



U.W.I. CREDIT UNION CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LIMITED

GUIDELINES FOR THE AWARD OF U.W.I. CREDIT UNION BURSARIES

1. Five (5) Bursaries to a maximum value of \$5,000 per award shall be awarded annually (*The Brenda Fraser Bursary, The Claude Mc Eachrane Bursary, The Vibert Medford Bursary, The Kennis Thomas Postgraduate Bursary and The Jill Thompson Bursary*).
 - a) The *Kennis Thomas Postgraduate Bursary* shall be awarded to an applicant who **must** be pursuing a postgraduate degree and **must** be registered for a Project, Thesis or Dissertation for a Research course.
 - b) One (1) of the other four (4) Bursaries shall be awarded to a youth member (aged 18 to 24 years).
2. Applicants **must** be bona fide, active and **compliant** U.W.I. Credit Union (UWICU) Members in good financial standing, and must have contributed to shares for at least six (6) consecutive months, preceding the date of application.
3. Applicants **must** be pursuing *either* technical *or* tertiary-level programmes at Government-accredited institutions as approved by UWICU, for example:
 - Cipriani College of Labour and Co-operative Studies (CCLCS)
 - College of Science, Technology and Applied Arts of Trinidad & Tobago (COSTAATT)
 - Schools of Accounting and/or Management
 - The University of the West Indies (UWI)
 - University of Southern Caribbean (USC)
 - University of Trinidad and Tobago (UTT)
 - UWI School of Business and Applied Studies Ltd. (UWI-ROYTEC)
4. The duration of approved programmes **must** be more than fourteen (14) months.
5. Applicants **must** have successfully completed one year of an approved course of study.
6. Applicants **must** upload a complete and up-to-date transcript that reflects registration in the current academic year.

7. Financial Need **and** *either Academic Merit or Technical Merit* will be the two (2) most important factors in determining the awards of the Bursaries.
8. Applicants **must** upload the requisite evidence of Financial Need.
9. Applicants' contribution to, and/ or participation in, Credit Union, Institutional, Community or Other activities will also be considered in awarding the Bursaries.
10. **Applications without the requisite supporting documents (especially in relation to Financial Need) will not qualify for the award of a Bursary.**
11. Any applicant who has already been awarded a UWICU Bursary for studies in a specific level programme, for example undergraduate or postgraduate, **will not** qualify for consideration of another UWICU Bursary for the same level programme; however, postgraduate degree registrants who have progressed to a Project, Thesis or Dissertation in a Research course **will** qualify for consideration for *The Kennis Thomas Postgraduate Bursary*.
12. Beneficiaries of Other Awards, Bursaries or Scholarships **will not** qualify for consideration for a UWICU Bursary.

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