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All GATE Approved Tertiary Level Institutions

Re: Extension of the GATE Programme for students matriculating into a Bachelor's Degree


Please be informed that the Government of Trinidad and Tobago (GORTT) agreed to the extension to the Government Assistance for Tuition Expenses (GATE) Programme:

- a) With immediate effect, students enrolled in institutions and programmes accredited by the Accreditation Council of Trinidad and Tobago be funded as follows:
 - i. For one (1) non-terminal programme and One (1) Bachelor's Degree, or
 - ii. for one (1) Diploma and One (1) Bachelor's Degree, or
 - iii. for one (1) Advanced Diploma and One (1) Bachelor's Degree, or
 - iv. for one (1) Associate Degree and One (1) Bachelor's Degree, or
 - v. for one (1) terminal qualification (certificate) programme and One (1) Bachelor's Degree, or
 - vi. one TVET level three (3) programme or equivalent as Diploma and one TVET level four (4) programme equivalent as Advanced Diploma, or
 - vii. one TVET level four (4) programme equivalent as Advanced Diploma and one TVET level five (5) programme equivalent as a Bachelor's Degree, or
 - viii. one TVET level three (3) programme equivalent as Diploma and one TVET level five (5) programme equivalent as a Bachelor's Degree.
- b) that in order to matriculate upwards, students should register for the baccalaureate certification within two (2) years of completion of initial course of study.
- c) The course of study should be aligned to the areas identified on the Interim Development List, as well as legacy areas associated with maintaining the cadre of professionals in the areas of Medicine, Engineering, Science and Technology, Agriculture, Law, Psychology, Social Work, the Creative Sector and Sports
- d) With respect to retroactivity, citizens under the age of 50 already in possession of a bridging qualification as identified above be eligible to qualify for GATE funding to complete their Baccalaureate certification once they register by September 2024.

All interested applicants are encouraged to liaise with Funding and Grants Administration Division for further information.

Should you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Urban Huggins, Director, Funding and Grants Administration Division at (868) 663-0244 ext. (531) 2025 or email to urban.huggins@moe.gov.tt.

Regards,


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