

# STELLENBOSCH UNIVERSITY POSTGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME 2021

**Stellenbosch University would like to invite prospective students  
(and current students in some faculties) to apply for full or partial  
scholarships for 2021.**

**Closing date:  
13 November 2020**

Each faculty has its own scholarship application form. Please click on  
the link which you can find on each faculty's page in this booklet.

**Please consult the university website for more information on application,  
fees and registration:**

**<http://www0.sun.ac.za/pgstudies/>**

# Important Information

All scholarship awards will be made on condition that the applicants meet all of the requirements of the scholarship as well as the admission requirements of the relevant degree programme. Applicants are also advised that the University may require additional information, over and above the information supplied in the application, in order to reach a final decision. Students who have applied to the National Research Foundation scholarship programme and the SU Postgraduate Support Bursary should also apply for this scholarship.

The University also retains the right to award, or not to award scholarships to any persons who may or may not meet the eligibility, award, and/or preference criteria. Students who receive the maximum (full) scholarship value are not allowed to receive additional/supplemental funding.

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Deadline: 13 November 2020

For queries, please contact: [postgradfunding@sun.ac.za](mailto:postgradfunding@sun.ac.za) or [nugent@sun.ac.za](mailto:nugent@sun.ac.za)



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**FACULTY OF MILITARY SCIENCE**



**FACULTY OF SCIENCE**



**FACULTY OF THEOLOGY**

# FACULTY OF AGRISCIENCE

## ELIGIBILITY

- Current and prospective Honours, Master's and Doctoral students are invited to apply.
- Applicants should adhere to and meet the minimum admission requirements for the degree programme(s).
- Applicants for PG Diplomas, candidates planning on pursuing their studies on a part-time basis and students pursuing 4th year undergraduate studies are not eligible for this scholarship programme.

## CONDITIONS

Full and Partial scholarships are available:

- Honours: R70 000 – R130 000 (for 1 year)
- Master's: R80 000 – R140 000 (per annum for 2 years)
- Doctoral: R90 000 – R150 000 (per annum for 3 years)

Successful candidates may not hold another full scholarship in conjunction with this scholarship.

Continuation of funding will be subject to satisfactory progress reports.

Applicants may not hold a qualification on the same degree-level or higher.

Master's and doctoral awardees will be expected to draft at least one article for publication in a peer-reviewed journal.

## APPLICATION PROCESS

The following documents are required (please upload all documents as a single PDF):

**Copy of ID document / Passport** – for international students.

Master's and Doctoral scholarship applicants should also attach a **pre-proposal** in the form of a concept note (1 page).

An official copy of your **previous thesis or mini-thesis** (research essay) or another academic writing sample.

**Letter of support** from a prospective supervisor.

Certified copies of your complete **academic record and degree certificates**.

Concise academic **CV** highlighting, inter alia, the following aspects:

- Research publications (if applicable)
- Awards or grants received
- Professional / work experience

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# FACULTY OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

## ELIGIBILITY

- Prospective Honours, Master's and Doctoral students are invited to apply for this scholarship programme. (Current Master's and Doctoral students do not qualify for this scholarship.)
- Applicants should intend to register as full-time students. Only full research Master's students will be funded.
- Applicants must not be older than 30 years for Master's or 35 years for Doctoral during the year of application.
- Master's and Doctoral applicants must have received 70% in their previous degree; or 70% if the current progress mark is available.
- Applicants for Honours scholarships, should have received at least 70% for the subject (or closest related subject) in which they intend to specialise.
- Applicants for PG Diplomas or candidates planning on pursuing their studies on a part-time basis are not eligible for this scholarship programme.

## CONDITIONS

Full and Partial scholarships are available:

- Partial Honours: R60 000 (1 year)
- MA: R55 000 – R105 000 (per annum for 2 years)
- PhDs: R130 000 (per year for 3 years)

Successful candidates may not hold another full scholarship in conjunction with this scholarship.

Continuation of funding will be subject to satisfactory progress reports.

Applicants may not hold a qualification on the same degree-level or higher.

Master's and doctoral awardees will be expected to draft at least one article for publication in a peer-reviewed journal.

## APPLICATION PROCESS

The following documents are required (please upload all documents as a single PDF):

- Copy of **ID document / Passport** – for international students.
- An official copy of your **previous thesis or mini-thesis** (research essay) **or** another academic writing sample.
- For Master's and Doctoral applicants, an **original preliminary research idea, no longer than 500 words**, underlining the unique contribution your research will make to the existing body of knowledge in the particular field of study.
- Certified copies of your **complete academic record and degree certificates**.
- A **recommendation letter** from a possible prospective supervisor.
- Concise academic **CV** outlining:
  - Research publications (if applicable)
  - Awards or grants received
  - Professional / work experience
  - Languages spoken and computer and/or other relevant skills

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# FACULTY OF ECONOMIC AND MANAGEMENT SCIENCES

## ELIGIBILITY

- Current and prospective postgraduate students intending to register for Honours, Master's or Doctoral degree programmes are invited to apply.
- Honours scholarships: Applicants must have achieved an average mark of at least 60% in their final year of their undergraduate degree.
- Master's scholarships: Applicants must have achieved a mark of at least 65% for their Honours degree. [Applicants should use their progress mark to apply but should note that the final mark will determine your eligibility to accept the scholarship].
- Doctoral scholarships: Applicants must have achieved a mark of at least 65% for their Master degree or 65% for the research component in the case of coursework-Master's programmes.
- Applicants for PG Diplomas or candidates planning on pursuing their studies on a part-time basis are not eligible for this scholarship programme.

## CONDITIONS

Full and Partial scholarships are available:

- Hons: R70 000 (1 year)
- Master's: R80 000 – R140 000 (per annum for 2 years)
- PhD: R90 000 – R150 000 (per annum for 3 years)

Successful candidates may not hold another full scholarship in conjunction with this scholarship.

Continuation of funding will be subject to satisfactory progress reports.

Applicants may not hold a qualification on the same degree-level or higher.

Master's and doctoral recipients will be expected to draft at least one article for publication in a peer-reviewed journal.

## APPLICATION PROCESS

The following documents are required (please upload all documents as a single PDF):

- Copy of **ID document / Passport** – for international students.
- **Doctoral scholarship** applicants should also attach an **approved proposal or** at least a pre-proposal in the form of a concept note.
- **Letter of support** from a prospective supervisor for Master's and Doctoral scholarship applicants.
- Certified copies of your complete **academic record and degree certificates**.
- Concise academic **CV**.

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# FACULTY OF EDUCATION

## ELIGIBILITY

Current and prospective postgraduate students intending to register for Honours, Master's and Doctoral degree programmes are invited to apply. BEdHonours students should intend to complete the degree within 1 year.

- Honours scholarship: applicants must have achieved a mark of at least 60 for the final year of their undergraduate degree.
- Master's scholarship: applicants must have achieved at least a final mark of 60% for their Honours degree to accept the award. (Applicants should use their progress mark to apply but should note that the final mark will determine their eligibility to accept the scholarship.)
- Doctoral scholarship: applicants must have achieved at least 60% for their Master's degree to accept the award. Applicants should use their progress mark to apply but should note that the final mark will be used to accept the scholarship.
- Applicants for PG Diplomas or candidates planning on pursuing their studies on a part-time basis are not eligible for this scholarship programme.

## CONDITIONS

Full and Partial scholarships are available:

- BEd Honours: R90 000 – R130 000 (1 year)
- Master's: R50 000 – R140 000 (per annum for 2 years)
- Doctoral: R50 000 – R150 000 (per annum for 3 years).

Successful candidates may not hold another full scholarship in conjunction with this scholarship.

Continuation of funding will be subject to satisfactory progress reports.

Applicants may not hold a qualification on the same degree-level or higher.

Master's and doctoral recipients will be expected to draft at least one article for publication in a peer-reviewed journal.

## APPLICATION PROCESS

The following documents are required (please upload all documents as a single PDF):

- Copy of **ID document / Passport** – for international students.
- Certified copies of your complete **academic record and degree certificates**.
- Doctoral scholarship applicants should attach a CV (academic).
- Master's and Doctoral scholarship applicants should also attach a letter of support from a prospective supervisor which clearly indicates confirmation of co-funding (if applicable).

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# FACULTY OF ENGINEERING

## ELIGIBILITY

- Applicants are invited to apply for scholarships to enrol for MEng (Research) and MEngSc (Research), and/or PhD programmes at Stellenbosch University.
- Applicants must have completed their previous programme within four years in the case of the BEng, and two years in the case of the MEng/MEngSc degrees, or be in a position to do so at the end of the year.
- For a Master's scholarship, applicants must have a weighted average academic mark of at least 65% for their BEng degree, as well as 65% in the final year of their BEng degree, excluding the marks of failed modules.
- The scholarship will be awarded conditionally based on the outcome of the final mark, as required above.
- For PhD bursary applicants the applicant must have achieved at least 65% for their Master's degree.
- Current Master's and PhD students may apply subject to the requirements above.
- Applicants must have been accepted by a supervisor.
- Preference will be given to South African citizens.
- Applicants for PG Diplomas or candidates planning on pursuing their studies on a part-time basis are not eligible for this scholarship programme.

## CONDITIONS

Full and Partial scholarships are available:

- Master's: R80 000 + co-funding of R40 000 from the relevant academic department (approx. R120 000 in total per annum for up to 2 years.)
- Doctoral: R100 000 + co-funding of R50 000 from the relevant academic department (approx. R150 000 per year for up to 3 years.)

Successful candidates may not hold another full-scholarship in conjunction with this scholarship.

Continuation of funding will be subject to satisfactory progress reports.

Applicants may not hold a qualification on the same degree-level or higher.

Master's and doctoral recipients will be expected to draft at least one article for publication in a peer-reviewed journal.

## APPLICATION PROCESS

The following documents are required (please upload all documents as a single PDF):

- Copy of **ID document / Passport** – for international students.
- Certified copies of your **complete academic record and degree certificates**.
- Doctoral scholarship applicants should attach a **CV** (academic).
- Master's and Doctoral scholarship applicants should also attach a letter of **support from a prospective supervisor** which clearly indicates confirmation of co-funding.

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# FACULTY OF LAW

## ELIGIBILITY

- Current and prospective postgraduate students who are intending to register for the LLD and/or LLM by research degree programmes are eligible to apply.
- Applicants for doctoral studies must have passed the final year of the degree courses prescribed in the Calendar with an average of at least 65% (or its international equivalent).
- Applicants for Master's studies must have an LLB degree conferred by Stellenbosch University or any other bachelor's degree in Law (excluding the Bluris degree) and have attained an average of 60% in the final year of the degree.
- An applicant must either have an approved research proposal, or the bursary may be awarded conditional on the approval of a research proposal by the Faculty Board at its first meeting of the proposed year of study. In determining whether a bursary is awarded conditionally it will be of particular significance what progress an applicant has made with drafting such a proposal and whether an appropriate supervisor has been identified.

## CONDITIONS

Full and Partial scholarships are available:

- LLM: R80 000 – R140 000 (per annum for 2 years)
- LLD: R90 000 – R150 000 (per annum for 3 years)

Successful candidates may not hold another full-scholarship in conjunction with this scholarship.

Continuation of funding will be subject to satisfactory progress reports.

Applicants may not hold a qualification on the same degree-level or higher.

Master's and doctoral recipients will be expected to draft at least one article for publication in a peer-reviewed journal.

## APPLICATION PROCESS

The following documents are required (please upload all documents as a single PDF)

- Copy of **ID document / Passport** – for international students.
- Certified copies of your complete **academic record and degree certificates**.
- **Letter of motivation** by the applicant.
- Concise academic **CV** which inter alia outlines research publications (if applicable), awards or grants received and professional/work experience.

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# FACULTY OF MEDICINE AND HEALTH SCIENCES

## ELIGIBILITY

- Current and prospective postgraduate students who intend to enrol for a Honours, Master's and/or Doctoral degree on a full-time basis are invited to apply for this scholarship.
- Honours scholarship: applicant must receive at least 65% in the final year of their undergraduate degree.
- Master's and doctoral applicants should achieve at least 65% in their previous degree programme.
- The scholarship will be awarded conditionally based on the outcome of the final mark, as required above.
- Applicants for PG Diplomas, MMed and MPhil (subspecialist) degrees (registrars and senior registrars), or candidates planning on pursuing their studies on a part-time basis are not eligible for this scholarship programme.

## CONDITIONS

Full and Partial scholarships are available:

- Honours: R70 000 – R130 000 (for 1 year)
- Master's: R80 000 – R140 000 (per annum for 2 years)
- Doctoral: R90 000 – R150 000 (per annum for 3 years)

Successful candidates may not hold another full scholarship in conjunction with this scholarship.

Continuation of funding will be subject to satisfactory progress reports.

Applicants may not hold a qualification on the same degree-level or higher.

Master's and doctoral recipients will be expected to draft at least one article for publication in a peer-reviewed journal.

## APPLICATION PROCESS

The following documents are required (please upload all documents as a single PDF):

- Copy of **ID document / Passport** – for international students.
- Certified copies of your **complete academic record and degree certificates**.
- **Letter of motivation** by the applicant.
- Concise academic **CV** outlining:
  - Research publications (if applicable)
  - Awards or grants received
  - Professional/work experience

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# FACULTY OF MILITARY SCIENCES

## ELIGIBILITY

- Bursaries are available for students enrolled or planning to enrol for MMil and PhD (Military Science) programmes, at Stellenbosch University.
- For a Master's bursary, applicants must have an average academic mark of at least 65% for their postgraduate qualification that adheres to the entry requirements for MMil programme applied for as specified in the Part 13 Yearbook for Military Science programmes.
- The bursary will be awarded conditionally based on the outcome of the final mark, as required above.
- For PhD bursary applicants the applicant must have achieved at least 65% for their Master's degree.
- Current Master's and PhD students may apply subject to the requirements above.
- Preference will be given to South African citizens.
- Members of the Department of Defence are encouraged to apply on the condition that an application for study at state expense was submitted, but not approved. Written confirmation of denial/rejection must be submitted with the application.

## REQUIREMENTS

Full and Partial scholarships are available:

- MMil: R80 000 – R140 000 (per annum for 2 years)
- PhD: R90 000 – R150 000 (per annum for 3 years)
- Applicants must have been accepted by a supervisor.
- The applicable memorandum of understanding between the student and supervisor must be completed and submitted with the bursary application.
- Bursaries will be funded for the first two years for Master's and PhD programmes.
- For continuation of funding to a following year, a progress report needs to be submitted to the satisfaction of the Chief Faculty Administrator, Student Administration.
- For Master's and PhD programmes, at least one publication (journal or conference) must be accepted by an accredited journal/peer reviewed proceedings within the funding period.

**Upload documents:** (batch PDF)

- Copy of **ID document / Passport**.
- Certified copies of your **complete academic record and degree certificates**.
- **Confirmation that study at state expense application was denied**.
- **Support letter from supervisor**.
- **Completed and Signed memorandum of understanding** between student and supervisor.
- **CV for Doctoral students**.

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# FACULTY OF SCIENCE

## ELIGIBILITY

- Current and prospective Honours, Master's and Doctoral students are invited to apply.
- Honours scholarship applicants should have achieved a minimum average of 65% in their undergraduate degree for the major subject (or closest related subject) in which they intend to specialise.
- Applicants for MSc and PhD bursaries should have achieved a minimum of 60% in their previous degree to qualify for this scholarship.
- The scholarship will be awarded conditionally based on the outcome of the final mark, as required above.
- Applicants for PG Diplomas or candidates planning on pursuing their studies on a part-time basis are not eligible for this scholarship programme.

## CONDITIONS

Full and Partial scholarships are available:

- Honours: R70 000 – R130 000 (for 1 year)
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- Doctoral: R90 000 – R150 000 (per annum for 3 years)

Successful candidates may not hold another full-scholarship in conjunction with this scholarship.

Continuation of funding will be subject to satisfactory progress reports.

Applicants may not hold a qualification on the same degree-level or higher.

Master's and doctoral recipients will be expected to draft at least one article for publication in a peer-reviewed journal.

## APPLICATION PROCESS

The following documents are required (please upload all documents as a single PDF):

- Copy of **ID document / Passport** – for international students.
- Certified copies of your **complete academic record and degree certificates**.
- **Proof of application** at Stellenbosch University for the degree for which the current application is being made.
- MSc and PhD applicants must submit an **endorsement from a prospective supervisor** at the Faculty of Science, Stellenbosch University.
- A **full research proposal** will count in the favour of applicants for MSc and PhD scholarships.

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# FACULTY OF THEOLOGY

## ELIGIBILITY

- Current and prospective MTh and doctoral students by research programme are invited to apply for this scholarship.
- Master's and Doctoral students must have achieved 65% in the previous degree (or progress mark should be 65%).
- Students must ensure that they consult the entry requirements for the relevant degree programme
- If a student intends to register as a special student for 2021, then s/he will not be eligible for this scholarship programme.
- Applicants for PG Diplomas or candidates planning on pursuing their studies on a part-time basis are not eligible for this scholarship programme.

## CONDITIONS

Full and Partial scholarships are available:

- MTh: R50,000 to R140,000 (per annum for 2 years)
- Doctoral: R50,000 to R150,000 (per annum for 3 years)

Successful candidates may not hold another full scholarship in conjunction with this scholarship.

Continuation of funding will be subject to satisfactory progress reports.

Applicants may not hold a qualification on the same degree-level or higher.

Master's and doctoral recipients will be expected to draft at least one article for publication in a peer-reviewed journal.

## APPLICATION PROCESS

The following documents are required (please upload all documents as a single PDF):

- Copy of **ID document / Passport** – for international students.
- Master's and Doctoral scholarship applicants must apply to Stellenbosch University for admission to the relevant degree programme and **attach proof of application**.
- Certified copies of your complete **academic record and degree certificates**.
- Concise academic **CV** outlining:
  - Research publications (if applicable).
  - Awards or grants received (if applicable).
  - Professional /work experience (if applicable).

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# Next steps

Please apply using the links per faculty and ensure that you submit all of the required documents as a single batch PDF.

Scholarships will be finalised and announced before the end of 2020. Unsuccessful applicants will be informed of the outcome and may be placed on a waiting list. This is a competitive scholarship programme and applicants are requested to ensure that they follow the instructions carefully. **Incomplete, incorrect and/or late applications will not be considered.**

The decision by the Postgraduate Scholarship Committee will be final. The University reserves the right to not make an award.

Please consult the university website for more information on our application process, student fees and registration:

<http://www0.sun.ac.za/pgstudies/>

For more funding opportunities, please consult the Postgraduate Funding Office's website here:

<http://www.sun.ac.za/english/research-innovation/Research-Development/postgraduate-funding-support>

For queries on the funding instrument: [postgradfunding@sun.ac.za](mailto:postgradfunding@sun.ac.za)



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