Emeris

Higher Certificate in Logistics and Supply Chain Management

Faculty of Commerce

Distance Higher Certificate | NQF Level 5
120 Credits | SAQA ID: 101529 | HCSL0501

→ Online

Qualification Description

The qualification focuses on logistics and supply chain management theories, principles and practices as well as basic finance, purchasing, transport economics and operations management support competencies. This is to provide students with the particular balance of skills identified as critical for successful further studies into the broader logistics and supply chain management field.

The distance mode of study is ideal for those who prefer not to attend full-time lectures but still want to pursue a career in logistics and supply chain management.

As an distance student you will receive all your support online from a dedicated team of Emeris lecturers.

Who Is This Qualification Aimed At?

The Higher Certificate in Logistics and Supply Chain Management qualification is designed for individuals who wish to acquire foundational knowledge and practical skills applicable to logistics, transportation, procurement, and supply chain operations. This qualification is particularly suited to individuals who are interested in supporting the operational and strategic flow of goods and services across various sectors.

It is ideal for those pursuing entry-level opportunities within logistics and supply chain environments, as well as for individuals who seek a structured academic pathway into further business or commerce-related studies. The flexibility of distance learning supports students who require adaptable study schedules due to employment or other responsibilities, while enabling them to develop core competencies in supply chain principles, transport economics, operations management, and business fundamentals.

How Will Emeris Support Your Online Learning as a Distance (Online) Student, and How Will It Help Prepare You for the Working World?

Our distance teaching and learning approach is designed to allow you the freedom to self-govern your learning experiences according to your individual needs. You are at the centre of your own learning journey, and by offering curated engagement opportunities, we partner with you to:

- Engage with subject material
- Build understanding
- Develop critical thinking and problem-solving skills
- Manage your work, life and studies
- Succeed in your personal, professional, and academic goals.

DISTANCE (ONLINE)

Admission Requirements

Minimum Admission Requirements		English
	NSC: HC pass with	30%
	NC(V): HC pass with	40%
	SC: Endorsement - none	33,3%
	SC(a): HC pass with	A minimum of 30% in LOLT on NSC/ SC(a) OR with a min. of 33.3% on SC
	International	A SAQA Evaluation Certificate with NSC Level 4 equivalence with at least 30% or equivalent for English.

Should you have any other school leaving qualification not mentioned above, please reach out to a Student Advisor.

Scan the QR Code to learn more about Alternate Admission requirements for:
RPL | Mature Age Exemptions | USAf International Students | One module outstanding from a Higher Certificate *If applicable.

One-Year Curriculum Structure

Year 1							
Semester 1				Semester 2			
Code	Module Name	NQF	Credits	Code	Module Name	NQF	Credits
BUSM5111	Business Management 1A	5	15	LOSC5122	Logistics and Supply Chain Management 1B: Purchasing Management	5	15
DIAL5111	Digital and Academic Literacies	5	15	OPMG5122	Operations Management	5	15
FIMA5111	Introduction to Accounting and Finance	5	15	TRAE5122	Transport Economics	5	15
LOSC5121	Logistics and Supply Chain Management 1A: Introduction	5	15	XSCM5129	Work Integrated Learning	5	15

Two-Year Curriculum Structure

Year 1							
Semester 1				Semester 2			
Code	Module Name	NQF	Credits	Code	Module Name	NQF	Credits
DIAL5111	Digital and Academic Literacies	5	15	BUSM5111	Business Management 1A	5	15
FIMA5111	Introduction to Accounting and Finance	5	15	OPMG5122	Operations Management	5	15
LOSC5121	Logistics and Supply Chain Management 1A: Introduction	5	15	LOSC5122	Logistics and Supply Chain Management 1B: Purchasing Management	5	15
Year 2							
Semester 3							
Code	Module Name	NQF	Credits				
TRAE5122	Transport Economics	5	15				
XSCM5129	Work Integrated Learning	5	15				

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Further Study Pathways

The successful completion of the Higher Certificate in Logistics and Supply Chain Management qualification (HCSL0501) enables you to progress into the following qualification/s subject to meeting the admission requirements:

- Bachelor of Business Administration degree
- Bachelor of Business Administration in Logistics and Supply Chain Management degree
- Bachelor of Commerce degree
- Bachelor of Commerce in Entrepreneurship degree
- Bachelor of Commerce in Law degree

Career Opportunities

- Logistics and Supply Chain Administrators
- Logistics/transport controller
- Operations Administrator
- Dispatcher
- Logistics Coordinator
- Purchasing Officer

System and Software Requirements

- Reliable internet connection (we recommend 5-10 GB of data per month and an internet speed of at least 0.15 Mbps)
- Desktop PC or laptop with at least an i3 processor and 4GB RAM memory
- Windows 11 or macOS 10.15 (Microsoft Office 365 is available as a free download for Emeris students), and Google Chrome, Microsoft Edge Chromium or Firefox
- A working webcam and microphone
- An uninterrupted power supply is also highly recommended.

Exams are written at an exam centre and in some instances online. These details will be specified in your Programme Assessment Schedule (PAS).

Graduation and Completion Requirements for This Qualification

One-Year Structure:

In order to be awarded this qualification, you must have achieved a minimum final year mark of fifty percent (50%) for all 8 modules in the curriculum.

As a distance (online) student, this qualification is structured to be completed over 1 year. The maximum time for completing a qualification full-time is double the minimum time associated with the qualification, and for part-time an additional year is allowed.

Two-Year Structure:

In order to be awarded this qualification, you must have achieved a minimum final year mark of fifty percent (50%) for all 8 modules in the curriculum.

As a distance (online) student, this qualification is structured to be completed over 2 years. The maximum time for completing a qualification full-time is double the minimum time associated with the qualification, and for part-time an additional year is allowed.

Where Assessments Are Written in Person

- For students based in South Africa, online students may select any Emeris campus as their Examination Centre.
- An alternative examination centre is only permissible for students studying abroad and those located in a province of South Africa where there is no campus. If there is no campus within reach, an alternative venue will need to be sourced by you. For non-Emeris venues, there is an alternative venue levy per module.

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What Are the Benefits of a Distance (Online) Qualification?

The distance (online) delivery mode provides you with the agility of studying towards a tertiary qualification asynchronously, at different times from different locations. Distance students need to commit to approximately 20-25 hours a week for distance engagement (most of which is after hours) with material and assessments to succeed.

Here are some of the benefits you can expect:

- A sequenced online learning environment that allows you the ability to manage your learning experiences flexibly and autonomously.
- A learner guide designed to lead you through the module material and learning outcomes, empowering you to effectively pace your learning in preparation for assessments.
- Our Learning Management System is designed to break up your learning units into manageable sections which include various activities to support learning.
- Module expert online lecturers that facilitate module teaching and learning support through various technology enhanced mediums.
- Student Relations Specialists provide administrative and operational guidance and support throughout your academic journey.
- A professionally registered Student Wellness Manager/Counsellor available for short-term, primary counselling services. Additionally, the Student Wellness Manager/Counsellor hosts various webinars and virtual talks on topics that promote a balanced lifestyle as you pursue your academic goals.

Apply Online

After your application is submitted, we will review your documentation and provide an outcome regarding your chosen study.

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