

NCV INFORMATION BROCHURE

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NATIONAL CERTIFICATE VOCATIONAL IT L2–3

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

At Maharishi Invincibility School (MIS), our campuses offer different types of nationally accredited qualifications to cater for our learners' individual academic and skills-development needs – including practical experience in the workplace.

National Certificate Vocational in Information Technology

Our career-focused **matric** programmes allow learners with a Grade 9 pass to specialise in the incredibly exciting work of digital technology and IT from a young age. Instead of Grades 10, 11 and 12, learners complete **NCV** Level 2, Level 3, and Level 4, and receive an accredited certificate from Umalusi after completing each level. If you know that you are passionate about computers, software and apps, the internet, networks, internet of things, robotics and automation and the exciting world of the 4th Industrial Revolution, this could be the matric preparation programme for you. In this handout, we explain in detail what the NCV is, to, hopefully, answer all of your questions.

If you have any further questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.

What is the NCV?

The National Certificate: Vocational (NCV) is a high-standard, skills-focused qualification that runs parallel to the National Senior Certificate (NSC). This career-focused **matric** qualification allows learners with a clear career vision to specialise in the IT field from a young age. Upon completion of each level, learners receive a qualification issued by Umalusi.

Furthermore, as part of the programme, learners gain **practical experience** in a real or simulated workplace, to ensure that they are workplace-ready once they matriculate.

We are currently offering these programmes at our Johannesburg Campus only.



INFO FOR PARENTS

Understanding the NCV

At MI, we understand that learners may often want to specialise from a young age. Therefore, Maharishi Invincibility School offers the National Certificate: Vocational (NCV). These career-focused programmes allow learners to follow a matric route that runs parallel to the FET phase (Grade 10 to Grade 12). Learners in this programme receive an excellent education that makes them highly employable, while remaining in a regular school environment, and not attending classes with adults.

What is the NCV?

The National Certificate: Vocational (**NCV**) is a high-standard, skills-focused qualification that runs parallel to the National Senior Certificate (NSC). Instead of Grades 10, 11 and 12 (which are set by Umalusi) learners complete NCV Level 2, Level 3, and Level 4 (which are set by the DHET and endorsed by Umalusi).

This career-focused **matric** qualification allows learners with a Grade 9 pass to choose from various programmes, thereby specialising from a young age in their field of interest and gaining knowledge and **21st century skills** that make them highly employable should they choose to not pursue tertiary studies.

Please note, however, that the NCV matric still allows you to pursue tertiary studies in exactly the same way, and Maharishi Invincibility Institute has amazing opportunities for your child in post-graduate IT studies. Furthermore, learners receive a qualification from the DHET after completing each level.

Why Would You Choose the NCV?

This path allows learners who already know which career they want to pursue, to specialise from a young age. The qualification provides learners with academic and practical knowledge in their areas of specialisation, as well as valuable **21st century skills** and workplace experience. Furthermore, good academic performance allows learners to further their studies at a tertiary-education institution or enter the job market with workplace-ready experience.

Learners are further able to focus on their areas of specialisation, as the pass requirements for the programme-specific subjects are more stringent than general subjects such as Life Orientation or Mathematics. In addition, they need to **take only one language subject on first additional level**, whereas learners who continue to Grade 12 are expected to take two languages on various difficulty levels.



Who Can Enrol for These Programmes?

Learners who have **passed Grade 9** can enrol for the programmes offered at **MI**, although some programmes might require at least 50% for Mathematics. Maximum age restrictions apply per year.

What are the Pass Requirements?

Assessments are conducted via practical-assessment tasks, tests, and examinations. Some assignments and tests are set by the campus specialists, while the external examinations and integrated summative assessment tasks are set by the Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET).

To pass each level, learners need to achieve the minimum percentage for each subject:

- English First Additional Language: 40%
- Life Orientation: 40%
- Mathematics or Mathematical Literacy: 30%
- Four programme-specific subjects: 50%

What is Our Registration Status?

Maharishi Invincibility School is provisionally registered with the Department of Higher Education and Training as a **private college** in terms of Section 31(3) of the Continuing Education and Training Act, 2006 (Act No. 16 of 2006) and Regulation 14(4)(b) of the Regulations for the Registration of Private Further Education and Training Colleges, 2007, to offer the National Certificate: Vocational qualification, in accordance with the criteria for providing continuing education and training as defined in the Act.

Our DHET national examination centre number is: MII NPC - 0899993885

Does NCV Allow Learners to Go to University?

Learners who complete NCV Level 4 at **MI** could gain access to tertiary education at colleges, universities, and universities of technology, as long as they meet the minimum entry requirements (as with NSC **matric**). These minimum requirements are set by government and published in the Government Gazette.

In addition, universities may still set their own further (more stringent) minimum entry requirements.



Qualifying students will also be considered first for bursaries to study further through the MII courses offered by:

- Maharishi's Digital Academy
- Maharishi's NQF 5 General Management course

Options to do your Business Degree, MBA, or Computer Science degree through our partners (based on opportunities available at the time of applying).

Learners who gain access to tertiary education with an **NCV** qualification will only be able to study qualifications relevant to the area in which they specialised.

Is This Meant for Non-Academic Learners?

Non-academic learners will find the practical and skills-focused approach followed in these programmes more favourable, but this approach is also suitable for more academically inclined learners wanting to specialise early on.

Do Learners Have to Complete All Levels (Up to Level 4)?

At **MI**, we strongly suggest that learners complete up to Level 4, as it could allow them access to tertiary studies and is on the same NQF level as Grade 12. However, upon completion of any level, learners may choose not to continue and to rather study elsewhere, seek employment, or pursue other avenues.

Finding employment directly after completion of Level 4 is highly likely, as the programme provides learners with workplace-ready experience and **21st century skills**.



Programme Structure				
Levels 2–4 Fundamental Subjects (Compulsory)	Level 2 Vocational Subjects			
EnglishMathematicsLife Orientation	 Introduction to Information Systems Electronics Introduction to Systems Development Multimedia Basics 			
Level 3 Vocational Subjects	Level 4 Vocational Subjects			
 Systems Analysis & Design Computer Hardware & Software Principles of Computer Programming Multimedia Content 	 Systems Analysis & Design Data Communications & Networking Computer Programming Multimedia Content 			

100% scholarships for eligible staff and students' family members (merit-based)

Career Options & General FAQs

What will I be qualified as after completing the course?

This qualification is the first step towards a career path in one of the following:

- Data Capturer
- Desktop Support Technician
- Help Desk Assistant
- Office Computer User
- Trainee Computer Programmer

Graduates can join the Digital Academy or Cybersecurity Academy to build a career in various specialisations.



Non-Refundable Enrolment Fee Payable on approval of application	
2022 Programmes	Fee
NCV 2: Information Technology and Computer Science	R2,500

Tuition Fees Payable over 12 months			
2022 Programmes	Monthly Fee January to December	Total for the Year	Annual Payment (10% discount if paid before 31st January)
NCV 2: Information Technology and Computer Science	R3,000	R 36,000	R32,400

Bursaries

Maharishi Invincibility Institute is offering a limited number of merit-based bursaries to deserving candidates who apply for Bursaries.

This will cover all tuition fees for Level 2, 3, and 4, i.e., for 3 years, provided the individual continues to perform at the level required for the bursary.

To make application for a Bursary, please speak to our Admissions team.

