



# IIE Higher Certificate in Business Principles and Practice

School of  
Management

For those with the skills, drive and initiative, the business world is a place of great opportunity and reward. This IIE Higher Certificate in Business Principles and Practice (distance) develops and provides students with a broad range of essential business skills, including communication, business administration, accounting and project administration.

The distance mode of study is ideal for working adults who prefer not to attend full-time lectures but still want to achieve a focus on business practices in the business environment.

As an IIE distance student you will receive all your support online from a dedicated team of IIE Varsity College Online tutors.

**HIGHER CERTIFICATE**

**DISTANCE**



## Curriculum

Year 1							
Semester 1				Semester 2			
Code	Module Name	NQF	Credits	Code	Module Name	NQF	Credits
DIAL5111	Digital and Academic Literacies	5	15	INAC5111	Introduction to Accounting 1A	5	15
IQTT5111	Introduction to Quantitative Thinking and Techniques	5	15	PRMA5122	Project Management and Administration	5	15
BMAD5121	Business Management & Administration A	5	15	BMAD5112	Business Management and Administration B	5	15
Year 2							
Semester 3							
ACSO5112	Accounting Software	5	15				
XBPP5129	Work Integrated Learning	5	15				

## Admission requirements

NSC: HC pass with	English 30%
NC(V): HC pass	English 40%
SC: Endorsement - none	English 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 contact a student advisor.

### Note:

- Curriculum and content are subject to change.
- Students will be required to register per academic year.
- Fees stated are per academic year and not for the full qualification.
- Students who are unsuccessful in a module(s) will need to reregister.

## Career opportunities

- Project Administrator/Coordinator
- Office Administrator/Coordinator
- Assisting a Project Manager
- Executive Assistant
- Secretary
- Administration Clerk
- Receptionist
- Entry level Accounts Clerk

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## What are the benefits of an IIE distance (online) qualification?

The IIE's 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.
- Online Success Navigators 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.

## Device and connectivity specifications required for online study:

- 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 8 or macOS 10.15 (Microsoft Office 365 is available as a free download for IIE 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.

## Where assessments are written in person:

- For students based in South Africa, online students may select any campus of The IIE's Varsity College, Rosebank College, Vega, or IIE MSA 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 IIE campus. If there is no IIE campus within reach, an alternative venue will need to be sourced by you. For non-IIE venues, there is an alternative venue levy per module.

## How will The IIE's Varsity College 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

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