BURSARIES AND LOANS

The cost of studying at university or college is high, and many people think that you must have your own money to be able to do so. But, that's not so.

There are many sources of bursaries and loans. Assistance may be in the form of a loan or bursary. Bursaries are available for specific fields of study – teaching, accounting and actuarial science, social work, and various scarce skills study fields (e.g. IT, engineering, etc.). Many bursaries for the National Certificate (Vocational) courses are available at TVET Colleges.

You may also apply for a loan which is repayable when you start working. Many financial institutions (Banks) offer study loans for which repayment only begins when the applicant starts working. Many students in South Africa fund their studies through a National Student Financial Aid Scheme (NSFAS)-administered loan. A NSFAS loan doesn't require a credit check on you or your parents. Repayment is easy, and the interest rate is low. Plus, part of the loan will not be repayable if you do well in your studies. The NSFAS contact details are tel 021-7633232, e-mail info@nsfas.org.za; website www.nsfas.org.za

Some Tips when Applying for a Bursary

- The closing date for applying for any bursary or scholarship is very important.
  Applications received after the closing date will not be considered.
- Apply for a bursary when you are in grade 12 so that you can be sponsored for the next academic year of study at a tertiary institution, not **after passing** matric.
- Applying for a bursary doesn't guarantee that you will get it, so always apply to as many companies as possible to increase your chances.
- Getting a bursary **doesn't** automatically give you a tertiary admission; you have to apply for tertiary admission.
- After receiving your Grade 12 results, a certified copy must be sent to the company to enable you to get a Bursary Confirmation Letter to register at **their** approved institution.
- The company that is offering a bursary is investing in you; you might be required to work for them after completing your studies for a certain period of time, but if you fail your tertiary studies you may lose the bursary.

Here are the names of some of many organisations that offer bursaries

1. **Teaching**: Funza Lushaka Bursary Programme; 222 Struben St, Pretoria 0001 / Western Cape Education Department (WCED); http://www.funzalushaka.doe.gov.za
2. **Business Sciences and Commerce, Education, Engineering, FET College**:
   Access Fund: (021) 671 1521, (021) 674 0141; http://accesstrust.org.za/
3. **Various**: EDU-LOAN. Tel 0860 555544; info@eduloan.co.za; www.eduloan.co.za
4. **Accounting**: Deloitte & Touche, www.deloitte.co.za; Ernst and Young, PO Box 2322, Johannesburg 2000; PriceWaterhouse Coopers, Private Bag X36, Sunninghill 2157; Old Mutual Accountancy Bursary, PO Box 66 Cape Town 8000, www.oldmutual.co.za; MTN Accounting Bursary, c/o Career Wise (PTY) Ltd, PO Box 30632, Braamfontein 2017, www.careerwise.co.za
5. **Agriculture**: Department of Agriculture, Private Bag X250, Pretoria 0001; National Treasury, Private Bag X115, Pretoria 0001; University of Stellenbosch, Faculty of AgriSciences, Private Bag X1, 7602 Matieland, Stellenbosch, Tel (021) 808 9111
6. **Actuarial Science**: Old Mutual Actuarial Bursary, PO Box 66, Cape Town 8000;www.oldmutual.co.za; Metropolitan Actuarial Bursary, PO Box 2212, Bellville 7535
7. **Business Science and Commerce**: South African Breweries, www.sabcareers.co.za;
   Sasol Limited, PO Box 5486, Johannesburg 2000
8. **Engineering**: Anglo Platinum Bursary Scheme, PO Box 451, Kroondal 0350; De Beers Ltd, PO Box 30632, Braamfontein 2017, www.careerwise.co.za
9. **Social Work**: Oppenheimer Memorial Trust (Vodacom), PO Box 30632, Braamfontein 2017;
   SA Institute of Race Relations (SAIRN). PO Box 32597, Braamfontein 2017
10. **Nursing**: Solly Ginwala Memorial Trust, PO Box 4138, Durban 4000

External bursaries

Bursaries for full-time studies at approved tertiary institutions are currently offered to persons residing in the greater Cape Metropolitan area who will be registering for an undergraduate or postgraduate degree or diploma in one of the following fields of study in 2019:

- Architecture
- Atmospheric science (MSc/PhD)
- BComm (procurement logistics)
- Business analyst
- Building development
- Building and construction development
- Chemistry (MSc/PhD)
- Civil engineering (MSc)
- Civil engineering (Housing projects management)
- Civil engineering (specialisation in port and coastal engineering)
- City, town and regional planning
- Conservation of the built environment/heritage studies and management (postgraduate)
- Conservation ecology/biodiversity and conservation (MSc/PhD)
- Ecotoxicology (MSc/PhD)
- Electrical engineering - heavy current (BSc)
- Energy management (postgraduate)
- Law/ethics/risk/auditing/IT (Forensic)
- Geographical information systems (MSc/PhD)
- Geomatics (BSc)
- Industrial engineering
- Landscape architecture
- Library and information science
- Materials and road pavement engineering
- Mechanical engineering (MSc)
- Molecular biology/virology (MSc/PhD)
- Nursing
- Occupational health and safety management (BTech)
- Pharmacy
- Project management (postgraduate)
- Property studies (postgraduate)
- Real estate
- Surveying (BTech)
- Statistics
- Town and regional planning
- Transport logistics
- Transportation studies
- Traffic engineering
- Water utilisation/water treatment (MSc/PhD)

Bursaries will cover registration, examination and class fees.

Enquiries: City of Cape Town Employment Service Desk: 0860 103 089 (Option 6), 021 400 1404 / 2044 / 3619 / 3899

Information Technology Business Learnership Programme (ITBLP)

Leading companies from the Information & Communication Technology (ICT) and other banking sectors, in partnership with the Belgium Campus, offer an ICT qualification of a high standard to talented South African youngsters.

The ITBLP qualification and associated learning programme is aligned to the ICT skills needs of the ICT and banking industries.

How to apply:

Please email your CV to Allistine: Allistine.ragebult@fnb.co.za

Western Cape Government (Provincial Treasury Bursary)

The Western Cape Provincial Treasury invites matriculants, undergraduate and postgraduate students interested in pursuing careers in Economics, Fiscal and Public Policy, Asset Management (Supply Chain Management, Physical Asset Management), Accounting, Public Finance (Expenditure and Revenue Analysis and Management) or Corporate Governance (Risk Management, Corporate Finance, Business and Public Administration) to apply for full-time bursaries.

http://www.gostudy.net/bursary/western-cape-government-provincial-treasury-bursary