



# REACH

Business Management Training College

The Human Resources College of Southern Africa



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## MESSAGE FROM THE VICE-PRINCIPAL

This year kicked off with a bang and I can't believe it's almost the end of May. Shortly we'll celebrate the biggest kick off in the world. Yes, the World Cup is so close one can almost feel the nation vibrate with excitement. One only needs to look at the invasion of Soweto by the Bulls supporters and their vigilant blowing of the Vuvuzelas to realise how everyone is embracing the advent of the Big Game. Driving down the street or highways we see more and more people displaying their national pride. Our President, Mr. Zuma, even asked all of us to be "good" for the next few weeks.

The first question I asked myself was, "Why can't we be good all the time?" Do we really need the nay-sayers and negativity that seems to be polluting the heart of this great country? There seems to be so much pressure on us. One would be naïve to turn a blind eye to the corruption, crime and violence that is poured down our throats on a daily basis. The question is, "What are we doing about it?" Many people would ask, "But what can I do?"

Strange as it might sound, I believe that our greatest achievements and accomplishments in life are born when the pressure is turned on. I see it in the day-to-day operations and management of BMT College. In the midst of all the deadlines, meetings and schedules there is always a

brief moment to stop, reflect, smile and see the bigger picture. These are the magic moments when you realise that all this chaos, stress and hard work has a greater purpose and that all our efforts will eventually be rewarded.

You as a student are studying to either better you life, your skills or improve your knowledge. Sometimes we tend to forget the bigger picture. The bigger picture where the skills and knowledge you acquire will help build this country and change it for the better. Isn't that the spirit of Ubuntu? Where everyone works together and bring their efforts to the table to make this country great.

South Africans have a rare combination of passion and ambition topped with a healthy dose of good old humour. We are well known for being a friendly and hospitable nation. I do not for one moment doubt the abilities of the South Africans that have worked so hard to make this happen.

Together we will witness one of the greatest events our country has ever seen.

Here's to an amazing 2010! Let us work hard, study harder and every now and then laugh out loud. Laduma!

Mr. Jako Poolman  
Vice-Principal

What's New?

Four new short courses have been introduced by BMT College. These course are Credit Bearing and can be completed in 3 to 6 months or less. The **Supervisor Series** has been developed specifically to be generic across various industries and meet individual demands of students and employers. These courses will prepare a student to effectively plan, organise and allocate work to individuals and teams. Visit [www.bmtcollege.edu.za](http://www.bmtcollege.edu.za) for more information or contact the College at 011 708 0159. The **Disciplinary Procedures Certificate** will fully prepare any manager or supervisor to handle grievances and disciplinary procedures.

The **Virtual Campus** has undergone various changes to enhance student support. Visit [www.bmtcollege.edu.za](http://www.bmtcollege.edu.za) to see the latest developments.

BMT College also introduced **Contact Sessions** or workshops where students can book a date and amongst peer students get some advice directly from the lecturer and meet some of their fellow students. Book your contact session today at [www.bmtcollege.edu.za](http://www.bmtcollege.edu.za).

**Our Virtual Campus also includes a Secure Payments Office, where you can make payments with your Visa or MasterCard. The site is secure and very user friendly. Your payment will automatically be uploaded on your student profile within 72 hours.**

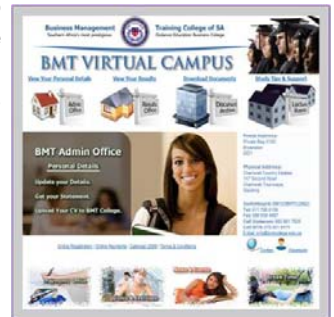
## WELCOME NOTE TO ALL OUR NEW AND CURRENT LEARNERS

A very warm welcome to all the learners, that joined BMT College for the first time this year. We trust that your study experience with us will be productive and enjoyable. To assist you on your way please find some valuable information relating to our Virtual Campus.

### Virtual Campus

As a current learner, when was the last time you visited the BMT College website? Log onto [www.BMTcollege.edu.za](http://www.BMTcollege.edu.za) and you will be pleasantly surprised. As our valued learner you now have 24 hour access to an innovative, interactive Virtual Campus that will guide you from your initial registration, up and to the day that you graduate. Everything you need to know about your studies and progress is available for your convenience. Some of the features include:

- Updates on learner registration within 72 hours after submitting your application
- Projected due dates for assignments
- Progress on your submitted assignments
- Projected return dates for results
- Verified results of assignments
- Post date for next assignment as well as parcel number
- Account/ loan payments and outstanding balances



The BMT College website is secure where registered, active learners can log into their Personal Learner Profile at any time. A valid student number (last 5 digits) and ID Number are required for access.

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## LEARNER SUPPORT AND CONTACT SESSIONS

Do you feel frustrated with your assignments or do some of the Unit Standards make no sense at all?

Did you know that assistance is only a phone call or e-mail message away? We can only be of assistance if we know about your problem. See 'How to reach us' for a list of contact details.

BMT College introduced a projected schedule for due dates on your assignments. We trust that these dates will assist you in planning your studies and improve your time management. Your individual schedule is available on the website or can be obtained from our call centre.

### Contact Sessions

BMT College will be hosting a series of contact sessions to assist our learners. Please visit the Virtual Campus on a regular basis to see dates and times. Please register online if you wish to attend or phone the college for further assistance.

NOW EASIER TO NAVIGATE THAN EVER BEFORE!

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Visit the College website today for the latest updates and information.

***BMT College, changing the way the world experience Distance Education.***

## HOW TO REACH US

If you do not have access to the Internet, please do not worry. You may phone our call centre from Monday to Friday where one of our friendly student advisors will attend to your query.

**Always have your Student Number available so we may tend to your query in the shortest possible time.**

BMT College has a Smartaccess number **086 123BMT (2682)**. Your telephone costs will be fixed, no matter from where in South Africa you are phoning. Our call centre number remains unchanged: 011 708-0159.

You may also reach us via e-mail at [info@bmtcollege.edu.za](mailto:info@bmtcollege.edu.za). Please supply your Student Number in the subject line for ease of reference.

Any queries, questions, enrolment forms or proof of payments can be faxed to us on **0866 394687**

If all else fails you can even use snail mail: Private Bag x 100, Bryanston, 2021

Whichever method of communication you choose, be assured that we have all the systems in place to ensure that you reach us successfully.

**NB: Remember to inform the college of any changes to your contact details, including your cell number, e-mail address as well as postal address.**

Please forward any suggestions or comments relating to this newsletter to:

Zelda@bmtcollege.edu.za

**We would love to hear from you.**