

Overview

The **Foundation Programme (Business, Project Management, Finance & Entrepreneurship)** serves as a necessary bridging course between high school and tertiary education. The programme equips students with the foundational skills required for admission to a practical undergraduate higher certificate programme or above. The programme is aimed at assisting students who did not meet the minimum requirement for admission into Higher Education, or to act as a skill strengthening course.

The programme has 3 foundational goals

- To create a sound learning foundation by expanding the knowledge base and skills of the student in the relevant subject areas.
- To assist the student in building a strong portfolio of work.
- Supporting students by introducing and exploring the various areas of specialisation within the relevant field of study.

The primary purpose of the Foundation programme is to provide a suitable foundation for further studies in one the various subject areas covered. The programme will provide students with a **strong foundation of project management, business management, finance, and entrepreneurship knowledge** across industries. At the end of the programme, students are equipped with the foundational knowledge, skill set, and information to further their studies and choose an area of specialisation in one of the related fields.

Who are they designed for?: If you plan to study a practical undergraduate higher certificate without meeting the entry requirements, we recommend completing a foundational programme first. It is important to note the following:

The foundational programmes are meant as a bridge into our NQF5 programmes, it is not meant as a exit-level

The foundational programmes are not accredited by any education quality committee, nor does it carry any NQF level

The foundational programme's structure and content follow all moderation and quality assurance policies to ensure a aligned and solid foundation for articulation.

Features And Benefits

- Students get access to our online recruitment portal, exclusively available to **AIE graduates**. Visit www.recruitgraduates.co.za for more.



- Get a free **Office 365 Education A1 license**, valid for the duration of your studies.



- Supplementary skills within the project management industry are included to improve job readiness. These include **Microsoft Project, Word, Excel, PowerPoint** and more.



Admission Requirements

- Grade 12 National Senior Certificate **OR**,
- National Certificate (Prior to 2008) **OR**,
- Vocational or Further Education Certificate.

IMPORTANT: If you don't meet our minimum entry requirement, you can still apply for special admission, regardless of what formal education you have. Please note that there are terms and conditions for this application, and all approvals will be made at the discretion of Senate.

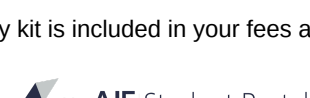
Articulation Option

- [National Diploma: Project Management NQF 5](#)
- [National Diploma: Management of Civil Engineering Construction Processes NQF5](#)
- [Higher Certificate in Entrepreneurship NQF5](#)

Note: On successful completion of the foundation programme, a learner will only be able to apply for the above at The Academic Institute of Excellence.

Stationery List

Your study kit is included in your fees and will contain:



- **Free WIFI** (On-Campus only).
- Access to our **myAIE student** portal and student support team via phone, email and tickets.

Software Used

Hardware/Device Requirement

Please note that you are required to have your own computer for this qualification. **AIE**, in partnership with **Dell** and **TripleH**, is committed to supplying every student with a **Dell laptop** to support our **Digital Campus** initiative. Available exclusively to **AIE students**, devices can now be financed with your tuition fees. We provide three models:

Duration

Full Time

- **Full Time**, **Contact** (Hybrid) Learning, 6 Months
- **Full Time**, **Online** Learning, 6 Months
- Classes conducted over 10 sessions/week (2 hours/session, ± 2.5 days/week)

Part-Time

- **Part Time**, **Flexi Online** Learning, 6 Months
- Classes conducted after hours over 2-3 sessions/week (on selected Saturdays)

* Class structures are subject to change without notification.

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Regulatory Information

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