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Russian Government Scholarship for SA Students

The Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET) - in partnership with the Russian Government - is inviting scholarship applications for South African students to study at Russian institutions for the 2017/18 academic year.

Most scholarship programmes are instructed in the Russian language and applicants with no command of Russian are required to take the college preparatory courses for one year before pursuing major studies. Only after passing the examinations of the college preparatory course can they start their degree studies.

The scholarship may be awarded for undergraduate (Bachelors) or postgraduate (Masters or PhD) studies. However, preference will be given to postgraduate applications.

Candidates for the scholarship must be South African citizens with a strong academic record and available to study in Russia from September 2017. Furthermore all students must meet the minimum academic requirements for entry into a similar programme at a South African university.

Applications from all qualified candidates in any field will be accepted, but priority will be given to previously disadvantaged students for postgraduate studies in the following fields:

- Biotechnology
- Climate change
- Economics and management
- Engineering sciences
- Maritime studies
- Natural and physical sciences
- Nuclear and renewable energy
- Space science and technology

Information on available programmes, institutions and programme-specific entrance criteria is available on: www.russia.study .

The final decision on admittance to institutions is made by the Russian institution and the Russian Government. Scholarships may therefore be awarded to study at institutions outside of an individual's preference.

The Russian Government provides the tuition and basic monthly allowance. The South African Government will provide one return economy airfare, monthly living allowance and annual medical insurance (subject to the availability of funds).

DHET Application forms can be accessed from:

www.Internationalscholarships.dhet.gov.za and should be emailed to:

Internationalscholarships@dhet.gov.za together with supporting documents by 1st April 2017.

Shortlisted candidates will need to complete the online application and undergo a medical test.

All scholarship application related enquiries can be directed to:

internationalscholarships@dhet.gov.za

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