

Confidential Application for Accounting Bursary

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A. PERSONAL DETAILS

Title:	RSA Citizen (✓): Yes No
Surname:	Date of birth:
First name(s):	ID no.:
Postal address:	Your phone number (Home):
Postal code:	Your cellphone number:
Residential address:	Father's work phone number:
Postal code:	Father's cellphone number:
Parents' names and occupations:	Mother's work phone number:
Father:	Mother's cellphone number:
Mother:	Fax number:
	E-mail address:
	Race (for EE legislation purposes):
	Gender:

B. EDUCATION

Name of school attended: _____

What are/were your favourite subjects? _____

Why did you find your favourite subject interesting? _____

What subjects did you enjoy the least? (Give your reasons) _____

In what school activities did you participate? _____

What did you personally gain from these school activities? _____

Were you a school prefect or in a similar position? _____

What other positions of leadership did you hold? _____

What did you learn from these leadership positions? _____

Do you believe you have leadership potential? (Give reasons) _____

In what ways do you feel that you contributed to your school? _____

What would you regard as your main achievements at school? _____

What are your hobbies/interests? _____

What personal satisfaction do you gain from your hobbies? _____

Any special features relating to this application that you would like to bring to our attention? (Give details)

C. BURSARY DETAILS (to be completed by school-leavers)

1. If you are successful in your application for an Old Mutual Accounting Bursary:
 - (a) Which university will you attend? _____
 - (b) When will you start? _____
 - (c) Which degree will you take? _____
 - (d) Which subjects will you take? _____
 - (e) What extra-mural activities do you plan to get involved in and why? _____

2. If you are not successful with your application, what will you do? _____

NOTE: Application for university acceptance and residence is your responsibility and should be done timeously. It should not be regarded as a step that is only taken once the bursary is awarded.

D. FUTURE CAREER

What is your alternative career choice? _____

Write an essay in your own handwriting (no less than 300 words) weighing up the relative merits of an accounting career and your alternative choice; give your reasons for choosing to do articles via Old Mutual, state what special strengths you think you possess and how they will help you to become a successful Chartered Accountant. **Attach the essay to your application.**

After carefully considering the Financial Accounting syllabus, which subject do you think will be the most interesting? (Give your reasons.)

Write a short autobiography in your own handwriting (approximately 300 words) highlighting your pleasant (and not-so-pleasant) memories, your family, your friends, schooling and extra-mural activities. **Attach the autobiography to your application.**

D1. Please INTERPRET the captions using one or two sentences to describe what this means to YOU.

When I was six . . . _____

This time last year . . . _____

Today . . . _____

This time next year . . . _____

My role model . . . _____

Who's smiling now? _____

My first pay cheque . . . _____

How partnering with Old Mutual will work for me . . . _____

How I see my place in the world as a fully qualified professional . . . _____

How my qualification will serve me in the years to come . . . _____

In the next 15 years I will be . . . _____

I'll tell my grandchildren a story about . . . _____

E. GENERAL

Why are you applying specifically for an Old Mutual bursary? _____

For what other bursaries have you applied? _____

How did you hear about the Old Mutual Accounting Bursary Programme? _____

When did you first become interested in a career as a Chartered Accountant? _____

Who introduced you to the career and how? Why? _____

Have you spoken to (indicate with a ✓):

An accounting student? **Yes** **No**

An articled clerk? **Yes** **No**

A qualified Chartered Accountant? **Yes** **No**

If **Yes**, how did this enhance your understanding of the accounting profession? _____

Indicate (with a ✓) what other sources you have used to obtain information:

OM Website

SAICA

Career books

Career exhibitions

School referral

Old Mutual booklet

Other

F. BURSARY CONDITIONS

If the bursary is awarded, it will be made subject to you entering into Old Mutual's standard bursary contract which includes the following conditions:

1. A contract of service with Old Mutual (South Africa) in Pinelands, Western Cape.
2. The bursary may be withdrawn at the discretion of Old Mutual in the event of unsatisfactory progress.
3. Withdrawal of the bursary or failure to fulfill the service contract will result in all bursary monies, together with interest at a rate to be determined by Old Mutual, being repayable immediately.
4. Meeting Old Mutual security requirements and consenting to Old Mutual making enquiries to verify information disclosed and/or obtaining information concerning yourself to other sources.
5. Please attach a copy of your ID to the application.
6. Should you be awarded the Old Mutual Accounting bursary, you will be required to study at the University of Cape Town or University of Stellenbosch.
7. To qualify you need matric with at least 70% or Level 6 for Mathematics (not Maths Literacy) and English. Applicants who wrote Matric (Grade 12) prior to 2008 must have obtained at least 70% for all subjects, including Mathematics and English.
8. It is important that all applications with supporting documents reach Old Mutual by the 15 July.
9. Should you not hear from us by the 31st October please assume that your application has been unsuccessful.
10. Please note that this opportunity is intended for EE/AA candidates only.
11. Students who are already at tertiary level do not qualify for this opportunity.

I hereby certify that the information provided on this form is correct.

Signature of applicant

Date

Signature of legal guardian

Date

This completed application must be returned to:

THE CO-ORDINATOR
 ACCOUNTING BURSARY APPLICATIONS
 FINRISC HR 4C
 OLD MUTUAL
 PO BOX 66
 CAPE TOWN 8000
 TELEPHONE 021 509 2656

**APPLICATIONS MUST REACH OLD MUTUAL BY THE 15th OF JULY.
 (Applications received after this date will not be considered.)**

SECTIONS G AND H TO BE COMPLETED BY THE HEADMASTER/HEADMISTRESS.

Your comments will be treated as strictly confidential. Please provide all the requested information.

Name of applicant _____

Name of school _____

Address _____

Telephone _____

Signature

Date

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G. ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

School subjects	Percentage obtained <u>not</u> symbols/levels			Usual position in Grade for each subject	Number of students in Grade
	Specify whether 1st or 2nd Language	Grade 10	Grade 11		

What academic or other special recognition has the applicant received? _____

In your opinion, what special attributes indicate that the applicant is suited to a career as a Chartered Accountant? _____

What would you consider to be the applicant's:

Major strengths? _____

Weaknesses? _____

Other comments _____

If June results are not yet available, application forms can still be submitted. Results must be faxed to 021 509 3007 by the 31st July.

H. PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS

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	Below Average	Average	Above Average	Excellent	Comments
Attendance Record					
Ability:					
Aptitude for learning					
Verbal communication					
Written communication					
Industriousness					
Initiative					
Leadership					
Overcoming obstacles					
Making things happen					
Personality/Character:					
Emotional maturity					
Dependability					
Self-confidence					
Self-motivation					
Ability to get along with others:					
With teachers					
With friends					

I. CHECKLIST

	YES	NO	Comment
Have you attached your Grade 10, Grade 11 and Grade 12 (midterm results)? If your Grade 12 (midterm results) are not available, please submit your application from in the meantime and indicate that your results will follow as soon as they are available.			
Have you attached the autobiography?			
Have you attached the accounting career essay?			
Have you attached a copy of your ID?			

Please note the following:

- The award of the bursary will be made from the designated group in line with the Employment Equity Plan of Old Mutual South Africa.
- Should you be awarded the Old Mutual Accounting bursary, you will be required to study at the University of Cape Town.

Closing Date for applications is the 15 July