FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT AND LAW

POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP

Governance and Anti-Corruption Studies

Type: Postdoctoral research fellowship linked to the research niche area of Governance and anti-corruption studies. The fellowships is a two-year fixed contract subject to satisfactory annual performance. The tax-free stipend is R300 000 per annum.

Introduction

The University of Limpopo (UL) invites applications for one (1) Postdoctoral Research Fellowship position. The post is affiliated with the Department of Public and Environmental Law. The Department seeks to expand its research footprint in Elections and Electoral Law. The Fellowship aims to strengthen the department's research and intellectual output. It provides structured postdoctoral training for recent doctoral graduates. The role supports the development of advanced research skills, publication output, and academic career preparation. The Fellowship is tenable for two (2) years, commencing as soon as possible.

Minimum Requirements

Applicants must have:

- An LLD or PhD degree (NQF Level 10) in Constitutional Law.
- Degree completed within the last five (5) years.
- Evidence of research productivity with peer-reviewed publications.
- Demonstrated interest in elections and electoral law.
- Strong written and oral communication skills.
- Good computer and data management skills.
- Ability to work independently.

Key Responsibilities

Successful candidates will:

- Conduct high-quality research in elections and electoral law.
- Publish in DHET-accredited journals and books.
- Assist with postgraduate supervision and mentorship.
- Support grant proposal development.
- Promote national and international research collaborations.
- Participate in departmental research seminars.
- Build a strong institutional research culture.
- Comply with university research ethics policies.

Expected outputs:

During the fellowship, the successful candidate will be expected to produce:

- At least 4 accredited journal publications over the two-year fellowship.
- Several conference presentations at national and international scientific meetings.
- At least one competitive external research grant application.
- Research reports for stakeholders.
- Contributions to postgraduate student supervision and capacity development.
- Collaborative publications with the host supervisor and research team.
- Participation in multidisciplinary research projects within the Faculty and University.

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CLOSING DATE: 23RD OCTOBER 2026

Please submit motivation letter clearly outlining your suitability and proposed research agenda, a detailed CV with all your names, addresses, contact details and e-mail address and include contact numbers of three (3) referees, certified copies of all qualifications including Matric / Grade 12 Certificate, academic transcripts, copies of selected recent peer-reviewed publications and a South African ID/ Passport should be forwarded to Human Resources Officer, e-mail applications recruitment15@ul.ac.za

Telephonic enquiries regarding conditions of service: **Ms NA Mbatsane** (**Tel 015 268 2800)**

It is the applicant's responsibility to have foreign obtained qualifications evaluated by the South African qualifications Authority. Please note that failure to submit the requested documents/information will result in your application not being considered.

The University of Limpopo is an Equal Opportunity Employer. All appointments will be made in accordance with University's Employment Equity Police. Preference: **Postdoctoral Fellowship,** will be given to Males (African & Indian) and Female (African).

Correspondence will be limited to short-listed candidates only. Applicants who have not been contacted within 30 days of the closing date must consider their applicants as unsuccessful.

The University reserves the right not to make an appointment.