One of the country’s largest private online and distance learning institutions has confirmed its accreditation with the Department of Higher Education and Training.

The institution was responding to a WhatsApp message which incorrectly includes iQ Academy as a Private Higher Institution not registered with the Department.

CEO, Ernst Kriek says that since 2015, iQ Academy has been registered with the Department and has met all the regulatory conditions of its registration. Details of its registration and accreditation are available on www.iqacademy.ac.za/accreditation

“The academy’s registration governs the newly introduced diploma and three higher certificates and allows iQ Academy to offer Short Learning Programmes which are governed by our quality management system,” says Kriek.

Over the past 14 years, more than 30,000 students have completed courses offered by the academy for skills development in business, human resource and marketing, among others.

iQ Academy also offers three international qualifications in digital marketing, certified by the Digital Marketing Industry Advisory Council.

He warns aspiring students “to be vigilant when choosing an education institute and to ensure that their institution of choice has its registration and accreditation in place.”

“Students, who are in doubt, should access the Private Higher Education Institution Register which is freely available on the Department of Higher Education and Training website, www.dhet.co.za,” he ends.

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