



BUFFALO CITY METROPOLITAN MUNICIPALITY

MAYORAL BURSARY FUND

OUR VISION:

"Buffalo City: Well-Governed, Connected, Green and Innovative"

BURSARY CRITERIA ACADEMIC YEAR 2023

INTRODUCTION

The Municipality is offering financial assistance to students, in the form of study bursaries for the 2023 academic year. This is an Executive Mayoral driven initiative which is done as part of Buffalo City Metropolitan Municipality's development of human capital, and applications are invited from students of previously disadvantaged backgrounds. The Bursary Fund is intended to assist current or prospective students and shall be used towards covering tuition and registration fees, prescribed books, study material and accommodation. Successful applicants are expected to study at any accredited South African Tertiary institution preferably Eastern Cape based in 2023.

The following fields of study are considered:

ENGINEERING	PLANNING	SCIENCE	FINANCE
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mechanical• Electrical• Civil	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Quantity Surveyors• Town and Regional Planning• Facilities Management• Building• Architecture• Land Surveying	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Microbiology• Biochemistry• Analytical Chemistry	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Economics• Accounting

Successful applicants are expected to study at any accredited South African Tertiary Institution preferably Eastern Cape based in 2023. **Preference will be given to students who have been admitted to a TVET College.**

The closing date for applications is 31 October 2022. Shortlisted candidates will be contacted by 28 January 2023 for a personal interview.

WHO MUST APPLY?

Students must be a bona fide resident of Buffalo City Metropolitan Municipality.

Applicants must:

- Be South African citizens, permanently residing in Buffalo City Metropolitan Municipality.
- Have a proof of residence when applying for the bursary.
- Provide proof of income of their family household.
- Be willing to work within Buffalo City after completing their studies

SELECTION

The student must have a matric with at least a D (50-59%) in English, C (60-69%) in Maths, Accounting and Physical Science OR NCV Level 4 Certificate with Mathematics.

Selection criteria is based strictly on academic merit and successful applicants are able to renew their bursaries annually based on their academic performance in the previous year. The bursary fund has a clear bias towards underprivileged individuals and is targeting young people from 14 – 35 years of age. The Municipality is committed to advancing Employment Equity including persons with disabilities and **encourages students with disabilities** to apply to the Bursary Fund. Buffalo City Metropolitan Municipality wishes to advise that students are personally responsible for their admission to a tertiary institution.

Certified copies of the following documents must accompany applications:

- Most recent academic record.
- South African Identity Document and proof of residency in Buffalo City Municipality or a letter confirming residency from the ward councillor.

Application forms are available at any Buffalo City Metropolitan Municipality Youth Advisory Centres within the Community Support Centers in Buffalo City Metropolitan Municipality, i.e. Mdantsane Library Complex, King William's Town Civic Centre, Duncan Village Art Centre and in East London Trust Centre Building 7th Floor office number 706.

Completed applications can be hand delivered to Buffalo City Metropolitan Municipality, Special Programmes Unit, 7th floor Trust Centre Building.

Please note that no late applications will be considered and if you have not been contacted regarding your bursary application before 28 January 2023, your application has been unsuccessful.

For more information related to the bursary, please contact:

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