



OLIESADE ADVIESKOMITEE ***OILSEEDS ADVISORY COMMITTEE***

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To all Researchers

ALLOCATION OF A POST GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP FOR A MASTERS OR DOCTORS DEGREE: OIL AND PROTEIN SEEDS DEVELOPMENT TRUST (OPDT)

Funds are made available on an annual basis for bursaries to assist deserving candidates to obtain a M- or D-degree. The purpose of a bursary for a M-degree is to give deserving candidates the opportunity to obtain the said qualification that will enable them to make a contribution to high quality scientific research regarding oilseeds.

As it is the main objective to train students to become researchers and the M-degree is regarded as a sufficient qualification, in this respect, bursaries for a D-degree will only be considered if the research project is regarded as a high priority by the OAC/OPDT.

Successful candidates must conduct an approved research project under the guidance of a recognised promotor at a recognised university. The project must be completed in partial fulfilment of the requirements of the post graduate qualification.

The allocation of a bursary must not be regarded as a guarantee that a bursary will be awarded in successive years. The award for a successive year will only be considered if proof of progress by the promotor and proof of re-registration at the university accompanies the application and reaches the OAC/OPDT by **30 September 2010**.

It will be appreciated if this information could be made known through your communication channels. The OAC/OPDT is also depending on **universities to submit applications to a critical evaluation and prioritise** new applications before submitting only the best applications to reach the OAC/OPDT before **30 September 2010**. Consideration will only be paid to those applications submitted by universities.

The necessary guidelines and application forms are attached.

Kind regards

OILSEEDS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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POST GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP

**OIL AND PROTEIN SEEDS
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OAC/OPDT POST GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP

OBJECTIVE OF THE SCHOLARSHIP

The objective of the OAC/OPDT Postgraduate Research Scholarship is to provide deserving students with the opportunity to obtain a Masters degree, that will enable them to make a contribution to high quality scientific research in oilseeds. The subject of study for the Masters degree must fall within the broad framework of the objectives of the OAC/OPDT. Doctoral scholarships will also be considered if the subject of study is deemed to be of a high priority to the OAC/OPDT.

REQUIREMENTS

The scholarship is open to citizens of the Republic of South Africa who have qualified for admission to a Masters or Ph D degree at a recognised tertiary institution.

EVALUATION

The scholarship is awarded on merit, and in the case of a Ph D, according to the requirements of the OAC/OPDT for the specific study.

VALUE OF AND NUMBER OF SCHOLARSHIPS

The total value of the scholarship will vary according to the length of the study. For a Masters Degree the guideline is two years and for the Doctorate three years. The value of the scholarship is R25 000.00 per annum. This amount is paid directly to the candidate at the commencement of each academic year, following the receipt of adequate proof that the candidate has been accepted and is registered at the University for the year in question. The allocation of a scholarship is one year should not be regarded as a guarantee that this will be repeated in succeeding years. Scholarship allocations for succeeding years will be paid upon receipt of documentation from the academic supervisor that satisfactory progress was made during the previous academic year, as well as proof of registration for the candidate by the university.

OBLIGATIONS

The successful candidate must conduct an approved research project under the leadership of a recognised supervisor at the university concerned. The project may be used towards the fulfilment of the requirements for the postgraduate qualification. A formal contract must be signed by both parties.

PROGRESS REPORTS

An annual progress report must be submitted by the academic supervisor, and the incumbent is requested to submit a final report in the form of a thesis on completion of the research. The OAC/OPDT would appreciate being informed of papers emanating from the study that are published either in the scientific or popular press so that these can be placed on the OAC/OPDT's website for wider distribution.

SELECTION OF CANDIDATES

Candidates should submit OAC/OPDT scholarship applications to their university administration, and the names of those who have applied for the first time should be listed in priority sequence by the University. Applications from those candidates selected by the universities are then submitted to the OAC/OPDT. Selected candidates may be requested to attend a personal interview, costs of which are carried by the OAC/OPDT. Applications are evaluated by the OAC/OPDT at a meeting in October each year and the results of the selection procedure are made known directly after that meeting.

CLOSING DATE

Completed applications must reach the OAC/OPDT by 30 September.

Further details and application forms are available at:

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POST GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP

NEW APPLICATION

STUDENT NO.

A. PERSONAL DETAILS

1. Surname Title (Prof, Dr, Mr, Ms)
 2. First name(s)
 3. Date of birth Age
 4. Marital status No. of child(ren)/age(s)
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B. ADDRESS DETAILS

1. Postal address
 2. Tel: Work (.....)..... Home / Cell (.....).....
 3. Email:
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C. EMPLOYMENT DETAILS

1. Name of current employer
 2. Division/Department
 3. Position/Job title
 4. Length of tenure
 5. Previous employment
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D. ACADEMIC RECORD*

1. List all qualifications held, year of award and tertiary institution where it was obtained.

Please provide a copy of your academic record of highest qualification received or official notification of attainment of degree/diploma.


2. List scholarships, merit awards, bursaries, etc. received, if any.

E. PUBLICATIONS/CONFERENCES*


Provide details of any works, both scientific and popular, authored or co-authored by you, including items in preparation, as well as details of papers or addresses delivered at conferences or seminars.

F. PREVIOUS RESEARCH*

Provide details of research undertaken or experience gained that is relevant to this application. Please state where and under who's authority the research took place.



G. PROPOSED RESEARCH FIELD

1. State proposed field of research.
 2. In a single paragraph, please state your motivation for the proposed research.
 3. Where do you intent to undertake the research?
 4. How much time will you require to complete the research?
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H. REFERENCES

Please provide names, postal address details and telephone numbers of three or four referees who can comment on your academic and personal abilities. (Note: Referees reports will remain confidential).

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I. NON-ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS*

Please provide details of sporting, cultural, charitable or other interests or achievements, particularly where positions of responsibility or honour are involved which you feel may be relevant to this application.

J. ATTACHMENTS

1. Copy of front page of Book of Life, Passport or other ID document.
2. One clear head and shoulders photograph of yourself.

***Information in support of these items may be attached to this application form.**



DECLARATION

I(full names),
a citizen of, do hereby offer myself as a candidate for
a OAC/OPDT Post Graduate Scholarship. I agree to abide by the terms of the award as laid down in the
accompanying brochure.

Signature Date

Application forms to be returned via the university to:

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