

This application form is to be completed by students applying for the following scholarships:

- **NRF FREE-STANDING MASTER'S SCHOLARSHIP FOR 2012**

IF YOU HAVE SUBMITTED AN ONLINE APPLICATION ON [HTTP://NRFFINTERIM.NRF.AC.ZA](http://nrffinterim.nrf.ac.za) DO NOT SUBMIT A HARDCOPY APPLICATION AS YOUR ELECTRONIC APPLICATION WILL BE CONSIDERED.

Please read through the instructions BEFORE completing this form

INSTRUCTIONS

1. This form is to be completed if you will be registering for a full-time first or second year Master's in 2012
2. The eligibility for the scholarship is as follows:

NRF Freestanding Master's Scholarship	ONLY South African citizens	ANY field of study	R40,000
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3. Please complete only one application form.
4. All applicants MUST attach a Certified copy of their ID document to their application. **Applications without an ID copy will NOT be considered.**
5. **Students who studied at another institution for their undergraduate degree (other than UJ) must attach a copy of their official academic record/transcripts.** The application will not be processed if this is not attached. Students who studied at the UJ for their undergraduate degree DO NOT have to attach their academic record. Failure to attach the above mentioned documents will render your application incomplete and will not be considered.
6. Applicants must submit the completed assessment forms from the three referees with the application. If a referee wants to submit directly, they may do so at the contact persons listed per campus below however it remains the responsibility of the applicant to ensure that all the assessment forms are submitted.

6. Completed application forms and assessment forms must be dropped off at the following contact persons per campus:

Campus	Contact person	Location	Contact no.
APK & APB	Ms D Letseka	UJ Postgraduate Centre (APK Library-next to 24 hour study area)	011-559-4530
DFC	Mr L Madikwa	Admin building Room 169	011-559-6280
Soweto	Ms A Sithole	Admin block Room 111	011-559-5508

7. Application closing date: **31 January 2012**. Incomplete and late applications will NOT be considered.
8. **The process for selection of candidates is as follows:** Applications are assessed by the Selection Committee in the first two weeks of February, 2012. **All applicants will be sent an email by the end of February, 2012 informing them whether they are successful or not.** Students are responsible for updating their contact information reflected on the application form with the relevant campus contact person. If your contact details are incorrect, you will not receive notification on the outcome of your application.

Results of the selection process WILL NOT be available before the end of February, 2012. If students are to register before this, they are liable for the payment of the registrations fees.

If a candidate is successful, they will be required to sign an agreement to accept the scholarship. After the agreement is signed, the full award will be paid directly into the student account thereby crediting any debits. Students must complete an Application for Refund form (available at Student Finances or the Cashiers) in order to have the available balance transferred to their bank accounts. The scholarship is available in two portions, one per semester. Students are therefore only allowed to refund the bursary amount available after the award has credited any debits in the student account.

Please note: All queries regarding Applications for Refunds must be directed to the Student Finances section on your campus.

APPLICATION FORM

• **NRF FREE-STANDING MASTER'S SCHOLARSHIP FOR 2012**

A NRF SCHOLARSHIP APPLIED FOR											
Please mark with X, where applicable.											
Scholarship for Master's study											
Have you applied for NRF support for this degree before?								yes		no	
Have you previously received NRF support?								yes		no	
B PARTICULARS OF APPLICANT											
Surname				Maiden name							
First names				Title		Male		Female			
Place of birth				Date of birth (YYMMDD)		1	9				
Identity number (attach copy of ID to verify)											
African*		Coloured*		Indian*		White*		Other* (please specify)			
Citizenship				Home language							
If you are physically disabled, state the nature of your disability*											
Home address including postal code											
Home telephone number (code and number)				Cell phone number							
Telephone number during the day (code and number)				Fax (if applicable)							
E-mail address											
Name of your present university/ Technikon											
Department				Faculty							
Degree for which you are currently registered eg Master's diploma in Technology				Year of study for this degree (eg 2nd)							

* To enable the NRF to monitor redress.

C PARTICULARS OF DEGREE FOR WHICH YOU WISH TO RECEIVE A SCHOLARSHIP			
Degree eg MA, MSc (Eng)		Main subject to be studied	
Actual or envisaged date of registration for degree (month/year)		Envisaged date of completion of degree (month/year)	
If this application is for Doctoral support, will your Master's registration be upgraded to Doctoral registration (yes/no)?		If yes, indicate envisaged date of upgrading	
Explain the areas of research you are pursuing with your Master's/Doctoral study and why.			
Describe how your present studies will be of benefit to South Africa.			

D DEGREES/DIPLOMAS ENROLLED FOR TO DATE INCLUDING THOSE NOT COMPLETED OR OBTAINED (A full certified academic record, reflecting subjects taken and marks obtained, must be attached for each degree/diploma obtained to date.)					
Degree/Diploma enrolled for (including present degree/diploma)	First registration (month/year)	Degree/Diploma obtained (month/year)	Full-time/Part-time	University/Institution	Degree with distinction (yes/no)
Does any financial support received for your previous studies bind you to a service contract (yes/no)? If yes, attach a copy of proof of deferment of commencement of duty.					
If you are not currently enrolled at an educational institution, please indicate in the space below what you are doing at present					
E PRESTIGE AWARDS RECEIVED (including all fellowships, scholarships and prizes received since entering university/technikon)					
Name/type of award	Name of sponsor			Amount	
F EXPERIENCE TO DATE					
Name of employer/institution	Capacity and/or type of work			Period	

G**PREVIOUS RESEARCH EXPERIENCE AND OUTPUTS**

Describe any scientific research activities in which you have participated, such as experience in undergraduate research eg practicals in the field or laboratory, research experience gained through holiday or part-time employment as a research assistant or other research activities, either academic or job-related. Do not simply list project titles, but explain the rationale for your work and indicate your own specific role in the research. To what extent was your research independently performed? In your statement, distinguish between undergraduate and post-graduate research experience. If you have had no direct research experience, describe any activities that you believe have prepared you to undertake research. At the end of your statement, list any publications and/or presentations made at international and national conferences and meetings as well as regional meetings of learned societies in the space provided.

List of specific research outputs such as:

1. Local conference presentations during the last five years

2. International conference presentations during the last five years

3. Articles in refereed journals

4. Teaching/research experience

5. Other (eg patents)

H NAMES OF ACADEMIC REFERENCES (please give the names and full addresses of the three referees whom you have requested to complete the Assessment Forms)			
Surname	Initials	Title	Address (including telephone and fax number as well as e-mail address, if available)
1.			
2.			
3.			
I DECLARATION BY APPLICANT			
<p>1. Delete option NOT applicable:</p> <p>I confirm that I will registered for a degree by full thesis. I confirm that I will registered for a coursework degree that requires the submission of a dissertation/thesis that weights at least 50% of the total course content and that is externally evaluated.</p> <p>2. I certify that the information supplied in this application is correct and that, if I am awarded a scholarship, I will abide by the regulations applicable to NRF scholarships.</p>			
Signature of applicant		Date	
Signature of witness		Date	
J DECLARATION BY UNIVERSITY/TECHNIKON AUTHORITY RESPONSIBLE FOR ADMINISTERING NRF SCHOLARSHIPS AT THE UNIVERSITY/TECHNIKON			
<p>1. I certify the correctness of the full academic record attached to this application. 2. This application is recommended for support.</p>			
Name		Signature	
Date		Designation	