

Contact Details

The aim of this brochure is to introduce you to Subcommittee C and to provide an overview of funding opportunities within the committee. If you require further information, feel free to contact:

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Subcommittee C meeting dates 2017

Agenda closes	Meeting date
12 January	26 January 2017
27 March	10 April 2017
22 May	5 June 2017
7 August	21 August 2017
16 October	30 October 2017

Other Committees

RESEARCH COMMITTEE

Overarching committee advising Senate on research policy and the advancement of research at Stellenbosch University.

SUBCOMMITTEE A

Committee responsible for the advancement of research in the following faculties:

Arts and Social Sciences
Education
Law
Theology
Economic and Management Sciences
Military Science

SUBCOMMITTEE B

Committee responsible for the advancement of research in the following faculties:

Science
AgriSciences
Engineering

SUB-COMMITTEE DEALING WITH CENTRAL ANALYTICAL FACILITIES (CAF)

This committee is responsible for formulating policy, managing the CAF and advising the Senate on CAF issues.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR LABORATORY EQUIPMENT (ALE)

Committee responsible for advising the Vice-rector (Research, Innovation & Postgraduate Studies) on the appropriation of central research funds reserved for the purchase of large research equipment.

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SUBCOMMITTEE C of the RESEARCH COMMITTEE

Committee responsible for the advancement of research in the:

**Faculty of Medicine
and Health Sciences**

CHAIR: Prof Nico C Gey van Pittius

IN SUPPORT: Dr Tania Brodovcky



July 2017

Background

The Senate has approved that the Research Committee appoint three subcommittees representative of the broad groupings within the sciences, known as A (for the arts and humanities), B (for basic and applied natural science and engineering) and C (for the health sciences), to advise it on its wider functions. Subcommittee C members are appointed biannually and the chairperson and vice chair are elected by the members of the committee. The Senior Director: Research and Innovation is an *ex officio* member of the committee.

Subcommittee C fulfills 3 main functions, namely:

- To advise the Research Committee on research policy matters
- Internal screening of NRF rating applications
- To allocate research funding

Funding opportunities within Subcommittee C

RESEARCH ASSISTANCE

Four-year full time contract positions are made available to senior staff for assistance with research projects within the faculty.

Closing date for applications: September

TEMPORARY RESEARCH ASSISTANCE

Funding for part time research assistance is made available to researchers for specific projects.

Closing date for applications: September

LECTURER REPLACEMENT FUND

This opportunity is earmarked for lecturing staff within the Allied Health Professions to alleviate part of their lecturing load for the advancement of their research.

Closing date for applications: March

EARLY CAREER RESEARCH FUND

This temporary strategic funding is to enable early-career researchers to embark on a research project that would lead to the production of research outputs that would enable them to apply for grants.

Closing date for applications: November

POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIPS

Subcommittee C co-funds postdoctoral fellowships at R180,000 each, which are awarded competitively to candidates who obtained their PhD degrees within the past 5 years. Applications are made by the hosts.

Closing date for applications: September

SPECIAL SUPPORT SCHEME FOR RESEARCH (SSS/"SOS"-FUNDS)

A fixed amount (R9,000) is allocated annually for each publication unit earned for journal articles, books or book chapters and patents which qualify for a government subsidy from the Department of Higher Education and Training. This amount is paid into a central research account of each department / institute / centre / unit. The funds are made available by the chairperson to the researchers who have contributed to the publication units.

No application process.

Research Ethics and Compliance

At SU, research ethics and compliancy is managed by the Senate Research Ethics Committee (SREC) and five Research Ethics Review Committees (RECs). Contacts for each of these committees are listed below:

- **Senate Research Ethics Committee**
Contact: Mrs Maléne Fouché
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- **REC: Human Research (Humanities)**
Contact: Ms Clarissa Graham
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- **HREC1: Health Research 1**
Contact: Mr Franklin Weber
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- **HREC2: Health Research 2**
Contact: Mr Francis Masiye
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- **REC: Animal Care and Use**
Contact: Mr Winston Beukes
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Subcommittee C members

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Vice Dean: Research (FMHS)

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Medicine

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