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This list is current as of December 2022 and contains programmes with whom we are familiar. If your institution would like to be added to this list, please contact us at info@africanpalliativecare.org

Country	University or Institution	Course Name	Duration of Training	Level	Eligibility	Cost (USD amounts based on exchange rates as of Dec. 2022)
Ghana	Ghana College of Nursing and Midwives https://www.gcnm.edu.gh/	Specialty Programme in Palliative Nursing	3 years	Post Graduate level	Bachelor's degree in nursing or midwifery, good standing with Nursing and Midwifery Council of Ghana and 3 years of experience	
	Ghana College of Physicians and Surgeons https://gcps.edu.gh/	Interdisciplinary Palliative Medicine Fellowship	3 years	Diploma in project management	Hold membership with Ghana College of Physicians and Surgeons or West Africa College of Physicians and be registered with the Ghana Medical and Dental Council	Annual fee 7,500 GHC (610 USD)
Kenya	Nairobi Hospice in collaboration with Oxford Brookes University http://nairobihospice.or.ke/education/diploma-of-higher-education/	Diploma of Higher Education in Palliative Care	1.5 years	Post Graduate level	National diploma or bachelor's degree in health/social care discipline, registration with relevant discipline regulatory bodies, current professional practice license, evidence of current employment in clinical/social care, CV detailing previous PC experience, at least 1 year of work experience	Sterling Pounds 1,400 (1,728 USD)
	Kenya Medical Training College https://kmtc.ac.ke/	Diploma in Palliative Care Nursing	2 years	Post Graduate level	Diploma in Nursing or in Community Health Nursing (KRN/KRCHN/KRM) and one-year post-graduate experience	
		Higher Diploma in Clinical Medicine and Surgery in Oncology and Palliative Care	2 years	Post Graduate level	Diploma in clinical medicine, valid practicing license, and 2 years working experience	
Moi University https://www.mu.ac.ke/index.php/en/	Clinical Medicine and Surgery Higher Diploma in Palliative and Hospice Care	1.5 years	Qualified Clinical Officers	2 years clinical experience, fluency in English and Swahili, letter of recommendation from the employer	220,500 Kshs (1,776 USD)	

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		Monthly Palliative Care ECHO Programme	Every last Monday of the month -1 hour		Email palliativeecho@ampath.or.ke to join	
Malawi	Kamuzu University of Health Sciences https://www.kuhes.ac.mw/	BSc in Palliative Care Training Program	3 years		Recognized school certificate of education, accredited diploma, 2 years post-graduate work in a healthcare setting and registration with the Medical Council of Malawi or the Nurses and Midwives Council of Malawi	
Nigeria	Centre for Palliative Care in Nigeria https://cpcn-ng.org/	Palliative Care Start-up Training	3 days	Basic Professional Certificate	Health professionals and health institution administrators	N100,000 (625 USD)
		Carers course	3 days to 1 week	Secondary School Education and Above	Individuals, health assistants, retired health workers, and people caring for the aged, young graduates, and organizations with interest in palliative care	N50,000 (300 USD)
		Palliative Care Initiators Course	5 weeks	Basic Professional Certificate	Health professionals, doctors, nurses, psychologists, pharmacists, physiotherapists, social workers	N290,000 (1,813 USD)
South Africa	Hospice and Palliative Care Association of South Africa https://hpca.co.za/	Introduction to Palliative Care for Professionals	40 hours	Post Graduate Level	Healthcare professionals	R 6,200 (361 USD)
		Certificate Course in Palliative Nursing	10 months		Professional nurses and enrolled nurses	R 26,500 (1,544 USD)
		Psychosocial Palliative Care	40 hours		Social workers, psychologists and degree spirited counsellors	R 7,500 (437 USD)
		Homebased Personal Care Assistant	6 months		Those wishing to qualify as homebased assistants	

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South Africa (cont'd)		Home-based personal carer	11 months		Those wishing to qualify	
	University of Cape Town (South Africa) https://www.uct.ac.za/	Post Graduate Diploma in Adult Palliative Medicine/Care	12 months	Post Graduate Level	Experienced health care professionals including doctors, nurses, social workers, and other disciplines who wish to gain expertise in the management of patients with life-threatening illness	
		Post graduate Diploma in Paediatric Palliative Care	1 year (11 months)	Post Graduate Level	Multi-disciplinary audience	International students R 60,000 (3,450 USD), SA students R 55,000 (3,198 USD)
		M. Phil. In Palliative Care		Post Graduate Level	Experienced palliative care professionals interested in undertaking palliative care research	R66,200 (3,852 USD)
		Short Course - Introduction to Palliative Care	10 weeks	Post Graduate Level	Healthcare professionals with a degree or diploma in their discipline (professional nurses may have a diploma; other healthcare professionals should have a degree)	South Africa: R 6,500 (378 USD); other parts of Africa: R 7,000 (407 USD); other international: R 8,500 (495 USD)
		Short Course in Palliative Care for Oncologists	1 year	Post Graduate Level	Registered with a health professional body as a medical doctor	Cost varies. Visit: http://www.ceuhealth.uct.ac.za/palliative-care-oncologist-africa
		Certificate Course in Palliative Nursing		Post Graduate Level	This course is open to all professional and enrolled nurses currently registered with the South African Nursing Council	R26,500 (1,543 USD)

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Tanzania	Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania and Kilimanjaro Medical Christian Centre (Tanzania) http://health.elct.org/home.html	Selian Hospice and Palliative Care Programme				
	Muhimbili University of Health and Allied Sciences Tanzania https://www2.muhas.ac.tz/	Introductory Course in Palliative Care	2 weeks		Health care professionals nurses, doctors, clinical officers, social workers, pharmacists, volunteers. https://www.muhas.ac.tz/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/PALLIATIVE-CARE-COURSE-ADVERT-19.1.2022.pdf	600,000 Tz shs (500 USD)
Uganda	Insitute of Hospice and Palliative Care in Africa (at Hospice Africa Uganda) https://www.hospice-africa.org/	Diploma in Clinical Palliative Care (Full time)	1 year		Specifically for Ugandans	6,400,400 UGX (1,672 USD)
		Diploma in Palliative Care	1 year			6,146,400 UGX (1,605 USD)
		Bachelor of Science in Palliative Care	3 years		Diploma in nursing, pharmacy, clinical officers, midwives, physiotherapist, occupational therapists	6,546,400 UGX (1,711 USD)
		Post Graduate Diploma in Palliative Care (Clinical, Paediatric, and Psychosocial)	1 year			7,884,200 UGX (2,060 USD)
		Master of Science in Palliative Care	2 years	Degree	Social scientists and health professionals	8,764,200 UGX (2,209 USD)
		Various short courses			more information on website	



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	Mulago School of Nursing (Uganda) http://mulagoschoolofnursing.ac.ug/	Advanced Diploma in Palliative Care Nursing	Post Graduate Level	Must possess a diploma in nursing or midwifery or its equivalent qualification, have practiced in the nursing profession for a minimum of two years, enrolled or verified by the Uganda Nurses and Midwives Council	
	Mildmay Uganda Hospital (Uganda) https://mildmay.or.ug/	Higher Diploma in Children's Palliative Care	Post Graduate Level	Health care workers who are already professionals	Each module costs 170 USD. All modules total up to 1,380 USD