The Professional Provident Society (PPS) Postgraduate Scholarship – Faculty of Commerce

PPS scholarships are awarded on financial need and academic record to full time university students in an effort to assist students financially to cover tuition and/or textbooks for one academic year.

Eligibility

Applications are invited from South African citizens who are registered, or who will register in 2016 for 1st year Masters or Honours/4th year study in the Faculty of Commerce, including:

- Students entering the 1st year of a Master’s degree.
- Students entering a Bachelor of Commerce Honours degree.
- Students entering the 4th year of a Bachelor of Business Science degree.
- Students entering Postgraduate Diploma in Accounting offered at Honours level (HEQF level 8).

Value of the scholarship: R30 000
Tenure of the scholarship: One year

Application process

Applicants are required to:

1. Complete the scholarship application form: 2016 PPS Dean’s Bursary Application Form A.
2. Submit the form by **30 October 2015**, as per the instructions in the scholarship application form: 2016 Dean’s Bursary Application Form A.
3. Submit their application and supporting documentation via email to RJones@pps.co.za.

Please note: If you have not received confirmation of receipt of your application within 5 working days of submission, please send a query to Roxanne Jones via email above or contact (021) 680 3739.

Applicants must submit the following documents with the application form:

1. Academic transcripts - certified copies of June 2015 academic transcript.
2. Declaration of own and/or family’s financial position (copy of affidavit).
3. Statements of student account confirming no outstanding fees for the current or previous years.
5. Names and contact details of at least two academics that have taught or supervised the applicant in the last year of study.

Notification of the award

PPS will notify the successful candidate in writing (via email) by mid-January 2016.
Presentation of the award

The Dean of the Faculty of Commerce and PPS representatives will award the scholarship in a short ceremony in 2016.

Terms and conditions:

- The applicant must be a South African citizen.
- The student must have an academic average of at least 60% to be eligible for consideration.
- The successful applicant may not hold full-time employment during the tenure of this scholarship.
- The successful incumbent must be registered for full-time study in the Faculty of Commerce for one of the postgraduate programmes outlined under Eligibility.
- PPS scholarships are awarded on financial need and academic record to full time university students in an effort to assist students financially to cover tuition and/or textbooks for one academic year. PPS does not award scholarships to students that already have full sponsorship unless the alternative sponsor is a loan and not a scholarship. If the student is in contravention of this policy, the bursary will be withdrawn and disbursed to an alternative bursary recipient.
- The successful applicant will be required to comply with the university’s approved policies, procedures and practices for the postgraduate sector.
- Please note that no service at PPS is required in return for the award. PPS does not undertake to provide the successful applicant with any form of employment and/or training on completion of their studies.
- The scholarship recipient will have the opportunity to become a PPS Student member at no additional cost. There is no obligation on the student to become a PPS student member or to purchase any PPS products.
- Late and/or incomplete applications i.e. missing any of the required documentation will not be considered.
- Submission of an application does not guarantee the award of the scholarship.
- The scholarship will be awarded to the successful applicant once formal notification has been received of acceptance to the postgraduate programme.
- The Judges decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.
- The University of Cape Town and PPS reserve the right to disqualify ineligible, incomplete and/or inappropriate applicants, and,
- The University of Cape Town and PPS reserve the right to change the conditions of awards and/or to make no awards at all.
- The University of Cape Town and PPS accepts no liability due to inaccuracies of the content of this information sheet. Every care has been taken, however, to ensure that the information contained herein is accurate.
1. PURPOSE
PPS bursaries are awarded on financial need and academic record to full time university students in an effort to assist students financially to cover tuition and/or text book costs for one academic year.

2. SELECTION CRITERIA
2.1 To be eligible for the PPS bursary, the student must be registered at a participating South African University or University of Technology 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. For more info on PPS eligibility, visit this link: https://www.pps.co.za/pages/faq/ELIGIBILITY.php
2.2 The student must be a citizen or permanent resident of South Africa
2.3 PPS does not award bursaries to students that already have other confirmed sponsors which cover their entire academic expenses, unless the alternative sponsor is a loan and not a bursary. If the student is in contravention with this, the bursary (and funds) will be withdrawn and disbursed to an alternate bursary recipient
2.4 The student must have an academic average of at least 60%
2.5 The application criteria is determined entirely at PPS’ discretion and PPS reserves the right to change the criteria at any time without prior notice to applicants. PPS also reserves the right to withdraw its financial aid to successful applicants should it be found at any time that an applicant does not (or no longer) meets the application criteria or the applicant has breached any of the terms and conditions in any way.

3. BBBEE CRITERIA
The following BBBEE Criteria applies to the overall budget allocated to 22 universities in South Africa:
80% of the students must be black (AIC)
50% of the students must be black female

4. VALUE OF BURSARY
The PPS Dean bursary only covers tuition and text book costs to the maximum amount of budget as specified by PPS, for one academic year – payable for 1 or more students within a specific faculty at the discretion of the dean.

5. DUTIES AND OBLIGATIONS
5.1 The purpose of the PPS Dean Bursary is purely to assist successful applicants financially. PPS does not undertake to provide successful applicants with any form of practical training and/or employment upon completion of their studies.
5.2 Recipients of the PPS Bursary award will be granted the opportunity to sign up and become a PPS student member at no cost.
5.3 Successful applicants will however not be obligated to avail of this opportunity and/or to purchase any products from the PPS Group of companies.

6. APPLICATION DATES
6.1 Applications open on the 10th of August 2015
6.2 Applications close on the 30th of October 2015
6.3 Successful candidates will be informed by the 30th of November 2015
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Personal details:

Do you have a disability: Yes__ No__

Title: ______ Name: ___________________ Surname: ___________________

ID number: ___________________ Email Address: ___________________

Cellphone: ___________________ Please indicate your race group: ___________________

Current University: ___________________ Current Faculty: ___________________

Degree currently being studied: ___________________ Year of study: __________

- Do you have a student loan (if yes please specify): Yes__ No__
  From which institution: _______________ Amount: R __________

- Do you have financial aid e.g. bursary/scholarship: Yes__ No__
  From which institution: _______________ Amount: R __________

- Do you require financial aid: Yes__ No__ Amount: R __________

- Total monthly household income (combined): R __________

June 2015 academic results

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I hereby certify that the information above is true and accurate.

Signature: ___________________ Date: ___________________