This two-year part-time master’s degree seeks to develop leaders who can strategically and innovatively address community mental health challenges and enhance community wellbeing. These leaders will develop the capacity to act as catalysts to bring together various sectors to tackle the social and mental health challenges that our country faces.

This master’s degree promotes social innovation and intervention and develops skills for policy development and advocacy around community mental health issues. It also seeks to build a continuous entrepreneurial mind-set in order to harness opportunities within community contexts.
A master’s degree that focuses on South African mental health needs at a community level

BENEFITS AT A GLANCE
This master’s degree is a good choice if you:

• Want to become a community change agent who can relate your knowledge at an advanced level in the development of community mental health promotion.
• Want to commit to a high level of theoretical engagement and intellectual independence.
• Have an honours degree in a cognate field and want a master’s degree that will build competencies as a strategic leader and social innovator in the field of community mental health.
• Have an interest in acting as a catalyst to lead the charge in pro-actively contributing to the mental health and wellbeing of South African communities with self-direction and originality in approaching and solving problems.
• Have experience in leadership positions with a focus on community development, mental health advocacy and promotion, policy implementation or change management and want to enrich your effectiveness through a rigorous master’s-level academic programme.
• Seek to study further or be eligible for admission to a cognate doctoral degree, typically aligned to the area of specialisation in the master’s degree.
• Seek employment in an extensive range of public and private sector enterprises including, but not limited to, a variety of NPOs, NGOs, and corporate companies with a social development focus.
• Want training that is in line with the National Skills Development Strategy III and the National Development Plan 2030 to be able to advance, lead, and innovatively contribute to the mental health of all South Africans.

* Note: This is not a professional programme and does not lead to registration with the HPCSA in any professional category of registration.

LEARN MORE
Contact an admissions officer on admissions@sacap.edu.za, call 0860 77 11 11 or visit www.sacap.edu.za

STUDY OPTIONS:
On campus (Cape Town & Johannesburg)

DURATION:
2 years, part-time

MODULES:
10 modules, including core modules, intensive modules, workshops and a mini dissertation

ACCREDITATION:
NQF 9, CHE accredited

FACULTY:
Applied Psychology

Admission Requirements:
• A relevant Bachelor Honours Degree (NQF level 8), relevant Postgraduate Diploma, or SAQA verified equivalent qualification in a recognised cognate field with a grade point average (GPA) of 65% or above, OR
• International candidates who seek admission into SACAP’s MSocSci (Community Mental Health Promotion) must have a degree equivalent qualification(s) that is/are deemed to be of an academic level as those listed above, OR
• Applicants 24 years of age and older who do not meet the above requirements should provide a portfolio of evidence demonstrating that they have reached a level in the subject or a cognate subject, that is equivalent to the learning outcomes of an Honours Bachelor’s degree/NQF 8 qualification.

Please Note:
• SACAP limits its intake into the MSocSci (Community Mental Health Promotion) to 20 students per campus per year to ensure the integrity of SACAP’s educational philosophy in the context of this programme.
• SACAP’s educational philosophy is student-centred and is focused on providing a supportive learning environment to help students attain their academic goals.

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