



EXTERNAL BURSARIES FOR 2026 ACADEMIC YEAR

The Department of Agriculture invite applications from unemployed youth with Grade 12/ Matric/NCV or currently studying Grade 12 or NCV with the combination of subjects including Mathematics and Physical Science for Agricultural Engineering or Bio-Resource Engineering and; Life Science, Physical Science and Mathematics for Veterinary Technology, who are interested to study towards any of the fields of study listed below or currently studying towards fields of study, as specified below:

- **Bachelor of Science (BSc) Degree in Agricultural Engineering/ Bio-Resource Engineering**
- **Bachelor of Health Science (BHSc) Degree in Veterinary Technology**

REQUIREMENTS

- Applicants must be South African citizens. Preference will be given to Eastern Cape unemployed youth residents and historically disadvantaged groups.
- Less than 3 months old proof of residence from a local municipality should accompany the application.
- Applicants must provide proof of admission/ provisional admission/ proof of registration from a registered Higher Education Institution.
- For financial assistance eligibility, the applicant must demonstrate that his/her family combined annual household income is R350 000.00, or less/ a combined annual household income of R600 000.00 or less for applicants with disabilities. Proof/s of income and /or an affidavit on family financial status and a copy of parent/s or guardian's identity document.
- Applicants must also indicate if they are sponsored by another organization and provide proof thereof.
- Successful applicants should be prepared to work/ serve the Eastern Cape Department of Agriculture as part of their contractual obligation, for a period equivalent to their funded study time.

NOTE:

- Application forms are available from a nearest Departmental offices, departmental website (www.ecagriculture.gov.za) or could be requested by sending an email to bursary@ecagriculture.gov.za
- Incomplete applications will not be considered
- No faxed or hand delivered applications will be considered
- Youth with disabilities are encouraged to apply
- The anticipated bursary placement is targeted for the 2026 academic year onwards and no historical debt will be covered.
- The bursary will only cover costs for registration, tuition, accommodation, meals and prescribed textbooks only.

Applications should be emailed to: bursary@ecagriculture.gov.za

Contact person: Mrs Ndileka Guzana who can be contacted on 0834517445 and Mr Mfundiso Nzimande 082 8681404

Closing date: 10 November 2025