

### Course Overview

The Essentials for Rough Diamond Evaluation & 5-Day Lab is a blended learning programme designed to give learners a strong foundation in diamond identification, evaluation principles, and practical application.

This programme is divided into two components:

#### Module 1: Online Theory

Delivered through our interactive online learning portal, the theory module includes:

- Instructor-led video lessons
- High-resolution images and diagrams
- Interactive quizzes
- Guided reading and assessments
- Scheduled virtual consultations with lecturers

Learners can complete the theory component at their own pace within a **3-month access window**. Successful completion of the theory module is required before attending the practical lab.

#### Module 2: 5-Day Practical Lab

Held at our training centre, this hands-on lab applies the theory to real-world practice. During this module, learners work with a wide selection of natural rough diamonds and selected gemstones.

Students learn how to assess rough diamonds using the **4Cs**:

- **Clarity**
- **Colour**
- **Cut potential**
- **Carat-weight**

By completing both modules, learners will be able to **identify a diamond**, estimate its characteristics, and determine a **market-relevant value** for individual stones or parcels.

All tools and equipment required during the practical phase are supplied (remain school property).

### Course Duration

#### Online Theory:

- At your own pace
- Accessible for **3 months** from date of registration

#### Practical Lab:

- **5 consecutive days**
- Must be completed within **6 months** of registration
- **Monday to Friday**
- **08:00 – 15:00**

### Course Fee

#### R 15 200.00 (VAT Included)

Fee includes access to the online portal and the use of all tools and equipment during the practical week.

### Certification

Upon successful completion of both the online theory and the 5-day practical lab, learners will earn the **Rough Diamond Evaluation Certificate** from the Harry Oppenheimer Diamond Training School.

### Important Information

- Registration for the online theory can be done at any time.
- Practical lab sessions **must be booked in advance** due to limited seating.
- A valid **ID, driver's licence, or passport** is required to enter the building.
- If the course is not completed within the 6-month window, a **50% re-registration fee** will apply.
- Learners must arrange their own transport and accommodation.

### Cancellation Policy

*(Updated to match the Rough Diamond Evaluation standard)*

- Cancellations must be made **14 days prior** to the start date of the practical lab.
- Refunds are only issued if cancellation occurs **14 days before class begins**.
- All refunds include a **R120 administrative fee**.
- No refunds will be issued for cancellations made **less than 14 days before the start date**, regardless of circumstances.

### 2026 Practical Lab Dates

- **09 February – 13 February 2026**
- **11 May – 15 May 2026**
- **03 August – 07 August 2026**
- **09 November – 13 November 2026**



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