

RESEARCH MASTER'S SCHOLARSHIP

The Mpedi Family Scholarship for Neurodiversity Studies



CENTRE FOR
NEURODIVERSITY

Development in the field of neurodiversity is critical for the country's future and there is a need to reshape societal perspectives on neurodiversity and emphasise the importance of responding to the educational needs of children with neurodiverse learning needs appropriately through understanding and inclusivity.

In pursuit of adding to knowledge generation in this important field, the University of Johannesburg (the UJ) Vice-Chancellor and Principal Professor Letlhokwa Mpedi and his family have established the **Mpedi Family Scholarship for Neurodiversity Studies** for Postgraduate students at Master's level in the Faculty of Education. The scholarship will be awarded to four (4) full-time Research Master's students annually with a once-off allocation of R50 000.00 each.

The scholarship award will be based on the criteria below:

1. Students must be registered at the University of Johannesburg, for a full-time Master's degree (by research) with a focus on the neurodevelopmental learning needs of children and youth.
2. The scholarship will be awarded for one academic year only and the research study must be completed within the year of registration for the Master's Degree.
3. The scholarship -holder must remain a registered UJ student during the year of the scholarship.
4. Students must have a minimum average mark of 65% in their previous qualification.
5. All students (both local and international) are allowed to apply for the Scholarship.
6. The Mpedi Family reserves the right not to award the Scholarship in any academic year.

HOW TO APPLY

Applicants for the 2025 academic year, should submit the following documents via email to neuroadmin@uj.ac.za

- Identity Document or passport.
- A motivation letter detailing why you should be considered for the scholarship
- Brief Research proposal (1-2 pages) showing the relevance to the scholarship focus
- Curriculum vitae.
- Academic transcripts
- Certificates of undergraduate and any other postgraduate degrees obtained.

When submitting the application through to neuroadmin@uj.ac.za, please use the following subject line: **Student number, surname and initial – Mpedi Family Scholarship application.**

Example: 20300109: Dhlamini, S – Mpedi Scholarship application

For queries about the application process and scholarship, please direct these to Prof. Maximus M. Sefotho. neuroadmin@uj.ac.za

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION

28 February 2025 – Applicants will be notified of the outcome of their applications within 2 weeks.

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