

ADVANCED DIPLOMA IN DERMAL AESTHETICS (NQF Level 7, 120 credits, SAQA ID 97898)

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Thank you for enquiring about the *Isa Carstens Academy* and our **Advanced Diploma in Dermal Aesthetics**.

The *Isa Carstens Academy* has been built on a solid reputation and heritage over the past 45 years. We strive to offer our students excellence in quality training and education. At the Academy, we ensure you obtain the relevant skills, qualities and understanding required to become employable and successful in your future career.

Continued education is a significant step in staying competitive and enhancing your skills. Whether you are starting your career or returning to continue building upon your years of experience, pursuing educational training helps you **keep moving forward**. And higher education gives you the shoes to take that next step to reinforce your range of marketable skills and credentials, making them **more competitive** - both at your current employer and in the overall job market.

The *Isa Carstens Academy* is a registered Private Higher Education Provider, thereby contributing to and enhancing our industry by offering programmes of high esteem, ensuring your success beyond beauty.

The **Advanced Diploma in Dermal Aesthetics** allows graduates to advance their studies in the wellness sciences, permitting them to specialise in the field of medical aesthetics, with career opportunities in Medical Spa, Medical Aesthetic Practices and Dental spas, one of the fastest growing fields in skincare today. The demand for non-surgical facial rejuvenation therapy is rapidly increasing. The partnership between Medical practitioners and Therapists is the ideal collaboration to provide safe, state-of-the-art patient care.

If you are interested in this course, please find information and procedures for completing your application below. We look forward to your application and welcome you to Isa Carstens Academy. **Once an ISA – always an ISA!**

Yours sincerely



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ACADEMIC HEAD

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1. ADVANCED DIPLOMA IN DERMAL AESTHETICS

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The **Advanced Diploma in Dermal Aesthetics** is a **distance learning programme** enabling you to continue your employment while completing your qualification. To support you in acquiring the necessary advanced skills, the programme includes various learning opportunities:

- **Contact sessions** through an interactive online platform. Students participate in the session via live streaming one evening a week from 18:00 – 20:00, after which they will be uploaded to an online student platform if you require a repeat session.
- **Practical block contact sessions** will be hosted at the Stellenbosch and Pretoria campuses. **It is compulsory for you to attend three block sessions per year.** The duration is usually one week per block session (Monday – Friday).
- **Independent study** with study guides and carefully developed assignments/class tests to guide you through the course content and prepare you for the summative examinations at the end of your studies.
- Minimum duration for completion of this programme is one year (Full time), and the maximum period for completion of studies is two years (Part-time).

Should you choose the *Part-time study option*, you will complete your studies over two years, with compulsory subjects and modules as set out below:

- **1st Year compulsory subjects:** *Advanced Procedures (Theory only, Semester 1); Practice Management (Semester 1 and 2) and 3x Semester 1 Modules.*
- **2nd Year compulsory subjects:** *Advanced Procedures (Semester 1 and 2, including compulsory practical block sessions); Research Methodology and 3 x Semester 2 Modules.*

2. COURSE CONTENT

SUBJECTS	NQF LEVEL	CREDITS
Advanced Procedures in Aesthetic Treatments	7	30
Advanced Dermal Science	7	20
Dermal Pathophysiology	7	20
Practice Management	7	15
Applied Cosmetic Science	7	15
Research Methodology	7	20

Modules covered in Advanced Procedures, Advanced Dermal Science, Dermal Pathophysiology and Applied Cosmetic Science during the course:

The Ageing Skin
Scarring and Wound Healing
Body Treatments
Pigmentation
Acne and Rosacea
Allergic and Reactive Skin Conditions

3. ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- A three-year Diploma in Somatology (NQF Level 6, 360 credits) **or** equivalent qualification in a cognate field.
- Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL): Students may provide evidence of prior learning. Evidence may be presented in the form of portfolios of evidence or any other form of appropriate evidence, including verified accounts of previous relevant work experience.

NOTE: Entry into the Advanced Diploma in Dermal Aesthetics is not automatic. A limited number of students can be accepted, and selection will be based on academic performance and/or work experience.

4. HOW TO APPLY

Applications **open on 01 July 2023**. Please complete an application on our [website](#). The **closing date** for applications is **30 September 2023**. **Successful candidates will be informed during October of the outcome of their application**, whereby a non-refundable Reservation/Administration fee is required to secure your place at the Academy.

Should we not receive your non-refundable Reservation/Administration fee within two weeks of receiving the outcome of your application, you will automatically be placed on the waiting list, and entry into the programme cannot be guaranteed.

- 4.1 Type of Applicant:** Please choose carefully, as we cannot change your study option once you applied.

Full-time student, defined as a student that will complete their studies in 1-Year, or **A part-time student** is defined as a student that will complete his/her studies over two years.

All applicants must submit the following supporting documents to complete their application. Without these supporting documents, we cannot process your application:

- A certified copy of your ID document or passport;
- A certified copy of your Grade 12/or equivalent results;
- A certified copy of your tertiary qualifications obtained/in progress, including the academic transcript;
- Detailed CV with work experience (compulsory for applicants with work experience); and

5. INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

You need to apply for your qualification/s to be verified before we can process your application. The evaluation function's purpose is to recognise foreign qualifications in terms of the South African National Qualifications Framework. You must visit the SAQA website and follow the steps to register <https://www.saqa.org.za/evaluation-foreign-qualifications>. Once you receive your

feedback, please submit the outcome to the Admissions and Registrations office for your application to be processed: adminofficer@isacarstens.co.za.

Study Visa: International students who are staying in South Africa for the duration of their studies must submit proof of their study visa before the starting date of the course.

6. COURSE FEES

The course fee for 2023 is displayed as the current fee. The Final fees for 2024 will be confirmed by the end of **October 2023**. **All fees are payable on/before 09 January 2024.**

A. FULL-TIME STUDENTS: You will complete your course in one year

Non-refundable Reservation / Administration Fee	R5 500
Tuition Fee	R60 310
Uniform (Kimono)	R410

B. PART-TIME STUDENTS: You will complete your course over two years

Year 1

Non-refundable Reservation / Administration Fee	R5 000
Tuition Fee	R31 390

Year 2

Non-refundable Reservation / Administration Fee	R4 500
Tuition Fee	R31 938
Uniform (Kimono)	R410

7. FINANCING YOUR EDUCATION

7.1 Student loan through an independent financial institution

Arrangements to accommodate the payment of fees should be made well in advance. We recommend that as soon as a student has been accepted by the Academy, the application must be made at a financial institution to grant study assistance.

7.2 Other

The Isa Carstens Academy has a relationship with the following providers. You need to apply with these institutions directly:

- **Student Hero:** <https://www.studenthero.co.za/home>
Contact Student Hero to help you learn, apply, and pre-qualify for the different options to fund tertiary education from a single platform.
- **Smart Funder:** <https://credit.smartfunder.co.za/>
- **Atterbury Trust Pretoria:** <https://atterburytrust.org/kontak/>
Tel: +27 12 471 1600 & E-mail: enquiry@atterbury.co.za
- **Helpmekaar Studiefonds:** <https://helpmekaarfonds.org/kontak-ons/>
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If you require further course information, please do not hesitate to contact us or consult our [website](#)