

Tshwane Institute for Continuing Education launches

TUT's Short Learning Programmes will officially be co-ordinated under one single entity as the Tshwane Institute for Continuing Education (TICE) launches today, 6 June 2019.



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“TUT has always had a passion for further learning but we’re now taking this into a vibrant, robust and innovative standalone institution,” says Nkuli Maphanga, TUT Enterprise Holding Communication and Stakeholder Manager. “Until now, our SLP have been scattered throughout TUT, but the launch of TICE means there is a single entity running everything – marketing, co-ordination and, of course, the all-important area of content development that fits the needs of the market.”

A wholly owned subsidiary of TUT Enterprise Holdings (TUTEH), a company of the Tshwane University of Technology (TUT), TICE aims to facilitate skills development, continuing education and continuing professional development in South Africa. As part of its broader vision, the institute also intends to play a meaningful role in strategically selected countries on the African continent. TICE’S secondary, but no less important purpose, is to assist organisations and individuals to transition their competencies and skills into the “Future of Work”.

TUT excels at several niche areas – and will be leveraging these as part of TICE’s offerings. Initially, short courses will be offered in Programming, Information Science, Environmental Science, Arts, Data Science, Leadership, Research, Sales and Marketing and Communications.

A strong area of focus will be Needs Identification Analysis by TICE's expert team. This will include working with government departments and entities to identify and analyse gaps that can be closed through SLPs.

Alongside governmental agencies, the private sector and individuals, TICE's different stakeholders include TUT itself, with the aim of upskilling staff and current students to take their place in the fourth industrial revolution. TUT alumni will also benefit from courses specifically aimed at upskilling former graduates in the transition to the new, digital space.

In the near future, TICE's SLPs will be supported by TICE-curated educational events such as conferences, symposia, and colloquia that will establish the institution as an expert in the nexus between technology and the "Future of Work".

The newly-launched TICE website provides an extensive library of further learning courses as well as details of dates and locations of upcoming SLPs. First up is Principles & Practices of Project Management, taking place on 24 June for four days, under the direction of Milton Tapiwa Murambiwa. This will be followed by a five day SLP in Applied Statistical Methods of Data Analyses for Postgraduate Level Studies and Research, overseen by Zeleke Worku.

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