**Faculty of Health Sciences**

**POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS**

**Submission deadline: 12 november 2024**

**VALUE: ZAR 300,000 for 2025**

The University of Cape Town’s Faculty of Health Sciences (FHS) invites applications for Postdoctoral Research Fellowships in the following areas:

* Cardiac research (ring-fenced funds are available for cardiac research)
* Cancer research (ring-fenced funds are available for cancer research)
* Open category: any research area in the Faculty of Health Sciences

Applicants should not be registered for study towards any degree or for a postdoctoral position elsewhere at the time of assuming the fellowship. Strong emphasis will be placed on the merit of the applicant and the quality of the research proposal. Applications for projects hosted in under-resourced research groupings are encouraged.

Applicants should submit a research proposal developed with a suitable scientific host employed in the Faculty of Health Sciences and if awarded the fellowship should be registered in the Faculty of Health Sciences. For information on the Faculty of Health Sciences and its research activities, see <http://www.health.uct.ac.za/>

The following conditions apply:

* Applicants who were awarded their PhD degree no earlier than December 2020 are eligible.
* **Applicants who have not yet obtained their PhD but have official proof that their PhD thesis has been examined and approved by the submission deadline of 12 November 2024 are eligible.**
* Only one application may be submitted per individual.
* Preference may be given to South African citizens.
* Applicants may not have held any previous professional or comprehensive academic posts.
* Successful candidates will be expected to spend most of their time undertaking the proposed research but may be required to participate in limited teaching duties as part of professional development.
* Successful candidates will not be expected to perform any service to the host department in return for the Fellowship.
* Fellowships are awarded for one year. Applications for renewal for one further year will be considered, subject to sufficient progress from the previous year’s award and in competition with new applications.
* The Faculty Postdoctoral Research Fellowship may be held concurrently with another formal research fellowship and/or supplementary grant provided 1) this does not contravene the other funders’ policies, and 2) the combined total funding does not exceed UCT’s capped value for postdoctoral research fellowships. This value changes annually and can be confirmed by UCT’s Postgraduate Funding Office.
* The Fellowship must be taken up by end of February 2025.
* Fellows will be required to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with the University of Cape Town, and a Memorandum of Understanding with their research host.
* Fellows will be required to comply with the University of Cape Town’s approved policies, procedures, and practices for the postdoctoral sector.

There are no fringe benefits, thus, the successful candidate is responsible for his or her own medical aid and insurance arrangements. Tax-free status will be arranged with the South African Revenue Service.

An application form is attached. Enquiries and completed applications should be addressed to:

Precious Nobongoza via email precious.nobongoza@uct.ac.za

The University of Cape Town reserves the right to: disqualify ineligible, incomplete and/or inappropriate applications; change the conditions of award or to make no awards at all.

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| **FACULTY OF Health sciences POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION**  **submission deadline: 12 November 2024** | | |
| **CARDIAC research (tick)** | |  |
| **CANCER Research (Tick)** | |  |
| **OTHER RESEARCH AREA (provide brief description)** |  | |

Give concise answers. Where applicable mark with **X**

Incomplete applications will not be considered.

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| **A** | **PARTICULARS OF APPLICANT** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| First names | | |  | | | | | | | | | | | Gender | |  | | | |
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| Telephone number & code | | |  | | | | | E-mail address | | | | |  | | | | | | |
| Are you currently residing in South Africa? | | | | | | | |  | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Would you require a VISA to take up this Fellowship in South Africa? | | | | | | | |  | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Name of institution at which you will obtain or have obtained your doctoral degree | | | | | | | |  | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Date at which you will obtain or have obtained your doctoral degree | | | | | | | |  | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| **B** | **DEGREES OBTAINED** (A full certified academic record must be attached as **ANNEXURE 2**) | | | | | | |
| Degree | First registration  (month/year) | | Degree obtained  (month/year) | Full-time/  Part-time | Institution | | Degree with distinction  (yes/no) |
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| Title of project for doctoral degree | | | | | | | |
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| **C** | **AWARD/S RECEIVED** | | | | | | |
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| **D** | **EXPERIENCE TO DATE** | | | | | | |
| Name of institution | | Position | | | | Period | |
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| **E** | **RESEARCH OUTPUTS** |
| Please supply your publication list. Full references (i.e. authors, title, year and name of journal/publisher, volume and page numbers) must be given. | |
| As publication and citation practices differ markedly between fields, with some areas characterised by higher citation rates than others, this information will be considered in the context of the applicants’ discipline or field.  - Journal articles   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Article reference | Citations | |  |  | |  |  | |  |  | |  |  |   - Conference proceedings   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Conference paper title | Conference and date | |  |  | |  |  | |  |  | |  |  | |  |  |   - Other research outputs   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | Output title | Date | Type | |  |  |  | |  |  |  | |  |  |  | |  |  |  | |  |  |  | | |

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| **F** | **DETAILS OF PROPOSED POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCH** | | | | |
| Short descriptive title of research project for this application | | | | | |
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| **Please attach details of research in a separate document titled Annexure 1 – maximum 2 pages**  In this, describe the research questions, rationale, collaborators, the anticipated major achievements, the anticipated impact of the research and potential for this to link to future funding applications. | | | | | |
| Proposed start and end date | | from (month/year) |  | to (month/year) |  |
| Research supervisor who has **AGREED** to host you and has approved this project submission | | | | | |
| Name | | |  | | |
| Position | | |  | | |
| Department | | |  | | |
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| **G** | **DETAILS OF OTHER PREVIOUS, CURRENT AND PENDING POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP FUNDING** | | | | |
| Please indicate any previous postdoctoral fellowship funding, any current postdoctoral funding and any postdoctoral funding applied for. | | | | | |
| *Institution hosting fellowship* | | *Funding source* | *Amount per annum* | *Year(s)* | *Status*  (completed / awarded / pending) |
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| **H** | | **DOCUMENTATION TO BE SUBMITTED DIRECTLY TO THE FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCES RESEARCH OFFICE BY THE HOST/SUPERVISOR:** [precious.nobongoza@uct.ac.za](mailto:precious.nobongoza@uct.ac.za)  **by 12 November 2024** | | | |
| Confidential evaluation by prospective supervisor of this postdoctoral fellowship (email directly to Faculty Research Office):   1. Please supply a detailed statement on the applicant’s qualifications and competence (e.g., intellectual ability, research aptitude, relevant scientific background, and ability to address the requirements of the project). 2. Indicate how the proposed project will assist in building research capacity, especially in under-resourced research teams or groups, including collaborative linkages with other projects. 3. If multiple applications are being submitted under the same supervisor, please rank this one in relation to the others. | | | | |  |
| If you have not yet held a postdoctoral fellowship, please ask your PhD supervisor to email the Faculty Research Office a confidential letter of recommendation | | | | |  |
| Name |  | | E-mail address |  | |
| If you currently hold a postdoctoral fellowship, please ask your current host of your fellowship to email the Faculty Research Office a confidential letter of recommendation | | | | |  |
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| **I** | **DECLARATION BY APPLICANT AND PROSPECTIVE HOST/SUPERVISOR** | | | |
| I certify that the information supplied in this application is correct and true. | | | | |
| Signature of applicant  Name and signature of prospective supervisor of this fellowship | |  | Date |  |
| Name and signature of prospective supervisor of this fellowship | |  | Date |  |