



2024 BURSARY APPLICATIONS FOR UNEMPLOYED LEARNERS ARE NOW OPEN

The Mining Qualifications Authority (MQA) is a Sector Education and Training Authority (SETA) for the mining and minerals sector in terms of the Skills Development Act No. 97 of 1998.

The MQA would like to invite learners who are **currently** in grade 12 or are already studying at a public university, university of technology, and TVET college to apply for a MQA bursary for the 2024 academic year of study. A total of **1000** bursary opportunities will be available for the 2024 academic year, which will cover tuition fees and allowances for accommodation, books, and meals.

NOTE: The bursary is ONLY available to South African citizens.

The MQA Bursary Scheme funds the below qualifications at universities, universities of technology and TVET colleges. However, the MQA may allocate 20% of the total bursary allocations for the 2024 academic year for qualifications which are not listed below, but which the MQA may regard as qualifications necessary for the mining and minerals sector.

1. Qualifications funded at universities and universities of technology:

- Metallurgical Engineering
- Jewellery Design and Manufacturing
- Geology
- Mining Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering
- Mine Surve
- Electrical Engineering
- Chemical Engineering
- Environmental Health and Management
- Analytical Chemistry
- Electro-Mechanical Engineering
- Industrial Engineering
- Occupational Health and Safety
- Occupational Hygiene
- Occupational Medicine
- Operations Management
- Quality Management

2. Qualifications funded at TVET colleges:

- Boilermaker
- Motor Mechanic (Diesel)
- Electrician
- Fitter and Turner
- Fitting (including Machinery)
- Instrumentation Mechanic
- Millwright
- Rigger Ropes Man

Application Window: The application period will open on **01 September 2023** and close on **01 October 2023**. Late applications will not be considered. To qualify for the bursary, the applicant must be unemployed at the time of the application and must remain unemployed for the duration of his/her studies.

Application Form: Applicants must download the “**Bursary Application Form: Unemployed Bursars**” from the MQA website at www.mqa.org.za. The e-mail address to submit the completed form and supporting documents will be indicated on the form.

PLEASE NOTE:

Communication will be limited to successful applicants only. If you have not received any communication from the MQA by **30 November 2023**, then please consider your application as being unsuccessful.