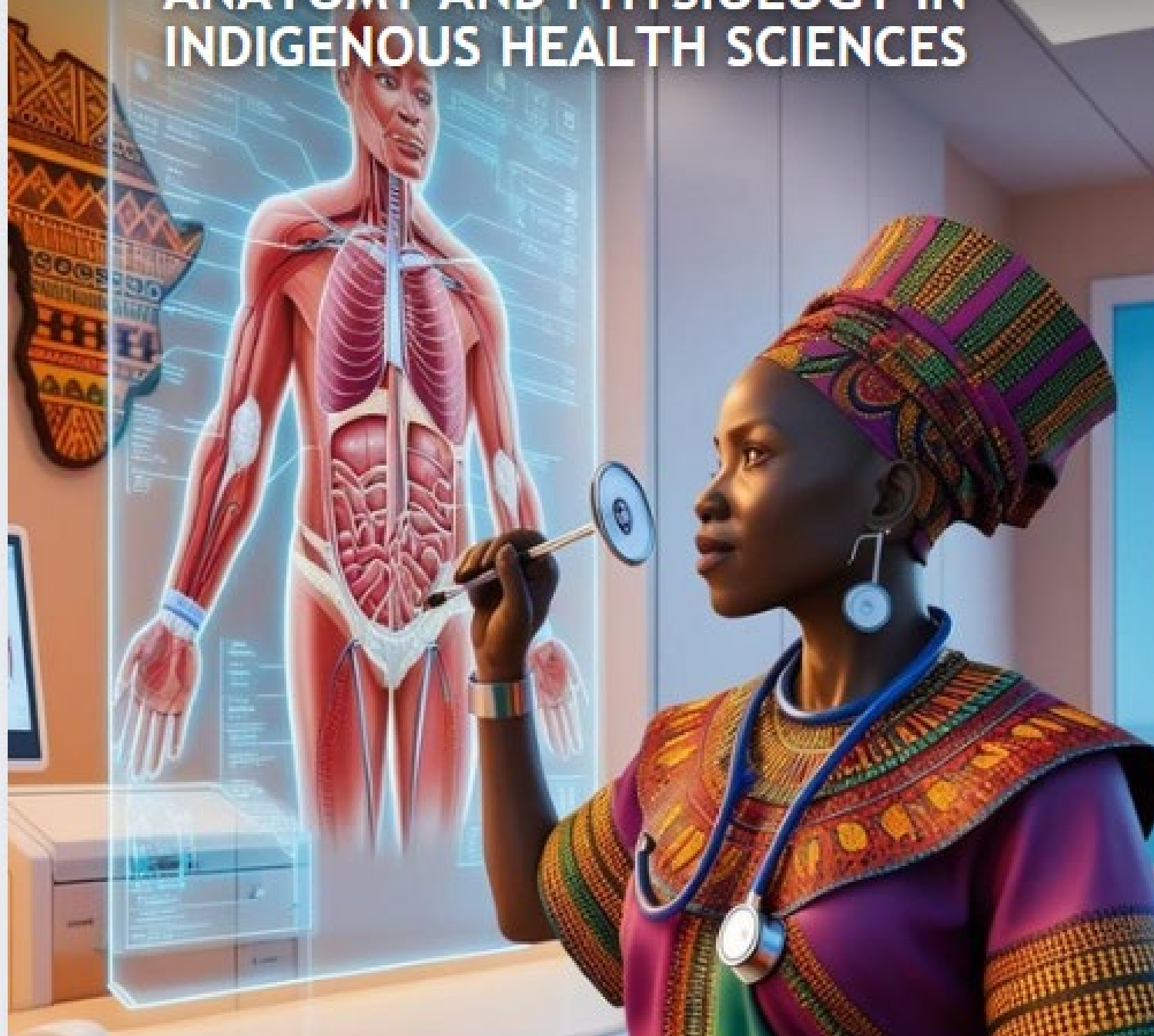


FOUNDATIONS OF HUMAN ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY IN INDIGENOUS HEALTH SCIENCES



Short Learning Program - C24 100 1

 **NWU**®
Unit for Continuing Education

RATIONALE

This short course will equip participants with the foundational knowledge of normal human anatomy and physiology as a basis for understanding and practising any health field. Many traditional health practitioners and community health workers have never had formal training in the basic health sciences. This knowledge is needed for them to understand modern trends in health sciences and be more effective practitioners.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this course is to equip any person with an interest in the health sciences with the foundational knowledge of normal human anatomy and physiology which incorporates indigenous perspectives, epistemologies and paradigms. Most health science education adopts a paradigm foreign to African ways of thinking and learning. While this module equips students with the requisite scientific knowledge, it does so without annihilating their indigenous identities as knowers. Many traditional health practitioners, community health workers and other 'non' professionals in the health industry desire to be grounded in the health sciences but cannot afford to take 4 to 6 years of their lives to learn what they desire. This course is an entering wedge to meet this need and desire for formal training in this sector. It is highly accessible as far as time and means are concerned. It is packaged to attract the busy adult learner.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Basic knowledge and informed understanding of normal human anatomy and physiology.
- The ability to locate the major organs of the body and describe their functions and relationships.
- Basic knowledge and informed understanding of how indigenous knowledge systems inform our understanding of human anatomy and physiology.
- The ability to apply basic hygiene, and wellness principles for maintaining homeostasis and health.

ASSESSMENT

Formative and Summative assessment - Certificate of successful completion

METHOD OF DELIVERY

Hybrid (Contact & Online)

DURATION

8 Weeks

MEDIUM OF INSTRUCTION

Classes are presented in English

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

National Senior Certificate (NQF 4)

COST PER PERSON

R13 000.00

PRESENTATION OF CLASSES & VENUE

Class sessions will be conducted at Mafikeng Campus and online.

APPLICATION IS MADE ONLINE.

To apply, navigate to:

<https://uce.ajourney.academy/student/#/enrol/apply/1496>

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NWU- Indigenous Knowledge Systems (IKS) Centre

This course is a product of the NWU Indigenous Knowledge Systems (IKS) Centre in collaboration with Ethnomedicine Practitioners Association of South Africa (EPASA). The IKS Centre is engaged in teaching, learning, research, and community engagement across a wide range of fields, including astronomy, health, agriculture, science and technology, heritage, etc.

The IKS Centre envisions a new era in indigenous health sciences, with increased ability to respond to modern day challenges and to take advantage of new opportunities to propel us into the future.



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