# Undergraduate Students in Distress Fund

UNIVERSITY OF CAPE TOWN, FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCES

Sustained through generosity & compassion

Providing urgent financial support to vulnerable students from low-income backgrounds with little financial support to cover daily living expenses or emergencies

**R746,105.21**Donations since 2004

> 400 students
Urgently assisted

## About the Fund

For the past 21 years, the University of Cape Town's (UCT) Faculty of Health Sciences (FHS) has assisted vulnerable undergraduate students requiring emergency financial support through the Undergraduate Student in Distress (UGSID) Fund. This fund, established in 2004 through the generosity of teaching staff familiar with their students' challenges, relies on the support of individual donors to sustain it.

# To donate

Account Name: UCT Donations Account Bank: Standard Bank of South Africa

**Account Number: 07 152 2387** 

Branch Code: 025009 Swift Code: SBZAZAJJ

Reference: Reference: Your Name-UGSID231494

Online Donations: UCT Alumni Giving

## Focus of the Fund

The UGSID Fund is an agile response to urgent and emergent needs. It provides short-term financial support to cover daily living expenses or emergencies such as access to meals, basic toiletries, accommodation/rent, medication, eye tests and the provision of spectacles to enable effective studying, and home travel for emergencies such as the death of an immediate family member.

We believe that no student's socioeconomic status should determine their optimal functioning during their studies, nor affect their cognitive, emotional and educational well-being.

#### Proof of Payment

Please send your proof of payment to Nonkosi Malala at Nonkosi.Malala@uct.ac.za for a personal note of gratitude and a tax certificate.

