

THE MASTERCARD FOUNDATION SCHOLARS PROGRAM

POSTGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The MasterCard Foundation Scholars Program at the University of Pretoria for full-time postgraduate study is open to students who have already completed a bachelor's degree and are residents or citizens of an African country. This Program targets academically qualified, yet economically disadvantaged, young people in Africa who will contribute to the transformation of the continent.

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. In order to apply for The MasterCard Foundation Scholars Program at the University of Pretoria, you **MUST first have applied and have been accepted** for one of the desired programmes which are; Honours and Masters in **Engineering**, Honours and Masters in **Commerce** (Accounting Sciences, Financial Sciences, Economics and Informatics) and Masters in **Agricultural Sciences**. Only students in on-campus programmes are eligible for this scholarship. You will need your student number to complete The MasterCard Foundation Scholars Program Application. Students registering for an Honours programme must plan to continue into a related Master's degree.
2. Be sure to include documents that support what your family can afford to pay. **Documents listed below are required to process your application:**
 - i) Proof of gross income (pay slip(s)/pension advice(s)/financial statements/allowances, maintenance) not older than 3 months for biological/adoptive parent(s)/legal guardian/spouse.
 - ii) If no proof of income or if unemployed, the source of income/maintenance/allowance must be provided per individual by means of an affidavit. House Executive/housewives must confirm any source of income by means of an affidavit.
 - iii) If biological/adoptive parent is single or never married, an affidavit confirming marital status and maintenance – also if not receiving any financial assistance.
 - iv) If biological/adoptive parent(s) are deceased – death certificate(s).
 - v) If biological/adoptive parent(s) are divorced, the decree of divorce and affidavit confirming maintenance (also if not receiving any financial assistance).
 - vi) If legal guardian is appointed by a court, the court order must be provided or an affidavit supporting this. Guardian must declare monthly allowance to applicant by means of an affidavit.
 - vii) IDs/passport for biological/adoptive parent(s)/legal guardian/spouse.
 - viii) IDs/passport and birth certificate for both applicant and siblings.
 - ix) Proof of enrolment of all siblings at tertiary institution(s).
 - x) Proof of your provisional admission letter from the University of Pretoria.
3. Only students admitted to the University of Pretoria will be considered for this scholarship. To maximise consideration, apply early and ensure that the University receives all required admission application materials before 30 September 2014.
4. Complete this scholarship application and e-mail it as an attachment (Word document or scanned copy) to seth.olupona@up.ac.za tel. +27 12-420-4297 and onalerona.matlawe@up.ac.za tel. +27 12-420-4077. If submitting a hand-written scholarship application, ensure the document and scanned copy is clearly legible.
5. Scholarships are limited and apply to students who cannot afford to pay full fees. Do not apply for a scholarship if you or your parents can pay the full fees.
6. Students may not hold other bursaries if awarded the MasterCard Foundation Scholarship (with the exclusion of UP achievement awards).
7. All the information provided must be accurate and true. Any falsification of information on this application may result in your admission to the university being withdrawn.



Date of application

2014 / /

Please indicate your University of Pretoria Student Number

Have you applied to the following Universities? **Yes** ____ **No** _____. If yes, please indicate your preferred institution. Please mark your choice with an x:

University	First Choice	Second Choice
University of Pretoria		
University of Cape Town		

If **No**, visit www.up.ac.za/apply to apply for the study programme as indicated by MasterCard Foundation Scholars Program.

Please note:

Once successful at UP you will have to enter into a bursary agreement with UP/MCF.

Please mark options with an X.

Please mark answers in appropriate box	Yes	No
Have you applied for any other bursary or loan?		
If you have answered yes above, provide the name of the sponsor below		
Have you been admitted for your first choice of study at UP?		
If you have answered yes above, please state which course you intend to enrol for at UP below		

For which post-graduate programme have you been admitted?

Please mark your choice of study programme with an X.

Faculty	Study Programme Choice	Honors	Masters
Economic and Management Sciences	Accounting Sciences		
	Financial Sciences		
	Economics		
	Informatics		
	Agribusiness Management		
Natural and Agricultural Sciences	Food Science and Technology		
	Agricultural Economics / Business Management		
	Animal Science		
	Plant Pathology		
	Applied Plant and Soil Sciences		
Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology	Industrial Engineering		
	Chemical Engineering		
	Civil Engineering		
	Computer Engineering		
	Electrical Engineering		
	Electronic Engineering		
	Mechanical Engineering		
	Metallurgical Engineering		
	Mining Engineering		

Personal Information

Surname/Family Name _____

Full given names (as in passport / ID) _____

Name you prefer to be called _____

Date of Birth

	Your age	
YYYY/MM/DD		

Country of Birth _____

Citizenship _____

Gender

Male		Female	
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Residential and Contact Information

Address where you reside – Home address (where you reside when not at school)			
	Zip code / Postal code		
Email address			
Contact telephone number(s) where we may reach you.			
Landline		Cell phone	Own
Landline		Cell phone	Other
<i>If "other" please state relationship</i>			
Where do you access the Internet?			
How often are you typically able to access the Internet?			

Address where you will or do reside in South Africa (e.g. University of Pretoria)			
	Zip code / Postal code		
Email address			

Parents/Guardian/Foster parents - Contact details

Relationship	Title, Initials and Surname	Landline Number	Mobile Number
Father			
Stepfather			
Grandfather			
Mother			
Stepmother			
Grandmother			
Guardian			
Foster parent			

Parents/Guardian/Foster parents - Education and Employment			
Relationship	Occupation <small>(Please be specific even if self-employed)</small>	Employer or Workplace	Highest level of Education
Father			
Stepfather			
Grandfather			
Mother			
Stepmother			
Grandmother			
Guardian			
Foster parent			

If parents are deceased, please complete the following:

Legal guardian information			
Legal Guardian <small>(Title, Initials and Surname)</small>	Relationship to you	Occupation	Workplace

Please list the names of your siblings below

Siblings information				
Full Name	Gender	Relationship	Age	Contact Number

Please provide details of your family's yearly income from all sources

Total income per family	
from mother's work	
from father's work	
from all family business	
from real estate rentals	
pension/retirement funds	



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from other relatives	
Social grants of any sort	
Total Monthly Net Income	
Total Annual Income	

Attach copies of the following information: pay slips for the last 3 months, proof of income, bank account statements for each account, tax returns, loan documents and any other information as evidence of your family's ability to contribute to your education.

Do you expect significant increases or decreases in your parent/legal guardian's income within the next 12 months? If yes, please explain why:

Complete the table below for all members of your family living in your parents' home, including yourself:

Full Name	Age	Relation to you	School/University	Year in school	Annual Tuition	Amount Parents Pay
		Self				

Amount of your current school fees (inclusive of all top-up fees and levies and boarding fees)._____

Who currently pays for your school fees: _____

Are you on any bursary/scholarship (please mark with an X): YES ____ NO ____

If so, how much does the bursary cover: _____

If your fees are paid by a relative other than your parents, how many other children's fees are paid for by this same person: _____

Do you live with this relative (please mark with an X): YES ____ NO ____

Have you ever traveled outside your home country? YES ____ NO ____

If so, please indicate **when** this was, **where** you traveled as well as the **length and purpose of the trip**.

Travel Information			
Destination	When	Duration	Purpose

Information on family assets				
Question			Yes	No
Does your family own its own home?				
Does your family own a car?				
If yes list the year, make (e.g Honda/Toyota) and model (e.g.Civic/Prado)				
Year	Vehicle Make		Vehicle Model	



What else should we know about your background, your family, and your financial position?

General Information		
Question	Yes	No
Has any court ever made an order declaring you mentally unfit?		
Have you ever been subject to an administration order in terms of section 74 (1) of the Magistrates Courts Act. i.e. have you ever had a court order against you for being unable to pay your debts?		

ACADEMIC BACKGROUND AND ACTIVITIES

List all schools/universities attended, school location (including city/country) and which grades/form completed, and the reason you left that school, if applicable.

School	City/Country	Grade/Form/ Year Completed	Who paid school fees	Reason for leaving

SPORTS ACTIVITIES

List all clubs, sports and activities you have participated in at your high school and in your community and/or religious organisation. List approximately how many hours per week you have been involved in each. Attach an extra sheet if required.

Year	Type of sport or activity	Level (School/Provincial/National)	Hours involved per week

Please select one of the above activities that was most meaningful to you and explain why in the space below.

Have you participated in any special programmes that may assist you in preparing to apply for your studies? If so, please list which programme or school and its location.

Programme/School	Location

List any leadership positions you have held at school and note in which form/year/grade you held that position (e.g., prefect, head girl/boy, president/secretary of a club, team captain, etc.).

Leadership Position	Description	Grade/Form/Year

List any academic prizes or other awards/honours you have received.

APPLICANT EMPLOYMENT

If you have already graduated from a university, please list all forms of employment since degree completion.

Time Period	Occupation (please be specific, even if self-employed)	Employer/Workplace	Reason for Leaving



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If still attending university, amount of your current university fees (inclusive of all top-up fees and levies and boarding fees).

Who currently pays for your school fees: _____

Are you on any bursary/scholarship (please mark with an X): YES ____ NO ____

If so, how much does the bursary cover: _____

Have you ever stopped attending university because of finances: YES ____ NO ____

If yes, please explain:



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In what ways do you currently give back?



How do you see yourself giving back in the future?

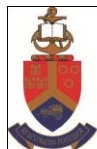
SHORT ESSAY QUESTIONS (continued)

*These questions help us to get to know you as a person. Please take time to answer them carefully, honestly, and completely (**not more than 300 words each**).*

Describe a situation where you had to overcome a significant obstacle/challenge(s) to reach a goal. How did you react to this challenge, and what did you learn from this situation?



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What else should we know about you that would qualify you for this scholarship?



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I certify that all of the answers I have given in this application are complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge and, if admitted, I agree to observe all the rules and regulations of the University of Pretoria. Failure to do so can result in disciplinary action. I agree that all documents submitted as part of this application must be authentic and that any falsification of admission and/or academic records through omission or misstatement by me in this application may result in cancellation of my admission and/or other disciplinary action by the University of Pretoria.

Furthermore, I understand that this information and my university records may be reported to The MasterCard Foundation Scholars Program and used for evaluation and other program purposes. All information will be kept in strict confidence and will not be released in any way that would permit individual identification. I authorise release and use of this information, as described above, to The MasterCard Foundation Scholars Program.

I acknowledge that completing this application form does not automatically mean that I will be awarded the scholarship nor be accepted by the University of Pretoria for the academic studies. Only candidates selected by the Committee for this scholarship will be notified. The decision of the Committee is final. The University of Pretoria shall not be liable for any claims against MasterCard Foundation in case of any disqualifications of applicants or unavailability of scholarships.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Full Name of Applicant: _____