

# MEAT INDUSTRY TRUST (MIT)



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## MEAT INDUSTRY TRUST (MIT): POST GRADUATE BURSARIES

### APPLICATION FORM (NB: See also “Information for applicant”)

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**Kindly take note that the deadline for the application is 5 November 2021.**

<b>Protection of Personal Information Act (POPI)</b> The MIT conforms to the requirements of the POPI Act.
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#### **A. Objective of the MIT bursary**

The MIT bursary is awarded to enhance the SA red meat industry scientifically as stated in the terms of reference of the MIT through research that is related to the improvement, production, manufacturing, processing, storing or marketing of red meat or red meat products, livestock welfare, and supports the development of human capital.

The bursary is intended to support an eligible person to gain a master's or doctorate degree related to the noted fields.

#### **B. Selection criteria**

Selection and awarding of the bursary for a Master's or Doctorate study is determined by

1. The academic merit and the scientific quality of the project proposal.
2. The contribution that the project and the acquired expertise should make to the South African red meat industry.

#### **C. Eligibility**

South African citizens who hold an appropriate qualification that enables them to qualify for acceptance to read for a Master's or Doctorate degree.

#### **D. Value of the Scholarship**

The present value of the scholarship will be R60 000 per annum. This amount is normally payable in two instalments and will be forwarded to the tertiary institution.

The first instalment will be paid after receipt of proof of acceptance as well as registration at the tertiary institution.

The second instalment\* will be paid after receipt of a document from the supervisor that satisfactory progress is being made.

The awarding of a scholarship is not regarded as a guarantee that the allocation will again be made in successive years, but will depend on proof of progress, as confirmed by the supervisor, and re-registration at the tertiary institution.

The final intended value of the scholarship is R120 000 for two consecutive years in the case of a Master's Degree and R180 000 for three consecutive years in the case of a Doctor's Degree.

\*Part of the second instalment in the final year will be retained until all requested reporting documentation has been received.

### **E. Progress Reports**

The holder of the scholarship must submit an annual report during the study period and a final report on completion of the studies.

### **F. Selection of Candidates**

Selection will take place at a meeting of the Bursary Working Committee within one month of the closing date. Results will be communicated confidentially to each applicant soon after the meeting.

Completed applications must reach the Bursary Working Committee by 31 October each year.

### **G. Criteria for a Bursary Award**

- An applicant must be a South African Citizen with a four-year degree from a South African tertiary institution that will qualify for admission to study towards a master's degree, or with a master's degree that will qualify for admission to study towards a doctorate degree.
- The applicant must not be employed and must be a fulltime student. A student may hold other bursaries, but a list of those applied for and awarded, must be declared, and any conditions that might conflict with this bursary.
- The applicant must meet the relevant tertiary institution's admission requirements for the post graduate study.
- The bursary will be primarily awarded on the academic merit of the applicant, as well as the intended field of study.
- The applicant in collaboration with the supervisor must describe the research project proposal together with the intended study protocol to the Bursary Working Committee (BWC) for the approval before the bursary application will be considered.
- The student's academic progress and/or the progress with the post-graduate project will be evaluated by the BWC on an annual basis in order for the student to proceed with the study.
- The intended study should relate to one or more of the following fields:
  - ✓ Genetics / Genomics / Breeding
  - ✓ Production / Management
  - ✓ Reproduction
  - ✓ Health / Bio-security / Welfare
  - ✓ Nutrition
  - ✓ Rangeland / Pasture
  - ✓ Environment
  - ✓ Economics / Marketing

- ✓ Slaughter / Carcass
- ✓ Hygiene / Product safety & quality
- ✓ Consumer health & acceptance

➤ The above fields of study must be with regard to the following red meat species:

- ✓ Cattle
- ✓ Sheep
- ✓ Goats
- ✓ Pigs

#### H. Personal details

Surname		Title
First names		
Birth date dd mm yyyy		
SA ID No		

#### I. Contact details

Postal address	
Residential address	
Telephone No	
Personal cell phone	
Department of study	
E-mail	
Alternate contact person	Name: Affiliation: Contact No:

#### F. Academic Record

1. Attach a university issued copy of your academic record for each for each qualification pertaining to this application (Bachelor; Honours; Master's degrees).
2. List scholarships, merit awards, bursaries, etc., received or applied for, and their value (where applicable) in the space below:

Scholarships	
Merit awards	
Bursaries	
Other	

#### G. Publications / Conferences

List below in scientific format (authors, date, title, journal / book of abstracts) any publications, scientific and popular, authored or co-authored by you, including items in preparation, as well as details of papers or addresses delivered at conferences or seminars.

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#### H. Previous Research

Provide details of research undertaken or experience gained relevant to this application. State where, when and under whose supervision the research was undertaken. This includes any seminar for degree purposes stating: 1. The degree (e.g. BSc (Agric)); 2. Level (e.g., 4th year); 3. Title of seminar.

### **I Proposed field of study**

1. State proposed main field of study and qualification to be obtained (e.g., Animal Science, Veterinary Science, Meat Science, Consumer Science, Economics, Microbiology, Pasture Science, etc).

2. State the aspect within the main field of study (e.g. Sustainable natural resources; Livestock production; Animal health and welfare including animal transport, handling, slaughtering, preventative livestock disease procedures and zoonotic diseases; Animal products including post-slaughter procedures, dealing with by-products and processing / manufacturing consumer products; Economics of red meat industry from production to consumerism; Security aspects that could include livestock theft prevention, predation management, and illegal and fraudulent inclusion of ingredients in processed products).

3. Name of institution.

4. Name of department:

5. Supervisor(s) for the study:

- a. Name(s) (Surname and initials):
- b. Academic rank:
- c. Highest qualification: (Master's/ doctorate)
- d. Contact details:
  - Department:   E-mail
  - Telephone
  - Supervisor(s): E-mail
  - Telephone / cell phone

### **J. Project Proposal:**

Short title of the project.

Aim / hypothesis / problem statement.

Scientific literature review (max 500 words). Add references.

Methodology.

**K. Ethics**

State ethics clearance reference. Note that all projects must have an ethics clearance, which includes using animals, people, environment, data, biohazards, etc.

Reference number: Field (animals, people, etc): Ethics committee: University or institution: Note the standing with the application for ethics approval if necessary: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Submitted, awaiting approval: Date submitted:</li> <li>Awaiting finalising research protocol in order to submit the ethics application:</li> </ul>
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**L. References**

Provide names, postal or e-mail addresses and telephone / cell phone numbers of two referees who can be contacted on your academic and personal abilities


**M. Non-academic Achievements**

Provide details of sporting, cultural, charitable or other interests or achievements, particularly where positions of responsibility or honour are involved which you feel may be relevant to this application

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**N. Third-party participation**

Third party participation in the research is permissible. The participation must be communicated to the MIT Bursary Working Committee.

Provide the following:

Name of participating entity	
Nature of participation	
Name of responsible person	
Postal address	
Telephone No of responsible person	
E-mail of responsible person	
Restrictions: Note any restrictions that the participating entity may require (e.g. limiting publishing results)	

**O. Intellectual property**

State from the policy document and the policy on intellectual property (IP) of the hosting university or institution.

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**P. Conflict of interest**

State any conflict of interest that may arise by the warding of this bursary.

Conflict with other bursaries (e.g. NRF)	
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Conflict in terms of third-party participation	
Any other	

**Q. Attachments**

Attach the following documents clearly labelled (applicant name; document name in pdf.

1. Certified copy of front page of Passport or ID document.
2. One clear head and shoulders passport size photograph of you.
3. Certified copies of all your tertiary qualifications must be attached.
4. A university issued copy of your academic record for each for each qualification pertaining to this application (Bachelor; Honours; M degrees).

**R. DECLARATION**

I, ..... (Full names), a South African citizen, do hereby apply for the MIT Post Graduate Bursary. I declare that I am not employed and am a fulltime student. I also agree to abide by the terms as laid down in the accompanying documentation

SIGNATURE: ..... DATE: .....

**S. APPROVAL BY SUPERVISOR**

I ..... (Full name and title)  
of the Department of ..... of  
the Faculty of ..... of the University of  
..... accept the above proposed study for  
the purpose of attaining the following degree

SIGNATURE

(Digital signatures may be inserted, or print, sign and scan)

..... DATE: .....

**T. SUBMIT APPLICATIONS**

Deliver the documents to

Meat Industry Trust,  
Bursary Working Committee,  
318 The Hillside Street & S Village Road,  
Lynnwood, Pretoria, 0081

Or,

E-mail the applications and accompanying documents to [admin@levyadmin.co.za](mailto:admin@levyadmin.co.za)  
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