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FET COLLEGE PROGRAMMES AND EQUIVALENT NQF LEVELS

The following level descriptors provide a description of FET College programmes on the National Qualification Framework (NQF). The purpose of such descriptors is to assist the FET College sector when classifying certificates and diplomas according to the NQF levels:

QUALIFICATION	DESCRIPTION	NQF LEVEL
N1 Certificate	General Studies / Natural Sciences Studies	2
N2 / NIC Certificate	General Studies / Natural Sciences Studies	3
N3 Certificate	General Studies / Natural Sciences Studies	Not a full NQF level 4 qualification. Two Official Languages will result in a NSC.
National Senior Certificate (NSC)	General Studies / Natural Sciences Studies	4
N4 and N5 and N6	General Studies / Natural Sciences Studies	5
National N Diploma	General Studies / Natural Sciences Studies	6

Kind regards

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