

# National Council for Higher Education



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## STATEMENT ON RE-ASSESSMENT OF ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMMES

The National Council for Higher Education (NCHE) accredits academic or professional programmes as per its mandate, based on a prescribed set of Quality Assurance capacity indicators specified in the Quality Assurance Regulatory Framework. These indicators include infrastructure and human resources available for implementing a programme. The NCHE, in addition, assesses the quality and relevance of the programme and its learning outcomes as well as the teaching and learning methods. Institutions are required to re-submit programs for reassessment every 5 years (for Masters, Bachelors, Diplomas and Higher Education Certificates) and every 10 years for PhDs.

The NCHE re-assesses the programmes to establish, among other things:

1. The implementation of NCHE regulations regarding minimum standards;
2. The adherence to the programme design, the content, the duration, contact hours and assessment of what is taught;
3. Relevance of what is taught for the job market and the nation;
4. The quality of graduates.

Expiry of accreditation means that the programme needs re-assessment to establish whether the key aspects upon which accreditation was granted are still in place.

## MANAGEMENT