

# South African International Maritime Institute (SAIMI) Bursaries 2025

The South African International Maritime Institute (SAIMI) bursary program is designed to support Black female students in pursuing maritime-related qualifications at various levels—Undergraduate, Honours, Masters, or PhD—and to help them build successful careers in the oceans economy.

## Coverage Value & Benefits

The bursary provides full coverage for:

- Tuition fees
- Textbooks
- Subsidized accommodation and meal allowance

Additionally, recipients will have the opportunity to:

- Attend SAIMI-hosted conferences and selected local maritime events
- Engage with organized bodies in maritime and science fields

## Eligibility Requirements

Applicants must meet the following criteria:

### Undergraduate Students:

- Must be a South African citizen
- Aged between 17 and 30 years
- Female student from a previously disadvantaged, designated group (Black Africans, Coloureds, and Indians as per the Black Economic Empowerment Act of 2003)
- Must be currently in Matric or have completed Matric
- Must be studying or provisionally accepted to study a full-time maritime-related undergraduate qualification at an accredited tertiary institution in South Africa
- Must have a minimum overall average of 70% if currently studying; achieved A and B symbols in Matric
- Must fall within the “missing middle” financial category (parents’ combined income between R350 000 and R600 000 per year)

### Honours and Masters Students:

- Must be a South African citizen
- Female student from a previously disadvantaged, designated group
- Must be studying a maritime-related qualification at an accredited tertiary institution in South Africa
- Must have completed at least one year of study, with a minimum average of 70% at the undergraduate level and 65% at the Honours level
- Must fall within the “missing middle” financial category (parents’ combined income between R350 000 and R600 000 per year)

### **PhD Students:**

- Must be a South African citizen
- Female student from a previously disadvantaged, designated group
- Must be pursuing a maritime-related qualification at an accredited tertiary institution in South Africa

### **How to apply**

Download and complete the relevant application form:

[SAIMI Bursary Application Form 2025 \(Undergraduate student\)](#) (.pdf)

[SAIMI Bursary Application Form 2025 \(Honours or Masters student\)](#) (.pdf)

[SAIMI Bursary Application Form 2025 \(PhD student\)](#) (.pdf)

Applications must be submitted via email to: [info@saimi.co.za](mailto:info@saimi.co.za)  
(Insert the words “SAIMI Bursary 2025” in the email subject line).