

Higher Certificate in Supply Chain Management

- **SAQA ID:** 117683
- **Mode of Provision:** Blended Hybrid and Distance
- **NQF Level:** 5
- **Duration:** Full-time (1 year) | Part-time (2 years)

Career Opportunities:

- Procurement Assistant
- Warehouse Supervisor
- Inventory Controller
- Supply Chain Assistant

Overview of the Programme

The Higher Certificate in Supply Chain Management is an IMM Graduate School qualification registered at NQF Level 5 (SAQA ID 117683) and quality assured by the Council on Higher Education (CHE) South Africa.

The qualification provides students with a solid foundation in supply chain management together with essential business management knowledge. Students develop the competencies required to understand supply chain processes and the relationships between procurement, logistics, transport, warehousing, and business operations, enabling organisations to create sustainable value.

The Higher Certificate in Supply Chain Management is also accredited by the Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport (CILT), the global professional body for supply chain, logistics, and transport professionals. This accreditation enhances graduates' professional recognition, employability, and international career opportunities.



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1 Career and Further Study Progression

Upon successful completion of the qualification, graduates may pursue entry-level careers in transport, logistics, warehousing, procurement, and supply chain operations.

Academically, the qualification provides a direct articulation pathway into the Bachelor of Commerce in International Supply Chain Management at the IMM Graduate School, supporting continued academic and professional development.

2 Programme Structure

The Higher Certificate in Supply Chain Management consists of seven compulsory core modules.

Core Modules

- Academic Literacy
- Fundamentals of Business Management
- Fundamentals of Business Numeracy
- Fundamentals of International Trade
- Fundamentals of Operations Management
- Fundamentals of Supply Chain Management
- Fundamentals of Transport and Logistics

3 Programme Exit Level Outcomes

Upon successful completion of the qualification, graduates will be able to:

- Demonstrate foundational academic literacy, including academic writing, communication, numeracy, and technology skills.
- Demonstrate a broad foundational understanding of supply chain management and its role within organisations.
- Explain how organisations operate and how supply chain activities contribute to business performance.
- Apply basic supply chain methods and procedures.
- Explain key business management theories.
- Solve elementary business and supply chain problems.
- Access, evaluate, process, and apply business information while demonstrating ethical decision-making.

4 Mode of Provision

The IMM Graduate School offers this qualification through both Blended Hybrid and Distance learning formats.

Students access all core learning materials through the eLearn platform which includes:

- Module Teaching and Study Plans (MTSPs)
- Interactive digital learning content
- Self-assessment activities
- Additional reading resources
- Articles and supporting learning materials
- Academic and administrative communication

Learning is supported through:

- Regular live lectures
- Recorded lectures
- eDiscussion forums
- Dedicated academic support services

Students can also access the latest academic resources, including yearbooks, fee structures, academic calendars, application forms, and institutional policies.

5 Admission Criteria

Applicants may qualify for admission through one of the following pathways:

National Senior Certificate (NSC)

Applicants must meet the minimum requirements for admission to a Higher Certificate programme, including the following minimum language ratings:

- English Home Language with an achievement rating of 3 (40 to 49%), OR English First Additional Language with an achievement rating of 4 (50 to 59%).

Senior Certificate

Applicants may qualify with a Senior Certificate (Grade 12) without endorsement.

Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL)

Applicants between the ages of 23 and 44 who do not hold a Senior Certificate, National Senior Certificate, or equivalent qualification may apply through the institution's Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) process.



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