



# CELEBRATING EXCELLENCE NEWSLETTER

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EMPOWERED TO *INFLUENCE* AND *INSPIRE!*



## *FoodBev, INSETA & Cumlaude Institute Graduations*



## THE BUSINESS LEAD

BY CUMLAUDE INSTITUTE CEO  
Tsholo Mopeli

At Cumlaude Institute, we believe that every learner's achievement is a story of excellence worth celebrating. Our graduates are a reflection of the collective efforts of educators, partners, and stakeholders who invest in education and skills development for a better tomorrow. As we look to the future, we remain dedicated to unlocking potential, building careers, and transforming lives.

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# OUR GROWING COMPANY

Cumlaude Institute continues to experience significant growth as it strengthens its role in education, training, and workforce development. Through strong collaborations with various SETAs, the institute remains dedicated to empowering learners with industry-relevant skills that open doors to sustainable employment opportunities.

Recent months have seen exciting progress, including site visits to partnering organisations where learners gain valuable exposure to real workplace environments. These visits not only enhance experiential learning but also foster meaningful connections between education and industry.

Cumlaude Institute is also proud to welcome a new group of interns who have joined the team as part of our commitment to nurturing young talent. Their fresh energy and innovative ideas continue to drive our mission forward.

As we expand our footprint and impact, Cumlaude Institute remains committed to excellence, partnerships, and the holistic development of every learner.



## THE CEO'S MESSAGE

BY MR. TSHOLO MOPELI

Our growth reflects a shared commitment to excellence and empowerment. Through strong SETA partnerships, insightful site visits, and the addition of new interns, we continue to shape futures and strengthen our impact.

Together, we remain dedicated to transforming potential into purpose, building a legacy of skills, opportunity, and success.

### **OUR PEOPLE, OUR STRENGTH, EMPOWERING SUCCESS THROUGH UNITY AND PURPOSE**

Our success is driven by the dedication and passion of our employees. Their commitment to excellence, teamwork, and continuous improvement inspires the growth and reputation of our organisation.

I am deeply proud of the professionalism and resilience our team continues to demonstrate, they are the true heartbeat of Cumlaude Institute. Together, we will keep advancing our mission of empowering others through education and innovation.



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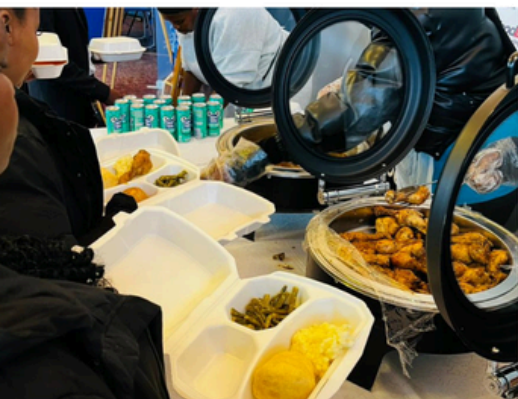
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Class of 2025

# GRADUATIONS



Cumlaude Institute proudly celebrated the achievements of our 2024-2025 graduates! This year's ceremony highlighted the dedication, perseverance, and commitment of learners across multiple programs, marking a significant milestone in their professional journey.





## Celebrating Excellence: 2025 Graduates Shine Bright

*This year's graduation celebrated the hard work, determination, and achievements of our learners across various programs, marking a proud milestone in their professional growth.*

*Powered by FOODBEV SETA and INSETA, our graduates successfully completed the Wealth Management Programme, the Generic Management Programme, and the FoodBev Programme. These programmes equipped learners with industry-ready skills, strategic thinking, and leadership capabilities, preparing them to excel in competitive and dynamic workplaces.*

*The graduation ceremony featured inspirational speeches from guest speakers and program leaders, recognized top performers across all programs, and provided networking opportunities that connected graduates with industry leaders and mentors.*

*At Cumlaude Institute, we believe our people are our greatest strength, and our graduates exemplified this ethos. Their commitment to learning and personal growth inspired all of us to continue raising the bar of excellence in education and professional development.*

***Congratulations to the Class of 2025!*** *Their journey of achievement didn't end there, it was just the beginning. The knowledge and skills gained through our partnership with FOODBEV SETA and INSETA will continue to propel them towards success and impact in their careers.*

### A Word from Cumlaude Institute CEO:

**"We were immensely proud of each graduate. Their dedication, resilience, and passion for learning set a shining example for all. We celebrated their achievements and look forward to seeing them thrive in their future endeavors."**

Wednesday, 20 August 2025

# Good news.



## SPAR MALUTI CRESCENT HONOURS GRADUATES WITH A MINI CELEBRATION

Following the successful graduation ceremony of learners from the Food and Beverage Programme, conducted in partnership with Cumlaude Institute and key industry stakeholders, SPAR Maluti Crescent graciously hosted a mini celebration in recognition of the graduates.

This thoughtful gesture by SPAR Maluti Crescent aimed to acknowledge the learners' achievements and celebrate the culmination of their hard work and dedication throughout the programme. By providing a warm and welcoming environment, the store created an atmosphere of encouragement and appreciation, reinforcing the importance of education, skills development, and community support.

The collaboration between Cumlaude Institute and SPAR Maluti Crescent underscores the vital role of partnerships between business and education in creating opportunities for young people. The celebration not only marked a milestone for the graduates but also demonstrated SPAR Maluti Crescent's ongoing commitment to empowering and uplifting local learners through meaningful initiatives.



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CELEBRATION  
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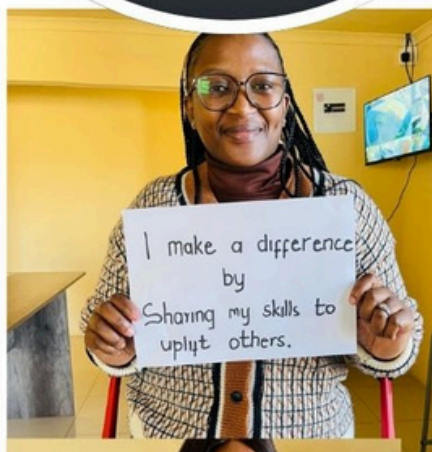
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18 July 2025  
Cumlaude Institute staff dedicated 67 minutes to giving back in honour of Nelson Mandela. Team members shared kind words and meaningful actions, reflecting Madiba's spirit of service, unity, and compassion. Together, they proved that even small acts can make a big difference.



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# HERITAGE MONTH 2025



## CELEBRATING HERITAGE DAY AT CUMLAUDE INSTITUTE

This year, our staff celebrated Heritage Day in vibrant style. The office was alive with color as everyone dressed in beautiful traditional attire, proudly representing their cultures. From elegant Sotho prints to eye catching Venda bright colours and other proudly South African outfits, the atmosphere was festive and inspiring.

Food, of course, was at the heart of the celebration. Each staff member prepared and brought along a traditional dish to share with the team. The lunch tables became a feast of flavors, showcasing the diversity of our heritage, from hearty pap and dinawa, to beef trotters, dumplings, malamohodu and etc. Sharing these meals together created not only a culinary experience but also meaningful conversations about culture, family traditions, and community.



# BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

At Cumlaude Institute, we showed that strength lies in unity. Our office went pink as we stood together in support of Breast Cancer Awareness Month, a time when we honored the fighters, celebrated the survivors, and remembered those we've lost.

This initiative reflected our commitment to compassion, awareness, and community well-being. By wearing pink, our team demonstrated solidarity and sparked meaningful conversations about early detection, support, and hope.

We continue to raise awareness every day through education, encouragement, and empathy. Together, we keep making a difference and carry forward the spirit of strength and unity.

**EMPOWERING THROUGH KNOWLEDGE, STANDING TOGETHER IN HOPE.**



# A POWER PACKED START TO THE FUTURE! CUMLAUDE INSTITUTE INDUCTS 60 TECH DRIVEN LEARNERS

06 NOVEMBER 2025

It was nothing short of electric on 6 November 2025, as Cumlaude Institute welcomed 60 ambitious learners for the INSETA Learnership Induction, specialising in Internet of Things (IoT) and Cloud Administration (NQF Level 4).



The room was charged with excitement, purpose, and a shared hunger for innovation. These learners are not just stepping into a qualification, they are stepping into the future of digital transformation.

The induction was further elevated by the presence of valued stakeholders and partners who continue to stand with us in driving impactful skills development. Their support reaffirms a powerful truth: when industry and education unite, lives are changed, and futures are built.



From inspiring introductions to clear visions of the journey ahead, the induction marked the beginning of a game-changing path for every learner in the room.

We celebrate the 60 trailblazers who have taken this bold step into the world of tech. Your potential is limitless, and Cumlaude Institute is proud to walk the road with you.



# CUMLAUDE INSTITUTE



## CLOSING THE YEAR IN CELEBRATION BEST IN BUSINESS AWARD 2025



### A RECOGNITION OF IMPACT

Receiving this award is a significant milestone for our institution. It serves as confirmation that our efforts are making a measurable difference in the lives of the people we serve. It also strengthens our resolve to continue operating with excellence, Integrity, and compassion in all areas of our work.



### GRATITUDE TO OUR STAKEHOLDERS

We extend our sincere appreciation to our partners, sponsors, facilitators, staff, and learners who have supported us throughout this journey. Your dedication and trust in our vision are the foundation of our success. This achievement belongs to each and every one of you.

