

Diploma in Somatology

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SAQA ID: 99725

Location: Ritson Campus (Mansfield School Ground Floor)

Description of the Programme

In keeping with the faculty's mission and goals, the programme aims to provide high standards of teaching and innovative learning strategies thereby producing ethical, skillful and quality Somatologists who can promote and represent their profession locally, nationally and internationally.

Graduates will have the capacity to apply leadership and entrepreneurial skills thereby responding to the national imperatives of creating employment opportunities.

The Somatologists will promote social responsibility through community engagement and research activities. The programme aims to encourage and improve relationships with all other health care professionals through research and being responsive to the primary health care and wellness needs of the people of South Africa, thereby adapting and cementing their position within the health care community.

To be a suitable candidate for the profession it is important to be fit and in good physical health. Emotional strength and maturity is also a necessity, as once qualified, the Somatologist will be dealing on a one to one basis with various people with many different physical and psychological needs.

The Diploma is offered on a full-time basis only.

Training given during the three-year and four-year (ECP) programme leads to a Diploma and B Tech Somatology respectively. The programme is divided into theoretical and practical components. Class practicals are performed on fellow students. In the second and third year, students complete experiential learning and community service in order to gain workplace experience. The curriculum has been designed to give the diplomat a working knowledge and experience of all facets of health education, in order that they may play a role in the general health care and wellness of individuals.

Career Opportunities

Owning, running or working in a spa/salon/clinic or health hydro, international, and national shipping liners, game lodges and wellness centres, exercise as well as advising clients on nutritionally balanced eating programmes. Marketing and training positions are also available in national and international cosmetic companies, and equipment houses and retail outlets.

Entry Requirements (Diploma in Somatology)

NATIONAL SENIOR CERTIFICATE (NSC) (01 January 2009)		SENIOR CERTIFICATE (SC) PRE 2009)			NATIONAL CERTIFICATE (VOCATIONAL) (NCV)	
NSC DIPLOMA ENTRY		SENIOR CERTIFICATE (SC) A Senior Certificate with OR equivalent qualification.			NATIONAL CERTIFICATE VOCATIONAL (NCV)	
Compulsory Subjects	NSC Rating Code	Compulsory Subjects	HG	SG	Compulsory Subjects	Mark
English (Home) OR English (First Additional)	3	English	E	C	English	60%
Life Science	4	Biology	E	C	Life Science	70%
Mathematics OR	3	Mathematics	E	C	Mathematics OR	60%
Mathematics Literacy	5	And two other subjects	E	C	Mathematics Literacy	80%
And two 20 credit subject (only one of which maybe a language)	3				And any two subjects	60%

Additional Entry Requirements:
Further requirements include a Medical Report and an Assessment test.
Applicants are required to have a prescribed medical stating that they have a clean bill of health, as a high standard of physical fitness is essential.
Admission is dependent upon an entrance test to be held in the latter part of the year in which applicants apply.
A total number of 25 students can be accommodated for the full programme on an annual basis.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS BASED UPON WORK EXPERIENCE, AGE AND MATURITY

For admission to entry level diploma and certificate studies:

A person may, subject to such requirements as the Senate may determine, be admitted to the Institution even if such a person is not in a possession of a National Senior Certificate, Senior Certificate or an equivalent certificate, provided that:

- The person shall have reached the age of 23 in the first year of registration and shall have at least:

- three years' appropriate work experience; and/or
- capacity for the proposed instructional programme, which shall be assessed at the discretion of the respective Head of Department by a Senate approved admission assessment comprising of a DUT Standardised Assessment Test for Access and Placement (SATAP), Academic Literacies (Al) & English for Academic Purposes (EAP) and/or an appropriate subject or programme specific written assessment designed and marked by the relevant Department; and

(b) The relevant Faculty Board shall be satisfied that the person is standard of communication skills, ability to study successfully and/or work experience are such that the person, in the opinion of the relevant Faculty Board, should be able to complete the proposed instructional programme successfully. If required, the communication skills and study skills should be tested; and

(c) The person's application for admission in terms of work experience, age and maturity **is approved prior to registration.**

Applicants intending to gain admission through work experience, age and maturity must submit their applications to the relevant department at least four months before commencement of the academic year inclusive of the date of scheduling writing a requisite eligibility assessment.

An extended curriculum programme is also available to students who have applied but who do not fulfil all the tertiary admission requirements for success. This extended programme requires students to complete the first year of the Somatology Diploma over two years during which additional assistance is afforded to them. When the two years for this extended programme has been completed, students automatically move to the second year of the Somatology programme. Fees are split for those subjects taken. Twenty places are available on the extended programme. Selection is based on the entrance test. The students with the best school results in recommended subjects, aptitude, personality and entrance test will have the best chance of being accepted to the programme.

Dress Regulation for Practical Classes

Uniform as prescribed must be worn during practical's. Shoes - well-fitting shoes or sandals with low heels.

Hair - clean, tidy, and secured away from the face. Nails - very short and unvarnished.

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Name of Module	Module Code	HEQSF Level	SAQA Credits	2020 Fees
Year One				
Aesthetic Practices	AESP101	5	12	R3800
Anatomy and Physiology	APHS101	5	24	R4220
Microbial Hygiene	MCBH101	5	8	R1690
Entrepreneurship I	ENPS101	5	8	R1690
Community & Academic Writing	CMAW101	5	8	R1690
Science I: Chemistry	SCCH101	5	8	R1690
Nutrition I	NTRT101	5	8	R1690
Somatic Therapy I: Face	SMTF101	5	16	R5060
Somatic Therapy I: Body	SMTB101	5	16	R5060
Cornerstone 101	CSTN101	5	12	R2950
Values in the Workplace	VWKP101	5	8	R1970
TOTAL CREDITS			128	
TOTAL				R27 710
Year Two				
Disease Fundamentals	DSFD101	6	16	R4440
Aesthetic practices II	AESP201	6	12	R1780
Entrepreneurship II	ENPS201	6	8	R1780
Science II: Cosmetic	SCCS201	6	8	R2220
Nutrition II	NTRT201	6	8	R1780
Somatic Therapy II: Face	SMTF201	6	16	R5330
Somatic Therapy II: Body	SMTB201	6	16	R5330
Basic Pharmacology I	BSPH101	5	8	R1780
Personal and professional develop I OR	PPDV101	6	12	R2080
Environ Awareness of Health Profess	EVAH101	6	12	R4670
HIV & communicable diseases in KZN	HCDK101	6	8	R2080
Community engagement project	CMEP101	6	8	R2270
Somatic Clinical practice I: A	SCLA101	TBA	16	R2200
Somatic Clinical practice I: B	SCLB101	TBA	16	R2200
TOTAL CREDITS			142	
TOTAL				R39 940
Year Three				
Entrepreneurship III	ENPS301	6	8	R1780
Somatic Therapy III: Body	SMTB201	6	16	R5330
Complementary Therapy I	CPTH101	6	16	R5330
Complementary Therapy II	CPTH201	6	16	R5330

Wellness Therapy I	WLTH101	6	16	R5330
Socio Psychology I	SCPS101	6	8	R1780
Socio Psychology II	SCPS201	6	8	R1780
Global Environment OR	GENV101	6	8	R1950
Info & comm Techno Literacy and Skills	ICTLI01	6	8	R1950
Personal & professional develop II OR	PPDV201	6	12	R2080
Issues of gender and society in health care	IGSH101	-	TBA	R4670
Personal and Profess Develop III OR	PPDV301	7	12	R2080
Somatic Clinical Practice II:A	SCLA201	6	16	R3040
Somatic Clinical Practice II: B	SCLB202	6	16	R5330
Total				R47 760
GRAND TOTAL				R90 471

Application

Applicants who wish to enrol for the programme must apply through the CAO system by no later than 30 October of the previous year.

Application Forms

Contact the Central Applications Office (C.A.O.)

Address letters to:

Central Applications Office

Private Bag X06

Dalbridge 4014

Tel: (031) 2684444

Fax: (031) 2684422

OR

Apply online: <http://www.cao.ac.za>

CAO Code: DUDST3

Closing Date for Applications: 30 October 2020