ABOUT US

SAE Institute has been delivering outstanding industry-focused education since 1976. As the global leader in creative media education, we have set the benchmark for qualifications in creative media. We understand these industries and we know how to prepare industry-ready graduates. We work closely with industry partners, employ specialist lecturers with real-world industry experience, and facilitate getting you out of the classroom and into the industry. Our world-class facilities support personalised tuition in a supportive and collaborative environment.

Our specialised programmes in creative media are responsive to the dynamic and evolving nature of these industries. We keep our finger on the pulse and think outside the box to help you reach your full potential and realise your dreams!

Our two purpose-built, state-of-the-art multi-media campuses are located in one of Cape Town’s most creative hubs, the award winning Woodstock Exchange and Johannesburg’s iconic Design District building respectively. Woodstock Exchange includes some of the city’s most talented and respected photographers, fashion designers, printers, illustrators, film directors and cutting edge retail stores. Our Johannesburg campus is based in the trendy, vibrant area of Rosebank and is housed in the Design District building that is home to Film, TV broadcasts, casting studios and music businesses. Within a 5 minute walk of the campus, the Gautrain is also surrounded by a multi-cultural mix of restaurants and venues with inspirational design shops and quirky stores.

With 47 campuses in 23 countries, we are able to draw on global best practices which we mould and shape to find relevance within the African context. We are proud to contribute in driving the rapidly growing and exciting, African Creative Media Industry forward.

WE LOVE WHAT WE DO AND WE ARE COMMITTED TO PROVIDING QUALITY EDUCATION OPTIONS THAT CHALLENGE, DEVELOP AS WELL AS INSPIRE!

VISION
To be Africa’s most inspiring Educator for the Creative Media Industries.

EDUCATE
Provide relevant and high quality education in an ergonomically positive environment, thereby enhancing the performance of our students.

EMPOWER
Through our high quality and current education methods we empower our students to maximize their career potential.

EMPLOY
By Educating and Empowering our students we provide them with the skills to become gainfully employed, and contribute as responsible and productive citizens of society.

Nationally Registered and Internationally Recognised Programmes.

ALL programmes are registered with the Department of Higher Education and Training. A SAQA registered qualification enables you to advance your career nationally and internationally.

All qualifications in South Africa need to be registered with the South African Qualifications Authority (SAQA).

All our Diplomas, Higher Certificates and National Certificate programmes are registered with SAQA.

FOR THE LATEST PROGRAMME INFORMATION VISIT SAE.EDU.ZA
THE SAE INSTITUTE DIFFERENCE

REASONS YOU SHOULD JOIN US

WE ARE THE GLOBAL LEADER IN CREATIVE MEDIA EDUCATION

WE GET YOU INDUSTRY-READY WHERE IT COUNTS!

• We invest time in our students’ employability skills and we make this part of the curriculum.
• We have strong industry connections. Your journey in the industry begins when you join SAE Institute, not when you leave!
• We facilitate Work-Integrated Learning through a major Creative Project, the students undertake.
• We have fast-tracked learning pathways to ensure our students get into their dream job faster.

OUR APPROACH TO LEARNING

• We specialize in 4 verticals: Sound Production, Film Production, Animation and now Game Design and Production.
• During the learning process, we cross-collaborate the chosen discipline of study with the added advantage of interacting and collaborating with other students across SAE as a whole.
• We offer personalized tuition by industry professionals.
• We have access to the latest technology information and draw on over 40 years of education best practice and intellectual property.
• We have world-class facilities in amazing locations. Johannesburg Campus (in Rosebank) and Cape Town Campus (in Woodstock).

WE ARE GLOBAL PERIOD!

• We are globally connected to 47 campuses in 23 countries. Our student base is very diverse.
• Our qualifications are recognized by the global creative media industry.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS AND SAE INSTITUTE SOUTH AFRICA

South Africa is one of the most dynamic and up-and-coming countries in the world. With a host of vibrant cities, diverse cultures and wildlife, it’s no wonder it is a popular study destination for international students! Our comfortable climate and beautiful landscape offer endless opportunities for exploration and discovery. From our exotic beaches, to our majestic mountain ranges, the near-perfect weather is reason enough to at least consider international study opportunities in South Africa.

• QUALITY OF EDUCATION
• SOUTH AFRICAN INSTITUTIONS OFFER MULTICULTURAL STUDENT COMMUNITIES
• GOOD ACADEMIC FACILITIES
• A RANGE OF SOCIAL ACTIVITIES
• GOOD SUPPORT SYSTEMS FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Each campus houses state-of-the-art equipment used in all our practical teaching. The Cape Town campus is situated in the cosmopolitan and trendy Woodstock area. While Johannesburg’s campus is located in the heart of Rosebank super vibrant Design District. Both these locations are popular zones where creative minds love to meet. Rub shoulders with the industry’s hottest producers, and maverick artists.

CREATE YOUR MIX!
IN THE HEART OF THE CITY... WITH SAE!
IMPORTANT THINGS TO KNOW BEFORE YOU APPLY TO SAE

ADMISSION POLICY
It is the policy of International SAE that all applicants must meet the minimum regulatory requirements for admission.

We welcome applications from all candidates with the potential to succeed in higher education. We are committed to equal opportunity and therefore admission is open to all eligible applicants, regardless of race, colour, creed, national origin and sex, provided that preference be given to an eligible South African applicant over an applicant from a foreign country. If the number of applicants exceeds the spaces available for a particular campus or instructional programme, SAE may use criteria that exceed the minimum requirements or transfer students to another campus.

In addition to the general admission requirements as prescribed, an applicant must also meet SAE’s requirements for the particular instructional programme. Admission and selection criteria in respect of international qualifications presented to SAE, or any subject offered in partnership with SAE an associated or affiliated institution, may include additional requirements. Most foreign school qualifications will be accepted for the purposes of admission to SAE but they must be evaluated first, by the South African Qualifications Authority (SAQA).

FOREIGN QUALIFICATIONS EVALUATION AND ADVISORY SERVICE
South African Qualifications Authority (SAQA) evaluates foreign qualifications to assist decision-makers in interpreting these when foreign qualification holders are considered for work, study and/or other purposes. The process entails a structural comparison, after which an evaluation report is issued with placement recommendations in terms of appropriate levels of South Africa’s National Qualifications Framework (NQF). It is the applicant’s responsibility to acquire the relevant documentation from SAQA proving that the applicant’s highest school qualification is equal to or superior to the National Senior Certificate issued in South Africa.

SAE may not conduct this assessment on behalf of the applicant. SAQA will only accept online applications for the evaluation of foreign applications.

ADMISSION TO SAE

SECTION D

STUDY PERMIT
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Study permits are issued for specific academic programme expenses. To notify the department by means of an undertaking on completion of studies, or to have sorted their own accommodation prior to study. You may speak to one of our Sales Consultants for assistance with accommodation directories and trusted venues.

Applicable to all campuses, each campus has a network of external service providers who offer accommodation. International applicants who are interested in finding out more must contact the campus for further information. Or simply book to attend an Open Day session, where they will be guided on nearby accommodation spaces.

TO VIEW UPCOMING OPEN DAY DATES, VISIT:
sae.edu.za/campus-open-days

ADMISSION TO SAE

SECTION E

STUDY PERMIT

In the case of a person under the age of 21 years (in addition to the above requirements):

• Particulars and confirmation of the person in South Africa who will act as the applicant’s guardian
• Proof of consent for the intended stay from both parents

A study permit does not entitle the holder to conduct work, however the Department of Home Affairs may, in appropriate cases, authorise the holder of a study permit to conduct work as practical training in a field related to that of his or her studies.

Education institutions must provide a prescribed periodic certification that the student is performing satisfactorily in his or her curriculum of study, and must notify the Department of Home Affairs when the student has completed his or her studies or is no longer an active student at the institution.

The South African Embassy/Mission will only consider the applications of students who comply with the following:

• An application form
• A study permit fee
• A valid passport
• An official letter from the relevant institution confirming provisional acceptance at that institution and the duration of the course
• A medical certificate
• Proof of medical insurance coverage recognised in South Africa
• A repatriation guarantee
• Proof of sufficient financial means for the full duration of the course including living and programme expenses.

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ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
- National Senior Certificate with Higher Certificate entry or equivalent
- English NQF 4
- Maths/ Maths Literacy NQF 4
- Computer Literacy
("Refer to FULL brochure for specific requirements per programme"

Formal English Language Tests are not required however SAE requires evidence of a proficiency in English.

MEDICAL AID
Prior to submitting your study permit application, it is recommended that students obtain Medical Insurance in South Africa. Applicants are advised to carefully investigate the cost and benefits of the different providers. To obtain information and to compare quotes from some of the biggest providers in South Africa please see below:

www.hippo.co.za

Here are the details from two of South Africa's largest Medical Insurance providers:

DISCOVERY HEALTH | KEYCARE PLUS 360 FOR STUDENTS
www.360students.co.za

MOMENTUM HEALTH | INGWE
www.ingwehealth.co.za

Medical health insurance must cover international students for the full duration of study.

COSTS OF LIVING IN SA
The unit of currency in South Africa is the South African Rand (ZAR or R). Applicants should constantly check the exchange rates and be aware of how much they require to cover day to day expenses. Once in South Africa, all costs are in South African Rand. Most ATMs accept foreign bank cards, debit and credit cards bearing either the “Cirrus” or “Maestro” logos. In other words, it is possible to withdraw cash from your savings or credit card accounts from ATMs or at banks and forex bureaus.

The cost of living in South Africa is relatively low in comparison to other countries in Europe. This low cost means students spend less during their studies in South Africa than they would in most developed countries. As for tuition fees in South Africa; amounts vary depending on the institute and education programme.

HEALTH & SAFETY
South Africa’s health care varies from basic health care, offered for free by the government, to premium health care offered for a fee by the private sector. It's important to note the public health sector is stretched, under-resourced and under pressure to deliver services. Whereas the private sector is run mainly on commercial lines and caters to middle and high-income earners who are members of medical schemes.

Compared to most countries, South Africa has a high crime rate and students should be aware of this. Students are advised to take precautions and listen to local advice on where and where not to go. It's important to know where you’re going beforehand especially at night. They need to watch their possessions, not walk alone and lock their doors at all times. Like anywhere in the world, there are some areas of the major cities that are known to be riskier than others. It is easy to avoid these and still have a good time in South Africa!

STUDY FEES
Tuition fees vary depending on programmes. International students are required to settle the full tuition fees upfront in order to enrol for a programme.

In terms of SAE’s requirements for a study visa and payment terms; below is a list of scenarios which may apply to an international applicant:

1. International applicant with a foreign sponsor residing outside of South Africa. Requirement: Fees to be paid in full, only then will the applicant be accepted.
2. International applicants with a foreign sponsor on a work visa, residing in South Africa. Requirement: 50% payment, once applicant has been accepted. The balance of the tuition fees must be paid before registration day.
3. International applicants with a foreign sponsor who has permanent residence in South Africa or a South African Identity Document Requirement: Full deposit and signed debit order.
4. International applicants with a foreign sponsor who has a South African proof of residence and has a South African bank account Requirement: 50% payment, once applicant has been accepted. The balance of the tuition fees must be paid before registration day.
5. International applicants and their sponsors have an Asylum/Refugee Permit. Requirement: Full payment before applicant can be accepted.
6. International applicants with a passport expiring before the end of the study period. Requirement: Full payment before applicant can be accepted.
7. Applicant and sponsor have a South African Identity Document but it states ‘non-SA citizen’ below the ID number. Requirement: Full deposit and signed debit order.

Please note that all of the above scenarios are subject to a Credit Check Authorisation and that Admission Criteria have been met.
SAE INSTITUTE SOUTH AFRICA: APPLICATION AND ENROLMENT PROCEDURE

Admission for international students is subject to meeting the compliance requirements as stipulated by the Immigration Act No 13 of 2002. International applicants are subject to a selection procedure based on academic merit and the number of spaces available. By law, all students who wish to study for a first degree at a South African university require matriculation exemption. International applicants must acquire the relevant documentation from the South African Qualifications Authority (SAQA) proving that the applicant’s highest school qualification is equal or superior to the National Senior Certificate (NQF level 4) awarded in South Africa.

USAF Exemption: SAE is an Affiliate to the services of Matriculation Board (MB), a programme of Universities South Africa (USAf). As one of the key services rendered by the Matriculation Board to SAE by virtue of or Affiliation: SAE allows for the application for exemption into a degree where the foreign student’s Grade 12 is not endorsed for admission into a Bachelor programme. Foreign students interested in this opportunity MUST, as part of their overall application process, raise this issue within Step 3 & 4 of the overall application and enrolment procedure listed below.

For more information, kindly refer to the following: www.saqa.org.za

SAE may grant provisional acceptance without the SAQA evaluation certificate or valid study permit, however applicants will not be allowed to enrol on any programme until all documents have been submitted and proof of full payment has been received.

International applicants may qualify for exemption through AEB or Cambridge examinations if they have two A-levels (‘A’ – ‘E’) and three O-level passes (‘A’, ‘B’ or ‘C’) or equivalent. However, certain subject groupings are also required. It is not sufficient to pass in O-levels only.

Please note that Faculties may have subject, level and minimum performance requirements for admission to their programmes. Please ensure that you have your original documents available at registration and arrange for official translations where applicable.

STEP 1
APPLICANT MUST COMPLETE AN APPLICATION FORM ONLINE AT sae.edu.za/brand

Or, applicants can complete a paper-based application form. The completed paper based application form must be sent via email to the campus of the applicant’s choice, or emailed to capetown@sae.edu or jhb@sae.edu for Johannesburg. Kindly ensure all documentation noted in the application form is available for verification.

International Student applications will be assessed prior to admission using the following selection criteria:

- School results (where applicable) and evidence of further study since leaving school;
- Recognition of prior learning, where exemptions requested;

STEP 2
A representative from SAE, will contact the applicant to schedule/conduct a Skype or telephonic meeting.

STEP 3
After the meeting, should the applicant be successful, a provisional letter of acceptance will be issued. The applicant may submit their SAQA evaluation request directly to SAQA. SAQA evaluation certificate needs to be submitted to SAE Institute. Students must notify SAE at this juncture if wishing to take advantage of the USAF exemption. Please note that there is a waiting period for the receipt of a SAQA evaluation, therefore it is best to apply a month prior to the commencement of the semester. Prospective students may also be required to undertake competency tests in English, Maths or computer proficiency, dependent upon the programme and results achieved.

STEP 4
Upon receipt of the SAQA evaluation certificate to confirm the provisional acceptance, the applicant needs to pay the application fee stipulated on the Latest Fees Schedule plus the deposit that is stipulated. The student may have additional fees added - depending on their application for USAF Exemption. These amounts are non – refundable. The deposit will go towards the applicant’s first year fees.

STEP 5
Upon receipt of the applicants payment noted above, SAE will issue a Visa Application Letter, which is needed by the applicant to apply for the Study Visa.

STEP 6
International students wanting to study in South Africa, must apply for a study permit at the South African High Commission, Embassy, Consulate or Trade Mission in their country of origin. If there is no South African representative in your country, your application should be directed to the Commission, Embassy, Consulate or Trade Mission in the country nearest to your home country. Study permits are issued for specific academic institutions. Applicants can only apply for a study permit once they have received a confirmation letter or provisional acceptance letter from a South African educational institution.

The applicant may apply for their Visa by either:
- SAE Facilitated application process (Visa application submitted by SAE on the applicants behalf)
- Self-Application (the applicant must apply for a study permit at the South African Embassy or Mission in their home country.)

STEP 7
Once the applicant has received their Visa, the applicant will be required to pay tuition fees in full.

STEP 8
Once SAE receives the applicant’s full Programme fee payment, the Tuition Contract will be sent. Please read through the Tuition Contract carefully and ensure that both applicant and parent / sponsor initials the bottom right corner of each page of the contract in black pen, and completes all details in full. This must be signed and returned as soon as possible.

IN ORDER TO COMPLETE THE ENROLMENT, THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS ARE REQUIRED:
- Proof of payment of the Application Fee, deposit and the full Tuition Fees
- Signed Tuition Agreement
- Certified copies of qualifications obtained
- Proof of competency in English
- Certified Copy of applicants Passport
- Valid study Visa (Study Permit)
- Foreign Qualification Evaluation (SAQA evaluation certificate noting status of USAF - if student has applied, as noted above)
- 2 X ID Photographs (Colour / Black and White)

STEP 9
Once SAE receives the signed Tuition Contract, the Study Visa, proof of payment of the full course fee and the SAQA evaluation certificate, SAE will guarantee you a place for the intake of your choice.

STEP 10
Only after the applicant has obtained a Study Visa and all other prerequisites noted above have been met, may he/she depart for South Africa.

Please make payment directly into the SAE bank account:

STANDARD BANK
BRANCH CODE: 040026
ACCOUNT NUMBER: 050909622

Clearly mark your surname and first name in the reference section of the deposit slip and email / fax proof of payment to the relevant campus Accounts Administrator email address or to your respective campus email address:

CAPE TOWN
jhb@sae.edu

JOHANNESBURG
capetown@sae.edu

For more details, please contact:

SAE INSTITUTE SOUTH AFRICA:

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**INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS WHO HAVE RECEIVED A QUALIFICATION FROM SAE INSTITUTE REPORT THAT THEIR STUDIES HAVE PREPARED THEM FOR ENTERING THE WORLD OF WORK.**

Students expressed high confidence levels about job opportunities following graduation.

“Awaiting approval for our Johannesburg site of delivery by the Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET) and CHE to offer the Higher Certificate in Game Design and Production and the Bachelor of Arts in Game Design and Production.

SAE Institute South Africa reserves the right to withdraw or make changes to any programme(s) or content thereof.”

Provisionally registered with the department of Higher Education and Training until the date determined by the registrar as a private higher education institution under the Higher Education Act, 1997.

Provisional registration certificate no. 2014/HE07/001