

Our future through science

The CSIR (Council for Scientific and Industrial Research) is one of the leading research and development, technology and innovation institutions in Africa. With a track record spanning 60 years, the CSIR is committed to serving the development objectives of South Africa and the region through top skills and by performing research that is relevant and has impact. With an emphasis on building and transforming human capital, the CSIR plays a key role in ensuring the science and technology competence to address challenges of the future.

CSIR BURSARY PROGRAMME

Call for Applications

The CSIR is pleased to announce a comprehensive bursary programme that is aimed at providing support for talented students in selected fields of science, engineering and technology (SET). The bursary is designed to be especially attractive to those students who are considering a career in research, with a value that will comprehensively cover all the normal costs associated with university studies, such as registration, tuition, books, accommodation, meals, etc. A generous living expenses allowance is an additional part of the package to assist the selected students with incidental costs. Academic merit and financial need will both be considered during the selection process as well as the imperative to increase the participation of women and black people in SET.

The CSIR invites applications from students wishing to register for undergraduate (all levels) and Honours studies for the 2009 academic year in the following fields:

- Aeronautical Engineering (BEng and Hons)
- Mechanical Engineering (BEng and Hons)
- Electronic Engineering (BEng and Hons)
- Molecular Biology (BSc and Hons)
- Biochemistry (BSc and Hons)
- Computer Science (BSc and Hons)
- Computer Engineering (BEng and Hons)
- Applied Mathematics (BSc and Hons)
- Physics (BSc and Hons)
- Chemistry (BSc and Hons)
- Chemical Engineering (BEng and Hons)
- Microbiology (BSc and Hons)
- Architecture, Town and Regional Planning, Urban Planning and Design, Civil Engineering (BSc, BEng and Hons)
- Environmental Sciences (BSc and Hons)
- Geography (BSc and Hons)
- Material Science (BSc)
- Geographic Information Science (BSc and Hons)
- Remote Sensing and GIS (Hons)
- Geomatics (BSc and Hons)
- Informatics (BSc and Hons)
- Software Engineering (BEng and Hons)
- Information Systems (BSc and Hons)
- Human-Computer Interaction (BSc and Hons)
- Environmental / Resource Economics (BSc and Hons)
- Quantitative Genetics (BSc and Hons)
- Environmental Chemistry (BSc and Hons)
- Geohydrology (BSc and Hons)
- Coastal Engineering (BSc and Hons)

Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Be South African citizens
- Will be enrolled in a South African Tertiary Education Institution during 2009
- Must have an average of 65% for the current academic year

Applications must include:

- A letter motivating the area of study you have chosen and why you deserve to be supported
- Contact details
- Latest academic results
- Copy of an identity document

Applications should be sent to: Joseph Tshikomba, Manager: Studentships and Internships, CSIR Strategic Human Capital Development, PO Box 395, Pretoria 0001. Alternatively, please email nzama@csir.co.za or you can fax to (012) 841-3676.

The deadline for submission of applications is the 10th of November 2008.

By applying for this position at the CSIR, the applicant understands, consents and agrees that the CSIR may solicit a credit and criminal report from a registered credit bureau and/or the SAPS (in relation to positions that require trust and honesty and/or entail the handling of cash or finances) and may also verify the applicant's educational qualifications and employment history.

The appointment will be made in accordance with the CSIR's employment equity initiatives.

Correspondence will be undertaken with shortlisted candidates only.

For more information on the requirements of this position, visit our website at www.csir.co.za