# Apply for USP Financial Aid: Student Bursary Scheme Semester 1 & Trimester 1 2025

The USP Student Bursary Scheme offers financial support to Undergraduate, Postgraduate and Masters students from <u>USP member countries.</u>

#### **Benefits:**

The Bursary assistance is typically provided each semester/trimester to help reduce tuition expenses. The following benefits apply:

- 1. Up to 50% of the total tuition for any number of registered courses.
- 2. Any field of study in Bachelors, Postgraduate, and Masters by Research/Coursework programme.

#### **Conditions:**

- 1. Repeat courses will not be eligible for funding.
- 2. Any withdrawal of course(s) will reverse the bursary provided for that particular course(s).
- 3. The bursary typically supports one student per family (*i.e.*, *a student in a nuclear family whose tuition fees is higher than another eligible member of that same nuclear family; both of whom are supported by the same parents/guardians*)
- 4. This financial assistance is only applicable to the semester/trimester term for which it is advertised. Students must reapply for the bursary (when advertised) to qualify for assistance in subsequent terms.

### How to Apply:

- 1. Gather e-copies of your documents (refer to eligibility criteria):
  - i. Latest pay slip or Statutory Declaration form (if self/unemployed)
  - ii. Tax Identification Number (TIN) Letters (for applicants & supporting parents/guardian/spouse)
  - iii. Recent Research Progress Report (for Masters by Research students)
- 2. Submit your application through the online portal link: <u>https://forms.usp.ac.fj/application-for-student-bursary-scheme/</u>

Note:

- You will be required to login to the portal using your Student Email & Password.
- Emailed and Incomplete applications will not be accepted.

## **Eligibility Criteria:**

Applicants must:

- 1. Be a citizen of one of the USP Member countries
- 2. Have completed at least one academic term at USP. *Note: New students, who have not studied at USP before, are not eligible for this bursary until they have completed an academic term at USP.*
- 3. Have a term GPA of 2.5 or above in the most recent academic term. *Note: Do not wait for your current term results to be released.*
- 4. Have a combined family income of not more than FJD 25,000 per year. Note: If the self-funding applicant or spouse/parents/guardians (that is supporting the applicant) is employed, the latest pay slip must be provided. However, if applicant or spouse/parents/guardian (that is supporting the applicant) is not in a formal employment (including self-employment), a <u>Statutory</u> <u>Declaration form</u> must be completed and signed by a Justice of Peace or person(s) authorized by the Ministry of Justice.
- 5. [For continuing Master by Research Students] Submit a recent progress report endorsed by the Faculty Research Committee.
- 6. Not be admitted to Unclassified Programmes.

- 7. Not be supported by other scholarship schemes.
- 8. Not be eligible for the USP Staff Sponsorship & Fee Concession.
- 9. Not be enrolled in a Doctoral or Directed Research Project (DRP) programme
- 10. Not be enrolled in self-funding programmes offered by the Graduate School of Business and Pacific TAFE, including PDLP/PDLD.

If you have any questions, send an email to <u>contactus@usp.ac.fj</u> or call: +(679) 323 1000 | **Toll Free Number (calling within Fiji): 1568** (from any Digicel, Vodafone or Telecom Fiji Phone)

**Opening Date: Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2024 Closing Date: Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2025**