

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – A NEW AND MUCH NEEDED QUALIFICATION

This qualification equips learners with the knowledge, skills and attributes needed to add value in guiding and supporting individuals and organisations (both emerging and exiting) so as to achieve their community development goals and objectives.

It provides the learner with competencies to work collectively towards the identification, planning and mobilisation of resources for community interventions of social change, to improve the quality of life of communities in an integrated and sustainable manner.

The competencies embedded in this National Certificate: Community Development (CommDev) (NQF level 5) will open up opportunities for qualifying learners to either, progress towards the NQF level 8 BCommDev degree, or enter into a number of employment opportunities as learning occurs through occupationally directed workplace training.

PURPOSE OF QUALIFICATION

To empower people to work and act as agents of change, in order to add value to the practice of community development – and in order to contribute towards improvement in quality of life and the eradication of poverty.

TARGET AUDIENCE

People who have worked in the community development sector for years as well as those who want to take up a career in the field of community development. This qualification could create an opportunity for further learning and vertical progression to the degree of Bachelor Community Development (NQF Level 8).

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Pre-requisites for learner entry are determined by the requirements set by the South African Qualifications Authority (SAQA) for the relevant qualification to be obtained.

Learners are assumed to be competent in:

- Communication at NQF level 4
- Mathematical Literacy at NQF Level 4

OR

People who have an FETC, (Grade 12) or equivalent qualification, but who do not have a development practice education qualification.

OR

Learners with a NQF Level 4 in development practice or other recognised NQF Level 4 qualifications.

Prospective learners should be able to read, write, listen and speak English equivalent to the relevant specified NQF level. The prospective learner should be able to undertake independent learning. In addition to the aforementioned competency, those learners who wish to enrol for our my-eLEARNING online e-platform mode of learning would also be required to have basic computer literacy and the ability to navigate an electronic learning platform.

Specific requirements for the my-eLEARNING mode of learning course requires from learners to:

- be computer literate
- have access to a computer
- have access to internet
- put aside dedicated timeslots for interactive discussions, forums and chat rooms
- have an active e-mail address
- have access to a printer
- have a cell phone to receive SMS notifications

Course Outcomes

1. Demonstrate critical understanding of the community development theories, approaches, principles and community development process to be applied within the relevant context.
2. Conduct community-based research to inform community development interventions.
3. Examine and apply legal and regulatory frameworks to facilitate sustainable and integrative community development.
4. Explore and coordinate networks and partnerships, with due regard to diversity, in pursuit of meeting community requirements in an ethical manner.
5. Plan, design and manage a community intervention. Select and apply appropriate leadership and/or management styles/models for the purpose of community well being.
6. Select and apply appropriate leadership and/or management styles/models for the purpose of community well-being.

WHERE DOES THE COURSE TAKE PLACE

Currently training is taking place in Limpopo, Gauteng, Eastern Cape and Western Cape. The Western Cape training is presented in Goodwood and Vasco.

Note that the Wellington Office does not host training, and is merely our Administrative office.

NB: Please note that training also takes place online

HOW CAN I APPLY

Please contact our office one of our agents will take you through the application process

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