

2025/26 SASA THIRD YEAR BURSARY COMPETITION

It is with great excitement that the SASA Education Committee announces the 2025/26 SASA Third Year Bursary Competition. This competition is open to all current second-year or penultimate-year students majoring in Statistics/Mathematical Statistics/Mathematical Sciences, who intend to register at a South African university in 2026 for an NQF Level 7 qualification in Statistics/Mathematical Statistics/Mathematical Sciences. Eligible qualifications include a Bachelor's degree majoring in Statistics/Mathematical Statistics or a Postgraduate Diploma in Mathematical Sciences with a focus on Statistics/Mathematical Statistics.

Applicants must be SASA members to be eligible for this competition. SASA membership is free for all full-time students registered for a degree in Statistics or a closely related field at an accredited South African tertiary institution. To apply for membership, visit: <https://www.sastat.org/apply-for-sasa-membership>.

Important: SASA membership must be approved before submitting a bursary application and, therefore, applications for SASA membership should be completed and submitted no later than **Friday, 19 December 2025**.

Applications for the SASA Third Year Bursary Competition will open on **Friday, 24 October 2025**, and will close on **Friday, 16 January 2026**. All prospective applicants must register online via the SASA website at <https://app.glueup.com/event/sasa-third-year-bursary-competition-2025-2026-159205/>. A link to a Google Form will be sent to you via email after completing registration.

Important: Full academic records (including final results for 2025) and any other required supporting documentation, must be uploaded and submitted via the Google Form by Friday, 16 January 2026.

Any SASA Bursary awarded is strictly limited to tuition-related expenses and is not transferable for personal use. As such, awards will be paid directly into the recipient's institutional account and are non-transferable to personal bank accounts. All bursaries remain subject to SASA's assessment criteria. SASA reserves the right to reduce, withdraw, or adjust the value of an award in cases where the recipient secures other sources of funding, where eligibility requirements are no longer met, and/or for any other reason that SASA may deem appropriate. The SASA Education Committee will adjudicate the competition, where awards are made based on academic merit and financial need. The committee's decision is final and not open to correspondence.

Applicants who are not notified of an award by 30 April 2026 should assume their application was unsuccessful.

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