

Department of Information Systems Call for Bursary Application

Information Systems Honours 2025

The Department of Information is offering four one-year bursaries to study towards a BCom Honours degree majoring in Information Systems at the University of Cape Town (includes 4th year B.Bus.Sci students majoring in Information Systems at the University of Cape Town).

In line with the UCT transformation agenda, priority will be given to funding Black South African and Black permanent resident applicants who qualify based on financial need. “Black” includes African, Coloured, and Indian students. “Financial need” refers to students who qualify via the National Means Test for either Financial Aid (where gross family income <R350 000) or GAP tuition bursaries (where annual gross family income is between R350 000 and R600 000).

Bursaries will be awarded to the 4 top-performing eligible candidates.

Requirements

The applicant must:

* Be a South African citizen or permanent resident.
* Be accepted for a B.Com Honours OR be enrolled in 4th year B.Bus.Sci majoring in Information Systems for 2025 (full time).
* Demonstrate financial need.
* Have a credit-weighted average of at least 65% for third-year Information Systems/Computer Science courses.

Duration

* 1 year of full time study

Offer

* The bursary value is ZAR 60,000 for the year

Application Process

Please forward all the following to pgfunding@uct.ac.za

* Email Subject: “IS HONOURS BURSARY 2025 - First Name and Surname"
* INFORMATION SYSTEMS HONOURS BURSARY 2025 application form
* Curriculum Vitae (CV)
* Letter of Motivation (no more than 1 page)
* Means Test on page 2 with supporting documentation (Proof of income as per instructions indicated by the red asterisks \* on page 2 of the application form)
* Official Academic transcript
* A certified copy of your South African ID document

Financial Need Eligibility Criteria

Information provided on the application form will be used to determine an applicant’s financial need (the “assessed need”) by applying the National Means Test (NMT) used by the National Student Financial Aid Scheme (NSFAS) and the criteria used by UCT to determine eligibility.

Closing Date: 28th February 2025

Note

* Funds will only be disbursed to successful candidates who have been accepted into the B.Com Honours majoring in Information Systems programme (full time) at the University of Cape Town in 2025 OR are enrolled in 4th year B.Bus.Sci majoring in Information Systems in 2025
* Funds are only to be used towards expenses relevant to the Information Systems Honours programme at UCT
* Successful applicants who are offered the bursaries by the Department of Information Systems are required to complete and sign the student agreement that will be forwarded at the time of the award.
* The bursary holder may not hold full-time salaried employment during the tenure of the bursary. However, he/she will be allowed to undertake teaching, tutorials, assistance, or demonstration duties during the year of study, and he/she may be remunerated for his/her services rendered at the normal university tariff for services.
* The award may be supplemented to the university-capped value for the level of study.
* Should the bursary holder not complete the degree, the total funds received must be returned to the department.

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| A close up of a logo  Description automatically generated  | **INFORMATION SYSTEMS HONOURS BURSARY 2025** |
| Completed application forms with all required documents must be emailed to **pgfunding@uct.ac.za**with the subject line: "***IS HONOURS BURSARY 2024 -* First Name and Surname**" by **28th February 2025** |
| Name |  | Surname |  |
| Campus ID (e.g. TXXSXX001) |  | PeopleSoft ID (e.g. 1234545) |  |
| **I AM APPLYING FOR:** FINAL YEAR B.BUS.SCI HONOURS (FULL TIME) |
| **QUALIFICATIONS OBTAINED TO DATE - PROVIDE TRANSCRIPT IF FROM ANOTHER UNIVERSITY** |
| Qualification | Institution | Year |
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| **EMPLOYMENT IN 2024 - PROVIDE RECENT PAYSLIP** YES, provide number of hours per week: ............................................................... NO**DO YOU HAVE ANY OTHER FUNDING - PROVIDE AWARD OFFER LETTER** |
|  | **Award Name** | **Amount** |  |
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| In addition to the above, kindly provide:1. Curriculum Vitae (CV)
2. Letter of Motivation (no more than 1 page)
3. Means Test on page 2 with supporting documentation (Proof of income as per

instructions indicated by the red asterisks \* on page 2)1. Official Academic Transcript
2. Certified copy of your South African ID document
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| **DECLARATION BY APPLICANT*:*** |
| **UCT will take legal action if signatures or information have been wilfully forged or falsely given** |
| *By signing, I, the applicant, hereby declare that the information provided and stated in this application, including the information about my parents / spouse / legal guardian is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. I have submitted this information knowing that, if I wilfully stated in it anything which I know to be false or which I do not believe to be true, I would be liable for prosecution and may be declared ineligible for all financial assistance, and any financial assistance already granted may be withdrawn and any sums paid to me or on my behalf may be recovered from me and disciplinary action may be taken against me, either in the university courts or in the civil courts. I further undertake to inform the Postgraduate Funding Office of any change in my circumstances. I acknowledge that should I fail to do so and continue to receive financial assistance which I would not be entitled to by reason of my changed circumstances, the University may have recourse against me in any of the ways set out above. In the interest of good governance and accountability for public funds, I agree that the University may request my individual profile from the TransUnion**Credit Bureau to verify my/or my parents, spouse, or guardian's employment details.* |
| **SIGNATURE or INITIALS** |  | **DATE** (ddmmyyyy) |  |

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| **MEANS TEST** | **PLEASE LIST ALL HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS AND FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR** |
| * 1. If you are employed and no longer living with parents, you must submit a lease agreement, and recent payslip
	1. If you are financially dependent on parent(s)/guardian or living with in the same house, provide their financial information as well as any other household members
	2. If you are an orphan, provide the death certificates of both parents as well as an affidavit stating current financial support
		+ **Proof of financial information for ALL adult’s household members as below:**
			- If employed – recent payslip within 3 months
			- If self-employed – SARS IT(R)12 tax return filing for past two years
			- If pensioner – proof of pension documents, till slip
			- If unemployed – an affidavit stating unemployment and dependancy
			- If informal selling – an affidavit stating amount earned on average for the year
			- ALL other income (e.g. child grant/support, rental, investment)
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|  | **Annual (per year) income** applicable to household members |
| No. | Name and Surname | Age | Relation to you | Category | Employment | Income from employment | State grante.g. SASSAchild grant | Maintenancee.g. child/spousesupport | Other combined incomee.g. rental/investment/money received |
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