

GETON SKILLS DEVELOPMENT CENTRE NEWS LETTER



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The Journey from Graduation to Success

In a world full of challenges, I, Simphiwe Seroba, a 22-year-old from Danville, has defied the odds to achieve my dreams. My journey is one that represents determination.

In 2018, I completed my matric – a significant achievement that opened the door to my dreams. Like many young individuals, I aspired to further my education and secure a fulfilling job. With great enthusiasm, I enrolled at Tshwane University of Technology but little did I know that the path ahead would be far from straightforward.

After successfully graduating from TUT, I was excited to step into the professional world, but reality hit me hard. Finding a job in my field of study proved to be a daunting task. The job market is highly competitive, and the search for a suitable job can be disheartening. Nevertheless, my determination kept me focused on my goals.

During my quest for employment, a glimmer of hope appeared in the form of GetOn Skills Development, an organization dedicated to empowering individuals by imparting valuable skills and knowledge that can enhance their employability. Seeing this as a lifeline, I decided to enrol in their Advanced Computing program.

With my acquired skills, my journey to success was gaining momentum. GetOn Skills Development recognized my potential and offered me an internship opportunity. This was a turning point in my life, as it allowed me to apply my skills in a professional setting and gain hands-on experience.

Graduation was beautiful, exciting, and overwhelming all at the same time for me. Nothing on this planet can ever take the place of the satisfaction that comes from starting something and seeing it through to completion. If you've recently started a course and are thinking about dropping it, DON'T. Have patience because everything is tough before it becomes easy.

My internship at GetOn isn't just a job – it is a transformative experience. It provided me with the practical experience I needed and more importantly gave me a sense of purpose and direction. I am no longer just searching for a job; I am building my career.

- Simphiwe Seroba



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The Vaal Team

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Women's Day

In celebration of Women's Day, we hosted a special event where our students had the privilege of hearing from two remarkable women, Thandi Mohale and Tess Chauke, who are our entrepreneurship beneficiaries. Their inspiring speeches served as a source of motivation for our students, conveying valuable insights and encouraging them to pursue their aspirations. This event's purpose was to highlight the importance of women empowerment and the need for female role models. Our students left the event feeling inspired and ready to embark on their own journeys of success.

"Every woman's success should be an inspiration to another. We're strongest when we cheer each other on."



Breast Cancer Awareness

In an effort to raise awareness, we organized a breast cancer awareness talk for our students. The session aimed to shed light on the significance of early detection and the importance of regular screenings in the fight against breast cancer. Through informative presentations and engaging discussions, we emphasized the need for knowledge about risk factors, symptoms, and the available preventive measures. Our goal was not only to inform them about valuable information but also to empower our students with the tools to take charge of their own health.

Heritage day

For Heritage day, we organized an event that brought together students from various cultural backgrounds in South Africa, with the aim of showcasing the rich diversity of our nation's cultures. Each group of students were given a week to decide and learn about the culture they chose to represent. On the last day they presented their chosen unique cultural heritage through traditional dance and poetry performances. This gathering served as a vibrant and colourful celebration of South Africa's different cultures, highlighting the beauty and significance of the different cultures that coexist within our borders.



GetOn Courses

Advanced Computing:
Office Administration (6 weeks)

Professional Baking (8 weeks)

Barista Training (4 weeks)

Entrepreneurial Training (1 week)

Point of Sales (4 weeks)

Call Centre (4 weeks)

Additional Offerings:

Job Readiness Workshops

Life Skills and Personal Finance

Enterprise Development (GED)

GetOn Business Incubation Hub

Corporate Skills Development

GetOn E-Learning Portal

GetOn Open Days

- 23 November 2023
- 12 January 2024
- 25 January 2024

The GetOn Graduations will take place on the 01 December 2023 in PTA and 8 December 2023 in the Vaal

For additional information on Courses/Open Days contact us on (012) 387 0652 or

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GetOn Skills Development Statistics March 2022 - February 2023

Onsite Courses Facilitated since 2008

16,035



Woman Empowerment

89%

GetOn students were young woman in the 2023 financial year.



GetOn Staff

GetOn staff compliment has grown from 6 full time staff members in 2012 to 23 full time staff members, 10 volunteers, and 3 consultants in 2023. 61% of GetOn staff being previous GetOn students.



Training

1,814 courses, entrepreneurial, workshops and life skills training was conducted onsite by GetOn with students in 2022/2023.



Success

71% of the students completing skills specific courses were placed into employment, with 91% of students placed in the previous year remaining employed for longer than 12 months.



Students

99% of GetOn students were black South African Youth.



Skills Development

Seven hundred and eighty five (785) students completed skills specific courses. 71% of the students completing skills specific courses were placed into employment, with 91% of students placed in the previous year remaining employed for longer than 12 months.



Entrepreneurial Training

One hundred and seventy eight (178) beneficiaries completed the entrepreneurial training. 76% successfully registering their businesses and completing all legal requirements, 68% showing growth in their businesses within six months and 61% employing additional staff within a year. A full year cycle has not been completed and these statistics to rise once milestones are met.



GetOn Elearning

March 2022 –February 2023 GetOn recorded 881 courses complete on the platform, with students completing courses from Limpopo, Gauteng, Western Cape, Mpumalanga, Free State and the North West provinces. With sixty three (94) students sharing success of employment once gaining a certificate. GetOn is in development stage of the Elearning to enhance placement and learning opportunities.



GetOn Enterprise Development

With seven (6) enterprise development businesses, GetOn mentoring, providing seed capital and assistance with administrative duties, the combined turnover from the six businesses totaled R3,1 million in 2022.



GetOn Business Incubation Hub

GetOn offered professional office space to five EME's in 2022. With a focus on providing access, mentorship and a professional working environment for businesses to grow and create employment.



In the 2023/2024 financial year, GetOn aims to train 1544 courses at the GetOn Pretoria site and 1340 courses at the GetOn Vaal site with 70% of the 1,039 students completing job specific courses, and the 225 students completing entrepreneurship courses becoming economically active, placed into employment or establishing successful businesses.

Additionally GetOn aims to have 1500 students complete skills specific

Empowering Youth Through Skills Development

Ntasko, a recent graduate of the POS course from Soshanguve, has achieved a remarkable milestone by securing employment at Exact Store Hebron Mall. His journey serves as a true success story, highlighting the fruits of his dedication and hard work. Throughout his academic journey, Ntasko consistently demonstrated his commitment to excellence, and it's inspiring to see that hard work pays off. We, as his educators and supporters, are immensely proud of Ntasko's accomplishments. Well done.



A Shining Example of Retail Success Through Dedication

Matselane Ruth Moeketsi, a dedicated and hardworking individual who completed the Point of Sale course at the Vaal Campus, recently completed her work experiential training at Spar Artemis and we are overjoyed to announce that she has secured a permanent position with the store. During her time at Spar, she demonstrated exceptional commitment, a positive attitude, and a strong work ethic. These qualities not only caught the attention of her supervisor but also earned her the respect and admiration of the entire team.



Climbing the corporate ladder—10 years on

Celebrating a decade since my graduation from GetOn in 2014, I reflect with immense gratitude on the transformative journey that commenced with my first interview and job at Edcon (Edgars).

Thanks to GetOn, I started as a casual employee and have now ascended to the role of floor manager at one of South Africa's largest retailers, Edgars. Each day, I carry the invaluable lessons and skills imparted by Mr. Khalo, Cathy, and my lecturer Kabelo, cherishing the opportunity that GetOn provided. My heartfelt thanks extend to everyone at GetOn for shaping my professional trajectory. With deep appreciation, I express my gratitude to GetOn for the pivotal role it has played in my career growth.

—Glen Mokganya

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EXCITING NEWS:

-We're thrilled to announce the upcoming launch of our highly anticipated digital marketing course, set to debut in March next year. This comprehensive program promises to equip participants with the latest tools and strategies essential for success in the ever-evolving digital landscape

-We will be soon launching our GetOn pages, where you will find verified and reliable small businesses and discover better quality service providers.

