



STRIVING MINDS NURSING ACADEMY



Prospectus 2027

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Preamble



Striving Minds Nursing Academy is an established nursing education institution situated in Lonely Park Village, Mahikeng in the Northwest Province. The Nursing Academy has a Logo which is designed to signify two aspects mainly:

- The Lamp which is a symbol of the nursing profession that those who nurse should be a light unto others.
- The Brain which signifies the interactions of the cognitive, affective, and physical dimensions of a human being.

MOTTO

'Re Na Le Botho' which resonates with our core values of:

◆ Humility ◆ Respect ◆ Compassion ◆ Responsibility ◆ Accountability

APPROVED PROGRAMME

TITLE OF PROGRAMME	NQF LEVEL	MINIMUM CREDITS	SAQA ID	MODE	SITE
Higher Certificate in Nursing (HEQSF aligned)	5	120	116606	Contact	Lonely Park Mahikeng

Duration of Course: 1 Year = 44 weeks

Purpose

The qualification will serve as a solid foundation for nursing.

Qualified students in this field will provide a service that will assist communities to better manage their health and wellness.

Students qualified in this programme will possess skills required for employment both in government and private health sectors.

VISION

Striving Minds Nursing Academy will provide South Africa with health care practitioners who can deliver quality nursing care to its population considering the diverse and dynamic nature of a human being.

MISSION

Striving Minds Nursing Academy will offer the best training service that will ensure accomplishment of foundational, practical, and reflective competence in the nursing profession by providing learners with qualified, competent and experienced nurse educators/mentors.

INTAKE DATES AND NUMBER

January, every year. 40 students per intake.

ACCREDITATION AND REGISTRATION STATUS

Accredited by The South African Nursing Council (SANC) – Reference : S128

Accredited by Council on Higher Education (CHE) – Reference : H/PR952/E001CAN

Provisionally registered with Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET) – Reference: 2022/HE07/001

Registered with South African Qualifications Authority (SAQA) – ID : 116606.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

In accordance with the South African Nursing Council (SANC) regulations and the standards applicable to all accredited nursing education institutions, the Academy is permitted only one intake per year for each nursing qualification.

The applicant must be in possession of at least a National Senior Certificate with Life Science/Biology as one of the subjects. All Matric / Grade 12 subjects achieved, should have a minimum of level 2. The APS (Admission Point Score) should be 16 or above and does not include Life Orientation.

- ◆ *Must have passed the Pre selection test*
- ◆ *Admission is granted to applicants who meet or exceed these minimum requirements.*
- ◆ *In cases where the number of qualified applicants exceeds the available spaces, selection is guided by the Academy's policies on redress, equity, and educational quality.*

⚠ *THE HIGHER THE SCORE THE BETTER CHANCE OF BEING SELECTED*

⚠ *Life Orientation does not count toward your APS*

⚠ *Striving Minds Nursing Academy does not discriminate on the basis of race and complies with the provisions of Section 9(4) of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa*

REGISTRATION AS A STUDENT

Registration with Striving Minds Nursing Academy (SMNA)

- ◆ Students register after successfully completing a selection process at this institution
- ◆ By signing the study contract, the student commits him/herself to adhere to all the rules and regulations of Striving Minds Nursing Academy.
- ◆ It is the responsibility of the student to inform SMNA of any change in personal information (e.g. marriage status), address or telephone number.
- ◆ Students, who do not adhere to the rules and regulations, will lose all rights and privileges and SMNA will not accept any responsibility for their actions.

Registration/Enrolment with the South African Nursing Council/other institutions:

- ◆ Registration/enrolment with the South African Nursing Council is done for each student by SMNA.
- ◆ SMNA will provide indemnity cover with DENOSA for periods when students are placed at affiliated clinical facilities.

LANGUAGE

- ◆ Course to be conducted in English.

COURSE MODULES

The programme is made up of six (6) modules Viz:

SCIENTIFIC FOUNDATION OF NURSING (SFN)

BASIC NURSING SCIENCE (BNS)

ETHICS AND PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE (EPP)

PSYCHO-SOCIAL SCIENCES (PSOS)

COMMUNITY HEALTH NURSING (CHN)

WORK INTEGRATED LEARNING (WIL)

ASSESSMENTS

Formative:

- Block 1: 3 Tests
- Assignment/projects
- Post placement test
- Block 2: 2 Tests

Summative (Final Exam in November)

- Paper I – SCIENTIFIC FOUNDATION OF NURSING (SFN)
- Paper II – BASIC NURSING SCIENCE (BNS) &
ETHICS AND PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE (EPP)
- Paper III – COMMUNITY HEALTH NURSING (CHN) &
PSYCHO-SOCIAL SCIENCES (PSOS)

WIL (Work Intergrated Learning)

Competency in all clinical skills.

Continuous Assessment.

OSCE (Objective Structured Clinical Evaluation)

***The South African Nursing Council (SANC) Professional entrance examination has been put in abeyance until further notice.**

CLINICAL PLACEMENT

Students will receive a clinical placement programme after completion of every block, which will present the student with guidelines of meeting required practica.

The student will be given a clinical training workbook, procedure manual and timesheets which will be handed in at SMNA during each theory block, to determine student progress and participation in the learning process.

Students will be required to adhere to the school's Code of Conduct during their Clinical Placement.

CLINICAL LEARNING FACILITIES

- These are institutions such as hospitals and community centres, which have been approved by the South African Nursing Council for training purposes.
- Students must take note that they will be placed in more than one Clinical Facility during their training and that transport and accommodation at these institutions is their own responsibility.
- Students will have to wear a prescribed uniform and name tag when attending clinical training, as well as the necessary distinguishing devices.
- The South African Nursing Council prescribes a minimum of 720 hours practica training per year, however the Academy prescribes 1000 hours. **Learners will receive no remuneration (salary) or stipend for practice experience in clinical institutions.**
- On duty /off duty schedule will be determined by Striving Minds Nursing Academy e.g. 07h00 – 19h00/ Day and Night Duties / Mondays to Sundays.
- Students will not be required to go on night duty within the first 6 months of training

The following clinical facilities are accredited for Striving Minds Nursing Academy:

- Mahikeng Provincial Hospital
- Joe Morolong Memorial Hospital
- Stella Community Health Centre
- Vryburg Gateway Community Health Centre
- Huhudi Community Health Centre
- Ganyesa District Hospital
- Schweizer-Reneke District Hospital
- Ganyesa Community Health Centre

FEES

Striving Minds Nursing Academy is a Private Nursing Education Institution and therefore:

- All students are self-funders,
- Striving Minds Nursing Academy does not allocate bursaries to students.

Application and Selection Fee

- A non-refundable application and selection fee for 2027 is R1 500

Tuition Fee

- Tuition fees are determined by the Academy's governing board.
- Tuition fee for 2027 is R79 000.
- 50% of the tuition fee must be paid upon registration.
- Payment arrangements of the remaining 50% must be made with the administrative co-ordinator and the balance to be paid over six (6), months
- Tuition fee includes costs for registration as a student with the South African Nursing Council (SANC) and indemnity cover with the Democratic Nursing Organisation of South Africa (DENOSA).

Extra course expenses – not included in the Tuition fee:

- Prescribed books and Study Material
- Uniform
- Hepatitis B Vaccination
- Accommodation and Transport
- Registration with SANC as an auxiliary nurse

PAYMENT METHOD

The application and tuition fees must be paid into the following account:

BANK: ABSA

NAME OF ACCOUNT: Striving Minds Nursing Academy

ACCOUNT NO.: 4088468406

ACCOUNT TYPE: CHEQUE

BRANCH CODE: 632005

REFERENCE: SURNAME AND INITIALS

TERMINATION:

Students who wish to terminate a course must notify the school administrator in writing.

The principal will conduct an exit interview with the student.

Tuition fees already paid will not be refunded to students who terminate their studies.



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