



# Short Course on Psychosocial Interventions in End-of-life and Bereavement Care

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*Starting date:  
3 July 2017*

## PURPOSE OF THE PROGRAMME

The primary aim of this short learning programme is to equip professionals with essential knowledge of end-of-life and bereavement counselling/intervention by providing theoretical frameworks associated with the field of loss, grief and bereavement. At the same time, this course aims to develop skills in applying specific end-of-life and bereavement intervention techniques and to give an opportunity for participants to learn from each other. This is an online course scheduled over 20 weeks of assignments which include blogging, critical review of scientific articles, critical review of videos and regular chat room sessions. At the end of the course you will be assessed by means of a portfolio of evidence (PoE) which will include some of the assignments done during the course. The PoE will have a practical component and all assignments to be added to your PoE will be indicated throughout the workshop.

## WHO CAN ENROL FOR THIS COURSE?

Any registered health professional, including: Social workers, psychologists, nurses, theologians, medical practitioners and other allied health professionals such as occupational therapists, pharmacists, dieticians and physiotherapists.

Anyone who would like to register for this course must have:

- Basic computer literacy
- Access to a computer with a webcam and headphones
- Uninterrupted internet connection
- Access to e-mails
- Basic knowledge in using social media such as Skype / Twitter / Facebook, as well as Google docs

Previous experience in palliative care / bereavement counselling will be advantageous.

## PROPOSED NQF LEVEL

NQF level 6

## UPON COMPLETION OF THIS COURSE, YOU SHOULD BE ABLE TO:

- Define the concepts of loss, end of life, death, grief, and bereavement
- Evaluate the palliative care ethics and values associated with end of life and bereavement counselling
- Analyse the role and context of end of life and bereavement counselling amongst different cultural groups in South Africa
- Compare the theories and models of bereavement and the application thereof in the South African environment
- Identify cultural and spiritual rituals in end of life and bereavement
- Demonstrate age appropriate end of life and bereavement intervention (Adults, adolescents and children as clients)
- Differentiate between normal grief and complicated grief
- Assess the needs of the dying person and his significant others
- Assess the needs of the bereaved person and his significant others
- Implement the components of end of life and bereavement counselling
- Align client needs to specific intervention options

## MODE OF DELIVERY

Online and contact/e-classroom

Duration of course: 3 July – 13 November 2017

final submission of (PoE) on 30 November 2017

## LANGUAGE OF TUITION

English

## PROPOSED NUMBER OF CREDITS

8 Credits

## ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Degree or diploma in Behavioural sciences (Social Work, Psychology), Theology (Pastoral Care), Nursing, Medical Science, Occupational Therapy, or Physiotherapy.

# APPLICATION FORM

Surname: \_\_\_\_\_

Full names: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal address: \_\_\_\_\_

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E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Cellphone no: \_\_\_\_\_

SA Identity no: \_\_\_\_\_

Registration number at:

HSPCA: \_\_\_\_\_

SACSSP: \_\_\_\_\_

SANC: \_\_\_\_\_

SAAP: \_\_\_\_\_

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

No professional registration: \_\_\_\_\_

## ACADEMIC RECORD

Universities attended and degree obtained:

University	Degree obtained	Year

## WORK EXPERIENCE

Name of employer	Capacity in which employed and nature of work	From / to	Briefly describe your duties in this workplace

## REGISTRATION FEE:

**R6800**

50% payable with registration

50% payable by 30 September 2017

## BANKING DETAILS:

Account holder name: North-West University/ Noordwes-Universiteit

Account name: NWU Diverse

Account number: 67 064 2313

Account type: Cheque account

Branch name: ABSA Tom Street

Branch code: 623005

Ref No. **STUDENT NUMBER OR YOUR SURNAME & INITIALS + 3P00383**

Submit registration form to: [Bianca.Poole@nwu.ac.za](mailto:Bianca.Poole@nwu.ac.za) and attach proof of payment.

## FURTHER ENQUIRIES:

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