

Distance learning – The answer to develop your career

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Distance learning offers employed people opportunities to develop their careers through further education. It also allows the student to balance work life, personal life and studies.

Southern Business School, part of Stadio Holdings, is one of the leading private higher education institutions in Southern Africa offering higher education through distance learning. This internationally recognised Business School creates leaders in the fields of Management, Business and Commerce, Law and Policing. Many key leaders and role players in society hold Southern Business School qualifications.

Mr Chris Vorster, Principal of Southern Business School, says distance education requires of the student to be disciplined and have the responsibility to study on his/her own. He says, “Our students are ambitious and serious about developing their careers through lifelong learning. They focus on the end goal and can see the bigger picture. Student numbers at Southern Business School have shown a strong growth for several years”.

Southern Business School’s flagship qualifications are the Master of Management, Master of Policing Practice, Bachelor of Business Administration, Bachelor of Policing Practice and the Bachelor of Commerce in Law degrees.

Students who want to pursue the Higher Certificate in Management can choose a major elective from 16 specialist streams. The Diploma in Management and Advanced Diploma in Management have been designed for those who want to become experts in management, for example aspiring managers and managers in the public sector who would like recognised, applied and industry-standard business skills and knowledge.

Police officials can register for the Bachelor of Policing Practice. Thereafter they can continue with the Bachelor of Policing Practice Honours degree and ultimately the Master of Policing Practice degree.

The Higher Certificate in Paralegal Studies is an entry-level qualification aimed at paralegal professionals who assist lawyers in their legal work. Southern Business School’s Bachelor of Commerce in Law degree will distinguish the graduate not only in a competitive business world, but also within the legal fraternity.

According to Mr Vorster, the Business School’s business principles of **quality, affordability, recognition** and **customer service** play a central role in all its actions and decisions and this has laid a foundation for a year-on-year growth.

Quality and Customer Service

Southern Business School has shaped and equipped leaders in the private and public sectors since its inception in 1996 by offering high-quality higher education.

With Southern Business School’s student-centred approach, their students are the focus of all their actions. They offer students, nationally and internationally, value for money learning experiences through exceptional student support with ample support structures and on-line environments in place to accommodate the distance learning student.

Affordability

Mr Vorster says affordability of higher education is paramount in Southern Business School’s contribution to lifelong learning, which in turn contributes to the development of a country.

Recognition

Southern Business School is registered in South Africa with the Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET) as a Private Higher Education Institution (Registration Certificate no. 2002/HE07/015). All their qualifications are registered with the South African Qualifications Authority (SAQA) and accredited by the Council on Higher Education (CHE). Southern Business School is recognised by public universities and other private higher education institutions and also by the Namibia Qualifications Authority (NQA).

Prospective students can visit the website or they can contact the office for more information.

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