



**Tertiary Scholarship and Loans Board**  
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**2755 Applications Received for 2021 as of 7<sup>th</sup> January**

The Tertiary Scholarship and Loans Board wishes to remind all Fijians that applications for the National Toppers Local Scholarship, Scholarship Scheme for Students with Special Needs, Tertiary Education Loans Scheme for New Students, Technical College of Fiji Students and students who have completed Year 12 in 2017 or thereafter for the approved engineering programs offered by the Fiji National University are still open till 24<sup>th</sup> January 2021.

Applications for Tertiary Education Loans Scheme for Existing Students, Public Sector Employees and Private Sector Employees closed on 31 December 2020 for those wishing to apply for assistance for academic term one of 2021. Processing for these schemes have commenced and is expected to be completed by 22 January 2021.

As of 7<sup>th</sup> January 2021, a total of 2755 applications have been received by TSLB with the breakdown of schemes as follows:

- National Toppers Local Scholarship Scheme- 1526
- Tertiary Education Loans Scheme for New Students- 976
- Tertiary Education Loans Scheme for Existing Students-142
- Tertiary Education Loans Scheme for Public Sector Employees- 24
- Tertiary Education Loans Scheme for Private Sector Employees-31
- Tertiary Education Loans Scheme for TCF Students-49
- Tertiary Education Loans Scheme for Year 12 students for FNU Engineering programs- 7

Students who have completed Year 12 or 13 in 2020 are reminded that they must register and apply before 24<sup>th</sup> January 2021. This is even if they do not have their Year 12/13 results, final program offer letter, rent/hostel agreement or evidence of residential address from where they will be travelling for classes. Students must register and complete all other aspects of the application before 24 January 2020. They will still be given time till 19<sup>th</sup> February 2021 to upload the Year 12/13 results, final program offer letter, rent/hostel agreement or evidence of residential address.

TSLB also requests students who are facing difficulties in applying, particularly those from the areas affected by TC Yasa to contact the TSLB Office nearest to them for assistance. Our team stands ready to help those from the TC Yasa affected areas to ensure that they are given permissible access and equal opportunity to complete their application before the due date.

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