



APPLICATION FOR EXTERNAL BURSARY: FULL-TIME TERTIARY STUDIES 2027 ACADEMIC YEAR

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1 Only use **BLOCK LETTERS**.
- 2 Only signed applications containing **FULL PARTICULARS** and all **REQUIRED DOCUMENTS** will be considered.
- 3 Mark appropriate block with ✓.
- 4 Submit all application forms by email to ***bursaries@dws.gov.za***.
- 5 Applications will **open 01 June 2026, and the closing date is 30 September 2026**. Applications received after this date will not be considered.
- 6 Information pertaining to the Department of Water and Sanitation external bursary can be found on the web page (***http://www.dws.gov.za/LearningA***). The form can also be downloaded from the web, at the bottom of bursary criteria.
- 7 Applicants that do not receive written communication within 3 months after the closing date should consider their application unsuccessful.
- 8 For 2027, the Department Water and Sanitation will consider applications **ONLY** for 1st year students studying towards the following qualifications:
 - BSc/BEng in Civil; Mechanical and Electrical
 - BSc in Hydrology; Geohydrology; Construction Management; Quantity Surveying; and Environmental and Water Sciences
 - BSc (Hons) in Geohydrology; Construction Project Management, Environmental and Water Sciences
 - National 3-year Diploma/BEng Tech in Civil Engineering, Mechanical Engineering; Electrical Engineering (Heavy Current) and Construction Management
- 9 The bursary awards target the previously disadvantaged and impoverished persons from poverty-stricken and rural communities. **STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY.**

COMPULSORY DOCUMENTS TO BE ATTACHED		YES	NO
1	Please attach Grade 12 certificate		
2	If you have as yet not completed Grade 12, attached latest results (i.e. Grade 11 and/or first semester Grade 12 results)		
3	Attach certified copy of ID		
4	First time/new students: Attach copy of proof of application/provisional acceptance letter/firm offer from university		
5	Hons students in first year please attach academic record of undergrad and proof acceptance for post graduate qualification.		

2 Proposed qualification for which you require a bursary

FIELDS OF STUDIES	CROSS ONLY ONE FIELD OF STUDY [✓]
National 3-year Diploma/BEng Tech in Civil Engineering	
National 3-year Diploma/BEng Tech in Mechanical Engineering	
National 3-year Diploma/BEng Tech in Electrical Engineering (Heavy Current)	
National 3-year Diploma Construction Management	
BSc/BEng in Civil Engineering	
BSc/BEng in Mechanical Engineering	
BSc/BEng in Electrical Engineering	
BSc Construction Management	
BSc Quantity Surveying	
BSc in Hydrology	
BSc in Geohydrology	
BSc (Hons) in Construction Project Management	
BSc (Hons) Quantity Surveying	
BSc (Hons) in Hydrology/ Geohydrology	
BSc (Hons) in Environmental and Water Sciences	

3 The Department does not sponsor studies at TVET or 2-year diploma and certificates No other qualification other than listed above will be considered

3.1 Are/where you in possession or another bursary of funding YES NO Amount received

3.1.1 If "YES" state the name of donor

3.1.2 Period of financial support FROM Y Y Y Y M M D D TO Y Y Y Y M M D D

3.1.3 Nature of obligation for this funding in 3.1.1.

3.2 Did you apply/are you receiving funds from NSFAS YES NO Amount received

3.2.1 If "YES" since when DATE Y Y Y Y / M M / D D

ALL BURSARS WHO APPLIED FOR NSFAS OR ANY OTHER FUNDING, AND WERE ALSO OFFERED A DWS BURSARY NEED TO MAKE AN INFORMED DECISION ON WHICH OFFER THEY WILL BE TAKING.

THE DWS BURSARY DOES NOT ALLOW A BURSAR TO HAVE MULTIPLE SPONSORSHIP.

THIS IMPLIES THAT THE DEPARTMENTAL BURSARY WILL BE TERMINATED ON DUPLICATION OF FUNDING.

4 Education

4.1 Name of school

4.2 Highest grade passed _____

4.3 Year

Y	Y	Y	Y
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4.4 Subjects Level

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4.7 Date of first registration

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4.8 Student number

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4.9 Which University? _____

4.10 Degree/Diploma registered for in detail _____

6 Income status

Father's occupation (where applicable) _____

Mother's occupation (where applicable) _____

Guardian's occupation (where applicable) _____

Mark you combined parent's or guardian's income R

<5 000

5 001-15 000

15 001 and above

Attach proof of income for both parents or proof of grant income from SASSA where applicable**7 Declaration**

- 7.1 I realise that this is a bursary scheme with a service obligation of 4 years post obtaining qualification that I am applying for and I undertake to abide by the conditions pertaining to the granting thereof.
- 7.2 I further agree that should I be successful to my application, I will not be taking additional funding from any other sponsors.
- 7.3 I declare that all above-mentioned particulars are complete and correct.

Signature of applicant

Date _____

If still a minor, assisted by parent/guardian (signature)

Date _____