# Legal Writing Development

#### Overview

Legal Writing Development is a self-paced, online short course. The course is divided into various modules that focus on developing writing skills before moving on to writing precisely and concisely in a legal context.

Upon completion of this short course, students should be able to:

- Use and apply grammar, punctuation, spelling rules and sentence structure knowledge in the writing of legal documents;
- Demonstrate the ability to organise an argument, write coherently, and apply such knowledge as parallelism and transitions;
- Formulate a well-organised and logical argument or discussion;
- Demonstrate their ability to use plain, gender-neutral, and bias-free language in legal writing;
- Write clearly, concisely, and persuasively in legal documents; and
- Properly draft a legal opinion or office memorandum.

#### NQF Level

National Qualifications Framework (NQF) level 6.

#### Minimum admission requirements

Grade 12/Matric Certificate.

## Duration

Three months.

## Venue

Online.

## Course fees

The cost of the course is R3200.

## Application

Apply electronically on the Short Courses Division (SCD) website. Please click here to apply.

## Course content and study material

The course consists of 18 modules. Each module has a video covering the relevant content.

## Assessment

Each module has a quiz to complete before starting with the next module. There is also a written assignment to be completed by the end of the course.

## Tutor

The course tutor will assist with any questions related to the content of the course.

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