

## IIE Higher Certificate in Communication Practices

### Faculty of Humanities

1 Year Full-Time Higher Certificate | NQF Level 5  
120 Credits | SAQA ID: 112899 | HCCP0501

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### Qualification Description

The IIE's Higher Certificate in Communication Practices will provide students with foundational knowledge, cognitive and conceptual tools, and practical techniques applicable to English Language and Communication Practices. The qualification will also expose students to the importance of effective communication by equipping them with skills to gather, process, produce and present information in professional settings.



### Who Is This Qualification Aimed At?

Through the focus on design and problem-solving skills, digital and academic literacies, orientation to media studies, with a work integrated experiential learning requirement, this Higher Certificate will provide an employee with a competitive edge in their workplace, as well as serving as a pathway into a IIE Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Social Science Degree. Prospective students coming from matric who do not meet the admission requirements for the Education Degrees can enrol in the IIE Higher Certificate in Communication Practice in the Education discipline.

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## Admission Requirements

Minimum Admission Requirements		English
	NSC: HC pass with	30%
	NC(V): HC pass with	40%
	SC: Endorsement with - none with	33.3%
	SC(a): HC pass with	A minimum of 30% in LOLT in NSC/ SC(a) OR with a min. of 33.3% in 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.



## Curriculum Outline

Core Discipline	Major Subjects
Communication Science	APCT5131, COSC5121, DIAL5111, ENLP5111, DTPS5111, ENLP5112, FOMS5112, XCOP5112
Education	APCT5131, COSC5121, DIAL5111, ENLP5111, FALN5112, FALX5112, FALZ5112, FAFR5112, DTPS5111, MAFU5112, XCOP5112

## Curriculum Structure

### Communication Science:

The Communication Science pathway is for students who want to develop foundational skills in communication to prepare for further studies or entry-level roles in communication-related fields.

Year 1			
Semester 1			
Code	Module Name	NQF	Credits
APCT5131	Applied Communication Techniques	5	15
COSC5121	Communication Science 1A: Interpersonal Communication	5	15
DIAL5111	Digital and Academic Literacies	5	15
ENLP5111	English Language Practice A	5	15
Semester 2			
Code	Module Name	NQF	Credits
DTPS5111	Design Thinking and Problem-Solving	5	15
ENLP5112	English Language Practice B	5	15
FOMS5112	Fundamentals of Media Studies	5	15
XCOP5112	Work Integrated Learning	5	15

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The Education pathway is intended to support students who do not currently meet the requirements to register for BEd programmes. Students are advised to refer to the BEd entry requirements for further guidance.

Year 1			
Semester 1			
Code	Module Name	NQF	Credits
APCT5131	Applied Communication Techniques	5	15
COSC5121	Communication Science 1A: Interpersonal Communication	5	15
DIAL5111	Digital and Academic Literacies	5	15
ENLP5111	English Language Practice A	5	15
Semester 2			
Code	Module Name	NQF	Credits
DTPS5111	Design Thinking and Problem-Solving	5	15
MAFU5112	Mathematics Fundamentals	5	15
XCOP5112	Work Integrated Learning	5	15
Electives for Education discipline:			
*First Additional Languages (Students will choose one module only)			
Code	Module Name	NQF	Credits
FALN5112	First Additional Language Northern Sotho	5	15
FALX5112	First Additional Language isiXhosa	5	15
FALZ5112	First Additional Language isiZulu	5	15
FAFR5112	First Additional Language Afrikaans	5	15

\*Language offers are campus dependent

## Further Study Pathways

For the **Faculty of Humanities**, the IIE Higher Certificate in Communication Practices qualification allows you to articulate the two qualifications below should you meet the requirements:

- IIE Bachelor of Arts
- IIE Bachelor of Social Science

For the **Faculty of Education**, completing the education core discipline modules on the IIE Higher Certificate in Communication Practices qualification allows you to articulate the two qualifications below should you meet the requirements:

- IIE Bachelor of Education in Foundation Phase Teaching
- IIE Bachelor of Education in Intermediate Phase Teaching

**NB:** In the case of students who have already completed the Higher Certificate in Communication Practice in the Education discipline, the English and FAL proficiency tests may be waived, as they would have successfully completed the English and FAL modules at NQF Level 5, thereby meeting the additional language requirements.

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## Career Opportunities

### Communication Discipline:

- Internal/external communications assistant
- Junior Copyeditor
- Social Media Assistant/Analyst
- Digital Media Marketing
- Customer Liaison Officer
- Front Desk Receptionist
- Office Administrator

### Education Discipline:

Teaching Assistant/Tutor with responsibilities such as:

- Assist qualified teachers in classrooms
- Offer tutoring in Maths or English (especially at primary or high school level)
- Work in after-school programs or homework centers

## Timetables

This qualification is aimed at students who wish to complete full-time face-to-face studies for the duration of their qualification. This means that students are expected to be available Mon-Fri 8:00 - 17:00 throughout the day for class in the academic year depending on how the timetable is structured.

Students must also note that timetables remain subject to change throughout the academic year.

## Graduation and Completion Requirements for This Qualification

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 contact 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.

## Apply Online

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



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