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With 30 years of experience, the legal education division of the LSSA understands the needs of a modern-day law practice.

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Lifelong learning towards a just society



Postgraduate Distance Education Courses for Legal Practice – 2018

Joint venture by the Law Society of South Africa (LSSA) and the University of South Africa (UNISA*)

Introduction

The LSSA joined forces with the UNISA Centre for Business Law (CBL) to offer two accredited postgraduate, distance-education "Short Learning Programmes" to law practitioners.

These "Short Learning Programmes" are in the form of certificate courses and have been developed by the UNISA Centre for Business Law (CBL) to update or broaden a law practitioner's skills and knowledge in specific fields where having up-to-date knowledge is essential to practice. This underscores the LSSA's commitment to provide life-long learning and assist the legal practitioner with his/her continuing professional development.

It is important to note that Short Learning Programmes are, by nature, short and are not formal qualifications.

Postgraduate courses

The two courses are:

1. Corporate Law (NQF level: 7; Credits: 24); and
2. Deceased Estates Practice (NQF level: 7; Credits: 24)

Closing date for registration is 28 February 2018.

General details for both courses

Individual course details and the registration form are found on the accompanying pages.

Tuition material

Tuition material has been compiled by the UNISA Centre for Business Law (CBL) in consultation with the LSSA.

Registration and administration

Student registration is done by Legal Education and Development (LEAD), the educational division of the LSSA. Course administration is done by the UNISA Centre for Business Law (CBL) of the University of South Africa.

Determination of learning outcomes

A consultative process between the LSSA and UNISA Centre for Lifelong Learning is undertaken to determine the needs and priorities of each course.

Assessments

The formative assessment and examination admission comply with UNISA's formative assessment rules and policies.

Method of tuition

- Tutorial letters and assignment will be available online via UNISA Online Platform (myUnisa).
- This will enable students to access the electronic distance education facilities in order to download study material and submit assignments. *Please note that the material will not be available in hard copy format.*
- At least one workshop is arranged for students, provided there is enough interest in an area to make it financially feasible. The workshops are facilitated by the programme presenters.

COURSE IN CORPORATE LAW

Accreditation

NQF level of module: 7

Credits: 24

(Qualification Code 76252. Module code CCDPL01D)

Purpose of the certificate course

To equip students with an advanced knowledge of the provisions of the Companies Act 71 of 2008 with respect to various issues. These include the incorporation and registration of companies, company shares, shareholders and company meetings, directors and board meetings, capacity and representation of a company, public offers of securities, take-overs and insider trading, remedies and enforcement, business rescue proceedings and compromises, as well as close corporations.

Duration

Two compulsory semesters

Dates

March 2018 – December 2018

Closing date for registration: 28 February 2018

Target group

Students must be in possession of an LLB, BProc degree.

Prospective students who have any other appropriate degree or who feel that they have the necessary knowledge and practical experience to register for the course may make written submissions with the necessary supporting documents to the LEAD course coordinators for submission to the university for consideration. The applicant will be informed of the outcome in writing.

Outline of course content

Semester 1

- Introduction to companies
- Incorporation and registration of companies
- Corporate finance: shares, debentures and distributions
- Shareholders and company meetings
- Directors and board committees
- Capacity and representation of a company

Semester 2

- The registration, transfer and public offerings of company securities
- Corporate financial reporting, auditing and enhanced accountability and transparency
- Fundamental transactions, takeovers and insider trading
- Remedies and enforcement
- Groups of companies
- Business rescue: compromises with creditors, winding up, deregistration; and dissolution
- Close corporation

Assessment

The formative assessment and examination admission complies with UNISA's formative assessment rules and policies.

Formative assessment: One assignment per semester.

Summative assessment: All registered students will be required to submit a portfolio as summative assessment at the end of the second semester which is based on the work covered during both semesters. Satisfactory completion (a final mark of at least 50%) will qualify the student for a certificate.

Fees

The course fee includes all material for the course. The fee does not include travel and accommodation expenses to attend any workshop that may be held.

Course administrator at UNISA

Prof Muthundinne Sigwadi BProc (Univen), LLB (Pretoria), LLM (Pretoria), LLM (Harvard Law School). Admitted Attorney (SA), Mercantile Law Department

Certificates

Certificates are issued jointly by the UNISA Centre for Business Law (CBL) and the LSSA on the successful completion of the course and full payment of the fee.

Language medium

The tuition material is provided to students in English.

Financial assistance

Limited financial assistance is available from the LSSA LEAD for financially deserving students upon proof of need and on a first-come first-served basis. Please contact the LEAD course coordinator for more information.

LEAD Course coordinator

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Requirements when register

Upon registration, students are to ensure they have an active individual email address as well as internet access. They will need to access the UNISA Online Platform (myUnisa) where important notices, submission and marking of assignments and relevant information about the training will be posted. No sharing of email addresses is allowed – students must have individual email accounts.

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Category	Full cost (Vat Inclusive)	Payment Plan		
		Amount payable on registration	Balance payable Module 1	Balance payable Module 2
Attorneys	R 9 300	R 4 650	R 2 325	R 2 325
Non attorneys	R 10 800	R 5 400	R 2 700	R 2 700

COURSE IN DECEASED ESTATES PRACTICE

Accreditation

NQF level of module: 7

Credits: 24

Purpose of the certificate course

To equip students with the legal and practical knowledge and skills necessary for drawing up wills, establishing trusts and administering deceased estates.

Duration

Two compulsory semesters

Dates

March 2018 – December 2018

Closing date for registration: 28 February 2018

Target group

Anyone wanting to practise in deceased estates. This includes attorneys, legal advisors, government officials and private sector employees working in the field of administration of estates, paralegals, and staff in law firms with sufficient practical experience.

Outline of course content

Module 1: Wills, Trusts and Reporting the Estate (WTRE01B)

- Testamentary formalities
- Interpretation of wills
- Revocation of wills
- Capacity to make a will
- Capacity to benefit under a will
- Content of wills, substitution, the trust, formation of the trust
- Revocation of a trust
- Formalities of registering a trust
- Reporting the estate
- The executor

Module 2: Administration of Estates (WTRE02C)

Assessment

The formative assessment and examination admission complies with UNISA's formative assessment rules and policies

Formative assessment: Two assignments per module

Summative assessment: One four-hour examination per module

Satisfactory completion (a final mark of at least 50%) will qualify the student for a certificate.

Fees

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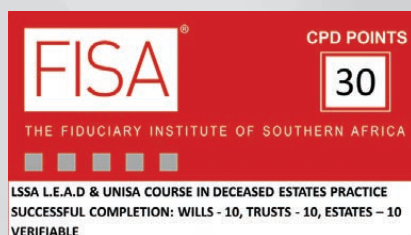
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LEAD Course coordinator

Course in Deceased Estates Practice:
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