

## 10.2 POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN LABOUR LAW PRACTICE:

**FULL-TIME/PART-TIME** 

(QUALIFICATION CODE: 54503 - A1/A2/02/20)

(NQF LEVEL: 8, TOTAL NQF CREDITS FOR QUALIFICATION: 120)

This qualification has been approved in terms of the new Higher Education Qualification Sub-Framework (HEQSF).

**PLEASE NOTE:** The Postgraduate Diploma in Labour law Practice will not be offered at the George Campus in 2020, but only in Port Elizabeth.

## **ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

Unless Senate decides otherwise, candidates shall be admitted to the study for the Postgraduate Diploma only if they:

- have obtained an LLB degree, an appropriate Bachelor's degree, or a qualification deemed by Senate to be equivalent to an LLB or an appropriate Bachelor's degree (the appropriate Bachelor's degree must include a module in Labour Law) and have obtained a mark of at least 55 percent in the major modules of the degree qualification, or
- have obtained a minimum average of at least 65% in a bridging programme in labour law presented at a South African university and which programme is considered of an appropriate standard, scope and quality by the relevant Head of Department to allow an applicant admission to the Postgraduate Diploma in Labour Law Practice programme;
- meet such additional requirements as may be determined by Senate; an
- have been approved as candidates for the Postgraduate Diploma in Labour Law Practice by the Faculty of Law, Postgraduate Studies Committee on the recommendation of the head of the department following a selection process.

# **CLOSING DATE**

- The closing date for 2020 applications is 31 August 2019.
- Only online applications will be considered until 31 August 2019.

## **APPLICABLE RULES**

The qualification shall be obtained by completing the modules prescribed by Senate.

## **RE-ADMISSION**

To be re-admitted candidates must have successfully completed at least 50% of the modules for which they were registered in the previous academic year.

## **DURATION**

- The curriculum shall extend over one academic year of full-time study or two academic years of part-time study.
- Full-time students must attend four compulsory one-week (6 days) block lecture periods per year. Part-time students must attend two compulsory one-week (6 days) block lecture periods per year. 100% attendance is required. The block periods are spread over the year.
- The degree must be completed within four academic years from the first date of registration.

## **SELECTION PROCESS**

- The Faculty of Law only admits a limited number of candidates to the Postgraduate Diploma in Labour Law programme as determined each year by the Faculty, based on considerations such as available capacity. After the closing date a committee, chaired by the Head of Department of Mercantile Law, considers all the applications and compile a list of candidates from qualifying applicants on the basis of academic merit and subject to the number of places available.
- Candidates are selected based on achieving the minimum requirement average of 60% for the LLB or equivalent degree or qualification, on academic merit and on experience in the field of Labour Law and Labour Relations. Having obtained an average of 55% for the degree of Bachelor of Laws/Baccalaureus Legum or equivalent thereof or 65% for the relevant bridging course, does not guarantee a place on the Postgraduate Diploma in Labour Law. Applicants who meet the minimum requirements but were not given a place during the selection process will be placed on a waiting list. Acceptance of such students will be granted only upon cancellation of successful candidates.
- The Head of Department of Mercantile Law shall recommend the list of candidates to the Faculty of Law Postgraduate Studies Committee for consideration and approval. The final list of candidates for the Postgraduate Diploma in Labour Law programme are to be approved before the end of September 2019 and applicants will be informed of the outcome by 30 September 2019.

#### LATE APPLICATIONS

• It will not be possible to submit a late application online after 31 August 2019. If applicants wish to submit a late application, they may do so by emailing <a href="mailto:postgraduateadmission@mandela.ac.za">postgraduateadmission@mandela.ac.za</a>. Such applications will only be considered upon cancellation of applicants who were accepted, but decided not to take up a place.