



SCHOLARSHIPS AND FELLOWSHIPS PROGRAMME

MANUAL

**FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT
IN 2008**

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**CHAPTER 1:
INTRODUCTION**

This manual provides information on opportunities for funding within the Scholarships and Fellowships Programme. It does not, however, constitute a complete set of every policy, procedure or system involved in the NRF and the Scholarships and Fellowships Programme. The information provided will make online application and management of subsequent bursaries/scholarships/fellowships easier. Applicants are advised to read all information carefully.

1.1 APPLYING FOR SCHOLARSHIPS/FELLOWSHIPS IN 2008

Full-time study applications for scholarships/fellowships in 2008 are available online at <http://nrfonline.nrf.ac.za>. Only Master's and doctoral students with disabilities may apply for scholarships for part time studies.

1.2 TYPES OF SCHOLARSHIPS, DATES AND DEADLINES

Visit <http://nrfonline.nrf.ac.za> for **Applications for funding for 2008**

HONOURS

TYPE OF APPLICATION	VALUE OF AWARD?	NRF CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS	WHERE CAN APPLICATIONS BE OBTAINED?
NRF Honours/Final year BTech	R8 000 p.a	Contact financial/bursary office of the institution where you intend registering	Contact financial/bursary office
Department of Labour Scarce Skills scholarship for Honours/Final year BTech	R25 000 p.a	Contact financial/bursary office of the institution where you intend registering	Contact financial/bursary office
Department of Labour Scarce Skills scholarship for Honours/Final year BTech for persons with disabilities	R25 000 p.a (full-time) R8 000 p.a (part-time)	Contact financial/bursary office of the institution where you intend registering to study	Contact financial/bursary office

MASTER'S

TYPE OF APPLICATION	VALUE OF AWARD?	NRF CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS	WHERE CAN APPLICATIONS BE OBTAINED?
NRF Prestigious/Equity Scholarship for Master's study	R33 000 p.a	Contact financial/bursary office of the institution where you intend registering	Contact financial/bursary office
Department of Labour Scarce Skills scholarship for Master's study	R40 000 p.a	15 August 2007. Check with the institution where you intend registering for this study for their internal closing date	http://nrffonline.nrf.ac.za
Department of Labour Scarce Skills scholarship for Doctoral study for persons with disabilities	R40 000 p.a (full-time) R15 000 p.a (part-time)	15 August 2007. Check with the institution where you intend registering for this study for their internal closing date	http://nrffonline.nrf.ac.za
SABI/NRF Free-standing bursaries for Master's study in South Africa	R40 000p.a	15 August 2007. Check with the institution where you intend registering for this study for their internal closing date	http://nrffonline.nrf.ac.za
DAAD scholarships	To be announced	To be announced	To be announced

DOCTORAL

TYPE OF APPLICATION	VALUE OF AWARD?	NRF CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS	WHERE CAN APPLICATIONS BE OBTAINED?
NRF Prestigious/Equity Scholarship for Doctoral study in South Africa	R55 000 p.a	15 August 2007. Check your institution of choice for internal closing date	http://nrffonline.nrf.ac.za
NRF Prestigious/Equity Scholarship for Doctoral study abroad	US\$ 12 000	15 August 2007.	http://nrffonline.nrf.ac.za
Department of Labour Scarce Skills scholarship for Doctoral study in South Africa	R65 000 p.a	15 August 2007. Check with the institution where you intend registering for this study for their internal closing date	http://nrffonline.nrf.ac.za
Department of Labour Scarce Skills scholarship for Doctoral study for persons with disabilities	R65 000 p.a (full-time) R21 000 p.a (part-time)	15 August 2007. Check with the institution where you intend registering for this study for their internal closing date	http://nrffonline.nrf.ac.za

DOCTORAL (continued)

TYPE OF APPLICATION	VALUE OF AWARD?	NRF CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS	WHERE CAN APPLICATIONS BE OBTAINED?
SABI/NRF Free-standing bursaries for Doctoral study in South Africa	R65 000p.a	15 August 2007.Check with the institution where you intend registering for this study for their internal closing date	http://nrfonline.nrf.ac.za
DAAD scholarships	To be announced	To be announced	To be announced

POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIPS

TYPE OF APPLICATION	VALUE OF AWARD?	NRF CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS	WHERE CAN APPLICATIONS BE OBTAINED?
Department of Labour Scarce Skills Postdoctoral Fellowship: Research in South Africa	R80 000 p.a plus R10 000 contribution towards running expenses	31 January & 31 July 2007.Check with the institution where you intend registering for this research for their internal closing date	http://nrfonline.nrf.ac.za
NRF Free-standing Postdoctoral Fellowship: Research in South Africa	R60 000 p.a plus R10 000 contribution towards running expenses	31 January & 31 July 2007.Check with the institution where you intend registering for this research for their internal closing date	http://nrfonline.nrf.ac.za
NRF Free-standing Postdoctoral Fellowship: Research abroad	US\$16 500 p.a	31 January & 31 July 2007	http://nrfonline.nrf.ac.za
Department of Science and Technology (DST) Innovation Postdoctoral Fellowship: Research in South Africa only	R120 000 p.a plus R30 000 contribution towards running expenses	31 July 2007 & 31 January 2008. Check with the institution where you intend registering for this research for their internal closing date	http://nrfonline.nrf.ac.za

TRAVEL GRANT

TYPE OF APPLICATION	VALUE OF AWARD?	NRF CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS	WHERE CAN APPLICATIONS BE OBTAINED?
Travel grant	R5 000 once-off	During tenure of Free-standing scholarship/fellowship. Terms and condition apply.	Free format applications to Financial Aid/Research Office at institution

1.3 CONTACTS AND ENQUIRIES

Please direct **all enquiries** to the Bursary/Financial Aid Office at the Institution where you intend registering for study in South Africa. For other enquiries contact the Support Desk (**Mondays to Fridays, 08:00 to 16:30**) on:

Tel: **(012) 481-4202**

Fax: (012) 481-4054 / (012) 349-1179

E-mail: supportdesk@nrf.ac.za

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CHAPTER 2:
SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS

The NRF provides Free-standing scholarships and fellowships which will be awarded directly to students undertaking **full-time** study and **part-time** study only in the case of disabled students, on a competitive basis. Students must apply for these awards themselves, and remain responsible for the submission of **all** required documentation.

2.1 CATEGORIES OF FREE-STANDING STUDENT SUPPORT

A limited number of scholarships will be awarded for honours, Master's, doctoral and postdoctoral studies to top achievers in their research fields, for academic performance as well as their research potential.

2.2 NATIONALITY

All scholarships

South African citizens

NRF Free-standing Postdoctoral fellowships for research in South Africa

Any nationality

NRF Free-standing Postdoctoral fellowships for research abroad

South African citizens

Innovation Postdoctoral fellowships for research in South Africa

South African citizens

2.3 SUPPLEMENTATION

NRF bursary, scholarship and fellowship-holders are allowed to hold non-binding supplementary awards from any non-government source with unlimited value.

2.4 PERIODS OF STUDENT SUPPORT

- | | |
|--|----------|
| ➤ Honours degree / BTech Final Year | 1 year |
| ➤ Honours degree/Btech Final Year part-time
(students with disabilities only) | 2 years |
| ➤ Master's degree full-time | 2 years* |
| ➤ Master's degree part-time
(students with disabilities only) | 3 years |
| ➤ Doctorate full-time | 3 years* |

- Doctorate part-time
(students with disabilities only) 5 years
- Postdoctoral research 2 years

2.5 UPGRADING OF SCHOLARSHIPS

- Where registration for a Master's degree is upgraded to doctoral study, the maximum period of NRF support for Master's and doctoral study will be four years in total.
- Recipients of NRF Master's scholarships whose registration status has been upgraded to doctoral status may apply for their Master's scholarship to be upgraded to doctoral level.
- A letter of application from the scholarship-holder together with official proof of approved upgrading should be submitted to the NRF via the financial aid/bursary office of the scholarship-holder's Institution.
- The upgrade top-up value will depend on the value of the Master's scholarship previously received by the scholarship-holder.

CHAPTER 3: FREE-STANDING HONOURS/FINAL YEAR BTECH SCHOLARSHIPS

	NRF FREE-STANDING SCHOLARSHIP	DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR SCARCE SKILLS SCHOLARSHIP	INNOVATION SCHOLARSHIP
ELIGIBILITY	Only South African citizens may apply	Only South African citizens may apply	Only South African citizens may apply
	Applicants must have obtained an aggregate of at least 65% for the final year undergraduate subject(s) they are pursuing for honours/final year BTech study	Applicants must have obtained an aggregate of at least 60% for the final year undergraduate subject(s) they are pursuing for honours/final year BTech study	Applicants must have obtained an aggregate of at least 65% for the final year undergraduate subject(s) they are pursuing for honours/final year BTech study
	Applicants must have obtained their previous degree in the minimum prescribed period. An exception is made for Black (i.e. African, Coloured and Indian) students who may have taken an additional year to complete the previous degree.	Applicants must have obtained their previous degree in the minimum prescribed period. An exception is made for Black (i.e. African, Coloured and Indian) students who may have taken an additional year to complete the previous degree.	Applicants must have obtained their previous degree in the minimum prescribed period. An exception is made for Black (i.e. African, Coloured and Indian) students who may have taken an additional year to complete the previous degree.
	Applicants who already hold a qualification at this level are not eligible to apply.	Applicants who already hold a qualification at this level are not eligible to apply.	Applicants who already hold a qualification at this level are not eligible to apply.
FIELDS OF STUDY SUPPORTED	study in the social and human sciences (SSH), natural and applied sciences as well as engineering and technology (SET)	Accounting, Actuarial Sciences, Agricultural Sciences, Auditing, Biotechnology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Demography, Engineering, Financial Management, Geology, Information Systems, Mathematical Sciences, Physics, Statistics, Tourism, Transportation Studies	Agricultural sciences, Biochemistry, Biotechnology, Chemistry, Computer sciences, Engineering (all fields), Geology, Information Communication Technology, Mathematical sciences, Pharmaceutical sciences, Physics, Statistics
VALUE OF SCHOLARSHIP	R8 000 per annum	R25 000 per annum R8 000 per annum for part-time students with disabilities as specified in the Code of Good Practice on Employment of People with Disabilities and the Employment Equity Act, 1998.	R35 000 per annum
SUPPLEMENTATION	<p>Scholarships-holders are allowed to hold supplementary bursaries, grants or emoluments with unlimited values.</p> <p>Scholarships may not be held simultaneously with a bursary/scholarship from any other NRF source.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Scholarship-holders</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -may not hold full-time salaried employment during the tenure of the scholarship -will be allowed to undertake a maximum of 12 hours of teaching, tutorials, assistance or demonstration duties per week on average during the year of study -may be remunerated for these duties, provided that they are reimbursed at a rate not exceeding the normal institution tariff for services rendered -may not be employed on a part-time basis if their working hours exceed 12 hours per week on average during the year of study 	<p>Scholarships-holders are allowed to hold supplementary bursaries, grants or emoluments with unlimited values.</p> <p>Scholarships may not be held simultaneously with a bursary/scholarship from any other NRF source.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Scholarship-holders</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -may not hold full-time salaried employment during the tenure of the scholarship -will be allowed to undertake a maximum of 12 hours of teaching, tutorials, assistance or demonstration duties per week on average during the year of study -may be remunerated for these duties, provided that they are reimbursed at a rate not exceeding the normal institution tariff for services rendered -may not be employed on a part-time basis if their working hours exceed 12 hours per week on average during the year of study 	<p>Scholarships-holders are allowed to hold supplementary bursaries, grants or emoluments with unlimited values.</p> <p>Scholarships may not be held simultaneously with a bursary/scholarship from any other NRF source.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Scholarship-holders</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -may not hold full-time salaried employment during the tenure of the scholarship -will be allowed to undertake a maximum of 12 hours of teaching, tutorials, assistance or demonstration duties per week on average
PERIOD OF SUPPORT	1 year	1 year 2 years for part-time study	1 year

CHAPTER 4: FREE-STANDING MASTER'S SCHOLARSHIPS

	NRF PRESTIGIOUS AND EQUITY SCHOLARSHIP	DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR SCARCE SKILLS SCHOLARSHIP	SABI SCHOLARSHIP
ELIGIBILITY	Only South African citizens may apply	Only South African citizens may apply	Only South African citizens may apply
	Applicants must have obtained an aggregate of at least 65% for the honours/final year BTech subject(s) they are pursuing for Master's study	Applicants must have obtained an aggregate of at least 60% for the honours/final year BTech subject(s) they are pursuing for Master's study	Applicants must have obtained an aggregate of at least 65% for the honours/final year BTech subject(s) they are pursuing for Master's study
	Applicants must have obtained their previous degree in the minimum prescribed period. An exception is made for Black (i.e. African, Coloured and Indian) students who may have taken an additional year to complete the previous degree.	Applicants must have obtained their previous degree in the minimum prescribed period. An exception is made for Black (i.e. African, Coloured and Indian) students who may have taken an additional year to complete the previous degree.	Applicants must have obtained their previous degree in the minimum prescribed period. An exception is made for Black (i.e. African, Coloured and Indian) students who may have taken an additional year to complete the previous degree.
	Applicants who already hold a qualification at this level are not eligible to apply.	Applicants who already hold a qualification at this level are not eligible to apply.	Applicants who already hold a qualification at this level are not eligible to apply.
FIELDS OF STUDY SUPPORTED	study in the social and human sciences (SSH), natural and applied sciences as well as engineering and technology (SET)	Accounting, Actuarial Sciences, Agricultural Sciences, Auditing, Biotechnology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Demography, Engineering, Financial Management, Geology, Information Systems, Mathematical Sciences, Physics, Statistics, Tourism, Transportation Studies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Studying poorly documented groups and/or under-explored geographical areas from a morphological alpha taxonomy and/or molecular perspective (however the significance and relevance of these studies need to be contextualised within the proposal) - Preferably but not exclusively integrating morphological alpha taxonomy and ecological information with molecular studies from phylogenetic through to phylogeographic and biogeographic perspectives - Incorporating other approaches to systematics e.g. indigenous knowledge systems - Addressing innovative approaches in dealing with large taxa or datasets - Developing efficient methods of making results available e.g. electronic publication, electronic keys, image analyses and computer-automated identifications involving neural networking - Undertaking research that will lead to the construction of taxonomic keys and databases

CHAPTER 4: FREE-STANDING MASTER'S SCHOLARSHIPS (CONTINUED)

VALUE OF SCHOLARSHIP	R33 000 per annum	R40 000 per annum R15 000 per annum for part-time students with disabilities as specified in the Code of Good Practice on Employment of People with Disabilities and the Employment Equity Act, 1998.	R40 000 per annum
SUPPLEMENTATION	<p>Scholarships-holders are allowed to hold supplementary bursaries, grants or emoluments with unlimited values.</p> <p>Scholarships may not be held simultaneously with a bursary/scholarship from any other NRF source.</p> <p>Scholarship-holders:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -may not hold full-time salaried employment during the tenure of the scholarship -will be allowed to undertake a maximum of 12 hours of teaching, tutorials, assistance or demonstration duties per week on average during the year of study -may be remunerated for these duties, provided that they are reimbursed at a rate not exceeding the normal institution tariff for services rendered -may not be employed on a part-time basis if their working hours exceed 12 hours per week on average during the year of study 	<p>Scholarships-holders are allowed to hold supplementary bursaries, grants or emoluments with unlimited values.</p> <p>Scholarships may not be held simultaneously with a bursary/scholarship from any other NRF source.</p> <p>Scholarship-holders:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -may not hold full-time salaried employment during the tenure of the scholarship -will be allowed to undertake a maximum of 12 hours of teaching, tutorials, assistance or demonstration duties per week on average during the year of study -may be remunerated for these duties, provided that they are reimbursed at a rate not exceeding the normal institution tariff for services rendered -may not be employed on a part-time basis if their working hours exceed 12 hours per week on average during the year of study 	<p>SABI/NRF scholarship-holders are allowed to hold non-binding supplementary bursaries/scholarships, grants or emoluments to a maximum of R50, 000</p> <p>SABI/NRF scholarships may not be held simultaneously with a bursary/scholarship from any other NRF source.</p> <p>Scholarship-holders:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -will be allowed to undertake a maximum of 12 hours of teaching, tutorials, assistance or demonstration duties per week on average during the year of study -may be remunerated for these duties, provided that they are reimbursed at a rate not exceeding the normal institution tariff for services rendered -may not be employed on a part-time basis if their working hours exceed 12 hours per week on average during the year of study <p>-may not hold full-time salaried employment during the tenure of the bursary</p>
PERIOD OF SUPPORT	2 years. Candidates applying for support of their second year of Master's studies will be supported for one year only.	2 years. Candidates applying for support of their second year of Master's studies will be supported for one year only.	2 years. Candidates applying for support of their second year of Master's studies will be supported for one year only.

CHAPTER 5 FREE-STANDING DOCTORAL SCHOLARSHIPS

	NRF PRESTIGIOUS AND EQUITY SCHOLARSHIP	DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR SCARCE SKILLS SCHOLARSHIP	SABI SCHOLARSHIP
ELIGIBILITY	Only South African citizens may apply	Only South African citizens may apply	Only South African citizens may apply
	Applicants who recently obtained an aggregate of at least 65% for the subject(s) with which they wish to continue	Applicants who recently obtained an aggregate of at least 60% for the subject(s) with which they wish to continue	Applicants who recently obtained an aggregate of at least 65% for the subject(s) with which they wish to continue
	Applicants who will upgrade their Master's registration to doctoral registration, and who have an indication of the envisaged dates of upgrading and commencement of doctoral studies	Applicants who will upgrade their Master's registration to doctoral registration, and who have an indication of the envisaged dates of upgrading and commencement of doctoral studies	Applicants who will upgrade their Master's registration to doctoral registration, and who have an indication of the envisaged dates of upgrading and commencement of doctoral studies
	Applicants must have obtained their previous degree in the minimum prescribed period. An exception is made for Black (i.e. African, Coloured and Indian) students who may have taken an additional year to complete the previous degree.	Applicants must have obtained their previous degree in the minimum prescribed period. An exception is made for Black (i.e. African, Coloured and Indian) students who may have taken an additional year to complete the previous degree.	Applicants must have obtained their previous degree in the minimum prescribed period. An exception is made for Black (i.e. African, Coloured and Indian) students who may have taken an additional year to complete the previous degree.
	Applicants who already hold a qualification at this level are not eligible to apply.	Applicants who already hold a qualification at this level are not eligible to apply.	Applicants who already hold a qualification at this level are not eligible to apply.
FIELDS OF STUDY SUPPORTED	study in the social and human sciences (SSH), natural and applied sciences as well as engineering and technology (SET)	Accounting, Actuarial Sciences, Agricultural Sciences, Auditing, Biotechnology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Demography, Engineering, Financial Management, Geology, Information Systems, Mathematical Sciences, Physics, Statistics, Tourism, Transportation Studies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Studying poorly documented groups and/or under-explored geographical areas from a morphological alpha taxonomy and/or molecular perspective (however the significance and relevance of these studies need to be contextualised within the proposal) - Preferably but not exclusively integrating morphological alpha taxonomy and ecological information with molecular studies from phylogenetic through to phylogeographic and biogeographic perspectives - Incorporating other approaches to systematics e.g. indigenous knowledge systems - Addressing innovative approaches in dealing with large taxa or datasets - Developing efficient methods of making results available e.g. electronic publication, electronic keys, image analyses and computer-automated identifications involving neural networking - Undertaking research that will lead to the construction of taxonomic keys and databases

CHAPTER 5: FREE-STANDING DOCTORAL SCHOLARSHIPS (CONTINUED)

VALUE OF SCHOLARSHIP	<p>R55 000 per annum for study in South Africa US\$12 000 per annum for study abroad</p> <p>an additional once-off contribution of up to R 5 000 towards the travel costs of the scholarship-holder during the tenure of the scholarship to either:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - attend one conference (locally or abroad) during the tenure of the scholarship with the proviso that he/she will be making a contribution at the conference (e.g. present a paper, poster) and/or - visit a laboratory locally or abroad for two to three months provided it is linked to the scholarship-holder's research plan or <p>- travel abroad (only in the case of doctoral students studying abroad)</p>	<p>R65 000 per annum</p> <p>R29 000 per annum for part-time students with disabilities as specified in the Code of Good Practice on Employment of People with Disabilities and the Employment Equity Act, 1998.</p>	<p>R65 000 per annum</p>
SUPPLEMENTATION	<p>Scholarships-holders are allowed to hold supplementary bursaries, grants or emoluments with unlimited values.</p> <p>Scholarships may not be held simultaneously with a bursary/scholarship from any other NRF source.</p> <p>Scholarship-holders:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - may not hold full-time salaried employment during the tenure of the scholarship - will be allowed to undertake a maximum of 12 hours of teaching, tutorials, assistance or demonstration duties per week on average during the year of study - may be remunerated for these duties, provided that they are reimbursed at a rate not exceeding the normal institution tariff for services rendered - may not be employed on a part-time basis if their working hours exceed 12 hours per week on average during the year of study 	<p>Scholarships-holders are allowed to hold supplementary bursaries, grants or emoluments with unlimited values.</p> <p>Scholarships may not be held simultaneously with a bursary/scholarship from any other NRF source.</p> <p>Scholarship-holders:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - may not hold full-time salaried employment during the tenure of the scholarship - will be allowed to undertake a maximum of 12 hours of teaching, tutorials, assistance or demonstration duties per week on average during the year of study - may be remunerated for these duties, provided that they are reimbursed at a rate not exceeding the normal institution tariff for services rendered - may not be employed on a part-time basis if their working hours exceed 12 hours per week on average during the year of study 	<p>SABI/NRF scholarship-holders are allowed to hold non-binding supplementary bursaries/scholarships, grants or emoluments to a maximum of R50, 000</p> <p>SABI/NRF scholarships may not be held simultaneously with a bursary/scholarship from any other NRF source.</p> <p>Scholarship-holders:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - will be allowed to undertake a maximum of 12 hours of teaching, tutorials, assistance or demonstration duties per week on average during the year of study - may be remunerated for these duties, provided that they are reimbursed at a rate not exceeding the normal institution tariff for services rendered - may not be employed on a part-time basis if their working hours exceed 12 hours per week on average during the year of study <p>- may not hold full-time salaried employment during the tenure of the bursary</p>
PERIOD OF SUPPORT	<p>3 years. Candidates applying for support of their second or third year of doctoral studies will be supported for two or one year only respectively. Candidates studying abroad may apply for a fourth year of support if they have taken mandatory course-work.</p>	<p>3 years. Candidates applying for support of their second or third year of doctoral studies will be supported for two or one year only respectively.</p>	<p>3 years. Candidates applying for support of their second or third year of doctoral studies will be supported for two or one year only respectively.</p>

CHAPTER 6: FREE-STANDING POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIPS

	NRF FREE-STANDING FELLOWSHIP	DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR SCARCE SKILLS FELLOWSHIP	INNOVATION FELLOWSHIP
ELIGIBILITY	Available to South African citizens for full-time research at institutions in South Africa or at approved institutions abroad. Outstanding foreign candidates will be considered for full-time research in South Africa.	Available to South African citizens for full-time research at institutions in South Africa. Outstanding foreign candidates will be considered for full-time research in South Africa.	Only South African citizens may apply. Preference will be given to designated persons.
	Exceptional doctoral graduates who have recently received their doctoral degrees (i.e. in the last five years) and who wish to do research in a <u>new environment</u> should apply.	Exceptional doctoral graduates who have recently received their doctoral degrees (i.e. in the last five years) and who wish to do research in a <u>new environment</u> should apply.	Exceptional doctoral graduates who have recently received their doctoral degrees (i.e. in the last five years) and who wish to do research in a <u>new environment</u> should apply.
	Fellowships are awarded on a competitive basis, taking the applicants' academic achievements and potential as researchers into account. Applicants who do not have publications are advised not to apply	Fellowships are awarded on a competitive basis, taking the applicants' academic achievements and potential as researchers into account. Applicants who do not have publications are advised not to apply	Fellowships are awarded on a competitive basis, taking the applicants' academic achievements and potential as researchers into account. Applicants who do not have publications are advised not to apply
	Fellowships will only be tenable at institutions other than the one where the doctoral degree was obtained	Fellowships will only be tenable at institutions other than the one where the doctoral degree was obtained	Fellowships will only be tenable at institutions other than the one where the doctoral degree was obtained
	Research in the social and human sciences (SSH), natural and applied sciences as well as engineering and technology (SET)	Accounting, Actuarial Sciences, Agricultural Sciences, Auditing, Biotechnology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Demography, Engineering, Financial Management, Geology, Information Systems, Mathematical Sciences, Physics, Statistics, Tourism, Transportation Studies	Awarded in the Natural Sciences, Engineering and Technology aligned research fields that align with the technology missions and frontier programmes of the Department of Science and Technology (DST).
FIELDS OF STUDY SUPPORTED			
VALUE OF FELLOWSHIP	<p><u>Research in South Africa</u></p> <p>R 60 000 p.a. plus</p> <p>R 10 000 p.a. contribution towards the running expenses of the candidate's research</p> <p>R 5 000 once-off contribution towards airfare for candidates relocating from abroad</p> <p><u>Research abroad</u></p> <p>US\$ 16 500 p.a. plus</p> <p>R 5 000 once-off contribution towards airfare for candidates relocating from SA</p>	<p><u>Research in South Africa only</u></p> <p>R 80 000 p.a. plus</p> <p>R 10 000 p.a contribution towards the running expenses of the candidate's research</p>	<p><u>Research in South Africa only</u></p> <p>R 120 000 p.a. plus</p> <p>R 30 000 p.a contribution towards the running expenses of the candidate's research</p> <p>R 15 000 p.a Host institution's minimum contribution, ie. conference attendance or field trips etc.:</p>

CHAPTER 6: FREE-STANDING POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIPS (CONTINUED)

SUPPLEMENTATION	<p>Fellowship-holders are allowed to hold supplementary bursaries, grants or emoluments with unlimited values.</p> <p>Fellowships may not be held simultaneously with a bursary/scholarship from any other NRF source.</p> <p>Fellowship-holders:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - may not hold full-time salaried employment during the tenure of the fellowship - will be allowed to undertake a maximum of 12 hours of teaching, tutorials, assistance or demonstration duties per week on average during the year of study - may be remunerated for these duties, provided that they are reimbursed at a rate not exceeding the normal institution tariff for services rendered - may not be employed on a part-time basis if their working hours exceed 12 hours per week on average during the year of study 	<p>Fellowship-holders are allowed to hold supplementary bursaries, grants or emoluments with unlimited values.</p> <p>Fellowships may not be held simultaneously with a bursary/scholarship from any other NRF source.</p> <p>Fellowship-holders:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - may not hold full-time salaried employment during the tenure of the fellowship - will be allowed to undertake a maximum of 12 hours of teaching, tutorials, assistance or demonstration duties per week on average during the year of study - may be remunerated for these duties, provided that they are reimbursed at a rate not exceeding the normal institution tariff for services rendered - may not be employed on a part-time basis if their working hours exceed 12 hours per week on average during the year of study 	<p>Fellowship-holders are allowed to hold supplementary bursaries, grants or emoluments with unlimited values.</p> <p>Fellowships may not be held simultaneously with a bursary/scholarship from any other NRF source.</p> <p>Fellowship-holders</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - may not hold full-time salaried employment during the tenure of the scholarship - will be allowed to undertake a maximum of 12 hours of teaching, tutorials, assistance or demonstration duties per week on average during the year of study - may be remunerated for these duties, provided that they are reimbursed at a rate not exceeding the normal institution tariff for services rendered - may not be employed on a part-time basis if their working hours exceed 12 hours per week on average during the year of study
PERIOD OF SUPPORT	2 years	2 years	2 years

CHAPTER 7:

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Successful candidates will be required to sign an agreement with the NRF and provide proof of registration for the degree concerned before the scholarship/fellowship will be paid to the Institution.

In the case of doctoral studies/research abroad, the amount concerned will be paid to the scholarship/fellowship-holder by telegraphic transfer on receipt of proof of registration/commencement of his/her studies abroad. The travel grant will be paid to him/her in South Africa approximately six weeks prior to departure, if required. Awardees will be required to sign an undertaking to return to South Africa on completion of their studies/research abroad for a period equal to the period of support. Should they not return to South Africa, the scholarship/fellowship including the travel grant plus interest will be refundable to the NRF.

After an award is made, a change in course of study or Institution where the studies are to be undertaken, requires prior approval from the NRF. Support for the second year (and third year in the case of doctoral studies) is subject to application by the candidate and the supervisor's confirmation that the scholarship-holder is making good progress in the approved field of study.

Students who do not obtain the degree, for which the scholarship was awarded, relinquish their studies or leave the tertiary Institution during the period for which the scholarship was awarded, will have to refund all payments of the scholarship already received plus interest.

On completion of the studies/research supported by means of the scholarship/fellowship, students are required to submit proof of obtaining the degree concerned.

CHAPTER 8:

SELECTION CRITERIA AND EVALUATION

The award of these scholarships/fellowships will be based on potential and academic performance of the candidates. Selection criteria will include academic merit, promise of research ability, leadership qualities, and previous award of various prizes and honours. The likelihood that the candidate will successfully complete an honours, a Master's and/or doctoral degree will also be a significant criterion.

Applications will be considered by panels consisting of members covering the various disciplines supported by the NRF, as well as members representing the disabled community. The assessment of candidates will be based on all available evidence of ability and potential, including academic records and recommendations. Where the selection panel deem necessary, potential awardees may have to be interviewed. Selection of awardees will be done in merit order.

Applications will be disqualified if the full academic transcripts indicating marks for each of the courses undertaken are not attached. In the case of qualifications obtained outside South Africa, the records should be equated to South African norms. Degree certificates are not full academic records.

The NRF reserves the right to apply its equity targets in line with its objectives, where it is deemed necessary.

CHAPTER 9:

RENEWAL OF SCHOLARSHIPS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Honours scholarships awarded as a Block Grant to institutions - Not renewable

Master's study - If the applicant has made satisfactory progress and supported by the supervisor then renewal of the scholarship for the subsequent year, will be considered.

Doctoral study - If the applicant has made satisfactory progress during the first/second year of doctoral study and supported by the supervisor then renewal of the scholarship for the subsequent year, or part thereof, will be considered.

Postdoctoral fellowships - Renewals of fellowships for a second year will depend on the outputs and progress made during the first year of support. Applications for the renewal of postdoctoral fellowships for a second year of support have to be made to the NRF at least six weeks prior to the expiry of the existing fellowship.

Renewals subject to availability of funds

CHAPTER 10:

DAAD IN-COUNTRY SCHOLARSHIPS

The German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) offers scholarships and fellowship programmes for postgraduate students and scholars from South Africa: in certain cases also Master Studies, Doctoral Degree Studies, advanced scientific training and research in Germany and in Africa. No scholarships are given to undergraduates.

Final selection for all programmes lies with the DAAD Selection Board in Bonn. This independent Board is composed of German university professors with high academic repute in their respective fields and with personal working experience in the region.

The DAAD will offer South African tertiary Institutions scholarships for postgraduate studies beginning in 2007. Fellowships are offered annually. The German Academic year begins in October and ends in July. For more information on the DAAD scholarship offers visit: www.daad.de

10.1 ELIGIBILITY

The programme is aimed at **university staff development** in the first line, consequently, preference is given to young university staff members or candidates considered for teaching /research staff recruitment. Applications from previously disadvantaged individuals are encouraged and the age limit for applicants is **36 years** at the date of application.

10.2 FIELDS OF STUDY

No field of study/research is excluded, but the partner Institution's specific demand for qualified staff in certain subject areas is taken into account. Applicants from all fields (excluding the humanities and fine arts) of study that have a strong relevance to national development are invited.

10.3 VALUE OF SCHOLARSHIP

Not specified

10.4 SUPPLEMENTATION

Not specified

10.5 PERIODS OF SUPPORT

The scholarships are designed for one-year Honours courses or preferably two-year Master's courses or even longer PhD degree studies. However, the initial award is for one year only.

Proof of (provisional /conditional) **admission** to the desired degree course at the chosen institution is required, and PhD candidates must, in addition, submit a declaration of acceptance from their respective academic supervisors.

Students apply directly to their Institutions, who in turn, will send all nominations to the Scholarships and Fellowships Programme at the NRF.

Please note that new applications for 2007 on DAAD application forms (consult your institution for this), together with certified copies of the relevant documents, should be submitted to the NRF **on the date to be announced**.

An annual extension of the scholarship is possible upon individual request and receipt of a university report proving good study progress in each individual case.

Applications for extensions should be sent as soon as the results of the year-end exams are known.