

## Huawei South Africa helps ICT graduates enter the workforce

Huawei South Africa recently held a job fair for 130 graduates from its ICT Academies at various tertiary institutions around the country. The aim of the event was to give students an opportunity to meet with potential employers.



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Huawei, as well as a variety of major ICT companies with a presence in South Africa, including Mustek, Pinnacle, Nambiti Technologies, Business Connexion and Khanya Africa, were at the fair. More than 50 of the students will be employed in internships, 40 at Huawei, plus one or two from each of the 10 partner companies who participated.

In addition to the job fair, Huawei is recruiting 48 ICT graduates with outstanding academic results for the Huawei Graduate Programme.

“Huawei is working to empower learners to be very ready to not only work in the ICT industry but also improve the standards of ICT,” says Huawei ICT Academy director, Han Jiang. “This job fair not only gives them the chance to see how those skills can be applied in the working world as well as where they might need to further upskill themselves.”

Most of the graduates - who come from universities, universities of technology, and TVET colleges, placed at Huawei, will be working as networking technical engineers.

“There is so much that I have learned through this programme which also played a big part in building my career within the ICT industry, and I would encourage all graduates to make the most of this opportunity,” says Frank Modiba, who is a Huawei ICT Academy graduate, participated in the 2020 Jobs Fair, and managed to get an internship opportunity to work for Huawei’s Enterprise South Africa, Service and Delivery department.

Since 2020, Huawei Enterprise South Africa has arranged free online certification training courses for over, 1500 students from different institutions in South Africa to upskill them on the latest technology trends.

Basani Hlekane, the deputy secretary-general of the South African Public Colleges Organisation (Sapco) commended Huawei for its efforts in fostering ICT talent in South Africa and encouraged deeper cooperation between Sapco, academic institutions, and Huawei and its partners, to help bridge the digital divide and empower the youth of South Africa.

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