



# Petroleum Resources Kutubu Education Subsidy Program **2025** Information Sheet



The Education Subsidy Program was launched in 2022 by nine trustee companies, to provide tuition subsidy to students from mining, gas, and petroleum project areas. The Mineral Resources Development Company (MRDC) oversees the program, ensuring a fair and transparent selection process that adheres to Board-approved policies and regulations.

Students from the following regions under the trustee companies are eligible for the tuition subsidy:

- **Petroleum Resources Kutubu Limited (PDL 2):**  
Fasu (Lower & Upper), Foe, Kikori PL2 (Kibiri, Kerewo, Rumu & IKP)

**Program Impact:** Since 2022, the program has supported **8,848** students:

Mining  
**4,076**

Petroleum  
**1,594**

Gas  
**2,778**

## Key Dates:

- Applications Open: **15 November 2024**
- Applications Close: **03 January 2025**
- Vetting and Selection: **06 January to 24 January 2025**
- Announcement of Successful Candidates: **27 January 2025**
- Payment of Fees to Institutions: **03 February 2025**

### Eligibility Criteria:

1. Be a direct beneficiary (as defined by project MOAs/Tribe of origin/ILG or Clan).
2. Complete Grade 12 with a GPA of 2.5 or above for undergraduate programs.
3. Submit a fully completed application form before the closing date.
4. Answer short essay questions (assessed).
5. Obtain endorsements from recognised endorsers.
6. Be an existing student or accepted to a DHERST-sanctioned tertiary institution (list on page 3-4)
7. Attach a copy of the offer letter, fee structure, and other supporting documents.
8. For technical, trades, and vocational training, have a minimum entry-level qualification.

### Application Process:

- **Form Availability:** Electronic (PDF) forms at [www.mrdc.com.pg](http://www.mrdc.com.pg) or email [scholarships@mrdc.com.pg](mailto:scholarships@mrdc.com.pg). Hard copies will be delivered to communities from November to January 2024.
- **Submission:** Ensure all e-copies are in PDF format and clear. Incomplete forms are ineligible.

### Selection Process:

- **Registration:** Submit applications before the closing date on January 03, 2024, for registration and data entry.
- **Vetting:** The Education Subsidy Selection Committee will vet applications. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted. An Offer Letter and Student Detail Form will be sent to the Successful candidate. Candidates must be contactable via email or phone calls.
- **Payment:** Fees will be credited directly to the respective institutions' bank accounts.

### Continuing Awardees:

- Students supported under this program since 2022 and will continue to 2025 program are required to ensure you submit completed Student Bio Data Form. Contact scholarship office to verify records if unsure of your status.
- Students on termination, withdrawn or suspended by their study institution based on disciplinary and academic matters will lose this award. Contact scholarship officers for further information.

**Contact Information:** For more details

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**Note:** The subsidy program does not cover travel tickets, off-campus accommodation, book and laptop allowances, or stipends.

The trustee companies and its board recognise all accredited institutions under the Department of Higher Education Research, Science and Technology (DHERST). These institutions include.

### For further information:

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# Accredited Institutions

PRK recognises the Department of Higher Education, Research, Science, and Technology (DHERST) accredited institutions. Applicants currently studying or intending to study at any of these institution can submit a completed application form with relevant supporting documents. Applications will not be considered for non-accredited institutions.

Number	Names of Institutions	Location
<b>Universities</b>		
1	Divine Word University	Madang
2	Pacific Adventist University	NCD
3	PNG University of Technology	Lae
4	PNG University of Natural Resource Environment	ENBP
5	University of Goroka	EHP
6	University of Papua New Guinea	NCD
7	Western Pacific University	SHP
<b>Teacher Training Colleges</b>		
1	Balob Teachers College	Lae
2	Dauli Teachers College	SHP
3	Gaulim Teachers College	ENBP
4	Olsh Kabaleo Teachers College	ENBP
5	Madang Teachers College	Madang
6	St Benedict's Teachers College	Wewak
7	Nazarene Teachers College	Jiwaka
8	Simbu Teachers College	Simbu
9	St Peter Chanel Catholic College of Secondary Teacher Education	Kokopo
10	Sacred Heart Teachers College	NCD
11	Holy Trinity Teachers College	Mt Hagen
12	Sonoma Adventist College	ENBP
13	Southern Highlands Teachers College	Mendi
14	Daulo Foursquare Teachers College	Simbu
15	Goroka Teachers College	Goroka
<b>Nursing Colleges</b>		
1	Lutheran College of Nursing	Madang
2	St Mary's College of Nursing	ENBP
3	Enga College of Nursing	Enga
4	Mendi College of Nursing	SHP
5	Highlands Regional College of Nursing	EHP
6	Lae School of Nursing	Morobe
7	Nazarene College of Nursing	Jiwaka
8	Kapuna CHW Training School	Gulf
9	Rumginae School of Nursing	Western
10	St Barnabas School of Nursing	Alotau



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11	St Gerard's School of Nursing	Central
12	West New Britain School of Nursing	WNB
13	Kumin CHW Training College	Mendi
14	Kundiawa Nursing School	Simbu
<b>Technical/Business Colleges</b>		
1	Don Bosco Technical Institute	NCD
2	Don Bosco Simbu Technical College	Kundiawa
3	Madang Technical College	Madang
4	Goroka Technical College	EHP
5	Mt Hagen Technical College	WHP
6	Port Moresby Technical College	NCD
7	National Polytech Institute	Morobe
8	Kokopo Business College	ENBP
9	Port Moresby Business College	NCD
10	Institute of Business Studies University	NCD
11	International Training Institute	NCD
12	IEA College of TAFE	NCD
13	AOG Jubilee Institute of Higher Education	NCD
14	Kiunga Vocational Technical College	Kiunga
15	Caritas Business College	NCD
16	Pimaga TVET Centre	Kutubu
<b>Agriculture Institutions</b>		
1	Highlands Agriculture College	Mt Hagen
2	Bulolo University College	Morobe
3	Kavieng Fisheries College	Kavieng
<b>Other Institutions</b>		
1	PNG Institute of Banking and Business Management	NCD
2	Christian Leaders Training College	Jiwaka
3	PNG Institute of Governance and Leadership	NCD
4	PNG Human Resource Institute	NCD
5	Lawes Bible Training College	NCD
6	Rarongo Theological College	ENBP
7	PNG Maritime College	Madang
8	Pacific Maritime College	NCD
9	UOG Institute of Distance and Flexible Learning	Goroka
10	ECPNG Igeyaba Bible and Training Centre	Kutubu
11	Omaura Adventist School of Ministry	Goroka
12	Aiyura Aircraft Maintenance Engineering	Kainantu
13	Simbu Unitech Satellite University	Simbu
14	Pacific Training Institute (Technical College) Crane and Engineering	Lae
15	Acatech Aviation Training College (Engineering Only)	NCD