

## COMMUNIQUE

### DIRECTORATE OF FINANCIAL AID – 10 MAY 2022

#### 1. APPLICATION FOR NSFAS TRANSPORT ALLOWANCE

The “Guidelines of the Department of Higher Education and Training Bursary Scheme for Students at Public Universities 2022”, state the following in this regard:

In general, qualifying students whose home address is close to a university campus, or those who choose to make their own accommodation arrangements, would not qualify for an accommodation allowance. These students qualify for a travel allowance up to a maximum of **R7 500 in 2022**.

Students may now apply for these allowances at their local Financial Aid Office’s (FAO’s). The following should be noted:

- According to the above quoted Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET) bursary funding policies and guidelines only students staying at home or those who made their own private accommodation arrangements, will qualify. Students residing in any of the University own, leased and accredited facilities **do not qualify** for any transport allowances. Strict verification processes will be applied in this regard.
- Students who decide to move from their home or private non-accredited facilities into any of the University owned, leased or accredited accommodation will only qualify for the accommodation allowances and will be liable for the transport allowances paid until such date.
- According to the DHET Bursary funding policies and guidelines the maximum amount available for transport allowances is **R7500** and should students choose to also utilize University Bus transport **this will be deducted** before payment is made.
- **The allowances will be paid over 10 months** (*start date Mar end Dec*).
- It’s important to note that the provision of fraudulent information or the distortion thereof, as well as any corrupt activities by the applicant (student), and / or the parent / guardian will have penalties and consequences, including appropriate legal action.
- **CLOSING DATE: 18 MAY 2022.**

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