
Multilingual learning | Ukufunda lilwimi Ezininzi | Meertalige leer

Campus isiXhosa

A certificate of attendance short course

What is the focus of the course?

You will be able to use isiXhosa in a very basic and functional manner. You 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, you 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?

Strictly non-mother tongue speakers of isiXhosa with **no prior knowledge** of isiXhosa should register for this fun and informal course.

Any prerequisites?

This course is aimed at Stellenbosch University students with no isiXhosa knowledge whatsoever. Access to internet, Wi-Fi or mobile data is essential.

How is this course presented?

The crash course is presented on Stellenbosch campus over a period of 8 weeks. The face-to-face sessions include authentic and interactive language use activities where participants get the opportunity to practise the target language in real life situations.

Face-to-face contact time = 16 hours (2 hours per week)

Online activities = 16 hours (2 hours per week of autonomous learning)

Topic 1	Topic 2	Topic 3	Topic 4	Topic 5
Introduction	Greeting & Health	Personal information	Social interaction	In and around town

What are the course outcomes?

Upon successful completion of the course, participants should 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, and
- use basic vocabulary related to campus life.

A certificate of attendance will only be awarded after successful completion of the course. Participants are required to attend the full duration of the course. Additionally, a minimum of 80% of the online work must be successfully completed.

When will this course take place?

The dates and times for the offerings are:

	Course start date	Day and time	Enrol by
Semester 1	Week of 03 March	Tuesdays OR Wednesdays OR Thursdays from 17:15-19:15	31 January
Semester 2	Week of 04 August	Tuesdays OR Wednesdays OR Thursdays from 17:15-19:15	30 May

What does the course cost?

Participants who enrol for this course will be **sponsored** by funding which includes the registration fee, all course material, access to the online platform and refreshments.

How does registration work?

(1) If you are interested to enrol for the course, please contact Stembele Johnson at ssjohnson@sun.ac.za who will then share the link to the application form.

(2) After successful registration, you will receive an automated email with information on how to activate your online profile on our short course platform, called SunOnline to have access to the online activities, material, quizzes, etc.

What if I want to deregister?

Please take note: Because students are sponsored, we follow a strict cancellation policy. Students will be allowed until the second week of the course to decide if they will continue or not. If you decide after the second week that you can't continue, you will receive an incomplete for the course. You will also forfeit the opportunity to re-register.

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 African Languages called Introduction to Communication in Xhosa 114.