



Accredited Africa Training Institute for Capacity Development

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COURSE BROCHURE

Christian Funeral Service Preparation And Bereavement Support Training

Human and Social Studies / Religious and Ethical Foundations of Society

Unit Standard 116732 · NQF Level 4 · 6 Credits · 3 Days

COURSE OVERVIEW

This course equips learners with the skills to prepare and conduct Christian funeral services with dignity and sensitivity, while providing compassionate bereavement support to grieving families. It covers the theological, practical, and emotional aspects of funeral ministry within a Christian context, ensuring learners can serve their communities effectively.

Category	Human and Social Studies
Subfield	Religious and Ethical Foundations of Society
Unit Standard	116732
Accreditation	SAQA Accredited · NQF Level 4 · 6 Credits
Duration	3 days
Training Method	Online, On-Campus, In-House
Certificate	Issued via AATICD LMS – verifiable online

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Apply Christian theological principles to the planning and conduct of funeral services.
- Demonstrate effective bereavement support techniques for individuals and families.
- Design and coordinate funeral service logistics in accordance with church and family requirements.
- Evaluate the emotional and spiritual needs of the bereaved and respond appropriately.
- Implement ethical and legal considerations in funeral service preparation.
- Analyze the role of scripture, prayer, and liturgy in Christian funeral rites.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- This course is designed for pastors, church leaders, lay ministers, funeral directors, and volunteers involved in Christian funeral services and bereavement care.
- It is also suitable for anyone seeking to develop skills in providing spiritual and emotional support to the bereaved.

COURSE OUTLINE

Day 1: Foundations of Christian Funeral Services and Bereavement Support

- Theological perspectives on death, resurrection, and Christian hope.
- Overview of Christian funeral liturgy: order of service, scripture readings, hymns.
- Roles of clergy, funeral director, and support team.
- Introduction to grief theory: Kübler-Ross model and Worden's tasks of mourning.
- Active listening, empathy, and non-verbal communication skills.
- Cultural and denominational diversity within South African Christianity.
- Ethical considerations in funeral service coordination.
- Case study: planning a simple Christian funeral service.

Day 2: Advanced Bereavement Support and Service Planning

- Components of a bereavement support plan: assessment, resources, follow-up.
- Detailed funeral service planning: eulogies, multimedia tributes, logistics.
- Advanced grief interventions: meaning-making, narrative therapy, support groups.
- Handling traumatic grief, suicide, and child bereavement.
- South African legal requirements: death certificates, burial orders, permits.
- Working with diverse cultural practices: African traditional beliefs and Christian integration.
- Self-care for the funeral service provider: preventing compassion fatigue.
- Practical exercise: developing a bereavement support plan for a case study.

Day 3: Practical Integration and Quality Assurance

- Simulated funeral service: from initial family meeting to post-service follow-up.
- Monitoring and evaluating bereavement support: feedback tools and outcome measures.
- Quality assurance in funeral services: checklists, audits, continuous improvement.
- Ethical dilemmas and decision-making in funeral practice.
- Developing a personal action plan for ongoing professional development.
- Networking with community resources: churches, hospices, counselling services.
- Final assessment: practical demonstration and written evaluation.
- Course review and certification requirements.

ASSESSMENT & CERTIFICATION

Delegates are assessed through exercises and a final test. A mark of **50% or above** earns an **AATICD Certificate of Completion**, issued digitally with a unique verification code. This course carries **6 NQF credits** at **NQF Level 4**.

PRICING (PER DELEGATE, EX-VAT)

Delegates	Training Method	Price per Delegate	Total
1	Online	R 17,900.00	R 17,900.00
1	In-House	R 23,300.00	R 23,300.00
1	On-Campus (Pretoria)	R 26,800.00	R 26,800.00

UPCOMING SESSIONS

Start	End	Method	Venue
10 Aug 2026	12 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Durban, South Africa
10 Aug 2026	12 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Dubai, UAE
11 Aug 2026	13 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Pretoria, South Africa
11 Aug 2026	13 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Mauritius
12 Aug 2026	14 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Abu Dhabi, UAE
12 Aug 2026	14 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Cape Town, South Africa
17 Aug 2026	19 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Shenzhen, China
17 Aug 2026	19 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Pretoria, South Africa

Contact us if no suitable date is listed – on-demand sessions can be arranged for groups.

HOW TO GET A QUOTE OR APPLY

- 1. Get an instant quotation online:** visit www.aaticd.co.za, open the page for this course (Unit Standard 116732) and click **Get A Quote / Apply**. Select your training method and number of delegates – your quotation is generated immediately and emailed to you with the course brochure attached.
- 2. Apply by email:** send the course title, your preferred training method (Online, In-House or On-Campus Pretoria), the number of delegates and your preferred dates to apply@aaticd.co.za – our team will reply with a formal quotation.
- 3. Apply by phone or WhatsApp:** call +27 12 004 8389 or WhatsApp +27 65 077 6310 and we will prepare your quotation and reserve your seats.
- 4. Confirm your booking:** accept the quotation and settle the invoice. As soon as payment is confirmed your delegates are enrolled and receive their AATICD LMS login details by email, along with joining instructions for their chosen training method.

Group discounts apply automatically – the more delegates you enrol, the lower the price per delegate. No payment is required to request a quotation.

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