

# Foundation Math



Durban

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# **Programme overview & objectives:**

There are very few opportunities in life that are really worth taking, that present themselves a second time. With such a high percentage of Grade 12 learners not meeting the Mathematics entrance requirements for study at a university, this course is designed to give these learners a second chance.

It is put together as an intense two week (80 hour) course that allows students who pass with 60%, access to study a degree at UKZN where Mathematics is a pre-requisite, provided that the applicant meets the other qualifying criteria of the University.

Due to the intense nature of this course, only individuals who completed their Matric in the past three years should apply.

# How you will benefit. You will learn to:

- Concentrate on just one subject instead of six or more
- Improve your understanding of mathematical concepts
- Gain confidence as you work through examples on your own and in the classroom
- Draw on the experience and skills of a Mathematics specialist

# **Key focus areas:**

- Set theory
- Equations and inequalities
- Perimeter, area and volume
- Numbers and proportional reasoning
- Linear, quadratic, semi-circles, rectangular hyperbola and piecewise functions
- Absolute values, circular (trigonometry), exponential and
- Introduction to differential calculus and word problems

#### Who should attend:

- School leavers who passed Mathematics in their final NSC examinations (Matric examinations) desiring to pursue a Science or Commerce related degree
- This course provides possible access to a Bachelor's degree at UKZN, where Grade 12 Mathematics is an entrance requirement, provided that the applicant meets the other qualifying criteria of the University

#### **Entrance requirements:**

To be considered for registration, an applicant must have obtained a pass symbol on Standard or Higher Grade Mathematics or NSC Mathematics in the final examinations in Grade 12

# **Programme fee:**

The programme fee of R6 290 (incl. VAT) covers tuition, instruction material, lunches and refreshments

# **NQF** Level:

Level Five on the National Qualifications Framework (NQF)

### **Duration:**

Two weeks, Monday to Friday

## Facilitators include:



**Dr Maga Moodley** 

Maga joined the Springfield College of Education in 1989 as a lecturer, and in 1992 received a Harvard Scholarship to undertake a Master's in Education degree in the US. In 1995, Dr Moodley served as the coordinator of the AMESA National Conference, and was elected Vice President: Natal Region in 2001. He

joined the University of Natal as a senior tutor in 2002, and was appointed as a Lecturer in the School of Mathematics in 2007. During the past 10 years, Dr Moodley was actively involved in Mathematics education in rural communities, in stimulating excellence against international norms through AMESA, and was invited to present at international conferences for the promotion of Mathematics education.



Shunmugam Pillay

Shunmugam is a lecturer at UKZN. He obtained Dip Ed, a BA and a B Ed Hons (UNISA). He has also completed his Masters in Higher Education specialising in Mathematics. He has published and presented several papers: teaching and learning - Mathematics, Geometric centroids of polygons

and Blended Learning (pilot project- UEL). He is a coordinator of bridging modules at UKZN and a SAMF coach for Maths Olympiads. Shunmugam recieved a distinguished Teacher's Award in 1997: AMESA KZN.



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#### Dates:

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