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Accreditation status of Stellenbosch University

Thank you for seeking clarity on the registration and accreditation status of Stellenbosch University (SU). The information in this letter explains how the South African national authorities recognize the institution and the education programmes it offers.

In terms of the Higher Education Act (Act 101 of 1997) and the SU Statute (Government Notice No. 40243 Notice 972 of 02 September 2016) Stellenbosch University is a public higher education institution. Please note that, in terms of the Act, *only private providers are given registration numbers.*

The qualifications offered by Stellenbosch University are:

- (a) *approved* and subsidized by the Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET),
- (b) *accredited* by the Higher Education Quality Committee (HEQC) of the Council on Higher Education (CHE), and
- (c) *registered* on the National Qualifications Framework (NQF) of the South African Qualifications Authority (SAQA).

The HEQC is the Education and Training Quality Assurance (ETQA) body for the whole higher education sector, as recognized by SAQA. Therefore public higher education institutions do not need to obtain accreditation through the Sector Education and Training Authority (SETA) ETQAs.

Since June 2000 all SU qualifications have been registered with SAQA in terms of the interim procedures for registration of qualifications on the NQF.

Please feel free to contact me should you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely

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