



4 November 2015

TO: VICE-CHANCELLORS

CIRCULAR 30/2015

ACADEMIC YEAR 2013; 2014 HISTORIC DEBT AND 2015 SHORTFALL

The Department of Higher Education and Training and Universities South Africa thanks all universities for providing the relevant data on the historic debt and shortfall for 2013 and 2014 academic years as well as the 2015 shortfall data. Given the quantum of funding required, based on information submitted by universities, the **Presidential Task Team** at its meeting on Saturday, 31 October 2015 has deemed it prudent that detailed lists of students, supporting the 2013, 2014 and 2015 data submitted to the Department, be requested from institutions. This would enable the task team to quantify and verify the additional funding required. The information required must be submitted in an Excel document **showing separately 2013; 2014 and 2015** data and is as follows:

- a. Name and surname of student;
- b. Identification number of student;
- c. Outstanding debt as per student fee account (tuition and accommodation fees);
- d. NSFAS Means Test results for the 2013; 2014 and 2015 academic years;
- e. Course of study; and
- f. Each academic year must be shown separately.

Universities are requested to provide separate lists for 2013; 2014 and 2015. The Department is cognizant of the fact that audited data for 2015 will not be available. Please submit the requested information to Ms P Whittle, email: whittle.p@dhet.gov.za and copy Ms B van Lingen, email: admin@universitiessa.ac.za by **Wednesday, 11 November 2015**. If you have any queries in relation to the requested information, please contact Ms Whittle on 082 572 2536.

Your cooperation in this regard will be highly appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

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