

AGREEMENT FOR GRANTHOLDER-LINKED STUDENT SUPPORT

I, _____ (full names and surname) (hereinafter referred to as the **bursar**), hereby accepts the terms and conditions set out in this Agreement should the grantholder-linked student assistantship/bursary/fellowships/staff development grant (hereinafter referred to as 'bursary') be awarded to me. I acknowledge that the 'Conditions for the Award of Grantholder-linked Student Support' attached to the grantholder's award letter, or such other terms and conditions as may be imposed by the NRF and of which I shall be advised in writing, shall form an integral part of this Agreement. I acknowledge that the award is subject to the following terms and conditions:

A. GRANTHOLDER-LINKED STUDENT SUPPORT CONDITIONS

1. A bursary will be awarded for one year at a time only. It may, in the sole discretion of the NRF, be renewed on submission of annual nominations for the subsequent year(s), up to the allowable maximum period of support indicated below within the tenure of the grant under which the bursary is awarded, depending on the -
 - duration of the grant awarded to the (co)supervisor/grantholder;
 - the availability of funds; and
 - academic progress by the bursar.

Nothing herein contained shall, however, create an expectation that the bursary shall be renewed for subsequent years.

LEVEL	MAXIMUM PERIOD OF SUPPORT
Student Assistantships	
Final-year Undergraduate degree/diploma (only full-time)	1 year
BTech/Honours (only full-time)	1 year
Post-graduate Bursaries	
Masters full-time	2 years
Masters part-time	3 years
Doctoral full-time	3 years
Doctoral part-time	5 years
Postdoctoral Fellowships	
Staff Development Grants	
Masters level	3 years
Doctoral level	5 years

2. Concerning citizenship, the bursar must comply with the conditions as applicable to each academic level as stated in the 'Conditions for the Award of Grantholder-linked Student Support' provided to the grantholder with his/her award letter.
3. The bursar will be registered during the tenure of the award at the university as stipulated in the nomination form.
4. The bursar may not hold any bursaries, awards, assistantships or receive emoluments concurrently with the NRF bursary which bind him/her to enter the service of any organisation upon completion of his/her studies. The bursary may also not be held concurrently with any other NRF or South African Government funded bursary scheme.
5. Bursars registered on a full-time basis for the degree, may not hold full-time salaried employment during the tenure of the bursary, but he/she will be allowed to undertake a maximum of twelve hours of teaching, tutorials, assistance or demonstration duties per week on average during the year of study, and he/she may be remunerated for his/her services, provided that he/she is reimbursed at the normal university tariff for services rendered.
6. The following conditions will apply with regard to supplementary funding (top-ups):
 - The bursary may be topped-up by other sources to the university's maximum allowable supplementation amount per level.
 - Where the university does not have a maximum allowable amount, the bursary may be topped up with half of the NRF allowable maximum value per level.
 - The bursary may be topped-up by an NRF grantholder's running costs up to a maximum value of R20 000 p.a.
7. The bursar must obtain the degree for which the bursary was awarded within two years after NRF funding has ceased and notify the NRF by that date. If a bursar does not obtain the degree for which the bursary was awarded, relinquishes his/her studies, or leaves the university during the period for which the bursary was awarded, he/she will have to refund all payments of the bursary already received for study towards the particular degree/diploma, plus interest at the prevailing prime rate charged by the NRF's bankers. If a bursar received a bursary for study towards a Master's degree/diploma which was upgraded to Doctoral status and he/she does not obtain the Doctoral degree, NRF support awarded for both Master's and Doctoral studies will have to be refunded.
8. Should the bursar fail to fulfil any of the aforesaid conditions or should it transpire that a bursary was awarded on the basis of false information supplied to the NRF, the NRF would be entitled to forthwith cancel the Agreement, in which event the bursar will be liable to refund the bursary plus interest at the prevailing prime rate charged by the NRF's bankers.

**All signatories
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