



Short Law Courses for SUPPORT STAFF

CONFIDENCE | EFFICIENCY | PRODUCTIVITY

Our Courses

- Advanced Conveyancing
- Basic Conveyancing
- Civil Litigation – High Court
- Civil Litigation – Magistrate’s Court
- Debt Collection
- Deceased Estates
- English Writing Skills
- Legal Bookkeeping
- Legal Costs
- Office Administration and Client Care
- The Legal Secretary

Course Queries

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Why choose LEAD to train your staff

With over 30 years of training attorneys, LEAD understands the needs of a modern-day law practice and recognises the critical supporting role that staff play in a thriving practice.

For practices to succeed and grow, their staff must be trained in up-to-date professional knowledge and skills. In today’s changing times, LEAD has identified the top eleven topics for staff to help boost their skills and productivity and also help mitigate the risks of negligence and reputation for the law firm.

Short Law Courses

Our courses provide staff with a thorough understanding of the law practice environment, procedures and systems. They are enjoyable, comprehensive and popular. Our philosophy is that staff should not only understand how to perform work but also the reason why they have to do certain tasks and the law behind it.

Why train your staff?

Duties these days are more complex

Over the past 10-15 years, support staff (non-legal personnel) duties in law practices/departments have expanded and become much more complex. This is especially true since the increased use of software applications in law practices. As a result, modern legal support staff now needs more in-depth training.

Legal practitioners' liability

Legal practitioners are vicariously liable for the wrongdoings and mistakes of their support staff. In order to mitigate this risk of negligence, legal practitioners should inter alia, ensure that their employees are properly trained and supervised. In addition, law practices that help to develop the full potential of their support staff optimise their overall performance.

Training material

The material has been designed and written by legal professionals and provide staff with valuable legal knowledge. We provide a manual on the first day of training.

Who should attend?

This training is aimed at individuals who want to improve their skills in the course topics.

What our participants said

- *"Excellent platform to gain valuable knowledge and practically apply the knowledge of the working field."*
- *"I learned more here than what I've learnt in LLB Civil Litigation."*
- *"The lecturer was excellent; I understood things that I previously struggled with."*
- *"This is the best course that I have ever attended. It was informative and easy going – EXCELLENT."*
- *"These courses motivate me and made me think of ways to improve my work."*
- *"This course bridges the gap by providing legal knowledge to support staff."*

Legal Support Staff

Secretaries; personal assistants; receptionists; administrators; debt collecting staff; bookkeepers; candidate legal practitioners/paralegals; and people considering work in the profession.

Other Organisations

Government departments; banks; realtors; parastatals; engineering firms; insurance firms; law clinics; collection services and financial advisers.

How to register

Applicants must please familiarise themselves with the course outcomes (see page 3) before registering for a specific course. Thereafter, please complete the attached form on page 5 and 6 in full, using clear block letters.

E-mail the form together with a copy of the participant's ID/passport and proof of payment to merlin@LSSALEAD.org.za or fax 086 215 6764. If payment is not received within 7 days of sending the registration form, the registration will unfortunately be discarded.

Certification

LSSA LEAD awards a certificate for each course attended provided the participant has satisfactorily complied with the attendance and performance requirements and there are no fees outstanding.

Registration closing date

One week prior to commencement of the selected course. Confirmation of attendance will be on a first-come, first-served basis.

Our Bank details

Account Holder: Law Society of South Africa
Bank: First National Bank Branch: Pretoria
Account Number: 6200 964 1079 Branch Code: 251445
Reference: LSST/surname & Initials

More about our courses and course outcomes - 2020

Course name	Summary	Duration	** Dates	Region	Outcomes
Advanced Conveyancing	Gain a high-level understanding of conveyancing work to increase the efficiency of a conveyancing practice.	3 days	29 - 31 October	Pretoria	Click
Basic Conveyancing	Gain basic knowledge of how conveyancing works and the challenges experienced in practice.	2 days	24 & 25 July	Pretoria	Click
Civil Litigation in the Magistrate's Court	Revise the basic rules relating to civil litigation in the Magistrate's Courts and to put these into practice.	2 days	22 & 23 May	Pretoria	Click
Civil Litigation in the High Court	Gain basic skills to draft legal documents and pleadings when required in terms of the Rules.	1 day	23 April	Pretoria	Click
Debt Collection	Gain the skills and confidence to complete debt collection documents independently.	2 days	2 & 3 April	Pretoria	Click
Deceased Estates	Gain the practical ability to understand and administer a deceased estate effectively.	3 days	29 - 31 July	Pretoria	Click
English Writing Skills	Gain the confidence to prepare professional and precise business correspondence in English.	3 days	8 - 10 July	Pretoria	Click
Legal Bookkeeping	Gain an overall insight and understanding into the legal bookkeeping systems.	3 days	3 - 5 June	Pretoria	Click
Legal Costs*	Gain the necessary skills in drawing and opposing bills of costs and ethical background.	1 day	10 June * 05 August*	Durban Midrand	Click
Office Administration and Client Care	Gain the necessary skills to be an effective office administrator in a law practice.	2 days	14 & 15 May	Pretoria	Click
The Legal Secretary	Gain the broad knowledge and general business skills to be a legal secretary.	3 days	TBA	Pretoria	Click
Legal Office Management	Allows students to develop the skills required to enter the arena of the Practice Manager.	4 Saturdays	3, 10, 17, 24 October	Pretoria	Click

* Registration form available from Merlin September (Merlin@LSSALEAD.org.za)

** The date/s indicated above will be confirmed in due notice. This is due to the impact of the corona virus. Registration will remain open.

Course fees 2020

Course name	Fees for Law Firm Staff (15% VAT Inclusive)	Fees for Other Organisations (15% VAT Inclusive)
Advanced Conveyancing	R3 765	R5 030
Basic Conveyancing	R3 230	R4 390
Civil Litigation in the Magistrate's Court	R3 230	R4 390
Civil Litigation in the High Court	R1 615	R2 725
Debt Collection	R3 230	R4 390
Deceased Estates	R3 765	R5 030
Legal Bookkeeping	R3 765	R5 030
English Writing Skills	R3 765	R5 030
Legal Costs*	R1 890	R2 430
Office Administration and Client Care	R3 230	R4 390
The Legal Secretary	R3 765	R5 030
Legal Office Management	R4 630	R6 420

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High-quality, compassionate service is about people, not law practices. Innovative legal support staff with the right knowledge and skills are the foundation of a law practice's long-term success.

REGISTRATION FORM

Legal Support Staff Training 2020



Complete the form and e-mail it together with the following documents to merlin@LSSALEAD.org.za

- Copy of the participant's identity document/passport
- Proof of payment: All fees must be paid into the designated Law Society of South Africa (LSSA) bank account. The LSSA will not accept liability if fees are paid into any other bank account. The LSSA banking details are as follows:
 Name of account: [Law Society of South Africa](#) | Bank: [First National Bank \(FNB\)](#) | Branch: [Pretoria](#)
 Branch code: [251445](#) | Account number: [62009641079](#)

If you do not receive confirmation of registration from LEAD within five working days, please immediately follow-up with Merlin September on merlin@LSSALEAD.org.za or (012) 441 4652 or (012) 441 4600.

A. City and course details (Please refer to page 3 of 4 of the brochure for clarity on dates and regions)											
Pretoria											
Course name:						Course date:					
B. Applicant's details											
Surname:						Full names:					
Preferred name:										Title:	
ID number:											
Race (for reporting purposes only):			<input type="checkbox"/>	African	<input type="checkbox"/>	Asian	<input type="checkbox"/>	Coloured	<input type="checkbox"/>	White	
Postal address:										Code:	
Employer:						Occupation:					
Qualifications:						Tel (w): ()					
E-mail:						Cell:					
Special dietary requirements (if any):						If disabled, nature of disability:					
Where did you hear about the course?											
<input type="checkbox"/>	Email	<input type="checkbox"/>	SMS	<input type="checkbox"/>	Word of mouth	<input type="checkbox"/>	Employer	<input type="checkbox"/>	Website	<input type="checkbox"/>	Online social media
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	If other, please specify:									
C. Employer details (NB: Complete this section only if the Applicant is being sponsored by his/her Employer)											
Firm/company name:											
Contact person:						Contact person's e-mail:					
Tel: ()				Contact person's job title:							
Postal/docex address:										Code	
Do you need an invoice?		<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	If yes, please enter employer's VAT number:					
1. I, _____ (name of the employer's authorised account signatory) hereby declare the above information to be correct. 2. I accept full responsibility for fees payable to the Law Society of South Africa for the above-mentioned applicant.										NB: Company stamp	
Employer signature _____						Date _____					

REGISTRATION FORM: LEGAL SUPPORT STAFF COURSES 2020 (Continued)



Name of applicant:

D. Payment Method

Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT): by employer by applicant Amount: R

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If payment is not received by LEAD within 7 days of sending this form, the registration will unfortunately be discarded.

Terms and Conditions

1. An applicant/employer who wishes to cancel must do so at least 7 (seven) working days prior to commencement of the selected course.
2. LEAD will confirm receipt of your registration form within 5 business days. Should you not receive this confirmation, kindly contact Merlin September on 012 441 4652.
3. Confirmation of the cancellation will be confirmed via e-mail. Should a learner/employer not receive a cancellation confirmation from LEAD, it means that the cancellation request was not received and that he/she/the practice will still be held liable for the full course fee.
4. You may transfer once, at no additional cost, to another training program with the proviso that it is not in the 7 (seven) day period as stipulated above.
5. Learners who do not cancel and fail to attend the training will be held responsible for the full course amount.
6. LSSA/LEAD shall have the right in its sole discretion to postpone or cancel tuition in any programme initially advertised and offered on the basis of insufficient demand. Should this be the case, registered learners will be given reasonable notice of the cancellation and all fees paid by the learner will be refunded.
7. Registration is on a first come first serve basis. If payment is not received within 7 days of sending the registration form, the registration will unfortunately be discarded.

General declaration

1. I agree that having registered for the _____ course, I am liable for the full course fee.
2. I understand that all fees must be paid to the designated LSSA bank account only. The LSSA will not accept liability if fees are paid into any other bank account.
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3. I am familiar with the outcomes of the course specified above, and fully comprehend the information as explained in this document.
4. I acknowledge that payment needs to be made before attendance of the course.
5. I accept that a certificate will be issued only if I comply with the attendance and payment requirements.
6. I acknowledge that I have read and understood the above, and hereby, sign as proof.

I hereby agree to abide by all the terms and conditions relating to Legal Support Staff Training as described in the website, brochure and registration form.

Applicant's Signature

Date

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