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## isiXhosa 123 Online Short Course

A Certificate of Competence short course

**Are you a non-mother tongue speaker of isiXhosa who would like to be able to converse socially in basic isiXhosa?** Then consider enrolling for this interactive language course.

### What is the focus of this course?

You will be able to use isiXhosa in a functional manner and apply your knowledge to speak basic isiXhosa in social contexts. This course is practical and interactive, and real-life scenarios are incorporated to encourage the use of authentic language with a focus on all four language skills. The online sessions focus on authentic and interactive language use activities where you get the opportunity to practise isiXhosa in real life scenarios. The short course is presented over a period of 8 weeks (+ evaluation). **Online contact time** = 20 hours (2½ hours per week) | **Online activities** = 10 hours (1 hour 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

A Certificate of Competence will only be awarded after successful completion of the course. You are required to dedicate yourself to this accredited short course by attending the full duration of the course. Additionally, a minimum of 80% of the online work must be successfully completed.

**Interested? Contact us** to receive the online application form.  
We will send you further instructions after receiving your form.



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## What are the prerequisites?

Only individuals with no prior knowledge of isiXhosa may register. You must be able to attend online via Teams, preferably via a computer, laptop or tablet as participation via a smart phone is not ideal. Access to internet, Wi-Fi and mobile data are therefore also essential.

## What are the course outcomes?

Upon successful completion of the course, you 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,
- communicate socially using strategic competence, and
- use basic vocabulary related to everyday life.

## When and how will the course take place?

The dates and times for the 2026 offerings are:

	Dates	Day and time	Enrol and pay by
<b>Offering 1</b>	04 May to 26 June	Mondays 17:30 – 20:00	17 April
<b>Offering 2</b>	15 September to 24 October	Tuesdays 17:30 – 20:00	18 September

## How do I register?

1. **Please contact Bongiwe Dlutu** at [bdlutu@sun.ac.za](mailto:bdlutu@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 **pay for the course**. Please note that all course fees are payable before the course starts. **Due to limited availability, your spot will only be confirmed upon receipt of payment.**
3. **The last step is to activate your online profile** on our short course platform, called SunOnline to have access to the online activities, material, quizzes, etc.

### The short course fee is R4 900 per participant.

- All fees are payable in full no later than 2 weeks before the short course starts.
- Includes all course material and access to the online short course platform, SunOnline.
- We will present a course only if the required minimum candidates have paid and confirmed attendance.
- If you decide to deregister, you will still be financially liable for the percentage of sessions attended. Due to the University's strict financial procedures, reimbursement (if allowed) can take up to 2 months.
- Short course participants do not receive access to University facilities such as computer labs or the library.



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