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Phase-out of the National Diploma in Building and Phase-in of the Diploma in Construction

The Department of Construction Management and Quantity Surveying has replaced the existing National Diploma: Building qualification with a Diploma in Construction qualification in 2018.

The purpose of introducing this new qualification is to align with the new Higher Education qualification sub-Framework (HEQSF) as Gazetted by the South African Department of Education on 2 August 2013. This is a requirement placed on all Higher Education institutions.

Pipeline students will be allowed a certain period to complete the National Diploma in Building, after which they will be articulated onto the new Diploma. Students who are returning to complete their qualification will be admitted on the current National Diploma (ND) qualification if it's still offered at the time of their return. If the qualification has been phased out, they will be articulated into the new Diploma (Dip) qualification. The Diploma in Construction has commenced in January 2018.

The following phase-out plan of the National Diploma is proposed for 2018 - 2019:

Year	Remarks
2018-2019	<p>Phasing in of Diploma in Construction</p> <p>Mainstream students (MS) New Dip – 1st year Current ND – 2nd year Current ND – 3rd year</p> <p>New Diploma in Construction mainstream 1st year</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diploma in Construction 1st year students who have passed all year one subjects in 2018 will continue with the Diploma in Construction year two subjects in 2019. • A 1st year Diploma in Construction student should be aware of the departments exclusion and promotion criteria with regards to the student failing a subject/s in 2018. The students' performance as well as the departmental exclusion and promotion criteria will determine the students' progression in 2019. Kindly see Appendix A (Exclusion and Promotion Criteria). <p>Current ND: Building mainstream 2nd year</p>

- ND: Building mainstream 2nd year students who have passed all year one and two subjects in 2018 will continue with the normal ND year three in 2019. Students who are carrying year one subjects after completion of year two in 2018 will subsequently complete that subject/s on the new Diploma in Construction qualification.
- A ND: Building mainstream 2nd year student should be aware of the departments exclusion and promotion criteria with regards to the student failing a subject/s in 2018. The students performance as well as the departmental exclusion and promotion criteria will determine the students progression in 2019. Kindly see Appendix A (Exclusion and Promotion Criteria).
- If the ND: Building mainstream 2nd year student does not progress, but is allowed an opportunity to continue his/her tuition, the student will repeat the subject/s on the ND: Building ECP 2nd year in 2019.

Current ND: Building mainstream 3rd year

- ND: Building mainstream 3rd year students who have passed all year three subjects in 2018 will graduate.
- A ND: Building mainstream 3rd year student should be aware of the departments exclusion and promotion criteria with regards to the student failing a subject/s in 2018. The students performance as well as the departmental exclusion and promotion criteria will determine the students progression in 2019. Kindly see Appendix A (Exclusion and Promotion Criteria).
- If the ND: Building mainstream 3rd year student does not progress, but is allowed an opportunity continue his/her tuition, the student will repeat the subject/s on the ND: Building mainstream 3rd year in 2019.

ECP students

New Dip ECP – year zero

Current ND: Building ECP – year one

Current ND: Building ECP – year two / second year (in-service training)

Current ND: Building ECP – year three / third year

New Diploma in Construction ECP - year zero

- New Diploma in Construction ECP students who have passed all year zero subjects in 2018 will continue with the New Diploma in Construction ECP year one in 2019.
- A new Diploma in Construction ECP student should be aware of the departments exclusion and promotion criteria with regards to the student failing a subject/s in 2018. The students' performance as well as the departmental exclusion and promotion criteria will determine the students' progression in 2019. Kindly see Appendix A (Exclusion and Promotion Criteria).

Current ND: Building ECP – year one

- Current ND: Building ECP year one students who have passed all year one subjects in 2018 will progress to ND: Building ECP year two in 2019.

- A current ND: Building ECP year one student should be aware of the departments exclusion and promotion criteria with regards to the student failing a subject/s in 2018. The students' performance as well as the departmental exclusion and promotion criteria will determine the students' progression in 2019. Kindly see Appendix A (Exclusion and Promotion Criteria).
- If the current ND: Building ECP year one student does not progress, but is allowed to continue his/her tuition, the student will repeat the subject/s on the new Diploma in Construction ECP year one in 2019, and will subsequently be transferred to the new Diploma in Construction qualification.

Current ND: Building ECP – year two / second year (experiential training)

- Current ND: Building ECP year two / second year (experiential training) students who have passed all year two / second year (experiential training) subjects in 2018 will continue with ND: Building ECP year three subjects in 2019. Students who are carrying year one subjects after completion of year two in 2018 will subsequently complete that subject/s on the new Diploma in Construction qualification.
- A current ND: Building ECP year two / second year (experiential training) student should be aware of the departments exclusion and promotion criteria with regards to the student failing a subject/s in 2018. The students' performance as well as the departmental exclusion and promotion criteria will determine the students' progression in 2019. Kindly see Appendix A (Exclusion and Promotion Criteria).
- If the current ND: Building ECP year two / second year (experiential training) student does not progress, but is allowed to continue his/her tuition, the student will repeat the subject/s on the ND: Building ECP year two / second year in 2019.

Current ND: Building ECP year three / third year

- Current ND: Building ECP year three / third year students who have passed all year three subjects in 2018 will graduate.
- A ND: Building ECP year three / third year student should be aware of the departments exclusion and promotion criteria with regards to the student failing a subject/s in 2018. The students' performance as well as the departmental exclusion and promotion criteria will determine the students' progression in 2019. Kindly see Appendix A (Exclusion and Promotion Criteria).
- If the ND: Building ECP year three / third year student does not progress, but is allowed an opportunity continue his/her tuition, the student will repeat the subject/s on the ND: Building ECP 3rd year in 2019.

Kindly note that experiential placement for ND Building students that qualify will continue as normal for 2019.

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EXCLUSION AND PROMOTION CRITERIA

1. EXCLUSION

ECP

- Students are excluded if they fail any or all subjects registered for in an academic year.

Mainstream

Students are excluded if they fail:

- 50% or more of the subjects registered for in any level of study.
- all the major subjects, namely Construction Management, Quantity Surveying and Construction Technology in any level of study.
- any subject twice.

2. PROMOTION

To second year

- Students may not progress to the next level of study if they fail 50% or more of the subjects of the first year.
- Students may also not progress to the next level of study if they fail any of the major subjects, namely Construction Management 1, Construction Technology 1 and Quantity Surveying 1.

To third year

- Students must have successfully completed all their First and Second year subjects for progression into the third year.
- Students who are repeating a 1st year subject will have the option after 1st year of either:
 - Completing the subject Building Practice (experiential learning component), along with the three 2nd year subjects, and then registering for their 1st year subject repeats the following year, or
 - Registering for their three 2nd year subjects as well as the 1st year subjects being repeated, and then completing the subject Building Practice the following year.

Equivalent subjects: National Diploma Building and Diploma in Construction

Diploma in Construction	National Diploma in Building
Construction Management 1	Construction Management 1
Construction Technology 1	Construction Technology 1
Quantity Surveying 1	Quantity Surveying 1
Construction Mathematics	No comparable subject
Site Surveying	Site Surveying 1
Construction Science 1	Applied Building Science 1
Technical Drafting	No comparable subject
Professional and Technical Communications 1	Communications 1
Computer skills and Applications	Computer Applications 1
Integrated construction projects	No comparable subject
Quantity Surveying 2	Quantity Surveying 2
Construction Technology 2	Construction Technology 2
Construction Management 2	Construction Management 2
Building services	No comparable subject
Construction health and safety	No comparable subject
Construction economics	No comparable subject
Construction science 2	No comparable subject
Professional and technical communication 2	No comparable subject
Construction science 3	Structures and Concrete 3
Construction Technology 3	Construction Technology 3
Quantity surveying 3	Quantity surveying 3
Construction Management 3	Construction Management 3
Price Analysis and Estimating	Price Analysis and Estimating 3
Construction entrepreneurship	Construction Accounting 3
Construction practice	Building Practice 1

Students are requested to sign the attached acknowledgement sheet that they were informed of the Phase-out of the National Diploma in Building and Phase-in of the Diploma in Construction. Acknowledgement forms to be submitted to the Departmental secretary by no later than 28 September 2018.

Yours sincerely



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Acknowledgement of information regarding the Phase-out of the National Diploma in Building and Phase-in of the Diploma in Construction

I hereby acknowledge receipt of information regarding the Phase-out of the National Diploma in Building and Phase-in of the Diploma in Construction. I am aware that there will be financial implications if I am transferred to the Diploma based on my academic performance.

I understand that if I have not progressed to year two of the National Diploma: Building, I will be transferred to the Diploma in Construction and will repeat year one.

Name:

Student Number:

Signature:

Date: