

ICB PUBLIC SECTOR ACCOUNTING PROGRAMME

Local government needs you!

If you want to work in finance in government or municipalities, this is the stream to study.

This programme has been designed to address the lack of skills in the public sector and give students knowledge that will help government run more productively. You'll learn how to produce high quality financial statements, implement basic internal controls, conduct effective internal auditing, and apply sound accounting and financial principles.

Build on your qualifications as you go

Complete the first four subjects – ICB Public Sector Accounting: Foundation Level – and you'll get your first qualification (National Certificate: Public Sector Accounting). Progress through the programme's Intermediate and Advanced levels to keep building your skill set and increase your employability.

	FOUNDATION LEVEL	INTERMEDIATE LEVEL	ADVANCED LEVEL	
ENTRY REQUIREMENTS	Grade 11 (Std 9), NQF 3 or equivalent. You must be at least 16 years of age. No prior accounting knowledge needed.	National Certificate: Public Sector Accounting, which consists of the previous 4 subjects.	Diploma: Public Sector Accounting, which consists of the previous 8 subjects.	<h2>DID YOU KNOW?</h2> <p>Enhance your studies and broaden your employment options by completing just one or two extra subjects in the Financial Accounting Programme:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If you hold the National Certificate: Public Sector Accounting, you can attain the National Certificate: Bookkeeping by completing the Payroll and Monthly SARS Returns subject. • If you have qualified with the Diploma: Public Sector Accounting, you can get the National Diploma: Technical Financial Accounting by completing the Payroll and Monthly SARS Returns and the Income Tax Returns subjects.
MY SUBJECTS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Bookkeeping to Trial Balance (BKTB) 2 Public Accounting Administration (PAAD) 3 Computerised Bookkeeping (CPBK) 4 Business Literacy (BUSL) 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5 Financial Statements (FNST) 6 Cost and Management Accounting (CMGT) 7 Technical Public Accounting (TPAC) 8 Business Law and Accounting Control (BLAC) 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 9 Corporate Strategy (CRPS) 10 Management Accounting Control Systems (MACS) 11 Financial Reporting and Regulatory Frameworks (FRRF) 12 Research Theory and Practice (RTAP) <i>(By short dissertation, topic: Public Accounting)</i> 	
WHAT I WILL BE ABLE TO DO	Administer public accounts. Help improve public sector financial management by adding value, efficiency and productivity to government departments.	Work as a qualified accounting technician in the public sector. Make a positive contribution to the country by improving public finance management; contribute to the optimal use of state resources; demonstrate a shift from cash to accrual accounting.	Compile annual financial statements; register with SAIBA as an Accounting Officer (once you meet their requirements); work with Chartered Accountants and Auditors; have a thorough knowledge of accounting theory and practice, strategy, management accounting and regulatory frameworks.	
WHAT MY TITLE CAN BE	Public Accounts Administrator.	Technical Public Accountant, Accounting Technician in the public sector.	Public Sector Financial Accountant, Financial Accountant. Accounting Officer (via SAIBA, see page 30).	
NQF REGISTERED QUALIFICATION	National Certificate: Public Sector Accounting NQF L4 (SAQA ID: 20352) Total credits: 120	Diploma: Public Sector Accounting NQF L5 (SAQA ID: 20353) Total cumulative credits: 137	National Diploma: Financial Accounting NQF L6 (SAQA ID: 20366) Total cumulative credits: 280	