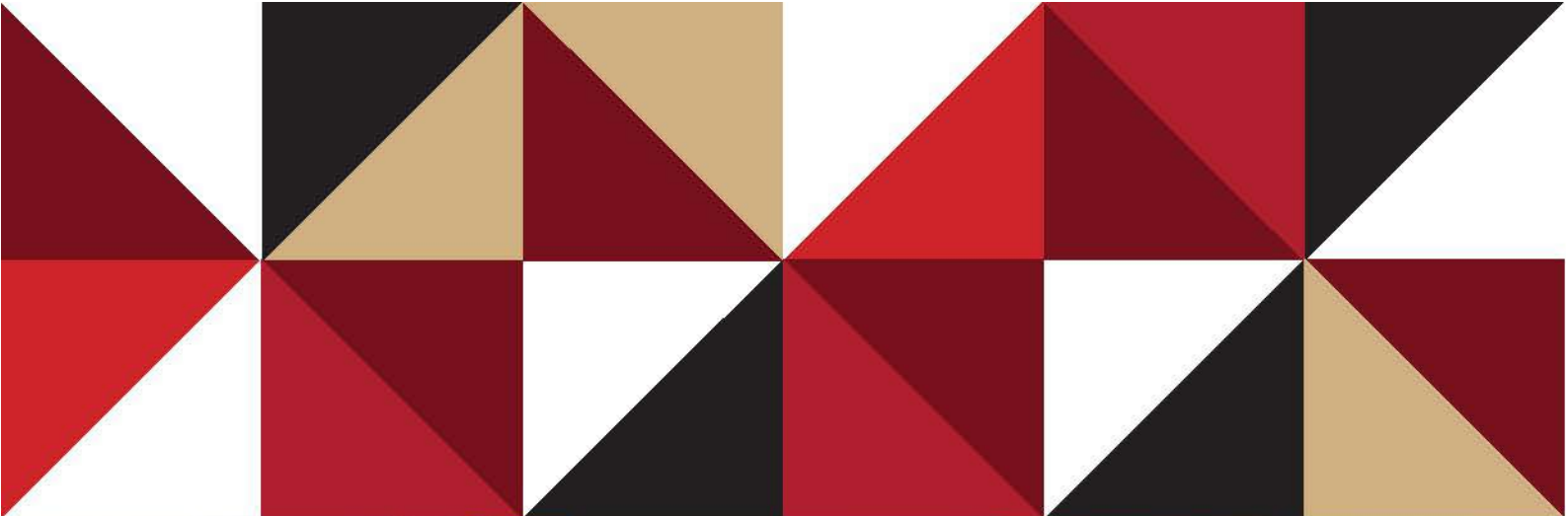




LANGUAGE & TRANSLATION



2026 HAND BOOK

HANDBOOK FOR 2026

FACULTY of ARTS and DESIGN

DEPARTMENT OF MEDIA, LANGUAGE AND COMMUNICATION: *LANGUAGE PRACTICE HANDBOOK*

QUALIFICATIONS OFFERED:

Diploma in Language Practice (109819)

Advanced Diploma in Language Practice (115397)

Postgraduate Diploma in Language Practice (118663)

Master of Language Practice (96835)

Doctor of Philosophy in Language Practice (96815)

FACULTY OF ARTS AND DESIGN VISION, MISSION, AND CORE VALUES

Vision

Leading Arts, Design and Education in Africa, and
Beyond

Mission

"Empowering Creative Changemakers"
through
Critical Thinking, Innovation and Expression

Core Values

Curiosity

(We value the process of discovery and inquiry and all that it leads us to. We keep open minds and are willing to explore)

Creativity

(We are willing to look at different perspectives, experiment and take risks. We imagine, collaborate and enjoy the creative process of collaboration)

Care

(We show empathy and compassion to one another. We treat others with kindness, respect and dignity)

Commitment

(We are dedicated, disciplined, willing and follow through on our promises and priorities. Giving of ourselves through involvement matters)

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LANGUAGE PRACTICE PROGRAMME

MISSION

To produce well-rounded graduates with strong practical and theoretical knowledge in the fields of language, communication, translation and interpreting, who are well-equipped to address local and global challenges of the 21st century creatively, critically and professionally.

VISION

Leaders in the fields of language, communication, translation, and interpreting in the tertiary landscape, nationally and globally.

WHAT IS A UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY?

A university of technology is characterized by being research informed rather than research driven where the focus is on strategic and applied research that can be translated into professional practice. Furthermore, research output is commercialized thus providing a source of income for the institution. Learning programmes, in which the emphasis on technological capability is as important as cognitive skills, are developed around graduate profiles as defined by industry and the professions.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The departmental rules in this handbook must be read in conjunction with the University of Technology's General Rules contained in the current General Handbook for Students.

NOTE TO ALL REGISTERED STUDENTS

Your registration is in accordance with all current rules of the Institution. If, for whatever reason, you do not register consecutively for every year/semester of your programme, your existing registration contract with the Institution will cease. Your re-registration anytime thereafter will be at the discretion of the Institution and, if permitted, will be in accordance with the rules applicable at that time.

DISCLAIMER

The Department will not be held responsible or liable for any errors or omissions that may inadvertently appear in this handbook.

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3. PROGRAMMES OFFERED BY THE DEPARTMENT

The following qualifications are offered:

Qualification names (Language Practice)	SAQA NLRD Number	Qualification codes (Language Practice)
Diploma in Language Practice	109819	DILPR I
Advanced Diploma in Language Practice	115397	ADLPR I
Postgraduate Diploma in Language Practice	118663	PGDLPR
Master of Language Practice	96835	MSLPR I
Doctor of Philosophy in Language Practice	96815	DPLPR I

4. DIPLOMA IN LANGUAGE PRACTICE: CODE (DILPRI) SAQA ID (109819)

3-year full-time, NQF Level 6 qualification, SAQA credits is 360

4.1 Purpose

A learner at this level will be able to effectively and independently combine theory and practice in the areas of translation and interpreting in order to accommodate the pragmatic needs of language and communication clients in both local and international contexts.

4.2 Exit Level Outcomes

- Apply appropriate techniques and procedures in translating, interpreting and editing a variety of texts.
- Demonstrate proficiency and competency in chosen languages.
- Illustrate an understanding of the importance of translation/ interpreting in a multilingual and multicultural society.
- Exhibit the ability to prepare and present multimedia communication as related to specialised professional careers in Language Practice.
- Utilise technological applications in performing communication functions to develop, manage and present workplace materials to diverse audiences.
- Develop innovation, entrepreneurship and leadership competencies and skills in a wide range of applications relevant to the language practitioners work environment.
- Reflect on basic ethical considerations relating to the field of Language Practice in a multicultural and multilingual society with emphasis on critical and engaged citizenry
- Demonstrate sound knowledge of general and specialised terminology.

4.3 Graduate attributes

DUT graduates are:

1. Critical and creative thinkers who work independently and collaboratively. These are learners who will, by working as individuals and as team members, develop a variety of competencies and skills relevant to their Language Practitioner's work environment.
2. Knowledgeable practitioners who will apply knowledge gained in language theory and practice as well as in general education themes chosen.
3. Effective communicators. Learners will be proficient and competent in English and other chosen languages. They will be able to communicate efficiently in an academic and commercial setting. They will also be able to translate documents or interpret fluently.
4. Culturally, environmentally and socially aware within a local and global context. Learner will demonstrate the ability to understand and articulate issues of diversity, social systems and environmental sustainability, and their ethical implications in a professional context.
5. Active and reflective learners. They will produce translation and interpreting portfolios as evidence of the work they have done. They will critically reflect on ethical considerations relating to the Language Practice field in a multicultural and multilingual society.

4.4 Programme structure Diploma in Language Practice

	Modules	Module code	C/F/E[1] & NQF level e.g 5E	CESM category 2 nd /3 rd order	SAQA credit	% of total credit (of qualification)
Year Semester I	*English for the Arts (choose one module)	ENGA101	5C	110104	12	0.094
	Applied First Language 101: IsiZulu Applied First	AFLZ101	5E	110104	12	0.102

	Language 101:	AFLX101 AFLA101				
	IsiXhosa Applied First Language 101:					
	Afrikaans					
	(choose one module)	AFLF101 AFLP101 AFLM101 SASL101	5E	110104	12	0.102
	Applied Foreign Language 101: French					
	Applied Foreign Language 101: Portuguese					
	Applied Foreign Language 101: Mandarin					
	South African Sign Language 101					
	**Cornerstone	CSTN101	5C	200101	12	0.094
		VWKP101	5C	0408	8	0.067
	**Values in the Workplace					
1st Year	English 102	ENGA102	5C	110104	12	0.11
Semester 2	(choose one module)	AFLZ102 AFLX102 AFLA102	5E	110104	12	0.102
	Applied First Language 102: IsiZulu					
	Applied First Language 102:					
	IsiXhosa Applied First Language 102:					
	Afrikaans					
	(choose one module)	AFLF102	5E	110104	12	0.102
	Applied Foreign Language 102: French					
	Applied Foreign					

	Language 102: Portuguese	AFLP102 AFLM102				
	Applied Foreign Language 102: Mandarin					
	South African Sign Language 102	SASL102				
		CRTH101	5C		12	0.094
	*Critical Thinking			170199		
		TRAN1102	5C	110104	16	0.133
	Translation 102					
	TOTAL				120	1
	English 201	ENGA201	6C	110104	12	0.102
2 nd Year Semester I	**Equality & Diversity	EQDV101	5E	2099	8	0.067
	(choose one module)	TRAN201				
	Translation 201		6C	110104	12	0.102
	(choose one module)	AFLZ201 AFLX201 AFLA201				
	Applied First Language 201: IsiZulu					
	Applied First Language 201:		6E	110104	8	0.067
	IsiXhosa					
	Applied First Language 201:					
	Afrikaans					
	(choose one module)	AFLF201 AFLP201				
	Applied Foreign Language 201: French		6E	110104	8	0.066
	Applied Foreign					

	Language 201:	AFLM201				
	Portuguese Applied Foreign Language 201: Mandarin					
	South African Sign Language 201	SASL201				
	*Social Responsibility and Sustainable Community Development	SRSC101	5C	170199	12	0.094
2nd Year	English 202		6C	110104	12	0.102
Semester 2	(choose one module)	AFLZ201 AFLX202 AFLA202	6E	110104	12	0.102
	Applied First Language 202: IsiZulu					
	Applied First Language 202:					
	IsiXhosa Applied First Language 202:					
	Afrikaans					
		INTR202	6C	110104	12	0.102
	Interpreting 202					
	(choose one module)	AFLF202 AFLP202 AFLM202	6E	110104	12	0.102
	Applied Foreign Language 202: French					
	Applied Foreign Language 202: Portuguese					
	Applied Foreign Language 202: Mandarin					
	South African Sign Language	SASL202				

	202					
	Communication Dynamics	COMD101	5F	050101	12	0.094
	TOTAL				120	1
	English 301	ENGA301	7C	110104	16	0.133
	Translation 301	TRAN301	6C	110104	8	0.067
	Interpreting 301	INTR301	6C	110104	12	0.102
	(choose one module) Applied First Language 301: IsiZulu Applied First Language 301: IsiXhosa Applied First Language 301: Afrikaans	AFLZ301 AFLX301 AFLA301	7E	110104	16	0.133
	(choose one module) Applied Foreign Language 301: French Applied Foreign Language 301: Portuguese Applied Foreign Language 301: Mandarin South African Sign Language 301	AFLF301 AFLP301 AFLM301 SASL301	6E	110104	16	0.133
	Language Practice 301	LPRA301	6C	110104	16	0.133
3rd Year, Semester 2						
	Language Practice 302	LPRA302	6C	110104	16	0.133
	Digital Communication and Multimedia	COME101	6C	50302	12	0.102
	The Entrepreneurial Edge	TENE101	6C	040501	8	0.068
	TOTAL				120	100% (1)

4.5 Programme information and rules – Diploma language practice

Placement assessments

Based on a variety of placement assessments, successful applicants for study towards a Diploma will be accepted into a three-year

qualification.

Registration to Professional bodies or associations

The qualified person may be able to register with the South African Translators' Institute (SATI) or any other relevant body/association.

RULES

Attendance

- (i) A student is required to attend all lectures. Exceptions are given only in a case of illness for which a valid medical certificate is supplied specifying the nature and the duration of the illness, or a sworn affidavit, or circumstances which in the opinion of the department were beyond his/her control at the time.
- (ii) A student is required to attend all practicals and tutorials. Exceptions are given only in a case of illness for which a valid medical certificate is supplied specifying the nature and the duration of the illness, or a sworn affidavit, or circumstances which in the opinion of the department were beyond his/her control at the time, otherwise, a 100% attendance at all practicals and tutorials is required.

Year Mark

- (i) The year mark counts for 40% of the final result in modules assessed by final examination, except where otherwise indicated.
- (ii) The Examination counts for 60% of the final mark in modules assessed by final examination, except where otherwise indicated.
- (iii) The year mark of modules assessed through continuous assessment, is based on the assessment method of each module.
- (iv) Students are given sufficient opportunity to accumulate a year mark. The number of assessments in each modules as determined by the lecturer will be indicated to students.
- (v) A student must submit all tests and assignments for a module in order to obtain a course mark.

Copyright

Copyright laws must be observed at all times. Refer to the learner guides and on the Rule Book for Students under library rules and regulations (15).

Minimum admission requirements: Diploma in Language Practice

National Senior Certificate (NSC), Senior Certificate (SC).

Relevant qualification or a foreign qualification that is equivalent to the National Senior Certificate as determined by SAQA

The following NSC subject ratings are required for admission:

SUBJECTS	NSC	SC	NCV
English home or English 1st additional	4 5	HG: D SG: C	50%
IsiZulu / IsiXhosa / Afrikaans home or IsiZulu / IsiXhosa / Afrikaans 1st additional	4 5	HG: D SG: C	50%
A candidate must pass at least one Home language and one first additional language to qualify for the programme			

Selection criteria for this programme

Students who meet the minimum requirements will be selected based on the following:

- An entrance test (language proficiency) will be scheduled for shortlisted candidates. The required success rate is 60%.
- Interview in the first language.
- Interview in the second language.

The successful candidates are ranked according to the average mark (written test + interviews) and the target number of students are selected in order of performance. Priority is given to first-time applicants.

Further to the process, Admission Requirements (General Rule G7) applies.

Assessment Plan

There are two types of assessments used in different modules by different lecturers. Refer to each Student Learner Guide for the type of assessment for individual modules. These assessments are:

(i) Examination

This type of assessment is done at the end of the year where students are expected to write an examination. The duration of this differs from one module to the other. Refer to the Student's Learner Guide for individual modules.

(ii) Continuous assessment

This type of assessment occurs throughout the year where students are assessed through assignments, tests, etc. in different modules. There is no written examination at the end of the year for such modules. Refer to the Student Learner Guides for more details.

Continuous Assessment is applicable to all modules. There are no final summative examinations;

The pass mark for all modules is 50%.

A learner who does not perform to an acceptable level in an assessment is entitled to one (1) additional opportunity to improve his/her mark.

Re-Registration Rules (if more stringent than General Rules)

Refusal of Re-Registration

- A student who has been refused permission to re-register for a subject in terms of Rule G17 will not be permitted to register for any other subject in that qualification. A student will thereby be unable to complete the qualification.
- A full-time student who has not completed the Diploma within five years of the first registration may, at the discretion of the Departmental Appeals Committee, be refused permission to re-register, or may be accepted subject to special conditions.
- A student who wishes to appeal to the Faculty Board of the Faculty of Arts and Design against the application of rule above must submit to the Faculty Officer a statement in which she/he explains the reasons for this appeal. The appeal must be submitted to the Faculty Officer within ten working days of the student being officially notified in writing that she/he has not been permitted to re-register. No appeal will be considered after this.

Exclusion Rules (if more stringent than General Rules)

N/A

5. ADVANCED DIPLOMA IN LANGUAGE PRACTICE (ADLPRI) SAQA ID (115397)

1-year full-time, NQF Level 7 qualification, SAQA credits is 120

5.1 Purpose

The purpose of this qualification is to produce language practitioners who have an enhanced understanding of the language practice profession, the contexts in which it functions and the ethical principles that inform it. In the multi-lingual country like South Africa, there is a growing need for reflective and critical language practitioners, and the students of this advanced diploma will be able to hone their practical skills as well as deepen their theoretical understanding of the environment and practice of translation, interpreting, editing and language planning.

The merger of theory and practice in the proposed curriculum will enable graduates to be able to demonstrate competencies of general knowledge and intellectual abilities needed to succeed in the professional environment of language practice. The qualification also prepares students for postgraduate studies in the field of language studies.

5.2 Exit Level Outcomes

- Apply an increased range of techniques and procedures in translating and interpreting a variety of texts, using applicable theories.
- Critically reflect on the importance of language practice in a multilingual and multicultural society.
- Select and utilise technological equipment and applications to perform language practice functions.
- Display ethical and professional behaviour as a language practitioner.
- Apply a broader range of skills and theories in the language practice field.

5.3 Graduation Attributes

The Advanced Diploma in Language Practice graduates demonstrate evidence of several attributes. Students completing this programme will be:

1. Critical and creative thinkers who work independently and collaboratively. These are students who will, by working as individuals and as team members, develop a variety of competencies and skills relevant to their Language Practitioner's work environment.
2. Knowledgeable practitioners who will apply knowledge gained in language theory and practice.
3. Effective communicators. Students will be proficient and competent in English and other chosen languages. They will be able to communicate efficiently in a variety of settings. They will also be able to translate documents or interpret fluently.
4. Culturally and socially aware within a local and global context. Students will demonstrate the ability to understand and articulate issues of diversity and social systems and their ethical implications in a professional context.
5. Active and reflective students. They will critically reflect on ethical considerations relating to the Language Practice field in a multicultural and multilingual society.

5.4 Programme structure Advanced Diploma in Language Practice

FACULTY: Arts & Design Year	Modules	Module code	C/F/E & NQF level e.g 5F	CESM category 2nd/3rd order	SAQA credit	% of total credit (of qualification)
Ist Year Semester 1	Language Dynamics	LADY40I	7C	110102	12	10% (0.1)
	Translation and Interpreting Practice 40I	TAIP40I	7C	110104	16	13.3% (0.133)
	Intercultural studies	INST40I	7C	050101	12	10% (0.1)
	Literature studies OR French 40I OR Mandarin 40I OR Portuguese 40I OR SASL 40I	LIST40I FREN40I MAND40I PORT40I SASL40I	7E	110102 111501 111601 111501 111901	12	10% (0.1)
	Translation and Interpreting Theory	TAIT40I	7C	110104	12	10% (0.1)
Ist Year Semester 2	Introduction to Language Practice research	IRLP40I	7C	070502 / 1199	16	13.4% (0.134)
	Media Studies OR Transcription and Editing OR French 402 OR Mandarin 402 OR Portuguese 402 OR SASL 402	MEDS40I TRED40I FREN402 MAND402 PORT402 SASL402	7E	050102 110104 111501 111601 111501 111901	12	10% (0.1)
	Professional Practice	PPRA40I	7C	110104	12	10% (0.1)
	Translation and Interpreting Practice 402	TAIP402	7C	110104	16	13.3% (0.133)
	TOTAL				120	100% (1)

5.5 Programme information and rules

Selection criteria for this programme

- Diploma in Language Practice or equivalent qualification.
- Relevant qualification with language practice/ programme languages (English, isiZulu, isiXhosa, Afrikaans, Portuguese, Mandarin, French, South African Sign Language) as majors at NQF level 6 or a foreign qualification that is equivalent to the Diploma in Language Practice as determined by SAQA.
- A student is required to get an aggregate of 60% at Diploma level (or first qualification) in order to apply for this programme. The candidates are ranked according to the aggregate obtained at Diploma level and the target number of students are selected in order of merit.

6. POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN LANGUAGE PRACTICE (ADLPRI) SAQA ID (118663)

1-year full-time, NQF Level 8 qualification, SAQA credits is 120

6.1 Purpose

The purpose of this qualification is to provide students with intellectual enrichment in the field by providing them with an advanced understanding of current thinking, theory and international trends in the field. Moreover, the qualification will provide articulation for students, who possess Postgraduate Diploma in Language Practice or cognate qualifications, with the opportunity to proceed Master's Degree.

The Postgraduate Diploma in Language Practice will provide students with intensive, focused and applied specialisation in the competency of translation, interpreting, research, business practice, human language terminology, terminology development and language planning and management. It equips students with the knowledge and skills required to broaden the scope of their function in the Language Practice environment, and further attempts to provide a holistic integrated approach to the student's broad range of competencies.

6.2 Exit Level Outcomes

- Apply advanced techniques and procedures in translating or interpreting a variety of texts, using applicable theories.
- Evaluate the importance of language practice in a multilingual and multicultural society.
- Utilise technological equipment and applications to perform advanced language practice functions.
- Acquire ethical and professional behaviour as a language practitioner.
- Utilise advanced theories and skills to plan and manage language matters in various contexts.

6.3 Graduation Attributes

The Postgraduate Diploma in Language Practice graduates demonstrate evidence of several attributes. Students completing this programme will be:

- Critical and creative thinkers who work independently and collaboratively. These students will, by working as individuals and as team members, develop a variety of competencies and skills relevant to their Language Practitioner's work environment.
- Knowledgeable practitioners who will apply knowledge gained in language theory and practice.
- Effective communicators. Students will be proficient and competent in English and other chosen languages. They will be able to communicate efficiently in a variety of settings. They will also be able to translate documents or interpret fluently.
- Culturally and socially aware within a local and global context. Students will demonstrate the ability to understand and articulate issues of diversity and social systems and their ethical implications in a professional context.
- Active and reflective students. They will critically reflect on ethical considerations relating to the Language Practice field in a multicultural and multilingual society.

6.4 Programme structure Postgraduate Diploma in Language Practice

FACULTY: Arts & Design Year	Modules	Module code	C/F/E & NQF level e.g 5F	CESM category 2nd/3rd order	SAQA credit	% of total credit (of qualification)
Ist Year Semester 1	Research I	RSLP80I	8C	110199	16	13.4%
	Advanced Translation and Interpreting Theory	ATIT80I	8C	110104	12	10%
	Advanced Translation Practice I OR Advanced Interpreting Practice I	ATPR80I AIPR80I	8E	110104	16	13.3%
Ist Year Semester 2	Research II	RSLP 802	8C	110199	16	13.4%
	Advanced Translation Practice II OR Interpreting Practice II	ATPR802 AIPR802	8E	110104 110104	16	13.3%
	Business Practice OR Human Language Technology	BUPR802 HULT802	8E	110104 110104	12	10%
	Terminology development	TEDE802	8C	110104	16	13.3%
	Language Planning and Management	LPAM802	8C	110104	16	13.3%
	TOTAL				120	100%

6.5 Programme information and rules – Diploma language practice

Minimum requirements.

- **Advanced Diploma in Language Practice** or equivalent qualification (Advanced Diploma in Linguistics, Applied Linguistics or Language Studies).
- A relevant qualification with language practice/ programme languages as majors at NQF level 7, or
- A foreign qualification that is equivalent to the Advanced Diploma in Language Practice as determined by SAQA.

Specify the selection criteria for this programme.

A student is required get an aggregate of 65% at Advanced Diploma level (or first qualification) in order to apply for this programme. However, students may be admitted without the 60% aggregate if they have proof of at least 1-year relevant professional experience. The candidates are ranked according to the aggregate obtained at Advanced Diploma level, and the targeted number of students are selected in order of merit.

7. MASTER OF LANGUAGE PRACTICE (MSLPRI) SAQA ID (96835)

2/3-year part-time/ full-time, NQF Level 9 qualification, SAQA credits is 180

7.1 Purpose

To empower students to master skills of conducting research to contribute in the language field and to prepare them to become doctoral students.

The research problem, its justification, process and outcome is reported in a dissertation which complies with the generally accepted norms at that level.

7.2 Exit Level Outcomes

- Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the field/ area of investigation
- Apply research methods and techniques appropriately

7.3 Programme structure Masters in Language Practice

Code	Subjects:	*C/O	Sem/ Year	Assessment Method	NQF Level	Pre- req
RPLP51I	RESEARCH PROJECT & DISSERTATION	O	Y		9	
RPLP52I	RESEARCH PROJECT & DISSERTATION	O	Y		9	

* C + Compulsory; O = Optional

7.4 Programme information and rules – Masters in language practice

Minimum requirements

A relevant Honours degree or Postgraduate Diploma in Language Practice (Subject to the DHET approval) or its equivalent requirements as stipulated in the rule book for students.

In addition to the minimum requirements outlined above, candidates are selected on the strength of a portfolio, a preliminary research proposal and an interview conducted by a selection panel, dates of which are pre-determined by DUT's Postgraduate policies and processes.

8. DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY LANGUAGE PRACTICE (DPLPRI) SAQA ID (96515)

3/4-year part-time/ full-time, NQF Level 10 qualification, SAQA credits is 360

8.1 Purpose

The primary purpose of the Doctoral Degree is to promote a student, in a chosen Language field, to conduct an independent research to contribute to significant and original knowledge at an advanced level under minimal guidance.

The research problem, its justification, process and outcome are reported in a thesis, which complies with the generally accepted norms for research at this level.

8.2 Exit Level Outcomes

- Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the field/area of investigation
- Apply research methods and techniques appropriately and correctly
- Demonstrate competence to offer innovative, pragmatic solutions to problems in the field of Language Practice

8.3 Programme structure Doctor of Philosophy in Language Practice

Code	Subjects:	*C/O	Sem/ Year	Assessment Method	NQF Level	Pre- req
RPL61I	RESEARCH PROJECT AND DISSERTATION	O	Y		10	
RPL62I	RESEARCH PROJECT AND DISSERTATION	O	Y		10	
RPL63I	RESEARCH PROJECT AND DISSERTATION	O	Y		10	

* C + Compulsory; O = Optional

8.4 Programme information and rules – Doctor of Philosophy in language practice

Minimum requirements

A Master of Language Practice or its equivalent as well as the requirements stipulated in G25 (1) of the Rule book for students.

Fees

A breakdown of fees may be obtained from the Finance Department.

9. COURSE OUTLINE

The course outlines are available on request.

10. LANGUAGE PRACTICE ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

Language Practice Day

Advisory board meetings

Research workshops

International Mother Tongue Day event

Awards Ceremony



THE HIGHER EDUCATION QUALIFICATIONS SUB-FRAMEWORK (HEQSF)

The National Qualifications Framework (NQF) is a system for the classification, registration and publication of articulated and quality assured national qualifications. The revised Higher Education Qualifications Sub-Framework (HEQSF), which was gazetted on 2 August 2013, forms part of this framework. The Faculty of Arts and Design is in the process of aligning all qualifications to the revised HEQSF.

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

Qualifications that are not aligned to the HEQSF will be phased out. New qualifications will replace the BTech and National Diploma. Some departments have opted to offer HEQSF-aligned Diploma qualifications, whilst others will offer Degrees.

The BTech, N Dip. and other qualifications that are not HEQSF-aligned will not be offered to first-time registering students from January 2020. Students who have registered for non-aligned qualifications before 31 December 2019 will need to complete that qualification before the final phase out date of that particular programme. Students who have already completed their National Diploma (NDip) and wish to register for the BTech have until 2019 to do so.

HOW DOES THIS AFFECT ME?

You need to ensure you complete your course before the final phase out date for the qualification you have registered for. As the BTech does not exist on the HEQSF, the Minister of Higher Education has gazetted 31 December 2019 as the final date for first-time entering students enrolling in academic programmes that are not aligned with the HEQSF. You will need to check the entry requirements and articulation pathways of your chosen course before applying.

WHAT EFFECT DOES THIS HAVE ON MY QUALIFICATIONS THAT WERE ON THE OLD NQF AND NOT ON THE HEQSF?

Your qualifications are still valid even though some of the current qualification types are not available on the HEQSF.

WHAT ARE MY OPTIONS?

For new (first-year, first-time) students registering, progression will be as follows:

- Diploma → Advanced Diploma → Postgraduate Diploma → Master's Degree → PhD/ Doctorate
- Or
- Bachelor's Degree → Honours Degree → Master's Degree → PhD/ Doctorate

Please note: This is the general route of progression on the HEQSF. For specific information on what qualifications will be offered by particular academic programmes, please consult the relevant department.

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