

From tuition to employment – Shoprite Group bursaries offer students an opportunity of a lifetime

The Shoprite Group invites all high-achieving students with a passion for retail to [apply](#) for its comprehensive bursary programme.

Students enrolled for degree studies in Accounting, Biological Sciences, Information Technology, Logistics and Supply Chain, Retail Business Management, Food Sciences, and Agricultural Sciences can apply for funding from 1 July to 30 September 2024 for the 2024/2025 academic year.

The bursary covers tuition and on-campus accommodation and provides a monthly grocery allowance as well as access to the Group's Employee Wellness Programme. Most beneficiaries are offered employment upon graduation and receive on-the-job training to ensure a seamless transition into the business where they can explore many career options.

Sha-Abaan Slamang (25) from Malmesbury, joined the Group in 2021 after the retailer funded his B-Com Honours degree from Stellenbosch University. His journey has taken him from logistics to his current role of Data Analyst at ShopriteX, the Group's innovation hub.

"The first time I applied for the bursary, I didn't get it. Coming from a single-parent household, I needed the funding, so I refused to give up. When I finally got the call, I was ecstatic because I could pursue my post-grad studies.

"I'm grateful that Shoprite afforded me these opportunities. I work in a team that is supportive and takes my growth seriously," says Sha-Abaan.

Chartered Accountant Ghea Warnich (26) from Durbanville, is settling into her new role as Third Party Financial Manager just five months after completing her SAICA articles. The Group funded her B Accounting and Honours degree from Stellenbosch University.

"My training truly shaped me to be the professional that I am. It's hard work, but it made me more resilient, and I am a better manager because of it. It's a fast-paced industry which is constantly discovering new ways to improve the customer's life," says Ghea.

The Group is the largest private-sector employer in South Africa. It invests around R15 million toward funding over 200 bursary students each financial year. and was recently certified by the [Top Employers Institute](#), a global authority on excellence in people practices.

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Leigh Adams:

“In a country where youth unemployment has reached critical levels, the Shoprite Group’s bursary programme aims to close the gap between graduates and employment. We offer financial support, critical skills training and an entryway into high-value careers.

Sha-Abaan Slamang:

“The bursary opened many doors for me. I have been able to study further and explore career avenues I hadn’t considered before. Apply now and discover a world of opportunities with the Shoprite Group.”

Ghea Warnich:

“The Shoprite Group’s bursary supported me through my studies and accelerated my career. The training equipped me with vital skills, which prepared me for my current position. I am grateful for the opportunity and encourage students to apply.”