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SANPARKS-UNIVERSITY OF PRETORIA POSTGRADUATE STUDENTS SUPPORT PROGRAMME

SANParks Student Support

The SANParks Student Support Programme is a multi-year programme that supports tertiary learning and research. South African National Parks (SANParks)'s operations, including conservation management and research involves a number of professions that relate to fields of study offered by the University of Pretoria (UP). SANParks has identified the need to support previously disadvantaged students by assisting their studies at the UP. SANParks, through its own initiatives, raised financial support from the National Lottery to allocate bursaries to deserving previously disadvantaged students. Financial assistance will be offered to students studying in fields related to professions considered important for the operations and mission of SANParks. Support will be given to deserving students who have acquired a Bachelor's degree and have enrolled for postgraduate research degrees in fields considered relevant to the operations of SANParks.

Eligibility criteria

1. Applicants must be current registered UP students in any field of study in the broader fields of humanities, natural and social sciences. Students from other fields will be considered by the UP SANParks Bursary Selection Committee if their work is considered relevant to SANParks.
2. Applicants from formerly disadvantaged backgrounds will be given priority.
3. Applicants' research must be relevant to SANParks, whether conducted within SANParks or outside SANParks.

The fields of research that may be supported at postgraduate level include, but are not limited to the following: anthropology, archaeology, history and heritage studies, community museums and interpretive centres, community access to heritage resources, eco- and cultural tourism, cultural heritage conservation, cultural heritage interpretation and presentation, conservation of biodiversity, balancing heritage conservation with development, etc.

Terms and conditions

The primary purpose of the bursary is to enable postgraduate students to complete their research projects or studies within stipulated time frames.

The bursary covers research costs of up to R25000 per student. Research may include fieldwork, books learning material, and minor equipment, all of which must be accounted for at the end of the current academic year.

All research equipment purchased with this bursary belongs to the University of Pretoria.

University of Pretoria financial policies and regulations will be used to regulate all expenditure relating to the bursary.

Application procedures

Applicants must write to the Head of Department, Anthropology and Archaeology, Humanities Building, 8th Floor (e-mail Lynette.Holtzhausen@up.ac.za), stating why they would like to be considered for the bursary. The application must include a 2-3 page (font size 11 or 12, spacing 1.5) pre-proposal or statement of research and budget. Previous recipients of the bursary must strongly motivate for the renewal of the bursary and explain why their studies have not been completed.

Applications will be assessed by a committee comprising the representatives from the University of Pretoria and SANParks. Successful students will be informed before the end of August 2013.

The closing date for the application of this bursary is Friday, 09 August 2013

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