

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS (SDG) focus area(s)



APPLICATION DEADLINE

2nd November 2020

BACKGROUND

Through a collaboration between the Mastercard Foundation and Queen's University, the two organisations have created the Jim Leech Mastercard Foundation Fellowship on Entrepreneurship for African Students. The Dunin-Despande Queen's Innovation Centre (DDQIC) is Canada's premiere university entrepreneurship & innovation centre. This is an exciting opportunity available to students currently pursuing their studies at the University of Pretoria and are interested in entrepreneurship.

The Fellows will have access to:

- The Disciplined Entrepreneurship, which is a proven framework for start-ups to bring innovative ideas/products to market more efficiently.
- DDQIC team's mentorship and networks.
- Participation on DDQIC's platform with dedicated mentors and administrators.
- Live in-class sessions with professors and experts. It also has some self-paced components where Fellows can access the services and content at a time that is convenient for them.
- Virtual participation in funding pitches, workshops, and speaker events.
- Each Fellow will receive a \$500 stipend. These stipends and technology guidance are intended to ensure they have access to digital devices as well as safe and secure internet access

For more information please read the attached booklet.

Please note that if funding is awarded for contract research (excluding scholarships), a 15% UP recovery is applicable and should be budgeted for by the applicant.

CANDIDATE PROFILE

- 70 percent of the Fellows will be young women.
- Countries: all countries in Africa.
- There will be no quota/target number of youth recruited per university. Students/Fellows will be recruited from current 11 university partners based on students' competencies, potential, motivation, and business ideas.

Ideal candidate would be/have:

- Entrepreneurial spirit
- Idea stage or pre-idea for a potentially scalable business
- Bias for action
- Coachable & adaptable
- Sense of agency

HOW TO APPLY

Instructions for applications are explained step by step [here](#). Please note that one of the steps requires preparation on the applicants part and it is thus advisable not to leave the application to close to the deadline.

Please send a complete copy with all supporting documents, that you have submitted online to the Faculty Research Office – natasha.jeftha@up.ac.za

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