Vice-Chancellor's Scholarship 2017

Application form for candidates from public and IEB schools writing the NSC examinations

Top performing learners from diverse backgrounds and who intend to study at NMMU in 2017 are eligible to apply for the prestigious NMMU Vice-Chancellor's Scholarship — a bursary to the monetary value of R82 000 per year. The Scholarship is open to all South African citizens, who have passed Grade 12 not more than three years prior to their first year of study at NMMU in 2017. Their registration at NMMU must be their first time entering a higher education institution.



Kindly ensure that you have:

- read and followed the terms and conditions and application requirements for this scholarship;
- supplied certified copies of all the required documents indicated;
- submitted the completed application form to the Communication & Stakeholder Liaison Division on or before the closing date of 18 November 2016.
 Please e-mail your completed form and supporting documentation to vcs@nmmu.ac.za or fax it to 041 504 2810.

Section A: Personal details

First name(s):	
Surname:	
ID number:Date of birth	າ:
Postal Address:	
Population group (for statistical purposes only):	Gender
African	Male
Coloured	Female
Indian/Asian	
White	
Other (please specify):	
Home language (for statistical purposes):	
E-mail:	
Cell number:	
Section B: School detail	
Name of school:	
Town: Province:	

Section C: NMMU academic study programme Have you already applied to study at NMMU? Yes (if you have indicated **NO** to the question above please apply as soon as possible). NMMU Student number (if already applied): If YES, please indicate the correct programme name, e.g. BSc (Information Systems): PLEASE NOTE: Applicants MUST apply to study at NMMU for an academic qualification in order to be considered for this scholarship. Please enclose certified copies of the following documents: NB Grade 11 final examination results; Grade 12 June and September trial examination results; Your ID document. Section D: Academic record **Grade 11 final Grade 12 June/July Grade 12 September** NMMU Admission Point Score (APS) (Total of levels of achievement / rating for seven subjects, Life Orientation included. See conversion table below) Overall academic average (%) per examination. **How to calculate NMMU Admission Point Score (APS)** NMMU APS NSC % **NSC Level** 90-100% 7 7 80-89% 70-79% 6 60-69% 5 5 50-59% 4 3 3 40-49% 30-39% 2 2 0-29% 1 0 Applicant's declaration: I wish to apply for the NMMU Vice-Chancellor's Scholarship. I have read and agree to the terms and conditions. I declare to the best of my knowledge that the information supplied herein is correct and complete. I acknowledge that the submission of incorrect or incomplete information may result in non-award or cancellation of the scholarship at any stage. I authorise the University to obtain further information

with respect to my application from my high school.



VICE-CHANCELLOR'S SCHOLARSHIP 2017

Terms and conditions

The following terms and conditions apply:

General

- The primary criterion to qualify as a recipient of this scholarship programme is **academic excellence**, of which the scholarship selection panel will be the sole judge.
- Up to 25 Vice-Chancellor's Scholarships may be granted per year for new incoming students.
- An NMMU VCS student is normally only permitted to hold one scholarship or bursary.
- Applicants for this scholarship must have already applied to study or have been provisionally accepted at NMMU for an academic qualification in order for their VCS application to be considered.

Monetary value

- The monetary value of the scholarship programme is R82 000 per annum, for the standard duration of your NMMU undergraduate study programme (diploma or degree), up to a maximum duration of four years.
- The scholarship covers all registration and tuition fees. The remaining balance can be used for books, accommodation (on-campus or off-campus), meals and transport or as a personal allowance.

Application procedure

- Candidates must apply on the prescribed Vice-Chancellor's Scholarship application form, which can be obtained from your school principal, NMMU's Communication & Stakeholder Liaison division or downloaded from the NMMU website, before the indicated closing date.
- All applicants will be notified in writing or via sms.

Selection procedure

- A selection panel convened by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Teaching & Learning) will
 consider applications for the scholarship and make recommendations for approval by the
 Vice-Chancellor.
- The selection panel will meet in November/December of each year to compile a provisional shortlist based on applications received. Only 100 applicants are shortlisted during this meeting to be further considered.
- The <u>final decision</u> will however, only be made once the provisional <u>shortlisted applicants</u>' final Grade 12 exam results have been received (in January). It is during this meeting that the final scholarship recipients will be identified and awarded the scholarship based on their <u>final</u> exam results.

Criteria for selection

- The Scholarship is open to all South African citizens, who matriculated in 2014, 2015 or 2016 entering higher education in 2017 for the first time.
- A provisional list of recipients is compiled based on the results they have achieved in their final Grade 11, Grade 12 June and Grade 12 September exams. The general guideline for selection is that a Grade 12 learner should **preferably** obtain an overall academic aggregate of 75% or higher in either their Gr 11 final or Gr 12 examination(s) in order to be considered for one of the available places in this scholarship.
- Candidates writing the Cambridge Examinations should preferably obtain an average of 80% and higher for both IGCSE and HIGCSE and AS results.

- If a candidate on the provisional list does not achieve an aggregate of 75% or higher in the final Grade 12 examination, he/she may still qualify for the scholarship if the selection panel is satisfied that he/she has nevertheless achieved acceptable academic excellence.
- The Scholarship panel may, if justified by circumstances which are in its opinion exceptional, deviate from the provisions of the policy.
- The selection of recipients for this scholarship is done by the Scholarship panel and approved by the Vice-Chancellor. Their decision is final and no appeals will be considered, either during shortlisting or final selection.

Academic obligation

- The recipient must remain registered for all modules and on a full-time basis at NMMU for the standard duration of the enrolled undergraduate diploma or degree programme.
- In order to continue on the scholarship programme, a recipient must render an excellent academic performance every year, the content of which has been determined by the selection panel and has been accepted by the recipient as part of the conditions of the programme.
- "Excellent performance" as referred to above is equal to annually passing all modules for which a recipient has registered for, as well as the attainment of a weighted average mark of 70% or more for the relevant academic year. Such performance will entitle the holder of the scholarship to receive the full scholarship amount in the ensuing year.
- Holders of the scholarship who do not achieve a weighted average of at least 70% in a
 given year, will not be able to continue to participate in the programme and will
 therefore not be entitled to any benefits of the programme in the ensuing years.

Holistic development of the recipient

- A tailor-made developmental programme, including academic support and mentoring, is offered to each recipient.
- Recipients are required to participate in this structured developmental programme.

Accommodation

- The recipients should ideally be accommodated on campus in suitable accommodation, but may choose to stay at home or in off-campus accommodation.
- If a recipient chooses to reside off-campus, he/she will nevertheless be required to participate in the learning community established by and for the recipients, as well as in all aspects of the developmental programme.

Acceptance of other awards

- Recipients of the scholarship are **NOT** allowed to accept any additional awards from organisations outside the University.
- Holders of the scholarship will not be entitled to an NMMU scholar or student merit award.

Important dates

- The closing date for applications is 18 November 2016 (Late applications will not be accepted).
- Both <u>successful and unsuccessful</u> applicants will be informed in writing of the outcome of their application; however we will attempt to notify successful applicants telephonically as soon as possible following the release and receipt of the final matriculation results.

Contact details

Hand-deliver completed application to:

Communication & Stakeholder Liaison Division Summerstrand North Campus, NMMU New Admin Building, Office 113 Port Elizabeth

Tel: 041 504 3430/3084 Fax: 041 504 2810

E-mail: vcs@nmmu.ac.za

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