soil horizons. Effects of soil organisms on soil fertility development (termites). Soil spatial variability in the field

SSC 3544  Soil physics  
Prerequisite SSC 2541  

SSC 3632  Soil Fertility (Old curriculum)  
Prerequisite SSC 2541  

SSC 3633  Soil Physics (Old curriculum)  
Selecting and analyzing information on study topics. Structure and texture. Compaction and crusting. Methods of assessing soil water. Practical importance of soil physical properties

SSC 3641  Soil survey, classification and mapping  
Prerequisite SSC 2541  
Soil forming factors and processes. The effect of soil forming factors to soil morphology and on soil physical, chemical and biological properties. Pedogenesis i.e. soil forming processes. Soil morphology: development of A, B, C and other soil horizons. Soil spatial variability. Soil survey, soil classification and mapping (using different systems). Remote sensing and GIS. Practical will be based on the influence of litho sequences, Chronosequence, rainfall sequences, temperature sequences, bio-sequences, and toposequence. The field trip is done in Limpopo. Mpumalanga, and Kruger National Park Soil classification (S.A)

SSC 3642  Soil microbiology  
Prerequisite SSC 2541  

SSC 3643  Pedology (Old curriculum)  

SSC 3644  Regional Pedology (Old curriculum)  
SSC 4541  Soil-Plant-Water relationship  
**Prerequisite**  SSC 2541  

SSC 4641  Soil fertility and plant nutrition  
**Prerequisite**  SSC 2541  

SSC 4642  Advanced Chemistry (Old curriculum)  

SSC 4643  Advanced Soil Physics (Old curriculum)  

SSC 4644  Land evaluation  
**Prerequisite**  SSC 2541  

SSC 4645  Soil, water and plant analysis  
**Prerequisite**  SSC 2541  

SSC 4081  Project and seminar presentation  
**Prerequisite**  RME 3648  
Independent research under academic adviser culminating in an oral and research report. Research topic related to soil science. Students should demonstrate good practice in using skills and knowledge acquired during the programme and follow dissertation guidelines as laid down by the department.