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## **UCT-SAMLA COURSE 1: FOUNDATIONS OF MEDICO-LEGAL PRACTICE**

### **Registrations for online course now open**

We are pleased to announce that registrations for the online version of the Foundations of Medico-Legal Practice course are officially open!

The 2018 Foundations course was a resounding success with 310 participants countrywide.

#### **Testimonials**

"I use the learning from the foundations course daily in my medico-legal practice! The quality of my reports and my confidence in my reports drastically increased after completing the foundations course."

"Given the array of experts, I could not believe, and still cannot, how cheap the course was. It was a once in a lifetime learning experience."

"Very informative and interactive sessions by experts and vast experience, it was worth the cost and attendance time."

"As an industrial psychologist, the multidisciplinary approach was extremely informative, and I learned a lot. Overall, I gained self-confidence in my task as an expert."

"The course was well structured and course content good. The time allocated allowed for in-depth engagement. The lecturers were well informed in their respective fields. I highly recommend the course."

### **About the course**

The course deals with medico-legal disputes in personal injury and clinical negligence matters and the resolution of medico-legal disputes through litigation and mediation.

### **Who will benefit from the course?**

The course is intended for professionals in all fields who engage in, or wish to engage in, medico-legal practice in South Africa.

## **Course delivery method**

This online version of the 2018 Foundations course will be presented on Panopto, which is software often used in e-learning environments.

Participants will be able to log into Panopto and view all the recordings of the actual lectures which took place in 2018, as well as access the course notes and presentations. Once you have registered you will be able to work through the material at your own pace. Access to the course will remain open until February 2020 for everyone registering during 2019.

Having worked through the material, you will then have the option of taking an online examination in either September 2019 or March 2020. You will only be allowed to take the examination once, but it will be available on any day in September or any day in March 2020.

Participants are encouraged and welcome to do the Foundations course online while they are simultaneously doing the comprehensive series of practical workshops in medico-legal practice that are being presented live in 2019 and 2020.

## **Course outline**

The following topics are covered in the course:

- South African law applicable to personal injury litigation
- Ethical conduct in medico-legal practice
- Psychology and communication in medico-legal practice
- Logical reasoning
- Medical science applicable to medico-legal practice
- Other sciences applicable to medico-legal practice

### **Testimonials**

"I am in the medical field and not the legal field. The course was valuable in that it provided an extensive all-round orientation to the field of medico-legal practice; it was taught, on the whole, by people who have credibility in their respective fields and wide experience in medico-legal work. I learned a fortune. The faculty that arranged and presented this course set a tone of serious learning, but also brought in humour and an air – throughout the course – of collegiality and friendship. They demonstrated enormous respect for the varied levels of knowledge and experience of the audience, which was no mean feat.

The lecture notes and slides were available before each lecture, making the note taking and listening easier, and in fact, resulted in every participant receiving notes that form an enormous text book to which they can refer."

"I found it useful and learned a lot especially regarding the legal side of medico-legal work. It was very demanding to attend so many Saturdays as I also had to drive in from Middelburg, Mpumalanga to attend the Johannesburg venue. But I attended every lecture and enjoyed the course overall. I also wrote the exam and passed."

## **Certification**

1. Participants who pass the examination for the Foundations course with 50% or more, will receive a **UCT certificate of completion**.
2. Successful completion of both the Foundations course, either in 2018 or in 2019/2020, and all ten practical workshops that will be offered during 2019 and 2020 (i.e. three years of training), will earn participants an umbrella **certificate of competence in medico-legal practice from SAMLA**.

## **Course fee**

The online course and exam are R 15,000 if you register and pay upfront.

A payment plan is available at a rate of R 1,700 per month over 10 months.

## **How to register**

Registration opens on 23 April. [Click here](#) to download the registration form.

Please submit the completed registration form to: [registrations@samla.co.za](mailto:registrations@samla.co.za)

For more information please contact [info@azlyncreative.co.za](mailto:info@azlyncreative.co.za) or [admin@samla.co.za](mailto:admin@samla.co.za).