

Vision for the CET Sector

Vision

Opening up diverse learning opportunities for people of all ages to enhance their chances of success in finding work, starting and sustaining businesses, improving the quality of their lives through knowledge and personal development, and progressing into other post school institutions.

Values

- Opening access to learning opportunities for education and training for young people and adults who choose community colleges as an option.
- Developing programmes for lifelong learning opportunities for personal development.
- Catering for development of work skills to improve socio-economic lives of people through employment and starting and sustaining businesses.
- Developing a flexible sector that caters for the diverse needs of the student population and evolving as the needs of students and the context changes.
- Diversity of programmes to support the range of needs of the population likely to need community education. Students should be able to choose from a range of options including short skills programmes for non-formal non-certificate learning or credit bearing full qualifications.
- The structure of the programmes should enable flexibility of learning, e.g. skills programmes that lead to a qualification for those who want to learn in small chunks, flexible learning delivery e.g. mixed mode online and block release; and delivery time should be flexible including day time programmes with an extra-curricular programme as well as night time programmes for people who can only access their education and training after working hours.

The population to be served

Community colleges will serve students of all ages with a specific focus to the following needs:

- Completion of school for second chance learners who did not complete schooling
- Continuing education for those who want to acquire labour market skills or further their education post literacy
- Reskilling for those who want to pursue another area of work
- Developing skills for sustainable livelihoods including entrepreneurship
- Community based needs for example community health care, parenting and childcare, early childhood development, caring for the aged, home based care for HIV/AIDS, and skills for self –employment