

Short Courses, RPL and Accreditation

Save 85% with Short Courses — then get RPL

To study at university has become very expensive. Added to that a student may have to pay board and lodging as well. Academic fees alone stand at R29,000 to R45,000 per year.²⁰¹⁵ This means only some people are able to study. Having had the training, a student can look forward to a high salary. Our fees of R3,600 compare to these as getting an 85% saving.

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1. Part Time Students — 80 Credits

Our CLT students being part-time — means that they can work and earn while they study at night. For this reason only 80 instead of 120 credits can be earned per year. If any other place offers a full certificate or diploma of 120 credits in one year on a part time basis, the quality must be suspect. It is just not possible to offer a **full course** part-time. You can't be proud of it.

Another factor is that an 80-credit course is a "short-course" and **cannot** be accredited. Therefore 90% of all training in South Africa are *short courses*.

2. Life-Long Learning Never Lost — RPL

The student may ask: what happens to my **learning experience**? Did I study for nothing? Unscrupulous institutions tell students they wasted their time and that they have to do it all over again. In fact, on the contrary, the law stipulates that **all prior learning** acquired formally, informally or non-formally are to be recognised and can even lead to a qualification **only based on RPL**. No mention may be made as to the amount of RPL that was acquired. All credits are equal and no credits are ever lost — life-long. *It is your right!*

3. Get Recognition at an Accredited Institution

This means that a student can gather credits from one or several organisations, being accredited or not, and can present it to an institution for **recognition**. If the experience (prior learning) is equivalent to the requirements, even if it matches exactly only 50%, RPL must be applied.

Since very few institution are seen to be legally responsible, either through ignorance, greediness or pride, CLT will endeavour to **set up** or **encourage** organisations **who will obey the law** and apply the RPL intent of SAQA:

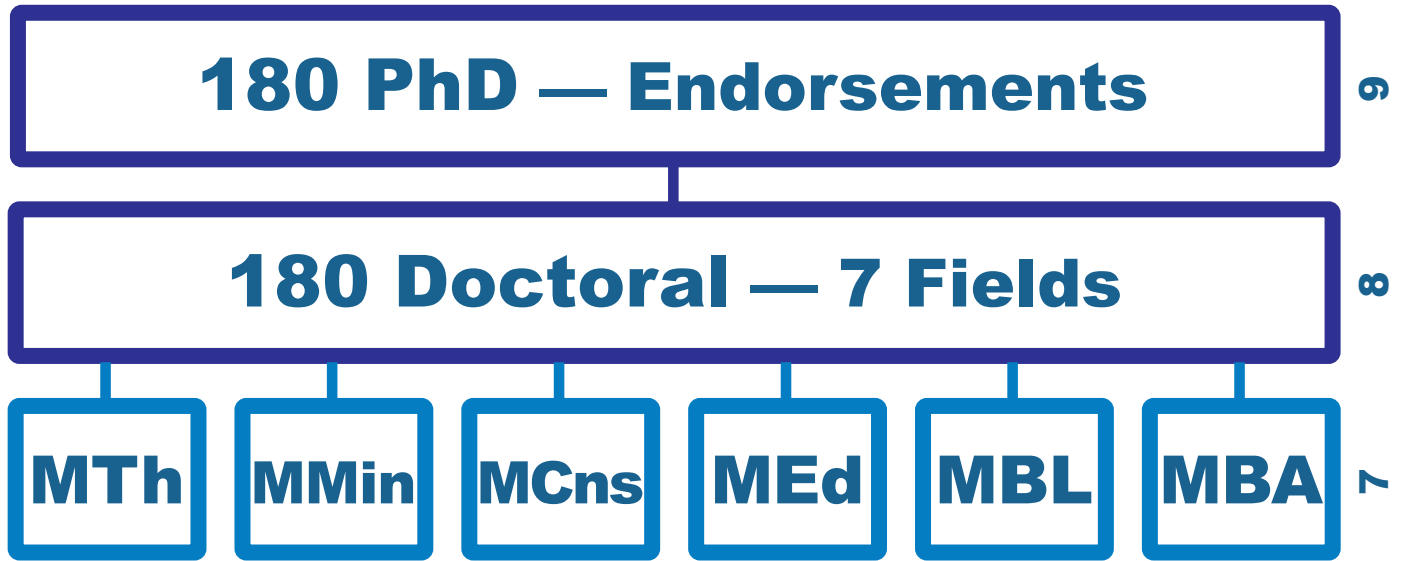
Learning occurs in all kinds of situations – formally, informally and non-formally.

The **R**ecognition of **P**rior **L**earning (RPL) is a process through which formal, non-formal and informal learning are measured, mediated for recognition across different contexts and certified against the requirements for credit, access, inclusion or advancement in the formal education and training system or workplace.

Be prepared for smooth-talkers, who will explain this all away. Skelms!

RPL Short Courses to Qualifications

Complete an M at University, do short courses at a community college!



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Save 85%! Do your life-long training from R3600 per year. Then get RPL.

