

## **Shoprite offers bursaries for Retail Business Management and Pharmacy students**

The Shoprite Group has opened bursary applications for Retail Business Management and Pharmacy students for the 2022 academic year.

Registered university students with a 65% aggregate or higher are encouraged to apply via the Group's [Bursary and Graduate Opportunities page](#) before 30 June 2021.

Upon successful graduation, Retail Business Management and Pharmacy students will have guaranteed jobs at Africa's largest retailer, with strong career growth prospects.

### **Retail Business Management**

A bursary in Retail Business Management is a particularly strong offering for ambitious students looking to advance their careers. The Group is constantly opening new supermarkets across its Checkers, Shoprite & Usave brands, and this presents hard-working graduates with plenty of opportunities to move through the ranks to ultimately become Branch and/or Regional Managers.

Maphindela Sabela, a Retail Business Management graduate from the Cape Peninsula University of Technology, is currently a Trainee Manager at Checkers Jukskei Park.

"With the Shoprite bursary, I was able to pay for all necessities. The cherry on top has been the work-back agreement which guaranteed me a job upon graduation," Sabela says.

### **Pharmacy**

The Group's pharmacy division also offers promising career paths to motivated students.

Upon graduation, Pharmacy graduates join the Group as interns for a year. This is followed by 12 months of community service, whereafter graduates return to Medirite as fully qualified pharmacists.

In the 2020 academic year, the Group spent R17.3m on its bursary programme and supported 271 students, including 191 from previously disadvantaged backgrounds, of which 150 students are females.

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