# **Objective**

To introduce small business owners and prospective business owners to the body of knowledge required to start and/or manage a small business efficiently and effectively.

## Who can benefit

Existing or potential micro and small enterprise owners.

# **Prerequisite**

The minimum qualification required for this course is a Secondary School Education.

## By the end of the programme

Each student is expected to be able to develop and present a Business plan

## **Endorsement**

This programme is endorsed by the Sir Arthur Lewis Community College.



## **Programme Outline**

- a. Course Introduction/Identifying business opportunities
- **b.** Forms of Ownership and types of business
- c. Introduction to Management
- d. Introduction to Leadership Theories
- e. Human Resource Management
- f. Interpersonal Skills-Effective Communications
- g. Introduction to Marketing Concepts
- h. Financial Management for Small Business
- i. Business decision & Problem Solving
- i. Business Ethics
- n. Preparation of Business Plans
- o. Money & Banking
- p. The Role of Standards
- g. Fundamentals of the Law of Contract
- r. Insurance
- s. Labour Laws
- t. NIS
- u. Inland Revenue
- v. Customs Matters
- w. Consumer Rights
- x. Business Planning & Wrap Up Session
- y. ASSESSMENT (40% of Final Grade)
- z. BUSINESS PLAN (60% of Final Grade)

## **Payment**

All payments are made though the Government Treasury using an "A FORM", completed and stamped (by SEDU), to be obtained from the office of the Small Enterprise Development Unit.

## **Payment Plan**

Participants pay the total course fee prior to the start of the course.

### Graduation

Participants will graduate based on successful completion of assessments, assignments, attendance and financial obligations

#### Refund

Full refund for an enrolled course will be done provided the participant has informed SEDU during the first **two (2) weeks** into the programme. For refunds persons **MUST** present the following:

Letter with request for refund for said Course

National ID for copy

Copy of receipt

Note: Refund will be processed by

Treasury according to their schedule.

# PARTICIPANTS RESPONSIBILITIES FOR ALL COURSES:

- To ensure the smooth running of the various sessions, the following rules have been established:
- Please ensure that you sign the Attendance Sheet every time you attend classes. This is proof that you attended the course.
- To minimize disruptions to classes:

#### Cell Phones

Kindly keep off or in the vibrate mode.

Avoid answering calls in the class.

- Participants are expected to be punctual for all sessions
- Participants are expected to honour their financial obligations
- It is your responsibility to follow up with the facilitator whenever you have been absent for a training session
- Participate in assessments undertaken in the respective Course
- Complete Business plans as assigned in a timely manner



#### **DAYS & TIMES OF CLASSES**

Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:30pm to 7:30pm

#### **VENUE:**

Sir Arthur Lewis Community College, Morne Fortune, Castries

#### COURSE CYCLE:

September - December

February — June

#### **COURSE DURATION:**



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