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## The world of water to swim your dreams to reality

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Exciting water-related career opportunities are at your doorsteps if you are a person who enjoys working as a water expert in various fields associated with improving our water quality.

The field of expertise covers all areas such as in the development of cost-effective, appropriate and environmentally friendly solutions to meet their customers' diverse water treatment needs.

If you are such a person or candidate, why not apply for a bursary with the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) to realise your dreams. Bursaries, especially for external candidates outside DWS are available on request through applying.

The Department's Director for Career Development, MsVerena Meyers says DWS requires bursars who obtain their qualifications to join the Department's Learning Academy on a fixed term contract for a period of maximum five (5) years but not less than three (3) years. Should bursars choose not to meet this obligation; the bursars will be required to reimburse DWS for all monies spent on the tertiary studies, inclusive of the calculated interest.

Application forms can be obtained from www.dwa.gov.za/learning /bursaryC.aspx and relevant academic faculties or departments of the relevant specialties.

The Department is the custodian of South Africa's water resources. It is primarily responsible for the formulation and implementation of policy governing the sector.

The DWS also has overriding responsibility for water services provided by local government. While striving to ensure that all South Africans gain access to clean water and safe sanitation, the water branch also promotes effective and efficient water resources management to ensure sustainable economic and social development.

Bursaries will be allocated on the basis of a balanced consideration of the following factors in relation to academic performance, race and gender, financial needs, Need of DWS in reference of the specific qualifications. Interview schedule assistance will be provided on a year-to-year basis and bursaries will be renewed only if performance of bursars is satisfactory. Successful applicants to the bursary scheme receive the following support: Full tertiary registration and tuition costs; Residence and meal fees, book allowance and an annual personal allowance.

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