



higher education
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Department:
Higher Education and Training
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA



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Technical and Vocational Education and Training College

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New Programmes

OCCUPATIONAL CERTIFICATES

(ACCREDITED BY THE QCTO)

An occupational programme is a work-focused training programme that combines theoretical knowledge, practical skills, and on-the-job experience to prepare individuals for specific jobs or trades.

These programmes are designed to be highly practical, directly meeting the needs of the workplace, and lead to recognised qualifications that enhance job prospects.

CHARACTERISTICS OF OCCUPATIONAL PROGRAMMES:

Practical and Skills-Based:

The emphasis is on developing specific, job-relevant skills and knowledge required in a particular occupation or trade.

Workplace Integration:

These programmes often include significant work experience or on-the-job training to provide practical application of learned skills.

Leads to Qualifications:

Successful completion results in a qualification (such as an Occupational Certificate or a Skills Programme that is registered on the National Qualifications Framework (NQF) and recognised in the relevant industry.

Demand-Driven:

The programmes are often created to address the specific demands of the community and the labour market.

Quality Assurance:

It is developed and offered by accredited training providers (Skills Development Providers) and are overseen by the [Quality Council for Trades and Occupations \(QCTO\)](#).

QCTO programmes consist of 3 components and may include a skills programme/s to enhance the qualification that can lead to more employment opportunities.

After completion students will receive a statement of results stating the exact credits and competencies gained. This will enable a student to apply for an **EXTERNAL INTEGRATED SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENT** to complete a final assessment for certification!(Trade Test)

1. KNOWLEDGE

Theory component typical takes place in a classroom situation according to the timetable
Regular assessments will be conducted to determine the competency of the student

2. PRACTICAL

This component takes place in a workshop mostly on campus
Regular assessments will be conducted to determine the competency of the student

3. WORKPLACE

Students are placed at appropriate workplaces.
Students will complete a logbook to keep track of experience gained

STATEMENT OF RESULTS

Issued by Westcol capturing the credits gained

EISA

Apply for Final assessment for certification at an **EXTERNAL INTEGRATED SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENT CENTRE**

**Qualified
Artisan**





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OCCUPATIONAL PROGRAMMES – 2026 QCTO ACCREDITED

1. OCCUPATION CERTIFICATE: HAIRDRESSING NCV LEVEL 2 - 4

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Grade 9 -12 pass

Students will be required to complete a Placement Assessment to determine the level of competence in literacy and numeracy followed by an individual interview for suitability prior to admission.

Students may be required to undergo medical assessment.

DURATION

3 years

CAMPUS

Randfontein Campus

APPLICATION

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2. OCCUPATION CERTIFICATE: ELECTRICIAN – NQF LEVEL 4

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Grade 9 passed or equivalent with a 50% pass in English, Mathematics and Physical Science, but preference is given to students who completed Grade 12 or

AET L4 (GETC) with a 50% pass in Mathematics/Mathematical Literacy and English FAL

Students will be required to complete a Placement Assessment to determine the level of competence in literacy and numeracy followed by an individual interview for suitability prior to admission.

Students may be required to undergo medical assessment.

DURATION

3 years

CAMPUS

Krugersdorp-West and Carletonville Campus

APPLICATION

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3 OCCUPATION CERTIFICATE: WELDER – NQF LEVEL 4

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Grade 9 passed or equivalent with a 50% pass in English, Mathematics and Physical Science, but preference is given to students who completed Grade 12 or AET L4 (GETC) with a 50% pass in Mathematics/Mathematical Literacy and English FAL. Students may be required to undergo medical assessment.

DURATION

3 years

CAMPUS

Randfontein Campus

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4. OCCUPATION CERTIFICATE: FITTER AND TURNER - NFQ LEVEL 4

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Grade 9 passed or equivalent with a 50% pass in English, Mathematics and Physical Science, but preference is given to students who completed Grade 12 or AET L4 (GETC) with a 50% pass in Mathematics/Mathematical Literacy and English FAL. Students will be required to complete a Placement Assessment to determine the level of competence in literacy and numeracy followed by an individual interview for suitability prior to admission.

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DURATION

3 years

CAMPUS

Carletonville Campus

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5. OCCUPATION CERTIFICATE: CHEF - NQF LEVEL 5

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

A Hospitality NC(V) L4/Grade 12 passed; or an
National Introductory Certificate: N4 Food Services

Students will be required to complete a Placement Assessment to determine the level of competence in literacy and numeracy followed by an individual interview for suitability prior to admission.

Students may be required to undergo medical assessment.

DURATION

3 years

CAMPUS

Randfontein Campus

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