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applied sciences

THERE'S A WORLD TO EXPLORE

A graphic showing a map of South Africa in red, set against a yellow background. The text 'GRAND TOUR' is written in white, bold, uppercase letters across the top of the yellow area.

GRAND TOUR

Advanced Wine Studies

Location: South Africa

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Belongs to: NHL Stenden HMS, offered in South Africa

Period: MP1 & MP2

The minor is about

- Evaluate wine according to international wine tasting standards and blind tasting for variety, and country and vintage
- Identify the Wine of Origin scheme, regions, districts and wards and wine routes in South Africa
- Analyse and compare the different techniques involved in wine and brandy making and how their application may influence the characteristics of a wine, brandy, champagne or fortified wine

Student Testimonial

"The wine minor is an intense and rich specialized learning process about the history, theory and practice of the world wide wine culture. Following this course is adding great value to my further career."

Daan Brouwer

Examination

- Assessed against Design Based Education
- Assessed on Tastings
- Students will have 12 assignments relating to the Diploma exams
- Examination CWA preliminary exam

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"Wine is a passport to the world!"

The current hospitality industry requires a wide array of competencies and an interdisciplinary approach where each subject's contribution is carefully considered. Exposure to specialized Food & Beverage areas such as wine is limited in the curriculum, allowing opportunity for specific subject elaboration. It is our contention that in depth knowledge of the wine industry and a comprehensive knowledge of viticulture and vinicultural practices around the World will provide a solid foundation. For too long, training for the industry has focused extensively on broad based beverage training. Increasingly, top-end establishments are seeking staff with specialized knowledge in wine.

Explore the past, present and tomorrow of an industry as old as humankind. The minor is offered in partnership with the prestigious Cape Wine Academy and opens up formal studies in wine and leads to the threshold of a Wine Masters qualification. The challenging area of this semester is whether one can actually develop a palate from a basic lay knowledge of wine to a more sophisticated analytical level in a relatively short period of time.

