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## Introduction

This qualification is expanding the systems development foundation started at NQF level 4 into specialisation fields within systems development, in one or more of the following disciplines: Procedural Programming, Object Oriented Programming, Website Development, Multi Media and Electronic Commerce.

It prepares delegates with a solid understanding of computer industry concepts and the ability to work in areas of System Development with intermediate technical complexity.

## Target Audience

This qualification is designed to provide qualified candidates with an under graduate entry into the field of networking /system support, earning credits towards tertiary offerings of the fields of computer science.

Career opportunities include: Network support specialist, Operating system and Applications support, Hardware support specialist, Information system specialist etc.

## Entry Requirements

You will require:

- Competency in Communication (English) at NQF Level 4
- Competency in Mathematical Literacy at NQF Level 4
- Competent in Computer Literacy at NQF Level 4 – Preferably the Systems Development Level 4 – SAQA ID 78965

## Workplace Requirements

You will need:

- Access to Web Development Software and Environments
- Access to System Development Software and environments
- Access to Programming Languages
- Access to Server Environments
- An allocated Workplace Mentor / Supervisor

Information Technology

NC: IT

Systems Development

MICTSETA Certification

SAQA ID: 48872

NQF Level: 5

Credits: 136

## Course Delivery & Assessment

We use a blend of classroom-based interactive learning, workplace learning, On-the-job coaching & mentoring, theoretical assessment, practical workplace observation and self-study to embed skills.

You will need to:

- Attend lectures and complete practical workplace experiential learning for the remaining months.
- Demonstrate theoretical and practical understanding of programme content through assignment submissions and practical observations while at work.
- Participate in and contribute to group discussions, practical work and activities.
- Do individual self-study activities, including reading, quizzes, practise tests and test preparation for class
- Complete all exercises, assignments and assessments as required.
- Be declared competent by allocated Assessors, Moderators and SETA Verifiers to obtain a SETA certificate.

## Learning Outcomes

On completion, you should be able to:

- Understand the role of technology in the business context.
- Demonstrate an understanding of problem-solving techniques and how to apply them in a systems development environment.
- Demonstrate an understanding of Systems Development with all its implications.
- Relate business problems and information technology solutions.
- Apply the principles of creating computer software.
- Work in areas of System Development with intermediate technical complexity.



## Course Content

**NC: Information Technology - Systems Development**  
**Accreditation Body: MICTSETA**

**SAQA ID: 48872 | Learning Programme ID: N/A**

**NQF Level: 5 | Credits : 136**

### **Module 1: Information technology and associated hardware configurations**

- Describe the types of computer systems and associated hardware configurations
- Explain computer architecture concepts
- Explain how data is stored on computers
- Demonstrate an understanding of preventative maintenance, environmental and safety issues in a computer environment
- Explain the principles of computer networks

### **Module 2: Personal Development**

- Use computer technology to research a computer topic
- Conduct a technical practitioners meeting
- Demonstrate an awareness of ethics and professionalism for the computer industry in South Africa
- Demonstrate an understanding of estimating a unit of work and the implications of late delivery
- Explain the principle of business and the role of information technology
- Write a technical report
- Analyse feedback contexts and apply constructive feedback techniques
- Present information in a public setting

### **Module 3: Database Design, Development & Implementation**

- Create database access for a computer application using structured query language
- Demonstrate an understanding computer Database Management Systems
- Demonstrate an understanding of sort and search techniques used in computer programming
- Demonstrate logical problem solving and error detection techniques

### **Module 4: Computer Programming & Problem-Solving**

- Apply the principles of designing computer system inputs and outputs
- Manage software development source files using appropriate tools
- Produce documentation for a computer programme to agreed standards
- Demonstrate an understanding of the handling of errors in a computer programming environment

### **Module 5: Programming & The World Wide Web**

- Demonstrate an understanding of the use of web-sites in business
- Demonstrate an understanding of advanced object-oriented programming
- Demonstrate an understanding of tools and products available for website development
- Demonstrate an understanding of the principles of the internet and the world-wide-web

### **Module 6: Gathering Techniques for Computer Systems Development**

- Apply information gathering techniques for computer system development
- Apply principles of creating computer software by developing a complete programme to meet a given business specification
- Test a computer programme against a given specification



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