



Programme in Legislative Drafting

Presented by the Department of Public Law, University of Pretoria

The **Programme in Legislative Drafting** is designed to empower government legislative drafters, compliance officers, drafting consultants in private practice as well as the drafters of rules and regulations for other organs of state and parastatal bodies in order to produce clear, effective and implementable legislation and directives to comply with the requirements of the Supreme Constitution (based on the Commonwealth system of legislative drafting).

Programme content

- Legislative processes in South Africa: the constitutional framework
- Conventional approaches to drafting of legislation
- Analysis and structure of original legislation
- Analysis and structure of amending legislation
- Principles of drafting
- Cleaning-up of legislation
- From better legislative drafting to more efficient statutory interpretation: a practical guide
- Drafting of subordinate legislation
- Drafting of Local Government legislation (municipal bylaws)
- Influence of the basic principles of administrative law on legislative drafting

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Programme structure

Option 1: Class contact sessions

You can attend 15 evening class sessions (one session per week) from 18:00, every Tuesday evening at the University of Pretoria, Hatfield Campus.

Option 2: Online training

The online training option has been designed to help accommodate the unique training needs of busy professionals who wish to complete our programme but are unable to attend classes on campus.

Learning outcomes

After successfully completing this programme, you will be able to

- translate policy guidelines into new primary and secondary legislation
- amend existing legislation
- draft new legislation (both original and delegated), and amend existing legislation (including old-order legislation) against the background of the Supreme Constitution and the vast array of existing law (including common law and customary law), and
- draft new legislation within the framework of the Constitution as well as other existing law.

Who should enrol?

This programme is ideal for you if you are a

- legislative drafter in any sphere of government
- compliance officer
- drafting consultant in private practice, or
- drafter of rules and regulations for other organs of state and parastatal bodies.

Programme fees

Course fees must be paid in full 14 days prior to course start dates. Proof of payment can be submitted to enrolments@enterprises.up.ac.za.

Admission requirements

Prospective delegates should at least have a relevant bachelor's degree (LLB) and/or equivalent qualification.

Accreditation and certification

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