

# SA CULTURAL OBSERVATORY SCHOLARSHIP & BURSARY PROGRAMME

APPLICATION DEADLINE 31 JANUARY 2017

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The Department of Arts and Culture (DAC) established the South African Cultural Observatory (SACO) with the primary objective of advancing research in the field of cultural information systems. The SACO – a national research centre hosted by Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University, in partnership with Rhodes University and the University of Fort Hare – supports the collection and analysis of data, influences policy, shares insights and builds on the intellectual capacity gained across the arts, culture and heritage sectors.

It works across the breadth of all cultural domains, including the arts, heritage, tourism, museums, libraries, archives and creative industries. The SACO is the informative 'nerve centre' providing the strategic vision and the organising principle to develop cultural indicators and information systems appropriate to the South African context and collection of statistics based on the sector needs.

Our scholarship & bursary programme is meant to support existing studies and complement funding sourced from other awards.

## FOCUS AREA:

### POST GRADUATE RELATED TO ARTS, CULTURE AND HERITAGE

**TARGET GROUP:** South African citizens and students who –

- Obtained an average of 65% in the preceding degree
- Are registered at a South African university for 2017
- Are registered for full-time or part-time studies
- Interested in studies relating to the field of Arts, Culture and Heritage

Priority will be given to designated groups

## RESEARCH FOCUS AND OUTPUTS

The research undertaken must fall within the scope of SACO's work in the creative economy, cultural and creative industries and/or related sectors. The successful candidate and the supervisor/s involved must ensure one working or research paper based on the research undertaken in the degree is lodged with the SACO and that SACO's contribution is formally acknowledged.

## DURATION OF AWARD:

The scholarship/bursary is awarded for a maximum of two years to be distributed to the student by the recipient university. Terms and conditions apply.

## SCHOLARSHIP VALUES

**HONOURS  
DEGREE:** **R30 000** *Academic supervisor to apply on behalf of student*

**RESEARCH  
MASTER'S  
DEGREE:** **PART-TIME R30 000**  
**FULL-TIME R80 000**

**COURSEWORK  
MASTER'S  
DEGREE:** **PART-TIME R30 000**  
**FULL-TIME R80 000**

**DOCTORATE  
DEGREE:** **PART-TIME R40 000**  
**FULL-TIME R100 000**

## COMPLETE THE APPLICATION ONLINE & INCLUDE THESE COMPULSORY ATTACHMENTS:

**Attachment Set 1:** ♦ Copy of full academic record ♦ Certified university degree indicating a minimum academic achievement of 65% in previous degree ♦ Certified copy of SA I.D.

**Attachment Set 2:** ♦ Confirmation letter signed by supervisor (Masters/ PHD students) or Head of Department (honours students) ♦ Admission letter confirming registration (if available) ♦ Motivation letter – between 200 and 250 words – outlining the topic and focal area of the proposed research.

## HOW TO APPLY

All applications must be submitted on the SACO website

[www.southafricanculturalobservatory.co.za/scholarship-application](http://www.southafricanculturalobservatory.co.za/scholarship-application). **Deadline: Tuesday 31 January 2016 at 4pm.** For enquires: contact [ntombizodwa.mashologu@nmmu.ac.za](mailto:ntombizodwa.mashologu@nmmu.ac.za) or SACO office on 041 504 4930. If you have not received any communication by 28 February 2017, please consider the application unsuccessful. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted. Applications received after the deadline will not be considered. Terms and conditions apply.

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