

Rules, Terms and Conditions

Rules:

- 1. The final date to submit your application for the Distance Academic Bursary is the 30th of August 2024. The onus is on the academic bursary applicant to ensure and confirm receipt of the academic bursary application and all other supporting documentation.
- 2. Distance Academic Bursary applications with no or insufficient supporting documentation received by the 30th of August 2024 will be disqualified from consideration, regardless of the circumstances.
- Application and acceptance to study at The IIE's Varsity College is separate to the Distance Academic Bursary. No academic bursary application will be considered unless general application to The IIE's Varsity College has also been completed with general application payment received before the academic bursary closing date.
- 4. Final acceptance to study at The IIE's Varsity College requires all entrance and admissions criteria to be met, regardless of the Distance Academic Bursary criteria. Where a candidate has been awarded a Distance Academic Bursary and has been provisionally admitted but does not meet the final criteria for registration acceptance, the academic bursary will be cancelled.
- 5. The Distance Academic Bursaries available are based on academic success.
- 5.1 The Postgraduate Distance Academic Bursary offered is contingent upon academic achievement. To be eligible, students must attain a minimum cumulative average of 75% in their undergraduate programme, if already completed. Students currently completing their final year of their undergraduate qualification will be assessed on results achieved to date.
- 5.2 The Undergraduate Distance Academic Bursary eligibility is determined by assessing either the most recent school or final school results.
- 6. Distance Academic Bursary applicants may apply for consideration for up to three programmes (for example, Bachelor of Commerce, Bachelor of Business Administration or Bachelor of Arts) and these will need to be ranked on the academic bursary application form, in order of preference. Higher Certificate qualifications do not form part of the academic bursary programme.
- 7. The Distance Academic Bursary applicants will be selected in the month of September and notified before the 4th of October 2024.



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- 8. Distance Academic Bursary applicants who have not confirmed acceptance and completed the admission process prior to the 1st of November 2024 will forfeit their academic bursary awards.
- 9. Distance Academic Bursary awards apply only for commencement in the year of application and may not be carried forward to the following or any subsequent year. Recipients who, for any reason following the Distance Academic Bursary offer and acceptance, are not able to register at The IIE's Varsity College to commence the academic bursary in the year relating to the offer, must re-apply for The Distance Academic Bursary in a subsequent year.
- 10. To finalise acceptance of The Distance Academic Bursary offer, recipients must accept their admissions offer and are required to pay the non-refundable pre-registration fee of R2 500.

Selection Criteria:

- 11. Distance Academic Bursary are awarded at the sole discretion of The IIE's Varsity College and are limited per programme and per campus. Distance Academic Bursary applicants compete for available academic bursaries with other academic bursary applicants, based on objective selection criteria.
- 12. Distance Academic Bursary applicants will be considered for a Distance Academic Bursary when the minimum academic bursary qualification criteria are met.
- 13. Where Distance Academic Bursary applications meet the minimum qualifying academic criteria, they will be forwarded to a selection committee for further consideration.
- 14. Third year results will be used for the academic achievement component unless the applicant has already completed their undergraduate qualification at the time of application.
- 15. New Distance Academic Bursaries in all categories apply only to distance students, who have applied to The IIE's Varsity College for their distance qualification for 2025 studies.
- 16. Twelve (12) Distance Academic Bursary applicants, nationally, who are narrowly unsuccessful in their academic bursary application, will be retained on a waiting list and advised accordingly in November 2024. Should successful candidates decline offers, or fail to meet the 1st of November 2024 deadline for acceptance, a second round of Distance Academic Bursary offers will be communicated by the 15th of November 2024. The last day of acceptance for the second round is the 29th of November 2024.

Terms and conditions:

- 17. Distance Academic Bursaries are awarded based on academic merit as applicable in the rules. Distance Academic Bursaries are awarded at the sole discretion of The IIE's Varsity College selection committee.
- 18. The decisions of The IIE's Varsity College selection committee are final and binding and no correspondence or process of appeal will be entered.
- 19. The Distance Academic Bursary applicant takes full responsibility to ensure that all documentation has been submitted and received.
- 20. All Distance Academic Bursary applicants will receive confirmation of receipt of their Distance Academic Bursary and supporting documents. The IIE's Varsity College will take no responsibility for documents that are not confirmed as received.
- 21. Distance Academic Bursaries in the programme are awarded for the registered minimum duration of the qualification, provided the recipient progresses to the subsequent academic year, each year. Should the recipient fail to progress, the academic bursary will be cancelled.
- 22. Any programme module that needs to be repeated, for whatever reason, will be at the cost of the recipient. The Distance Academic Bursary will not cover any additional modules studied for non-qualification purposes.



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- 23. The Distance Academic Bursary is not transferable to any programme, other than the one for which it was awarded.
- 24. The Distance Academic Bursary value will be credited against annual tuition fees only and may not be exchanged for cash or used for academic materials, books or accommodation, which are not covered by the academic award.
- 25. The Distance Academic Bursary is awarded to a candidate with respect to a specific IIE Varsity College campus and generally may not be transferred to any other campus. In special circumstances, The IIE's Varsity College may agree, following application by the recipient, to transfer an academic bursary to another campus of The IIE's Varsity College.
- 26. Any recipient who needs to suspend studies for any valid reason, following the completion of a year of study and before the 1st semester of the subsequent year of study begins, may apply to the Campus Head in writing, supplying reasons for the suspension request. The Campus Head will advise the recipient if permission is granted for the applicant to suspend studies for a maximum period of one (1) year.
- 27. Should the Distance Academic Bursary student transgress The IIE's Varsity College IIE code of conduct, The IIE's Varsity College reserves the right to review and cancel this academic bursary. This decision shall be within the sole discretion of The IIE's Varsity College.
- 28. The student shall conduct themselves as a brand ambassador of The IIE's Varsity College, and their conduct shall at all times be above reproach and they shall not be entitled to do anything that shall be, or be perceived to be, prejudicial to the good name and reputation of The IIE's Varsity College or bring the name of The IIE's Varsity College into disrepute.
- 29. The Distance Academic Bursary recipient hereby grants The IIE's Varsity College full rights and permission to refer to, and publicise whether by photographic or written publication, or any other form, the academic bursary recipient's academic achievements and their association with The IIE's Varsity College. Signature of these terms and conditions constitute permission by the Distance Academic Bursary recipient for this purpose, provided that The IIE's Varsity College may not infringe the academic bursary recipient's right to privacy in the process.
- 30. The IIE's Varsity College retains the sole right to review and amend the terms and conditions of the Distance Academic Bursary programme.
- 31. Students receiving a Distance Academic Bursary cannot, in addition, apply for other awards, bursaries or academic bursary offered by The IIE's Varsity College and listed in the Registration booklet.



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