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1. Introduction

This document serves as a brief guide to the qualifications that Umalusi Council currently certifies and is intended primarily to help people to understand and verify the certificates Umalusi issues, as well as those issued by its predecessor, the South African Certification Council (SAFCERT).

In the second section of this guide, the qualifications that Umalusi certifies are enumerated. These are the only qualifications that Umalusi quality assures and is responsible for.

Section three very briefly outlines the General and Further Education and Training Qualifications Framework, one of the three sub-frameworks of the National Qualifications Framework (NQF). Umalusi is responsible for the development and management of the qualifications on the General and Further Education and Training Qualifications sub-framework. A look at the framework will alert readers to the fact that there are other qualifications which Umalusi is committed to developing and quality assuring as a means of strengthening the South African education system.

Section four offers a brief description of the most salient features of each qualification in order for the public to understand the relationships between the various qualifications – all of which are on Level 4 of the NQF, except for the General Education and Training Certificate (Adult Basic Education and Training) (GETC (ABET)) on NQF Level 1. Each qualification is underpinned by detailed directives which help Umalusi to decide who qualifies for the qualification and who does not.

In the final section, certain features of Umalusi certificates are highlighted for consideration. These include the use of watermark paper, the inclusion of certain security features in the printing of the certificate background paper as well as some others introduced when the certificate for each and every individual is personalised. This information is provided to help with the identification of features to be found on genuine certificates issued by Umalusi.

2. The certificates Umalusi issues and verifies

Certification is the formal recognition of a full qualification or subject achieved by a candidate. This section provides a brief overview of certificates issued by SAFCERT and later Umalusi, the Council for Quality Assurance in General and Further Education and Training.

The SAFCERT was given the responsibility for certification through the SAFCERT Act, 1986 (Act No 85 of 1986). The Council began with its certification functions from 2 September 1992.

SAFCERT issued the following types of certificates:

- a. Senior Certificate (SC) (Schools)
- b. National Senior Certificate (Further Education and Training (FET) colleges)
- c. N3 Certificate (FET Colleges)
- d. Subject certificate.

Umalusi's legal responsibilities are established through the General and Further Education and Training Quality Assurance Act, 2001 (Act No. 58 of 2001). In terms of paragraph 17 (A)(6) of this Act, Umalusi is responsible for issuing certificates to candidates who have successfully achieved qualifications at the exit points in general and further education and training. Umalusi has issued certificates since April 2005.

Umalusi issues the following types of certificates:

- a. Senior Certificate (SC)
- b. National Senior Certificate (NSC: FET colleges)
- c. N3 Certificate
- d. Statement of results for the Senior Certificate (till December 2003)
- e. Subject certificate for the Senior Certificate (from January 2004)
- f. General Education and Training Certificate: Adult Basic Education and Training (GETC (ABET)) (from August 2003)
- g. Learning area certificate for the GETC (ABET) (from August 2003)
- h. National Senior Certificate (NSC) (Schools) (from 2008)
- i. National Certificate (Vocational) (NC(V)) (from 2008)
- j. Subject statement for the NSC and NC(V) (from 2008)

Certification prior to 1992

The Provincial and National Departments of Education are now mandated to issue replacement certificates for candidates who obtained qualifications awarded by the former education departments, prior to September 1992, when SAFCERT took over all certification responsibilities for schools and colleges. These certificates included the Senior Certificate, Standard 5 – 9 certificates, Standard 10 (Practical) as well as Teacher Certificates and Diplomas. The N3 and NSC for the college sector were also included amongst the certificates issued by SAFCERT.

Prior to 2 September 1992, Senior Certificates were issued by Provincial Education Departments and other racially segmented examining bodies in accordance with examination rules and regulations pertaining to the respective province or examining authority. As a result of this fragmented certification system, no common certification standards and norms in the country were established or maintained.

The various examining bodies that issued certificates were:

- Department of Education and Training,
- Department of Education and Culture,
- Transkei,
- Transvaal Education Department,
- Joint Matriculation Board,
- Orange Free State Education Department,
- Venda,
- Cape Education Department,
- Bophuthatswana,
- Natal Education Department,
- Ciskei and
- House of Delegates

Each ex-Department/examining body issued Senior Certificates bearing a different logo, heading and signatories and with very few or no security features on the certificates. As of November 1996 to date, the Provincial Education Departments have issued certified statements *in lieu* of a lost certificate, all with different logos, headings and signatures. There is therefore no common certified statement issued, which makes it difficult to establish whether a certified statement is authentic or not.

3. The General and Further Education and Training Qualifications Framework

Umalusi has determined a sub-framework for qualifications in general and further education and training, on which these qualifications, and several others, are placed. The General and Further Education and Training Qualifications Framework, a sub-framework of the NQF, coordinates with the two sub-frameworks developed and managed by the Council for Higher Education (CHE) and the Quality Council for Trades and Occupations (QCTO), and serves as a register of general educational qualifications.

The General and Further Education and Training Qualifications sub-framework is designed to cater both for children and adolescents (schooling) as well as for adults and out-of-school youth, by means of the adult stream (in light blue). The qualifications are also designed to provide foundational learning – basic literacy and numeracy - and to provide two options for study. The first is a general academic route, which is what most schools offer, while the second is a vocational route in the form of the NC (V) which is offered in FET colleges.

NQF level	Qualification types and qualifications					Certificates for units of learning
Level 1: Qualification type	General Certificate (GC)					Learning area/ subject certificates for adult learners
Designated variants	General Education Certificate (GEC)		General Education and Training Certificate for Adults			
Level 2: Qualification type	Elementary Certificate (EC)					Subject certificates towards one or more qualification designated variants
Designated variants			National Certificate (Vocational) 2	Elementary Certificate		
Level 3: Qualification	Intermediate Certificate (IC)					Subject certificates towards one or more qualification designated variants
Designated variants			National Certificate (Vocational) 3	Intermediate Certificate		
Level 4: Qualification	National Certificate (NC)					Subject certificates towards one or more qualification designated variants N1 - N3
Designated variants	Senior Certificate and National Senior Certificate (Colleges)	National Senior Certificate (NSC)	National Certificate (Vocational) 4	National Senior Certificate for Adults (NASCA)	National Independent Certificate (NIC)	
Level 5: Qualification	Further Certificate (FC)					Subject certificates towards one or more qualification designated variants
Designated variants			National Certificate (Vocational) 5	Further Independent Certificate		

4. The General and Further Education and Training Qualifications

4.1 National Senior Certificate (Certificated from 2008 onwards)

The NSC is the certificate awarded as the final exit qualification at the end of Grade 12. In 2008, the NSC replaced the Senior Certificate as the major school-leaving qualification. For the NSC, all subjects are now offered at a single level, which, through Umalusi's curriculum research, was found generally to be midway between the standard grade and the higher grade levels associated with the SC. Each of the seven subjects to be offered in the qualification is worth 20 credits, except for Life Orientation, which is worth 10 credits. It is thus a 130-credit qualification at Level 4 on the NQF.

The objectives for the qualification are to:

- Equip learners irrespective of their socio-economic background, race, gender or disability with the knowledge, skills and values necessary for self-fulfilment and meaningful participation in society as citizens of a free country;
- Provide access to higher education and vocational educations and/or occupational qualifications in ...further or higher education ...
- Facilitate the transition of learners from education to the workplace
- Provide ... a profile of learner's competencies.

From the SAQA-registered description of the NSC

The NSC is awarded to learners who have achieved the exit level learning outcomes stipulated in the *National Curriculum Statement Grades 10 - 12 (General)*, now replaced by the *National policy pertaining to the programme and promotion requirements of the National Curriculum Statement Grades R – 12*.

The NSC is awarded provided that three subjects are passed with a minimum of 40% and a pass at a minimum of 30% in another three subjects. The candidate's Home Language must be one of the subjects passed with a minimum of 40%. A candidate may fail one subject, on condition that full evidence of the site-based assessment (SBA) component in the failed subject can be provided.

Umalusi issues the NSC. The certificate may also indicate achievement of the minimum Higher Education admission requirements to study for one of the following:

- Higher Certificate, or
- Diploma, or
- Bachelor's degree programme.

The requirements for the achievement of the certificate at these three levels are briefly explained below:

The National Senior Certificate with Higher Certificate admission requirements

The minimum admission requirement for a Higher Certificate is a NSC, as certified by Umalusi, with a minimum of 30% in the language of learning and teaching of the Higher Education Institution. However, certain institutional and programme needs may require particular combinations of recognised NSC subjects and levels of achievement. For example, an institution may determine that a Higher Certificate in Architectural Design requires, in addition to the NSC, an identified level of attainment in Design or an associated recognised subject.

The National Senior Certificate with Diploma admission requirements

The minimum admission requirement is an NSC, as certified by Umalusi, with an achievement rating of 3 (moderate achievement, 40%–49%) or better in four recognised NSC 20-credit subjects, and a minimum 30% in the language of learning and teaching of the Higher Education institution concerned. Particular institutional and programme needs may require particular combinations of recognised NSC subjects and levels of achievement.

The National Senior Certificate with Bachelor's Degree admission requirements

The minimum admission requirement is a NSC as certified by Umalusi with a rating of Adequate Achievement (50-59%), or better, in four subjects chosen from the designated list¹ of recognised 20-credit NSC subjects.

An indication of having achieved the minimum requirements as regulated is, however, not a guarantee for a secure placement in a higher education programme.

¹'Designated subjects' are those subjects which have been selected by Higher Education as providing adequate preparation for study in higher education.



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CANCELLED X

National Senior Certificate

Awarded to

[REDACTED] Manciya

Identity number **[REDACTED]**

Subjects	Score	Achievement level
IsiXhosa Home Language	47	3
English First Additional Language CANCELLED X	44	3
Life Orientation	60	5
Accounting	36	2
Business Studies	35	2
Economics	35	2
*****	*****	*****

This candidate is awarded the National Senior Certificate and has met the minimum requirements for admission to higher certificate study as gazetted for admission to higher education, subject to the admission requirements of the higher education institution concerned.

With effect from December 2008

This certificate is issued without alteration or transfer of any kind.

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[Signature]
Chief Executive Officer



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General and Further Education and Training
South Africa

(See reverse for more information)

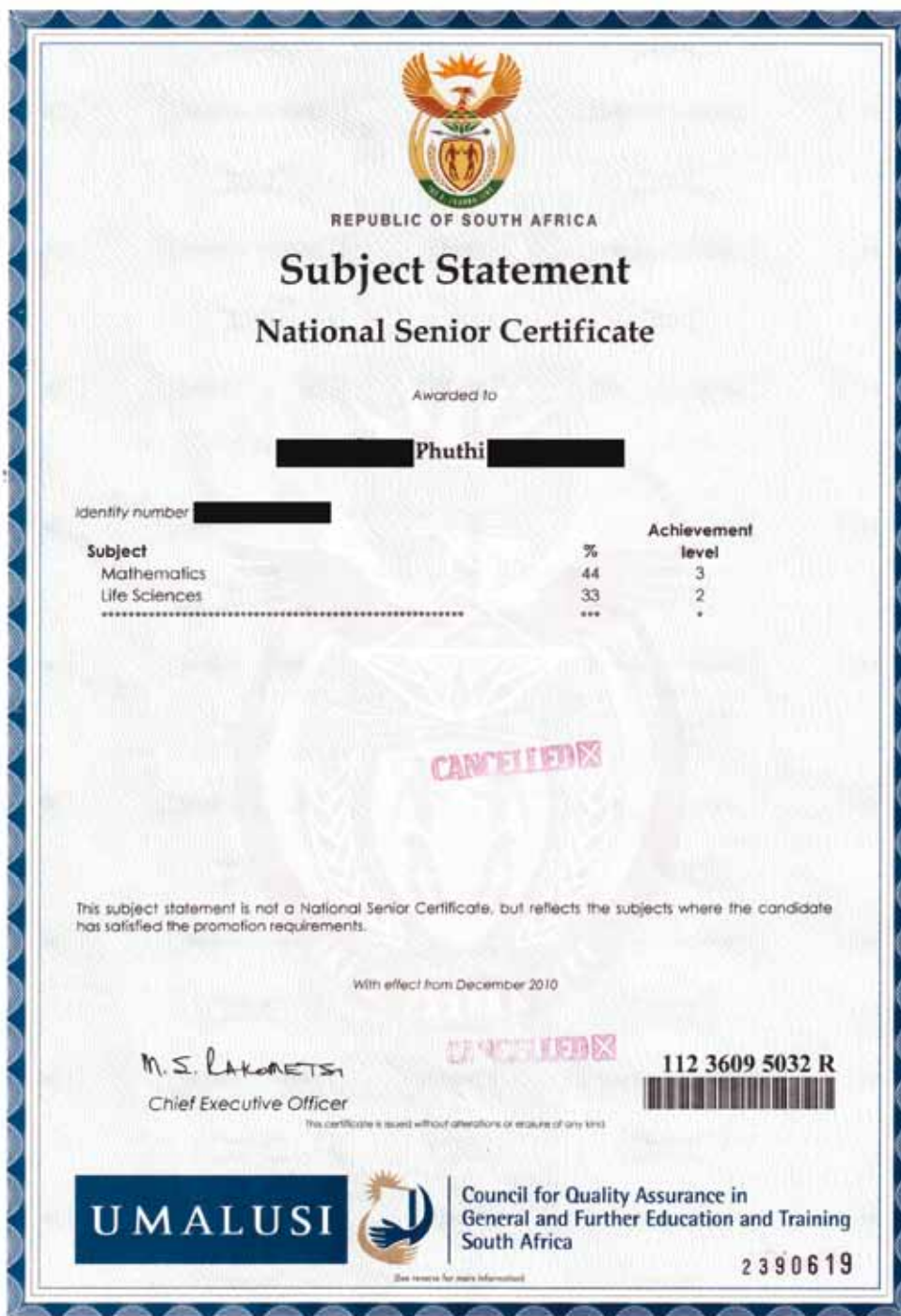
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This NSC is printed on the background paper used in 2009 and 2010. The introduction of this certification paper coincided with the issue of the first NSCs. The new format includes the national coat of arms at the top of the certificate.

This certificate was signed by Dr Mafu Solomon Rakometsi, Chief Executive Officer of Umalusi.



This example of the National Senior Certificate (Subject Statement) reflects a different signature of Dr M S Rakometsi also printed on the National Senior Certificate since January 2011.

Umalusi issues a Subject Statement to a candidate who has not met the minimum requirements for the issuing of a NSC. Once the candidate has met the minimum requirements for the issuing of the NSC, the subject credits are combined on request of the candidate for the issuing of the NSC.

The names² on the certificate will reflect the name (or initials) and the last name of the candidate.

²In some of the examples in the document only partial information is visible to allow the user of this document to see how the names are printed. No candidate can be identified from the partial information provided on the certificates.



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Replacement Subject Statement National Senior Certificate

Issued to



Date of birth 1993 10 06

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Subject	%	Achievement level
English Home Language	66	5
Afrikaans First Additional Language	40	3
Mathematics	47	3
Life Orientation	46	3
Accounting	48	3
Computer Applications Technology	67	5

~~CANCELLED~~

This subject statement is not a National Senior Certificate, but reflects the subjects where the candidate has satisfied the promotion requirements.

With effect from December 2007

M. S. RAKOETSI
Chief Executive Officer

~~CANCELLED~~ 120 9001 7344 A



This certificate is issued without charge to the holder of the certificate.



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South Africa

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Umalusi also issues a replacement certificate or subject statement *in lieu* of a lost certificate for all the qualifications it certifies. This is an example of a replacement subject statement for the NSC.

4.2 Senior Certificate (To be phased out by 2014)

The SC was the certificate awarded as the final exit qualification at the end of Grade 12 until it was replaced by the NSC in 2008. Examinations for the certificate, which will be offered until 2014, are still available on a small scale as a measure to help people complete the qualification.

In September 1992, SAFCERT was mandated, through the SAFCERT Act, to certify the SC. In the SC, subjects were offered on the Higher Grade and Standard Grade, and these grades could also be converted for a pass on the Lower grade.

There is no credit allocation for the subjects offered in the SC; however the qualification is registered on the NQF on Level 4, the same as the NSC.

The purpose and rationale of the SC:

- To provide learners with a general education to perform the tasks at this level;
- To participate in lifelong learning;
- To be gainfully employed or self-employed in the world of work; and
- To enter Higher Education institutions.

The outcomes for a candidate that obtained the Senior Certificate are to:

- Enter Higher Education institutions.
- Manage and organise developmentally appropriate activities.
- Interact and communicate effectively with others.
- Participate responsibly in the life of a community.
- Evaluate information gathered through a process of observation.
- Demonstrate understanding and application of the range of knowledge and skills contemplated in the qualification as contained in the syllabi of the various instructional offerings.

The SC is issued at the end of Grade 12 to candidates who satisfy the requirements of the qualification, as contained in paragraph 6 of the National Education Policy (NATED), Report 550. Candidates are required to offer six subjects, and obtain a pass in two official languages from a list of official languages, one at First Language Level, and the other one on at least Second Language Level, and to pass three subjects from groups of subjects as approved in the qualification policy (NATED Report 550). In order to pass, the candidate needs to obtain a minimum aggregate of 720 marks.

Learners who fulfilled certain subject requirements in their Senior Certificate results received a Matriculation Endorsement³ on their certificates for which a minimum aggregate of 950 marks was required. This endorsement is the legal minimum requirement for admission to a bachelor's degree study at any South African university.

A learner could also qualify for the SC through the combination of certain SC and N3 subjects which meet the minimum requirements in the qualification. This option remains open for people who have certain SC subjects and who are doing their N3 subjects (and vice-versa).

³A minimum of four subjects from three different groups (Group A – F) must be passed on the Higher Grade, including the two official languages, one at First Language Level, and the other one on at least Second Language Level, on the Higher Grade, and a minimum of 950 marks must be achieved for the aggregate. The candidate must pass five of the six subjects and must achieve at least 20% in the failed subject.

The SC with N3 subjects does not give a learner access to Higher Education bachelor's degree studies.

The SC is awarded to candidates who comply with the requirements and rules of combination as stipulated in Report 550, governing the Senior Certificate.

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Certification Council



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Sertifiseringsraad

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SENIOR CERTIFICATE
SENIOR SERTIFIKAAT

Awarded to / Toegeken aan

[Redacted Name]

Date of Birth

1976-11-14

Geboortedatum

Subjects passed / Vakke geslaag

Tswana : First Language / Eerste Taal	HG	E	40% - 49%
Afrikaans : Second Language / Tweede Taal	HG	E	40% - 49%
English : Second Language / Engels : Tweede Taal	HG	F	33,3% - 39%
Biology / Biologie	LG	F	33,3% - 39%
Geography / Aardrykskunde	SG	E	40% - 49%
Agricultural Science / Landbouwetenskap	LG	F	33,3% - 39%
Aggregate / Groototaal		S	720 - 940

CANCELLED

ENDORSEMENT
None

ENDOSSEMENT
Geen

With effect from

DECEMBER/DESEMBER 1994

Met ingang van

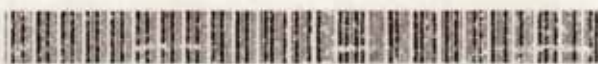
Executive Officer

F. Calitz

Uitvoerende Beampte

This certificate is issued without alteration or erasure of any kind.

Hierdie sertifikaat word uitgereik sonder verandering of uitwissing van enige aard.



960 3009 1580 U

0293481

Senior Certificate issued by the South African Certification Council from 1992 to March 2000 with the signature of the Executive Officer, Dr Fred Calitz.

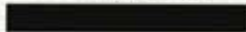
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Certification Council

SENIOR CERTIFICATE

Awarded to



Date of Birth

1981-10-27

Subjects passed

Xhosa : First Language
 English : Second Language
 Mathematics
 Economics
 Accounting
 Business Economics
 Aggregate

HG	D	50%-59%
SG	F	33,3%-39%
SG	E	40%-49%
SG	E	40%-49%
SG	D	50%-59%
SG	F	33,3%-39%
	S	720-949

CANCELLED

ENDORSEMENT
None

With effect from

December 2001

Executive Officer

This certificate is issued without iteration or erasure of any kind



020 6325 5459 R

F295258

Senior Certificate issued by the SAFCERT Council from April 2000 to May 2001 with the signature of the Executive Officer, Dr Peliwe Lolwana.

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Quality Assurance Council

SENIOR CERTIFICATE

Awarded to

[Redacted Name]

Date of Birth

1984-05-16

Subjects passed

Northern Sotho : First Language
Afrikaans : Second Language
English : Second Language
Mathematics
Biology
Agricultural Science
Physical Science
Aggregate

HC	B	70%-79%
HC	F	33,3%-39%
HC	F	33,3%-39%
SG	F	33,3%-39%
SG	F	33,3%-39%
SG	E	40%-49%
LG	F	33,3%-39%
	S	720-949

~~CANCELLED~~

ENDORSEMENT
None

~~CANCELLED~~

With effect from

December 2003

Chief Executive Officer

Peter L. L. L. L.

This certificate is issued in South Africa by the General and Further Education and Training Quality Assurance Council, established by section 4 of Act 53 of 2001, operating as "UMALUSI".



040 8605 1396 Z

6607818

Senior Certificate issued by Umalusi for the period April 2001 – March 2005.

This SC was issued in the transition period between SAFCERT and Umalusi. The Chief Executive Officer, Dr Lolwana's signature is the only valid one on certificates of this format. Only the phrase 'General and Further Education and Training Quality Assurance Council' is printed on the certificate.

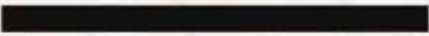
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SENIOR CERTIFICATE

Awarded to



CANCELLED X

Date of Birth

1987-02-27

Subjects passed

isizulu : First Language
English : Second Language
Mathematics
Physical Science
Business Economics
Biology
Aggregate

HG C 60%-69%
HG F 33,3%-39%
SG E 40%-49%
SG F 33,3%-39%
SG C 60%-69%
LG F 33,3%-39%
S 720-949

CANCELLED X

ENDORSEMENT
None

With effect from December 2006

Chief Executive Officer

[Signature of Dr Lolwana]

This certificate is issued in accordance with Section 16(4) (a) of Act 58 of 2001 by Umalusi Council for Quality Assurance in General and Further Education and Training.

070 5202 9528 A



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This certificate is issued without-adaptation or erasure of any kind

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02107120

The SC signed by Dr Lolwana on the new format of the certificate used until December 2007.

Where a candidate met the minimum requirements for the issuing of the Senior Certificate in a single examination sitting, the dates are not printed next to the subjects.

A subject can be converted from Standard Grade to a Lower Grade pass as is the case in the subject Biology on this certificate. This certificate is issued without Endorsement.

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SENIOR CERTIFICATE

Awarded to

[Redacted Name]

Identity number

[Redacted Identity Number]

Subjects passed

Sesotho : First Language	HG	E	40%-49%	Nov 95
English : Second Language	HG	F	33,3%-39%	Nov 95
Afrikaans : Second Language	HG	F	33,3%-39%	Nov 95
Supervision in Industry	N3	D	50%-59%	Nov 11
Industrial Orientation	N3	E	40%-49%	Nov 11
Biblical Studies	SG	F	33,3%-39%	Nov 95
History	LG	F	33,3%-39%	Nov 95
Geography	LG	F	33,3%-39%	Mar 96
Aggregate		S	720-949	

ENDORSEMENT

None

With effect from

December 2011

Chief Executive Officer

M. S. Rakometsi

This certificate is issued in accordance with Section 17(A) (e) of Act 58 of 2001 by Umalusi Council for Quality Assurance in General and Further Education and Training.

120 5803 7598 D



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This certificate is issued without alteration or erasure of any kind

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4376421

The SC issued to candidates from January 2009 bears the signature of the Chief Executive Officer, Dr M S Rakometsi. (This Senior Certificate is issued with three versions of the signature of Dr Rakometsi.)

SC subjects and N3 subjects can be combined for the issuing of a SC. The dates reflected next to the subjects indicate the different examination sittings during which the candidate passed the different subjects.



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CANCELLED

SENIOR CERTIFICATE

Awarded to

LUBABALO [REDACTED]

Identity number 81030 [REDACTED]

Subjects passed

<i>isiXhosa : First Language</i>	HG	D	50%-59%
<i>English : Second Language</i>	HG	C	60%-69%
<i>Economics</i>	HG	E	40%-49%
<i>Business Economics</i>	HG	E	40%-49%
<i>Mathematics</i>	SG	A	80%-100%
<i>Accounting</i>	SG	A	80%-100%
<i>Aggregate (PASSED WITH MERIT)</i>		M	1260-1439

ENDORSEMENT

This candidate has complied with the minimum statutory matriculation requirements for admission to bachelor's degree study at a university in the Republic of South Africa

With effect from December 2005

Chief Executive Officer [Signature]

This certificate is issued in accordance with Section 16(4) (a) of Act 58 of 2001 by Umalusi Council for Quality Assurance in General and Further Education and Training.

060 9516 1701 K



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The Senior Certificate with Endorsement issued to candidates. The Endorsement indicates that the candidate has complied with the minimum statutory matriculation requirements for admission to bachelor's degree study at a university in the Republic of South Africa.

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SUBJECT CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that

[Redacted name]

Date of Birth

1976-03-16

passed the following subjects in a Senior Certificate examination

Geography
Agricultural Science

SG F 33,3%-39%
LG F 33,3%-39%

CANCELLED X

With effect from

April 1996

Chief Executive Officer

M.S. LAKOETSU



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This certificate is issued in accordance with Section 16(4) (e) of Act 58 of 2001 by Umalusi Council for Quality Assurance in General and Further Education and Training.



110 6737 1600 S

This certificate is issued without alteration or erasure of any kind

(See reverse for more information)

4138297

A SC subject certificate is issued to a candidate who has failed the Senior Certificate or in cases where additional subjects were offered after the SC was issued.

4.3 National N3 Certificate (Technical/FET Colleges)

The National N3 Certificate comprises of programmes, for example Engineering N3 or Hairdressing N3, offered at Further Education and Training institutions, which are offered as trimester, semester or year programmes.

Every national instructional programme consists of a number of different instructional offerings. A specific instructional offering is presented at approved institutions and may last for a minimum of three months, six months or one year of full-time study, depending on the type of instructional programme.

Instructional offerings can also be presented on a part-time basis or through correspondence. This certificate is not a full qualification as the N3 certificate comprises 3 or 4 subjects, and does not include the fundamental language component, but rather focuses on equipping learners for an occupational pathway and on providing a theoretical basis for occupational trade testing.

For purposes of comparison, the level of the National Certificate: N3 subjects contemplated in National Reports (Reports 190 and 191) is equated to the Standard Grade level subjects of the SC.

The N3 certificate does not provide access to study at a university or university of technology in higher education programmes. The N2 certificate (traditionally certified by the then-Department of Education / Department of Higher Education and Training (on behalf of the QCTO) does allow candidates access to certain trade testing programmes as required by the Department of Labour/SETAS.

The N1 - 3 programmes have been phased out with the exception of the Engineering Studies which have been retained for the present.

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NATIONAL N3 CERTIFICATE

(BUSINESS STUDIES : SECRETARIAL)

NASIONALE N3 SERTIFIKAAT

(SAKESTUDIES : SEKRETARIEEL)

Awarded to/Toegeken aan

Identity number

Identiteitsnommer

Subjects passed / Vakke geslaag

Office Practice / Kantoornpraktyk	N3	E	40%-49%	Nov 07
Computer Practice / Rekenaarpraktyk	N3	E	40%-49%	Jun 07
Information Processing / Inligtingverwerking	N3	E	40%-49%	Nov 07
Sake-Afrikaans : Tweede Taal / Tweede Taal	N3	E	40%-49%	Mar 08
Business English : First Language	N3	E	40%-49%	Mar 08

CANCELLED



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With effect from

April 2008

Met ingang van

Chief Executive Officer

Hoof Uitvoerende Beambte

This certificate is issued in accordance with Section 18(4) of Act 58 of 2001 by
Umalusi Council for Quality Assurance in General and Further Education and Training.



080 8201 1766 W

This certificate is issued without alteration or erasure of any kind

(See reverse for more information)

3685592

The field of study in the N3 programme is printed below the certificate type as part of the heading.

N3 certificates have been signed by all three Chief Executive Officers since its inception in 1992. Some of the older N3 and National N3 certificates have been printed on the SANCERT certificate paper beyond April 2001, bearing the signature of Dr Peliwe Lolwana.

This N3 certificate, Issued by Umalusi, indicates that the candidate has taken the five subjects over two years. The March 2008 indicates study during the first trimester. A certificate is issued to combine subject credits achieved over a period of time where the candidate has complied with the minimum requirements for the issuing of the qualification. In the example, the candidate passed by combining credits from the June 2007, November 2007 and March 2008 examination. The effective date is the month following the achievement in the last subject that is included in the combination.

4.4 National Senior Certificate (Technical/ FET Colleges)

The older NSC, offered in Further Education and Training institutions, comprises a combination of N3 subjects with the two Business Languages offered by the colleges, or in combination with one Business Language and one official language from the SC.

For purposes of comparison, the level of the National Certificate: N3⁴ instructional offerings, contemplated in National Education Reports (Reports 190 and 191), which provide the basis for the NSC (Technical Colleges), is equated to the Standard Grade level of the SC.

The NSC (FET colleges) is regarded in the same way as the SC without endorsement. The NSC (FET colleges) does not give the candidate endorsement for university admission, but certain universities of technology do accept candidates with this qualification for study.

The N4 – N6 programmes are also offered in FET colleges. These certificates are issued by the Department of Higher Education and Training. The N4 – N6 certificates give a candidate access the workplace with the occupational specialization he/she has studied. Furthermore, the N4 – N6 may give candidates the opportunity to progress into higher education, or to pursue further training at the same level.

⁴The Policy, Report 550 in section 31 states that a candidate can combine SC- and N3 subjects for the issuing of a SC. The relevant paragraph states that:
If a full-time candidate does not qualify for the Senior Certificate, but has N3 subject credits, these results can be combined for a Senior Certificate by requesting a replacement certificate, provided that the N3 subject has already been certified, and further provided that subjects with the same origin will not be certified. The examination date on which the subject was passed will be reflected on the certificate.

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NATIONAL SENIOR CERTIFICATE

(BUSINESS STUDIES : ACC/ADMIN)

NASIONALE SENIOR SERTIFIKAAT

(SAKESTUDIES : REK/ADMIN)

CANCELLED

Awarded To/Toegeken Aan

[Redacted name]

Identity number

[Redacted identity number]

Identiteitsnommer

Subjects passed / Vakke geslaag

Office Practice / Kantoornpraktyk	N3	D	50%-59%	Jun 10
Small Business Management & Entrepreneurship	N3	C	60%-69%	Nov 10
Computer Practice / Rekenaarpraktyk	N3	D	50%-59%	Jun 10
Sake-Afrikaans : Tweede Taal / Tweede Taal	N3	D	50%-59%	Nov 10
Business English : First Language	N3	D	50%-59%	Nov 10
Economic and Legal Environment	N3	D	50%-59%	Mrt 11

CANCELLED



REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

With effect from

April 2011

Met ingang van

Chief Executive Officer

M.S. LAKOETSU

Hoof Uitvoerende Beampste

This certificate is issued in accordance with Section 17(A) (b) of Act 58 of 2001 by Umalusi Council for Quality Assurance in General and Further Education and Training.



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This NSC (FET colleges) allows for candidates to achieve a standard grade matric with subjects studied entirely at the college.

The certificate background paper being used to certify the NSC (FET colleges) remains the older Umalusi paper.

4.5 National Certificate (Vocational)

The NC (V) at Levels 2 - 4 on the NQF is aimed at students at NQF Levels, 2, 3 and 4 respectively in both public and private Further Education and Training (FET) colleges, as well as in other institutions offering FET Vocational programmes.

The NC (V) at Level 2 of the NQF enables students to acquire the necessary knowledge, practical skills, applied competence and understanding required for employment at an elementary level of a particular occupation or trade, or class of occupations or trades.

The NC (V) at Levels 2 - 4 on the NQF provides learning experiences in situations contextually relevant to the particular vocational area in which the programme is situated. The NC (V) offers programmes comprising of subjects that consist of academic knowledge and theory, integrated with the practical skills and values specific to each vocational area. Candidates can offer programmes in a variety of organising fields. Where a candidate has completed the NC (V) qualification in a specific sub-field, a NC (V) certificate is issued, with reference to the NC (V) that was obtained in the specific sub-field.

No.	Organising field	No.	Sub-fields
1	Agriculture and Nature Conservation	1 2 3 4 5	Primary Agriculture Secondary Agriculture Nature Conservation Forestry and Wood Technology Horticulture
2	Culture and Art	1 2 3 4 5 6 7	Design Studies Visual Arts Performing Arts Cultural Studies Music Sport Film, Television and Video
3	Business, Commerce and Management studies	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9	Finance, Economics and Accounting Generic Management Human Resources Marketing Procurement Office Administration Public Administration Project Management Public Relations
4	Communication Studies and Language	1 2 3 4	Communication Studies Information Studies Language Literature
5	Education, Training and Development	1 2 3 4 5	Schooling Higher Education and Training Early Childhood Development Adult Learning Occupationally Directed ETD Practice

No.	Organising field	No.	Sub-fields
6	Manufacturing, Engineering and Technology	1 2 3 4 5	Engineering and Related Design Manufacturing and Assembly Fabrication and Extraction Process Plant Operations Process Instrumentation
7	Human and Social Studies	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9	Environmental Relations General Social Studies Industrial and Organisational Governance and Human Resource Development People/Human-centred Development Public Policy, Politics and Democratic Citizenship Religious and Ethical Foundations of Society Rural and Agrarian Studies Traditions, History and Legacies Urban and Regional Studies
8	Law, Military Science and Security	1 2 3	Safety in Society Justice in Society Sovereignty of the State
9	Health Sciences and Social Services	1 2 3 4	Preventive Health Promotive Health and Development Curative Health Rehabilitative Health/Service
10	Physical, Mathematical, Computer and Life Sciences	1 2 3 4 5 6	Mathematical Sciences Physical Sciences Life Sciences Information Technology and Computer Sciences Earth and Space Sciences Environmental Sciences
11	Services	1 2 3 4 5	Hospitality, Tourism, Travel, Gaming and Leisure Transport, Operations and Logistics Personal Care Wholesale and Retail Consumer Services Cleaning, Domestic, Hiring, Protecting and Rescue Services
12	Physical Planning and Construction	1 2 3 4 5	Physical Planning, Design and Management Building Construction Civil Engineering Construction Electrical Infrastructure Construction Drawing Office Practice



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National Certificate (Vocational)

Level 4

Engineering and Related Design

Awarded to

Reagan Donnayan

Identity number: [REDACTED]

	%	Achievement level
Fundamental subjects:		
English First Additional Language	71	6
Mathematical Literacy	77	6
Life Orientation	71	6
Vocational subjects:		
Applied Engineering Technology	66	3
Engineering Processes	68	3
Fitting and Turning	70	4
Professional Engineering Practice	71	4

This candidate is awarded the National Certificate (Vocational), and has met the minimum requirements for admission to diploma or higher certificate study, or gazetted for admission to higher education, subject to the admission requirements of the higher education institution concerned.

With effect from December 2009

M.S. LAKHETSU
Chief Executive Officer

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This certificate is valid only in the Republic of South Africa



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This NC(V) Level 4 has been issued since November 2009. The fundamental and vocational subjects are listed under separate headings on the certificate. The achievement level for the fundamental subjects is reflected as a seven level scale, whereas the achievement level for the vocational subjects is reflected as a four level scale.

The NC (V) is issued reflecting the field of study, in this example Engineering and Related design.



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Subject Statement National Certificate (Vocational)

Level 4

Electrical Infrastructure Construction

Awarded to

Portia [REDACTED]

Identity number [REDACTED]

	%	Achievement level
Fundamental subjects:		
English First Additional Language	48	3
Mathematics	48	3
Life Orientation	66	5
Vocational subjects:		
Electrical Principles and Practice	51	3
Electrical Systems and Construction	51	3
Electrical Workmanship	59	3
*****	60%	4

This subject statement is not a National Certificate (Vocational), but reflects the subjects where the candidate has satisfied the promotion requirements.

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Chief Executive Officer

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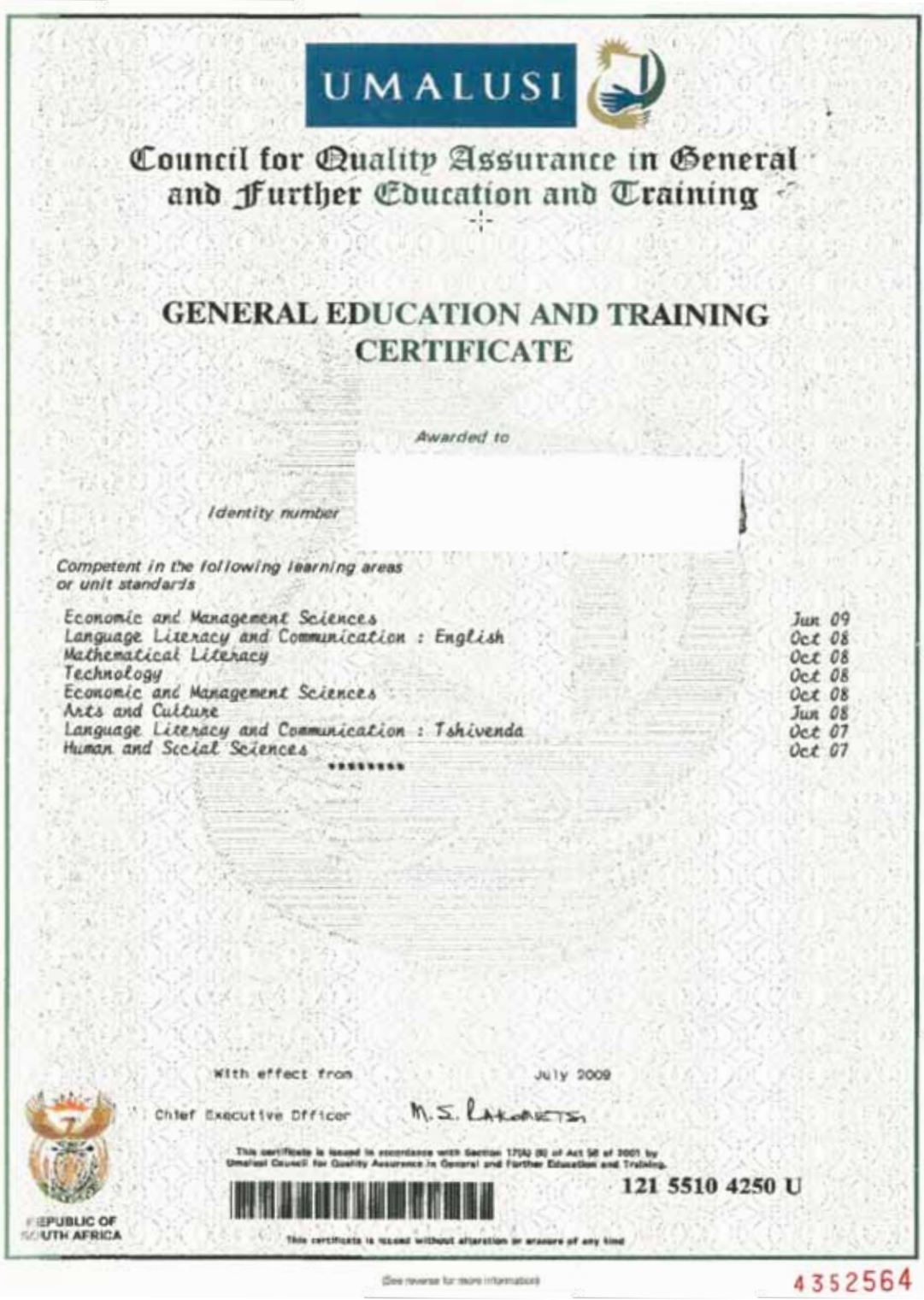
The subject statement (NC (V)) reflects the subjects where the candidate has satisfied the promotion requirements. The field of study is printed on the subject statement.

4.6 General Education and Training Certificate (Adult Basic Education and Training)

The purpose of the GETC (ABET) is to equip learners with basic literacy, numeracy and life-skills. Candidates also may choose between certain general education and vocational subjects to complete their certificate. The qualification, which is at NQF Level 1, potentially enables learners to further their studies at NQF level 2. Through the elective component of the programme, learners are able to demonstrate vocational skills related to small business development, health and environmental issues.

ABET has four sub-levels of its own – the GETC is at ABET Level 4, which is equivalent to Level 1 on the NQF.

The GETC (ABET) is a first qualification for adult learners who have had little or no other formal learning opportunities. This qualification introduces learners to a culture of learning and provides them with a foundation for acquiring the knowledge and skills needed for social and economic development, justice and equity. It is also a potential key for learners ultimately to access further and higher education and training and employment opportunities.



Umalusi has certified the GETC since 2003 for learners who have obtained credits in the GETC since its inception in 2001. The number in the right hand bottom corner of the certificate helps Umalusi to keep track of the stock of certificate papers. The important number for verification is the 12 digit alpha-numeric number.

The GETC does not reflect the learning area credits but is issued when a candidate obtained the minimum of 120 credits. This copy indicates that the GETC was issued by considering learning area credits for the examinations offered from October 2007 to June 2009.

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LEARNING AREA CERTIFICATE

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This is to certify that

DAVID

Identity number

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Obtained credits in the following learning
area(s) in the General Education and
Training Certificate assessment

Language Literacy and Communication : English

20

CANCELLED X

With effect from

July/Phupu 2010

Chief Executive Officer

This certificate is issued in accordance with Section 36(4) (e) of Act 58 of 2001 by
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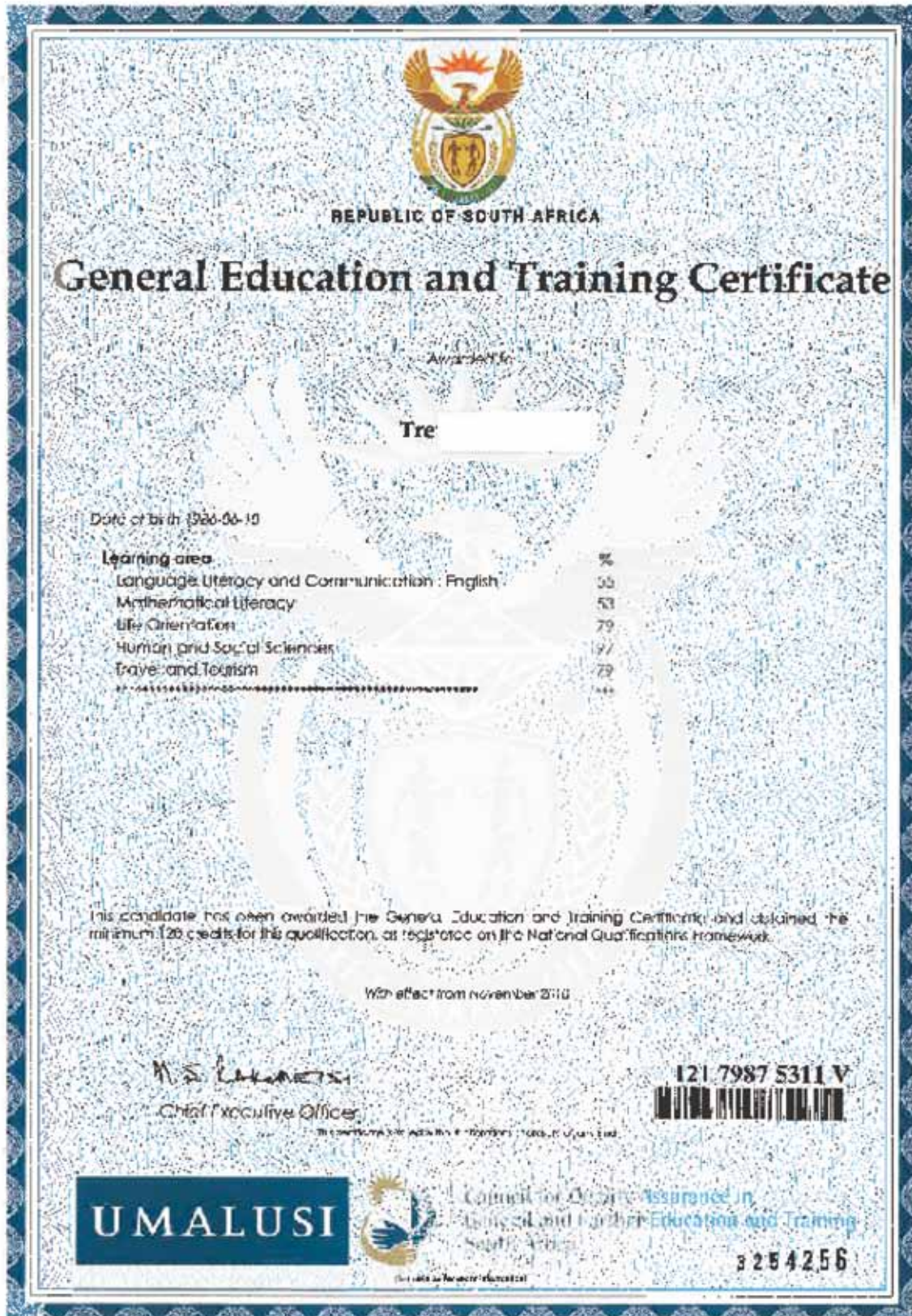
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Learning Area Certificates are issued to candidates who have passed only some learning areas. The credits of the learning area are reflected on the Learning Area certificate. A learning area is only printed on a certificate if the candidate passed with a minimum of 40% in the learning area.

It is not a full GETC, but one or more of these certificates can be combined – if the candidate has fulfilled all the requirements of the qualification – to get the GETC: ABET Level 4.

This certificate is printed with one of Dr MS Rakometsi's three official signatures.



The new GETC has been issued since 2010 November. No achievement levels have been determined for learning areas in the GETC. The GETC is issued if the candidate has offered the compulsory fundamental components, the core component and enough of the elective components to make up the 120 credits required in this qualification. So far, the only signature that is printed on these certificates is that of Dr MS Rakometsi.



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Learning Area Certificate

General Education and Training Certificate

Awarded to

Mabulo

Identity number: 900

Learning area	%	Credits
Language Literacy and Communication: English	44	25
Ancillary Health Care	52	45
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This Learning Area Certificate is not a General Education and Training Certificate but reflects the learning area(s) where the candidate has satisfied the promotion requirements.

With effect from November 2015

M. S. BAKWETE
Chief Executive Officer

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A learning area is only reflected on a certificate if it passed with 40% or higher and will reflect the actual percentage obtained. The credits for the specific learning are printed on the learning area certificate but not on the GETC.

5. Signature on a certificate

The Executive Officer (SAFCERT) or Chief Executive Officer (Umalusi) always signs the certificate. Thus far only the signatures of Dr Fred Calitz (until March 2000), Dr Peliwe Lolwana (until December 2008) and Dr MS Rakometsi (from January 2009) have been printed on certificates.

6. Security features on certificates

Both the SAFCERT and Umalusi certificates have security features intended to make it difficult to fraudulently copy certificates.

The most difficult feature to reproduce is the actual certificate paper on which the certificate is printed. This paper has a watermark in the actual grain of the paper in much the same way as banknotes do. Holding up the certificate to a strong light will quickly show whether the certificate is an original printed on the watermark paper, or whether it is a copy.

Some Umalusi certificates are printed on a paper stock which shows a thumbprint framed by the word 'authenticity' repeated across the entire certificate. Newer certificate stock has a wavy-line pattern across the paper, and Umalusi will soon introduce a paper that has an Umalusi watermark.

Other security features include a barcode which matches the certificate number; certain of the borders, which appear as solid lines are, in fact, made up of the word 'Umalusi' repeated continuously, certificate sequence numbers as well as the use of special inks.

Umalusi regularly reviews the security features on the certificates and introduces new ways of ensuring their authenticity.

For further enquiry please contact the verification and certification unit of Umalusi at:

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A brief guide to the qualifications that Umalusi Council currently certifies, this booklet is intended as a guide to understanding and verifying the certificates Umalusi issues, as well as those issued by its predecessor, the South African Certification Council (SAFCERT).

Each qualification is described in terms of its most salient features so that the public can understand the relationships between the various qualifications – all of which are on Level 4 of the National Qualifications Framework, except for the GETC (ABET) on NQF Level 1.

Certain visual and security features on Umalusi certificates are highlighted for consideration, especially for people required to verify the authenticity of certificates. These features include the use of watermark paper, the inclusion of certain security features in the printing of the certificate background paper as well as some others introduced when the certificate for each and every individual is personalised.

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