

THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE BURSARY AWARDS FOR 2027

The Department of Agriculture (DoA) intends to award comprehensive bursaries to qualifying applicants who are pursuing or planning to further their studies in identified agricultural fields for the 2027 academic year. The bursary will cover tuition fees, accommodation, study materials, meals and a monthly allowance. These bursaries are aimed at previously disadvantaged and economically disadvantaged individuals, particularly those from rural and underprivileged communities.

Persons with disability are encouraged to apply.

Closing date for all applications: 30 September 2026

Fields of study	Minimum requirements (National Senior Certificate)	Enquiries
1. BSc Eng. Agricultural (Bioresource) Engineering /Bachelor of Engineering in Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering 2. Bachelor of Veterinary Science (BVSc.)	Mathematics and Physical Science: 6 (70–79)	<p>Ms Silindelo Dlomo Tel: (012) 319 7848</p> <p>Ms Bongwiwe Shabalala Tel: (012) 319 7136</p> <p>Mr Sifiso Nkuna Tel: (012) 319 7201</p>
3. Bachelor of Veterinary Nursing (BVetNurs.) 4. BHSci. Veterinary Technology 5. BSc Agric. Entomology 6. BSc Agric. Food Science 7. BSc Agric. Animal Health 8. BSc Agric. Plant Pathology 9. BSc Agric. Plant Science 10. BSc Agric. Soil Science 11. BSc Agric. Agronomy 12. BSc Agric. Viticulture and Oenology	Mathematics and Physical Science: 5 (60–69)	
13. BAS Food Science and Technology 14. Diploma in Food Technology	Mathematics and Physical Science: 4 (50–59)	
15. Advance Diploma in agriculture related fields 16. BSc Agric. Honours: Plant Pathology 17. BSc Agric. Honours: Entomology	Relevant Undergraduate Qualifications.	

NOTES

- Applicants must be South African citizens.
- Applicants must complete the relevant bursary application forms available from the departmental website: www.nda.gov.za (Click on vacancies).
- Applicants who apply for fields of study that are not listed above will not be considered.
- Please note that communication will be limited to successful applicants only. If you have not received any communication from the department within 14 days after the release of Grade 12 results, and after the National Bursary Committee has finalised the selection process, consider your application unsuccessful.
- Applicants who are not yet in possession of their university acceptance letters or results may still submit their applications while awaiting these documents. However, these outstanding documents must be submitted within three (3) days of the release of Grade 12 results in January 2027.
- No late application forms will be considered.
- The Department of Agriculture (DoA) reserves the right to determine the total number of bursaries to be awarded for the academic year based on the available budget.
- All completed bursary application forms, together with the required supporting documents, must be submitted to the email address below. Affidavits will not be accepted.

Applications Email Address

Email address: Externalbursaries@nda.gov.za

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