

7. WARNING BOGUS COLLEGES

The Department is aware of several colleges and institutions purporting to offer **higher education programmes** without registration with the Department. These “bogus” colleges use a range of methods to mislead the public. The recent trends identified by the Department are the number of on-line operators committing internet fraud by purporting to offer degrees in 15 days using the name and logo of the DHET. Most of the websites appear to be based in the United States of America (USA). In an attempt to warn the public, the Department has published the following list of “bogus” colleges as a means to raise awareness and warn the public about unscrupulous providers and their modus operandi. The Department has also filed cases against these “bogus” colleges with the South African Police Services (SAPS) and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) in the USA. In this regard, *Fargo University* in the USA now informs students on its website that it is not accepting admissions anymore. The website of both *Barkley University* and *Study for Career Success* has removed the name and logo of the DHET. The Department is monitoring these developments closely. The Department will provide case numbers on request. The Department also encourages the public to notify it of “bogus” colleges and/or any form of irregular practices.

Students are warned to be wary of the following kinds of behaviour from institutions:

- a. Consultants promising jobs after graduation.
- b. Consultants and websites offering two degrees for the price of one as well as huge discounts.
- c. Use of nomenclatures to qualifications, for example, a *Bachelor of Commerce* degree is different from a *Bachelor of Commerce in Financial Management* degree.
- d. Official-looking bogus colleges that use seals, crests and logos used by legitimate institutions such as the DHET, public universities and public colleges.
- e. Exaggerated and numerous claims on accreditation in order to lend credibility to the college.
- f. The names of colleges are similar or identical to those of prestigious universities such as *Oxford University* and *Cambridge University*.
- g. Application form is questionable in that it does not require information or proof of formal schooling, identity documents, etc.
- h. Diplomas and Degrees offered in a short period of time making it possible to receive several degrees in one year.
- i. The absence of a physical address for the legal entity called the institution or the awarding body.
- j. Local tuition centres purporting to offer “qualifications” on behalf of “foreign” and “international” universities.
- k. The continued and undue emphasis on “international accreditation” and “international qualifications”.

The Department for Business Innovation and Skills in the United Kingdom (UK) provides a list of universities and colleges that are degree awarding bodies on the web at the address at link <https://www.gov.uk/check-a-university-is-officially-recognised/overview>. It has also identified a list of 200 bogus colleges which can be found on their website as well as on the Department’s website at www.dhet.gov.za/organisation/universityeducation/private higher education.

The United States of America (USA’s) Department of Education lists the accredited institutions it recognizes on its website at <http://www.ed.gov/admins/finaid/accred/index.html>.

The following websites provide information on the extent of the problem of bogus colleges:

- a. <http://www.credentialwatch.org/reports/mcquaid.shtml>;
- b. <http://www.theguardian.com/education/2012/may/14/students-private-colleges-closures-immigration>;
- c. http://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bogus_colleges_in_the_United_Kingdom;
- d. <http://www.counterfeitdegrees.com/>;
- e. www.degree.net;
- f. <http://cpol.army.mil/library/nonarmy/opm-bogus-ed-credentials.doc>;
- g. <http://monitor.icef.com/2015/06/uk-rolls-out-new-service-to-help-fight-diploma-mills-and-degree-fraud/>; and
- h. <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/education-33062052>.

NAME	PHYSICAL ADDRESS	COUNTRY/ PROVINCE	PROGRAMME/S OFFERED
1. Academy of Sexology	293 Annette van Zyl Street, Garsfontein , Pretoria, 0001	Gauteng	a) <i>Degrees and Diplomas in Sexology</i>
2. Anointed (Sic) University	180 President Street, Johannesburg, 2001	Gauteng	a) <i>Diplomas and Degrees Theology and Christian Education</i>
3. Alpha Bible College	Strubenvale, 1570.	Gauteng	a) <i>Diplomas and Degrees in Theology and Christian Education</i> b) <i>Bachelor of Divinity</i>
4. Back to the Bible Training College in association with Calvary University	Barberton PO Box 828 Barberton 1300 South Africa	Mpumalanga	<i>Bachelors of Ministry Degree</i> <i>Honours</i> <i>Masters</i> <i>Doctrate Degrees</i> Offer degrees on behalf of Calvary

	Phone: 027 013 719 8000 Fax: 027 013 719 8001 Cell: 027 083 306 6323 e-mail: shyries@icon.co.za BBTC Contact in the US are: Bryan Ghedges@gmail.com Benjamin.Seal@gmail.com		University in the UK which is regarded as a bogus college in the Department of Higher Education, Innovation and Skills as indicated in the website at www.bbtcblog.blogspot.com as at 16 July 2016
5. Barkley University	http://www.international-university.net	USA	a) <i>Degrees in 15 days</i> Falsely uses the name and the logo of the DHET.
NAME	PHYSICAL ADDRESS	COUNTRY/ PROVINCE	PROGRAMME/S OFFERED
6. Beautiko Academy of Beauty (Pty) Ltd	848 Duncan Street (Previously Jan Shoba Street), Pretoria, 0181.	Pretoria	a) <i>Bachelors Degree in Health and Skincare</i> b) <i>Skills Academy Advanced Certificate Nail Care</i>

			<p>c) <i>Skills Academy Advanced Certificate in Make-up Application</i></p> <p>d) <i>Skills Academy Advanced Certificate in Massage Techniques</i></p> <p>e) <i>Skills Academy Advanced Certificate in Facial Skincare</i></p> <p>f) <i>Skills Academy Advanced Certificate in Hair Removal</i></p> <p>g) <i>Skills Academy Diploma in Nail Care</i></p> <p>h) <i>Skills Academy Diploma in Make-up Application</i></p> <p>i) <i>Skills Academy Diploma in Massage Techniques</i></p> <p>j) <i>Skills Academy Diploma in Facial Skincare</i></p> <p>k) <i>Skills Academy Diploma in Salon Management</i></p> <p>l) <i>Skills Academy Diploma in Beauty Therapy</i></p> <p>As advertised on the website dated 4 May 2015 at http://www.skillsacademy.co.za.</p> <p>a) <i>Higher Certificate in Aesthetics in Health Professions Higher Certificate (Aesthetics) (Health Sciences)</i></p>
NAME	PHYSICAL ADDRESS	COUNTRY/ PROVINCE	PROGRAMME/S OFFERED
Beautiko Academy of Beauty (Pty) Ltd (Continued)			a) <i>Advanced Certificate in Body Therapy in Health Professions – AdvCert (Body Therapies) (Health Sciences)</i>

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> b) <i>Diploma in Health and Skincare Sciences Dip (Health and Skincare Science)</i> c) <i>Advanced Diploma in Health and Skincare Science AdvDip (Health and Skincare Science)</i> d) <i>Bachelors Degree in Health and Skincare Science</i> e) <i>Bachelors Degree in Health and Skincare Science (Spa Management)</i> f) <i>Bachelors Degree in Health and Skincare Science (Wellness)</i> g) <i>Bachelors Degree in Health and Skincare Science (Spa Management)</i> h) <i>Bachelors Degree in Health Skincare Science (Medical Aesthetics)</i> i) <i>Bachelors Degree in Health and Skincare Science (Education)</i> <p>As advertised on the website dated 19 May 2015 at http://www.beautiko.co.za/courses.html</p>
7. Bible Institute of Southern Africa	180 Main Road, Kalk Bay	Cape Town	a) <i>Diplomas and Degrees in Theology</i>
NAME	PHYSICAL ADDRESS	COUNTRY/ PROVINCE	PROGRAMME/S OFFERED
8. Calvary University	Internet: Its <i>domiciliumcitandi ex executandi</i> cannot be established.	Worldwide through the internet only.	a) <i>Diplomas and Degrees in Theology and Christian Education</i>

		There is no physical or legal presence established anywhere in the world.	
9. Calvary Life Tutors	296 Limpopo Avenue, Pretoria, 0001	Gauteng	a) <i>Diplomas and Degrees in Theology and Christian Education</i>
10. Christian Life Training	296 Limpopo Avenue, Sinoville, Pretoria, 0048	Gauteng	a) <i>Diplomas and Degrees in Theology and Christian Education</i>
11. Christian Campus (The)	Not available	Gauteng	a) <i>Diplomas and Degrees in Theology and Christian Education</i>
12. Correspondence Training Academy	<p>Silverwatercrossings Centre, Postnet Suite A25: For any parcels or documents drop off</p> <p>Moot area (Soutpansberg Road), Training Centre: On appointments / bookings only, Contact Marius</p> <p>Packhouse / Admin Office - Pretoria North Silverton School, Equestria, Pretoria East, Akasia, Pretoria North</p> <p>Phone: 012 751 7541/2</p> <p>Cell: 0728642000 Fax: 0866187567 Email: info@ctasa.co.za / school@ctasa.co.za / training@ctasa.co.za / principal@ctasa.co.za Website: www.ctasa.co.za</p>	Gauteng	a) <i>Diploma in Health and Safety Management as awarded on 5 March 2015</i>

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13. Crane International Academy (Pty) Ltd		Mpumalanga	a) <i>Business Studies</i> b) <i>Engineering Studies</i> c) <i>Security Studies</i> The website also indicates that the institution is an accredited institution of higher learning, accredited by the <i>Council on Higher Education (CHE)</i> and registered by the South African Qualifications Authority (SAQA), which is false.
14. Diploma Company	The following fake certificate site offer fake certificates for any school, college or university. They are based in America. The website address is http://www.diplomacompany.co.uk/fake-college-diplomas-and-degrees . The website address for Africa is http://www.diplomacompany.co.uk/fake-diploma-from-african-university .	World-wide, USA, UK and Africa	a) <i>Any qualification including Diplomas and Degrees.</i>
15. Edu-Campus/Hope University	145 Commissioner Street, Johannesburg, 2001.	Gauteng	a) <i>Degrees and Diplomas</i>
16. eLearning Systems (Pty) Ltd trading as eDegree	Atlas Studios, 33 Frost Avenue, Corner Owl Street, Braamfontein, Bordering Milpark Website address: http://www.edegree.co.za/about-us.html	Gauteng	a) <i>Bachelor of Business Studies</i>

17. Elkanah Bible College in association with Calvary Life Tutors and Calvary University	PO Box 19041, Sunward Park, Boksburg 1470. Siesta Villa 66 Aloe Street, Van Dyk Park, Boksburg, 1459. Campuses at Boksburg, Middleburg, Potchefstroom, Silverton and Waterberg.	Gauteng	a) <i>Higher Certificates, Diplomas and Degrees in Theology</i>
NAME	PHYSICAL ADDRESS	COUNTRY/ PROVINCE	PROGRAMME/S OFFERED
18. Fargo University	http://www.fargouniversity.com	USA	a) <i>Degrees in 15 days</i> Falsely uses the name and logo of the DHET.
19. Generation Impact Bible College	Operates somewhere in Port Elizabeth. http://www.gibiblecollege.com	Port Elizabeth, South Africa	a) <i>Diploma of Ministry</i> b) <i>Bachelor of Ministry</i> As advertised on the institution's website at http://www.gibiblecollege.com as at 11 March 2015.
20. Heritage of Faith Bible Institute South Africa	Johannesburg: Michurch Witbank: Michurch Lenasia: Heritage of Faith Lenasia Vanderbijl: AFM North	USA, Botswana, Kenya, South Africa	a) <i>Doctorate in Ministry</i>

	<p>Meadowlands: Rivers of Life Healing Centre</p> <p>Durban: Eagle Christian Ministries</p> <p>Durbanville: A Word in Faith</p> <p>King Williams Town: Unity through Christian Ministries</p> <p>Pinelands: Alpha and Omega Christian Fellowship</p> <p>Klerksdorp: Grace Life Church</p> <p>Richards Bay: Covenant Fellowship Church International</p> <p>Groblersdal: Groblersdal Christian Fellowship</p> <p>Centurion: Christian Life Church</p>		
NAME	PHYSICAL ADDRESS	COUNTRY / PROVINCE	PROGRAMME/S OFFERED
21. Hydro International Therapy	Corner Hendrik Potgieter and 12 th Avenue, Edenvale	Gauteng	<p>a) <i>Diploma in Beauty Therapy</i></p> <p>b) <i>Diploma in Skin and Body</i></p> <p>c) <i>Diploma in Somatology</i></p> <p>As advertised on the institution's website at http://www.hydroint.co.za/profile.htm as at 3 October 2014.</p>
22. Hebraic Teaching Roots Institute on behalf of <i>Therapon-University</i>	Corner of Cilliers Street and Potgieter Street, Monument, Krugersdorp and 1 Louis Trichardt	Mpumalanga	a) <i>Diplomas and Degrees in Theology and Christian Education</i>

	Street, Monument, Krugersdorp.		
23. Impact Christian Campus	PO Box 90380, Bertsham, 2013.	Gauteng	a) <i>Diplomas, Undergraduate Degrees Honours and Masters in Theology and Christian Education</i>
24. International Institute for Tax and Finance (IITF)	Business Centre, Design Quarter, Leslie Rd, Fourways, Johannesburg, South Africa.	Gauteng	a) <i>Advanced Diploma in Transfer Pricing</i> b) <i>Higher Diploma in Taxation</i> c) <i>Advanced Diploma in International Taxation</i> d) <i>Advanced Diploma in Tax Procedural Law</i> e) <i>Advanced Diploma in Corporate Taxation</i> f) <i>Diploma in Payroll Taxes</i> As advertised on the institution's website at www.iitf.net/contact-iit/ As at 24 January 2013.
25. Intuition College	6 th Floor Prefcor House, 396 West Street, Next To Game.	Gauteng	a) <i>Diplomas</i> b) <i>International Diplomas</i> As advertised on the institution's website at www.intuitioncollege.co.za/ as at 25 February 2013.
NAME	PHYSICAL ADDRESS	COUNTRY/ PROVINCE	PROGRAMME/S OFFERED
26. International Theological Academy	Not available	Gauteng	a) <i>Degrees and Diplomas in Theology</i>
27. Jordan Institute of Mission and Ministerial Acts (J.I.M.M.A)	405 Montesano, 3 Cavendish Road, Yeoville, 2198.	Gauteng	a) <i>Diplomas and Degrees in Theology and Christian Education</i>
28. Johannesburg City College	49 Jorrissen Street, Braamfontein,	Gauteng	a) <i>Certificates, Diplomas and Higher National Diplomas in the Faculties of</i>

	Johannesburg, 2001.		<i>Computer Sciences, Engineering, Law, Sciences and Commerce as advertised on the website dated 22 February 2013 at the address www.johannesburgcitycollege.co.za.</i>
29. Johannesburg Varsity College	4 th Floor, Office 406, Southpoint Towers, 41 De Korte Street, Braamfontein, 2017.	Gauteng	<i>b) Degrees and Diplomas in the Faculties of Computer Sciences, Law, Sciences and Commerce as advertised on the website dated 22 August 2012 at the address www.johannesburgvarsitycollege.co.za.</i>
30. Joy Ministries	Joy Ministries Lambton, 18 Neels Road, Lambton Gardens, Germiston.	Gauteng	<i>a) Diplomas and Degrees in Theology and Christian Education</i>
31. Master Retailing (Pty) Ltd	308 Tipterary Street, Bronberrick, Centurion, Close to Hennops Park.	Gauteng	<i>a) Postgraduate Diplomas and Degrees as well as the illegal franchising of the Master of Business Administration.</i>
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32. McFord University	Operated from an apartment in Karachi, Pakistan by a single person called Salem Kureshi under "credible" names such as: <i>a) Ashwood University b) Belford University c) Corlins University d) Headway University e) Hill University f) Lorenz University g) Mc Ford University h) Panworld University</i>	Worldwide	<i>a) Any Diploma or Degree can be bought over the internet/online at a discounted price in a few days. Once payment is made, it will never be recovered. Google McFord University for a full understanding of the scale of the problem and warn others as well.</i>

	<p>i) <i>Rochville University</i> j) <i>Western Advanced Central University</i> k) <i>Wilson State University</i> l) <i>Woodfield University</i></p> <p>The website could be based in both Pakistan and/or the USA.</p> <p>Certificates are posted from the United Arab Emirates (UAE).</p>		
33. MSC Business College	Shop 30, Kempton Place (Kempton City), Pretoria Road.	In all provinces	a) <i>Diploma in Information Technology</i> as advertised on its website dated 10 March 2014 at the address www.msccollege.co.za/software-developer stating that the <i>Diploma in Information Technology</i> is accredited by the <i>Council on Higher Education</i> (CHE) which is false.
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34. MSC Business College	165 Smit Street, Johannesburg, 2001.	Johannesburg	a) Advertises the offering of Degrees and Diplomas
35. Monash Technology Institute	Orion House 4 th Floor, 49 Jorissen Street, Braamfontein.	Gauteng	a) <i>National Diplomas and Certificate Courses</i>
36. Morolan IT Consults	204 Troye Street, Muckleneuk, Pretoria, 0083.	Gauteng	a) <i>Life Degrees and Diplomas</i>
37. MBA Training Company	First Floor, Modular Place, Turnberry Office	Gauteng	a) <i>3-day MBA</i>

	Park, 48 Grosvenor Place, Bryanston, 2021.		
38. North West School of Design (Pty) Ltd	Klerksdorp, North West School of Design, 1B Joe Slovo Road, Oudorp Pharmacy Complex, Shop 3, 4 and 5, Klerksdorp.	North West Province	a) <i>Bachelor of Science in Fashion Management and Communication</i>
39. Pneumatix in association with the Institute of Christian Psychology of Die Afrikaanse Protestantse Akademie (Edms) Bpk	88 Mondeor Road Somerset West Western Cape 7130	Western Cape	a) <i>Bachelor of Theology</i> b) <i>BA (Psychology)</i> c) <i>M-Tech</i>
40. Qualitas Career Academy	Shop No 30, Value Fair Shopping Centre, Midrand.	Gauteng	a) <i>Certificate in Business Management</i> b) <i>Diploma in Business Management</i> c) <i>National Diploma Health and Skincare</i> As advertised on the website dated 4 February 2013 at the address www.qualitasworld.co.za/contact .
41. River Bible Institute	1 Pontoon Road, East London, 5200, South Africa.	East London	a) <i>Associate Degrees in Christian Education</i>
42. South African University of Excellence	5 Japie Theron Street, White River, 1240.	Mpumalanga	a) <i>Degrees and Diplomas</i>
43. Style Design College of South Africa (Pty) Ltd	12 University Road, Westville, KwaZulu Natal, 4001.	Kwa-Zulu Natal	a) <i>Degrees and Diplomas</i>

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44. Swiss Hotel Management School	8 th Floor Braamfontein Centre, 23 Jorriksen Street, Braamfontein, Johannesburg, Gauteng, 2001.	Gauteng	a) <i>Degrees and Diplomas</i>
45. South African Institute for Management (SAIM)	10 th Floor, Chamber of Mines Building, 71 Marshall Street, Johannesburg CBD, 2001.	Gauteng	a) <i>Diplomas, Advanced Diplomas and Post-Graduate Diplomas</i> b) <i>Diploma in Business Management</i>
46. Study for Career Success	http://www.studyforcareersuccess.com	USA	a) <i>Degree in 15 days</i> Falsely uses the name en logo of the DHET.
47. South African Law School	6 th Floor ABSA Building, 132 Adderley Street, Cape Town, 8001. PO Box 163 Cape Town, 8000.	Western Cape	a) <i>Diploma in Paralegal Studies Awarded to L Yozi on 18 February 2011.</i>
48. Team Impact Christian University	5536 Superior Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70816, USA. Operates through Team Impact Bible College in South Africa and Teamwork Bible College .	USA South Africa	a) <i>Diplomas, Undergraduate Degrees, Honours, Masters and Phds in Theology and Christian Education</i>
49. Teamwork Bible College	Physical address is unknown in South Africa Head Office is based in Virginia, Martinsville, USA Website address is http://www.teamonline.co.za/	USA Operates through various bible schools in South Africa	b) <i>Diplomas, Undergraduate Degrees, Honours, Masters and Phds in Theology and Christian Education</i>
50. Therapon University	PO Box 12330	US Virgin Islands	a) <i>Diplomas, Undergraduate Degrees, Honours, Masters and Phds in Theology</i>

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	St Thomas VI 00801	Operates through various bible schools in South Africa	<i>and Christian Education</i>
51. Unlock Development Centre	3 Ystervak Street, Theresa Park X1, Pretoria, 0155.	Gauteng	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) <i>Doctor of Philosophy</i> b) <i>Works in collaboration with "Calvary University"</i> c) <i>Issues the certificate at Chester, UK, Calvary University Inc. Reg. No. 31881</i> This company was never registered in the UK. d) <i>Satellite campus for Therapon University in the USA</i> e) <i>Bachelor of Arts in Islamic Studies</i>
52. University of Arabia	Azaadville	Gauteng	
REGISTERED INSTITUTIONS PURPORTING TO OFFER UNREGISTERED PROGRAMMES			
NAME	PHYSICAL ADDRESS	COUNTRY/ PROVINCE	PROGRAMME/S OFFERED
53. International Academy of Health and Skincare (Pty) Ltd	<p>A) Cape Town: 2nd Floor, Federal Building, Tulbagh Square, Hans Strijdom Avenue, Foreshore, Cape Town, 8001.</p> <p>B) Johannesburg: 3rd Floor, South Tower, 5th and Maude Street, Nelson Mandela.</p>	Cape Town and Johannesburg.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) <i>National Diploma: Event Co-ordination</i> b) <i>1st Year Events Co-ordination</i> c) <i>Top Health and Skincare Post Graduate Course</i> d) <i>Marketing Management Certificate</i> e) <i>Diploma Marketing Management</i> f) <i>Bachelors Marketing Management</i> g) <i>BCom Degree in Marketing and Business Science</i>

Please note:

- a. The *Association of Chartered and Certified Accountants* (ACCA) has been removed since its qualifications are the responsibility of the QCTO.
- b. The *Academy of York* has been removed since its qualifications are the responsibility of the QCTO.
- c. *City and Guilds* has been removed since its qualifications are the responsibility of the QCTO.

ENQUIRIES

Members of the public who wish to enquire about the process of registration as well as the registration status of a private education institution can contact:

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