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## **PPS EXTENDS DEADLINE FOR R1 MILLION IN BURSARIES AND SCHOLARSHIPS**

*16 January 2012:* PPS – the financial services company focused on graduate professionals – has extended the deadline for all university students studying towards a professional degree to apply for a bursary or scholarship to the 31<sup>st</sup> of January 2012.

According to Mike Jackson, CEO at PPS, the annual PPS bursaries and scholarships, which now total R1 million, form part of the company's ongoing effort to provide much-needed financial assistance to scholars across the country.

“PPS’ aim behind this initiative is to help address the critical need for skills development in South Africa. As a niche player in the graduate professional market, PPS would like to make a difference and support initiatives that will drive education of our youth to enable them to realise their dreams and make a significant contribution in our society,” says Jackson.

To be eligible for the awards, the student must be registered at a South African university and must be studying towards a profession, which on qualification, would be eligible for PPS membership such as medicine, accountancy or engineering. Bursaries are awarded on financial need basis and scholarships on academic excellence. Students must be registering for a fourth academic year of study or a post-graduation degree. The student must also be a citizen or permanent resident of South Africa.

Students who are interested can visit the Student Zone webpage on [www.pps.co.za](http://www.pps.co.za) to apply.