



# Tertiary Scholarship & Loans Board

**“Building a Smarter Fiji”**

## **SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME FOR STUDENTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS 2021**

These are fully funded Fijian Government Scholarships for students with Special Needs for studies in Fiji.

Students completing their studies from the following institutions/schools are eligible to apply for the Scholarship Scheme for Students with Special Needs.

- i. Safe Care Homes registered with the Department of Social Welfare.
- ii. Special Schools that accommodate children with special needs.
- iii. Special Students enrolled for studies at any other Ministry of Education, Heritage and Arts recognized schools in Fiji.

Twenty (20) full time scholarships for any award program are available for students with special needs for the year 2021.

The Scholarship does not sponsor Foundation studies, bridging courses, unclassified undergraduate programs, programs not attracting sufficient cross credits, short courses or franchise programs.

### **Application Eligibility Criteria**

To be eligible for this scholarship, the applicant must satisfy all the eligibility criteria as follows:

- i. Applicants must be Fijian Citizens;
- ii. Applicants must be ordinarily residents in Fiji for at least three years prior to the award commencement date;
- iii. Applicant must have completed and passed at least Year 12 Examination;
- iv. Full medical certificate confirming the permanent status of the impairment of the applicant must be attached with the application;
- v. Applicant must not be an existing student or applying to upgrade an existing technical, vocational or tertiary education; and
- vi. Must have the final offer letter from a local qualifying Higher Education Institution (“HEI”) in an eligible award program.

### **How to Apply**

- i. Application qualifying Fijians for this scheme will have an option to either apply online or manually.
- ii. To apply manually:
  - Visit the TSLB Website [www.tslb.com.fj](http://www.tslb.com.fj) , download and print Form TSLB 03.
  - Fill the form, attach all the required documents and hand-deliver to a TSLB Office nearest to you.
- iii. To apply online:

- Scan and get all the required documents ready before starting the process of applying online in the pdf, png, or jpg format.
- Visit [www.tslb.com.fj](http://www.tslb.com.fj) and register for the TSLB online application. Applicants cannot apply online unless registered first.
- Once registered, fill the appropriate information.
- Upload all the required documents.
- Submit the online application.

### **Eligible Institutions for the Scheme**

- Fiji National University (“FNU”).
- The University of the South Pacific (“USP”).
- University of Fiji (“UOF”).
- Sangam College of Nursing and Health Care Education;
- Fulton Adventist University College.
- Corpus Christi Teachers College.
- Technical Colleges of Fiji (administered by FNU).

### **Required Documents for Application**

- An official academic transcript for the current highest qualification. In case you are in Year 12 and 13 or equivalent Studies *you must apply without the Year 13/Foundation Studies results before the application closing date. However, you will need to submit the same as soon as the results are released, but no later than the application processing closing date).*
- Offer letter from the Higher Education Institute. *(Students can apply without the final offer letter from the Higher Education Institutions, but need to submit the same as soon as the offer letters are received, but no later than the application processing closing date).*
- Full medical certificate confirming the permanent status of the impairment.
- Certified true copy of the Birth Certificate.
- Copy of Student’s TIN Letter/FRCA-FNPF Joint Card.
- Evidence of Parents’/Guardians’ Income (Salary Slip for working parents/guardians or Statutory Declaration prepared and signed by the parents/guardians and witnessed by a Justice of Peace (JP) or Commissioner of Oaths for parents/guardians who are not working or are in self-employment. Parents /Guardians running a business must submit the most recent tax assessment by FRCS).
- Copy of Parents’/Guardians’ TIN Letter/FRCA-FNPF Joint Card.
- Copy of bank statement with account under the applicant’s name.
- Recent passport size photo.

### **Application and Processing Opening and Closing Dates**

These dates will be advertised by TSLB in the near future. Visit TSLB website [www.tslb.com.fj](http://www.tslb.com.fj) or Facebook account (Tertiary Scholarship and Loans Board) to find out about the opening and closing dates. These dates will also be advertised in the media.

The Online Application Portal is currently closed and will be accessible once the applications open.

### **Provision of False Information is a serious offence under the False Information Act 2016.**

Late and incomplete applications will STRICTLY not be considered.

Full information on the schemes eligibility criteria, and a step by step guide on how to apply online is available on the TSLB website [www.tslb.com.fj](http://www.tslb.com.fj). Live Online Chat Services facility is also available on our website [www.tslb.com.fj](http://www.tslb.com.fj) and can also be used for any queries between 8. 00a.m to 5. 00p.m from Mondays – Fridays.

For any issues with the online application, Fijians are requested to email to [it@tslb.com.fj](mailto:it@tslb.com.fj) with full particulars of the issue. All applicants must state their TIN in any queries emailed to TSLB.