

## Fire Management - a scarce skill



*PREPARED ... Students from the first intake of the Higher Certificate in Veldfire Management now offered at NMMU's George Campus receive practical exposure as part of the course – a competitive advantage when it comes to employability.*

THE university has expanded its programme offerings in natural resource management with a Higher Certificate programme in Veldfire Management (one year full-time or two years part-time) at its George Campus.

The decision to offer this programme is a reflection of the university's close connection with industry and drive to comply with industry needs.

Fire management is a scarce skill and individuals who complete this programme will have a marketable qualification throughout all the natural resource management disciplines

and those involved in fire management.

Those who complete the certificate will be proficient to work as veldfire managers in government, municipalities, fire associations and the forestry and conservation sectors.

The curriculum and modules are aimed at the management and protection of our rich biodiversity.

It provides a firm foundation for the management of veld, forest and mountain fires in South Africa. The focus is on the technical, strategic and tactical aspects of veldfire management.