

# MEd and PhD scholarships 2026

**Applications are invited for master's and doctoral scholarships in the core areas of community, adult and worker education and training under the supervision of the Chair, Professor Salim Vally.**

The Chair is transdisciplinary and welcomes applicants with distinguished academic and professional records from different disciplines. The overall objective of the Chair's research programme is to understand the role and purposes of community, adult and worker education for progressive socio-economic change in an era of unprecedented economic, social and ecological crises. (See note on the Chair's research programme and possible research areas for prospective students).

## NRF RULES FOR APPLICANTS

- These rules state that awardees must be 32 years or younger for doctoral students and 30 years or younger for master's students; 20% of awardees can be outside of these age limits.
- An applicant must have obtained at least 65% for a prior degree.
- International students can apply for partial funding.
- Full funding is provided to (1.) South African students and permanent residents who have achieved a minimum of 75% for their previous degree; (2.) If the applicant's annual net family income is R350 000; or (3.) if the applicant is living with a disability.

## AWARDS PER ANNUM

Full funding for **MEd**: R190 306 for 2 years (+R10 000 study device).

Partial funding for **MEd**: R134 000 for 2 years.

Full funding for **PhD**: R195 725 for 3 years (+R10 000 study device).

Partial funding for **PhD**: R138 225 for 3 years.

## APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

**Please contact *Ms Nompumelelo Cebekulu* for an application form: [nompumeleloc@uj.ac.za](mailto:nompumeleloc@uj.ac.za).**

**All applicants should submit the application form with the following documentation by 27 JUNE 2025:**

- *A motivation letter.*
- *Full transcripts of academic record and certified copies of degree certificates.*
- *Full Curriculum Vitae including a list of research publications, conference papers and other outputs.*
- *A copy of an ID document or passport.*
- *Two reference letters.*

**NOTE: If selected, you will be invited to submit an online application on the NRF Connect platform by 4 July 2025.**



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