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## **Memorandum**

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To whom it may concern,

Kindly find attached clarification on the following programme:

**Diploma in Metallurgy Engineering (3208088)**

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Director: Programme Accreditation and Curriculum Development

### **Diploma in Metallurgy Engineering (3208088)**

The programme has been changed to align with the HEQSF as follows:

The title of the diploma is now in line with HEQSF prescripts. The contents of the programme have been revised, within the constraints of a <50% change, to provide the student with a professional, vocational and sound understanding of the theoretical principles and their applications in the field of Metallurgy Engineering, pitched at NQF level 6. The programme also meets the requirements of the Engineering Council of South Africa for the training of technicians.

The workplace-based learning has been reduced from 12 months (120 credits) to 6 months (60 credits), which is within the limits of 50% change to the programme. This change will make an additional 6 months (60 credits) available for theoretical training so as to provide the student with a professional, vocational and sound understanding of the theoretical principles and their applications in the field of Metallurgy Engineering. The 60 credits for workplace-based learning also meet the minimum requirements of the Engineering Council of South Africa for the training of technicians.