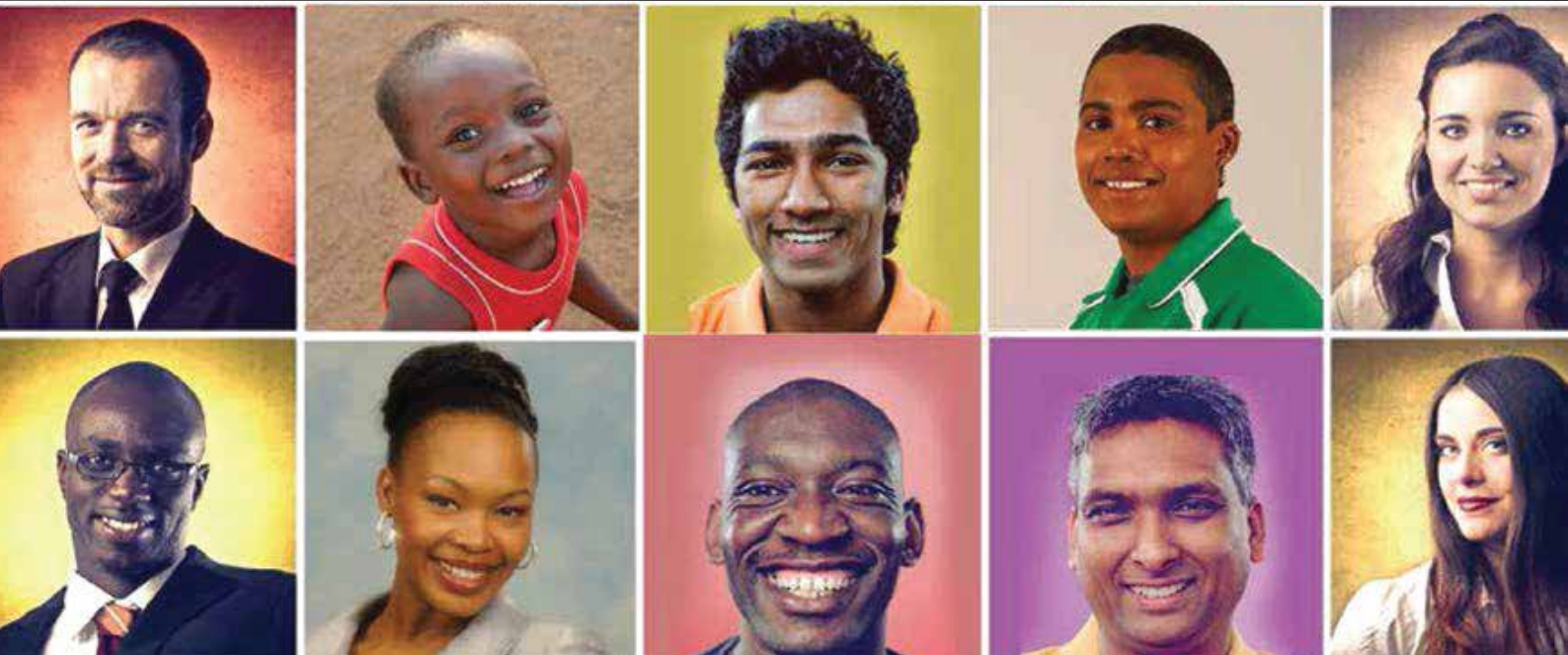




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## Applied Population Science Training and Research (APSTAR)



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## About this programme

Are you involved in strategy, planning, budgeting or long term infrastructure development? How does population dynamics such as the birth rate, death rate, migration and movement and other socio-economic factors influence or affect your decision making? APSTAR may be the solution for you! APSTAR is the Applied Population Science Training and Research Programme of the School of Development Studies, University of KwaZulu-Natal.

The aim of APSTAR is to enhance the understanding of population issues in relation to the broader sphere of development challenges. This programme is carefully constructed by UKZN in partnership with the Department of Social Development and the United Nations Population Fund, and is designed for progression in the public sector.

## How you will benefit

- Use basic demographic skills for better understanding of population dynamics
- Use skills to understand priority research areas on population matters
- Develop a capacity to undertake various sectoral development planning, incorporate population issues and challenges
- Develop an expertise on integrating population priorities into development policies and programmes
- Gain knowledge on the subject Population Studies that will enable you to enhance your career

## Key focus areas

- Week 1 : Introduction to applied population sciences
- Week 2 : Population & development interrelationships
- Week 3 : Basic demographic measures & population projections
- Week 4 : Integration of population issues into development policies, plans & programmes

## Who should attend

Definitely, especially if you are:

- Responsible for integrated development at any of the three spheres of the government
- Managing developmental and/or service delivery programmes
- Responsible for development planning

## Entrance requirements

- Minimum requirement of a Degree or Btech
- A 68+% pass mark will provide access to the one-year Master's programmes in Population Studies at UKZN
- Applicant must have access to a reliable Internet line to complete required hours online

## Facilitators include:



### **Nompumelelo Nzimande**

MA (Sociology/Demography), University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Nompumelelo serves as a representative of the University of KwaZulu-Natal and a member of the advisory committee at the PASA council. She was approached by the Department

of Social Development to be part of an advisory team on exploring the link between

population studies, and population and development. She is also one of the facilitators on the APSTAR programme in population studies for government.



### **Professor Pranitha Maharaj**

PhD (School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, University of London) Pranitha holds a doctorate in Epidemiology and Population Health.

Before joining the School of Development Studies she was a lecturer at the Department of Sociology at the University of Natal, Pietermaritzburg.

Pranitha has managed to accumulate many years of teaching and has also successfully supervised over 20 Master's dissertations. experience at both undergraduate and postgraduate level, and has also successfully supervised over 20 Master's dissertations.

## Programme fee

The programme fee will be determined based on the requirements.

## Learning Methodology

Delegates attending the course are provided with a unique blended learning methodology which combines online access to subject content with real time engagement with facilitators, and the opportunity to add value through contact learning sessions, where feasible and appropriate.

## Duration

The programme is presented over an 8 month period. This includes (4) modules that are presented over (5) consecutive days each (1 week), as well as assignments. Modules build on each other.

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