



Accredited Africa Training Institute for Capacity Development

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COURSE BROCHURE

Role and Responsibility of National Government in South Africa

Business, Commerce and Management Studies / Public Administration

Unit Standard 242856 · NQF Level 4 · 6 Credits · 3 Days

COURSE OVERVIEW

This course provides a comprehensive understanding of the structure, functions, and responsibilities of the national government in South Africa. Learners will gain insight into the legislative, executive, and judicial branches, as well as the principles of cooperative governance and the role of government in service delivery. The course aims to equip participants with the knowledge to effectively engage with and contribute to governance processes.

Category	Business, Commerce and Management Studies
Subfield	Public Administration
Unit Standard	242856
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

- Demonstrate an understanding of the separation of powers among the legislative, executive, and judicial branches of national government.
- Explain the roles and responsibilities of key national government institutions, including Parliament, the Presidency, and national departments.
- Analyze the principles of cooperative governance and intergovernmental relations as outlined in the South African Constitution.
- Evaluate the impact of national government policies on service delivery and socio-economic development.
- Apply knowledge of national government functions to real-world scenarios in public administration.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- This course is designed for public sector employees, policy advisors, civil society leaders, and professionals seeking to deepen their understanding of South Africa's national government framework.
- It is also suitable for students and individuals interested in governance and public administration.

COURSE OUTLINE

Day 1: Constitutional and Legal Framework of National Government

- Overview of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996
- Separation of powers: Executive (President, Cabinet), Legislature (Parliament), Judiciary
- National government departments and entities
- The role of Parliament: National Assembly and National Council of Provinces
- Cooperative governance and intergovernmental relations
- The rule of law and constitutional supremacy
- Public participation and accountability mechanisms

Day 2: Functions, Responsibilities, and Policy Implementation

- Core functions: defence, foreign affairs, home affairs, justice, health, education, etc.
- Policy formulation, adoption, and implementation
- The national budget process: from planning to oversight
- Service delivery models and challenges
- Oversight mechanisms: Public Protector, Auditor-General, Portfolio Committees
- Case studies: national government responses to key issues (e.g., COVID-19, energy crisis)

Day 3: Accountability, Ethics, and Practical Application

- Ethics in public service: codes of conduct, conflict of interest
- Anti-corruption frameworks and institutions
- Citizen engagement: petitions, public hearings, access to information
- Redress mechanisms: courts, ombudsmen, complaints procedures
- Career pathways in national government
- Workshop: simulating a policy development process
- Course review and assessment

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

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 242856) 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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