

HIGHER CERTIFICATE IN

# INTERIOR DECORATING





**INSCAPE** 

# **COURSE INTRODUCTION**



The Higher Certificate in Interior Decorating educates students on how to enhance interior spaces. Students develop design skills in order to create functional and meaningful environments. Students apply interior decorating, design, technology and materials knowledge to develop innovative design solutions. This programme teaches students how to design captivating spaces with a client's personal style in mind. The Higher Certificate equips graduates with practical knowledge and skills for entry into the job market, with an emphasis on work-integrated learning to prepare them for the professional world.

The certificate can be completed as a one year full-time contact programme or two years part-time through distance learning. Graduates may progress to a Degree or Diploma in Interior Design or another relevant design field. Students pursuing further education must meet institutional entrance requirements.

# COURSE OWERWIEW

- The programme focuses on developing essential technical drawings, fundamental theory
  of interior decorating and the processes of interior decorating.
- Students learn business basics, such as project management and professional practice management for interior decorators, as well as how to start a business.
- In the programme students learn about spatial design, materials and finishes, visual merchandising and colour theory.

# FOCUS AREAS

- Materials, Finishes and Treatments
- Professional Practice Management
- Event Management and Thematic Styling
- Visual Merchandising and Colour

- Starting your Business
- Project Management
- Styles and Furniture





Designers in this field can experience diverse career opportunities in the world of design and aesthetics where your creative flair can shape inspiring and visually captivating spaces.



- Introduction to Decorating
- Starting your own Business
- Standard Drawing Conventions
- AutoCAD for the Built Environment
- Introduction to Architectural Drawing
- Visual Merchandising and Colour
- Period Styles and Furniture
- Presentation Drawing
- Project Management
- Materials, Finishes and Treatments
- Professional Practice Management
- · Process of Interior Decorating
- Application of Interior Decorating
- Thematic Styling and Event Management
- Portfolio
- Experiential Training 240 hrs



- Interior Decorator
- Merchandiser
- Interior Stylist
- Colour and Fabric Consultant
- Staging Consultant
- Set Designer

# COURSE STRUCTURE

#### **CONTACT LEARNING**

- 1 Year full time
- NQF Level 5
- 8 x 1h 45 min sessions per week
- Approximately 2.5 hours additional independent study per session
- Continuous project-based assessment with final portfolio submission
- 240 hours of Experiential Training to be completed.

#### **DISTANCE LEARNING**

- 2 Years part time
- NQF Level 5
- Enrolments in March, July, and November
- Continuous project-based assessment with final portfolio submission
- 240 hours of Experiential Training to be completed.
  - Subjects are broken down into modules to facilitate online learning over the two years.
- Courseware and assessments provided to the student on the Inscape LMS.
- Feedback from a qualified assessor is provided on each assessment.
- Students are provided with support on their learning journey as well as support regarding library, technical, administrative and financial gueries.

# **ARTICULATION OPTIONS**

Students who have graduated with the Higher Certificate in Design Techniques may apply for the Degree at Inscape if they have an average of over 60%, or for a Diploma if they have passed with an average over 50%. Graduates may qualify for Diploma or Degree in a related Design field. Institutional minimum requirements will apply.





#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

#### South Africa

Candidates must have completed a National Senior Certificate (NSC).

If you have any queries regarding the process, please email - applications@inscape.co.za

#### **Special Admissions**

#### Mature age exemption

Candidates over the age of 45 who did not complete Matric may qualify for mature age exemption.

Please contact the Registrar for additional information registrar@inscape.co.za

#### RPL

If the candidate has a NQF level 3 qualification, but has design industry experience, they may qualify for entry via Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL).

In order to be considered for entry via RPL the candidate should have a minimum of two years industry experience.

The RPL process is used to evaluate the learning that candidates with existing industry experience may have gained and would need to be substantiated with relevant supporting documents.

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#### **International Qualifications**

If the candidate has a foreign qualification, for admissions to a Higher Certificate, they must apply to South African Qualifications Authority (SAQA) for a National Senior Certificate NQF level 4 equivalence.

International candidates must be competent in English at and equivalent level to NQF 4.

All international students attending contact classes require a study permit in the name of Inscape Education Group valid for the duration of the chosen course.

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# LEARNING HUBS



# **CAPE TOWN**

5th Floor, 9 Somerset Road, De Waterkant Centre, DE WATERKANT



# **DURBAN**

Liberty Building, 4 Park Lane, Umhlanga Ridge, UMHLANGA



# **MIDRAND**

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# **PRETORIA**

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# **APPLICATIONS**

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