# **COLLEGE STUDENT FUNDING CONTACT DETAILS**

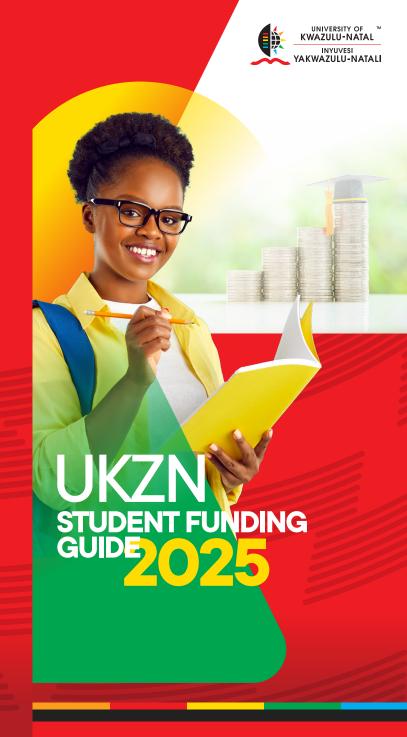
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For information on possible Bursary or Scholarship Sponsors, visit the link below:

**Bursaries - Department of Student Funding** 

https://studentfunding.ukzn.ac.za/bursaries/



# **UKZN STUDENT FUNDING GUIDE**

Student Funding is the office that assists UKZN students and prospective students with financial aid assistance in the following components:

- NSFAS
- Bursaries
- Scholarships

## WHO IS NSFAS?

The National Student Financial Aid Scheme (NSFAS) is a public entity reporting to the Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET). It provides financial assistance in the form of study bursaries and loans to qualifying students who plan to study at public universities.

#### This is what the scheme does:

- Supports access to, and success in, higher education and training for students from poor and working-class families who would otherwise not be able to afford the cost of studying at a university.
- Provides bursaries and loans to qualifying students at public universities.

### WHAT DOES THE NSFAS BURSARY COVER?

Registration and tuition fees

## They also receive allowances for the following:

- Meals
- Personal care
- Learning Material
- Accommodation or transport

### WHAT DOES THE NSFAS LOANS COVER?

- Registration and tuition fees
- Learning Material
- Accommodation

### Extra support is provided to students living with disabilities, such as:

- Medical assessments: The assessment is limited to one assessment for the duration of the qualification and on request by the Disability Unit/Student Support
- Assistive devices: Limited to one assistive device for the duration of the qualification.
- Human support: To cover for the cost of human support such as a caregiver, guide-dog, scribe, tutor, or sign language interpreter.

### NB: NSFAS does not cover

- Supplementary exams
- Student levies
- Extra mural activities

## Please use the web address below for NSFAS application

www.nsfas.org.za

#### **BURSARIES**

Bursaries are normally given to needy students with excellent academic results. If you are offered several bursaries you will usually be permitted to accept only one (or two small bursaries) so that other needy students may benefit. One student cannot be over-funded whilst thousands of other needy students receive little or nothing. UKZN bursaries are differentiated into three categories i.e. Internal Bursary, External Bursary and College/ School Bursary.

## Internal Bursary

These bursaries are usually derived from Deceased Estates or Company Social Responsibility monies. Bursaries are awarded and administered by the Student Funding Department mostly for returning undergraduate students currently registered at UKZN. Family combined gross income must not exceed R 600 000.00 per year. The first-time student awardees must have achieve an average mark above 64.5% in the academic studies. This award is renewable provide student achieves a 55% average mark. The student average mark determines the amount to be awarded.

- A student achieving above 74.5% may be awarded a bursary valued at R25 000
- achieving below 74.5% but above 64.5% may be awarded a bursary valued at R12500
- achieving below 64.5% but above 54.5% may be awarded a bursary valued at R7500.

# **SRC TRUST FUND BURSARY**

Student Funding also administers the SRC Trust Fund Bursary. This bursary aimed at helping students with registration fees. Gross Family income for the SRC trust fund bursary is R350 000 pa and applications are taken yearly at the start of every year.

## College/School Bursary

These bursaries selected and awarded by the Schools/Colleges. Student Funding is the responsible for ensuring that the bursaries are allocated in accordance with the wishes of the school/college. These awards are generally for post graduate student(s) with the aim of assisting them with Research related expenses i.e. Travel and subsistence expenses. These bursaries are processed via an automated system

# **External Bursary**

These bursaries awards are selected by the third parties, Student Funding is not involved in the selection. Student must apply directly to the organization such as NPO, private companies, government (department, municipalities, SOEs). Awards are generally based on academic excellence and financial need. At times student have contractually obligations with organization either to work for the organization or serve to pay back for the duration of funded period. Application to be made directly with various organizations.

#### **SCHOLARSHIPS**

Further information on scholarship application procedures can be obtained from UKZN Scholarship flyer.

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