



African Leaders of Tomorrow

The African Leaders of Tomorrow (ALoFT) Project

Africa's development as a prominent global player rests largely with its **enterprising and passionate youth population**. As young Africans become increasingly energised in their commitment to Africa's future, the continent must meet them to provide professional and educational opportunities necessary to their development as thought leaders and field experts.

In line with its passion for Africa's development through an emphasis on the continent's youth, In On Africa (IOA) has created the Africa Leaders of Tomorrow (ALoFT) Project. **The ALoFT Project is a competitive, online-based youth development programme designed to cultivate future thought leaders by empowering African youths** with a wide range of relevant knowledge, experience and skills.

Project Details

The ALoFT Project is a **six-month programme**, open to African citizens currently enrolled in a postgraduate degree at an African college or university. The Project is structured around a **web-based curriculum**, delivered via an e-Learning platform, offering full-time students from across Africa an opportunity to participate and benefit from the programme.

The programme curriculum will be structured around **four modules**:

- **Module 1 - 'Inform'** will serve as a preliminary introduction to information gathering and assessment.
- **Module 2 - 'Analyse'** will equip ALoFT scholars with vital analytical skills as they learn to work through research with development of their own argument in mind.
- **Module 3 - 'Synthesise'** will build upon ALoFT scholars' analytical skills with a focus on the creation of unique and sound arguments, drawing pertinent and unique insights from their analysis.
- **Module 4 - 'Report'** will equip ALoFT scholars with the skills necessary to creating an effective thought leadership product, including not only writing proficiency, but also the broader publication process.

The curriculum is structured and designed around the **development of a research project for publication** by the ALoFT Project scholars through IOA. The publication will contain both collaborative and independent elements as ALoFT scholars work together to decide on a focus and design, whilst also creating individual papers for inclusion in the publication. Throughout the Project, **the scholars will work closely with IOA's expert team** of analysts, consultants, and academics with expertise in a variety of fields.

Project Objectives

The ALoFT Project is designed to **accelerate and enhance the development of exceptional young Africans** who display the potential to become thought leaders in Africa's business, economic, political and social development.

The Project will offer promising postgraduate students **an opportunity to interact with colleagues from across Africa**, forming professional and social connections that will further benefit their own professional development and the future of Africa.

The **development of a final publication** will afford these students the opportunity to put Project skills into practice. It will also serve as an effective **channel through which Africa's future thought leaders can communicate their views** on what they see as Africa's core developmental challenges and what needs to be done to address them!

