

NOTICE

GRANTS BY SUBCOMMITTEE A OF THE RESEARCH COMMITTEE TO SUPPLEMENT POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIPS FUNDED FROM EXTERNAL SOURCES

Background:

There are a number of external funding opportunities for postdoctoral fellowships, but some of these fellowships are not adequate to fund the basic living expenses of postdoctoral fellows at Stellenbosch University. Subcommittee A has thus decided to fund a limited number of supplements for externally funded postdoctoral fellowships, in addition to its normal full awards for postdoctoral fellowships.

Guidelines and application procedure:

1. Applications must be submitted by hosts and NOT by the postdoctoral candidates themselves.
2. Applicants must be full time staff members.
3. The host, or the postdoctoral candidate, must already have secured external funding for the fellowship. A Copy of the grant letter must be attached to the application.
4. Postdoctoral candidates who obtained their doctorates from an institution other than Stellenbosch University will be given preference.
5. The external grant must be at least R150 000 and no more than the amount for a full Subcommittee A postdoctoral grant (R200 000 in 2017).
6. As funding is limited, applications will be competitive and success will depend on the quality of the application.
7. The amount awarded per supplement will be determined by the value of the external grant, but will not exceed R50 000.
8. Grants will be for one year, with possible extension to a second year subject to satisfactory progress and availability of funds. The decision will be made based on a progress report.
9. The application template is available on the webpage (<http://www0.sun.ac.za/research/funding/university-funding.html>) of the Division for Research Development (DRD). Applications must be submitted in pdf format to Ms Corlia Richardson (corliar@sun.ac.za).
10. The application deadlines are also available on the DRD website. The call will remain open until October or until the funding available for this has been exhausted.