

# PhD (Cardiology) bursary

SUNHEART is offering a three (3) year bursary for a suitable candidate to complete a PhD in the Division of Cardiology, Department of Medicine, Stellenbosch University and Tygerberg Hospital. The bursary will be available from 01 February 2024. The bursary provided will be similar to the after tax income of the registered category.

## This research post is aimed at one of two groups of candidates:

- 1. Specialist physicians or cardiologists wanting to complete a PhD in cardiovascular sciences
- 2. Highly motivated, post community service medical doctors with strong academic backgrounds planning a career in the cardiovascular sciences (pre-internal medicine specialisation for South African candidates). International candidates who can demonstrate they fall in a similar category and can fulfil the requirements stated below will be considered.

The Division of Cardiology, Stellenbosch University has research interests in acute coronary syndromes, valvular and pericardial disease as well as the innovative use of cardiovascular imaging in a variety of cardiovascular conditions including congenital heart disease and cardiomyopathy. Interested candidates will be expected to develop a suitable research proposal for presentation at the time of interviewing for the post.

## **Requirements**

1. MBChB (or equivalent) obtained in a recognised training institution or Masters-degree

### **Recommendations**

- 1. Qualification as a Specialist Physician FCP(SA) or equivalent for international applicants
- 2. Qualification as a Cardiologist (Cert Cardiology)
- 3. Experience in cardiology or cardiovascular imaging
- 4. Prior experience in CMR
- 5. Prior research experience

### <u>Duties</u>

- 1. Successful completion of the PhD (Cardio) please see yearbook for requirements
- 2. Targeted clinical duties will be integrated into the post for career development
- 3. Participation in the division's training program is expected
- 4. Conducting research into cardiac disease prevalent in South Africa

### Please send your CV with a motivation letter to:

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### Closing date: 15/01/2024