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# Monitoring, Evaluation and Research Skills Programme



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## Programme overview & objectives:

The main aim of this programme is to equip participants with skills to undertake Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) functions. The imparted skills will assist participants with the knowledge to design relevant M&E frameworks and engage in practical applications of M&E systems. This 24 credit programme is aimed at strengthening government, private sector's and civil society organisations' capacity in monitoring, evaluation and action research in order to develop a pool of researchers and practitioners that have knowledge and skills in participatory monitoring, evaluation and impact assessment of programmes and projects. Strengthening M&E capacities both within and outside of organisations will importantly enhance prospects for the success of intervention programmes (and projects) and improve service delivery, impact and efficiency.

## How you will benefit. You will learn to:

- Explain the principles and good practices in M&E systems at different levels in organisations
- Explain results chain thinking, the centrality of indicators, and the need for basic tools and procedures in M&E
- Explain log-frames, integration of M&E, and international M&E frameworks
- Design, implement and manage appropriate integrated M&E systems within available resource constraints to achieve desired strategic outcomes in specific fields in organisations
- Distinguish and explain the types of evaluation methods and their applications
- Explain the planning and management of M&E processes and describe quality controls and guidelines for reviewing evaluation reports

## Key focus areas:

- Basic M&E concepts
- Principles and guidelines of building good M&E systems to support good governance and improved service delivery
- An introduction to research methods
- Research design, sampling methods, evaluation and selecting research tools
- Key aspects of quantitative and qualitative analysis
- Statistical analysis
- Data analysis, techniques for managing M&E processes and report writing
- M&E methods and tools
- Programme logframes and M&E
- Setting up and managing M&E systems
- An introduction to policy M&E
- Participatory M&E
- The SA governments outcomes-based approach to performance monitoring and service delivery
- Good practice lessons from countries that have exemplary M&E systems in place

## Dates:

For updated course dates, please contact us or see our website: [www.ukznextendedlearning.com](http://www.ukznextendedlearning.com)



### Professor Paulus Zulu

Professor Zulu is the Director of the Maurice Webb Race Relations Unit in the School of Social Sciences at the University of KwaZulu-Natal. He holds a PhD in Applied Social Sciences, a National Diploma in Diagnostic Radiography and a Post Graduate Diploma in Marketing Management. He joined the University of Natal as Maurice Webb Fellow in 1985, was Pro-Vice Chancellor in 1996 and Durban Campus Vice Principal between 1997 and 2001. Currently Professor Zulu is Emeritus Professor at UKZN and Doctoral Mentor for students sponsored by the National Institute for Humanities and Social Sciences. Other distinguished appointments include membership in the Pontifical Academy of Social Sciences – Vatican City, Rome, and the Research Chair: Monitoring and Evaluation at the ETDP SETA.



### Gordon Fakude

Gordon has been a lecturer since 2010 in Economic History and Development Studies at UKZN. He holds a B.A. degree (majored in Economics, Political Science and Economic History); a certificate in Project Management (Executive Education) and an MSc URP (Urban and Regional Planning) in Development Studies (Natal). He is currently a PhD candidate in Economic History. Alongside his lecturing duties in the mainstream Economic History and Development Studies programme, since 2010 Gordon has been coordinating the Emerging Researchers Capacity Enhancement Programme (ERCEP), a post-graduate short course programme on M&E which is the fore-runner to the current short course.

## Who should attend:

- Projects staff/ M&E staff of NGOs and community-based organisations
- Project staff/ M&E staff in government ministries and parastatals
- Project staff and management in consultancies and other private sector businesses
- Programme managers who are interested in developing an understanding of the current issues in M&E, and conceptual skills for managing M&E processes

## Entrance requirements:

Degree (or equivalent)

## Duration:

6 Months

## NQF Level:

Level 7 on the National Qualifications Framework (NQF)

## Programme fee:

The programme fee of R 27 500 (incl VAT) covers tuition, instruction material, lunches and refreshments

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