





## Online Learning Programme



### **About**

A series of professionally-focused study units have been compiled by senior academics of African Universities, together with assistance of Experienced Practitioners as an online resource for all Quantity Surveyor's that are interested in increasing their knowledge/skills in subjects related to the practice of quantity surveying with specific emphasis on the African experience. These are available either as individual modules, or as part of a series of modules structured as certificate programmes.





## Who Should Join?

Anyone wishing to enhance their knowledge/skills base in related subjects generally, or those wishing to acquire a widely accepted acknowledgement of their abilities for use in the workplace. In the latter circumstance, this be may achieved through an accredited examination process, leading to award of formal AAQS the certificates of competency. The programme has been designed to material and practices cover commonly applied within African countries.



Learners access the system by registering online for the modules.



## How it works

Study material is lodged on a dedicated learning management system (Moodle Cloud). Learners access the system by registering online for the modules. Modules are run consecutively on an annual timetable, each one over a period of approximately 10 weeks. During each module, learners may elect to write an examination (necessary if the student is seeking certification), or alternatively engage with any of the other succeeding modules available, for personal self enhancement

Those wishing to be granted Continuing Professional Development (CPD) recognition are required to register on the certification route. Learners that successfully complete the prescribed set of modules at a particular Level will be presented with an official AAQS certificate as proof of their demonstrated competency



## Overview Of Programme

The programme is comprised of 15 modules - each in Level described as Introductory, Intermediate and Advanced Levels. Each level leads to the potential award of an official AAQS Certificate.

The Professional Ethics module is the compulsory entry module for all learners. Those considering entry module for all learners. Those considering the certification route are required to successfully complete all modules offered within a particular Level. Learners may only graduate onto the succeeding levels (Intermediate and Advanced levels), after successfully completing the preceding level. The current programme structure is indicated below:

#### INTRODUCTORY LEVEL

Module 1: Professional ethics (Compulsory entry to the Programme)

Module 2: Strategic planning of built environment projects

Module 3: Provide early project stage essential advice to clients

Module 4: Management of the tendering process

Module 5: Advanced measurement





#### INTERMEDIATE LEVEL

Module 1: Cost information data base management

Module 2: Manage production process of price determination documents

Module 3: Professional practice management

Module 4: Resolving claims, preparing the final account and applying close out procedures

Module 5: Project service quality management

#### **ADVANCED LEVEL**

Module 1: Manage risk on built environment projects

Module 2: Dispute resolution

Module 3: Life cycle costing

Module 4: Financial Feasibility Studies

Module 5: Value Management

#### **VIEW MORE DETAILS**

Interested parties may view greater detail of module content by accessing the site as a Guest. There is no charge for this – Guests are however limited in terms of accessing individual module material. Should you wish to visit the site as a Guest, simply either use the link provided on the AAQS website, or alternatively type in https:// aaqs. moodlecloud.com on your browser.



## How To Register

Details relating to the scheduling of specific modules are provided in the next section titled School Enrolment page. The programmes are arranged to take place over a twelve month period annually, starting mid-January and ending mid-December. Consult the detailed module schedule for details of each individual module.

#### INTRODUCTORY LEVEL CERTIFICATE PROGRAMME

#### **MODULE**

- Professional Ethics
- Strategic Planning
- Early project advice
- Tendering process
- Advanced Measurement

#### START DATE

- 13th January 2025
- 31st March 2025
- 2nd June 2025
- 4th August 2025
- 6th October 2025

#### **END DATE**

- 21st March 2025
- 23rd May 2025
- 25th July 2025
- 26th September 2025
- 12th December 2025





#### **MODULE**

- Cost information
- Production process
- Practice Management
- Claims
- Service quality management

#### START DATE

- 20th January 2025
- 31st March 2025
- 2nd June 2025
- 4th August 2025
- 6th October 2025

#### **END DATE**

- 21st March 2025
- 23rd May 2025
- 25th July 2025
- 26th September 2025
- 5th December 2025

#### **ADVANCED LEVEL CERTIFICATE PROGRAMME**

#### **MODULE**

- Manage risk
- Dispute resolution
- Life cycle costing
- Feasibility studies
- Value management

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#### **HOW TO REGISTER**

#### Fees payable:

- a) One-off annual registration fee for each level US Dollars 6
- b) Examination fee (per module where a learner registers for the certification route) US Dollars 10

Firstly, e-mail the AAQS Secretariat on admin@aaqs.org, indicating your intention to register on the programme, providing your full names, country of origin, e-mail address which is to be used in future correspondence between the learner and programme administrators, and telephone contact details Registrations will be limited to 50 per Level.

Successful applicants will be sent login details once approved, providing them with a username / student number,



together with a password which the student is able to personalise after getting access to the learning portal. Admission to the programme content will be granted once payment of the US\$6 registration fee is made via PayPal – the payment process is clearly indicated on the Moodle site - linked to the 1st Module of each Level. A similar arrangement exists for payment of the Examination Fees - the relevant Examination Modules indicating the PayPal fee requirement which should be done by learners prior to detailed certification material being made available to the learner. Candidates in Ghana, where PayPal is not available, should make arrangements for their personal fees to be made through the Ghana Institute of Surveyors (GhIS).





Continental initiative to provide a measure for Quantity Surveying academic excellence

The AAQS School certification programme provides all stakeholders in quantity surveying education and training in Africa with a yardstick to ensure that the highest levels of knowledge generation and assessment are applied by an authoritative independent organisation in all regions represented.

This provides the necessary assurance that qualifying quantity surveyors moving between countries on the continent have demonstrated a satisfactory standard of academic performance – a valuable tool for clients, employers, national registration institutions, professional association and the individual QS.

The AAQS School invites all Member Countries to collaborate to ensure that independent national/regional issues are effectively embodied in the study material and suggest practitioners and academics within their regions who are willing to share their specific expertise and to participate in the AAQS School programs.



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Further enquiries in this regard should be addressed to the AAQS School at admin@aaqs.org



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