



Ministry of Education, Innovation, Gender Relations and Sustainable Development

PRESS RELEASE

New Zealand Commonwealth Scholarship and Fellowship Plan, 2018-2019 **Extension of Deadline for Submission of Application Forms**

The Department of Education, Innovation and Gender Relations informs of an extension of the deadline to submit application forms for the New Zealand Commonwealth Scholarship and Fellowship Plan 2018-2019 to **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28, 2018.**

New Zealand Commonwealth Scholarships offers are available for the following levels of study:

- Masters Degree (1 – 2 years).
- PhD (Up to 3.5 years)

Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible for selection an applicant must:

- be a citizen of Saint Lucia residing in Saint Lucia for at least two (2) years prior to application;
- be at least eighteen (18) years and not more than forty (40) years old before the start of the scholarship;
- demonstrate how the study to be undertaken will enable you to contribute to the sustainable development of your country;
- select an area of study listed on the ***“Government of Saint Lucia List of Priority Areas for National Training”***, which can be accessed on the Government of Saint Lucia website. Applicants should ensure that the area chosen **must** be of a high priority for national training;
- be in good physical and mental health to complete the program successfully.;
- possess the language competency to undertake studies in the language of the institution or country of study;
- complete a postgraduate qualification an overall IELTS score of 6.5 and no band less than 6.0 is the minimum required; and
- agree in writing to return to Saint Lucia following completion of the scholarship and contribute to the country’s socio-economic development.

Value of the Scholarship

Scholarship award provides the following support;

- Full tuition fees
- Fortnightly living allowance
- Establishment allowance
- Medical and travel insurance
- Round trip ticket;

How to Apply

In addition to the Government of Saint Lucia Scholarship Application Form, all applicants must complete and submit the requisite New Zealand Scholarship Application Form to the HRD Unit. The form can be accessed from the link shown below:

<http://www.universitiesnz.ac.nz/files/New%20Zealand%20Commonwealth%20Scholarship%20-%20Tertiary%20Application%20Form.pdf>

Interested persons are invited to collect the Government of Saint Lucia Scholarship application form from the Human Resource Development (HRD) Unit of the Department of Education, Innovation and Gender Relations, 4th Floor, Francis Compton Building, The Waterfront, Castries. This form can also be accessed on the Government of Saint Lucia website: <http://www.govt.lc/forms/scholarship-application-form>.

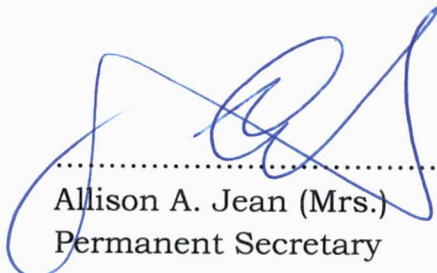
Please note that incomplete applications will not be considered.

For more details about admission procedures, scholarship requirements and application process, please visit the following website -

<https://www.mfat.govt.nz/en/aid-and-development/scholarships/> .

Please contact the HRD Unit at telephone numbers **468-5229/5230**, if you require any further information

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