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The Moses Kotane Research Institute (MKRI) offers research and development, economic data, and statistical services to the provincial government. The institute leverages research recommendations to inform policy development and enhance service delivery interventions. In 2025, the research fund will support NQF Level 9 students who will undertake their research study on one of the following topics:

CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

- AI and Climate Change
- Impact of the Extended Producer Responsibility programme on waste minimisation. A case study of KwaZulu-Natal

ECONOMIC TRANSFORMATION AND GROWTH

- Artificial Intelligence & Employment
- KZN Industrialisation and Investment

AGRICULTURE AND RURAL ECONOMY

- Sustainable and technological advance agricultural practices

EDUCATION & SKILLS DEVELOPMENT

- Future skills requirements in KZN

YOU CAN APPLY IF:

- You have been accepted/ registered as a student at a DHET accredited university in KZN for 2025.
- Your research is in line with the above-mentioned research topics.
- You are a South African citizen residing in the KZN province.
- You must be unemployed and a full-time student.
- You should not be receiving financial assistance from another sponsor for the same academic period.

RESEARCH FUND COVERS:

- Funding period for full time studies will be according to the university's handbook.
- **Financial: R120 000**
- **Non-financial:** Mentorship, developmental support, eligibility for research experiential learning should there be opportunities, and should you qualify.

COMPULSORY DOCUMENTS:

- Application Form
- A one-page motivational summary outlining your interest in the selected topic from the list above.
- Fee statement/ Proforma issued by the institution.
- Certified copies of Identity Document.
- Copies of academic qualifications and / or letter of completion of your recent qualification.
- Academic record/transcript.
- Proof of registration/acceptance from the University.
- Proof of residence

DIRECTIONS TO APPLICANTS:

- Send your applications to researchfund@moseskotane.com.
- Quote the reference number: **REF: RFC02/2025** on the subject line.
- MKRI reserves the right to disqualify submissions from applicants who have not provided all necessary required documentation.
- The completed research will be considered the intellectual property of MKRI.
- Students who fail to complete their studies within the designated full-time period will be required to reimburse the allocated funds.
- MKRI reserves the right not to award the bursary should the research be deemed non- beneficial or superficial.
- Research fund is subject to availability of funds.
- MKRI reserves the right not to award funding.
- Please note that only successful applicants will receive a response within one month of the closing date.
- Regrettably, due to the anticipated high volume of applications, we are unable to respond to all applicants.

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