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## Survival isiXhosa

A Certificate of Attendance short course

### WHAT ARE THE COURSE OBJECTIVES?

Participants will be able to use isiXhosa in a basic and functional manner on campus. They will gain a basic isiXhosa vocabulary for use in campus-related communication and specific emphasis will be placed on speaking, listening and reading. As part of the larger university context, they will also gain an understanding of the cultural value of multilingualism. This crash course is practical and interactive, and campus-related scenarios are incorporated to encourage the use of authentic language.

### WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Non-mother tongue speakers of isiXhosa who would like to be able to converse in basic isiXhosa should register for this fun and informal course.

### ANY PREREQUISITES?

This course is aimed at Stellenbosch university students with no isiXhosa knowledge whatsoever.

### HOW IS THIS COURSE PRESENTED?

We present this crash course over a period of **8 weeks**. There is a weekly **face-to-face** contact time of **2 hours** which is supplemented by **4 hours** of **online** support and activities. The face-to-face time includes **authentic** and **interactive** language use activities where participants get the opportunity to practise the target language in real life situations.

### WHAT ARE THE COURSE OUTCOMES?

Upon successful completion of the course, participants will be able to do the following in isiXhosa:

- greet and introduce yourself
- provide basic personal information such as name, age, address and telephone number
- ask and respond to basic questions
- have a basic conversation with other students
- communicate socially on a basic level
- use basic vocabulary related to campus life.

### WHAT DOES THE COURSE COST?

A registration fee of R400 must be paid prior to the start of the course. Students who experience financial difficulty can contact the coordinator as limited bursaries are available.

A Certificate of Attendance will only be awarded after successful completion of the course.

### WHEN WILL THIS COURSE TAKE PLACE?

There will be two intakes in 2021.

\*The specific day will be determined closer to the starting date together with the participants.

First intake	Second intake
Start in week of 5 April End in week of 31 May	Start in week of 9 August End in week of 4 October
17:00-19:00	17:00-19:00

### WHAT CAN PARTICIPANTS DO AFTER THIS?

If an individual is interested in a follow up course they can apply for the credit-bearing course of the Department of African languages called **Introduction to communication in Xhosa I14**.

### FURTHER QUESTIONS?

Contact **Helga Sykstus** or **Arné Binneman** at [languagelearninghub@sun.ac.za](mailto:languagelearninghub@sun.ac.za) or 021 808 4004 for more information.