



PPS awards R200,000 in bursaries – investing in SA’s skills

PPS Insurance, the only company in South Africa that caters exclusively for graduate professionals, has furthered its commitment to education and skills development locally, by granting R200 000 worth of bursaries, through the annual PPS Chairman’s Bursaries Award.

This year, twenty bursaries, worth R10 000 each, were awarded to deserving university students, from across the country. These funds are made available to pay for tuition and books.

According to Mike Jackson, PPS Insurance CEO, the bursary programme aims to build a strong local graduate professional base, by assisting students who are studying towards a professional career.

“We are deeply committed to growing the skills and competencies of future generations. The PPS Chairman’s Bursaries Award is a reflection of this and allows us to support fellow graduate professionals who are, essentially, our future members,” says Jackson.

Students from universities all over South Africa applied for the bursaries. The successful candidates came from Rhodes University; Stellenbosch University; the University of Cape Town; Wits University; University of Limpopo; University of Zululand; University of the Free State and the Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University.

Jackson says that the motivations received from these students were both touching and encouraging. “These are dedicated and hardworking students, who often face incredibly difficult financial situations.”

“Education is a fundamental right and it is truly rewarding for us to be able to assist in furthering these students’ learning through the bursaries we award. It’s a privilege to help them realise their full potential and ultimately, their career dreams,” says Jackson.

The PPS Chairman’s Bursaries Award is now in its 11th year and has awarded more than R2-million in scholarships and bursaries to students studying towards professional careers since its inception.