STELLENBOSCH UNIVERSITY

SUBCOMITTEE A* POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIPS

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR FUNDING IN 2025

Availability

Sub-Committee A has five postdoctoral fellowships available for research in the human and social sciences with in 2025

Guidelines

- 1. The fellowships are awarded to permanently appointed C1 personnel (hosts), who then advertise for possible candidates. The final appointment of the preferred candidate must be approved by Subcommittee A.
- 2. The aim of these fellowships is to bring in expertise from outside. Postdoctoral candidates who obtained their doctorates from Stellenbosch University will only be considered for funding if the host can provide sufficient evidence that he/she has made a credible effort to attract an external candidate but has been unable to recruit someone with the required background and skills.
- 3. Applications will be competitive. Evaluation of applications will be based on the academic merit of the applicant (host) and of the proposed research project.
- 4. Fellowships are awarded for a period of one year. Funding for the second year will be for the faculty's consideration based on the progress report submitted to faculty.
- 5. Current grant holders may not apply.
- 6. A suitable candidate must be recruited within six months after the fellowship has been awarded to the host.
- 7. In 2025, the value of the postdoctoral fellowship will be **R300 000**. The host is allowed to top up this grant, but it may not be held concurrently with another postdoc grant. (In such an instance, the host should rather apply for a supplement towards the other grant.)
- 8. The grant does not include running costs. It is the responsibility of the host to ensure that there are adequate funds available from other sources to cover the running costs of the project.
- 9. The committee reserves the right not to award a postdoctoral fellowship.

Application procedure

Calls for applications are now open. Applications must be submitted to the Division for Research Development on the provided form. An applicant may only submit one application.

Please note that these applications should be submitted by prospective hosts of postdoctoral candidates and NOT by the candidates themselves.

Should an application be successful, the applicant can then advertise suitable candidates. A brief motivation and CV of the preferred candidate must be submitted for ratification by Subcommittee A by no later than 1 April 2025.

Scanned or pdf copies of applications must be submitted to sbrooks@sun.ac.za by 10:00 on 1 April 2025. Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.

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*Please note that only full-time, permanent staff from the Faculties of Arts and Social Sciences, Education, Law, Theology, Economic and Management Sciences and Military Sciences are eligible to apply for funding from Subcommittee A. Wellmotivated applications from staff in the professional support divisions will also be considered.