



Creating a progressive, equitable and sustainable South African table grape industry.

Guideline for SATI Academic Study Bursary applicants

2017/18

1. Types of applications to be considered

- a) Tertiary education (TE) AND/OR Further education and training (FET) studies in programmes/ courses **relevant to the table grape industry and its value chain** will be considered, *including but not limited to:*
 - o Viticulture
 - o Horticultural Science
 - o Plant Pathology
 - o Entomology
 - o Soil Science
 - o Agricultural Economy
- b) Undergraduate studies or postgraduate studies.
- c) Part time or full time studies.
- d) Funding of study costs of students working on (SATI funded) research projects.
- e) The bursary opportunities are either full, partial or work-back bursaries.

2. Application Criteria

- a) Only South African citizens are eligible for bursary funding.
- b) Individuals looking to pursue a career in the table grape industry and/or its value chain.
- c) For TE studies: Individuals with a minimum qualification of grade 12 or equivalent under the South African Qualification Authority.
- d) For FET studies: Individuals with a minimum qualification of grade 8 or equivalent under the South African Qualification Authority.
- e) Individuals who have achieved above average academic results.
- f) Applicants who have secured a partnership with a career mentor (see 7).
- g) Applicants with proof of acceptance or registration at an accredited TE or FET institution or who have been accepted within an industry related research project.
- h) The SATI bursary fund is open for application by any qualifying individual, but preference will be given to previously disadvantaged and impoverished individuals (meeting the above requirements), especially those already involved in the table grape industry and/ or form part of a table grape empowerment business/initiative.

3. Career Mentorship

- a) The career mentor must assist the student in working towards increased independence in learning, developing organisational skills and implementing strategies to deal with issues which would otherwise impact adversely on his/her studies.
- b) A mentor facilitates personal and professional growth in an individual by sharing the knowledge and insights she or he has of the industry.
- c) The career mentor should preferably be involved in and have experience of the industry and/ or its value chain.
- d) The career mentor must commit in writing to do the following:
 - Co-sign the career mentor agreement.
 - Ensure funds are being utilised by the student in terms of the signed agreement between the student and SATI.
 - Ensure the student reports to SATI on a quarterly basis and/or as per request by SATI.
 - Communicate with SATI if challenges are experienced by the student.
 - Support the student to address and find solutions for identified problems or challenges.

4. Required documentation for applications:

- a) Fully completed application form.
- b) Certified ID document.
- c) Certified Grade 12 results or highest grade passed.
- d) All post Grade 12 qualifications, if applicable.
- e) Signed declaration of commitment from the mentor.
- f) Proof of acceptance to or registration at a TE or FET institution, or acceptance to pursue a post-graduate qualification as part of research project team.

5. Unless otherwise stated, the bursary fund will allow for a portion of, if not all of, the following study-related costs:

- a) Study fees
- b) Study material
- c) Accommodation
- d) Living expenses including meals or groceries (allowance of maximum R2400 per month)
- e) Other expenses (to be specified and motivated)

6. How to apply

Applicants must complete the bursary application form available on the SATI website (www.satgi.co.za). This should be done within the timeframe as specified above.

All applications are to be directed to the following address:

South African Table Grape Industry
Bursary Committee
63 Main Road
Paarl
7646

Electronic and fax applications can be forwarded to;

e-mail: info@satgi.co.za

fax: 021 863 3039

7. Terms and Conditions

- a) Bursary funding is subject to available budget and SATI CEO approval.
- b) Each successful applicant will have to sign a formal contract with SATI. Bursaries will be re-evaluated each year on the basis of academic performance.
- c) SATI reserves the right not to award bursaries to applicants, without prior notice.
- d) SATI reserves the right to disqualify incomplete application forms.
- e) Certified supporting documents must be submitted with the completed application form for it to be deemed complete.
- f) Any student receiving financial support during the academic year is expected to make satisfactory academic progress toward the applicable qualification, if not, SATI may suspend the student from receiving any further financial support. Failure on the part of the student to meet any of the required performance standards gives the Bursary Committee the right to immediately terminate this agreement and from the date the agreement is terminated, no further funds shall be paid to or on behalf of the student as a bursary.
- g) The student must submit a report to SATI every quarter.
- h) Successful applicants are expected to complete their qualification within the disciplines as agreed with SATI.
- i) Successful applicants who meet the requirements are awarded a conditional bursary, pending their final results. Applicants who have not received feedback from SATI by the end of the January following application, must consider their applications unsuccessful.
- j) The student shall be obliged to be available for employment by SATI, or an entity sufficiently related to the SA Table Grape Industry in the opinion of SATI, should the right be exercised.

