

# RULES REGARDING BURSARIES FOR LL.B STUDY AT SOUTH AFRICAN UNIVERSITIES

#### 1. GENERAL INFORMATION

- 1.1 Bursaries are granted from a fund established by the Legal Practitioners Fidelity Fund, the amount of which is approved annually by the Minister of Justice.
- 1.2 Grants are made and awarded exclusively by the Bursary Committee of the Board of Control.
- 1.3 Bursaries are only awarded for the final 2 (two) years of LL.B study to South African citizens or students who have been granted permanent residency in South Africa. Proof of such permanent residency is to be annexed to your application.
- 1.4 Bursaries are intended for LL.B study at a South African university. Preference will be given in the case of acute financial need and/or outstanding academic merit.
- 1.5 A bursary shall only be applied towards a recipient's tuition fees.

#### 2. AMOUNT OF AWARD

2.1 The Board of Control will in each case, on recommendation of its Bursary Committee, determine the amount of a bursary. A bursary is tenable for a maximum period of 2 (two) years.

## 3. APPLICATION PROCEDURE

3.1 An application, on the prescribed application form, must be submitted to the Bursary Coordinator, Legal Practitioners Fidelity Fund P O Box 3062,



**Cape Town, 8000** via post or hand delivery to the physical address. Receipt of every application submitted will be acknowledged in writing.

3.2 The application form may only be submitted to the Fund if accompanied by an official transcript of the applicant's academic record, which should include the results for the first semester of the year in which the application is made.

In addition, full particulars should be disclosed of any bursary, grant or other financial assistance for study purposes already made to the applicant for the same period of study, whether for the whole or part of such.

- 3.3 The closing date for applications is 12 noon on 15 August of each year.

  No exceptions to the rule will be made.
- 3.4 Applicants will be advised of the outcome of their applications as soon as possible after the closing date. The Board of Control will not furnish reasons for the grant or refusal of any application. No enquiry in this regard will be entertained, and no correspondence will be entered into in connection therewith.
- 3.5 A person to whom a bursary is awarded must, within 6 (six) months after the date of the letter in which he/she is advised of the grant of the bursary, accept or decline the bursary, failing which the award will automatically lapse. The grant of a bursary will only take effect after receipt by the Fund of a written acceptance of the bursary by the applicant.

### 4. CONDITIONS OF AWARD

- 4.1 The holder of a bursary must, within 3 (three) months after the expiry of each year of study, submit to the Fund an official transcript of his/her academic record. Where a bursary has been granted for two years, the Board of Control will be entitled to revoke such bursary with respect to the second year if results submitted at the end of the first year are unsatisfactory.
- 4.2 The recipient of a bursary shall be obliged to disclose in writing to the Fund particulars of any other bursary, grant or financial assistance for study purposes made to him/her since having applied to the Fund for a bursary, and which relates to the same period of study, whether for the whole or part of such period.
- 4.3 The Board of Control may, upon receipt of the particulars referred to in paragraph 4.2, having regard to the recipient's requirements and any representations made on his/her behalf, either revoke or reduce the amount of the Fund's bursary, or impose further conditions as it may deem fit.
- 4.4 The Board of Control reserves the right to cancel any bursary in the event of:-
  - 4.4.1 The recipient failing to comply with any of the above bursary conditions;



- 4.4.2 The recipient conducting himself/herself in a manner which, in the opinion of the Board of Control, makes him/her an unworthy recipient;
- 4.4.3 The recipient, in the opinion of the Board of Control, misuses the bursary in any way
- 4.4.4 The recipient must, after the conferment of the LL.B degree, submit a copy of the degree certificate to the Fund.