

# **FMHS Research and Internationalisation Development and Support (RIDS) - At A Glance**

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**2025**

# **FMHS GRANTS MANAGEMENT OFFICE**

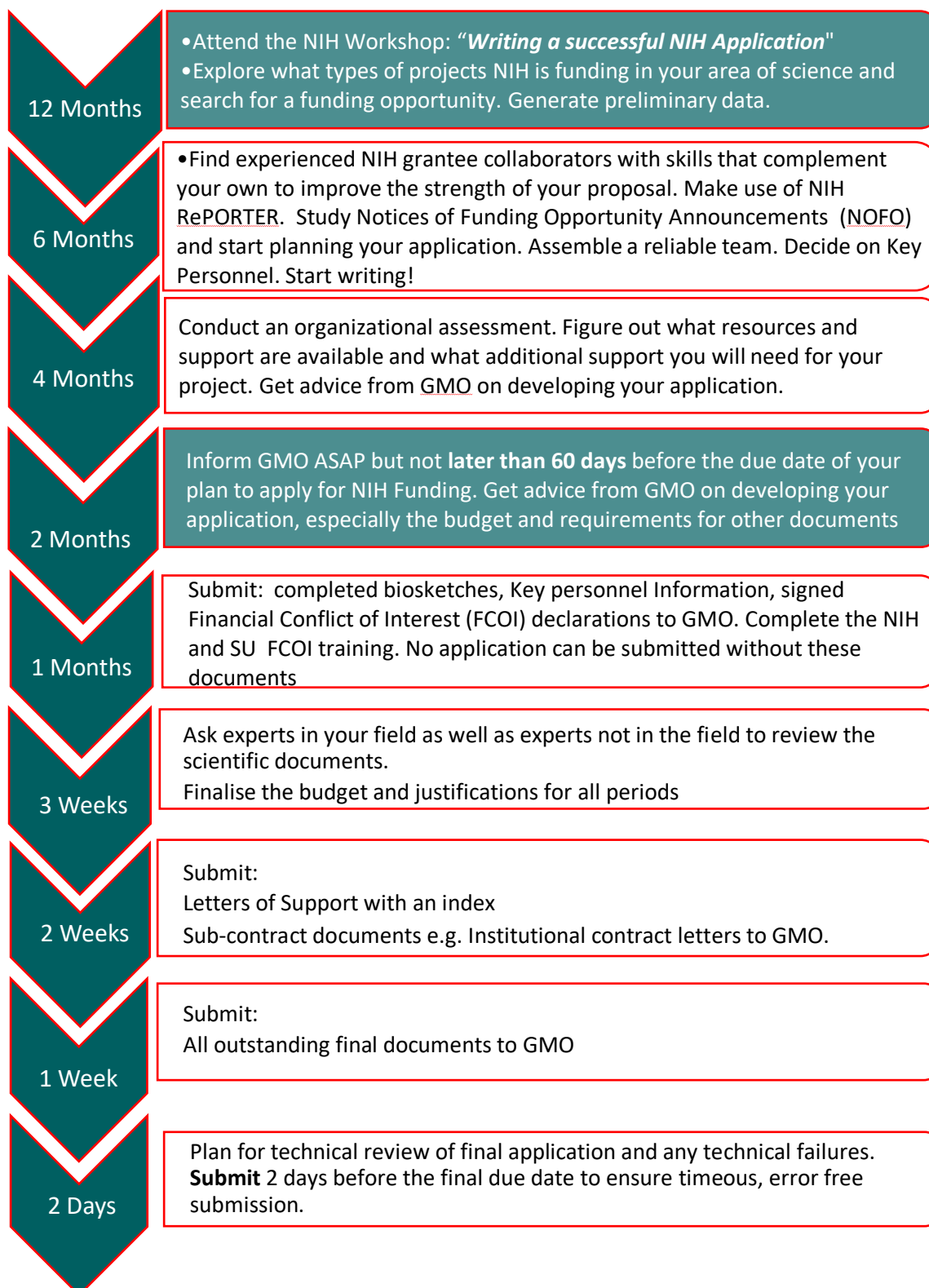


# Grants Management Office



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# ANIMAL RESEARCH FACILITY

# Animal Research Ethics

## Mission

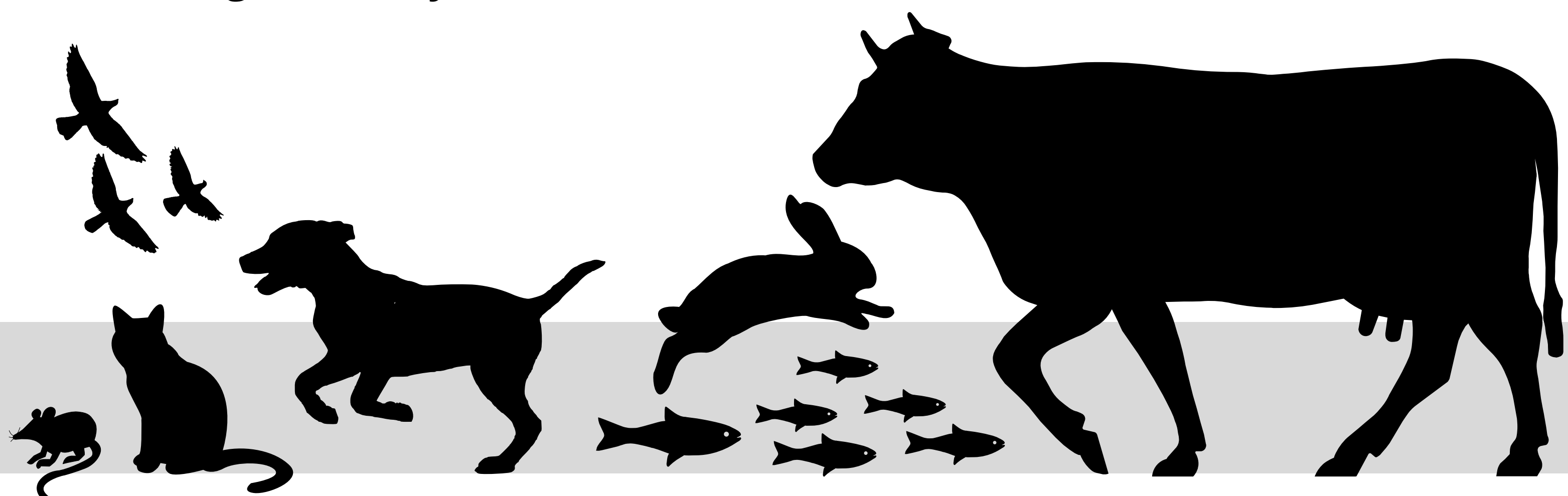
**The mission of the Research Ethics Committee: Animal Care and Use (REC:ACU) is to ensure the humane care and use of animals in research, teaching and testing and to ensure compliance with the South African National Standard for the care and use of animals for scientific purposes 10386:2021 and applicable regulations (Section 23 (c) of the Veterinary and Para-veterinary professions Act 19 of 1982 and Section 20 of the Animal Health Act of 2002.)**

## Vision

**The REC:ACU must review and approve any activities that involve the use of live vertebrate animals (as defined by the SANS 10386).**

**Specific examples of such activities and/or uses are:**

- **Research (wildlife, laboratory animals, farm animals and aquaculture)**
- **Teaching (practical session)**
- **Testing (antibody, vaccine etc.)**



## The 4R's

**Replacement** of so-called 'sentient' animals wherever possible, with 'non-sentient' research models or systems in order to eliminate the use of animals that can experience unpleasant sensations.

**Reduction** of the number of animals in experiments by designing strategies that facilitate the use of the smallest number that will allow valid information to be obtained from the study.

**Refinement** of animal sourcing, animal care practices and experimental procedure to eliminate physical and psychological distress within the limitations imposed by the objectives of the research.

**Responsibility** to act in accordance with the highest research standards and humane care and respect for animals used for scientific purposes and to accept accountability for our actions.

## The 5 Freedoms

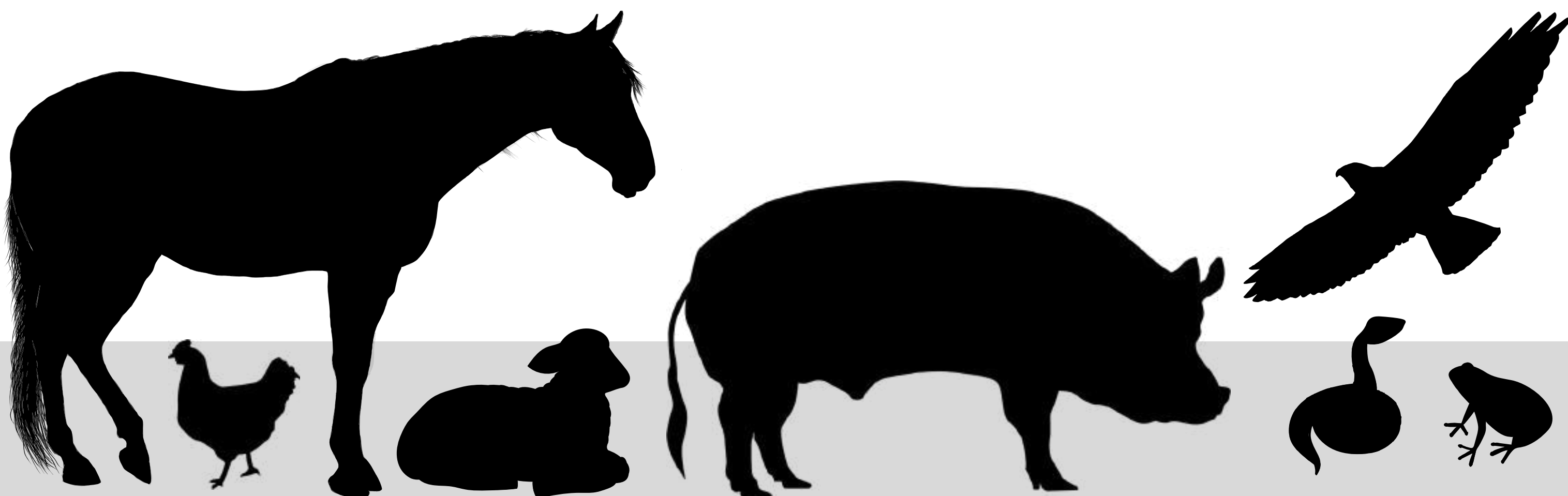
**Freedom** from **hunger and thirst**

**Freedom** from **pain, injury and disease**

**Freedom** from **distress**

**Freedom** from **discomfort**

**Freedom** to **express behaviours that promote well-being**



## REC:ACU Meeting dates 2025



### Research Ethics Committee: Animal Care and Use

#### Meeting Dates: 2025

Closing Date	Meeting Date
17 January 2025	05 February 2025
21 February 2025	12 March 2025
04 April 2025	23 April 2025
02 May 2025	21 May 2025
06 June 2025	25 June 2025
18 July 2025	06 August 2025
15 August 2025	10 September 2025
26 September 2025	15 October 2025
24 October 2025	12 November 2025



## Who do I contact for help?

### Enquiries about the REC:ACU application process?

Contact the Coordinator Research Ethics (Animal Use & Biosafety):

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 **wabeukes@sun.ac.za**

 **021 808 9003**

 **Biosha Thompson**

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### For more information visit:

<http://www.sun.ac.za/english/research-innovation/Research-Development/integrity-ethics/animal-ethics>

**HEALTH RESEARCH  
ETHICS OFFICE**



# CHILD RESEARCH



1

**THE SOUTH AFRICAN HEALTH ACT DEFINES A CHILD AS A PERSON YOUNGER THAN 18 YEARS OLD**

2

**RESEARCH INVOLVING CHILDREN MUST BE ESSENTIAL RESEARCH** for children and present a reasonable opportunity to further the understanding, prevention or alleviation of a serious problem affecting the health or welfare of children.

3

**THERAPEUTIC OR NON-THERAPEUTIC**

#### **Therapeutic**

Interventions **hold out** the prospect of direct health-related benefit for the child participant.

#### **Non-Therapeutic**

Interventions **do not hold out** the prospect of direct health-related benefit for the child participant.

Results may significantly contribute to generalisable knowledge about the child participant's condition.

4

**RISK CATEGORY APPLICABLE TO RESEARCH**

The research poses **no more than minimal risk** to the child (that is, the risk is commensurate with daily life or routine medical or psychological examinations).

The research poses **more than minimal risk** but holds out the prospect of direct benefit for the child participant.

The research poses a **minor increase over minimal risk**, with no prospect of direct benefit to the child participant, but will likely yield generalisable knowledge about the condition under study.

The research **does not meet the conditions for the other risk categories** but presents a reasonable opportunity to further the understanding, prevention, or alleviation of a serious problem affecting the health or welfare of children.

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**PLEASE SEE THE HREC**

**GUIDELINE** for maximum paediatric blood volumes:  
<http://www.sun.ac.za/english/faculty/healthsciences/rdsd/Pages/Ethics/SOP.aspx>





## RESEARCH ETHICS COMMITTEES (RECs)

Research Ethics Committees (RECs), under oversight of the Senate Research Ethics Committee include:



## DO I NEED ETHICS CLEARANCE FROM MORE THAN ONE COMMITTEE FOR MY STUDY?

Generally, research projects are submitted to a single REC. However, there are instances where, for example, health research projects may need to obtain ethics clearance from both HREC and REC: BES where biological samples are taken for analysis. Similarly, certain studies would need approval by both REC: ACU and REC: BES, or both REC: SBER and REC: ACU.

Please feel free to discuss your project with a representative of the REC to determine whether approval by another REC might be required and to not delay the process of obtaining ethics approval.

## WHAT IS THE MANDATE OF EACH REC?

Research Ethics Committees at SU have distinct mandates for the review of ethics considerations in research, & are constituted in terms of legislation and regulations, and in compliance with national and international ethics guidelines.

### REC: ACU

is mandated to review research and teaching activities that involve the use of live, non-human vertebrates and higher invertebrates such as advanced members of the Cephalopoda and Decapoda, including eggs, foetuses and embryos (where development of an integrated nervous system is evident).

### REC: BES

reviews research that is potentially hazardous to humans, animals, or the environment (such research that may involve work related to recombinant DNA, pathogens and infectious agents, biological toxins or engineered nanomaterials).

### HREC

(and sub-committee Undergraduate Research (UREC)) review research protocols to ensure compliance in the protection of human participant safety, rights, and welfare in health research. UREC is responsible for ethics review of research undertaken by undergraduate and Honours students whilst HREC manages submissions from postgraduate students and staff.

### REC: SBER

reviews research that involve human participation in social science, behavioural, economic and education disciplines.

## WHO DO I CONTACT FOR FURTHER INFORMATION?

If you have any questions regarding which committee to submit your study to, please contact one of the following representatives who can answer your questions before you submit an application. The RECs each have different application forms that are designed to obtain the specific information that the relevant committee must review and report on, so your application cannot simply be rerouted

- **REC: ACU - Research Ethics Committee: Animal Care and Use**

Mr Winston Beukes | [wabeukes@sun.ac.za](mailto:wabeukes@sun.ac.za)

- **REC: BES - Research Ethics Committee: Biological & Environmental Safety**

Mr Winston Beukes | [wabeukes@sun.ac.za](mailto:wabeukes@sun.ac.za)

- **REC: SBER - Research Ethics Committee: Social Science, Behavioural & Education Research**

Ms Clarissa Graham | [cgraham@sun.ac.za](mailto:cgraham@sun.ac.za)

- **HREC - Health Research Ethics Committees 1 & 2**

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**UREC**

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# HREC DECISIONS



**1**

## **APPROVED**

- Approved in its current form with no changes required.

**2**

## **APPROVED WITH STIPULATIONS**

- Approved with minor alterations required.
- Onus on research applicant to meet stipulations prior to start of research.
- No resubmission to HREC required.

**3**

## **MODIFICATIONS REQUIRED**

- Minor ethical concerns but clarifications or methodological changes are required.
- Research applicant must resubmit the revised application to HREC.
- Resubmission checked by original reviewers.

**4**

## **DEFERRED**

- Major methodological and/or ethical concerns and requires considerable revision.
- Research applicant must resubmit the revised application to HREC as a new project.

**5**

## **REJECTED**

- Major methodological and/or ethical concerns and requires considerable revision.
- Cannot be reviewed in its current form.
- Research applicant cannot resubmit this application.



# Health Research Ethics

## Frequently Asked Questions

Navigating the online ethics application system



[Health Ethics FAQ \(sun.ac.za\)](https://sun.ac.za/health-ethics-faq)

**Short video guidelines on how to navigate the online ethics application system. Click on the link to access the video:**

[How do I submit a new online ethics application?](#)

[What happens after submission of my ethics application?](#)

[How do I submit a response to modifications?](#)

[How do I submit an amendment application?](#)

[How do I submit a progress report?](#)

[How do I submit a case report/series application?](#)

[How do I submit a reciprocal review application?](#)

# PAYMENT OF RESEARCH PARTICIPANTS



1

## TIME

- Research participants should be compensated appropriately for their time.
- Participants should be paid at rates commensurate with unskilled labour.
- Payment is for what the 'work' of research participation is worth, and not what the participants' actual time is worth.
- Participants should be paid whether they are employed or not.
- Investigators should estimate the amount of time participants will spend engaged in research activities for each research visit.

2

## INCONVENIENCE

- Research participants may be compensated for inconvenience.
- Over and above "time" payment, participants should be paid for procedures that may cause inconvenience or discomfort.
- Payment amount should reasonably reflect the extent of the inconvenience e.g. the inconvenience attached to answering a simple questionnaire may be lower than a blood draw.
- Investigators should judge whether participants will undergo certain uncomfortable/inconvenient procedures at select trial visits.

3

## EXPENSES

- Research participants should be reimbursed for their expenses.
- Direct costs incurred by participants should be reimbursed.
- The cost of participants being away from their place of work should not be considered.
- Investigators should consult community representatives about appropriate amounts.





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# HEALTH RESEARCH ETHICS OFFICE (HREO)

Research Development and Support Division (RDSD)  
5th floor, Education Building | Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences

[www.sun.ac.za/healthresearchethics](http://www.sun.ac.za/healthresearchethics)

## HEALTH RESEARCH ETHICS COMMITTEE (HREC) REVIEW CYCLE

### PREPARE



Find out how to prepare for **HREC review** from these two sources:

1. HREC Forms and Instructions
2. HREC SOPs and Guidelines

<http://www.sun.ac.za/healthresearchethics>

### SUBMIT



As far as possible **before a submission deadline** submit application at [applyethics.sun.ac.za](http://applyethics.sun.ac.za)

- Clinical Trials: **1 hard copy** of full application to be delivered to the Health Research Ethics Office
- Student/Health Research: **No hard copies are required**

### REVIEW



Budget at least **3 months** from HREC submission to data collection

- **3-5 weeks** \*minimal risk\*\* review
- **5-6 weeks** \*more than minimal risk review

*\*HREC experiences peaks in submissions which may lead to submissions being rolled over to the next scheduled meeting.*

### HREC LETTER



**Approved** ➡ Start research

**Approved with stipulations** ➡ Meet stipulations then start research

**Modifications required** ➡ Submit response to HREC feedback within 6 weeks

**Deferred** ➡ Resubmit full application addressing HREC feedback

**Rejected** ➡ Application may not be re-submitted

\*3-5 weeks or 5-6 weeks **after the submission deadline**

**\*\*Minimal risk:** the probability and magnitude of harm or discomfort anticipated in the research, is not greater than that ordinarily encountered in daily life, or during the performance of routine physical or psychological examinations or tests

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**HEALTH RESEARCH ETHICS COMMITTEE (HREC1) 2025  
Meetings & Submission Deadlines**

SUBMISSION DEADLINE 12h00	HREC1 MEETING 13h00
<b>27 NOVEMBER 2024</b>	05 FEBRUARY 2025
29 JANUARY	05 MARCH
26 FEBRUARY	02 APRIL
26 MARCH	07 MAY
30 APRIL	04 JUNE
28 MAY	02 JULY
25 JUNE	06 AUGUST
30 JULY	03 SEPTEMBER
27 AUGUST	01 OCTOBER
25 SEPTEMBER	05 NOVEMBER
<b>26 NOVEMBER 2025</b>	04 FEBRUARY 2026

**FINAL HREC1 SUBMISSION DEADLINE**  
12h00

**26 NOVEMBER 2025**

**PLEASE NOTE:**

1. Meeting the submission deadline does not guarantee your submission will be incorporated into a specific HREC meeting agenda or review cycle. Some submissions may roll over to the next available HREC meeting
2. Submission deadlines apply only to *new research* submissions

**HEALTH RESEARCH ETHICS COMMITTEE (HREC 2) 2025**  
**Meetings & Submission Deadlines**

SUBMISSION DEADLINE 12h00	HREC2 MEETING 13h00
<b>13 NOVEMBER 2024</b>	15 JANUARY 2025
08 JANUARY	19 FEBRUARY
12 FEBRUARY	19 MARCH
12 MARCH	16 APRIL
09 APRIL	21 MAY
14 MAY	18 JUNE
09 JULY	20 AUGUST
13 AUGUST	17 SEPTEMBER
10 SEPTEMBER	15 OCTOBER
08 OCTOBER	19 NOVEMBER
<b>12 NOVEMBER 2025</b>	<b>21 JANUARY 2026</b>

**FINAL HREC2 SUBMISSION DEADLINE**

12h00

**12 NOVEMBER 2025**

**PLEASE NOTE:**

1. Meeting the submission deadline does not guarantee your submission will be incorporated into a specific HREC meeting agenda or review cycle. Some submissions may roll over to the next available HREC meeting
2. Submission deadlines apply only to *new research* submissions



# **RESEARCH CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT AND FUNDING OFFICE**

## FMHS Research Committee meeting dates

AGENDA CLOSES	DATE OF MEETING
• 15 January	• <b>29 January</b>
• 1 April	• <b>15 April</b>
• 17 June	• <b>30 June</b>
• 4 August	• <b>18 August</b>
• 29 September	• <b>13 October</b>



## Research Ethics Committees

### SENATE RESEARCH ETHICS COMMITTEE (SREC)

Research ethics and compliance are managed by the SREC and five Ethics Review Committees (RECs).

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### HEALTH RESEARCH ETHICS COMMITTEE 1 (HREC 1)

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### HEALTH RESEARCH ETHICS COMMITTEE 2 (HREC 2)

**Contact:** Ms Brightness Nxumalo | [brightness@sun.ac.za](mailto:brightness@sun.ac.za)

### RESEARCH ETHICS COMMITTEE: SOCIAL, BEHAVIOURAL AND EDUCATION RESEARCH (REC: SBE)

**Contact:** Mr Aden Williams | [aden@sun.ac.za](mailto:aden@sun.ac.za)

### RESEARCH ETHICS COMMITTEE: ANIMAL CARE AND USE (REC: ACU)

**Contact:** Mr Winston Beukes | [wabeukes@sun.ac.za](mailto:wabeukes@sun.ac.za)

### RESEARCH ETHICS COMMITTEE: BIOLOGICAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY RESEARCH (REC: BES)

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Prof Nico C Gey van Pittius

[researchfhs@sun.ac.za](mailto:researchfhs@sun.ac.za)

### Secretariat: FMHS Research Committee

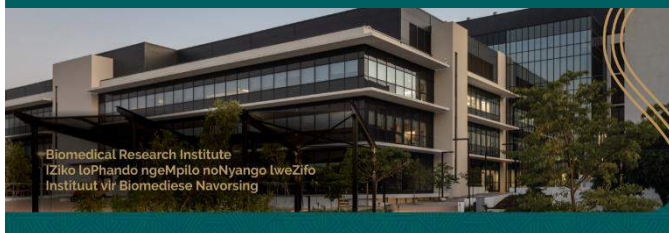
Dr Tania Brodovcky

[taniab@sun.ac.za](mailto:taniab@sun.ac.za)

### Coordinator: Research Funding

Mr Tashwell de Wet

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# 2025

## FMHS Research Committee

## Research Funding

## FMHS Research Committee background

Senate approved that research committees be formed in environments within Stellenbosch University (SU) and be decentralised. The Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences (FMHS) formed the **FMHS Research Committee** (formerly named Subcommittee C of the Research Committee of Senate), which fulfills the following main functions:

- Attending to the research agenda of the FMHS
- Advising the SU Research Committee concerning research policy
- Internal screening and recommendation of NRF rating applications
- Allocation of internal research funding

The committee consists of around thirty members, representative of all departments and research support environments within the FMHS.

**Chair:** Prof Nico C Gey van Pittius

**Secretariat:** Dr Tania Brodovcky

The overarching Stellenbosch University Research Committee advises Senate on research policy and the advancement of research at SU.

## Research funding opportunities within the FMHS

### RESEARCH ASSISTANCE & TEMPORARY RESEARCH ASSISTANCE FUND

One- to four-year contract positions are made available to senior staff for assistance with research projects within the Faculty.

**Closing date:** September

### LECTURER REPLACEMENT FUND

This opportunity is earmarked for lecturing staff within the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences to alleviate part of their lecturing load for the advancement of their research.

**Closing date:** March

### EARLY CAREER RESEARCH FUND

This funding is to enable early-career researchers to embark on a research project that would lead to the production of research outputs, which would enable them to apply for national or international grants.

**Closing date:** March

### POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIPS

Co-funding is made available in support of postdoctoral fellowships, at R220,000 each, and awarded competitively to hosts, who should recruit suitable candidates who obtained their PhD degrees within the past 5 years.

**Closing date:** September

### HARRY CROSSLEY FOUNDATION FUNDING

This funding is earmarked to support research project running costs for postgraduate students and postdoctoral fellows, who should be the applicants.

**Closing date:** May

## FACULTY OF MEDICINE AND HEALTH SCIENCES OPEN ACCESS PUBLICATION FUND (FMHS-OAF)

Funding of up to R30,000 is provided to support payment of article processing charges (APC) for publications in peer-reviewed Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET)-accredited open access or hybrid journals. It is earmarked for early-career researchers, postdoctoral fellows, or postgraduate students who should be the first authors of manuscripts.

**Closing date:** Ad hoc, but by 5 December each year

### SCIENTIFIC TRAVEL & PUBLICATION AWARD FUNDS

Scientific travel funding support is provided towards national or international conferences, or short research-related visits and/or courses if criteria are met. Publication awards are made to incentivise publication of research results in Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET)-accredited peer-reviewed journals.

**Closing dates:** 1 March, 1 July, or 1 November (depending on period of travel)

### SPECIAL SUPPORT SCHEME FOR RESEARCH (SOS-FUNDS)

A fixed amount 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 head to the researchers who have contributed to the publication units.

Access currently open  
funding opportunities here:  
[www.sun.ac.za/RDSfunding](http://www.sun.ac.za/RDSfunding)



# Funding opportunities in Health Research

***13<sup>th</sup> Edition***  
***February 2025***



**Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences**



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***Research and Internationalisation Development and Support Division (RIDS), Tygerberg campus***

This booklet attempts to provide new researchers in clinical, biomedical and other health-related research fields with succinct information guiding them to suitable research funding opportunities most utilised by staff and students within the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences at Stellenbosch University. It is not meant to be a complete or comprehensive reference to all possible sources of funding and potential applicants should study the relevant detailed call guidelines to familiarise themselves with a funding opportunity once they have identified it as potential funding source, bearing in mind that criteria and/or closing dates may be changed by the funder at any point.

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**To visit the Funding booklet content and current open funding calls online, access it at:**

**[www.sun.ac.za/RDSfunding](http://www.sun.ac.za/RDSfunding)**



# **LOCAL FUNDING SOURCES**

## **A. FACULTY OF MEDICINE AND HEALTH SCIENCES (RDSD)**

- (1) Undergraduate research funding**
- (2) Research assistance funding**
- (3) Temporary research assistance funding**
- (4) Lecturer replacement funding**
- (5) Postdoctoral fellowships**
- (6) Harry Crossley Foundation research funding**
- (7) Scientific travel & Publication award fund**
- (8) FMHS open access publication fund**

# ***(1) Undergraduate research funding***

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The Undergraduate Research Fund is a newly established fund in the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences (FMHS), dedicated to supporting undergraduate research in the Faculty.

**Eligibility:** Undergraduate and Honours students registered in the FMHS.

## **Awards:**

**Research Project Fund:** Up to R5,000

**Conference Presentation Fund:** Up to R10,000

**Publication Incentive Award:** R10,000

## **Closing dates:**

Research Project Fund: 1 April, 1 November

Conference Presentation Fund: 1 May, 1 October

Publication Incentive Fund: *Ad hoc*

**Enquiries:** Inge Sonn ([ingeks@sun.ac.za](mailto:ingeks@sun.ac.za))

## ***(2) Research assistance funding***

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The FMHS Research Committee provides co-funding towards a full time contract position for a research assistant to enable a senior FMHS staff member (e.g. a principal investigator, departmental chair, senior academic or senior clinician) to ensure accelerated production of high quality research outputs.

**Eligibility:** Full time FMHS academic/research/clinical staff

**Award:** R120,000 p.a. up to 4 years

**Closing date:** September

**Enquiries:** Tashwell de Wet ([tashwell@sun.ac.za](mailto:tashwell@sun.ac.za))

### ***(3) Temporary research assistance funding***

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The FMHS Research Committee provides part-time (temporary) positions for research assistance to enable a senior FMHS staff member (e.g. a principal investigator, departmental chair, senior academic or senior clinician) to fast-track a research project and produce high quality research outputs. The nature of the research assistance may be *e.g. a research assistant, data capturer, field nurse, field worker, translator, etc.*

**Eligibility:** Full time FMHS academic/research/clinical staff

**Award:** R30,000 for 1 year (*hourly rates based on Human Resources guidelines depending on qualifications of appointee*)

**Closing date:** September

**Enquiries:** Tashwell de Wet ([tashwell@sun.ac.za](mailto:tashwell@sun.ac.za))

## ***(4) Lecturer replacement funding***

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Lecturer replacement funding is provided by the FMHS Research Committee and aims to fund replacement of a portion of a lecturer's normal teaching responsibilities. This is to allow additional time for the lecturer to dedicate to a research project to fast-track high quality research outputs.

**Eligibility:** Full time FMHS academic staff

**Award:** R5,000 for 1 year (*hourly rates based on Human Resources guidelines depending on qualifications of appointee*)

**Closing date:** March

**Enquiries:** Tashwell de Wet ([tashwell@sun.ac.za](mailto:tashwell@sun.ac.za))

## ***(5) Postdoctoral fellowships***

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FMHS Research Committee and other sources: Full time research fellowships for PhD graduates to grow their research experience in pursuit of an academic career.

**Eligibility:** FMHS Research Committee as funding source: Full time FMHS academic or research staff to apply as host to potential postdoctoral fellow and advertise fellowship to recruit a suitable fellow; Postdoctoral fellows should be within 5 years of obtaining a PhD degree

**Award:** From R220,000 p.a. for 2 years

**Closing dates:** Varies (March-September)

**Enquiries:** Tashwell de Wet ([tashwell@sun.ac.za](mailto:tashwell@sun.ac.za))

<https://www.sun.ac.za/english/research-innovation/Research-Development/postdocs>

## **(6) Harry Crossley Foundation research funding**



Funding for operational costs for research projects in "*medical research related to human health*".

**Eligibility:** FMHS Postdoctoral fellows  
FMHS Doctoral and Masters students (full time or part-time)

**Award:** Up to R100,000 for Postdoctoral fellows; R80,000 for Doctoral, and R40,000 for Masters students (all for 1 year)

Allowable budget items: *Running expenses, field travel, minor equipment, research assistance, publication fees, etc.*

Non-allowable budget items: *Conference travel, some forms of remuneration, e.g. consultancy fees, etc.*

**Closing date:** 1 October

**Enquiries:** Tashwell de Wet ([tashwell@sun.ac.za](mailto:tashwell@sun.ac.za))

**#1 option for  
PhD &  
Masters  
projects**



## **(7) Scientific travel & Publication award fund**

### **Scientific Travel**

Funding support for National OR International conference participation OR short International research visit (<2 months).

**Eligibility:** FMHS academic/research staff, postdoctoral fellows, postgraduate students (Honours, Masters, Doctoral); preference given to presenters (poster or oral presentation)

**NOTE:** *Abstract acceptance is not required when applying.*

**Award:** Up to R20,000 p.a. (International conference / Research visit)  
Up to R7,000 p.a. (National conference)

**Closing dates:**

**1 March** (for travel between 1 April and 31 August)

**1 July** (for travel between 1 August and 31 December)

**1 November** (for travel between 1 December and 30 April)

**Enquiries:** Tashwell de Wet ([tashwell@sun.ac.za](mailto:tashwell@sun.ac.za))

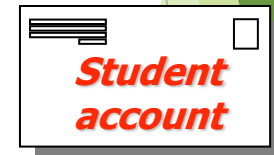


## Eligibility:

- First-author FMHS academic/research staff  
*(qualifying as new researcher, having <10 publications to date)*
- FMHS Postdoctoral fellow, first author
- FMHS Postgraduate student, first author *(Honours, Masters, Doctoral)*
- FMHS Primary supervisor *(student to be first author)*
- Publication must be in an accredited journal and qualify for subsidy  
*(eg. original research article / review article)*

***NOTE: An article should be published OR proof of acceptance should be submitted with a copy of the accepted paper.***

**Award:** R5,000 (First-author publication)  
*(paid into research cost centre for staff;  
paid into active student account for students)*  
R2,000 (Supervisor)



**Closing dates:** 1 March, 1 July, 1 November

**Enquiries:** Tashwell de Wet ([tashwell@sun.ac.za](mailto:tashwell@sun.ac.za))

## ***(8) FMHS open access publication fund (FMHS-OAF)***

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The FMHS-OAF provides financial support towards article processing charges (APC) of research publications in peer-reviewed Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET)-accredited open access or hybrid journals.

**Eligibility:** FMHS early-career staff (obtained PhD within 5 years, or medical specialist qualification, e.g. MMed / CMSA within 10 years), postdoctoral fellows, and postgraduate students, as first author, who do not have dedicated grant funding towards APC

**Award:** Up to R30,000, supporting 100% of the APC for the prorated FMHS-affiliated authors, pending the availability of funding

**Closing date:** *Ad hoc* applications, any time of the year

**Enquiries:** Tania Brodovcky ([taniab@sun.ac.za](mailto:taniab@sun.ac.za))

# **LOCAL FUNDING SOURCES**

## **B. FACULTY OF MEDICINE AND HEALTH SCIENCES (OTHER)**

**(9) Statistical consultation support**

**(10) FMHS strategic equipment fund**

## **C. STELLENBOSCH UNIVERSITY**

**(11) DRD travel grant: Research visits incoming or outgoing**

**(12) Africa collaboration grant**

**(13) International collaboration grant**

**(14) Fund for innovation and research into learning and teaching (FIRLT)**

## ***(9) Statistical consultation support***

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### **Biostatistics Unit & Clinic, FMHS**

**Eligibility:** Postgraduate students not having funding support for statistical consultation through a research grant

*Postdoctoral fellow and FMHS researchers are eligible for a subsidised rate for biostatistical support, but they should budget for these statistical consultation fees in their research grant applications*

**Award:** A subsidised rate per hour is paid for the services of the biostatisticians from the Dean's fund for postgraduate students requiring statistical services

**Enquiries:** Liesel Floor ([lieselfloor@sun.ac.za](mailto:lieselfloor@sun.ac.za))

**Book an appointment:**

<http://www.sun.ac.za/english/faculty/healthsciences/epidemiology-biostatistics/biostatistics/book-a-biostatistics-appointment>

## ***(10) FMHS strategic equipment fund***

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*(administered through FMHS Business Management)*

A specific amount may be made available annually for the purchase of equipment or computer equipment that meet at least one of the following qualifying criteria and are strongly motivated for:

- (1) equipment should increase undergraduate student output and/or;
- (2) equipment should increase postgraduate student outputs and/or;
- (3) equipment should stimulate research and increase research publication outputs.

**Eligibility:** FMHS academic/research staff

**Award:** Varies, depending on availability of funding

**Closing date:** February

**Enquiries:** Steveland Louis ([steveland@sun.ac.za](mailto:steveland@sun.ac.za))  
or your Head of Division / Department



## ***(11) DRD travel grant: International research travel***

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For (1) international conferences, (2) research visits abroad OR  
(3) hosting visiting researchers abroad at SU.

**Eligibility:** Full-time (permanent or contract) SU academic staff

**Award:** Up to R17,000 (for visits <3 months)  
*but not more than 50% total budget*

**Closing dates:**

**March** (for travel between 1 April and 30 September)

**July** (for travel between 1 September and 1 May)

**Enquiries:** Dominique Meyer ([dominiquem@sun.ac.za](mailto:dominiquem@sun.ac.za))

## ***(12) Africa collaboration grant***

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*(administered through Stellenbosch University International, SUI, Stellenbosch campus)*

For (1)\* jointly organising a workshop or conference with an African country SU bilateral partner, or (2a)\* a research visit to one or more SU bilateral African partner countries, or (2b)\* hosting a senior collaborating researcher from an African country, or (3)# a postgraduate conference grant to attend a conference in Africa, or (4)¢Postdoctoral fellows grant to visit one or more SU bilateral African partner country, or (5)# emerging scholar grant – hosting a postgraduate student from an African country to finalise studies or for short course registration fees.

**Eligibility:** \*Full-time SU staff, #postgraduate students,  
¢postdoctoral fellows, (see above categories)

**Award:** (1) R80,000; (2a/2b) R30,000; (3) R20,000; (4) & (5) R20,000

**Closing dates:** February (TBC)

**Enquiries:** Sue-Vicky Brandt ([brandt@sun.ac.za](mailto:brandt@sun.ac.za)),  
Nico Elema ([nicoelema@sun.ac.za](mailto:nicoelema@sun.ac.za))

## ***(13) International collaboration grant***

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*(administered through Stellenbosch University International, SUI, Stellenbosch campus)*

For institutional visits to strengthen collaboration with counterparts in countries other than African countries, preferentially, but not exclusively, to existing institutional partners.

**Eligibility:** Full-time SU academic or support staff

**Award:** R20,000 – R30,000

**Closing dates:** March (TBC)

**Enquiries:** Lidia du Plessis ([lidia@sun.ac.za](mailto:lidia@sun.ac.za))



# ***(14) Fund for innovation and research into learning and teaching (FIRLT)***



*(administered through the Centre for Teaching and Learning (CTL), Stellenbosch campus)*

Research on teaching and learning at SU:

- & evaluate effective practices and processes;
- & learning problems, solutions and trends;
- with the aim of improving the quality of teaching & learning at SU.

**Eligibility:** SU academic staff, centre responsible for teaching, learning, and assessment

**Award:** R60,000 for 1 year

**Closing dates:** June, November (TBA)

**Enquiries:** Anthea Jacobs ([finlo@sun.ac.za](mailto:finlo@sun.ac.za))

<https://www.sun.ac.za/english/learning-teaching/ctl/Pages/FIRLT.aspx>

# **NATIONAL FUNDING SOURCES**

- (1) Discovery Foundation awards**
- (2) Hamilton Naki clinical scholarships**
- (3) Heart and Stroke Foundation research grants**
- (4) South African Medical Research Council (MRC)**
- (5) National Research Foundation (NRF)**
- (6) Poliomyelitis Research Foundation (PRF)**
- (7) Cancer Association of South Africa (CANSA)**
- (8) National Health Laboratory Services (NHLS)  
Research Trust**

# ***(1) Discovery Foundation awards***

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## **A. Discovery Foundation Academic Fellowship Award**

**Eligibility & awards:** Individual awards

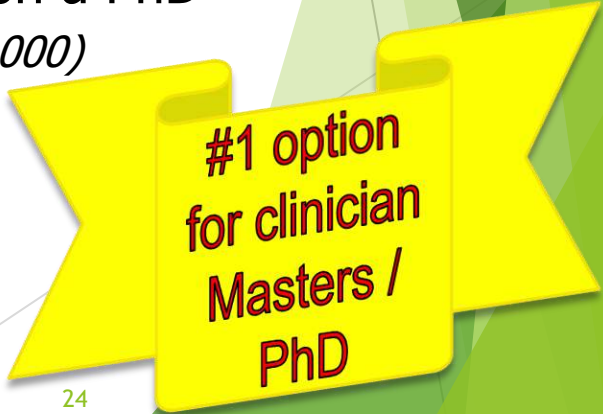
RSA citizens / permanent residents

Clinicians / newly qualified medical specialists

- Research-focussed training in academic medicine in South Africa
- Developing 'clinician scientists'
  - Clinicians (preferably specialists) embarking on a Masters by dissertation, MPhil, MSc (*running costs / salary replacement up to R600,000*)
  - Clinicians (preferably specialists) embarking on a PhD (*running costs / salary-replacement bursary up to R800,000*)

**Closing date:** September

**Enquiries:** Emmanuel Obasa ([obasa@sun.ac.za](mailto:obasa@sun.ac.za))



**#1 option  
for clinician  
Masters /  
PhD**

# ***(1) Discovery Foundation awards***

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## **B. Discovery Foundation Sub-specialist Award**

**Eligibility:** Institutional award

RSA citizens / permanent residents

- Towards the salary of trainees in existing and HPCSA-accredited sub-specialist training programmes
- Preferably applicants who have already been identified by a host institution as a fellow eligible for sub-specialist training

**Award:** Up to R2,200,000 over 2 years salary-replacement

**Closing date:** September

**Enquiries:** Emmanuel Obasa ([obasa@sun.ac.za](mailto:obasa@sun.ac.za))

# ***(1) Discovery Foundation awards***

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## **C. Discovery Foundation Awards for healthcare in rural and underserved areas**

- 1. Individual awards**
- 2. Institutional awards**
- 3. Distinguished visitor awards**

### **C1. Individual awards**

#### **Eligibility & award:**

RSA citizens / permanent residents:

- Family Medicine registrars and registrars in relevant fields  
*(up to R25,000 for research-related costs and research travel)*
- Senior medical doctors/specialists or Family Medicine specialists in rural medicine >5 years *(R250,000 – R500,000 for 3-6 month sabbatical leave with academic focus)*

**Closing date:** November

**Enquiries:** Emmanuel Obasa ([obasa@sun.ac.za](mailto:obasa@sun.ac.za))



#1 option Fam  
Med and other  
MMed projects

# ***(1) Discovery Foundation awards***

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## **C. Discovery Foundation Awards for healthcare in rural and underserved areas**

- 1. Individual awards**
- 2. Institutional awards**
- 3. Distinguished visitor awards**

### **C2. Institutional awards**

**Eligibility:** For facilities in rural areas to improve quality and delivery of healthcare through capacity building

**Award:** R250,000 – R500,000 over one year

**Closing date:** November

**Enquiries:** Emmanuel Obasa ([obasa@sun.ac.za](mailto:obasa@sun.ac.za))

# ***(1) Discovery Foundation awards***

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## **C. Discovery Foundation Awards for healthcare in rural and underserved areas**

- 1. Individual awards**
- 2. Institutional awards**
- 3. Distinguished visitor awards**

### **C3. Distinguished visitor awards**

**Eligibility:** For current or retired senior clinicians (not required to be SA citizens) to contribute towards improving rural health through knowledge & skills transfer

**Award:** R250,000 to cover salary, travel & accommodation over several months

**Closing date:** November

**Enquiries:** Emmanuel Obasa ([obasa@sun.ac.za](mailto:obasa@sun.ac.za))

## ***(2) Hamilton Naki clinical scholarships***

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The Hamilton Naki clinical scholarship scheme is committed to the development of academic healthcare in South Africa by funding clinical specialists or subspecialists for full time doctoral or postdoctoral research, to be conducted in South Africa or abroad.

**Eligibility:** South African citizens; registered with the HPCSA as a medical specialist or subspecialist; committed to work in South Africa for a minimum period of 3 years following the end of the funding period

**Award:** Varies (salary-replacement scholarship), for 3 years

**Closing date:** June

**Enquiries:** Rachel Persent ([Rachel.Persent@netcare.co.za](mailto:Rachel.Persent@netcare.co.za))



### ***(3) Heart and Stroke Foundation research grants***

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The Heart and Stroke Foundation of South Africa launched a research fund to support innovative research projects with strong clinical and epidemiological impact, health risk assessment, factors influencing heart disease and stroke onset, behavioural risk factors, disease burden, etc. within the South African context (see [www.heartfoundation.co.za](http://www.heartfoundation.co.za) for specific research focus areas).

**Eligibility:** Established and mid-/early-career researchers, including postdoctoral fellows and PhD students. Masters students may apply provided an established researcher is a co-applicant.

**Award:** Up to R350,000 per project for 2 years (TBC)

**Closing dates:** TBA (brief proposal)  
TBA (full proposal upon invitation)

**Enquiries:** Nuhaa Holland ([research@heartfoundation.co.za](mailto:research@heartfoundation.co.za))

## ***(4) Medical Research Council (MRC)***

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### ***SAMRC Clinician Researcher Development Programme***

To strengthen clinical research by encouraging clinician researchers to obtain PhD degrees.

**Eligibility:** RSA citizens / permanent residents; health professionals who hold at least a MB,ChB degree; registered for full time PhD degree at Stellenbosch University; conducting clinical research

**Award:** Up to R300,000 p.a. for 3 years  
*(as salary-replacement scholarship for full time research)*

**Closing date:** TBA

**Enquiries:** Tania Brodovcky ([taniab@sun.ac.za](mailto:taniab@sun.ac.za))

<https://www.samrc.ac.za/research-capacity-development/scholarships-funding>

## ***(4) Medical Research Council (MRC)***



### **Bongani Mayosi National Health Scholars Programme (NHSP)**

To strengthen clinical research by encouraging clinician and Allied Health researchers to obtain Masters & PhD degrees.

**Eligibility:** RSA citizens / permanent residents; health professionals, including Allied Health; typically under 45 years of age; registered for full time PhD degree at Stellenbosch University; conducting clinical research; within specific research priority areas

**Award:** Up to R500,000 p.a. for 3 years – R300,000 towards salary and R200,000 for research expenses

**Closing date:** TBA

**Enquiries:** Tania Brodovcky ([taniab@sun.ac.za](mailto:taniab@sun.ac.za))

<https://www.samrc.ac.za/funding/samrc-early-investigators-programme>

## ***(4) Medical Research Council (MRC)***

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### **SAMRC Early Investigators Programme (EIP)**

To support career development of early postdoctoral scientists within specific research priority areas.

**Eligibility:** RSA citizens / permanent residents; permanently employed or on long-term contract at an academic institution; health/medical research PhD with 4 years postdoctoral experience, or PhD with 2 years postdoctoral experience for clinician-scientists

**Award:** Up to R500,000 for up to 5 years

**Closing date:** TBA

**Enquiries:** Shannon Faro ([sbrooks@sun.ac.za](mailto:sbrooks@sun.ac.za))

<https://www.samrc.ac.za/research-capacity-development/grants>

## ***(4) Medical Research Council (MRC)***



### **MRC self-initiated research (SIR) grant**

For self-initiated research projects within the MRC research funding priorities, with a strong component of capacity development.

#### **Eligibility – 2 categories:**

**(1) Early-stage investigators:** RSA citizens / permanent residents; permanent / contract staff; MB,ChB, BDS, BChD or PhD with 1 – 5 years research experience beyond that (PG students not eligible)

**(2) Mid-level and established researchers:** RSA citizens / permanent residents; permanent / contract staff; MB,ChB or post-graduate degree with >5 years research experience beyond that, including being study coordinator or principal investigator on at least 3 studies

**Award:** Up to R200,000 p.a. for up to 3 years  
*(running costs; travel; minor equipment; research assistance)*

**Closing date:** Annually (±June – October)

**Enquiries:** Shannon Faro ([sbrooks@sun.ac.za](mailto:sbrooks@sun.ac.za))

<http://www.mrc.ac.za/>

# ***(4) Medical Research Council (MRC)***



## **MRC SIR grant research funding priorities**

**Subject  
to change**

- HIV and TB
- Other Infectious Diseases including Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR)
- Maternal, Infant and Child health
- Non-Communicable Diseases
- Brain, Behaviour, and Mental Health
- Injury and Interpersonal violence
- Occupational and Environmental health
- Health Systems, Health Economics, Universal Health Coverage (UHC) and National Health Insurance (NHI)
- African Traditional Medicines (ATM)
- Vaccine, Diagnostics and Drug Discovery
- Disease Prevention and Health Promotion
- One Health

**Enquiries:** Maléne Fouché ([mfouche@sun.ac.za](mailto:mfouche@sun.ac.za))  
Shannon Faro ([sbrooks@sun.ac.za](mailto:sbrooks@sun.ac.za))

## ***(5) National Research Foundation (NRF)***



The NRF offers a large variety of research funding opportunities, with some of these are listed below:

- **Thuthuka grant** (see next page) for early-career researchers
- **Black Academics Advancement Programme (BAAP)**
- **Competitive support for unrated researchers (CSUR)**
- **Competitive support for rated researchers (CSRR)**
- **Support for Y-rated researchers**
- **Knowledge interchange & collaboration (KIC) travel grants**
- **Research collaboration mobility grants (various)**
- **Honours, Masters, PhD scholarships; Postdoctoral fellowships, *etc.***

More information: <http://www.nrf.ac.za/>

## ***(5) National Research Foundation (NRF)***



### **NRF Thuthuka grant**

For research projects incorporating capacity development within one of the following tracks:

1. **PhD track** (purpose to obtain PhD during funding period)
2. **Post-PhD track** (PhD-qualified individual seeking to become established researcher, within 5 years of obtaining PhD degree)
3. **NRF rating track** (PhD-qualified individual to apply for NRF rating within 6 years, but only if there was a lack of an enabling environment)

**Eligibility:** SU full time permanent / contract staff; RSA citizens / permanent residents

**Award:** Around R100,000 - R150,000 p.a. for up to 3 years  
(*running costs; travel; minor equipment; research assistance; etc.*)

**Closing date:** March (TBC)

**Enquiries:** Dominique Meyer ([dominiquem@sun.ac.za](mailto:dominiquem@sun.ac.za))



# ***(6) Poliomyelitis Research Foundation***

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## **Field, mechanisms & awards: MEDICAL VIROLOGY**

**Eligibility:** RSA citizens / permanent residents; have a research track record (PhD/MSc-qualified)

### **Awards:**

**Research grants\*** (*up to R150,000 for running costs*)

**Major impact project (MIP) grants\*** (*up to R500,000 p.a. for up to 3 years for running costs*)

**Bursaries\*\***

*PhD; MSc; Honours*

**Postdoctoral fellowships\*\***

**Travel grants\*\***

**Closing dates:** \*February, \*\*February and September

**Enquiries:** Tania Brodovcky ([taniab@sun.ac.za](mailto:taniab@sun.ac.za))

<http://www.prf.ac.za/>

## ***(7) Cancer Association of South Africa (CANSA)***

### **Field supported: *CANCER RESEARCH***

#### **Type A Research priority areas:**

- Epidemiology and determinants of the burden of cancer in South African populations and interventions to address these
- Health-seeking behaviours and early detection and diagnosis of cancer
- Health-seeking behaviours to improve early detection, diagnosis, and interventions to reduce cancer risk
- Optimal patient care including rehabilitation and palliative care services
- Optimal patient care including clinical care, rehabilitation, and palliation
- Health services and health systems strengthening, including research relating to pathways to cancer care
- Health economics of cancer, including the economic burden of cancer, its risk factors, and cost-effectiveness research
- Research relating to cancer biology/biochemistry/molecular biology as these relate to risk reduction, early detection, and both definitive and supportive patient care

**Eligibility:** RSA citizens / permanent residents; have research track record; PhD qualification preferable

**Award:** Up to R1,000,000 p.a. for up to 3 years (*running costs; travel; minor equipment; consultation; research assistance*)

**Closing date:** 16 April 2025 (internal)

**Enquiries:** Shannon Faro (sbrooks@sun.ac.za)

Landiwe Daka / Audrey Erasmus ([landiwe](mailto:landiwe@sun.ac.za) / [audreyerasmus@sun.ac.za](mailto:audreyerasmus@sun.ac.za))

<http://www.cansa.org.za>

## **(7) Cancer Association of South Africa (CANSA)**

### **Field supported: CANCER RESEARCH**

#### **Type B/C Research priority areas:**

Type B and C research projects are **smaller scale research projects that often originate within CANSA in collaboration with researchers at accredited research institutions.**

**Type B projects:** The focus is on **environmental/ lifestyle-related risk reduction** and helping the public to make healthy choices to reduce their risk of cancer.

**Type C projects:** The focus is on **optimising services to cancer patients** and addressing their diverse needs including early detection, recognition of signs and symptoms of cancer and pathways to cancer treatment and care.

**Eligibility:** Master's students (registered), with supervisor

**Award:** Up to R60,000 p.a. for 1 year (*research-related cost; not for tuition*)

**Closing date:** Ad hoc applications throughout the year

**Enquiries:** [Research@cansa.org.za](mailto:Research@cansa.org.za)  
<http://www.cansa.org.za>



## ***(8) National Health Laboratory Services (NHLS) Research Trust***

### **Field supported: MEDICAL PATHOLOGY**

Anatomical pathology; Chemical pathology; Haematology;  
Microbiology (*Bacteriology/Immunology/Mycology/Parasitology/Virology*);  
Oral pathology; Human genetics (*only if the department is within a School of Pathology*);  
Forensic medicine/pathology

**Eligibility:** RSA citizens / permanent residents within these fields;  
FCPath-, MMed/MSc- or MD/PhD-qualified

### **Awards:**

**Research awards\*:** up to R500,000 in total for 3 years (*for running costs; travel; minor equipment; placement support; research assistance; salaries; bursaries*)

**Development grants\*\*:** up to R100,000 in total for 2 years  
(*for consumable costs*)

**Closing dates:** March\*; Ad hoc, throughout the year\*\* (TBC)

**Enquiries:** Tania Brodovcky ([taniab@sun.ac.za](mailto:taniab@sun.ac.za))

<http://www.nhls.ac.za>

# **INTERNATIONAL FUNDING SOURCES**

## **The Grants Management Office (GMO)**

- (1) National Research Foundation (NRF) bi- and trilateral agreements**
- (2) National Institutes of Health (NIH)**
- (3) Wellcome Trust**
- (4) European & Developing Countries Clinical Trials Partnership (EDCTP)**
- (5) Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation**
- (6) Horizon Europe**

# The Grants Management Office (GMO)

**Are you intending to apply for an international grant?**

**Contact the GRANTS MANAGEMENT OFFICE (GMO) as soon as possible & inform them about your intent when you start working on a proposal of more than **R500,000** OR in any **foreign currency**!**

***How will the GMO assist you?***

- Assist the PI during the proposal writing phase with compliance issues and compiling a budget according to the funder's guidelines;
- They are a university-registered entity who must submit the PI's application with SU as legal entity;
- See to contractual issues and funder negotiations on PI's behalf (and ensure that the necessary sign-offs occur);
- Ensure the necessary financial reports and audits during the life cycle of the grant; and
- Assist the PI with the financial management of the grant

**Enquiries:** Eugene Baugaard ([fmhsgmo@sun.ac.za](mailto:fmhsgmo@sun.ac.za))

# ***(1) National Research Foundation (NRF) bi- and trilateral agreements***

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Collaborative cooperation and mobility grants between South Africa and another country with combined proposal by PI from each of the countries, eg.

SA-Sweden

SA-Oman

SA-France

SA-Kenya

SA-Germany

SA-Japan

SA-Brazil

SA-Mozambique

SA-Netherlands

SA-Belgium

SA-Hungary

SA-China, *etc.*

**Eligibility:** PhD-qualified, jointly submitted with PI from each participating country

*Network*

**Closing dates:** Varies (depending on governmental agreements)

**Enquiries:** Dominique Meyer ([dominiquem@sun.ac.za](mailto:dominiquem@sun.ac.za))



**Program announcements** (PA) or **Requests for applications** (RFA) are posted by the NIH (<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide>) and many are open to researchers from SA universities to apply to. Searching efficiently requires some skill, as different funding mechanisms exist of which only some are accessible to SA researchers. The R01 mechanism is one of the most popular and successful mechanism at the FMHS.

**R01, R25  
and more!**

**Awards:** US\$ 20,000 – 10,000,000 per project or subcontract, typically 3 – 5 years (*salaries, consultants, equipment, alterations & renovations, publications, travel, etc.*)

**Enquiries:** Christa de Vries ([cdevries@sun.ac.za](mailto:cdevries@sun.ac.za))  
Eugene Baugaard ([eugeneb@sun.ac.za](mailto:eugeneb@sun.ac.za))





## **Funding areas for discovery research:**

- ▶ Biomedical science
- ▶ Population health
- ▶ Product development and applied research
- ▶ Humanities and social science
- ▶ Public engagement and creative industries
- ▶ Education

Training fellowships  
and grant funding  
Examples of funded work  
on website

## **Support schemes apply to:**

- ▶ Early-career researchers, Mid-career researchers & Established researchers

**Enquiries:** Shannon Faro ([sbrooks@sun.ac.za](mailto:sbrooks@sun.ac.za))  
Eugene Baugaard ([eugeneb@sun.ac.za](mailto:eugeneb@sun.ac.za))

## ***(4) European & Developing Countries Clinical Trials Partnership (EDCTP)***



### **Funding priority areas:**

The EDCTP (European & Developing Countries Clinical Trials Partnership) and EDCTP2 (supported under Horizon 2020) support collaborative clinical research projects in Sub-Saharan Africa on poverty-related infectious diseases aiming to increase new or improved medical interventions for:

- (1) HIV/AIDS**
- (2) Tuberculosis**
- (3) Malaria**



**Types of grants:** Research and Innovation Actions (RIAs)  
Coordination and Support Actions (CSAs)  
Training and Mobility Actions (TMAs)

**Enquiries:** Lizél Senekal ([lizelk@sun.ac.za](mailto:lizelk@sun.ac.za))  
Eugene Baugaard ([eugeneb@sun.ac.za](mailto:eugeneb@sun.ac.za))

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## **Funding priority areas:**

- ▶ Enteric & diarrheal diseases
- ▶ HIV/AIDS
- ▶ Malaria; Other infectious diseases
- ▶ Pneumonia, tuberculosis & neglected diseases
- ▶ Health solutions for family planning, nutrition, maternal, neonatal & child health, tobacco control & vaccine-preventable diseases

## ***Cross-cutting themes:***

- ▶ **Discovery** – closing gaps in knowledge; creating technologies
- ▶ **Delivery** – implementing & scaling up proven approaches
- ▶ **Policy & Advocacy** – Promoting better resources, effective policies, greater visibility of global health

**Enquiries:** Lizél Senekal ([lizelk@sun.ac.za](mailto:lizelk@sun.ac.za))  
Eugene Baugaard ([eugeneb@sun.ac.za](mailto:eugeneb@sun.ac.za))

## ***(6) Horizon Europe***

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European Union (EU) multi-national consortium-based large research grants are for experienced researchers. Projects are done with EU collaborators & partner countries. Funding schemes support Research & Innovation Actions, Coordination & Support Actions, ERC Grants, Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions and more.

Other EU supported activities:

COST actions (intergovernmental framework for coordination of research at European level), EuropeAid, EU Erasmus+, etc.

**Enquiries:** Lizél Senekal ([lizelk@sun.ac.za](mailto:lizelk@sun.ac.za))

<http://ec.europa.eu/research/index.cfm>

# WHERE CAN YOU FIND OUT MORE ABOUT RESEARCH FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES?

1. **Visit our website** for funding opportunities and currently **OPEN FUNDING CALLS** at [www.sun.ac.za/RDSfunding](http://www.sun.ac.za/RDSfunding)
2. **Contact us** at the Research and Internationalisation Development and Support Division (RIDS), Tygerberg campus, Stellenbosch University (5<sup>th</sup> floor, Education building):
  - **Tashwell de Wet** ([tashwell@sun.ac.za](mailto:tashwell@sun.ac.za))
  - **Tania Brodovcky** ([taniab@sun.ac.za](mailto:taniab@sun.ac.za))
3. Visit the **Open 4 Research** search portal to find specific international funding opportunities:  
<https://www.open4research.eu/stellenbosch>

# RESEARCH FUNDING SUPPORT BY CATEGORY

Selected research funding opportunities for researchers, postdoctoral fellows & students in the Faculty of Medicine & Health Sciences, Stellenbosch University (Tygerberg campus)

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## RESEARCH FUNDING CATEGORY:

### Comprehensive research grants

Research grants supporting more than one category of research funding (as broadly indicated, but note that these may vary depending on the individual call)

Funding organisation / name	Contact person	Contact e-mail	Consumables	Equipment	Research travel	Conference travel	Research assistance	Lecturer	Student bursaries	Salaries
CANSA (Cancer Association of South Africa) Research Grant	Shannon Faro	<a href="mailto:sbrooks@sun.ac.za">sbrooks@sun.ac.za</a>	x	x	x	x	x			
Harry Crossley Foundation (Research project funding)	Tashwell de Wet	<a href="mailto:tashwell@sun.ac.za">tashwell@sun.ac.za</a>	x	x	x					
MRC (Medical Research Council) Flagship Programme	Therina Theron	<a href="mailto:ttheron@sun.ac.za">ttheron@sun.ac.za</a>	x	x	x	x	x		x	x
MRC (Medical Research Council) Self-initiated Research (SIR) Grant	Shannon Faro	<a href="mailto:sbrooks@sun.ac.za">sbrooks@sun.ac.za</a>	x	x	x	x	x		x	
# NHLS (National Health Laboratory Services) Pathology Research Development Grant	Tania Brodovcky	<a href="mailto:taniab@sun.ac.za">taniab@sun.ac.za</a>	x	x						
NHLS (National Health Laboratory Services) Pathology Research Award	Tania Brodovcky	<a href="mailto:taniab@sun.ac.za">taniab@sun.ac.za</a>	x	x	x				x	x
NRF (National Research Foundation) Thuthuka Grant	Dominique Meyer	<a href="mailto:dominiquem@sun.ac.za">dominiquem@sun.ac.za</a>	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
NRF (National Research Foundation) Competitive Support for Rated Researchers (CSRR)	Shannon Faro	<a href="mailto:sbrooks@sun.ac.za">sbrooks@sun.ac.za</a>	x	x	x	x	x		x	
NRF (National Research Foundation) Competitive Support for Unrated Researchers (CSUR)	Shannon Faro	<a href="mailto:sbrooks@sun.ac.za">sbrooks@sun.ac.za</a>	x	x	x	x		x	x	
NRF (National Research Foundation) Black Academics Advancement Programme (BAAP)	Dominique Meyer	<a href="mailto:dominiquem@sun.ac.za">dominiquem@sun.ac.za</a>	x	x	x	x	x			
NRF/DST (NRF/Department of Science and Technology) Bioinformatics and Functional Genomics Programme (BFG)	Shannon Faro	<a href="mailto:sbrooks@sun.ac.za">sbrooks@sun.ac.za</a>	x	x	x	x	x		x	
PRF (Poliomyelitis Research Foundation) Major Impact Project (MIP) Grant	Tania Brodovcky	<a href="mailto:taniab@sun.ac.za">taniab@sun.ac.za</a>	x	x	x	x				
PRF (Poliomyelitis Research Foundation) Research Grant	Tania Brodovcky	<a href="mailto:taniab@sun.ac.za">taniab@sun.ac.za</a>	x	x	x	x				

### - Centres / Units / Chairs

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MRC (Medical Research Council) Centres of Excellence / Collaborative Centres / Units	Therina Theron	<a href="mailto:ttheron@sun.ac.za">ttheron@sun.ac.za</a>	x	x	x	x			x	
NRF (National Research Foundation) Centres of Excellence (CoE)	Maléne Fouché	<a href="mailto:mfouche@sun.ac.za">mfouche@sun.ac.za</a>	x	x	x	x	x		x	x
NRF (National Research Foundation) SA Research Chairs Initiative (SARCHI)	Maléne Fouché	<a href="mailto:mfouche@sun.ac.za">mfouche@sun.ac.za</a>	x	x	x	x	x		x	x

### - International research funding

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EDCTP (European & Developing Countries Clinical Trials Partnership)	Lizel Senekal	<a href="mailto:lizelk@sun.ac.za">lizelk@sun.ac.za</a>	x	x	x	x	x		x	x
ERAfrica	Lizel Senekal	<a href="mailto:lizelk@sun.ac.za">lizelk@sun.ac.za</a>	x	x	x	x	x		x	x
Horizon Europe	Lizel Senekal	<a href="mailto:lizelk@sun.ac.za">lizelk@sun.ac.za</a>	x	x	x	x	x		x	x
Fogarty International Centre	Christa De Vries Coetsee	<a href="mailto:cdevries@sun.ac.za">cdevries@sun.ac.za</a>	x	x	x	x	x		x	x
ICGEB (International Centre for Genetic Engineering & Biotechnology)	Dominique Meyer	<a href="mailto:dominiquem@sun.ac.za">dominiquem@sun.ac.za</a>	x	x	x	x	x		x	x
Newton Research Programmes	Dominique Meyer	<a href="mailto:dominiquem@sun.ac.za">dominiquem@sun.ac.za</a>	Varies							
NIH (National Institutes of Health)	Christa De Vries Coetsee	<a href="mailto:cdevries@sun.ac.za">cdevries@sun.ac.za</a>	x	x	x	x	x		x	x
PEPFAR (President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief)	Eugene Baugaard	<a href="mailto:eugeneb@sun.ac.za">eugeneb@sun.ac.za</a>	x	x	x	x	x		x	x
USAID (United States Agency for International Development)	Eugene Baugaard	<a href="mailto:eugeneb@sun.ac.za">eugeneb@sun.ac.za</a>	x	x	x	x	x		x	x
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American Association for Cancer Research	Shannon Faro	<a href="mailto:sbrooks@sun.ac.za">sbrooks@sun.ac.za</a>								
Human Frontier Science Program	Shannon Faro	<a href="mailto:sbrooks@sun.ac.za">sbrooks@sun.ac.za</a>								

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Doctoral Travel Grants for Conference Participation	Rozelle Petersen	<a href="mailto:postgradfunding@sun.ac.za">postgradfunding@sun.ac.za</a>
DRD Travel Grants: International Research Travel	Dominique Meyer	<a href="mailto:dominiquem@sun.ac.za">dominiquem@sun.ac.za</a>
NRF (National Research Foundation) Knowledge Interchange & Collaboration (KIC) Travel Grant	Dominique Meyer	<a href="mailto:dominiquem@sun.ac.za">dominiquem@sun.ac.za</a>
Scientific Travel and Publication Award Fund	Tashwell de Wet	<a href="mailto:tashwell@sun.ac.za">tashwell@sun.ac.za</a>
WhiteSci Travel Awards	External	<a href="http://www.whitesci.co.za">www.whitesci.co.za</a>
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#### - Research visits / training

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Association of Commonwealth Universities (ACU) Early Career Academic Grants	Dominique Meyer	<a href="mailto:dominiquem@sun.ac.za">dominiquem@sun.ac.za</a>
Commonwealth Scholarship for Full-time Teaching Staff	Dominique Meyer	<a href="mailto:dominiquem@sun.ac.za">dominiquem@sun.ac.za</a>
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**Environmental research funding**

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	#	Life Healthcare Award	Tania Brodovcky	<a href="mailto:taniab@sun.ac.za">taniab@sun.ac.za</a>
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	Harry Crossley Foundation Funding (Research project funding)	Tashwell de Wet	021 938 9056 / tashwell@sun.ac.za	Tania Brodovcky	021 938 9150 / taniab@sun.ac.za
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- Getting help

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- Writing a proposal
- Study design & methods

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## Exploring

Getting ideas	Research opportunities	Finding a supervisor	Getting help
<p> <a href="#">Read:</a></p> <p>Getting ideas</p> <p>Developing a question</p> <p>Importance of research</p> <p> <a href="#">Watch:</a></p> <p>Linking questions and methods</p> <p>From question to aim to hypothesis</p> <p>Past student experiences</p> <p> <a href="#">Find resources:</a></p> <p>Past student research topics</p> <p>Useful resources on topics and questions</p>	<p> <a href="#">Read:</a> (Coming soon)</p> <p> <a href="#">Watch:</a></p> <p>Identifying ideas and opportunities for research</p> <p> <a href="#">Find resources:</a></p> <p>Find a research project</p> <p>MBChB research opportunities</p> <p> <a href="#">Send feedback</a></p>	<p> <a href="#">Read:</a></p> <p>How to find a good mentor</p> <p>Tips on choosing a supervisor</p> <p> <a href="#">Watch:</a></p> <p>Finding the right supervisor</p> <p> <a href="#">Find resources:</a></p> <p>SU staff research interests</p> <p> <a href="#">Send feedback</a></p>	<p> <a href="#">Read:</a> (Coming soon)</p> <p> <a href="#">Watch:</a></p> <p>Support available for undergraduate student researchers</p> <p> <a href="#">Find resources:</a></p> <p>Contact the Undergraduate Research Office</p> <p>Follow the Undergraduate Research Office on Facebook</p> <p>Follow the Undergraduate Research Office on Twitter</p> <p>Join the Q Undergraduate Research Society</p> <p> <a href="#">Send feedback</a></p>












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# Planning

The research process	Plotting a timeline	Writing a proposal	Study design & methods
<p> Read:</p> <p>Overview of the research process</p> <p>The research lifecycle</p> <p> Watch:</p> <p>Overview of the research process: a quick guide</p> <p>Interactive research toolkit</p> <p> Find resources:</p> <p>Useful tools for research</p> <p> Send feedback</p>	<p> Read:</p> <p>How much time do you need?</p> <p>The research timeline</p> <p> Watch:</p> <p>Overview and timing of the research process</p> <p> Find resources:</p> <p>Plan.It calendar</p> <p> Send feedback</p>	<p> Read:</p> <p>Developing a research question</p> <p>Writing a proposal</p> <p>Writing a literature review for the proposal</p> <p>Outline of a proposal</p> <p> Watch:</p> <p>Formulating research questions, aims and objectives (quantitative focus)</p> <p>Setting up your research proposal</p> <p>Writing your research proposal</p> <p> Find resources:</p>	<p> Read:</p> <p>Quantitative:</p> <p>What type of study should you do?</p> <p>When do you involve a biostatistician?</p> <p>Making the most of your biostatistics consult</p> <p>Biostatistics glossary</p> <p>Qualitative design and methods</p> <p> Watch:</p> <p>An introduction to methodology</p> <p>Overview of research designs (quantitative focus)</p> <p>Linking research questions</p>

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# Enabling















Applying for ethics	Other permissions	Funding your research
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## Doing

Literature review & referencing	Data collection	Data analysis	Write up
<p> <b>Read:</b></p> <p>Literature review</p> <p>Mendeley quick reference guide</p> <p>Avoiding plagiarism</p> <p>Using Turnitin to avoid plagiarism</p> <p> <b>Watch:</b></p> <p>A quick guide to literature searching</p> <p>A quick guide to referencing</p> <p><u><a href="#">Writing the literature review guidance videos:</a></u></p> <p>1. Reading for and mapping the literature review</p> <p>2. Writing the literature review: conventions of academic writing</p> <p>3. Writing the literature review: incorporating other</p>	<p> <b>Read:</b></p> <p>How to implement your study</p> <p>How to manage your data</p> <p>How to store your data</p> <p> <b>Watch:</b></p> <p>How to design a questionnaire</p> <p>Quantitative questionnaire design</p> <p>Qualitative data collection (interviews)</p> <p>Data management</p> <p>Using Excel to enter data</p> <p> <b>Find resources:</b></p> <p>Useful resources on data collection</p> <p> <b>Send feedback</b></p>	<p> <b>Read:</b></p> <p>How to prepare your quantitative data for analysis</p> <p> <b>Watch:</b></p> <p>Introduction to Biostatistics 1</p> <p>Introduction to Biostatistics 2</p> <p>Qualitative analysis (Yale)</p> <p> <b>Find resources:</b></p> <p>Useful resources on data analysis</p> <p>Book a biostatistics consult</p> <p>Attend the Biostatistics Clinic</p> <p>Useful biostatistics resources</p> <p> <b>Send feedback</b></p>	<p> <b>Read:</b></p> <p>How to write the discussion section</p> <p>A template for writing the discussion section</p> <p>Common problems in the results/discussion section</p> <p> <b>Watch:</b></p> <p>Writing the results and discussion sections</p> <p>Tips on writing</p> <p> <b>Find resources:</b></p> <p>Self-help guide for formatting your thesis in MS Word</p> <p>Useful resources on academic writing</p> <p> <b>Send feedback</b></p>

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## Disseminating

Giving feedback	Presenting	Publishing
<p> Read:</p> <p>Who should you communicate your results to?</p> <p>Disseminating your research findings</p> <p> Watch:</p> <p>Planning for feedback and dissemination of your research results</p> <p> Find resources:</p> <p>WHO guidebook on disseminating research findings</p> <p> Send feedback</p>	<p> Read:</p> <p>Oral presentation tips</p> <p> Watch:</p> <p>Write and submit an abstract</p> <p>A quick guide to oral presentations</p> <p>A quick guide to poster presentations</p> <p> Find resources:</p> <p>Get funding to present your research</p> <p>Present at the FMHS Annual Academic Day</p> <p>Past undergraduate student presentations at the FMHS Annual Academic Day</p> <p> Send feedback</p>	<p> Read:</p> <p>How to write an article</p> <p>How to respond to the reviewers of your article</p> <p>Template for response to reviewers</p> <p> Watch:</p> <p>Plotting a paper</p> <p>Choosing the right journal</p> <p>Write and submit an abstract</p> <p>Introduction to getting published</p> <p> Find resources:</p> <p>Get funding for publishing your research</p> <p>List of accredited journals</p> <p>Identifying predatory journals</p> <p>ICMJE authorship guidelines</p>




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# Submitting an ethics application to UREC

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- ❖ The Undergraduate Research Ethics Committee (UREC) reviews all minimal risk undergraduate and honours student ethics applications
- ❖ Applications are completed and submitted online via the *Infonetica*@ system: <https://applyethics.sun.ac.za/>



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# Undergraduate Research

## Ethics Review

COVID-19: **Guidance** on how to do or amend your research during the embargo on face-to-face research activities

Important notice: Due to the demand that the COVID-19 pandemic is placing on our health care system, the Western Cape provincial Department of Health has advised that access to health care workers as research participants is currently restricted. Please take this into account when planning your research.

## Frequently Asked Questions: General (see below for online application FAQs)

Why is ethics review of health research important?

What does an ethics application entail?

What are UREC reviewers looking for in my ethics application?

How do I apply for a waiver of consent?

Do I need consent to use stored data/samples?

What criteria does UREC use to review my ethics application?

How do I apply for institutional approval to conduct research at SU?

How do I get help with my biostatistics before submitting for ethics approval?

Does my class project/assignment need ethics approval?

What are the ethical issues in case reports & case series?

Do I need provincial Dept. of Health approval?

How do I ensure that translators/transcribers keep participant information confidential?

Do I apply for ethics if my project is linked to a larger study?

What do I include in my protocol when using secondary data?

What's ethics got to do with systematic & scoping reviews? (secondary research)

## Useful Links

### **\*\*Important notice\*\***

Literature review sections included in protocols submitted for ethics review should be a maximum of 3-5 pages.

Literature reviews exceeding this length will be returned to applicants for editing prior to review.

## ETHICS REVIEW

- Quick Guide to Applying for Ethics Approval
- Ethics Application Package
- Forms & Instructions
- UREC Submission Dates
- UREC Members
- Frequently Asked Questions
- Health Research Ethics Office

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## Frequently Asked Questions: Navigating the online ethics application system

How do I submit a new online ethics application?

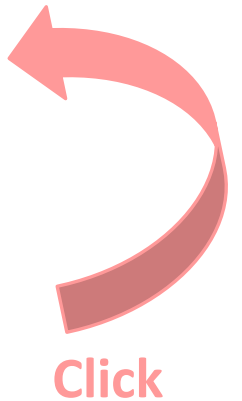
What happens after submission of my ethics application?

How do I submit a response to modifications?

How do I submit an amendment application?

How do I submit a progress report?

How do I submit a case report / case series application?



\* NB: **Research Project Funding** is open to undergraduate and honours students

# Funding available

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- ❖ Undergraduate Research Project Fund\*: R5,000. Deadlines: 1 May, 24 Nov
- ❖ Undergraduate Conference Presentation Fund: R10,000. Deadlines: 1 May, 1 Nov
- ❖ Undergraduate Publication Incentive Fund: R10,000. Deadlines: 1 May



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# When to make contact with URO

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<http://www.sun.ac.za/health-undergradresearch>

- ❖ Thinking about doing **research** or busy with research: resources and advice on the research process
- ❖ Applying for **ethics approval**: resources and advice on the ethics process
- ❖ Needing **funding** for your research project: Undergraduate Research Project Fund
- ❖ Wanting to **present your research** at a conference: Undergraduate Conference Presentation Fund

# Who we are at URO

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# THE RESEARCH PROCESS

Overview  
guide

## AN OVERVIEW

Overview  
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### 1. Identify ideas & opportunities

- [Identifying ideas & opportunities video](#)
- [Past student research](#)
- [Student publications](#)
- [Annual Academic Day presentations](#)
- [Google Scholar keyword search](#)



### 2. Find a supervisor

- [Identifying & working with a supervisor video](#)
- [Find a research project](#)
- [Search staff/departamental research areas](#)
- [Search the SU knowledge directory](#)



### 3. Write your protocol [video](#)

- [Literature review](#)
- [Methods](#) →
- [Ethical considerations](#)
- [Budget](#)
- [Timeline](#)
- [Reference list](#)

- Question, aims, objectives
- Research design
- Sampling & sample
- Data collection measures
- Data collection procedures
- Data management & analysis



### 4. Ethics & other permissions

- [Undergraduate Research Ethics Committee \(UREC\) info & deadlines](#)
- [Quick guide to applying for ethics approval](#)
- [Frequently asked ethics questions](#)
- [Institutional approval for research with SU staff or students](#)



### 5. Budget & funding

- [Drawing up a research budget video](#)
- [Applying to the Undergraduate & Honours Research Project Fund \(deadlines 1 April & 1 Nov\)](#)



### 6. Collect & analyse data



- [Data collection and analysis resources](#)
- [Book a biostatistics consult](#)
- [SU data management policy](#)
- [POPIA data privacy check](#)
- [Ethics of using secondary data/samples](#)

### 7. Write up results & discussion

- [Writing your results and discussion video](#)
- [Giving feedback & disseminating results video](#)



### 8. Present your research

- [Write and submit an abstract video](#)
- [Doing an oral presentation video](#)
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- [Applying to the Undergraduate Conference Presentation Fund \(deadlines 1 May & 1 Oct\)](#)



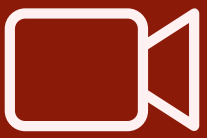
### 9. Publish your research



- [Write and submit an abstract video](#)
- [How to publish your research in a peer-reviewed journal video](#)
- [Applying to the Undergraduate Publication Incentive Fund \(deadline 1 May\)](#)

Additional resources: [Roadmap to Research page](#)

Contact: Ms Inge Sonn Undergraduate Research Office FMHS: [ingeks@sun.ac.za](mailto:ingeks@sun.ac.za)



# Guidance videos on writing in research



01



## Literature searching

In order to write about your topic, you need to find and read other research that will help contextualise your study.

02



## Referencing

A quick guide to ensuring that you correctly cite and reference the other research that you incorporate into your writing.

03



## Proposal writing

This video takes you through the process of writing a research proposal/protocol.

04



## Mapping literature review

How do you get from reading to writing? This video provides guidance on how to map the literature review from your reading.

05



## Writing conventions

Academic writing follows particular conventions. Learning these can help you write your literature review.

06



## Others' voices

A guidance video on how to incorporate other people's voices (research) into your writing.

07



## Your voice

Learning simple ways of incorporating your own voice into your writing.

08



## Results & Discussion

Writing up the results and discussion in a way that links these sections together.

09



## Writing an abstract

Writing the abstract is usually the last thing you do, summarising your whole study.

10



## Publishing the manuscript

Guidance on how to publish your research in an academic journal.

# REGISTRAR RESEARCH SUPPORT

# Information for registrar research projects

Dear Registrar,

In 2010, the HPCSA defined new requirements for specialist registration, which included the need for registrars to demonstrate research competence by completing a research project. Doing research requires that you design, execute and write-up (and hopefully publish!) a research project. As a postgraduate student, you are expected to create your own work structure, find and manage resources, consult regularly with your research supervisors, and seek out opportunities (listed below) to develop your research skills.

The faculty requirements for the research component include the completion and approval of a research protocol. Candidates can begin data collection only once ethics approval has been obtained. This should be the focus of your research energies during your first year. Keep in mind that the research process is time-consuming, so we encourage you to get started with your research as soon as possible. Time management will be one of your biggest challenges as a registrar.

**Registrar Research Support Office (RRSO):** Dr Emmanuel Obasa ([obasa@sun.ac.za](mailto:obasa@sun.ac.za)) is the head of the RRSO which is fully dedicated to providing research support for registrars and their supervisors. Familiarise yourself with the [RRSO webpage](#) which provides a wealth of resources and information about research consultations, workshops and short courses.

One of the most valuable courses for registrars is the [Clinical Research Protocol Writing course](#) which is offered by the RRSO in collaboration with the Research Capacity Development and Funding Office. This is a 16-week course that is run mostly online with 5 contact sessions interspersed throughout. The course provides everything registrars need to know about writing a protocol and includes content on choosing a research question, different study designs, basic biostatistics, ethical considerations and research timelines and budgets. Participants are encouraged to develop their own draft protocol by the end of the course.

The [Clinical Research Manuscript Writing course](#) was launched in 2021. This six-part webinar series walks participants through the process of writing up a quantitative clinical research manuscript that would be suitable for publication.

**Research Capacity Development and Funding Office (RCFO):** Dr Tania Brodovcky ([taniab@sun.ac.za](mailto:taniab@sun.ac.za)) is the head of the [Research Capacity Development and Funding Office](#) which offers several workshops, short courses and short information sessions for all researchers in the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences. You can also view [podcasts](#) from previous sessions. As mentioned previously, the RCFO hosts the [Clinical Research Protocol Writing course](#) in collaboration with the RRSO.

**The Health Research Ethics Committee (HREC):** All health-related research requires ethical approval. This is done via an online application process to the [Health Research Ethics Committee](#) of the Faculty. An invaluable resource to keep on hand is the [Standard Operating Procedure](#) which provides a wealth of information to guide the development of your protocol. Submission to HREC can be done only once the protocol has been signed off by your HOD. Please familiarize yourself with the administrative process for registrar research in your respective department. [This video](#) provides a walk-through on how to submit an online ethics application.



# Information for registrar research projects

**Undergraduate Research Office (URO):** Ms Inge Sonn ([ingeks@sun.ac.za](mailto:ingeks@sun.ac.za)) has curated several valuable resources on the [Roadmap to Research](#). These resources provide a good introduction to the research process for novice researchers.

**Centre for Evidence-Based Health:** You can request assistance from a biostatistician by making an [online booking](#) for an appointment. The centre also hosts a monthly [Biostatistics Clinic](#). There is no need to make a booking for this – researchers can simply drop in for a short consultation.

**Writing support provided by the Language Centre:** The Writing Lab at the [SU Language Centre](#) offers writing consultations and several workshops aimed at improving academic writing. Although consultations are free, workshops will be at your own cost.

**Electronic access to university resources:** You would have been given a Stellenbosch University username and temporary password (collectively referred to as your SUNID) by the admissions office. You will often need to use your SUNID to access resources via the Stellenbosch University website so do keep this on hand.

**IT helpdesk:** For problems regarding access to the university websites and other IT-related difficulties, you can contact the [Stellenbosch University IT helpdesk](#) between 8:00 and 16:30 on Mondays to Fridays at 021 808 4367 or at [help@sun.ac.za](mailto:help@sun.ac.za).

**Access to the library:** You can access the library website [here](#). After logging in with your SUNID, you can access a wide range of electronic databases, e-journals and e-books. Click [here](#) to watch a presentation on how to use the online library. The library's ["step-by-step guide"](#) provides useful information for conducting a literature review. The library also has a step-by-step guide explaining the [research process](#), as well as guide on [referencing](#). The library offers several training programs for researchers. Keep an eye on their website for more information. [This site](#) provides you with a list of common databases for interdisciplinary health sciences, tips for literature searching and keeping up to date with research publications. If you require assistance or have any questions, please visit the information desk, where the librarian on duty will be able to help. Note that you will need a student card to borrow hardcopy resources from the library.

**Managing your references:** You will be engaging with lots of academic material, and it can be challenging to keep a record of everything. We encourage you to use the Mendeley referencing manager. The library's [Mendeley support page](#) will provide you with relevant information. [This video](#) will also help you get started. If you would prefer not to use a referencing manager, keep in mind that you will need to keep excellent records of your material and generate manual reference lists.

**Funding opportunities:** There are several [funding opportunities](#) available, such as awards made by the Harry Crossley Foundation. These might be useful if you require funds to conduct your research.

**Enhancing Postgraduate Environments:** Stellenbosch University has partnered with the [Enhancing Postgraduate Environments](#) website which offers a treasure trove of online learning materials.

Good luck for your research journey! We hope it will be an enriching and rewarding experience.

# Overview of the research process

## Find a supervisor and topic

- Find a supervisor in a field that interests you.
- Brainstorm research ideas or see if your supervisor has a project or data.
- Make sure your supervisor is aware of their [responsibilities](#)
- Sign up for the Clinical Research Protocol Writing course



## Review the literature

- Do a literature search on [PubMed](#) or [Google Scholar](#).
- Start reading and familiarising yourself with your chosen topic.
- Use [Mendeley](#) to keep track of your literature. View a useful tutorial [here](#).

## Develop a research question and study design

- Define a practical, feasible, useful and clear research question.
- Consult with a [biostatistician](#) who will make sure your chosen study design is scientifically sound.

## Write a literature review

- This is a comprehensive, critical synthesis and narrative of the most relevant and recent information on a topic.
- View [these guidelines](#) provided by the RRSO.
- The Stellenbosch Libraries website also has [great resources](#).

## Write a full protocol

- Download a protocol template [here](#).
- Complete each section by following the instructions in the template.

## Obtain departmental study approval

- Usually this involves giving a 10-minute Powerpoint presentation to a panel of reviewers (HOD and consultants).
- Check the requirements in your Division or Department

## Obtain study approvals

- Collect all the [documentation](#) you need and submit to HREC [here](#).
- Respond to any comments from HREC using this [template](#).
- Obtain study approval from the Department of Health [here](#).
- Apply for permission to recruit SU staff and students [here](#).

## Collect and analyse data

- Learn how to set up a MS Excel [spreadsheet](#) and [codebook](#).
- Ask a [biostatistician](#) to help you with your data analyses.

## Write up your findings

- Check the FMHS guidelines for structured Master's programmes.
- Sign up for the Clinical Research Manuscript Writing course



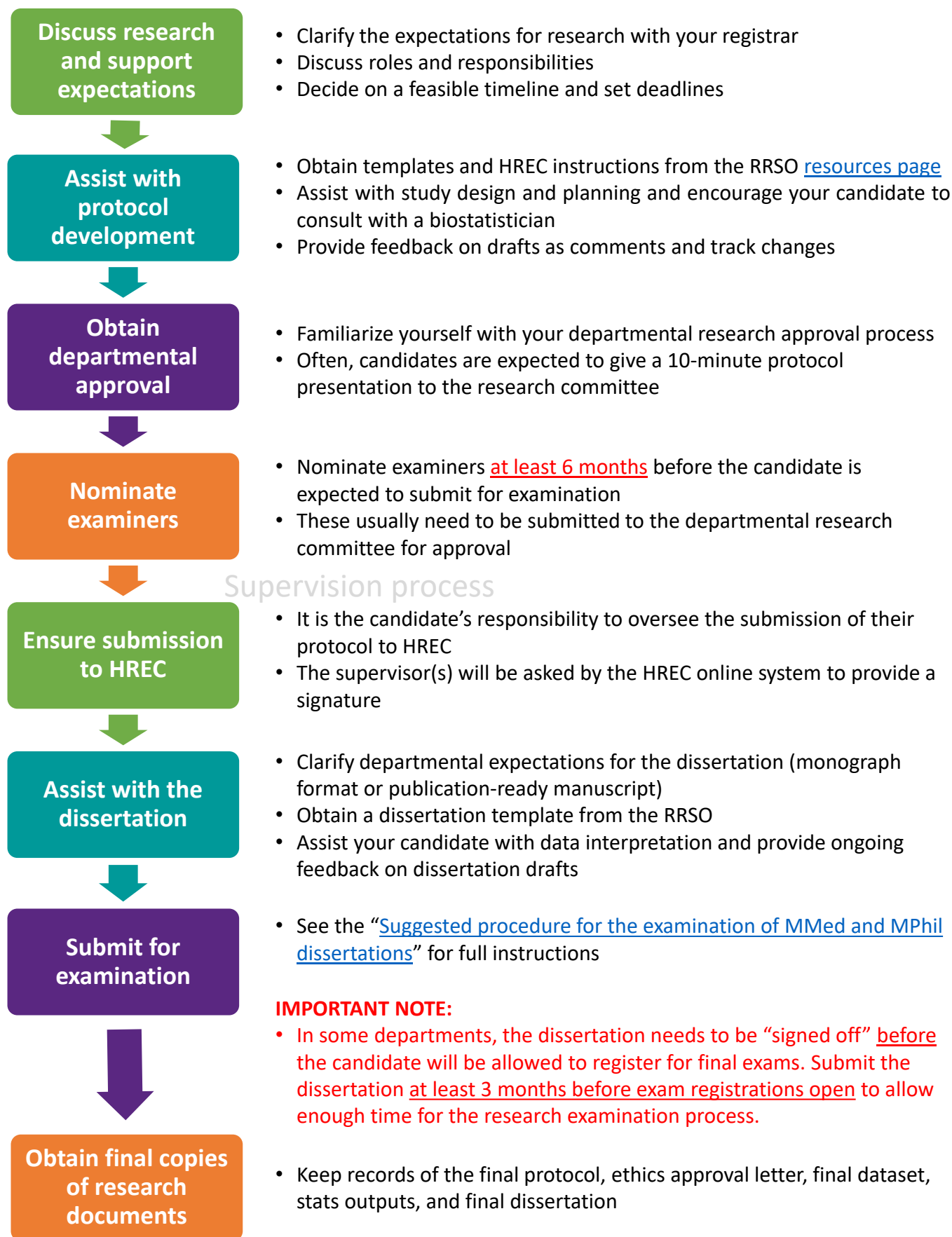
## Submit for examination

- See an overview of the examination process [here](#).
- **NOTE: Some departments require that candidates have their projects "signed off" before being allowed to register for Part II exams. Budget 3 months for the examination process.**
- Respond to examiners using [this template](#).

## Publish

- Find a suitable and [accredited journal](#), and follow the "instructions to authors" on the journal's website, and submit online.
- Respond to reviewers using [this template](#).

# Generic research supervision procedure



## Supervision process

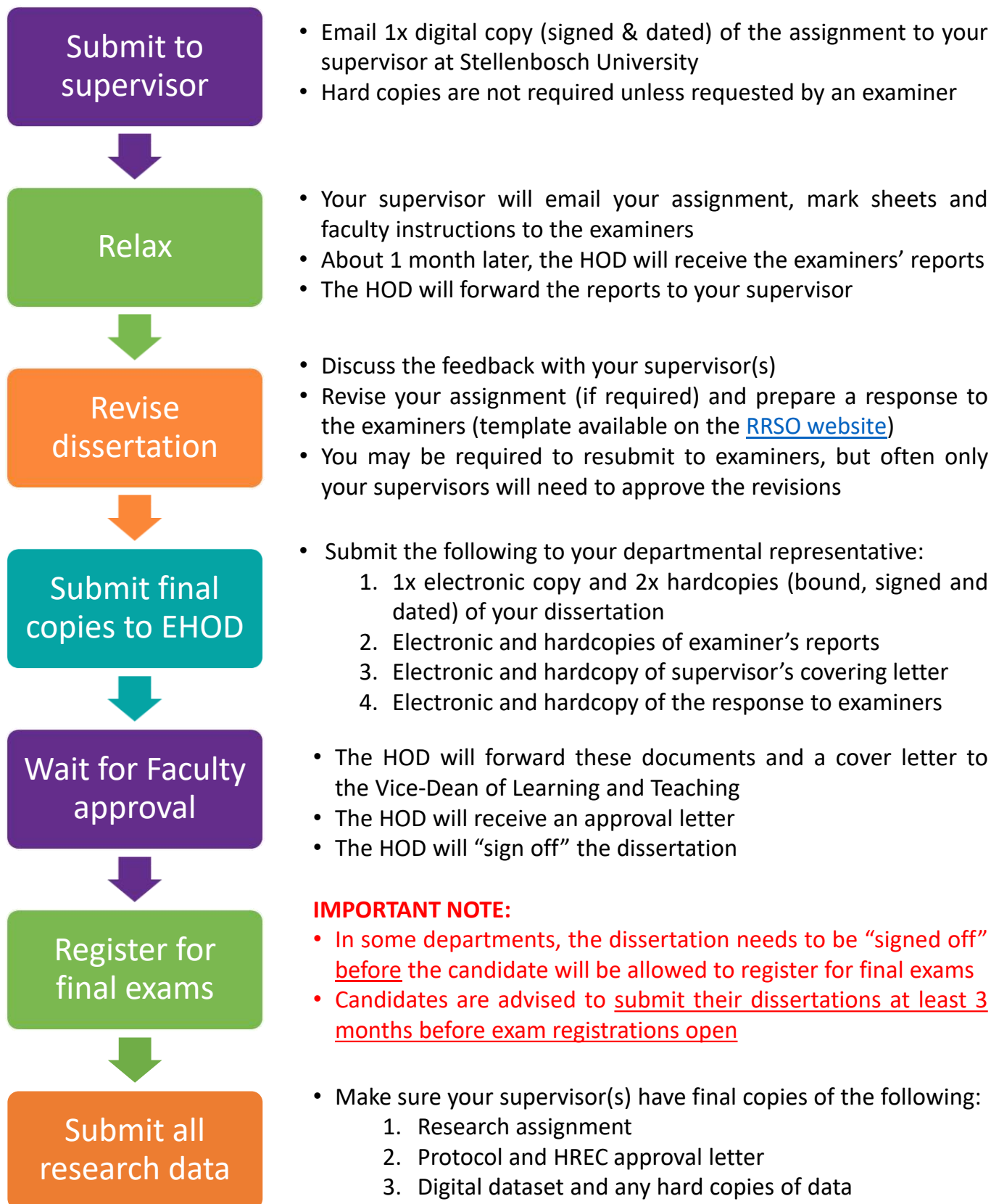
### IMPORTANT NOTE:

- In some departments, the dissertation needs to be "signed off" before the candidate will be allowed to register for final exams. Submit the dissertation at least 3 months before exam registrations open to allow enough time for the research examination process.

# Generic examination procedure for MMed research assignments

If you have completed your research assignment, this document outlines what to do next.

**IMPORTANT: Clarify the examination process within your specific department or division.**



# Major sources of research support

## Registrar Research Support Office



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# Registrar Research Webinar Series 202

<b>AUDIENCE:</b>	Registrars, MOs, consultants, and research supervisors
<b>CONTENT:</b>	Key concepts and methods in clinical research
<b>FORMAT:</b>	Webinars with opportunity for Q&A and discussion
<b>COST &amp; CPD:</b>	Free of charge and eligible for CPD points

18 February	Overview of the MMed research journey
18 March	
17 June	Features of academic writing
5 August	Research presentation skills
14 October	Human research ethics and obtaining HREC approvals



## When and where?



16:00 – 17:00



A join link will be emailed to registered participants

## How to register?



### RSVP links

Available 1 month in advance via the RRSO website



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# Choice Events

## Spotlight Series

The Spotlight Series has been successfully hosted by [Tygerberg International](#) for several years.

In 2025, for the first time, the Tygerberg Doctoral Office comes on board as a hosting partner.

These bi-annual events mark communal milestone days and build camaraderie within the FMHS.

Academics link their work to the topical themes of national and international commemorative days, thereby making cutting edge research relevant across faculty and PAS staff, postdocs and postgraduate students.

Registration is essential – invitations will be circulated in advance of these dates.

- **Tuesday, 27 May 2025**, in recognition of Africa Day  
Future Africa: Innovations, Growth, and Development
- **Tuesday, 7 October 2025**, in recognition of  
International Peace Day, together with South Africa's Women's Day and Heritage Day

## PhD Discussion Group

The FMHS Doctoral Discussion Group was founded by Prof Susan van Schalkwyk, former executive head of the Department of Health Professions Education – and is usually held over lunchtime on Tuesdays or Wednesdays. The group meets once a month, providing a platform for PhD students to share reflections on the doctoral journey.

[Click here for meeting dates and more information.](#)



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# Resources



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## For PhD supervisors

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**For Postgraduate Programme Committees (PPCs):** [About the CPR](#)





# Get Further Help



PhD	Who can help you best?	Read more
All PhD Enquiries	Tygerberg Doctoral Office	<a href="#">» Click here «</a>
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Registration	Student and Programme Administration office, Tygerberg campus	<a href="#">» Click here «</a>
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**Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays 9AM to 12 noon**

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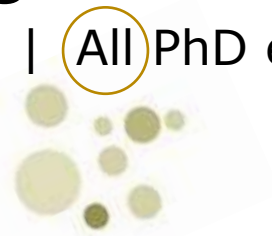
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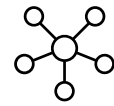
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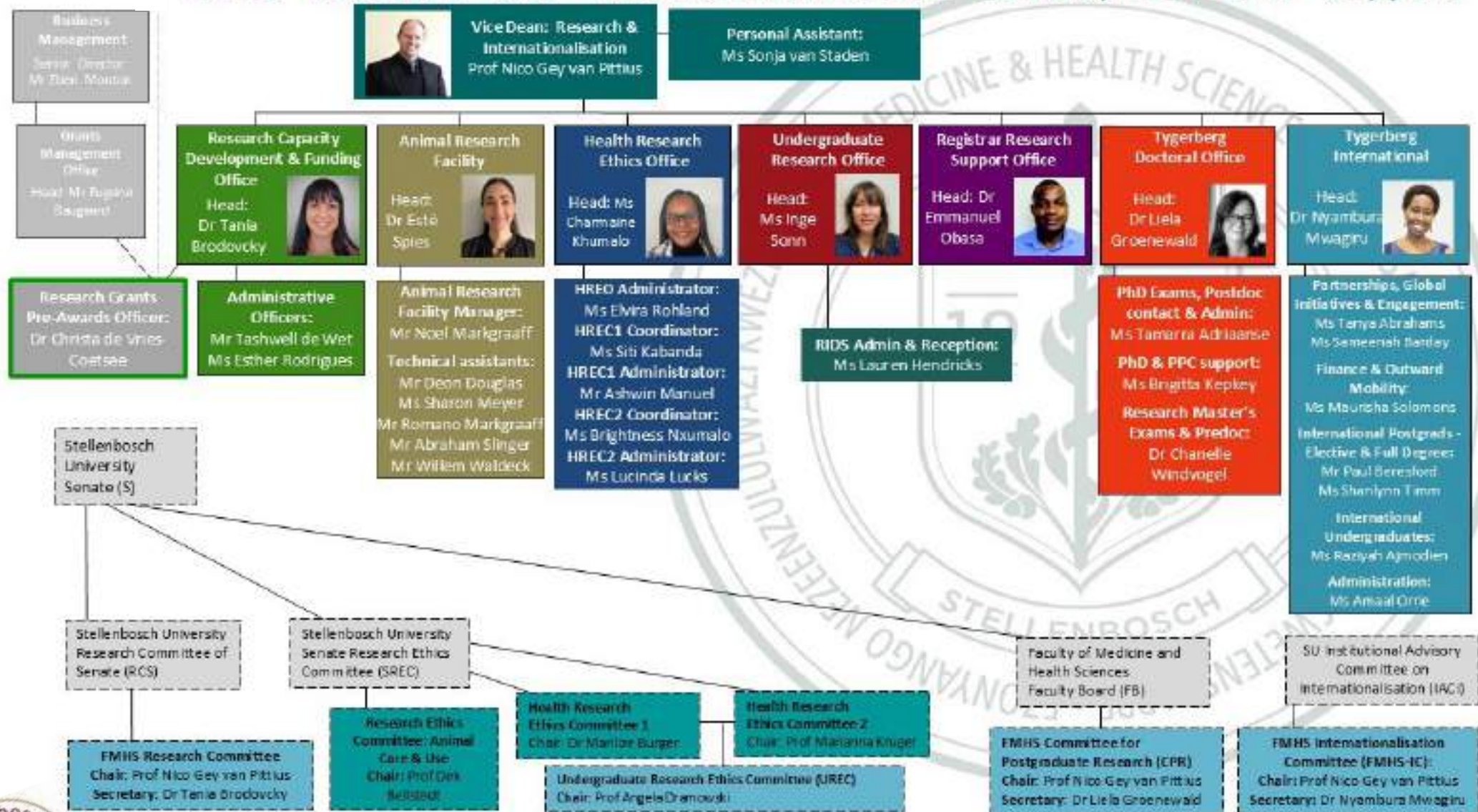






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## FMHS Research and Internationalisation Development and Support



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## FACT SHEET

### WHY CHOOSE US?






- Faculty of Medicine and Health Science (FMHS) offers our global cohort excellent medical and health science programmes and courses
- Provides a high calibre teaching and learning experience at undergraduate, postgraduate and research levels
- Committed to providing ongoing quality and efficient services to our students, staff and partners
- Aims to strengthen internationalisation efforts at FMHS
- Access to world-class international programming
- In-person, hybrid and virtual mobility training and exchange opportunities

### VALUES

Our decisions and actions are guided by the following values:

	INCLUSIVITY		ACCOUNTABILITY		EXCELLENCE
	COMPASSION		RESPECT		EQUITY

### OUR FMHS INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMMES

				
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### ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2023/2024

APPLICATION	Undergraduate Electives	Opening Date: 1 February
	Research & Non-clinical Short-Term Training	Closing Date: 31 October
	Postgraduate Full Degree	Applications must be submitted at least 3 months in advance of the Elective start date.
	Postgraduate Electives	Registration intake is January & July
LECTURE PERIOD	Undergraduate Electives	Applications must be submitted at least 7 months in advance of the Elective start date.
	Postgraduate Electives	Maximum 8 weeks
	Postgraduate Degree	4 weeks to 1 year
ALUMNI	Undergraduate Electives	Full degree period
	Postgraduate Degree	266 students from 2023 - 2024
	Registrar training/Postgraduate Elective	194 students from 2023 - 2024
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# TYGERBERG INTERNATIONAL

## VISION:

### TYGERBERG INTERNATIONAL:

Create and enable transformative, inclusive, effective healthcare education, research, and social impact opportunities locally and globally through collaboration.

### FACULTY OF MEDICINE AND HEALTH SCIENCES:

To be the leading research-intensive health sciences faculty in and for Africa.

## VALUES:

FACULTY OF MEDICINE AND HEALTH SCIENCES:	TYGERBERG INTERNATIONAL:
Inclusivity	Excellence
Compassion	Service
Accountability	Integrity
Respect	Flexibility
Excellence	Resourcefulness
Equity	

## WHERE DOES TYGERBERG INTERNATIONAL FIT INTO STELLENBOSCH UNIVERSITY?

Tygerberg International (TI) is Stellenbosch University's Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences (FMHS) unit responsible for supporting internationalisation within the faculty. TI acts as a liaison and facilitates global partner engagement between the faculty local and international partner institutions. TI also supports admission and placement of international undergraduate and postgraduate clinical rotations.

### ABOUT THE FACULTY OF MEDICINE AND HEALTH SCIENCES (FMHS)

FMHS is one of 10 faculties at the University. Established in 1956, it has developed into one of the leading health sciences faculties in Africa. It has a diverse student body of approximately 5,000 students enrolled in five undergraduate programmes and 80 postgraduate programmes.

The faculty is situated on its own campus, Tygerberg Campus. Tygerberg Hospital, a tertiary hospital, is adjacent to the campus and serves as its teaching hospital. The campus is located in Cape Town's northern suburbs approximately 30 kilometres from the university's Stellenbosch Campus and 20 kilometres from the centre of Cape Town.

The Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences continues to play a critical and impactful role in internationalisation of higher education at Stellenbosch University and beyond.

### ABOUT STELLENBOSCH UNIVERSITY (SU)

SU has 10 faculties and consists of 32 535 students including 2 900 international students across 5 campuses. It is one of the leading tertiary institutions in South Africa based on research output, student pass rates and rated scientists, and is recognised internationally as an academic institution of excellence.

Main campus is situated in the historical oak-lined university town of Stellenbosch, which lies nestled amongst the Boland Mountains in the winelands of the Western Cape. Stellenbosch is situated about 50 km from Cape Town.

By 2040, Stellenbosch University aims to be Africa's leading research-intensive university, globally recognised as excellent, inclusive, and innovative, where we advance knowledge in service of society. Internationalisation and becoming a global university are key to achieving this aim.

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**DIVISION FOR RESEARCH  
DEVELOPMENT & LIBRARY**

# DIVISION FOR RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT

## RESEARCH CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

DATE	TIME	TOPIC	FACILITATORS	VENUE
<b>25 February</b>	8:30 - 14:00	<b>Research Orientation day</b>	DRD	Lanzerac
<b>5 March</b>	9:00 - 13:00	<b>Grant Proposal Writing</b>	Riana Coetsee	Stias
<b>11 March</b>	8:30 - 16:00	<b>Science Communication</b>	Dr Lili Rademan, Petro Kotzé	Stias
<b>6 May</b>	8:30 - 16:00	<b>Project Planning and Management in the research context</b>	Prof Joubert van Eeden	tbc
<b>8 May</b>	9:00 - 13:00	<b>Academic Article Writing</b>	Prof Chrissie Boughey	online
<b>20 May</b>	8:30- 16:00	<b>Understanding contractual risks, policies and legislations impacting research contracts</b>	Dr Cornelia Malherbe, Naseema Soday	Stias
<b>22 May</b>	8:30 - 14:00	<b>How to build a successful academic/research career</b>	Prof Eugene Cloete	Stias
<b>28 May</b> <b>30 July</b>	9:00 -10:30	<b>Training on SU's conflict of Interest Policy (requirement for all USA federal funder PI's and key personnel)</b>	Dr Cornelia Malherbe, Naseema Soday, Dr Christra de Vries-Coetsee, Eugene Baugaard, Steven Adams	Stias
<b>12 August and 13 August</b>	9:00 - 13:00	<b>Grant Proposal Writing (online session 1)</b> <b>Grant Proposal Writing (online session 2)</b>	Riana Coetsee	online
<b>14 August</b>	9:00 -16:00	<b>Annual DESC workshop</b>	REC: SBE Staff	Stias
<b>19 August to 21 August</b>	8:30- 16:00	<b>Understanding contractual risks, policies and legislations impacting research contracts</b>	Dr Cornelia Malherbe, Naseema Soday	online
<b>19 September</b>	9:00 - 15:30	<b>Permit Compliance - Do's and Don'ts</b>	Mr Winston Beukes with representatives from DFFE, DoH, SAHPRA, and CAPENATURE	tbc
<b>25 September</b>	8:30 - 15:00	<b>Research Indaba</b>	DRD	Lanzerac
<b>1 October</b>	9:00 - 15:00	<b>NRF Ratings</b>	Prof Valerie Corfield	Stias
<b>27 October</b> <b>31 October</b> <b>3 November</b> <b>7 November</b> <b>10 November</b> <b>14 November</b> <b>17 November</b> <b>21 November</b> <b>24 November</b>	13:00 - 14:00	<b>Postgraduate Supervision series (session 1)</b> <b>Postgraduate Supervision series (session 2)</b> <b>Postgraduate Supervision series (session 3)</b> <b>Postgraduate Supervision series (session 4)</b> <b>Postgraduate Supervision series (session 5)</b> <b>Postgraduate Supervision series (session 6)</b> <b>Postgraduate Supervision series (session 7)</b> <b>Postgraduate Supervision series (session 8)</b> <b>Postgraduate Supervision series (session 9)</b>	PGO, Prof Chrissie Boughey, Dr Nompilo Tshuma	tbc online
<b>31 October</b>	8:00 - 16:00	<b>Research Integrity and Ethics Symposium</b>	DRD & ORIE Staff	Stias



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## 2025 PROGRAMME

**Note on registration links: Some of our workshops are available via the SU Training Platform. Staff are requested to register using the Staff link where it is an option.**

### PLAN AND DESIGN

#### 1. Library induction for postgraduate students and academic staff

**13 February**  
**10:00 – 13:00**

[Staff Registration Link](#)  
[Student Registration Link](#)

This induction workshop for new postgraduate students and academic staff members consists of two sessions. During the first session an overview of the Library Website is given, how to search for information via the different databases as well as where to find help.

**5 March**  
**10:00 – 13:00**

[Staff Registration Link](#)  
[Student Registration Link](#)

The second session goes into more depth about all the different research services that the Library is offering and is presented by the specific librarians responsible for the different divisions.

**Session 1:**  
**Participants will learn to:**

**24 July**  
**10:00 – 13:00**

[Staff Registration Link](#)  
[Student Registration Link](#)

- navigate the Library Website effectively
- find their way around in the Stellenbosch University Library
- find information with the Library's search engine
- check where to find and how to use interdisciplinary academic databases such as EBSCOhost as well as electronic journals and e-books
- check the library hours, terms for access and membership privileges entail
- find conducive spaces to work and study

- check out or renew books and request books that are not in the library
- reach their faculty librarians as well as other tools for assistance
- use essential research skills such as avoiding plagiarism, complying with copyright, referencing techniques and using Endnote as a reference manager

### Session 2:

#### In this session, participants will learn:

- about the available advanced research support services available
- about the Research Commons services
- how to create your unique author identity with ORCID and how to connect it with your Stellenbosch University identity
- how to find assistance on where to publish
- where to find author/article/departmental citation data (bibliometrics) and how to request assistance
- what Open Access is and which services the Library support
- Where to submit your thesis or dissertation before graduation
- How to find examples of previously completed theses and dissertations within SUNScholar (institutional repository)
- what Research Data Management is and a short introduction to SUNScholarData and the tool for data management planning (SunDMP)
- where to find assistance on data analysis and data visualisation (on campus and in the Library)
- about the Makerspace, its facilities, and services on offer

**Target audience:** New postgraduate students and newly appointed researchers

## 2. How to conduct a literature review

18 February  
11:00 – 13:00

[Registration Link](#)

8 April  
14:00 – 16:00

[Registration Link](#)

A literature review is **a survey of scholarly sources on a specific topic**. It provides an overview of current knowledge, allowing you to identify relevant theories, methods, and gaps in the existing research. This workshop aims to provide researchers with an overview of how to efficiently structure and develop a literature review.

#### Outcomes:

Participants will learn:

- what a literature review is and the different types
- what the literature review process is
- about working with your topic to find relevant literature
- examples of ways to structure your literature review
- how to critically analyse literature
- brief searching tips



29 July  
11:00 – 13:00

[Registration Link](#)

### 3. Systematic Reviews

4 March  
11:00 – 13:00

[Staff Registration Link](#)  
[Student Registration Link](#)

5 August  
14:00 – 16:00

[Staff Registration Link](#)  
[Student Registration Link](#)

Thinking about doing a systematic review? Having its origins in health sciences, a systematic review can be a daunting challenge. Let us help you demystify it and get started with a high-level introduction to the systematic review process.

**Outcomes:**

After the workshop, participants will:

- understand how a systematic review differs from conventional literature reviews
- be equipped with the tools and knowledge on how to conduct a systematic review
- be able to better formulate an appropriate search strategy to find the most relevant sources
- know how to keep a systematic record of all the steps taken in finding the appropriate sources, and
- how to disseminate the information from those sources

### 4. Systematic Reviews for Medicine and Health Sciences

4 March  
11:00 – 13:00

[Staff Registration Link](#)  
[Student Registration Link](#)

5 August  
14:00 – 16:00

[Staff Registration Link](#)  
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## 5. Tools and applications for research

6 March  
11:00 – 13:00

[Registration Link](#)

This workshop will offer a look at some of the top tools and applications for students, academic staff, and researchers. It will cover a variety of mobile apps for research, productivity, reading, writing, presenting, note-taking, file sharing and other essential tools for studying and publishing on the go.

**Outcomes:**

The workshop will assist you:

- in finding tools and applications to help you with your research process
- with choosing between the best tools and applications to boost your research productivity

30 July  
14:00 - 16:00

[Registration Link](#)

**Note to participants:** The content of this workshop will only include an overview of tools and applications available and not in-depth training for each tool or application

## 6. Finding Government Statistics

11 March  
11:00 – 13:00

[Registration Link](#)

This workshop focuses on the database Statistics SA which is available by means of the Library website. The session includes a demonstration on how to access publications on the database, do cross-tabulation and access time series data with variables over time. The aim is to encourage students and researchers to optimise open data sources and methodologies for research projects.

**Outcomes:**

- Ability to navigate the database Statistics SA
- and to find statistical information published by the South African government

6 August  
14:00 - 16:00

[Registration Link](#)

## COLLECT AND CAPTURE

### 7. Introduction to Research Data Management (RDM) and Data Management Plans (DMP)

26 March  
11:00 – 13:00

[Staff Registration Link](#)  
[Student Registration Link](#)

31 July  
14:00 - 16:00

[Staff Registration Link](#)  
[Student Registration Link](#)

This workshop introduces researchers to the fundamental ideas of research data management (RDM). The session will cover the SU RDM regulation, ethical considerations, external funding requirements, and the FAIR principles (Findable, Accessible, Interoperable, and Reusable) that govern good data management.

#### **Session 1: Introduction to RDM**

The presentation covers:

- various information resources relating to the management of research data
- the regulation of Research Data Management at Stellenbosch University
- how they can access researcher support services relating to Research Data Management
- various RDM-related technological solutions supported by Stellenbosch University
- how to conduct research that adheres to the FAIR principles

#### **Session 2: Data Management Planning**

This session will introduce participants to data management planning and the range of available DMP resources and training opportunities.

#### **Outcomes:**

#### **Participants will learn:**

- the fundamental aspects of Data Management Planning
- the structure of Data Management Plans
- the resources that researchers can use in relation Data Management Planning
- the RDM Adventure Game, which will teach them about the most important aspects to consider when planning on how to manage their research data

### 8. SunDMP (SU data management tool) for data management plan creation

<p><b>12 March</b> <b>14:00 – 16:00</b></p> <p><a href="#">Registration Link</a></p>	<p>The workshop will help participants learn how to effectively use SunDMP, Stellenbosch University's data management planning tool. The workshop will guide participants through creating comprehensive data management plans that align with institutional policies, funding requirements, and best practices.</p>
<p><b>7 August</b> <b>14:00 - 15:00</b></p> <p><a href="#">Registration Link</a></p>	<p><b>Outcomes:</b> Participants will learn:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• how to create and manage data management plans using the SunDMP tool.</li> <li>• aligning data management plans with institutional policies, ethical standards, and funding requirements.</li> <li>• incorporating the FAIR principles into their research data practices using SunDMP.</li> </ul>

## ANALYSE, COLLABORATE AND CREATE

### 9. Copyright issues in theses and dissertation writing

<p><b>13 March</b> <b>12:00 – 13:00</b></p> <p><a href="#">Registration Link</a></p>	<p>This presentation provides an overview of the copyright issues which students typically encounter while working on their theses or dissertations.</p>
<p><b>6 August</b> <b>12:00 - 13:00</b></p> <p><a href="#">Registration Link</a></p>	<p><b>Outcomes:</b> The following important aspects will be addressed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What is copyright?</li> <li>• Ownership of copyright</li> <li>• Fair use</li> <li>• Inclusion of third-party content viz. previously published graphs, tables, photos, images, etc. in a thesis or dissertation</li> <li>• Obtaining copyright permission</li> <li>• Copyright perspectives and implications when publishing your thesis or dissertation</li> </ul>

### 10. EndNote for reference management

	<p>EndNote 21 offers various services, including reference management, organising and annotation of PDF documents and collaboration. In this</p>
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11:00 – 13:00

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18 March  
14:00 – 16:00

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9 April  
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17 July  
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7 August  
11:00 – 13:00

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2 September  
14:00 - 16:00

[Staff Registration Link](#)

session, we will show you how to download and install EndNote and set-up your account.

**(Assistance with migrating to Endnote will be given on an individual basis or via the Endnote library guide)**

**Outcomes:**

- The training will focus on introducing clients to the newly acquired EndNote 21
- Features of EndNote 21
- Importing and creating references
- Installing and using Cite-while-you-write
- Learn how to organise and annotate your pdf documents
- Collaborate and network with fellow students and colleagues
- Using the built-in search functions to find sources
- Optimally using the tag feature
- Downloading and utilising custom styles

[Student Registration Link](#)

1 October  
11:00 - 13:00

[Staff Registration Link](#)  
[Student Registration Link](#)

## 11. MHS EndNote for reference management

19 February  
14:00 - 16:00

[Staff Registration Link](#)  
[Student Registration Link](#)

9 April  
14:00 - 16:00

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[Student Registration Link](#)

17 July  
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[Student Registration Link](#)

16 September  
14:00 - 16:00

[Staff Registration Link](#)  
[Student Registration Link](#)

EndNote 21 offers various services, including reference management, organising and annotation of PDF documents and collaboration. In this session, we will show you how to download and install EndNote and how to set up your account.

### Outcomes:

The training includes the following:

- Introduction to EndNote 21
- Features of EndNote 21
- Importing and creating references
- Installing and using Cite-while-you-write
- Learn how to organise and annotate your pdf documents
- Collaborate and network with fellow students and colleagues
- Using the built-in search functions to find sources
- Optimally using the tag feature
- Downloading and utilising custom styles

## 12. Tips on how to format your thesis (MS Word)

20 February  
11:00 – 13:00

This workshop will help you work around some of the common formatting glitches most postgraduate students experience, whilst getting their document ready for submission.

<p><a href="#">Registration Link</a></p> <p>19 March 14:00 – 16:00</p> <p><a href="#">Registration Link</a></p> <p>16 July 11:00 - 13:00</p> <p><a href="#">Registration Link</a></p>	<p><b>Outcomes:</b></p> <p>At the end of this workshop, you will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Manage the different sections in your document e.g., Title page, preliminary pages and chapters</li> <li>• Formulate your title page e.g., include the SU watermark logo</li> <li>• Insert different page numbering formats e.g., Roman vs Arabic numerals</li> <li>• Apply headings to the different sections in your thesis</li> <li>• Number your sections in your theses</li> <li>• Insert captions for figures and tables</li> <li>• Insert a Table of Contents</li> <li>• Insert tables of figures</li> </ul>
<h3>13. Principles of Data Visualisation</h3>	
<p>25 March 11:00 – 12:30</p> <p><a href="#">Registration Link</a></p> <p>5 August 11:00 – 12:30</p> <p><a href="#">Registration Link</a></p>	<p>This workshop will cover the key principles to keep in mind when you are planning your visualisations, from choosing the best visualisation type for your data to the effective use of colour, narrative, etc.</p> <p><b>Outcomes:</b></p> <p>The following aspects will be addressed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How to plan your data visualisation: know your audience, use metrics that matter</li> <li>• Which question would you like to answer</li> <li>• Which chart type/visualisation type to use for your data</li> <li>• The effective use of colour</li> <li>• The effective use of narrative in data visualisation: find the story in your data</li> </ul>
<h3>14. Overview of software for effective data analysis and data visualisation</h3>	
<p>10 April 11:00 - 13:00</p> <p><a href="#">Registration Link</a></p> <p>19 August 11:00 - 13:00</p> <p><a href="#">Registration Link</a></p>	<p>An overview of tools and free software for data analysis and data visualisation will be presented. Some of the tools and software which will be included are listed below:</p> <p><b>Statistical Analysis</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• R</li> <li>• Rstudio</li> <li>• SAS</li> <li>• SPSS</li> <li>• Statistica</li> <li>• Atlas.ti (qualitative)</li> <li>• Dedoose (qualitative)</li> </ul> <p><b>Visualisation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tableau Desktop</li> </ul>



- Microsoft Power Bi
- RAWGraphs
- Flourish

#### **Mapping**

- Tableau and Carto for easy interactive maps;
- Google Earth for 3D maps and animated tours

#### **Data Wrangling**

- Open Refine
- Excel

#### **Digital Humanities**

- Juxta
- Voyant
- BigDiva

**Note:** Please note that this will only be an overview of tools and what it can do and will not include in-depth training

## **15. Introduction to Tableau Desktop and Flourish for data visualisation**

**15 April**  
**11:00 – 13:00**

[Registration Link](#)

**26 August**  
**14:00 - 16:00**

[Registration Link](#)

This workshop will be an introductory course to visualise your data with Tableau Desktop and Flourish. Both tools are free for students and academics and fairly user-friendly.

#### **Outcomes:**

Participants will learn the following about Tableau Desktop:

- how to upload a dataset
- the visualisation types in Tableau
- how to create multiple visualisations, a dashboard and a story
- how to publish a visualisation

Participants will learn the following about Flourish:

- Which data visualisation types are available in Flourish
- How to create visualisations and stories
- how to embed and publish your visualisations

#### **Note to registrants:**

An account for Tableau and Flourish will need to be set up before the workshop starts. Information will be shared to all registrants before the

	time. Registrants will receive data sets to use while doing the exercises during this session.
<b>16. Introduction to Microsoft Power BI</b>	
<p>8 April 11:00 – 13:00</p> <p><a href="#">Staff Registration Link</a> <a href="#">Student Registration Link</a></p> <p>17 September 14:00 - 16:00</p> <p><a href="#">Staff Registration Link</a> <a href="#">Student Registration Link</a></p>	<p>The workshop will be a hands-on introduction to Microsoft Power BI, which forms part of the SU Microsoft subscription.</p> <p><b>Outcomes:</b> Participants will learn the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• how to install the desktop and connect to Microsoft Excel</li> <li>• start visualising data with an extensive library of data visualisation</li> <li>• how to build reports and dashboards</li> <li>• how to share reports and dashboards via the Power Bi Service</li> </ul> <p><b>Kindly note that Microsoft Power BI Desktop is not currently available for Mac users. However, the web version is still available.</b></p>

<b>MANAGE, STORE AND PRESERVE</b>	
<b>17. An overview of SUNScholarData – the SU institutional data repository</b>	
<p>26 March 14:00 – 16:00</p> <p><a href="#">Staff Registration Link</a> <a href="#">Student Registration Link</a></p> <p>13 August 14 :00- 16:00</p> <p><a href="#">Staff Registration Link</a> <a href="#">Student Registration Link</a></p>	<p>Many funders mandate that data collected in the process of conducting research that was funded by them be deposited in reputable repositories. This workshop will provide an overview of research data repositories and demonstrate the manner in which SU’s Institutional Research Data Repository, SUNScholarData, functions.</p> <p><b>Outcomes:</b> The workshop will be divided into the following sections:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Understanding institutional data repositories</li> <li>• An introduction to SUNScholar - the SU’s Institutional Research Data Repository</li> <li>• The repository’s user interfaces: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ User account</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

- Information retrieval interface

## 18. Thesis management for the submission of theses and dissertations for graduation

12 February  
11:00 – 12:00

[Staff Registration Link](#)  
[Student Registration Link](#)

30 September  
14:00 - 15:00

[Staff Registration Link](#)  
[Student Registration Link](#)

This workshop will focus on the new SUNStudent platform, *Thesis management*. It is designed for staff and will focus on the functioning and use of *Thesis management*. The workshop will serve as a practical guidance for those staff whose students are ready for graduation.

### Outcomes:

- How to access thesis management
- The use and functionality of thesis management
- Introducing a new workflow process

**Target audience:** For SU staff only

## SHARE AND PUBLISH

## 19. Increasing the visibility of your research output through self-archiving

16 April  
11:00 – 12:30

[Staff Registration Link](#)  
[Student Registration Link](#)

17 September  
11:00 – 12:30

[Staff Registration Link](#)  
[Student Registration Link](#)

Stellenbosch University's institutional policy on the self-archiving of research output is curated by its Library and Information Service. Complying with this policy, which asks researchers to deposit copies of their research output in SUNScholar, the SU institutional repository, can greatly increase the visibility and impact of research output. This workshop will teach participants more about the policy and how to comply with it in order to improve access to and visibility of their research outputs.

### Outcomes:

Participants will:

- Understand the purpose of the University's policy on the self-archiving of research output
- Learn about the benefits of self-archiving as a means of green open access
- Better understand publishers' policies regarding self-archiving

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Learn about the different versions of research output suitable for self-archiving</li> <li>• Learn about the different options of self-archiving research output</li> <li>• Learn how to self-archive your own article to SUNScholar, our institutional repository</li> <li>• Research output in Symplectic</li> </ul>
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## 20. Making important decisions about publishing your research

<p>19 March 10:00 – 13:00</p> <p><a href="#">Staff Registration Link</a> <a href="#">Student Registration Link</a></p>	<p>This hands-on session covers important factors to help you decide where to publish your research. Making the right choices can increase readership and citations, diminish publication lag and ensure that your publication is eligible for government subsidy.</p> <p><b>Outcomes:</b> The following sessions related to publishing are covered:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Choosing the right journal (1 hour): Article types and features of a good journal, predatory publishers, journal metrics</li> <li>• Peer review (30 minutes)</li> <li>• The South African research outputs accreditation system (30 minutes)</li> <li>• The benefits of Open Access publishing and hybrid options for publication (1 hour)</li> </ul>
<p>16 September 10:00 – 13:00</p> <p><a href="#">Staff Registration Link</a> <a href="#">Student Registration Link</a></p>	

## 21. Enhancing your research impact through open access publishing

<p>23 April 11:00 – 12:30</p> <p><a href="#">Staff Registration Link</a> <a href="#">Student Registration Link</a></p>	<p>This workshop will introduce attendees to the principles of Open Access and how it can benefit the impact of their research. Open Access publishing is a model of scholarly communication that provides unrestricted and free access to scholarly research outputs, such as articles, papers, and data. In Open Access publishing, the content is made available online to the public without financial, legal, or technical barriers.</p>
<p>3 September 14:00 – 15:30</p> <p><a href="#">Staff Registration Link</a> <a href="#">Student Registration Link</a></p>	<p>This approach aims to maximise the dissemination of knowledge and facilitate broader access to scientific and academic information. Open Access publishing is often seen as a way to promote transparency, collaboration, and innovation in research by removing traditional subscription and paywall barriers.</p> <p><b>Outcomes:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Benefits of open access publishing and transformational agreements (TAs) with publishers for researchers</li> </ul>

- Understanding the eligibility criteria of TAs
- Step-by-step guidance on publishing open access under TAs
- Common misconceptions and concerns
- Creative Commons licenses and copyright considerations
- Overview of key open access platforms and repositories
- Understanding the different models/variations of Open Access publishing
- Avoiding predatory journals
- Deciding on a journal (journal finder)

## 22. Managing your unique author identity with ORCID

11 March  
14:00 – 15:00

[Staff Registration Link](#)  
[Student Registration Link](#)

4 September  
11:00 - 12:00

[Staff Registration Link](#)  
[Student Registration Link](#)

ORCID is an open, non-profit, community-driven effort to create and maintain a registry of unique researcher identifiers and a transparent method of linking research activities and outputs to these identifiers. This workshop will explain what ORCID is, how to register and populate your profiles.

### Outcomes:

Participants will learn in this hands-on session:

- What are the benefits of having a unique author iD with ORCID
- The benefits of having University membership to ORCID
- How to connect your profile with the ORCID university integration
- How to populate your iD's with your works
- How to connect records to ORCID with Web of Science and Scopus
- Any other new developments

## MONITOR AND EVALUATE

## 23. Maximise your research impact

24 April  
11:00 – 13:00

[Staff Registration Link](#)

This workshop will show how to improve your impact as a researcher. The following two sessions will be presented:

### Session 1: Increase the visibility of your research

Participants will learn to:

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- Find and navigate social research networks (ResearchGate, Academia.edu, Mendeley, etc.)
- Develop research profiles
- Understand how to increase your visibility as researcher
- Understand the role of science communication and social media

**Session 2: Monitor your author impact**

Participants will learn about:

- The different citation metrics and altmetrics and where to find them
- Awareness on methods to increase citations
- Responsible use of metrics

## 24. Introduction to SciVal for research evaluation

7 May

11:00 – 13:00

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[Student Registration Link](#)

2 October

14:00 – 16:00

[Staff Registration Link](#)

[Student Registration Link](#)

SciVal is Elsevier's research performance assessment tool that allows the visualisation of research performance, benchmarking relative to peers, and identification and analysis of emerging research trends. The research performance of over 22,000 research institutions from more than 230 nations worldwide can be analysed. This workshop will include an overview of SciVal's features as well as a hands-on demonstration.

**Participants will learn how to:**

- Get started and use SciVal's different modules and entities
- Understand the different research metrics available in SciVal
- Find insights into the institution's research performance
- Use SciVal to evaluate performance of researchers and groups
- Create reports for researchers and groups
- Use SciVal to compare and benchmark research performance of individuals, groups and universities
- Explore collaboration between researchers, institutions and countries

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