
FGASA: APPRENTICE FIELD GUIDE (NQF 2)

(10 Weeks)

Qualification Title: FGASA: Apprentice
Field Guide (NQF 2)

Level: 2

Cost: R31 135 (incl. VAT)

Duration: 10 Weeks

This course is targeted at individuals interested in learning more about nature and working within the Conservation and Tourism industries. It is ideally suited to those unemployed individuals who want to enter the Conservation and Tourism industries.

Learn how to create a guided experience within the conservation environment while attending workplace training at Sondela Nature Reserve & Spa. This course will enable you to do the following:

- Create a guided experience
- Basic Geology
- Weather and Climate
- Basic Astronomy
- Basic Ecology
- Biomes of Southern Africa
- Taxonomy
- Botany
- Fish
- Amphibians
- Arthropods and Reptiles
- Birds and Mammals
- Animal Behaviour
- Conservation and Habitat Management
- Historic Human Habitation

While at Sondela Nature Reserve, you will be working with our Management, HODs, Assessors & Facilitators to learn how to do the above mentioned and some other general maintenance functions.



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Course structure and process:

The FGASA Apprentice Field Guide (NQF2) Certificate consists of the following compulsory components:

- Conduct a guided nature experience in a limited geographical area (Unit Standard 8440)
- Create a guided experience for customers (Unit Standard 8478)

These Unit Standards are assessed by means of:

- Workbook
- Theory examination
- Practical Assessment

The practical assessment can only be completed after the successful completion of both the theory exam and the workbook.

Length of course:

±400 hours / 50 days in total (Monday to Friday over a period of 10 weeks)

This includes a theoretical component (lectures), a practical component, self-study, assignments and the formative and summative theory and practical assessments.

Benefits:

Following the successful completion of the course, the learner will receive a Sondela Academy and FGASA certificate.

The learner information will be captured on the National Learner Record Database (NLRD) with the credits obtained. These credits could be used as proof of Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) for studies at University etc.

Upon completion of the tuition period, an in-service certificate and workplace reference letter from Sondela Nature Reserve & Spa will be provided.

