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National Diploma: Game Ranch Management

What is the purpose of this course?

The purpose of this qualification is to supply the game ranch industry with competent managers and researchers. The qualified learner will also be competent to identify and develop entrepreneurial opportunities and to perform advanced management of natural resources and biological diversity.

What is the content of this course?

First Year

First Semester Attendance

Subject

- Game Science I
- Game Ranch Ecology I
- Game Ranch Management I
- Soil Science I
- Rangeland Studies I

Second Semester Attendance

- Game Science II
- Game Ranch Ecology II
- Game Ranch Management II
- Game Ranch Economics I
- Computer Usage I

Second Year

First Semester Attendance

- Game Science III
- Game Ranch Ecology III
- Game Ranch Economics II
- Game Utilisation I
- or
- Game Lodge Management I

Second Semester Attendance

- Game Ranch Economics III
- Game Ranch Management III
- Game Health Management I
- Game Utilisation II
- or
- Game Lodge Management II

Third Year

Experiential learning with an accredited employer

Attendance

Game Ranch Application I & II

Training Field Trips & Excursions

During the course of training students are involved in a number of fieldtrips and excursions to various National Parks, Game Reserves and other wildlife enterprises.

Special Requirements

Camping gear and equipment as well as a prescribed uniform is required during fieldtrips and excursions.

B Tech: Game Ranch Management

Year 1

- Game Ranch Economics IV
- Game Ranch Management IVA
- Game Science IVA
- Research Methodology A
- Research Methodology B

Year 2

- Game Science IVB
- Game Ranch Management IV B
- Game Ranch Strategic Management IV
- Research Methodology A
- Research Methodology B

What is the duration of this course?

- National Diploma - 3 years
- B Tech degree - 2 years (part-time)

How is this course structured?

The first two years of the national diploma is full-time study. The third year is divided into two semesters of experiential learning with an accredited employer. The B Tech degree is presented in blocks of one week, four times per year, over two years.

NB. After completing the third year the student can exit at this level with a National Diploma.

What are the admission requirements?

A Senior Certificate (Grade 12) or an equivalent qualification.

What are the compulsory subjects to have?

None

What are the recommended subjects?

Biology at higher grade

How do I get admitted to study the course?

All prospective students have to attend a selection and orientation camp during the June/July holidays in the year prior to the commencement of studies.

How do I apply?

Submit the following documents:

- Completed application form
- Certified copy of Senior Certificate or Grade 11 results
- Certified copy of Identity Document

When is the closing date for applications?

Before 15 August of every year.

After my studies what are my career opportunities?

- Game Farm / Ranch Managers
- Advisors / Planners
- Be involved in professional hunting
- Game capturing

Note:

On completion of the B Tech degree candidates can continue to study towards a Masters and Doctorate in Nature Conservation.