

Bursaries and Scholarships Guide for Postgraduate Students **2014/5**

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WELCOME



In a 21st century knowledge economy, a first degree is no longer enough. Postgraduate study carries at least six key benefits. One, it strengthens your competitiveness as a graduate in a specialised job market. Two, it extends and deepens your knowledge and skills in a fast-changing global market. Three, it offers you research preparation that enhances your capacity to access, make sense of, and deploy new knowledge in a complex society. Four, it builds your confidence, capacity and credibility as a highly skilled graduate. Five, it provides real-time professional development and learning even as you reach for the degree, and six, it often provides personal satisfaction and reward especially for working students seeking to enrich their lives and pursue their dreams.

The University of the Free State recently decided to make major investments in postgraduate education as the institution becomes a hub for students from all over the world who wish to advance beyond their first degree. We have increasingly attracted top professors from across the globe, who in turn attract some of the smartest postgraduate students worldwide. We have built new laboratories and institutes that undertake advanced research in the sciences and humanities. We have set up a specialist Postgraduate School with the singular function of responding to the academic, social and material needs of Honours, Masters and Doctoral students. We have secured state-of-the-art accommodation for postgraduate students. In addition, the multiplication of seminars, conferences, webinars and workshops on research and scholarship has transformed the UFS into an exciting intellectual space for postgraduate students.

FUNDING YOUR POSTGRADUATE STUDIES



This university believes that postgraduate students ought to have as their first priority academic work rather than worrying about financing their studies. We are therefore committed to assisting postgraduate students with finding resources to support their studies.

There is a dedicated office for postgraduate funding opportunities within the Postgraduate School to assist students to identify sources of finance within and outside the University, and to prepare successful applications for funding. The Office manages a rich online database of scholarships, bursaries and other funding opportunities.

The Postgraduate funding office also offers individual consultations to students on questions related to financial support.

The administration of student finances is partly done by the Postgraduate School (Johannes Brill building, room 10).

For more information contact Naomi Haupt on devaldone@ufs.ac.za or phone 051 401 7161 (front desk enquiries).

The following scholarships are available to UFS students

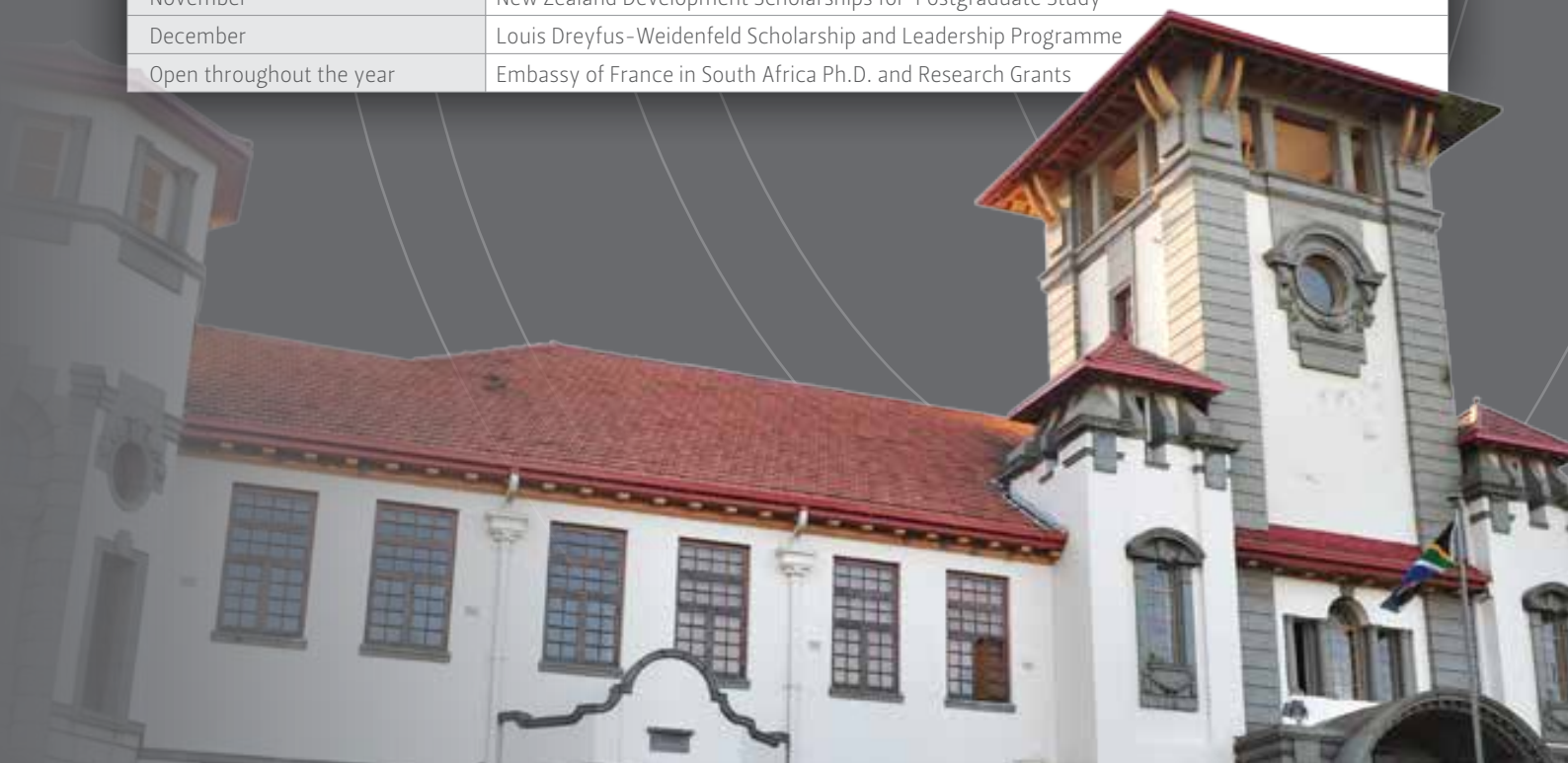
Bursaries / Scholarships for National Study

January	<p>Doctoral Dissertation Research Fellowships for Sub-Saharan African Countries</p> <p>Economic Research Southern Africa Scholarship</p> <p>NRF-UFS Honours Bursaries</p> <p>The Skye Foundation Scholarship</p> <p>Stiglingh Memorial Bursary</p>
February	<p>FoodBev SETA</p> <p>Poliomyelitis Research Foundation Bursaries</p> <p>SAMRO (South African Music Rights Organisation)</p>
March	L'Oréal-Unesco Regional Fellowships for Women in Science in Sub-Saharan Africa
April	
May	Mandela Rhodes Foundation
June	Poliomyelitis Research Foundation Bursaries
July	Renewable & Sustainable Energy Scholarships Programme
August	<p>Canon Collins Trust Scholarship</p> <p>Graça Machel Scholarships for Women</p> <p>South Africa Square Kilometre Array Project Honours</p> <p>South Africa Square Kilometre Array Project Postgraduate Bursary Programme</p>
September	<p>DBREV Scholarship for Masters in Renewable Energy Studies</p> <p>DAAD-NRF In-Country Scholarship</p> <p>Ernst & Ethel Eriksen Trust</p> <p>Fuchs Foundation Doctoral Scholarships</p> <p>HSRC-NRF Labour Market Research Scholarships</p> <p>NRF-Free-standing Masters and Doctoral Scholarships</p> <p>NRF-Innovation Masters and Doctoral Scholarships</p> <p>Poliomyelitis Research Foundation Bursaries</p> <p>Protein Research Foundation Postgraduate Research Scholarships</p> <p>Commonwealth Scholarships for developing countries</p>
October	Meat Industry Trust
November	<p>Next Generation Social Sciences in Africa Programme</p> <p>PPS Bursary</p>
December	French Institute of South Africa

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Bursaries / Scholarships for International Study

January	FirstRand Laurie Dippenaar Scholarship for International Postgraduate Study
February	Embassy of France in South Africa Masters Bursaries Erasmus Mundus EU-SATURN Programme South African – French programme for Think Tanks
March	Fulbright Programme
April	Abe Bailey Travel Bursary
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July	Robert S. McNamara Fellowships Programme
August	
September	Commonwealth Scholarships for Developing Countries Rhodes Scholarships at the University of Oxford
October	Chevening / Canon Collins Scholarships for UK Masters Intra-ACP Mobility Bursaries Swiss Government Excellence Scholarships
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Open throughout the year	Embassy of France in South Africa Ph.D. and Research Grants



AVAILABLE BURSARIES & SCHOLARSHIPS FOR HONOURS & POSTGRADUATE STUDIES

Introduction



This booklet has been compiled by the UFS's Postgraduate School to assist prospective and current honours and postgraduate students with information on available sources of funding for their studies. University education can be expensive, and as such, the university strives to assist as many students as possible with accessing financial assistance to ease the burden on both students and families.

The UFS administers funds from corporate donors and the National Research Foundation (NRF). The NRF funding is specifically aimed at assisting needy students who display academic merit in all fields of study.

This booklet also contains information on funding available from a wide range of companies, foundations and other organisations, which are awarded on the basis of academic merit, financial need and/or both. Some awards are made to specific categories of people (South African citizens and non-South Africans), or to students studying in particular fields only (e.g., Health Sciences, Information Technology etc., while others are more widely applicable.

The Postgraduate School advises students to study this booklet carefully, and to apply for as many possible sources of funding for which they qualify, to give them the best chance of receiving financial assistance.

Students are urged to view the latest funding opportunities from the Postgraduate School website regularly:

<http://postgraduate.ufs.ac.za>

Students are also invited to contact the Postgraduate School at any time for assistance and advice regarding funding for their studies at the UFS.



How to apply?



Before embarking on their studies, students need to do proper financial planning and explore all the available financial avenues. The Postgraduate Office is therefore committed to assist postgraduate students to find resources to support their chosen fields of study.

There is a dedicated office for postgraduate funding opportunities within the Postgraduate School to assist students in identifying sources of finance within the university and beyond, and to prepare successful applications for funding. The School's office manages a rich online database of scholarships, bursaries and other funding opportunities, and these are updated via a monthly newsletter.

Students are advised that bursaries and scholarships are not awarded automatically. They must be applied for by sending an application to the address of the organisation administering the bursary. These addresses are listed in this booklet.

- Students are advised to attach a complete official certified academic record with their applications for

bursaries at UFS. For those students who have obtained their qualifications at other institutions of learning and universities, the relevant academic records must also accompany their applications.

- Should students to whom bursaries have been awarded not complete their degrees, the University may claim reimbursement of the amount paid out to them.
- Before applying to an outside organisation, applicants must make sure that they meet the minimum requirements set by those organisations and institutions.

UFS INTERNAL FUNDING

The UFS has a number of scholarships and bursaries available to deserving students. These bursaries, funded from a variety of sources, are awarded to faculties or supervisors for students working on specific projects or programmes. Candidates should enquire to the availability of such awards by consulting their faculties or supervisors.

Grant Holder-Linked (GHL) Bursaries

Support in the form of student assistantships and bursaries are provided by different sources, including postgraduate support from the University's Research Directorate, Senior Professor Programme and the National Research Foundation (NRF). Such funding is dependent on availability of funds and academic merit.

Only grant holders who are receiving bursaries as a part of their NRF grants may nominate students for these assistantships. Assistantships and bursaries are granted by researchers within their NRF grants to selected students. Students should approach their faculties/prospective supervisors or HODs in this regard well in advance of the commencement of their studies.

Periods of support

Honours Degree: 1 year.

Masters degree full-time: 2 years.

Masters degree part-time: 3 years.

Doctorate full-time: 3 years.

Doctorate part-time: 5 years.

Conditions and Guidelines

1 year Honours: R20 000.

2 years Masters: R40 000.

3 years Doctoral: R60 000.

Closing Date

Nominations to be submitted online by the grant holder.

31 March.

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Postgraduate Faculty Bursaries

Postgraduate Faculty Bursaries are offered by the University. Students should approach their faculties/prospective supervisors or HODs in this regard. The bursaries are managed by the Deans. The students may refer to the faculties for more information on the application process as it differs from one faculty to another. The bursaries are awarded to students who meet the faculty requirements. Values are variable and depend on availability of funds.

Academic Merit Bursaries for postgraduate students

Masters degrees

Academic Merit Bursaries for postgraduate students are awarded on the basis of the candidate's achievement during study for an honours degree and are associated with the tuition fees applicable to the prospective course. No Academic Merit Bursaries are awarded for achievements in the postgraduate diplomas or certificates.

The award is made on condition that the candidate obtains an average total examination mark of at least 69,5% in all the postgraduate courses he/she registered for and is actively pursuing further studies. The bursaries are awarded according to the following formula:

Doctoral degrees:

Since 2002, Academic Merit Bursaries are awarded to students who obtained their Masters degree with distinction and who registered for Doctoral studies at this university.



Students from other universities

Granting an Academic Merit Bursaries will only be considered after a written application has been received, accompanied by a certified copy of a study record and proof of fees paid for the specific course. Academic Merit Bursaries for non-SADC students will be calculated on the class fee amounts which are applicable to students who are South African citizens.

Interruption of studies

In order to qualify for an academic merit scholarship, a candidate must again register at this university as a student. If there has been an interruption of more than 5 years between the candidate's last examination, matriculation or university study, on the basis of which Academic Merit Bursaries are to be awarded, and the year in which the bursary must be awarded, the student does not qualify for such an award.



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BURSARIES AWARDED FOR NATIONAL STUDY

Canon Collins Trust Scholarships For Postgraduate Study in South Africa



Applicants must be:

Nationals of or have refugee status in one of the following countries:

- Angola, Botswana, Lesotho, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa, Swaziland, Zambia, and Zimbabwe;
- In possession of a good first degree;
- Seeking this scholarship for postgraduate study at Masters or Doctoral level;
- Registered to study or wish to study at a South African university.

All applicants are required to upload the following supporting documentation:

- Certified copies of degree certificates, if available;
- Certified academic transcript;
- Reference letters from two referees;
- Acceptable documents include the following: SA ID; Foreign Passports and/or Refugee Documents.

Additional requirements may also include:

- Proof of refugee status, if applicable;
- Two payslips, if currently employed;
- Ph.D. proposal if applicable.

Duration of award(s):

Scholarships are offered for up to a maximum of two years for Masters and three years for Ph.D.

What does it cover?

Scholarships of up to R50 000 per academic year for scholars at Masters and Ph.D. level. Both full and part-time supported.

Closing date:

August annually.

Apply to:

Complete and submit an online application form: <http://www.canoncollins.org.uk/postgraduatesa.html>

DAAD-NRF In-Country Scholarship Programme



DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service) in partnership with the National Research Foundation (NRF) offers scholarships for postgraduate studies at South African universities. The programme is co-funded by the German Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) and the National Research Foundation (NRF). The scholarship is aimed at future academic staff development without neglecting other sector demands for academically trained personnel.

Who can apply?

- The programme targets candidates who are working towards a Masters or Doctoral degree.
- Preference will be given to full-time registered young South Africans or permanent resident university staff members considered for teaching / research staff recruitment either for their own university or any other institution of higher education in South Africa.

Application Documents:

The following documents are required in the application attachment section:

- Proof of South African Identity Document (ID) or proof of permanent residency together with letter indicating university employment (if applicable, only at Ph.D. levels);
- Official and certified university degree certificates and transcripts indicating a minimum accumulative academic requirement of 65% in previous degree;

- Recommendation by supervisor (compulsory for Doctoral applicants);
- Admission letter indicating full-time registration. This will be required if successful;
- Reference letters.

How to apply for funding?

Applications must be submitted through an online application process to the National Research Foundation (NRF) by accessing the link: <https://nrfs submission.nrf.ac.za/>

Value of the Award

- Masters Scholarships: R 60 000 p.a.
- Doctoral Scholarships: R 90 000 p.a.

Closing date:

Late September.



BURSARIES AWARDED FOR NATIONAL STUDY

DBREV Scholarship for a Masters in Renewable Energy Studies



Financial support and mentorship is available to assist a graduate student to take forward the vision of the late Dr Doug Banks.

Applicants must be:

- South African citizens and/or permanent residents;
- From a background of engineering, built environment, technology, science, or law;
- Passionate about making a difference to the African continent;
- Fired up about solving energy needs into the future through the development of skills in Renewable Energy.

Duration of award(s):

A two-year scholarship is available to study towards a Masters degree in Renewable Energy at a South African university.

Closing date:

Mid-September.

Apply to:

Applications are via the website www.dougbanks.co.za

Doctoral Dissertation Research Fellowships for Sub-Saharan African Countries Students in Africa



The African Doctoral Dissertation Research Fellowships (ADDRF) programme seeks to facilitate more rigorous engagement of Doctoral students in research, strengthening their research skills as well as providing them the opportunity for timely completion of their Doctoral training. The Programme targets Doctoral students with a strong commitment to careers in training and/or research. The overall goal of

the ADDRf programme is to support the training and retention of highly-skilled, locally-trained scholars in research and academic positions across the region.

Applicants must:

- Be citizens or permanent residents of a sub-Saharan African country;

- Be undertaking Doctoral training at a recognised African university;
- Have completed all pre-dissertation requirements;
- Provide a detailed timeframe for completing their dissertation which should be endorsed by the Head of Department or the Chair of the Dissertation Committee;
- Have a research topic that has been approved by their Doctoral Dissertation Committee, as well as the official body overseeing ethical review of the research protocol;
- Be able to complete their dissertation within 24 months of the start of the fellowship.

What does it cover?

- Each award will be up to a maximum of US\$15 000.
- Specific items may include field research, a monthly stipend for up to 12 months, and other research materials (e.g., laptop computer, specialised software or books etc.).
- Applicants may also include the cost of one local or regional conference where the results of the dissertation may be disseminated.
- Successful candidates will attend at least one week-long training workshop (Attending the workshop(s) is mandatory).
- During the workshop, grantees will receive training and mentorship on various aspects of research (design and methods, ethics, data analyses, scientific writing, proposal development and communication of research results etc.).
- The students' home institutions may receive an institutional overhead to support the department and dissertation committee in ensuring timely review of dissertation chapters.

List of documents to enclose in the application:

- Proof of citizenship or permanent residence in a sub-Saharan African country (e.g., copy of passport or other national identification);

- Two letters of reference (at least one must come from a faculty member with extensive knowledge of the applicant's academic history and performance and must document how the candidate's dissertation research fits into ongoing research programmes in the department).
- Referees' contact information must be provided in the application form.
- Evidence that the research protocol has undergone review and received approval from an approved Ethical Review Board and the Dissertation Committee or is under review for the same.

Closing date:

Mid-January.

Apply to:

A completed application form can be downloaded from <http://aphrc.org/blogs/african-doctoral-dissertation-research-fellowships-2014-call/>. This form must be submitted electronically in MS Word format.

BURSARIES AWARDED FOR NATIONAL STUDY

Economic Research Southern Africa Scholarships



This scholarship is available to postgraduate students wishing to pursue a Masters degree.

The Applicant must:

Be a South African citizen who has obtained an average of 70% in the degree preceding the Masters for which the scholarship is awarded, and who has shown academic excellence in economic studies. Priority will be given to designated groups.

Scholarship Description:

Ten scholarships to the value of R80 000 are available to full-time students enrolled for a Masters degree in Economics at a South African institution. Students will be required to work in South Africa as economists for a period of one year after obtaining the Masters degree. ERSA scholarship holders will be expected to attend the ERSA workshop programmes in the research groups that are relevant to their area of specialisation. Upon completion of the degree, scholarship holders will be required to submit a paper, based on the dissertation component of their degree, to the ERSA Working Paper series. Publication will be subject to standard quality verification standards.

Duration of award:

One year.

Selection Criteria:

The procedure of students' selection is oriented to academic excellence and ability to do research in economics in a relevant field of study in South Africa.

Notification:

Selection results will be provided to these applicants before or on 28 February.

Closing date:

End of January.

How to Apply:

Go to <http://www.econrsa.org> for applications procedure.

ErSa economic research southern africa

Ernst & Ethel Eriksen Trust



The Trust provides study grants to students doing postgraduate study and will enable scholars from all walks of life to fulfil their dreams, and in so doing benefit South Africa.

Applicants must:

- Be South African citizens;
- Be studying at a South African university;
- Have completed their honours in order to apply.

What does it cover?

The amount of the grant is solely at the discretion of the trustees and subject to the availability of funds.

Closing date:

End of September.

Apply to:

<http://www.eriksentrust.co.za/>

BURSARIES AWARDED FOR NATIONAL STUDY

FoodBev SETA



FoodBev SETA annually supports full-time postgraduate students by offering bursaries to study towards a tertiary qualification in the Food and Beverages Manufacturing Sector Education and Training Authority in order to support the sector with the research skills.

Applicants must:

- Be full-time postgraduate students;
- Be South African citizens;
- Have qualification in the field of research innovation, which is deemed to be relevant to the Food and Beverage manufacturing industry.

List of documents to enclose in the application:

- FoodBev bursary application form (available on www.foodbev.co.za);
- Motivational letter;
- Tuition fee quotation issued by the Higher Education Institution and the Bank Account of the Proof of registration or an acceptance letter from the Higher Education Institution for intended qualification;
- Certified ID copy.

What does it cover?

Research and Innovation Projects up to a maximum of R50 000 per annum per candidate for tuition fees and books, payable directly to the Institution on receipt of an academic financial statement.

Apply to:

FoodBev SETA, 13 Autumn Street, Rivonia, 2128

E-mail: gcobanig@foodbev.co.za

Fax: 086 649 2274



French Institute of South Africa



The French Institute of South Africa is funding research projects in the Human and Social Sciences on Southern Africa. IFAS has a regional mandate covering ten countries in Southern Africa (South Africa, Mozambique, Zimbabwe, Malawi, Angola, Democratic Republic of Congo, Lesotho, Swaziland, Botswana and Namibia). Priority will be given to applicants whose research is in line with the research programmes of the Institute.

The focus areas are:

- Archaeology and multidisciplinary studies of Middle and Late Stone Age rock art;
- Early modern and modern history of Southern Africa, integration of Southern Africa in Atlantic and Indian oceans circulations, history of knowledge, sciences and techniques;
- Current issues of memory in Southern Africa, historical régimes;
- Democratic mutations in Southern Africa, electoral dynamics, citizenship and its transformation, identity policies, education, language policy, nation-building processes;
- Geography and urban studies, historical development of Southern African cities, governance, access to public services, adoption of “best practice” models, migration, xenophobia, spatial justice, right to the city, city memory;
- Resources;
- Comparative Development Economics, economic policy, sector-focused studies, formal/informal labour;
- Sustainable development, as well as environmental justice.

List of documents to enclose with the application:

- A short introduction letter from the applicant;
- A detailed description of the research project not exceeding 10 pages and containing the scientific project, a research agenda, institutional partnerships and indications regarding the dissemination of results;
- A provisional budget indicating the amount of total funding, other sources of funding applied for and obtained, funding required from IFAS (nature of expenses);
- A CV of the candidate;
- A reference letter from the research supervisor (for students) addressed to IFAS Director, Adrien Delmas;
- The application form filled in electronically.

What does it cover?

Funds allocated by IFAS will not exceed R40 000 or 4 000 EUR.

Closing date:

Mid-December.

Apply to:

The application should be sent by email with a single pdf document attached, containing all the enclosures (including the form and the reference letter) to IFAS Director at comm.research@ifas.org.za

BURSARIES AWARDED FOR NATIONAL STUDY

Fuchs Foundation Doctoral Scholarships



The Carl Fuchs and Emily Fuchs Doctoral Scholarships are available to post-graduate students who have already, or intend to register for Doctoral studies at a local South African university. The scholarships are awarded bi-annually in any academic field of study/Doctoral programme.

Applicants must be:

- South African citizens;
- Excellent academic achievement: minimum requirement of a Masters degree, passed with distinction or 75% average;
- Preference will be given to economically deprived applicants;
- Candidates with leadership qualities.
- The scholarship is awarded for full- and/or part-time Doctoral studies and candidates may either be at the commencement (but already accepted/enrolled), or at a more advanced stage of their studies/research. Applicants will also be required to enter into an agreement, confirming their undertaking to apply the benefits of their studies/research outcomes as part of a career based in South Africa for a minimum period equal to the tenure of the scholarship. Any academic outcomes/seminars/publications/papers should acknowledge the support obtained from the Fuchs Foundation and a final, bound copy of the student's thesis should be submitted to the Foundation upon the degree being conferred.
- The correctly and comprehensively completed application form should be accompanied by a photograph, a formal academic record of all previous studies, two confidential (separately sealed) referee reports, confirmation of acceptance for the Doctoral study programme and an Executive Summary of the proposed research project/study.

Duration of award(s):

Each scholarship is awarded for a period of 2 years, of which the second round is payable at the discretion of the Foundation and subject to satisfactory academic performance (based on the submission of a progress report and as motivated/substantiated by the Promoter of the student). Any extension thereafter is at the sole discretion of the Foundation.

What does it cover?

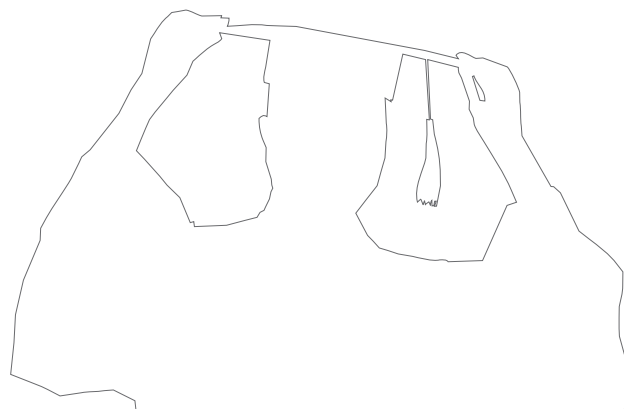
R100 000 per annum for each of the two scholarships.

Closing date:

Early October and no late applications will be considered.

Apply to:

Doctoral Scholarships, The Carl & Emily Fuchs Foundation, P O Box 1910, Halfway House, 1695.



Graça Machel Scholarships for Women



Applicants must be:

- Female nationals of and/or residents in one of the SADC countries: Angola, Botswana, DRC, Lesotho, Madagascar, Malawi, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa, Swaziland, Tanzania, Zambia or Zimbabwe;
- Must be in possession of a good first degree (minimum second class, upper division or equivalent) or about to graduate in the year of application to undertake postgraduate study at Honours, Masters or Doctoral level at a South African university.

Duration of award(s):

Funding for up to a maximum of one year for Honours, two years for Masters and three years for Ph.D. will be provided.

What does it cover:

The scholarships cover most costs, full tuition, stipend, mentoring and other support associated with your study/time at South African universities. This can include, where appropriate, return airfares, tuition fees, maintenance costs, study and other allowances. The terms and conditions of each type of scholarship and fellowship vary for Honours, Masters and Ph.D. study.

Closing date:

August annually.

How to Apply:

Candidates need to complete and submit an online application form: <http://www.canoncollins.org.uk/postgraduatesa.html>



BURSARIES AWARDED FOR NATIONAL STUDY

HSRC–NRF Labour Market Research Scholarships



The Labour Markets Intelligence Partnership (LMIP) Bursary Programme is to build human capacity in the sector to facilitate coherence and complementarity in the research field to ensure a more effective impact of research on policy, and to increase the national pool of researchers, especially of African and women researchers working in the area of higher education and training, skills development, information management/ systems and labour market data analysis.

Who can apply?

- Scholarships are open to South African citizens only with an undergraduate or honours degree.
- The award will be based on past, current and potential academic performance. Selection criteria will include academic merit, promise of research ability, leadership qualities, and previous awards, various prizes, and honours.
- The award will also be based on the feasibility and merit of the applicant's research project proposal.
- In the proposal summary, applicants must reflect an intention to work with (e.g., analyse) or manage (e.g., curate) labour market related datasets.

Areas of support

The following areas of study will be supported under this programme:

- Labour markets economics;
- Human capital or education economics;
- Information management or systems.

Value of the Award:

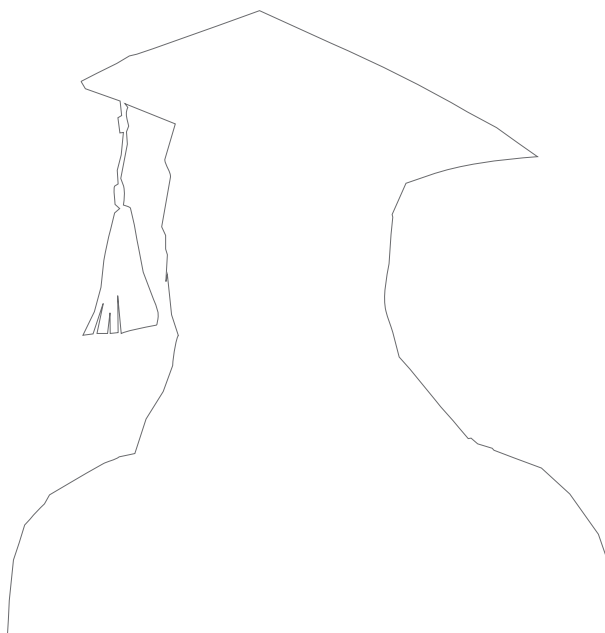
- Honours Scholarships R 60 000 p.a.
- Masters Scholarships R 100 000 p.a.

Closing date:

September.

Apply to:

Applications must be submitted through an online application process to the National Research Foundation (NRF) by accessing the link: <https://nrfsubmission.nrf.ac.za/>



L'Oréal-Unesco Regional fellowships "For Women in Science" in Sub-Saharan Africa



L'ORÉAL Fellowships are open to women scientists in Sub-Saharan Africa to realise the importance of scientific research in all fields of science, engineering and technology.

Application Criteria:

- Fellowships will be awarded for Ph.D. research projects that will result in a Doctoral degree;
- The research is to be conducted in any country in Sub-Saharan Africa ;
- The age limit for the candidate is 40 years.

Value of the Award

Fellowships up to a maximum value of US\$20 000 will be awarded.

Closing date:

Early April.

Apply to:

https://www.eudonet.com/V7/app/specif/EUDO_03687/FwisPlatform_SSA/

List of documents to enclose with the application:

- Curriculum vitae, mentioning the applicant's most important scientific publications;
- Certified copies of degrees or diplomas;
- Detailed description (maximum of five pages) of the research proposal (including budget);
- Scientific supervisor's recommendation or recommendation by the Head of the scientific institution where the project will be realised.

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Mandela Rhodes Foundation



The overarching mission of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation is to build exceptional leadership capacity in Africa – firstly, by providing excellent educational and training opportunities to individual Africans with leadership potential; and secondly, by creating, over time, a network of well-rounded leaders of talent, effectiveness and integrity across African society.

Who can apply?

- Citizens of all African countries.
- Postgraduate study at a South African university or tertiary institution (Honours and Masters degrees only).
- Any individual between 19 and 30 years of age.
- An individual with the ability to be a destiny changer.
- An individual with proven academic ability and demonstrated leadership potential.
- An individual who reflects in their character a commitment to the four principles of Education, Reconciliation, Leadership, and Social Entrepreneurship.

Application documentation:

- Downloaded application forms from www.mandelarhodes.org
- Three to five contactable referees who would be willing to write reference letters for the candidates. (Candidates are to ensure that no less than three are from academics who have taught the prospective student).
- Ensure that the following documentation is included in the application:

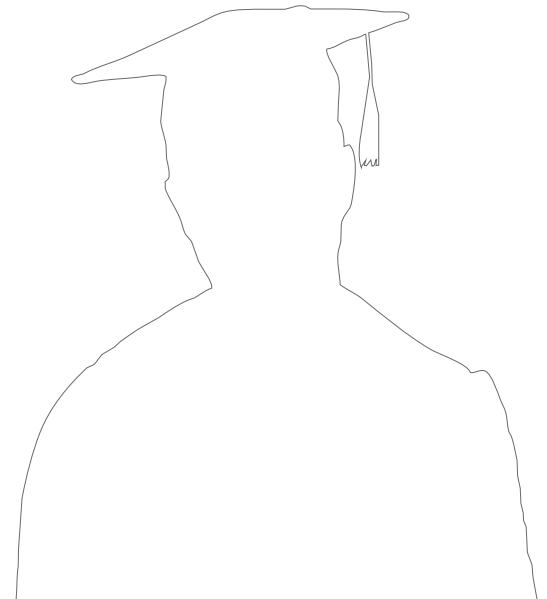
- A certified copy of the applicant's Identity Document, Birth Certificate, Residency certificate or Passport.
- A certified copy of the applicant's official academic transcript.
- A CV detailing work experience, leadership positions, extramural activities, and any honours or awards received.

Closing date:

May.

Apply to:

Postgraduate School Funding Office.



Meat Industry Trust



The objective of the scholarship is to provide an opportunity for meritorious candidates to obtain a Masters or Doctoral Degree in some fields of importance to the Red Meat industry of South Africa that will enable them to contribute to the improvement of the industry. The bursary is awarded by the Meat Industry Trust to train scientists, who would through their research and studies enhance the scientific capacity of the Red Meat Industry of South Africa.

Who can apply?

- An applicant must be a South African citizen with at least a four-year B.Sc. (Agric.) Degree or equivalent from a South African tertiary institution.
- The applicant must meet the relevant tertiary institution's admission requirements for postgraduate study.
- The bursary will be awarded solely on the merits of the intended field of study and on the applicant's ability to complete the 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 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 a bi-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:

- Pre-slaughter – Livestock Production/Animal Health
- During slaughter – Carcass Meat Quality/Meat Processing

- Post-slaughter – Meat Preservation/Meat Safety/Customer Assurance/Nutrition
- Economics of any of these fields

Value of the Award

R50 000 per annum.

Closing date:

End of October.

How to Apply:

Application forms to be returned to:

Attention: A du Plessis Administrator, MIT Bursary Working Committee,
P O Box 36802, Menlo Park, 0102

Telephone: 012 348 7572

Fax: 086 511 4064

E-mail: aletd@levyadmin.co.za or admin@levyadmin.co.za

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Next Generation Social Sciences in Africa Programme



The Social Science Research Council (SSRC) offers three distinct competitive fellowship opportunities to support the advancement of social science faculty members toward the completion of Doctoral degrees in Ghana, Nigeria, South Africa, Tanzania, and Uganda.

Who can apply?

- All applicants must be citizens of and reside in a sub-Saharan African country while holding a current faculty position at an accredited college or university in Ghana, Nigeria, South Africa, Tanzania, or Uganda.
- Applicants for any of the funding opportunities offered through this programme must be working toward completion of a Doctoral degree.
- The programme encourages innovative studies of peace, security, and development issues.
- Research sites are not geographically restricted.
- The programme seeks to promote diversity and encourages women to apply.
- Proposals should display thorough knowledge of the social science literature and methodologies relevant to the project.
- In addition, applicants must demonstrate that all proposed activities are feasible and can be completed in a timely manner.
- Fellows must attend two workshops sponsored by the SSRC each year that are intended to help early-career faculty to produce scholarly publications.

The application consists of the following (all to be submitted online):

- Completed Online Application Form;
- Executive Summary of Project (no more than 150 words);
- Short Narrative explaining fit of the topic to Peace, Security, and Development (no more than 200 words);
- Personal Biography;
- Uploaded Bibliography;
- Uploaded Narrative Proposal (no more than 7 pages);
- Uploaded References (2);
- Uploaded Language Evaluation Form (if necessary).

Closing date:

Early December.

Apply to:

<http://www.ssrc.org/programs/nextgenafrica/>

NRF Freestanding Masters and Doctoral Scholarships



The programme supports full-time Masters and Doctoral candidates who would like to pursue research studies in all areas of Science, Engineering and Technology (SET), and in Social Sciences and Humanities, at public research institutions in South Africa. A small number of scholarships are also available to students pursuing Doctoral studies abroad.

Who can apply?

Scholarships are open to full-time Masters and Doctoral candidates who are South African citizens.

How to apply for funding:

Applications must be submitted through an online application process to the National Research Foundation (NRF) by accessing the link: <https://nrfs submission.nrf.ac.za/>

Value of the Award:

Masters Scholarships: R 40 000 p.a.

Doctoral Scholarships: R 60 000 p.a.

Doctoral Scholarships Abroad: US\$ 12 000 p.a.

Closing date:

End of September.



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NRF Innovation Masters and Doctoral Scholarships



The objectives of the Innovation programme are to contribute towards increasing the number and quality of South African postgraduate students within Science, Engineering and Technology (SET) fields of study at Masters and Doctoral levels in South Africa.

Areas of support:

The following areas of study will be supported under this programme:

Biotechnology, Cellular and Molecular Biology, Engineering, Computer Science, Physics, Astronomy, Mathematical Sciences, Nanotechnology, Chemistry, Earth Science, Ecology, and Medical Sciences.

Who can apply?

Scholarships are open to full-time Masters and Doctoral candidates who are South African citizens and/or permanent residents.

Value of the Award:

Masters Scholarships: R 60 000 p.a.

Doctoral Scholarships: R 100 000 p.a.

Closing date:

End of September.

How to Apply:

Applications must be submitted through an online application process to the National Research Foundation (NRF) by accessing the link: <https://nrfs submission.nrf.ac.za/>

NRF UFS Honours Bursaries



The NRF seeks to address blockages (including low retention and throughput rates) in the Science, Engineering and Technology (SET) human capital development, in particular, to increase the base for the supply of Honours graduates eligible for entry into Masters Degrees.

Who can apply?

- South African citizens and South African permanent residents.
- Applicants must have obtained an aggregate of at least 60% for the final year undergraduate subject(s) they are pursuing for their honours study.
- Applicants must have obtained their previous degree in the minimum prescribed period.
- Applicants who already hold a qualification at this level are not eligible to apply.

Application documentation

- Downloaded application forms from <http://postgraduate.ufs.ac.za/content.aspx?id=12>
- Applicants must ensure that they include the following documentation in their application:
 - Certified copy of their identity documents.
 - Certified copy of their official academic transcripts.
 - Proof of registration for honours.

Closing date:

End of January.

Apply to:

Postgraduate School Funding Office (Application forms are available from the Postgraduate School website, as from 1 October each year.)



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Poliomyelitis Research Foundation Bursaries



The Poliomyelitis Research Foundation supports research aimed at furthering the development of medical virology in South Africa.

Eligibility:

- Honours, Masters and Ph.D. students;
- South African citizens or individuals with permanent resident status;
- A limited number of bursaries may be awarded to non-South African applicants;
- Applicants must have obtained a minimum pass of 60% and must attach their latest academic records;
- Preference will be given to applicants from historically disadvantaged communities.

Duration of award(s):

The maximum duration of support will normally be two years for Masters and three years for Ph.D. candidates.

What does it cover?

Masters: R 25 000

Ph.D.: R 35 000

List of documents to enclose in the application:

Curriculum Vitae of the applicant, details of research programme and a letter of motivation from the supervisor/Head of School.

Closing Dates:

End of February, Mid-July and Mid-October each year.

How to Apply:

Application forms must be typed. No hand written applications will be accepted. Please format the document carefully and number all pages.

E-mail all applications to: prf@nicd.ac.za

PPS Bursary



The Professional Provident Society of South Africa is offering postgraduate bursaries for South African citizens to study at participating South African Universities. Recipients of the Bursary awards will be required to become PPS Student members at no additional cost.

Application Criteria and process

- PPS bursaries are awarded based on financial need and academic record to full-time university students.
- Students must be registered at a participating South African university, registering for a fourth academic year of study or post-graduate degree and must be studying towards a profession, which on qualification, would be eligible for PPS membership.
- The student must be a citizen or permanent resident of South Africa.
- Application forms must be returned to the PPS Youth Market Specialist via email or on campus.

Supporting documents to attach with the application form:

- Certified copies of all available examination results, including the most recent (June) or progress report;
- Declaration of own and/or family's financial position (copy of affidavit);
- Statements of student account confirming no outstanding fees for the current or previous years;
- Certified copy of ID/Passport.

Value of award:

Tuition and books, accommodation and allowance to a maximum of R30 000.

Closing date:

End of November.

Successful applicants will be notified by 28 February the following year..

Apply to:

The Scholarship and Bursary Officer, PPS Insurance, P O Box 1089, Houghton 2041

Fax: 011 644 4252

E-mail: scholarship@pps.co.za



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Protein Research Foundation Postgraduate Research Scholarships



The objective of the PRF Postgraduate Research Scholarships is to provide deserving students with the opportunity to obtain a Masters degree, that will enable them to make a contribution to high quality scientific research in the supply or utilisation of protein in animal nutrition, or both. The subject of study for the Masters degree must fall within the broad framework of the mission, vision and goals of the PRF. Doctoral scholarships will also be considered if the subject of study is deemed to be of a high priority to the PRF.

Applicants must be:

- Citizens of the Republic of South Africa who have qualified for admission to a Masters or Ph.D. at a recognised tertiary institution.
- The scholarship is awarded on merit, and in the case of a Ph.D., according to the requirements of the PRF for the specific study.

What does it cover?

- The total value of the scholarship will vary according to the length of the study.
- For a Masters Degree, the guideline is two years, and for the Doctorate, three years.
- The value of the scholarship is R35 000 per annum.

Closing date:

End of September.

How to Apply:

Candidates should submit PRF scholarship applications to the Postgraduate School Office.

Renewable & Sustainable Energy Scholarships Programme



The primary focus is to provide scholarship grants at Masters and Doctoral levels focusing on research studies that will support and facilitate the shift towards a sustainable energy sector.

Areas of support

The grants are offered to candidates that are focusing on the following focus areas:

- Cleaner fossil fuel development, including clean coal technologies;
- Renewable energy (bio-energy including bio-fuels, solar energy, wind energy etc.);
- Energy impact on the environment;
- Energy for socio-economic development;
- Energy system planning and modelling;
- Energy policy research.

Who can apply?

- Scholarships are open to Masters and Doctoral candidates who are South African citizens and/or permanent residents.
- Scholarships are available to university graduates with degrees in Engineering, Natural Science, Agri-Science, Management Science, Law, Economics, and other related and relevant disciplines.
- The relevant qualifications for eligibility are: B.Sc. Hons, B.Sc. Eng., B.Eng. or M.Tech. for Masters and M.Sc. or M.Sc. Eng. for Doctoral degrees.
- Scholarships are available for successful candidates studying on a full-time basis in the field of Renewable and Sustainable Energy.

Value of the Award

Masters Scholarships: R 85 000 p.a.

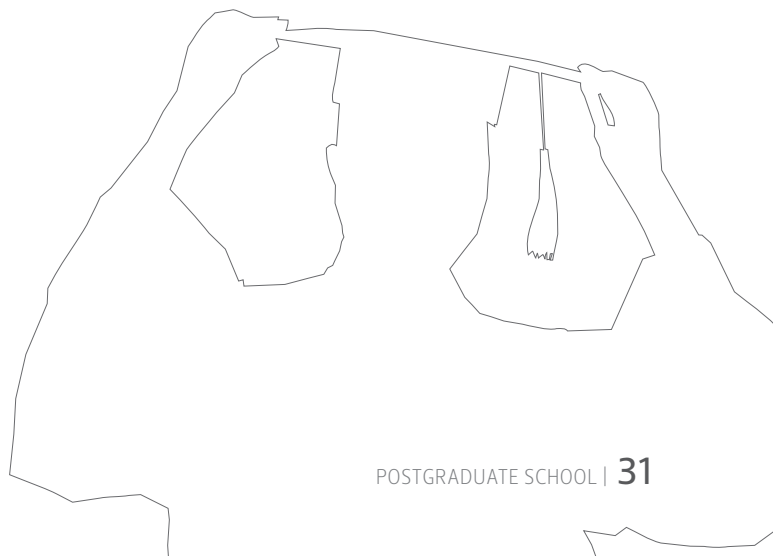
Doctoral Scholarships: R 100 000 p.a.

Closing date:

August.

How to Apply:

Applications must be submitted through an online application process to the National Research Foundation (NRF) by accessing the link: <https://nrfs submission.nrf.ac.za/>



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The Skye Foundation Scholarships



Who can apply?

- South African citizens or permanent residents who are under the age of 30.
- The awards are tenable at South African universities with a proven record of quality research in the relevant field or at any recognised institutions of higher learning anywhere in the world.
- Skye scholarships are awarded on the basis of outstanding academic achievement in any discipline and they are therefore awarded only to candidates of exceptional merit who have distinguished themselves academically in their first or subsequent degrees and are likely, in the opinion of the Trustees and their peers, to continue to achieve at a high level.
- The Trustees will generally only consider candidates who have been nominated by Deans of faculties and supported by academic leaders in their discipline.

Value of the Award

Awards are generous and may, depending on circumstances, be sufficient to cover tuition fees, living expenses, travel and other costs.

Deans wishing to make a nomination should do so in writing and provide the following additional documentation:

- The candidate's full Curriculum Vitae;
- Letters of support from at least two faculty members or leaders in the relevant academic discipline;
- Full details of the course of study to be followed, including a motivation for the choice of institution, name and contact details

of the supervisor (if applicable), duration of the course and copies of the letters of acceptance by the university and college (if applicable);

- Details of costs of tuition, living, and other expenses;
- The candidate's e-mail, postal and home address and telephone numbers;
- The candidate's full academic transcript.

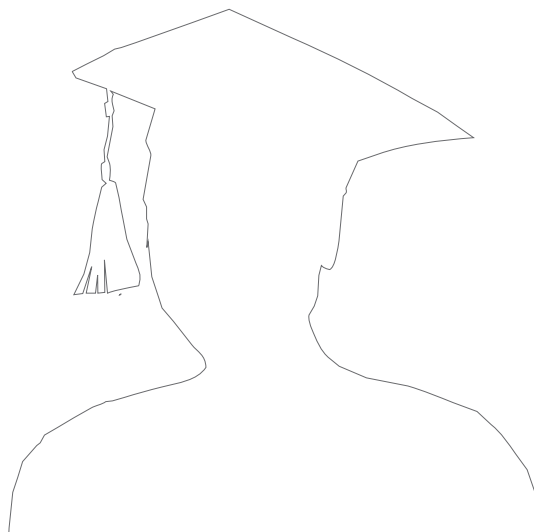
Closing date:

End of January.

Apply to:

Dr Neville Passmore, Deputy Chairman, Skye Foundation,

P O Box 21723, 8008 Kloof Street. Cape Town and simultaneously e-mailed to Skye Foundation at skyefd@iafrica.com



South African Music Rights Organisation (SAMRO)



Who can apply?

SAMRO offers bursaries for music students. These bursaries constitute the most substantial awards in music study in South Africa and are open to citizens of all the countries within SAMRO's territory of operation: South Africa, Botswana, Lesotho and Swaziland. The bursaries are available to students registered for full-time study at a South African university.

The bursaries are awarded in the following genres:

- Music Education, Community Music Study Music Technology, or Music Business;
- Performance Study: Western Art Music, Jazz/Popular Music or African Indigenous Music genres;
- Composition Study;
- Indigenous African Music Research.

Closing date:

Early March.

How to Apply:

SAMRO music bursary application forms may be downloaded from www.samrofoundation.org.za, or phone 011 712 8417.



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Southern African Young Scientists Summer Programme (SA-YSSP)



Southern African Young Scientists Summer Programme (SA-YSSP) is a three-month programme for talented young researchers to work with scientists from South Africa and the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (IIASA).

Who can apply?

Ph.D. students from South Africa, sub-Saharan African countries, and other IIASA member countries are eligible to apply. Applicants should meet the following criteria:

- Current registration for a Doctoral programme;
- Ability to work independently and to interact with other scientists;
- Fluency in English and ability to communicate in a scientific environment;
- Willingness to participate in a range of interdisciplinary scientific activities;
- Commitment to completing the SA-YSSP research by submitting a resultant manuscript to an international scientific journal.

What does it cover?

- SA-YSSP participants have access to state-of-the-art library and computing facilities at the University of the Free State.
- Participants receive accommodation and meals for the duration of the SA-YSSP programme, inclusive of an honorarium to cover other living costs. Participants from South Africa and from countries of the Southern African Development Community additionally receive coverage for their travel expenses.

- Some IIASA National Member Organizations (NMOs) will provide travel funds, and candidates will be apprised of those opportunities by IIASA.

Participants will also benefit from the following opportunities:

- Collaborate with IIASA and South African scientists on a project relevant to the participant's research.
- Contribute to collaborative research by senior advisors.
- Broaden their research into interdisciplinary and trans-boundary research relevant to national, regional, and global needs.
- Publish their research in collaboration with IIASA and South African scientists.
- Gain exposure to international research through interaction with national and international experts taking part in programme supervision and the seminar series.
- Build international, interdisciplinary collaborations with programme advisors and other programme participants.

Closing date:

Early September.

How to apply:

Applications should be submitted by post.

South African Square Kilometre Array Project Honours



This Bursary is for students who wish to study towards a Bachelor of Science Honours degree at a South African university and who majored in Physics and Mathematics at undergraduate level.

Who can apply?

- South African citizens only.
- Students who have achieved a minimum of a C in Mathematics and Science in Grade 12, or a minimum 60% for major subjects at undergraduate level.
- Students who intend to pursue postgraduate research in radio astronomy or in an engineering discipline relevant to radio astronomy.

Closing date:

September.

How to Apply:

Applications must be submitted through an online application process to the National Research Foundation (NRF) by accessing the link: <https://nrfs submission.nrf.ac.za/>

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South African Square Kilometre Array Project Postgraduate Bursary Programme



The objective of the SA SKA Project is to provide sufficient numbers of Scientists and Engineers to participate in the design and construction of the MeerKAT and the SKA, and in the use of telescopes once operational. The intention is also to further develop a vibrant South African astronomy research and teaching community. Engineering and methodology projects should have direct relevance to the technologies and techniques used by MeerKAT and SKA, and science projects should be based on observational radio astronomy topics that have clear links to MeerKAT and SKA science (using data from existing archives, especially KAT-7 and the science verification observations with MeerKAT and new observations using current operating observatories). Projects based on simulations that have direct relevance to supporting MeerKAT/SKA observational science will be considered if well motivated.

Closing date:
September.

How to Apply:

Applications must be submitted through an online application process to the National Research Foundation (NRF) by accessing the link: <https://nrfs submission.nrf.ac.za/>

Who can apply?

- South African citizens and/or permanent residents of South Africa who wish to complete a Ph.D. or M.Sc. degree at a South African university.
- Non-South Africans from other countries in Africa who wish to complete a Ph.D. or M.Sc. degree at a South African university.
- Non-South Africans from other countries in Africa who wish to complete Ph.D. or M.Sc. degree at a university in an SKA SA partner country (Namibia, Zambia, Botswana, Mozambique, Madagascar, Mauritius, Kenya, and Ghana).

Stiglingh Memorial Bursary



The PSA annually awards study bursaries (minimum of R3 000 each to a maximum of R10 000 depending on availability of funds) to public servants and/or PSA members and their dependant children, who have been employed in the Public Service or have been a PSA member for at least twelve months on the closing date of the year in which a bursary is applied for.

Bursaries are awarded in respect of undergraduate or post-graduate studies part-time or full-time in Natural Sciences or Medicine, or for research on Natural Sciences or Medicine at a recognised South African University or abroad after successful completion of the first study year course or research project.

The number of bursaries is determined annually according to available funds and the number of qualifying applicants. Preference will, however, be given to PSA members and their dependant children.

Application forms are available from universities.

Universities submit the applications from candidates as soon as possible after the closing date, but not later than 15 February of each year to the PSA in order of preference.

Applicants must, where applicable, submit the necessary proof of membership of the PSA together with the application form.

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Abe Bailey Travel Bursary



The objective is to broaden the views of young South Africans by enabling outstanding students / Junior Lecturers who show exceptional leadership qualities and a strong service ethic, through an all-expenses-paid three week educational tour to the United Kingdom.

Furthermore, the intention of this bursary is to:

- Effect greater understanding and co-operation among those with various language and cultural backgrounds;
- Foster enterprise, commitment and effective participation in a common future;
- Promote a sense of unity among South Africans.

The credo of the Abe Bailey Trust: "Leadership Development with the emphasis on Nation Building"

The following conditions apply:

- Nominees shall be third year students and above or members of the university staff of Junior Lecturers' status;
- Must be of South African nationality and have a valid South African Passport;
- Must be aged 25 or less at the start of the tour;
- Should have a sound academic record;
- Must have been involved in leadership roles within the university, schools and/or community;
- Will be subjected to a selection process.

Should the candidate meet the criteria and wish to apply for this prestigious bursary, the following details must be submitted to the Postgraduate School.

- A personal letter of motivation as to why you are applying for the bursary.
- A current CV.
- Three letters of reference, none older than three years.
- Copies of ID, Matric Certificate and University academic record.
- Copies of school and university merit/ achievement certificates (limited to five)
- Details of leadership roles in the community, at school and at university.

Closing date:

End April annually.



Chevening / Canon Collins Scholarships for UK Masters



Canon Collins Trust works with the Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO) to jointly select and fund a number of scholars on the Chevening Programme each year. These scholarships are for one-year taught Masters degrees at any UK university. Chevening is a merit-based, open national competition and makes awards to talented individuals who demonstrate the potential to become future leaders, decision-makers and opinion formers. Chevening Scholarships are awarded across a wide range of fields; including politics, government, business, the media, the environment, civil society, religion, and academia.

To qualify for a Chevening Scholarship through the Cannon Collins Trust, you must be:

- A national of South Africa;
- In possession of a good first degree (minimum second class, upper division or equivalent) or about to graduate in the year of application.;
- Applying for a full-time one-year Masters degree at a UK university

Candidates will need to demonstrate that they:

- Have the personal, intellectual and interpersonal qualities necessary for leadership;
- Are motivated to develop their career in order to establish a position of leadership within 10 years after the Scholarship;
- Have a clear post-Scholarship plan, outlining career objectives and how to achieve them;
- Are committed to networking to find global solutions;

- Are committed to networking within the Chevening community, via online engagement and attending Chevening events in the UK and engaging with the alumni network in their home country;
- Are able to use their studies and experience in the UK to benefit themselves, their countries and the UK;
- Are capable of successfully undertaking and completing their proposed course of study in the UK.

The Chevening/Canon Collins Scholarship will cover:

- Tuition fees
- All costs associated with the programme;
- Economy travel to and from country of residence to the UK;
- accommodation;
- A monthly personal living allowance (stipend) to cover other living expense for the candidate only;
- The costs of an entry clearance (student visitor visa) application.

Closing date:

November annually

Apply to:

Complete and submit an online application form: <http://www.chevening.org/apply/>

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Commonwealth Scholarships for developing countries



The Commonwealth Scholarship is for students from developing Commonwealth countries for Masters (one-year), Ph.D., and split-site Ph.D. study in the UK, on behalf of the Commonwealth Scholarship Commission.

To apply, the candidates should:

- Be Commonwealth citizens, refugees, or British protected persons;
- Be permanent residents in a developing Commonwealth country;
- Be available to commence their academic studies in the United Kingdom by the start of the UK academic year in September/October;
- For awards to enhance clinical skills in the fields of medicine and dentistry, the candidates should have qualified as doctors or dentists between 1 October 2004 and 30 September 2009.

Duration of award(s):

- 12-36 months' support towards the completion of either a full-time taught or a Doctoral postgraduate qualification at an eligible UK institution. 12 months' non-degree study in the United Kingdom on a split-site basis to aid the completion of a Doctoral degree undertaken at a university in the candidate's home country;
- Up to 6 months enhancing clinical skills in medicine or dentistry (available only to candidates from developing countries).

What does it cover?

- Student airfare to the United Kingdom and return on completion of study.
- Approved tuition and examination fees.
- A personal maintenance allowance.
- A grant towards the expenses of preparing a thesis or dissertation (where applicable).
- An initial arrival allowance, incorporating an initial clothing grant for scholars from tropical countries.

- A grant for expenses for approved travel within the United Kingdom or overseas.
- A grant towards fieldwork costs for those scholars undertaking Doctoral studies for whom a case has been made for fieldwork outside the United Kingdom. This shall not normally exceed one economy class return airfare to the fieldwork location.
- A paid midterm fare to their home country for scholars on three-year Doctoral awards. Scholars for whom fieldwork fares are provided to their home country shall not be entitled to a midterm fare home, nor scholars who have claimed (or intend to claim) spouse or child allowances for more than 12 months during their award.
- Irrespective of the length of the award, a scholar who is widowed, divorced or a lone parent will receive an allowance in respect of the first accompanying child and child allowances for the second and third accompanying children.

Applications are considered according to the following selection criteria:

- Academic merit;
- The quality of the proposal;
- The likely impact of the work on the development of the candidate's home country.

Closing date: Early October annually.

Apply to: All applications must be made through universities



Embassy of France in South Africa Masters Bursaries



The French Embassy invites applications from South African students who wish to continue their tertiary education at Masters level in France.

The programme forms part of the commitment between France and South Africa to establish fruitful partnerships between their universities while building a vast network of academic and professional contacts.

The duration of the grant is one year, once renewable should the student elect to continue with the Master 2 programme.

Requirements for eligibility:

- Bachelor's or Honours degree (depending on the academic year the candidate is enrolling for).
- At least three selected French institutions of the candidate's choice. Students should apply for acceptance to these universities concurrently to the bursary application (if you have not been accepted at an institution yet). It is advisable that you contact Campus France to assist you with this process.
- Applications from all academic disciplines will be considered.
- No knowledge of the French language is required (depending on the availability of English programmes in the student's field and on the study programme applied for).

Required documents

(to accompany the application form):

- Motivational letter for the study programme in France;
- Curriculum Vitae;
- Photocopy of South African passport;

- Copies of all degrees obtained;
- Copy of study record;
- Admissions letter from establishment in France (if available).

What does it cover?

- Annual study fees.
- Round-trip airfare.
- Health insurance.
- A monthly stipend towards living cost.
- Schengen visa fees.
- (Partial funding of study programmes will also be considered).

Closing date:

Early March.

Apply to:

pretoria@campusfrance.org



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Embassy of France in South Africa Ph.D. and Research Grants



The French Embassy bursary programme is currently proposing grants to facilitate international academic and scientific mobility for South African researchers towards French institutions of higher education.

The programme offers the opportunity for Doctoral students to integrate into establishments in France for specified periods of time in order to participate in a collaborative research project as part of their Doctoral thesis programme.

Requirements for eligibility:

Applicants must hold a Masters degree or its equivalent to be eligible for the research programme. The duration of the grant is 3–6 months per year with the option of renewing the next 2 years.

What does it cover?

- The bursary includes visa expenses, social and medical insurance, and the round-trip flight ticket.
- The research and thesis will be conducted under co-supervision between the South African and French institutions.

Required documents

(to accompany the application form):

- Motivational letter (1 page);
- Outline of research programme (1 page);
- Curriculum Vitae;
- Photocopy of Passport;
- Supporting letter from supervisor in South Africa;
- Supporting letter from supervisor in France.

Closing date:

Applications for the Doctoral research programme are open throughout the year.

Apply to:

pretoria@campusfrance.org



Erasmus Mundus EU-SATURN Programme



The Erasmus Mundus EU-Saturn programme aims at the development of a comprehensive approach to internationalisation demands of South African universities as part of the current transformation processes in higher education in South Africa. The primary objective is to create a transparent, open-minded and transnational learning and research environment with a focus on improving South Africa's educational infrastructure and human capital. EU-Saturn focuses on postgraduate (Masters, Ph.D.) and staff mobility with emphasis on excellence and the training of future academics, high-level professionals, and leaders in society with an international profile. Erasmus Mundus and EU-Saturn aim to promote and enhance cooperation between the partnered universities. Additionally, it will further the process of educational reform, curriculum development and international study recognition and involve new universities in the process. Particular emphasis will be placed on creating a better understanding among partners of the research cultures and the education of researchers in both Europe and South Africa.

Who can apply?

South African citizens studying/working at any South African higher education institution wishing to do a Masters, Ph.D. or staff exchange.

Employed South African citizens studying part-time at a South African higher education institution wishing to do a Masters or Ph.D.

The field(s) of study covered are:

Agriculture Sciences, Architecture, Urban and Regional Planning, Business Studies, Management Science, Education, Teacher Training, Engineering, Technology, Geography, Geology, Mathematics, Informatics, Medical Sciences, Natural Sciences, Social Sciences, Communication and Information Sciences, Renewable Energy, Climate Change, and Human Rights.

What does the Scholarship cover?

A monthly grant of €1000 for Masters, €1500 for Ph.D. and €2500 for staff.

Return flights to Europe.

Health and travel insurance.

Tuition fee waiver.

European Partner Universities:

University of Ghent, Belgium;

Georg-August-Universität Göttingen, Germany;

Politechnika Wrocławska, Poland;

Universitat de València, Spain;

Uppsala University, Sweden.

Closing date:

Mid-March.

Apply to:

www.eusaturn.eu



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FirstRand Laurie Dippenaar Scholarship for International Postgraduate Study



The FirstRand Laurie Dippenaar scholarship is available to South African citizens for postgraduate study outside South Africa in any discipline at the internationally recognised university of their choice. Excellence is the only criterion for selection.

Who is eligible?

- The successful candidate would have excelled academically in their chosen field of endeavour and would have been able to demonstrate leadership qualities, strength of character, community minded endeavours, and the potential to be a destiny changer in their chosen field.
- There is no age limit, but, preference will be given to candidates under the age of 35.
- Candidates who are currently, or have been studying overseas, will not be considered for this scholarship.
- The successful candidates have to return to South Africa for at least 5 years after completing their studies.

Application documentation:

- Personal motivation letter
- Completed application form;
- Letters of reference and confidentiality.

Duration of award(s):

The scholarship is offered for a maximum of two years.

What does it cover?

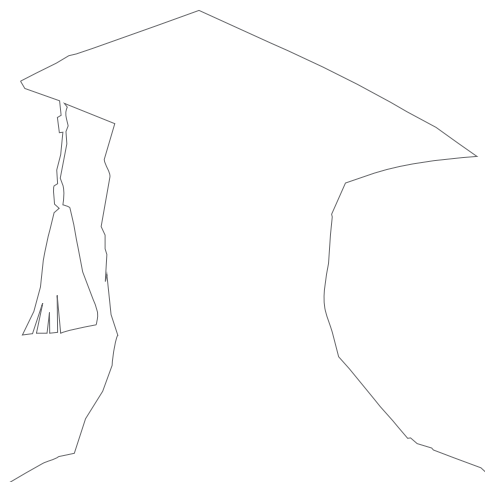
The scholarship value is R400 000 p.a. for a maximum of two years (R800 000)

Closing date:

Application forms will be available from November and will open early in January and close end of February.

How to Apply:

An application form will be available on www.firstrand.co.za. Please complete the form electronically, print it along with the required attachments, and post it to FirstRand.



The Fulbright Programme



The US Embassy in South Africa is offering Fulbright scholarships for South African students. The scholarships are available for pursuing postgraduate study at U.S. universities or at other appropriate institutions in the USA. Applications from students registered for Doctoral degrees in South Africa who wish to pursue one year of graduate study in the U.S. for non-degree purposes are also accepted.

Who is eligible?

- Applications are welcomed from students qualified to study towards a Masters or Ph.D.
- Applications from students registered for Doctoral degrees in South Africa who wish to pursue one year of graduate study in the United States for non-degree purposes are also accepted.
- MBA and medical studies are not supported by this programme.
- A Bachelor (Hons), B.Tech. degree or an equivalent four-year university degree is required to qualify for Masters studies, while a Masters degree is required for Doctoral studies in the United States.
- Applicants who have received previous Fulbright student grants are not eligible. Applicants who have never travelled and/or studied in the United States will be given priority over those who have spent a considerable time in the United States and/or who have regularly travelled there.
- Applicants who have never studied outside South Africa will be given priority over those who have spent a considerable amount of time studying abroad.
- Applicants must be South African citizens and/or permanent residents of South Africa. Applicants holding U.S. citizenship or U.S. permanent residency are ineligible for Fulbright grants to the United States.

Application documentation

- Certified transcripts: study symbols of all years of university studies must be indicated.
- Scanned copies are accepted if the application is submitted via e-mail. Originals must be brought if the candidate is selected for an interview.
- Four academic letters of reference must be completed on the required form and must be emailed as an attachment to the referees' letters.
- Reference letters must be forwarded directly by the referees to the U.S. Embassy in order to ensure their confidentiality.

The reference letters should be saved as REFERENCE_ApplicantName_NameofReferee.pdf. Failure to follow the naming conventions outlined here could result in delays or the rejection of your file.

Duration of award(s):

The Fulbright programme provides funding for up to two years of study.

Closing date:

Mid-April.

How to Apply:

Download Guidelines and Application Forms from: <http://southafrica.usembassy.gov/fulbright-program.html>

Completed application must be printed, signed, and scanned along with all other required documentation (but not the confidential recommendations). Save the file as APPLICATION_ApplicantSurname_ApplicantFirstName.pdf and e-mail it to: Fulbright_Program_SAfrica@state.gov.

If the candidates wish to send their applications by mail, they should use registered mail and send to: The Fulbright Program, U.S. Embassy, P O Box 9536, Pretoria 0001

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Intra-ACP Mobility Bursaries



The Intra-ACP Mobility Scheme aims at a broad academic and cultural, as well as geographically diverse, exchange between higher education institutions in African countries, building on the results of the outcomes and recommendations of “Access to Success: Fostering Trust and Exchange between Europe and Africa (2008–2010)”. The overall objective is to promote high-quality education for students and young academics and to increase access to higher education in general. As far as Africa is concerned, the project aims at a broad academic, cultural and geographic exchange between HEIs on the continent.

The six broad thematic fields:

- Agricultural Sciences (Agriculture);
- Education, Teacher Training (Management and Education);
- Engineering, Technology (Engineering);
- Medical Sciences (Medicine);
- Natural Sciences (Science and Technology subjects);
- Communication and Information Sciences (ICT).

What does it cover?

The scholarship covers the following costs ONLY for the mobility period and NOT the duration of the study programme:

MASTERS DEGREE:

- Living costs (600 Euros per month);
- Travel costs (1 return ticket from the port of departure);
- Participation costs (including tuition and registration);
- Insurance costs (medical, travel, accidental and injuries).

DOCTORAL DEGREE:

- Living costs (900 Euros per month);
- Travel costs (1 return ticket from the port of departure);
- Participation costs (including tuition, registration);
- Insurance costs (medical, travel, accidental and injuries).

Closing date:

Mid-November.

Apply to:

<http://intra-acp.polytechnic.edu.na>.

Louis Dreyfus-Weidenfeld Scholarship and Leadership Programme



The Louis Dreyfus-Weidenfeld Scholarship and Leadership Programme provides outstanding postgraduate students and young professionals with the opportunity to pursue fully funded postgraduate studies (M.Sc., M.Phil. and D.Phil.) at the University of Oxford. The scholarship is complemented by a comprehensive programme of leadership skills development.

Who is eligible?

Exceptional graduate students and young professionals from emerging economies in Africa, Asia, and South America with demonstrated leadership potential. Successful applicants must have an interest in serving the global community through their chosen field of work, including but not limited to: agriculture, health care, environmental affairs and water management, economics, public and foreign policy. They should have a commitment to pursuing diverse careers within the agro-business sector with a focus on improving food security and sustainability.

What does it cover?

100% of university and college fees and a grant covering living costs.

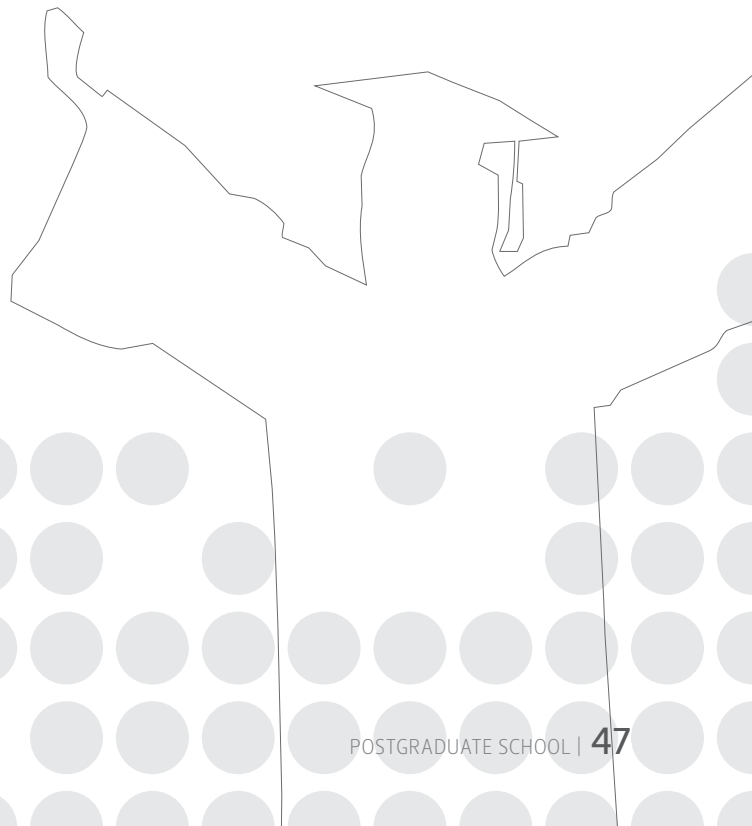
Closing date:

- Early January for Medical Sciences, Politics and International Relations.
- Mid-January for all other subjects.

Apply to:

www.graduate.ox.ac.uk/scholarships

For more on the Scholarships Programme, go to www.strategicdialogue.org or email the Institute for Strategic Dialogue at info@strategicdialogue.org



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New Zealand Development Scholarships for Postgraduate Study



The New Zealand Government provides New Zealand Development Scholarships (NZDS) through the New Zealand Aid Programme within the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade. The scholarships are available to eligible African applicants and will cover air travel, full tuition fees, an establishment allowance, and a living allowance to cover day-to-day costs in New Zealand. The NZDS scheme aims to strengthen sustainable economic development in Africa by contributing to human resource development particularly in Agriculture development and Renewable energy.

Who can apply?

Applications are invited from nationals of Algeria, Angola, Botswana, Cameroon, Djibouti, Ethiopia, Egypt, Gambia, Ghana, Kenya, Lesotho, Malawi, Mauritius, Morocco, Mozambique, Namibia, Nigeria, Rwanda, Senegal, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Swaziland, Tanzania, Tunisia, Uganda, Zambia, and Zimbabwe to undertake short-term postgraduate studies (Postgraduate Certificates, Diplomas or Masters Degrees) of up to one year at universities in New Zealand.

Application documentation:

- Please complete 2 New Zealand Development Scholarship application forms and attach copies of current curriculum vitae, notarised/certified copies of university certificates, transcripts and 3 reference letters, 2 from academic referees and 1 work related, together with each application.
- All application forms must be completed in English and failure to do so will lead to automatic disqualification.

- All supporting documents must be translated into English by an accredited translator.
- A 500-word statement summary in English of reasons for wishing to undertake postgraduate training in New Zealand and how the postgraduate training being sought will benefit your country must also be provided.

Closing date:

Early December. All candidates will be informed of the outcome of their scholarship application by March 2014.

Apply to:

Application forms are available from the New Zealand High Commission
Private Bag X27
Brooklyn Square
Pretoria, 0075
South Africa
E-mail: enquiries@nzhc.co.za

Robert S. McNamara Fellowships Programme



The Robert S. McNamara Fellowships Programme provides support to young researchers working in academic and research institutions from eligible countries preparing for a Doctoral thesis. Fellows are expected to advance their research work mainly by using the facilities and resources provided by the host institution and by interacting with peers.

The focus areas should:

Be related to development at the Masters level, in fields such as economics, health, education, agriculture, environment, natural resource management, or other development and related subjects.

Requirements for eligibility

- Academic performance, teaching and research experience, and relevance of the proposed research programme.
- A national and resident of a World Bank member country which is currently eligible to borrow.
- Candidates should be under 45 years of age.
- Must have completed and been awarded at least a Masters degree, or equivalent, at the time of application.
- Be regularly registered in a development related Doctoral programme.
- Must have completed all coursework and exam requirements for their Doctoral programme.
- Be employed as full-time lecturer or researcher by an academic or research institution in their home country.
- Be accepted as a visiting scholar by a renowned university located outside the country of origin or residence for a period of five to ten months.

Duration of award(s)

The purpose of the grant is to help fellows advance their Doctoral research work through a residency period of five to ten months in a host institution in a country other than their home country or country of residence.

What does it cover?

Candidates are requested to submit a budget for their fellowship covering the costs related to their research programme: travel; insurance and living expenses; fees for courses and participation in seminars; and a books and software allowance. The grant amount to be awarded to each fellow will be decided by the Selection Committee. The maximum value of the grant is US\$ 25 000.

Closing date:

End of July.

How to Apply:

Completed application packages must be postmarked and mailed to World Bank Institute Scholarship Program at the World Bank in Washington, D.C., as stated in the application guidelines.

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Rhodes Scholarships at the University of Oxford



The Rhodes Scholarships are postgraduate awards supporting outstanding all-round students at the University of Oxford, and providing transformative opportunities for exceptional individuals. Rhodes scholarships invite applications from outstanding young students who excel academically, demonstrate leadership, are committed to making a difference in the world, and have the energy to fulfil their ambitions.

Requirements for eligibility:

- Candidates must be at least 19 and younger than 25 years as at 1 October 2014.
- The age limit has been extended by three years for an M.B.Ch.B.

What does it cover?

A Rhodes scholarship covers all University and College fees, a personal stipend and one economy class airfare to Oxford at the start of the Scholarship, as well as an economy flight back to the student's home country at the conclusion of the Scholarship.

Closing date:

Mid-August.

Apply to:

The Secretary for the Scholarships, Mrs Justice Edwin Cameron, P O Box 41468, Craighall 2024.

Tel: +27 11 794 4693

Fax: 086 606 2545

E-mail: Rhotrust@pixie.co.za

Online applications:

<https://apply.embark.com/scholarship/RhodesTrust>

South African - French programme for Think Tanks



The South African French Programme for Think Tanks (SAFe Think) aims to facilitate the integration of South African research and policy-oriented institutions into French, European and Francophone African scientific networks by assisting academic partners in establishing sustainable cooperation. Among other aspects, it seeks to fund exceptional students who wish to undertake a Masters programme at a French University in the field of human and social sciences, international relations, and political science.

Bursaries are allocated for the duration of a French academic year (i.e., from September to May, either for the first (M1) or for the second (M2) year of a Masters programme). The duration of the grant is one year, once renewable should the student elect to continue with the Master 2 programme.

Requirements for eligibility:

- Bachelor's or Honours degree (depending on academic year the candidate is enrolling for) in a discipline pertinent to the Masters programme which they are applying for.
- Applicants from all fields of human and social sciences will be considered.
- No knowledge of French required (depending on the study programme applied for).
- Students need to undertake the university application process concurrent to applying for this bursary.

What does it cover?

Full bursaries include annual study fees, round-trip airfare, health insurance, a monthly stipend to towards living cost, and Schengen visa fees.

Closing date:

Mid-March.

Apply to:

E-mail: safethink@ambafrance-rsa.org

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Swiss Government Excellence Scholarships



The Swiss Government, through the Federal Commission, offers excellence scholarships to enable selected applicants to undertake a Ph.D. in one of the 10 Swiss Public Universities, the two Swiss Federal Institutes of Technology and public teaching and research institutes.

Requirements for eligibility:

- The scholarships are available for pursuing a full-time Ph.D. at one of the public funded universities or recognised institutions;
- The applicant must not be more than 35 years old at the time of the application;
- Masters degree or equivalent University degree recognised by the Swiss University;
- Applicants who are in Switzerland for more than 1 year at the beginning of the scholarship are not eligible;
- Applicants must apply for the scholarship as well as to the chosen Swiss University. The 2 procedures are separate ones;
- Applicants must be in command of the necessary language skills required for the Ph.D. studies;
- Applicants who have already benefited from a Swiss Government Scholarship are not eligible to apply for a second scholarship.


What does it cover?

- The scholarship amounts to a monthly payment of 1920 Swiss Francs.
- Exemption from the tuition fees (except for EPFL).
- Mandatory Swiss health insurance paid by the FCS (for non-EU or EFTA grantees only).

- A lump sum for the airfare of non-European grantees only (provided at the end of the scholarship).
- Special 300 Swiss Francs lodging allowance (paid once at the beginning of the scholarship).
- 1 year half-fare public transportation card.
- Counseling and various trips, dinners and sightseeing tours organised for Swiss Government Scholarship holders.

Application documentation

- The FCS 2014-2015 official application form (typed and printed). No handwritten forms will be accepted.
- Copies of all university certificates and grade-sheets (all copies must be attested, and translated if originals are not in English, German, French or Italian. Attestations can be done by the University or a Government Officer.
- 2 letters of recommendation from Professors in the applicant's field (use exclusively the official reference form provided with the application package).
- A complete research proposal (max. 5 pages), use exclusively the official research proposal form provided with the application package.
- A motivation letter (max. 2 pages).
- A full curriculum vitae with list of academic publications.
- A copy of the confirmation from a Professor at the intended Swiss University that he/she is willing to supervise the Ph.D. studies.
- In the case where the Ph.D. is run within a structured Doctoral school, a copy of the Ph.D. admission letter or a least proof that the candidate is being considered for admission.

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- A health certificate (use exclusively the official health certificate provided with the application package).
 - A copy of the applicant's passport (main page with personal data).

Closing date:

End of October.

Apply to:

Questions and application documents have to be submitted to the following address: Swiss Embassy in New Muckleneuk, 225 Veale Street, 0181 New Muckleneuk.

E-mail: pre.vertretung@eda.admin.ch

Tel: 027 12 452 06 60

Web: <http://www.eda.admin.ch/pretoria>



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Ms Magteld Smith: Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship in collaboration with the Institute of International Education and sponsored by the U.S Department of State.

The programme gave me an opportunity to establish and form professional and academic networks which have become a solid foundation for all my future endeavours. The fellowship allowed me to participate in a multi-disciplinary expedition of the Hennepin County of Minnesota, under the leadership of the Director of the Department of Public Health, and thus to further my experience and knowledge about disability rehabilitation programs, health services, management and communication skills with specific focus on people with deafness. Opportunities were granted for making presentations to the Minnesota Officer of the Secretary of State, University of Minnesota in Minneapolis and the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University in Blacksburg to educate participants on the International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health (ICF) on the medical-social model of the World Health Organization (WHO) with specific focus on deafness.

Since arriving in the U.S, I have had the unrivalled opportunity to develop my career, gaining experience and knowledge, enhancing professional networks in the field of disability services in general and more specifically deafness, publication opportunities, and growth in my understanding of American policy and legislation as it pertains to my field. I have benefited in so many ways, attended classes, conferences, workshops, engaged in community projects, and have had experiences that were unexpected and riveting. I have learned an enormous amount including leadership skills, a number of new techniques in academic writing, and research methodologies in the health sciences. I have participated in all the activities offered by the HHH Programme and have a better understanding of politics in the US pertaining to education, health services, economic and social issues. Moreover, I have also learned a lot from my other fellow students regarding their views, habits, health services and situation in their countries.

A solid academic research foundation is laid where I will continue my research on genetic testing for congenital deafness, rehabilitation and habilitation programs for people with deafness, health services and the possible establishment of new disability legislation in South Africa.

Ruan Van Der Walt: Erasmus Mundus Action 2 Partnerships

The University of Antwerp, as the coordinating University for the Erasmus Mundus Action 2 Partnerships, awarded me a bursary on 25 May 2012 under the EUROSA (Europe and South Africa Partnership for Human Development) project, to spend an exchange semester at Masters level from September 2012 to January 2013 at the Karl-Franzens University in Graz, Austria. I am of the opinion that, although the teaching-learning environment and strategies were quite different from what I am used to at the UFS, the learning experience and the knowledge that I gained while in Graz was an invaluable experience which contributed immensely to my studies here at the UFS. Interactions with the local and other European exchange students, and the Styrian (the Bundesland where Graz is located) culture specifically, provided a very enriching and unique cultural experience. Unfortunately due to a very busy class schedule, I was not able to travel around as much as I had hoped, but I managed to travel across central Europe during the Christmas break – basically three weeks in December – and it was amazing to experience my first real white Christmas, along with all the Christmas markets on every corner and in every square. I had a great experience overall and would recommend an exchange semester in Europe to anyone.

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Janine Correia: SANTRUST

The SANTRUST Ph.D. development programme had a multi-dimensional impact. It not only served as a think tank but also an idea factory. As a reflection, I noticed a process that matured my research proposal. Through the various sessions, I not only discovered the various facets of biostatistics, but also the value of project management related to my research. The latter emphasises the need for a thorough timescale and budget. Various variables to my research manifested through the discussions and led to further consultations with colleagues. In summary, I can profess the immense value both academically and personally.

Maria Phillips: SANTRUST

The exposure to national and international expert researchers amazed me by their willingness to contribute constructively to a study where they will not receive any reward for their contributions. These well-known academics treated us with respect and I realised that those who are great are very humble. I hope to have that in my life. I learned to progress my thinking to meta-cognitive levels and then integrate that into the real world. The week in each month we spent away from work, allowed me to focus and advance in writing my proposal. Every time I presented my revised proposal, I received quality, constructive feedback. The staff of SANTRUST are extremely efficient, friendly and always willing to help.



Chanmari Erasmus: DST-NRF Internship Programme 2012/13

The NRF (National Research Foundation) has given me the opportunity to continue with my studies in Drama and Theatre Art, which is my complete passion. The financial support is without a doubt further motivation to keep going and work hard, also it gave me the chance to do assistant work which definitely develops one's capacity as a person. I am grateful to the NRF, and proud to be part of the programme and would recommend it strongly to any young hardworking student.



Miss Annebelle Brummer: DST-NRF Internship Programme 2012/13

After I finished my Honours degree I was not sure if I should continue my studies, because of funding reasons. When I got a phone call from Dr Venter (Lecturer at the Drama Department) saying that we should try to apply for an internship at the NRF, I was not sure what it meant. A few months later I got the news that I was selected for the NRF Internship programme. I was very excited to learn that we would get a monthly stipend of R6000. This would mean that I would be able to continue to my Masters degree and buy books for my research and a new laptop. The two hours a day I had to work at the Drama department was an amazing experience, because the Lecturers gave me opportunities to mark tests, teach lessons to other students, assist with administration work at the office and participate in personnel meetings. Thus, I quickly learnt what it meant to be a part of our department's planning for 2013.

This internship motivated me to complete my Masters degree in only ten (10) months and therefore the National Research Foundation gave me an unexpected grant of R40 000 to further my studies. In 2013 I enrolled for my Ph.D. at the University of the Free State.

In today's world, it is difficult to find an organisation or foundation that sees the need to further education in South Africa, a country that is known for its lack of educators and accessibility of funding. I am very grateful that I got the opportunity to further my education.

This internship not only helped me on an educational level, but also on an organisational level, because I had to learn to manage my time well in order to finish my degree within the 10 month goal I set for myself.

Thank you very much for giving me the opportunity to be a part of the National Research Foundation. You helped me to pay for certain things I would not have had the finances to do otherwise.



Me Gali Malebo: DST-NRF Internship Programme 2012/13

The DST-NRF INTERNSHIP PROGRAMME has provided me with relevant practical working experience in the field of drama and theatre arts. I have developed the relevant skills and techniques directly applicable to my future career as a Lecturer and Director of theatrical productions. I am truly grateful to be part of this Internship programme because I am now empowered in developing attitudes conducive to effective interpersonal relationships within my working space. This programme is equipping me to enter into full-time employment within my area of specialisation, and I will forever be grateful to the DST-NRF INTERNSHIP committee and Prof. Nico Luwes at the Department of Drama and Theatre Arts, for providing me with this life-changing opportunity.



Mr Walter Strydom: DST-NRF Internship Programme 2012/13

The academic side of theatre is often neglected and overshadowed by the truly important practical side of modern theatrical disciplines. Yet it is a necessity to have scholars who can study and investigate these disciplines so that a discourse can be available for future generations of theatre practitioners. For a student interested in the theoretical level of theatre application from an academic viewpoint, the NRF-internship bursary provided an excellent foundation and financial supplement to focus my research on exactly that - research. Within the safe space of an academic environment (i.e. a university with high academic goals, where the mind can be challenged by enquiring students and invigorating peers - both practically and academically), the internship helped me to apply myself with more dedication and clarity. It enabled me to test theories and experiment with alternative practices that enables a better focus and reasoning ability within academics. It is truly a privilege to be able to further a career in the theatre and the academic world through a bursary that provides and caters for inquisitive minds.

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Miss Minette Grové: DST-NRF Internship Programme 2012/13

The NRF internship is a blessing and means that the hard work has paid off. It has provided me with the means to continue my education here at the University of the Free State and has given me the motivation to succeed. Receiving so much support from the NRF and the Drama Department gives me more incentive to maintain a high personal standard for my academic success. Not only has it given me financial support, but also the opportunity to become a part of a great academic team and build up the necessary practical experience in my field of study. Thank you for this great opportunity.



Mr Mark Dobson: DST-NRF Internship Programme 2012/13

I would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to the National Research Foundation for giving me the opportunity to further my studies in Drama and Theatre Arts at a postgraduate level. The block grant I received from the NRF enabled me to further my studies in a field that is dear to my heart and a true passion. Without the NRF's help and funding I would not have been able to continue studying at the University of the Free State but, with the NRF's generous contribution to my future, I have been able to discover what I want to achieve with my postgraduate studies. This year has truly opened up an entire new world of possibilities for me.

You are truly appreciated and I thank everyone at the National Research Foundation in their ongoing quest to further and help the creation of new knowledge and the rediscovery of existing ones.



Miss Michelle Hoffman: DST-NRF Internship Programme 2012/13

Thank you NRF for giving me the opportunity to further my studies. Thanks to the internship I was given the opportunity to present classes and learn a greater deal of responsibility. I am sincerely grateful for this experience.



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