



Accredited Africa Training Institute for Capacity Development

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COURSE BROCHURE

Establish Sustainable Community Extension Structures

Agriculture and Nature Conservation / Primary Agriculture

Unit Standard 252478 · NQF Level 5 · 10 Credits · 7 Days

COURSE OVERVIEW

This course equips learners with the skills to establish and sustain community extension structures that promote self-reliance and development. Participants will learn to facilitate community participation, manage resources, and implement monitoring systems to ensure long-term sustainability of extension initiatives.

Category	Agriculture and Nature Conservation
Subfield	Primary Agriculture
Unit Standard	252478
Accreditation	SAQA Accredited · NQF Level 5 · 10 Credits
Duration	7 days
Training Method	Online, On-Campus, In-House
Certificate	Issued via AATICD LMS – verifiable online

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Apply principles of community development to establish sustainable extension structures.
- Facilitate community participation in the planning and implementation of extension activities.
- Evaluate the effectiveness of extension structures using appropriate monitoring and evaluation tools.
- Design strategies to ensure the long-term sustainability of community extension structures.
- Demonstrate the ability to manage resources and resolve conflicts within extension structures.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- Community development workers, extension officers, project coordinators, and anyone involved in establishing or managing community-based structures in South Africa.

COURSE OUTLINE

Day 1: Introduction to Community Extension Structures

- Definition and principles of community extension.
- Historical context and evolution of extension services in South Africa.
- Types of extension structures: government, NGO, community-based.
- Stakeholder mapping and roles.
- Importance of sustainability in extension.
- Case studies of successful extension structures.

Day 2: Community Needs Assessment and Participatory Approaches

- Participatory Rural Appraisal (PRA) techniques.
- Conducting focus groups and surveys.
- SWOT analysis for community extension.
- Identifying community assets and gaps.
- Data collection and analysis methods.
- Ethical considerations in community engagement.

Day 3: Planning and Designing Sustainable Extension Programs

- Logical Framework Approach (LFA).
- SMART objective setting.
- Budgeting and resource allocation.
- Risk management in extension projects.
- Stakeholder engagement strategies.
- Sustainability planning: financial, social, environmental.

Day 4: Implementation and Management of Extension Activities

- Extension methods: demonstrations, field days, workshops.
- Leadership and team management.
- Communication for development.
- Conflict resolution in community settings.
- Adaptive management techniques.
- Record keeping and reporting.

Day 5: Monitoring, Evaluation, and Learning

- M&E; frameworks and indicators.
- Data collection tools: surveys, interviews, observations.
- Quantitative and qualitative analysis.
- Participatory evaluation methods.
- Learning and feedback loops.
- Reporting and documentation best practices.

Day 6: Institutional Strengthening and Partnership Building

- Institutional capacity assessment.
- Partnership models and MOUs.
- Advocacy and lobbying techniques.
- Training of trainers (ToT) approaches.
- Resource mobilization from multiple sources.

- Policy frameworks affecting extension in South Africa.

Day 7: Integration, Scaling Up, and Sustainability Planning

- Sustainability assessment tools.
- Scaling up: replication, mainstreaming, diversification.
- Integration with IDP and sector plans.
- Exit strategies and handover.
- Action plan development.
- Course review and certification.

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 **10 NQF credits** at **NQF Level 5**.

PRICING (PER DELEGATE, EX-VAT)

Delegates	Training Method	Price per Delegate	Total
1	Online	R 29,600.00	R 29,600.00
1	In-House	R 38,500.00	R 38,500.00
1	On-Campus (Pretoria)	R 44,400.00	R 44,400.00

UPCOMING SESSIONS

Start	End	Method	Venue
10 Aug 2026	18 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Abu Dhabi, UAE
11 Aug 2026	19 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Durban, South Africa
11 Aug 2026	19 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Mauritius
12 Aug 2026	20 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Cape Town, South Africa
13 Aug 2026	21 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Dubai, UAE
14 Aug 2026	24 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Pretoria, South Africa
17 Aug 2026	25 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Durban, South Africa
18 Aug 2026	26 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Shenzhen, China

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 252478) 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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