Subcommittee B of the Research Committee

Call for applications for full post-doctoral research fellowships (postdocs) for 2017

Applications for the next round of Subcommittee B full post-doctoral research fellowships grants are now invited.

The following general information and procedures will apply:

- All full-time, permanent academic staff members from the Faculties of Science, AgriSciences and Engineering can apply for the fellowships as potential hosts.
- These fellowships are primarily intended to attract post-doctoral candidates *from other universities or organisations* (local or international) to Stellenbosch University. The final appointment is approved by Subcommittee B. 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.
- Only one Subcommittee B postdoctoral fellowship grant may be held at a time. Applicants who were successful in the previous call are thus not eligible to apply in this call.
- Applicants may only submit **one application** in this call.
- Fellowships are allocated on the basis of academic merit.
- Fellowships must be taken up within 6 months of the award being made. It is thus important that applicants should be reasonably sure that he/she will be able to recruit a suitable candidate in that timeframe.
- Postdoctoral candidates may only be funded once from a full Subcommittee B postdoctoral fellowship grant.
- The grant value will be R200 000 per year, and can be supplemented by the host from his/her own sources of funding, but may not be held concurrently with any other postdoctoral fellowship.
- The grant does not include running costs and it is the responsibility of the host to provide adequate running costs for the full period of the fellowship.
- Grants for Postdoctoral fellowships are normally awarded to SU hosts for a period of one year, renewable for a second year. The decision to extend the grant to a second year will be based on available funding and demonstrated progress by the candidate.
- Postdoctoral candidates should also be encouraged to apply for funding from alternative sources, such as the NRF and Claude Leon Foundation, for continuation of the postdoctoral fellowship beyond the subcommittee funding period.
- Hosts will be expected to submit a progress report after one year and a final report after two years. Should there be no or extremely limited progress after year one, the committee may decide to terminate the grant.

Scanned or pdf copies of applications must be submitted on the provided form to the Division for Research Development (mfouche@sun.ac.za), **by 28 November 2016 at 10:00.**

Kind regards

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