

OUR STORY

Cornerstone Institute, since its inception in 1970, has always been concerned with access to higher education. Our bouquet of certificates, diplomas, undergraduate and post-graduate degree programmes covers various fields of study including Theology, Psychology, Business, Sociology, Education, and Community Development. Everything we do at Cornerstone Institute is underpinned by the values of;

- Inclusivity
- Excellence
- Integrity
- Unity.
- Respect
- Creativity

As a small Institution of higher learning we are able to give all our students the individual attention they need to succeed in their studies and to advance to further studies and/or employment.

OUR ROLE

As an inclusive higher education institution Cornerstone Institute draws together a diverse learning community galvanized by the following vision and mission;

VISION

Teaching and learning in the service of others to advance human dignity and social justice for all.

MISSION

Our integrative teaching approach inspires critical engagement, innovation and research to generate knowledge that benefits humanity.

OUR FUTURE

Cornerstone Institute will continue to work diligently to link education to the world of work and development. Our new priorities are;

1. Sustainable Development
2. Health sciences
3. Business
4. Media
5. Science and Technology
6. Arts and Culture

OUR PROGRAMMES

Our programmes are driven through two faculties;

- Faculty of Humanities
- Faculty of Entrepreneurship and Economic Transformation

All our undergraduate students are required to complete a foundational set of courses referred to as the 'Cornerstone Core Modules'.

These foundational modules, designed to facilitate integrated learning across the disciplines and speak directly to our vision and mission, are;

- Communication
- SA History and Society
- Economics
- Leadership
- Worldviews/Philosophy
- Ethos

Postgraduate

- BA Honours
- BA Honours In Psychology (BPsych Equivalent)
- Community Development in BA Honours
- Postgraduate Certificate in Education in Intermediate Phase

Undergraduate

- **Bachelor of Arts Psychology with the following majors:**
 - Sociology/Community Development
 - Media Studies
 - Theology
- **Bachelor of Theology in Community Leadership (Christian ministries) with the following majors:**
 - Psychology
 - Community Development

Certificate Level

- Higher Certificate in Business Studies
- Higher Certificate in Community Counselling
- Higher Certificate in Christian Ministry

ACCREDITATION

Cornerstone Institute (RF) NPC is registered as a private higher education institution with the Department of Higher Education and Training under the Higher Education Act, 1997, Registration Certificate No 2001/HE08/006.

All our programmes are accredited by the Council on Higher education and appear on the SAQA National Qualifications Framework.

DIVERSITY

- 70% Female
- 30% Male
- 18 to 72 years average age of 29 years
- 91% South Africa
- 9% International

MODE OF DELIVERY

- 46% Online students
- 54% Campus students

STUDENT DEMOGRAPHICS (2016)

GROUP	STUDENTS	%
Asian/Indian	4	1
Black	98	22
Coloured	156	35
White	186	42
Total	444	

32 International students are from countries Brazil, Burundi, Canada, Czech Republic, DRC, Kenya, Lesotho, Malawi, Namibia, Rwanda, Tanzania, United Kingdom, USA, Zambia, and Zimbabwe.

TEACHING QUALIFICATIONS

551 awarded in the last 11 years:

- Honours 132
- PGCE 31
- Bachelor Degrees 226
- Higher Certificates 110

GROWTH

Year	Students	%
2012	286	
2013	300	+5%
2014	479	+59.9
2015	459	-4%
2016	444	-3%

The planned growth for 2017 is totaling **605** students.

FINANCIAL AID

8% of our full-time students receive an average of 25% financial aid towards their annual tuition fee.

ALUMNI

Our graduates are employed in good jobs, many earning attractive salaries in their respective specialized fields and some are:

- Furthering studies at honours and masters level
- Counselling within schools
- Teaching in schools
- Early Childhood Development educators
- Pastoring churches

Cornerstone Institute invites you to join us as we *Learn to Change the World together!*