



Re: Quality Assurance of Continuing Education Courses offered by the University of Cape Town

The University of Cape Town (UCT) is a public higher education institution in South Africa, established in terms of the Higher Education Act (Act 101 of 1997) and governed by the Institutional Statute (latest update: Government Gazette No. 50766, Notice No. 4938 of 7 June 2024).

This is to confirm that the [Council on Higher Education](#) delegates full responsibility for the quality assurance of continuing education courses to the Institution that is offering these and these courses do not require external accreditation.

Such courses support enrichment, upskilling, professional development, lifelong learning, human capital development, and social justice.

Continuing Education at UCT comprises a range of non-formal, non-credit-bearing courses that do not lead to qualifications registered on the National Qualifications Framework (NQF) including:

- **Certified Courses:** Recorded on UCT's Student Administration System (PeopleSoft). They include short courses offered by the English Language Centre (ELC) and certain Continuing Professional Development (CPD) courses.
- **Non-Certified Courses:** These include workshops, MOOCs, webinars, seminars, and CPD courses not processed through UCT's certification system, as well as courses offered by the International Academic Programmes Office (IAPO) and UCT's Summer School. While these courses offer valuable learning experiences, they are intended for personal or professional enrichment and do not result in certification.

The University's governance and quality assurance procedures for continuing education courses include consultation and approval at the Departmental, Institutional Planning, Registrar's Secretariat, and Faculty levels and approval is finalised with confirmation by Senate via delegated authority.

Sincerely

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