

Graduate School of Business and Leadership
Postgraduate Diploma

LOCAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



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WHY JOIN

the Graduate School of Business and Leadership at UKZN?

- 1 The Postgraduate Diploma in Local Economic Development, offered by the GSB&L, is accredited by the Council on Higher Education of South Africa.
- 2 Ranked 3rd in South Africa – PMR Africa 2020 ranking of business schools.
- 3 Awarded 3 Palmes of Excellence – Excellent business school with reinforcing international influence: Eduniversal Business Schools Ranking.
- 4 The UKZN Graduate School of Business and Leadership is a full member of the Association of African Business Schools (AABS).
- 5 The UKZN Graduate School of Business and Leadership is a member of the South African Business Schools Association (SABSA).



OVERVIEW

of the Postgraduate Diploma in Local Economic Development

The Graduate School of Business and Leadership (GSB&L), at the University of KwaZulu-Natal (UKZN), is the academic home of the Regional and Local Economic Development (RLEDI) Capacity Building Initiative, which is funded and supported by the KwaZulu-Natal Department of Economic Development, Tourism and Environmental Affairs (EDTEA). Through this partnership, the GSB&L offers postgraduate programmes aimed at promoting RLED research and learning, building critical thinking in relation to RLED, continuing professional development, creating a professional network of RLED graduates and strengthening the implementation practice of RLED institutions.

HOW YOU WILL BENEFIT:

- It is a legal requirement for municipalities in South Africa to have an LED strategy, therefore, the Postgraduate Diploma in LED prepares candidates aspiring to specialise in the area of LED or in related fields.
- The Postgraduate Diploma in LED contributes significantly to the professionalisation of LED practitioners.
- A Postgraduate Diploma in LED has become a minimum requirement in local government for candidates applying to be LED practitioners and in other related fields.
- A Postgraduate Diploma in LED will contribute to your competence as an LED practitioner at municipality level.
- Successful candidates have the option to pursue a Masters degree.

STUDY OPTIONS

The programme is offered over a two-year period on a block release method. Students are required to attend from Monday to Friday (08h00–16h00) per module. Four modules are to be completed in each year.

PROGRAMME MODULES

YEAR 1	YEAR 2
• LED and Developmental Government • Economics for LED practitioners • Strategic and Project Management for LED • Accounting and Finance for LED	• Integrative LED Research Project • Supply Chain Management for LED • Marketing Management for LED • Sustainability in LED

WHO SHOULD APPLY?

Participants are typically drawn from provincial, district and local level in government, business and civil society organisations. Existing LED practitioners based within key LED institutions in provincial government, districts and municipalities. Members of civil society organisations addressing economic development, and those working on economic development from within the private sector, would also find the programme useful.

Applicants must hold any recognised undergraduate degree at NQF level 7.

HOW TO APPLY

Apply online at www.gsbl.ukzn.ac.za (Closing date for applications: 31 October)

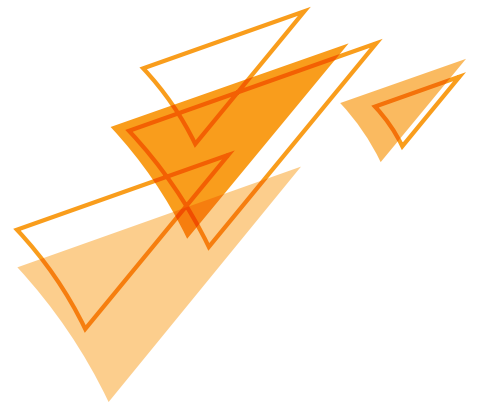
NOTE: Only online electronic applications will be considered.

"Building SMMEs through LED
based projects is the future!"

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