



CALL FOR APPLICATIONS: COSMETOLOGY SKILLS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

BACKGROUND

The Moses Kotane Research Institute (MKRI) invites applications from unemployed individuals in KwaZulu-Natal for participation in an accredited Cosmetology Skills Development Programme. This initiative seeks to equip participants with practical, industry-relevant skills that can support self-employment, entrepreneurship, and income-generating opportunities within the beauty and wellness sector.

The programme responds to the growing need for market-relevant skills, particularly among youth, women, and individuals from rural and township communities. The beauty industry provides accessible opportunities for economic participation due to its relatively low barriers to entry, consistent market demand, and potential for both informal and formal business development.

PROGRAMME DETAILS

- Programme: Accredited Cosmetology Skills Development Programme
- Fields of Training:
 - Nail Care: 15 Days
 - Make-Up Application: 1 month
 - Swedish Body Massage: 2 months
- Number of Participants: 50
- Training Venue: Durban, KwaZulu-Natal
- Programme Start Date: November 2026 (subject to final confirmation)
- Training will be delivered by an accredited training provider.
- Participants who successfully complete the programme will receive accredited certification.

REQUIREMENTS

Applicants must:

- Be South African citizens residing in KwaZulu-Natal.
- Be unemployed.
- Be between the ages of 18 and 35 years.
- Have a minimum educational qualification of Grade 11.
- Demonstrate an interest in the beauty, wellness, and cosmetology sector.
- Be available to attend the full duration of the programme.
- Preference may be given to applicants from rural and township communities, women, and youth

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS (Submission of the following is mandatory)

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- Completed application via link.
- Certified copy of South African Identity Document.
- Proof of residence.
- Curriculum Vitae (CV).
- Highest qualification and/or statement of results (where applicable).

Applications will not be considered if:

- The applicant does not meet the eligibility criteria.
- The application is incomplete or missing required documents.
- The application is submitted after the closing date.
- The applicant does not reside in KZN.
- The application is not sent to the designated email address.

HOW TO APPLY

- Interested applicants must apply and submit all required documents to https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScx4xWeHBxbk6uUrSr6RINh1g02Cnq6s4h3J0tCmx_q48gbYQ/viewform?usp=publish-editor no later than **25 October 2026 at 23:59**.
- Shortlisted candidates may be contacted for further engagement.

PLEASE NOTE

- Preference may be given to female applicants in support of gender transformation objectives.
- This is a sponsored opportunity, and no fees will be charged to successful applicants.
- Transport, meals and accommodation will **not** be provided.
- Successful applicants must commit to attending all training sessions
- Starter kits may be provided subject to funding availability.
- MKRI reserves the right not to make an award under this call.
- If you have not received feedback within two weeks of the closing date, please consider your application unsuccessful.