

Driving careers in banking and investment

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A range of qualifications from NQF level 5 through to NQF level 8 provides options for school-leavers as well as those already employed at different levels in the sector.

Milpark's School of Investment and Banking has expanded and reviewed their offering in response to a drive in the banking environment to employ individuals with relevant and higher qualifications.

Banking qualifications include a Higher Certificate in Banking Services on NQF level 5, the Advanced Certificate in Banking Services and a Diploma and Higher Diploma in Banking (all NQF level 6), a BCom with majors in Banking, Credit or Investment Management on NQF level 7, and the Postgraduate Diploma in Banking on NQF level 8.

"The South African banking and investment sectors offer dynamic career opportunities - both are viewed as world class, with a high level of qualified professionals, adequate capital, technology, infrastructure and strong regulatory environments," says Antje Hargarter, Dean of the School of Investment and Banking.

"The sector requires a wide range of skills - through our new qualifications we are building expertise in areas like risk management and compliance, credit management, relationship management, and financial analysis, to name a few."

Jobs in the investment and banking sectors are highly sought after and have a strong professional image. They offer a variety of opportunities for growth and stability in an exciting and challenging environment, plus competitive remuneration packages, and even opportunities for international exposure.

"Milpark is the higher education specialist for formal education in banking and is also gaining recognition in the investment arena. We are offering qualifications that are relevant and that companies in the sector need. We work closely with both the big and the smaller banks in South Africa, and we are also expanding our corporate client base in the rest of Africa in response to the skills demands of these markets," says Hargarter.

The Dean is passionate about the difference that Milpark has made to banking education over the past 10 years. "We have touched the lives of more than 20,000 banking students up until now. Our academics have theoretical knowledge, practical experience and ties to the industry which allow for superior student support and a sharing of experiences."

Learn more about Milpark Education's Investment and Banking qualifications on <http://www.milpark.ac.za/qualifications/banking>.

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