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UNDERSTANDING DISABILITY IS BECOMING A CATALYST FOR INCLUSION.

Closing date for
applications

31 October 2021

Disability Studies Division is offering the Postgraduate Diploma in Disability Studies in 2023

OBJECTIVES

The PG Diploma in Disability Studies programme aims to increase awareness and informed participation in disability issues at a teaching, research and community-based programme level. Students will be able to:

- Understand disability as diversity
- Appreciate the shift in perspective from seeing disability as a welfare and charity issue to a human rights and development issue
- Develop the capacity to interrogate the emotional responses related to disability issues
- Apply new knowledge and skills in community-based development and research

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- A degree or equivalent in postgraduate study from any discipline
- Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL): Candidates will be required to submit a personal portfolio through which their competencies will be assessed in order to qualify for admission on the basis of merit or expertise
 - Experience in the field of disability and development; or relevant work experience;
 - Relevant course attendance in fields related to course content (certificates or diplomas);
 - Critical thinking skills in writing and reading

DURATION AND DELIVERY

- The course will be offered in a hybrid learning mode with two blocks of two weeks each (January-February and June-~~July~~July) and two exam dates in Cape Town. The rest of the course will be offered online. Computer literacy is recommended.
- A letter of support from the employer granting the student study leave for the block weeks and support in applying assigned tasks to work context as well as time for assignments.

PROGRAMME OUTLINE

Students will be required to complete four courses, three compulsory and one elective:

Compulsory courses:

AHS 4089F Introduction to Disability as Diversity; AHS 4091F Developing Critical Research Literacy; AHS 4118S Monitoring Disability in Society

Electives:

AHS 4117S Critical Priorities in Disability, Diversity and Development and AHS4163S Disability Studies in Education

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

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