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THE INTERNATIONAL STUDENT FACULTY BURSARIES

Purpose: In addition to standard tuition fees, all non-SADC international students pay an international term fee (ITF). Both are set annually. Faculties will budget to provide INTERNATIONAL STUDENT FACULTY BURSARIES to deserving international Master's and Doctoral students. Faculties will award these on academic merit and/or on financial need according to faculty strategy. Preference must be given to students who are nationals of countries on the African continent.

Value and Tenure: The value of awards is variable and set by each faculty (but will ordinarily not exceed the ITF). The bursary is tenable for **Master's** for 1 year, renewable for 1 further year. Renewal is contingent on satisfactory academic progress and availability of funds; and **Doctoral** for 1 year, renewable for two further years. Renewal is contingent on academic progress and availability of funds.

Faculties should ensure that students who are eligible for renewal apply.

A faculty may renew an award for a 3rd year of Master's study or a 4th year of Doctoral study where this enables the student to complete in that year. Renewal for a 4th year of Master's study or a 5th year of Doctoral study will ordinarily not be granted.

Eligibility for the award of UCT International Students Faculty Bursary: Master's and Doctoral students who are not South African nationals, permanent residents or SADC nationals may apply to their Faculty for the award of a INTERNATIONAL STUDENT FACULTY BURSARY if they:

- are/will be registered full-time for Master's or Doctoral study; and
- show evidence of academic merit or satisfactory progress; and
- demonstrate financial hardship. (Criteria for need will be determined by each faculty.)

The following will not be eligible for UCT International Students Faculty Bursaries

- full-time members of UCT staff;
- applicants with an annual income (from all sources) of more than R170,000 and R220,000 for Master's and Doctoral students respectively;
- students in full-time employment;
- students who have worked in SA and have been paying taxes, and
- students enrolled for any programme other than a Master's or Doctoral degree.

Selection: Selection of successful candidates will be made by the Faculty's own structure (ie each Faculty should decide what structure to use). Awards will be subject to and must be within the budget determined by the Faculty's Dean for these awards for the year. Faculties are responsible for monitoring and reconciliation of these budgets.

Payment of bursaries

The **UCT Claim Form No, PG019** must be completed and signed and then submitted to the Postgraduate Centre & Funding Office (PGC&FO). The Faculty Managers are required to liaise with the Faculty Finance Managers to ensure that the necessary funds to cover the bursaries are available in the designated fund, so that direct transfer can be made from this fund to the student's fee account.

- No payment will be made unless the Claim Form PG019 is completed and signed and notification is given to the PGC&FO that the necessary funds are available for the transfer of the award.
- Where an award is made by a Faculty the Postgraduate Centre & Funding Office will assume that the awardee meets the criteria and payment of award will be processed on this basis.

The University of Cape Town reserves the right to effect changes to the *Conditions of Award* or to make no awards at all.