



EP BRADLOW HUMAN RIGHTS LLD BURSARY

2024 - 2026

Applications are invited for the above bursary in the amount of approximately R200 000 per year for a three-year period. This bursary is awarded to a deserving student who wish to complete an LLD degree in human rights law at Stellenbosch University. The dissertation will be conducted under the supervision of Prof Sandra Liebenberg, H.F. Oppenheimer Professor of Human Rights Law, Stellenbosch University.

The conditions of the bursary are as follows:

- The candidate must be a South African citizen or permanent resident of South Africa;
- The candidate must qualify for admission as an LLD candidate at the Stellenbosch University Law Faculty in terms of the conditions in the [Law Faculty Yearbook \(part 8\)](#) read with the [Postgraduate Guide of the Faculty of Law](#)
- The successful applicant is required to take up residence in Stellenbosch for the duration of the abovementioned LLD degree, which must be completed within three years;
- The candidate is subject to the normal conditions applicable to an LLD degree in the Faculty of Law.
- The successful candidate must acknowledge the support of the Bradlow Foundation in their LLD dissertation, and provide a copy of the dissertation to the Foundation;
- The bursary will only become payable once the candidate has been successfully registered for an LLD degree in the Faculty of Law. Details of the registration process can be obtained [here](#);
- The award of the bursary for successive years of the LLD degree will depend on satisfactory progress being made in terms of the Postgraduate Guide of the Faculty of Law.
- The successful candidate will form part of the postgraduate group under the auspices of the HF Oppenheimer Chair in Human Rights Law and is expected to participate in the activities of this group, and provide research and related support to the Chair in furthering its objectives.



Research Focus Areas of H F Oppenheimer Chair:

The research focus areas of the Chair are the following: socio-economic rights (constitutional, regional and international law); the interrelationship between the right to equality and socio-economic rights; the interrelationship between sustainable development and socio-economic rights; the right to a healthy environment and socio-economic rights; the human rights of future generations. Priority will be given to candidates whose proposed LLD dissertations fall within these broad focus areas.

Documents to be provided in support of the application:

1. A covering letter, indicating that the applicant is applying for the Bradlow's Foundation LLD Human Rights Bursary, confirming that they accept the abovementioned bursary conditions, and setting out a general motivation for their application, including the nature and extent of their interest, knowledge and record of involvement in human rights;
2. A full curriculum vitae;
3. Signed letters of reference and contact details from two referees;
4. A certified copy of all the applicant's academic qualifications, including a certified copy of academic results for all their higher education degrees, including degrees in progress;
5. A description (not exceeding 2000 words) of their proposed LLD dissertation, including a motivation for its general relevance, and significance to the advancement of the human rights research focus areas of the HF Oppenheimer Chair in Human Rights Law.

The application along with the supporting documentation must be submitted by email **no later than 16:00 on 2 October 2023** to:

Mrs Sibulele Vala, Secretary, Department of Public Law, University of Stellenbosch
Email address: sibulele@sun.ac.za

It is the responsibility of applicants to confirm due receipt of their applications.

Please direct any queries concerning the bursary to Prof S Liebenberg at: sliebenb@sun.ac.za.

Incomplete applications without the prescribed covering documents, or those applications received after the closing date will not be considered.