
STUDY @ MI



1. MI STUDENTS STUDY PATH

Students at the Maharishi Institute are privileged to embark on a journey of learning and development that spans across Self-Development programs (Meditation, Yoga and Forrest Courses), Further Education and Training Programs (Learnerships – SETA qualifications) and Higher Education Training Programs (Bursaries - degree). On the learning journey the learners gets to understand themselves, the academic topics and the world of work.

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We focus on developing the youth through education, self-development and work experience.

2. What Qualifications does MI offer?

Description	NQF Level	Duration	Credits	SETA
LEARNERSHIPS				
NC: Contact Centre & Business Processing Outsourcing Support	3	12 months	124	Services SETA
FETC: Contact Centre Operations	4	12 months	132	Services SETA
NC: Generic Management	5	12 months	164	Services SETA
NC: End User Computing	3	12 months	123	MICT SETA
Additional Courses based on client and learner needs				
DEGREE				
Bachelor of Business Administration	7	International distance educational qualification		

		recognized by SAQA offered by MUM
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A learnership is essentially a course of study which allows a learner to specialise in a specific profession. In the context of the MI studies, a learnership is a specialized academic path which affords the learner an opportunity to specialize in an occupation over and above their BBA MUM degree.

3. Why are Learnerships important at MI?

Learnerships help the Maharishi Institute Students to gain a South African recognised qualification whilst participating in practical workplace experience. Learnerships provides them with theory knowledge and it also gives them the ability to apply their knowledge in a practical setting and acquaint themselves with the workplace. The learners earn a small stipend while studying which helps them to continue with their studies so they can reach their goal to stay studying so that they can complete the Level 7 BBA degree and embark on a career of their dreams.

Learnerships directly enrich and expand their MUM studies in the following ways:

1. Allow the students to attain nationally accredited Sector specific (industry verticals), recognised qualifications whilst completing your MUM degree
2. Provide them with opportunities to gain invaluable practical workplace experience, which also forms part of the MUM degree program.
3. Allow them to augment and enrich their CV's with a multitude of new skills and expertise
4. Make themselves highly marketable in the workforce
5. Prepare them for workplace opportunities at MI's internal BPO and ICT companies as well as at the Institute's external partners
6. Allow them to earn a small stipend to assist with travel costs and basic needs while studying towards their qualification.

4. How Sponsorships help our Corporate Partners

Corporate partners are able to sponsor MI learners with Bursaries or Learnerships or both Bursaries and Learnerships. There are many benefits to Corporate partners in sponsoring MI learners, some of which include the following:

1. Education

- a. Corporates are contributing to a pipeline of highly skilled individuals who will be equipped to take South Africa into an Economically better future
 - b. Corporates will assist the Maharishi Institute with developing 100,000 business leaders for South Africa
 - c. Companies have an opportunity to employ MI graduates directly into their businesses when they graduate
 - d. Companies have the opportunity to support the MI students on their work/study intern projects through specific work projects
 - e. Students being sponsored “pay it forward” where they contribute back towards their fees when they start working so as to help educate more people in South Africa and lift them out from the cycle of poverty.
2. Bursaries
- a. Any spend made on bursaries can be claimed towards BEE spend on the BEE Score Card under Skills
 - b. As the costs of an MI Bursary is significantly less than that of a standard University companies can help more people for less and have a greater impact
3. Learnerships
- a. Any spend made on learnerships can be claimed towards BEE spend on the BEE Score Card under Skills
 - b. Headcount for students on Learnerships can be claimed on the Skills Score card
 - c. Companies are able to claim the spend back through different incentives and rebates such as the following:
 - i. Employee Tax Incentives (ETI)
 - ii. Seta funding (Mandatory and Discretionary funding)
 - iii. Tax rebates (Section 12H)
 - d. MI offers an ideal hosting environment for learners so companies do not have to provide work experience for the learner.

Contact the MI Team to find out more about our Learnerships and Bursaries and the additional benefits to both the learners and the sponsors.