



FOODBEV SETA
RESEARCH (DOCTORATE [PhD] AND MASTERS) BURSARY
PROGRAMME (2020 ACADEMIC YEAR)

The Food and Beverage Manufacturing Sector Education and Training Authority (FoodBev SETA) invites recognised public universities of South Africa to apply for Postgraduate Research Bursary Programme for students studying towards their Doctorate (PhD) and Masters degrees for the 2020 academic year.

Funding Opportunity

The FoodBev SETA has developed the Research Bursary Programme in response to the research and development needs of the food and beverages manufacturing sector. Research and development contribute to the body of knowledge and adds on the sectoral research innovation capacity. In addition, the programme also contributes towards the skills needed (i.e. researchers) to produce research that is relevant and has a positive impact on the sector, whilst at the same time advancing the FoodBev SETA research agenda. Therefore, students with **approved research proposals (PhD)** and with research topics relevant and responsive to the food and beverages value chain are encouraged to apply for this research grant.

Value of Funding

The bursary value is set at a sufficiently attractive level to provide an incentive to students to pursue postgraduate studies. The value of the awards will initially be set as follows:

- ✓ Master's students are eligible to receive a maximum of R120,000.00 (i.e. for the duration of the study) based on the evaluation outcome of the students' approved research topics
- ✓ PhD students are eligible to receive a maximum of R150,000.00 (i.e. for the duration of the study) based on the evaluation outcome of the students' approved proposals.

ELIGIBILITY

- ✓ Must be a South African citizen or permanent resident
- ✓ Preference will be given to students from previously disadvantaged groups
- ✓ A student must not be in possession of another bursary funding and this must be

FUNDING REQUIREMENTS & OTHER CONDITIONS

The requirements and conditions of this funding are as follows:

Masters Students

- ✓ Proof of registration for the 2020 academic year
- ✓ Research topics endorsed by the supervisors (relevant and responsive to the food and beverages value chain)
- ✓ The bursary covers the following expenses: registration fees, tuition fees, research costs, and study material to a maximum of R120 000.00

confirmed by the university
Bursary Office

- ✓ Students must submit progress report every end of academic year and it must be signed off by the supervisor.

PhD Students

- ✓ Proof of registration for the 2020 academic year
- ✓ Students who have an approved Research Proposal by the university with clear timeframes and estimated year of completion (NB: The expected timeframe for completion of PhD is between 2-5 years from the current academic year for reporting purposes by the SETA).
- ✓ The bursary covers the following expenses: tuition fees, and costs associated with the research undertaken to a maximum of R150 000,00.
- ✓ Students must submit progress report every end of academic year and it must be signed off by the supervisor.

APPLICATION PROCESS

The student must complete the application form and forward to the University Bursary Office. The University will be responsible for ensuring that the applications are duly completed, signed, and are submitted with all required documents. The learner and supervisor must submit signed declaration of intent to submit progress reports and results to FoodBev SETA officials. The duly completed application form with all the necessary supporting documents must be submitted to FoodBev SETA by the university.

Compulsory Supporting Documents to be Submitted

The fully completed application form must be accompanied by the following documents:

1. A copy of the student's certified ID
2. Proof of registration for the 2020 academic year
3. Approved research proposal (including research costs) with confirmation from the recognised tertiary institutions for PhD students, as well as research topic endorsed by the supervisor for Masters students.

The Closing Date for new applications for the 2020/21 Research Bursaries is **31 August 2020 (i.e. 12h00 mid-night for submission of applications, and 16h00 for assistance by FoodBev SETA Officials)**

NB: FoodBev SETA reserves the right to cancel the grant funding as a whole or partially at its discretion. Grant funding will be limited to the availability of funds.

All applications must reach FoodBev SETA on or before the closing date. For more information about this bursary please contact Busisiwe Ngatsane on 011 253 7377 and Teboho Ngwane on 011 253 7313 on ResearchBursaries@FoodBev.co.za.

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