

IIE Postgraduate Diploma in Finance and Accounting

School of Finance and Accounting

POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA

DISTANCE

Each organisation needs competent finance professionals to assist with internal decision-making and control, as well as external financial reporting. This skill shortage in the national and international finance profession is widely publicised.

The IIE Postgraduate Diploma in Finance and Accounting will equip students to render professional financial and accounting services to various role players, including private and public companies, governmental and non-governmental organisations, and professional service firms.

The IIE Postgraduate Diploma in Finance and Accounting will enable a student to apply for exemptions for certain CIMA exams. Please consult the CIMA Global website for more information.

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Career Opportunities

This Postgraduate Diploma will open up an attractive range of career options; this diploma is a perfect stepping stone to a diverse and exciting range of career opportunities.

- Risk manager
- Management accountant
- Financial manager
- Strategic consultant
- Financial Accountant
- Risk Consultant
- Financial controller
- Internal auditor

Curriculum

Year 1											
Semester 1				Semester 2							
Code	Module Name	Credits	NQF	Code	Module Name	Credits	NQF				
IPCO8111w	Internal Planning and Control	15	8	RIMA8112w	Risk Management	15	8				
PBMG8111w	Business Performance Management	15	8	BSTR8112w	Business Strategy	15	8				

Year 2											
Semester 1				Semester 2							
Code	Module Name	Credits	NQF	Code	Module Name	Credits	NQF				
MANA8111w	Management Accounting	15	8	CASM8112w	Case Study Methodology	15	8				
FREB8111w	Financial Reporting	15	8	FIST8112w	Financial Strategy	15	8				

Admission Requirements

Minimum Admission Requirements An appropriate HEQSF Level 7 Bachelor's degree; OR An appropriate Advanced Diploma; OR An equivalent NQF Level 7 qualification With Accounting at third year level OR Financial Management at third year level AND Accounting at second year level. A SAQA Evaluation Certificate with NQF L7 equivalence in an appropriate field with Accounting at third year level.

What are the benefits of an IIE distance (online) qualification?

The IIE's distance (online) delivery mode provides you with the agility of studying towards a tertiary qualification asynchronously, at different times from different locations. Distance students need to commit to approximately 20-25 hours a week for distance engagement (most of which is after hours) with material and assessments to succeed.

Here are some of the benefits you can expect:

- A sequenced online learning environment that allows you the ability to manage your learning experiences flexibly and autonomously.
- A learner guide designed to lead you through the module material and learning outcomes, empowering you to effectively pace
 your learning in preparation for assessments.
- Our Learning Management System is designed to break up your learning units into manageable sections which include various
 activities to support learning.
- Module expert online lecturers that facilitate module teaching and learning support through various technology enhanced mediums.
- Online Success Navigators provide administrative and operational guidance and support throughout your academic journey.
- A professionally registered Student Wellness Manager/Counsellor available for short-term, primary counselling services.

 Additionally, the Student Wellness Manager/Counsellor hosts various webinars and virtual talks on topics that promote a balanced lifestyle as you pursue your academic goals.

Device and connectivity specifications required for online study:

- Reliable internet connection (we recommend 5-10 GB of data per month and an internet speed of at least 0.15 Mbps).
- Desktop PC or laptop with at least an i3 processor and 4GB RAM memory.
- Windows 8 or macOS 10.15 (Microsoft Office 365 is available as a free download for IIE students), and Google Chrome, Microsoft Edge Chromium or Firefox.
- A working webcam and microphone.
- An uninterrupted power supply is also highly recommended.

Where assessments are written in person:

- For students based in South Africa, online students may select any campus of The IIE's Varsity College, or IIE MSA as their Examination Centre. Distance students must confirm their chosen IIEVC or the IIEMSA campus on registration.
- An alternative examination centre is only permissible for students studying abroad and those located in a province of South Africa where there is no IIE campus. If there is no IIE campus within reach, an alternative venue will need to be sourced by you. For non-IIE venues, there is an alternative venue levy per module.

How will The IIE's Varsity College support your online learning as a distance (online) student, and how will it help prepare you for the working world?

Our distance teaching and learning approach is designed to allow you the freedom to self-govern your learning experiences according to your individual needs. You are at the centre of your own learning journey, and by offering curated engagement opportunities, we partner with you to:

- Engage with subject material
- Build understanding
- Develop critical thinking and problem-solving skills
- Manage your work, life and studies
- Succeed in your personal, professional and academic goals