



Central University of
Technology, Free State

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FACULTY OF ENGINEERING, BUILT ENVIRONMENT AND
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Dear Student,

PHASING-OUT OF THE BACCALAUREUS TECHNOLOGIAE (BTech) DEGREE PROGRAMMES

1. The above mentioned matter refers.
2. It was announced, on or about 6 July 2016, by the Minister of Higher Education and Training, Dr Bonginkosi Emmanuel Nzimande, in Government Gazette No: 40123_801 (“**Government Notice**”) that the last date for first time entering students enrolling in academic programmes that are not aligned with the Higher Education Qualifications Sub-Framework (“**HEQSF**”), is 31 December 2019 (“**Phasing-out Date**”).
3. The above mentioned announcement affects all National Diploma (“**NDip**”) programmes and Baccalaureus Technologiae (“**BTech**”) degree programmes offered by the Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology at Central University of Technology, Free State (“**CUT**”) listed below:
 - 3.1. Baccalaureus Technologiae: Engineering: Civil.
 - 3.2. Baccalaureus Technologiae: Engineering: Electrical.
 - 3.3. Baccalaureus Technologiae: Engineering: Mechanical.
 - 3.4. Baccalaureus Technologiae: Construction Management.
 - 3.5. Baccalaureus Technologiae: Quantity Surveying.
 - 3.6. Baccalaureus Technologiae: Information Technology (Software Development).
 - 3.7. Baccalaureus Technologiae: Information Technology (Web and Application Development).(hereinafter collectively referred to as the “**Phasing-out Qualifications**”)
4. In accordance with the Phasing-out Plan, as contemplated in paragraph 2 above, CUT has implemented the following phasing out procedure:
 - 4.1. The above mentioned Phasing-out Qualifications which are not aligned with the HEQSF, will subsequently be phased out in line with the Phasing-out Date, as stipulated in paragraph 2 above.

- 4.2. Students who are registered for any of the Phasing-out Qualifications will be given a specific time period in which to complete their Phasing-out Qualifications, as governed by the guidelines set out in paragraph 5 below.
- 4.3. Students/graduates registered for the Phasing-out Qualifications will be able to progress with their studies to the new HEQSF aligned programmes, provided that the student/graduate meets the minimum faculty- and programme-specific admission requirements which will be provided to each graduate by him/her contacting the relevant department's contact person as listed in 'Annexure A'.
5. In light of the above, the following will apply:

5.1. Category 1:

5.1.1. Students who are currently registered for -

5.1.1.1. Baccalaureus Technologiae: Engineering: Civil;

5.1.1.2. Baccalaureus Technologiae: Engineering: Electrical; or

5.1.1.3. Baccalaureus Technologiae: Engineering: Mechanical,

will have until **15 December 2021** to complete their qualification (based on maximum residency period of 3 (THREE) years).

5.1.2. The last and final intake and registration for the above BTech qualification will be **31 July 2019** and no new intakes and registrations for the above BTech qualification will take place after **31 July 2019**.

5.1.3. It should be noted that the Phasing-out Qualifications mentioned in paragraph 5.1.1 above, have been replaced with a new Bachelors (in various specialisations) as per the new HEQSF framework, namely -

5.1.3.1. Bachelor of Engineering Technology in Civil Engineering (B_CVLE);

5.1.3.2. Bachelor of Engineering Technology in Electrical Engineering; and

5.1.3.3. Bachelor of Engineering Technology in Mechanical Engineering (B_MEC).

5.1.4. In addition, should the student successfully complete his/her NDip by **30 June 2019**, he/she will be allowed to register for the BTech qualifications, as set out in paragraph 5.1.1, before **31 July 2019**.

- 5.1.5. In the event that the student did not complete all the required subjects/modules (excluding WIL modules) of the respective NDip by the **15 December 2019**, the student will have to either –
- 5.1.5.1. register for a new diploma; or
- 5.1.5.2. take new diploma subject/modules and apply for subject/module recognition.
- 5.1.6. The options set out in paragraph 5.1.5 above, will be dependent on the student's specific circumstances as well as on the specific diploma and department, and the respective department will give each student the necessary guidance.
- 5.1.7. The student may approach the relevant department to make an enquiry on –
- 5.1.7.1. the new qualifications/diploma; or
- 5.1.7.2. subject recognition.
- 5.1.8. The relevant contact details are set out in 'Annexure A' to this letter.

5.2. Category 2:

- 5.2.1. Students who are currently registered for –
- 5.2.1.1. Baccalaureus Technologiae: Construction Management; or
- 5.2.1.2. Baccalaureus Technologiae: Quantity Surveying.
- will have until **31 December 2021** to complete their qualification (based on maximum residency period of 3 (THREE) years).
- 5.2.2. The last and final intake and registration for the above BTech qualifications will be **01 January 2019** and no new intakes and registrations will take place as from **01 January 2020** for the BTech qualification stipulated in paragraph 5.2.1 above.
- 5.2.3. The Phasing-out Qualifications stipulated in paragraph 5.2.1 above, have been replaced as per the new HEQSF framework with the following specialised programmes, namely -
- 5.2.3.1. Bachelor of Construction in Construction Management; and
- 5.2.3.2. Bachelor of Construction in Quantity Surveying.
- 5.2.4. The student may approach the relevant department to enquire about the new qualifications. The relevant contact details are set out in 'Annexure A' to this letter.

5.3. Category 3:

5.3.1. Students who are currently registered for –

5.3.1.1. Baccalaureus Technologiae: Information Technology (Software Development); or

5.3.1.2. Baccalaureus Technologiae: Information Technology (Web and Application Development),

will have until **31 December 2021** to complete their qualification (based on maximum residency period of 3 (THREE) years).

5.3.2. No new intakes and registrations for the above Baccalaureus Technologiae qualifications will take place as from **01 January 2020**.

5.3.3. The Phasing-out Qualifications, stipulated in paragraph 5.3.1 above, have been replaced as per the new HEQSF framework with the following specialised programmes, namely –

5.3.3.1. Advanced Diploma in Information Technology; and

5.3.3.2. Advanced Diploma in Computer Networking.

5.3.4. In the event that the student does not complete the **Baccalaureus Technologiae** by the end of **31 December 2021**, then –

5.3.4.1. if the student has more than 5 (FIVE) modules left in order to complete his/her BTech qualification he/she will have to proceed to register for one of the Advance Diplomas programmes contemplated in paragraph 5.3.3 above; or

5.3.4.2. if the student has less than 5 (FIVE) modules left in order to complete his/her BTech qualification, he/she can enrol for equivalent modules (to the ones he/she has left) within the Advanced Diploma in Computer Networking or Advance Diploma in Information Technology, provided that he/she meets the minimum faculty- and programme-specific admission requirements.

5.3.5. You may approach the relevant department to enquire about the new qualifications. The relevant contact details are set out in 'Annexure A' to this letter.

6. Thank you for your continued support and we wish you all the best with your studies.

Kind regards,



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ANNEXURE A: RELEVANT CONTACT DETAILS

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