



2021 NSFAS BURSARY

GUIDELINES ON DETERMINATION OF ALLOWANCES

Awarding of allowances

In addition to the personal care allowance, students must only be awarded one type of allowance, i.e. travel or accommodation. An allowance must NOT be perceived as an entitlement but rather as a means of support which may be awarded to a student on the basis of academic performance.

1. Personal Care Allowance

The DHET Bursary rules and guidelines stipulates that the maximum amount to be allocated to a student for Personal Care Allowance is R2900.00 per annum. This allowance is awarded to all NSFAS qualifying students.

The maximum amounts that will be awarded for the Personal Care Allowance per cycle are as follows:

● **NC(V) R2900.00** ● **Semester R1450.00** ● **Trimester R966.00**

2. Travel Allowance

The Travel Allowance will be awarded to students residing less than 40km from the College. Students are required to provide the College with proof of home address that will be used to determine the distance travelled to Campus from home. **Students who reside more than 40km from the College but who fail to submit their rental agreement will be awarded the Travel Allowance.**

The maximum amounts that will be awarded for the Travel Allowance per cycle are as follows:

● **NC(V) R7350.00** ● **Semester R3675.00** ● **Trimester R2450.00**

3. Private Accommodation

The Private Accommodation Allowance will be awarded to students residing more than 40km from the College (this means exactly 40km and beyond). Students are required to provide the College with proof of home address that will be used to determine the distance travelled to Campus from home. **Students who reside more than 40km from the College but who fail to submit their rental agreement will be awarded the Travel Allowance instead of the Accommodation Allowance.**

The maximum amounts that will be awarded for the Private Accommodation Allowance cycle (inclusive of meals) are as follows (Mankwe Campus; Peri-Urban):

● **NC(V) R18900.00** ● **Semester R9450.00** ● **Trimester R6300.00**

(Brits and Rustenburg Campuses; Urban):

● **NC(V) R25200.00** ● **Semester R12600.00** ● **Trimester R8400.00**

4. College Accommodation

This specific allowance will be awarded to students residing in the College residence. In addition to the Hostel Admission Policy, the Bursary Rules and Guideline principle relating to the 40km radius will be applicable when awarding hostel accommodation to qualifying students.

The maximum amounts that will be awarded for the College Accommodation cycle (inclusive of meals) are as follows :

● **NC(V) R33000.00** ● **Semester R16500.00** ● **Trimester R11000.00**

THE ABOVE MAXIMUM AMOUNTS ARE INCLUSIVE OF MEALS

N+1 Rule Principles

1. The N period of study equates to the minimum time required to complete the programme whereas the N+1 or N+2 period of study equate to the minimum time required to complete the programme, plus one or two additional study periods respectively.
2. Students may be awarded bursaries up to a maximum of four years (N+1) for completion of the NC (V) programme. The fourth qualifying year bursary may cover any number of outstanding subjects for repeating Level 4.
3. Report 191 students may be awarded bursaries up to a maximum of four trimesters or semesters (N+1) for completion of the Report 191 programme N3 or N6 respectively. The bursary may cover any number of outstanding subjects for repeating N3 or N6 respectively.

N+2 Rule Principles

1. Students with Disabilities must be awarded bursaries up to a maximum of five years for completion of the NC (V) programme Level 4, five trimesters for completion of the Report 191 programme N3 and five trimesters/semesters for completion of the Report 191 programme N6.
2. The N+2 rule must be implemented for a consecutive and uninterrupted five years/trimesters/semesters for Students with Disabilities.