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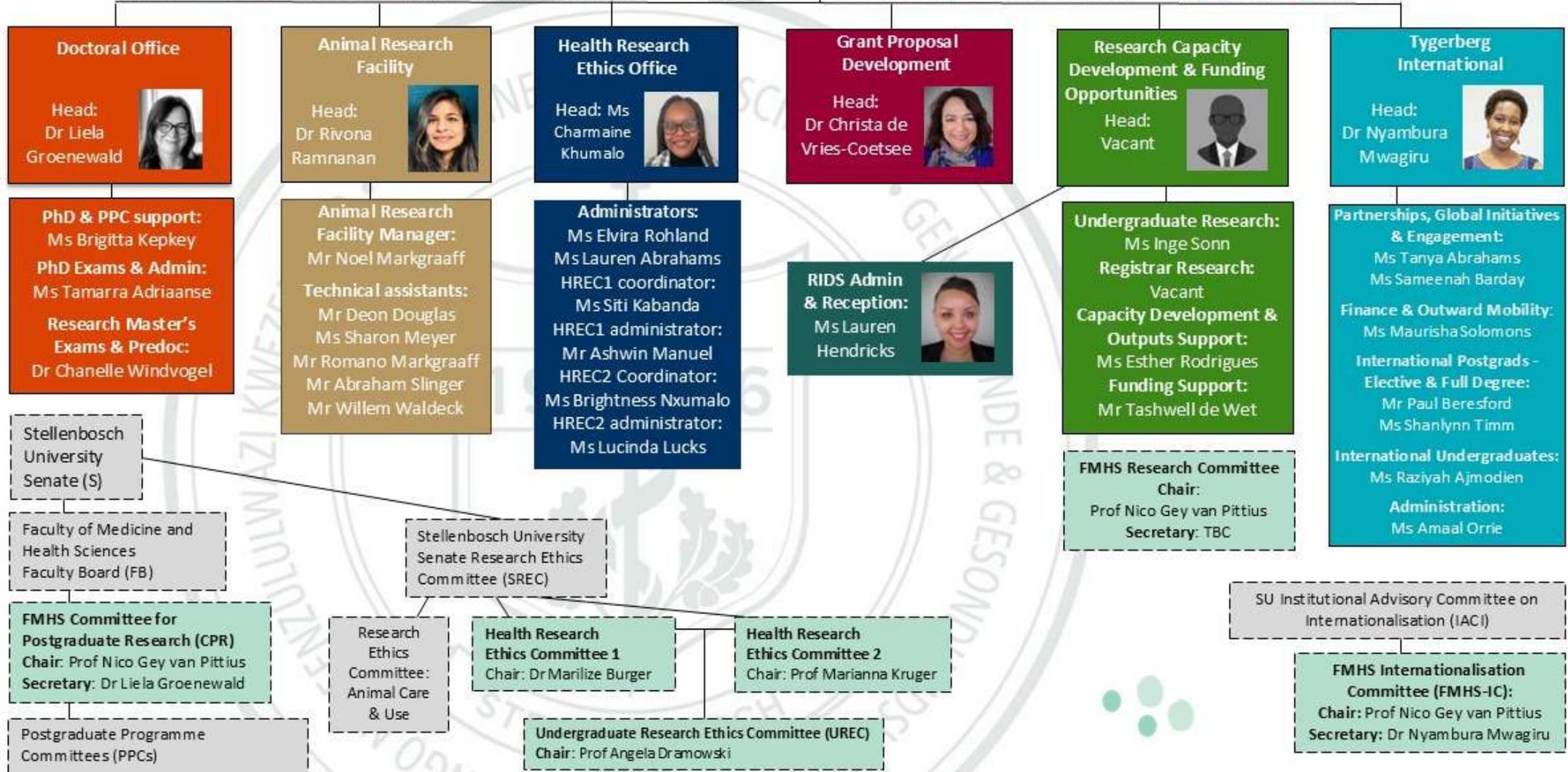


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from Selection to Success**

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Tygerberg Doctoral Office Your proactive research-degree partner

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we'll assist directly or connect you as needed

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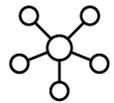
Visit our comprehensive website:
www.su.ac.za/en/faculties/medicine/doctoral-office
where you may also access the FMHS [Doctoral Guidelines](#)

Or speak to us IRL

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Walk-ins Welcome
Mondays & Wednesdays, 9AM to 12 noon
Room 1073, 1st floor, Clinical Building





Facilitated PhD Peer Connection



The Doctoral Office facilitates a small number of intentional peer-connection spaces to connect doctoral candidates across the academic, personal, and relational dimensions of the doctoral journey. These spaces are designed to be calm, inclusive, and respectful of candidates' different circumstances, locations, and capacities.



In-Person Peer Connection (On Campus)

For doctoral candidates who are physically on campus, the Doctoral Office facilitates small, in-person peer-support discussion groups. These are structured, facilitated spaces for reflective engagement with the doctoral experience, including themes such as momentum, belonging, supervision, and academic identity.

The in-person format is intentional. It supports trust, privacy, and depth of engagement, and allows for careful facilitation of sensitive or personal reflections. Programme details are available [on our website](#).

When:

Monthly on a Wednesday, 12:30 – 13:45

Venue:

RIDS Training Room, 5th floor, Education Building

Sign up here:

<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/7Cga9yxjwr>



Online Peer Connection (All Locations)

The Doctoral Office also facilitates a shared online peer-connection space via WhatsApp, accessible to doctoral candidates regardless of location. This space supports inclusion across distance and provides continuity of connection for candidates who are not regularly on campus.

To serve this purpose effectively, the WhatsApp group is intentionally kept calm and low-volume, allowing important information, resources, and supportive messages to remain visible. It is a facilitated peer-support space rather than a discussion forum, and is designed to complement, not replicate, in-person engagement.

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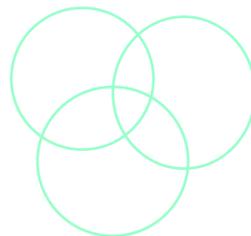
Please keep posts between 7AM & 7PM SA time

Platform:

Tygerberg PhD Candidate Quiet Whatsapp Group

Join here:

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/GvfvhNDAgT2914x69rrDJm>



Single click

➤ Resources

For master's research

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For doctoral students

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For PhD supervisors

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

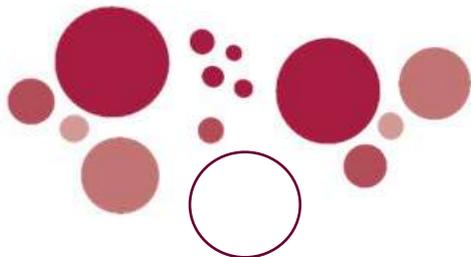




Get Further Help



PhD	Who can help you best?	Read more
All PhD Enquiries	Tygerberg Doctoral Office	» Click here «
Application	Academic department & Tygerberg Doctoral Office	» Click here «
Registration	Student and Programme Administration office, Tygerberg campus	» Click here «
Proposal review	Academic department & Tygerberg Doctoral Office	» Click here «
Ethics clearance	Ethics offices	» Click here «
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Research funding	Research Capacity Development	» Click here «
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Programme development	Tygerberg Doctoral Office & SU Academic Advisor	» Click here «
Writing	FMHS Community of Practice & language professionals	» Click here «
Skills advancement	Tygerberg Doctoral Office	» Click here «
Examination	Tygerberg Doctoral Office	» Click here «
Graduation	SU Registrar's Responsibility Centre	» Click here «
Postdoc / Consolidoc	SU Postdoc Office	» Click here «
FAQ Contacts	General, research, and wraparound contacts	» Click here «



Meet the team



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- Supervisors
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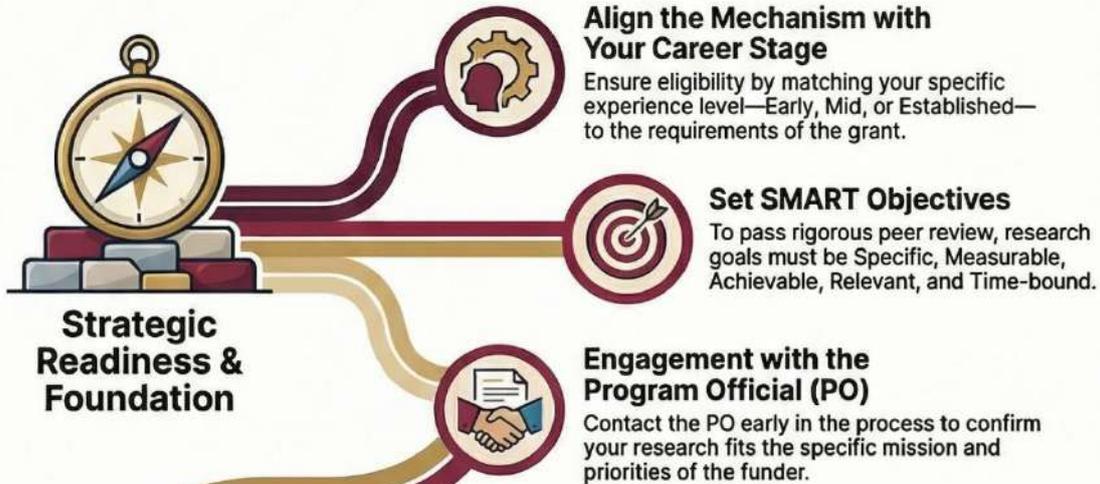
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Secretary: FMHS Committee for Postgraduate Research (CPR)

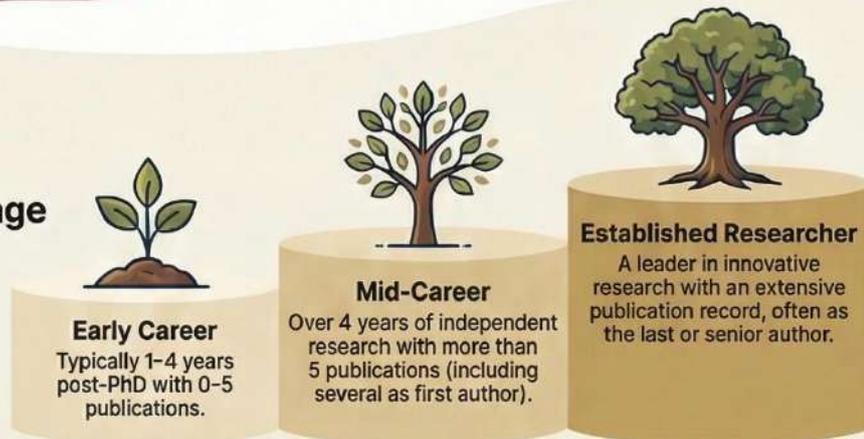
Convenor: SU Predocorol Short Course in Medicine and Health Sciences



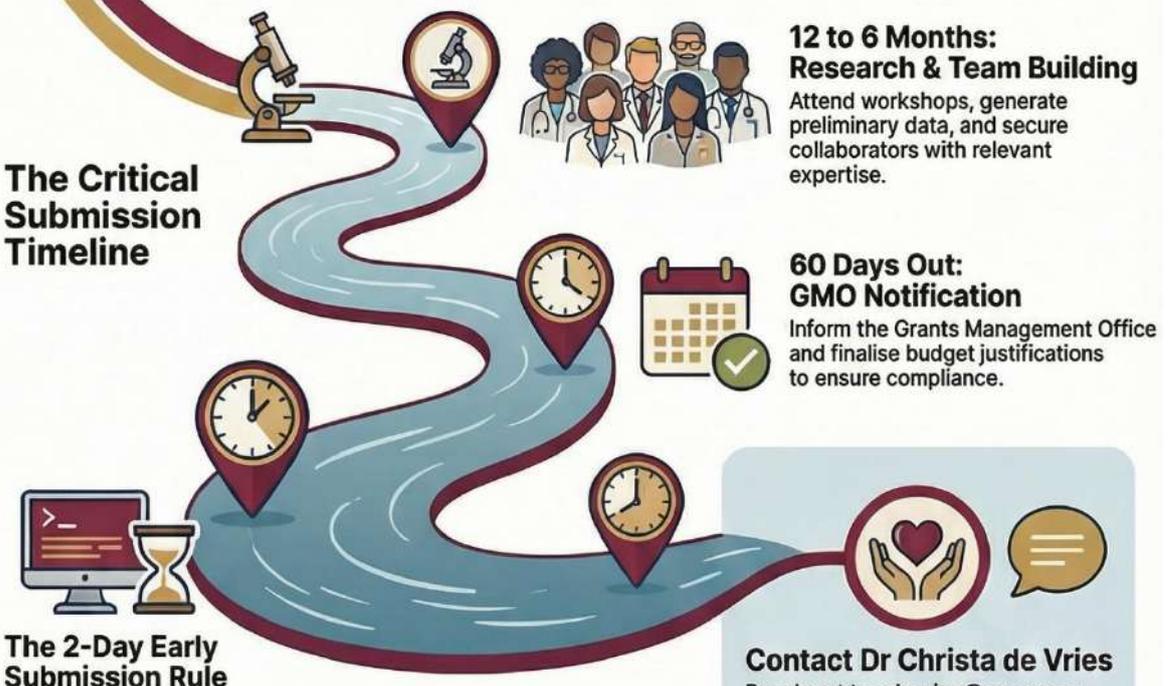
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The Critical Submission Timeline



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Animal Research Ethics

Mission

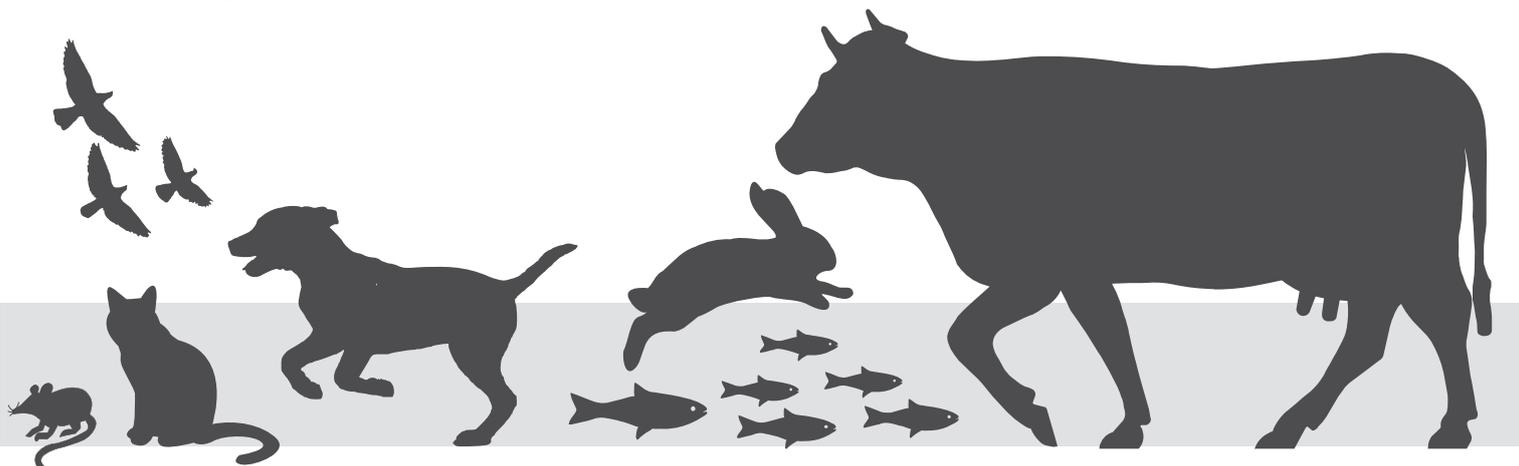
The mission of the Research Ethics Committee: Animal Care and Use (REC:ACU) is to ensure the humane care and use of animals in research, teaching and testing and to ensure compliance with the South African National Standard for the care and use of animals for scientific purposes 10386:2021 and applicable 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

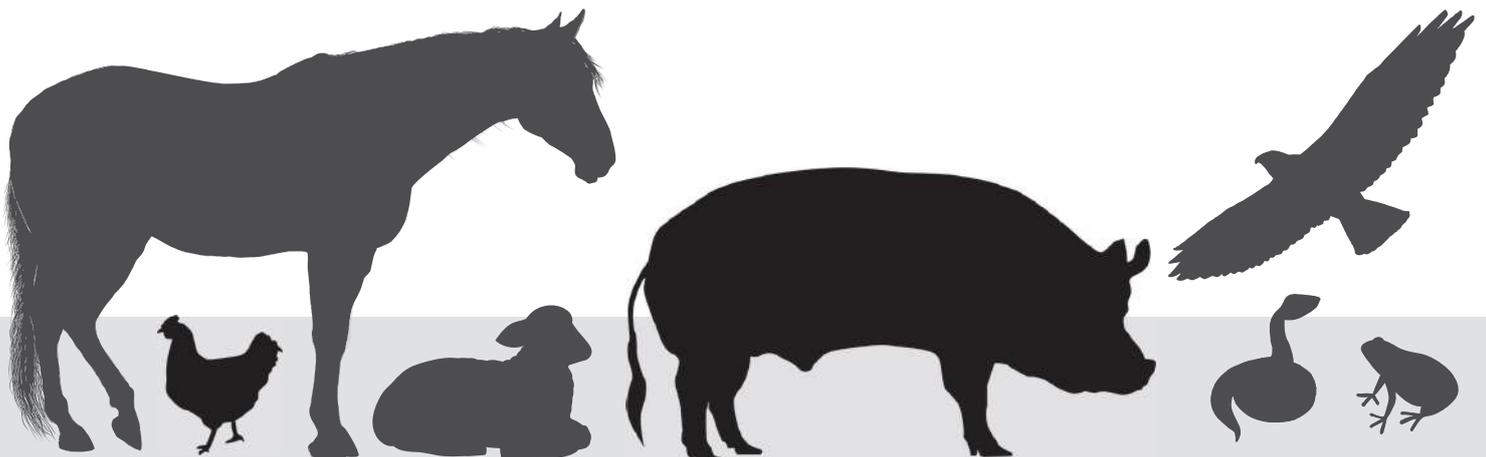
Freedom from hunger and thirst

Freedom from pain, injury and disease

Freedom from distress

Freedom from discomfort

Freedom to express behaviours that promote well-being



REC:ACU Meeting dates 2026



Research Ethics Committee: Animal Care and Use Meeting Dates: 2026



Closing Date	Meeting Date
16 January 2026	04 February 2026
20 February 2026	11 March 2026
03 April 2026	22 April 2026
08 May 2026	27 May 2026
12 June 2026	24 June 2026
17 July 2026	05 August 2026
21 August 2026	09 September 2026
25 September 2026	14 October 2026
30 October 2026	11 November 2026

Who do I contact for help?

Enquiries about the REC:ACU application process?

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

 **Winston Beukes**

 **wabeukes@sun.ac.za**

 **021 808 9003**

 **Biosha Thompson**

 **biosha@sun.ac.za**

For more information visit:

<https://www.su.ac.za/en/research/research-development/integrity-ethics/animal-care-and-use>

HEALTH RESEARCH ETHICS OFFICE (HREO)

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

www.su.ac.za/en/faculties/medicine/research/ethics

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.su.ac.za/en/faculties/medicine/research/ethics>

SUBMIT



As far as possible **before a submission deadline** submit application at 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

Use our consult service:
ethics@sun.ac.za

HEALTH RESEARCH ETHICS COMMITTEE (HREC1) 2026 Meetings & Submission Deadlines

SUBMISSION DEADLINE 12h00	HREC1 MEETING 13h00
26 NOVEMBER 2025	04 FEBRUARY 2026
28 JANUARY	04 MARCH
25 FEBRUARY	01 APRIL
25 MARCH	06 MAY
29 APRIL	03 JUNE
27 MAY	01 JULY
24 JUNE	05 AUGUST
29 JULY	02 SEPTEMBER
26 AUGUST	07 OCTOBER
23 SEPTEMBER	04 NOVEMBER
11 NOVEMBER 2026	03 FEBRUARY 2027

FINAL HREC1 SUBMISSION DEADLINE

12h00

11 NOVEMBER 2026

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) 2026 Meetings & Submission Deadlines

SUBMISSION DEADLINE 12h00	HREC2 MEETING 13h00
12 NOVEMBER 2025	21 JANUARY 2026
07 JANUARY	18 FEBRUARY
11 FEBRUARY	18 MARCH
11 MARCH	15 APRIL
08 APRIL	20 MAY
13 MAY	17 JUNE
08 JULY	19 AUGUST
12 AUGUST	16 SEPTEMBER
09 SEPTEMBER	21 OCTOBER
14 OCTOBER	18 NOVEMBER
11 NOVEMBER 2026	20 JANUARY 2027

FINAL HREC2 SUBMISSION DEADLINE
12h00

11 NOVEMBER 2026

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

APPLYING FOR ETHICS APPROVAL FOR YOUR UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH STUDY AT FMHS

PROCESS: HOW TO SUBMIT AN ETHICS APPLICATION to the UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH ETHICS COMMITTEE (UREC) (last updated: March 2026)			
Who are we at RIDs?	<p>The Research and Internationalisation Development & Support Division (RIDs) is located on the 5th floor of the teaching building. It is made up of 7 offices, two of which are concerned with supporting and reviewing undergraduate research and ethics applications:</p> <p>Undergraduate Research Unit – which manages the Undergraduate Research Ethics Committee (UREC) and provides assistance to undergraduate students in putting together their ethics applications. UREC reviews all minimal risk undergraduate and honours-level ethics applications. Visit the Undergraduate Research Office website for research- and ethics-related resources: http://www.su.ac.za/health-undergradresearch</p> <p>Health Research Ethics Office – which manages two Health Research Ethics Committees (HRECs). HREC 1 and HREC 2 both review the same sorts of studies. The Undergraduate Research Ethics Committee is a subcommittee of the Health Research Ethics Committees.</p>		
Where do I find the forms?	<p>The Health Research Ethics Committee and Undergraduate Research Ethics Committee use an electronic ethics review management system, <i>Infonetica</i>® to manage the application and review process.</p> <p>To access the electronic submission platform, you can go to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • http://www.su.ac.za/health-undergradresearch and click on “Ethics Application Package” on right hand side, OR • http://www.su.ac.za/english/faculty/healthsciences/rdsd/Pages/Ethics_application_package.aspx <p>Note: Make sure you use the latest version of the all the required forms that you need to attach along with your application, which can be found here: http://www.su.ac.za/english/faculty/healthsciences/rdsd/Pages/Ethics/Forms-Instructions.aspx</p>		
What forms do I submit?	<p>Your application should include all of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completed & signed e-form application form. Guidance on completing this e-form application form is available here and the manual is available here. Note: You need to ensure that you are registered on SUNid (i.e. your student number and password) in order to be able to log into and use the electronic application system. • Investigator's Declarations for you, supervisors & all other involved researchers • CVs for you, supervisors and all other involved researchers • Protocol synopsis (2-page summary of your research) • Protocol, including budget, timeline and <u>all instruments</u> to be used (Include or attach the questionnaire, survey, interview guide or any other relevant measure that you will be using to collect data) • Information & consent forms (Note: There should be different forms for adults (e.g. parents) and children. These forms must be translated into all relevant languages of your study population). You can find a template of these forms on the HREC forms and instructions webpages <p>Note: student applications that are for degree purposes are exempt from payment but must still complete the payment instruction form.</p>		
When do I submit the application?	<p>There are usually two submission deadlines per month. The 2026 submission deadlines and meeting dates can be found here.</p>		
How do I submit the application?	<p>The Health Research Ethics Committee and Undergraduate Research Ethics Committee use an electronic ethics review management system, <i>Infonetica</i>® to manage the application and review process. Note: Hard copies of applications are no longer required.</p> <p>To access the electronic submission platform, you can go to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • http://www.su.ac.za/health-undergradresearch and click on “Ethics Application Package” on right hand side, OR • http://www.su.ac.za/english/faculty/healthsciences/rdsd/Pages/Ethics_application_package.aspx 		
How long does it take to review?	<p>There are two types of review: minimal risk review and full committee review:</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; vertical-align: top;"> <p>Minimal risk review:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 reviewer + review & sign off by UREC Chair • First letter usually issued within 2-4 weeks of submission </td> <td style="width: 50%; vertical-align: top;"> <p>Full committee review (more than minimal risk):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 UREC reviewers + full HREC committee discussion & vote • First letter issued within 5-6 weeks of submission (2 weeks after meeting) </td> </tr> </table>	<p>Minimal risk review:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 reviewer + review & sign off by UREC Chair • First letter usually issued within 2-4 weeks of submission 	<p>Full committee review (more than minimal risk):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 UREC reviewers + full HREC committee discussion & vote • First letter issued within 5-6 weeks of submission (2 weeks after meeting)
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What does the feedback mean?	Review decisions:				Note: correspondence will be sent to your @sun SU email address
	Approved: study has ethics approval and can proceed for period of one year after date of approval.	Approved with stipulations: research can begin subject to certain conditions. The responsibility for meeting these conditions rests with the researcher and the stipulations must be submitted to UREC.	Modifications required: changes need to be made to the application / protocol and re-submitted to HREC. The primary reviewer will review these changes and once satisfied will inform the Chairperson, who signs off on the final approval.	Deferred: significant parts of the protocol need rethinking and rewriting. Rewrite and resubmit. This will be sent for a new full committee review.	
Who can I go to for help about the application process?		For advice on the application process, submission deadlines and relevant forms, you can contact: Lauren Hendricks (laurenv@sun.ac.za / 0219389820) or Inge Sonn (ingeks@sun.ac.za / 0219839181)			
CONTENT: WHAT TO CONSIDER IN YOUR PROPOSAL & ETHICS APPLICATION					
Administrative	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Make sure all required documents are included and signed where necessary • Make sure protocol synopsis matches protocol • Feasible timeline and budget • Are you and research team adequately qualified to carry out research? State if you'll need to consult with an expert during research 				
Research design	Research that is of no benefit to society or that is poorly designed and conducted exposes participants to risks and inconveniences for no purpose. This makes it unethical. HREC will not approve research that is regarded as scientifically flawed, nor a research proposal that is poorly written. Science and ethics cannot be separated!				
Ethical principles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Respect for autonomy (voluntariness) • Privacy (access to the person) & confidentiality (access to the data) • Fairness (justice) • Balancing risks versus benefits 				
Participant selection & recruitment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fair selection & sampling • Justify inclusion & exclusion criteria • Detail the informed consent process in your recruitment procedures • Show understanding that getting a signed informed consent form does not equal informed consent! (it's a process, not a once-off) 				
Data collection procedures	Explain how you will protect participant privacy & confidentiality during data collection Explain exactly what you plan to do , how long it will take, where it will take place, what participants will be expected to do. Make sure this information appears in the information & consent sheets				
Data management	Explain how data will be managed to protect confidentiality There is a difference between data that is anonymised and data that is de-identified				
Ethical considerations section	Acknowledge risks and benefits and how these will be managed Acknowledge and address any potential for undue influence (e.g. if you are treating the same patients you ask to participate)				
Information & consent sheets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Information provided on informed consent form must match what is detailed in protocol • Imagine you are speaking to the participant • Briefly but clearly describe what research is about • Highlight voluntariness & right to withdraw • Outline what their participation involves 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highlight risks and benefits • Explain what will be done with 1) personal info and 2) their data • Give information about where to go if 'harmed' • Include your, supervisor's & HREC contact details • Simple language - 'grade 8 level' • Translated into all relevant languages 		
Participant compensation	Will participants be compensated? (time, inconvenience, expense)				
Who can I go to for help about the content of my application and review feedback?		Ms Inge Sonn (Undergraduate Research Unit & UREC coordinator) ingeks@sun.ac.za 021 938 9181)			

Funding opportunities in Health Research

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March 2026

Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences



***Research and Internationalisation Development and Support Division (RIDS),
Stellenbosch University, Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences***

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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<https://www.su.ac.za/en/faculties/medicine/research/funding>

LOCAL FUNDING SOURCES

A. FACULTY OF MEDICINE AND HEALTH SCIENCES (RDSD)

- (1) Undergraduate research funding**
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(1) Undergraduate research funding

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)

(2) Research assistance funding

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)

(3) Temporary research assistance funding

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)

(4) Lecturer replacement funding

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)

(5) Postdoctoral fellowships

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)

<https://www.su.ac.za/en/faculties/medicine/research/fmhs-postdoctoral-fellowships>

(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)

**#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)

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)¹⁴

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

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: TBC (after 1 June)

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

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)

Book an appointment:

<https://form.123formbuilder.com/3868543>

(10) FMHS strategic equipment fund

(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)
or your Head of Division / Department



(11) DRD travel grant: International research travel

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)

(12) Africa collaboration grant

(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),
Nico Elema (nicoelema@sun.ac.za)

(13) International collaboration grant

(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)

(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:

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

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

Award: R60,000 for 1 year

Closing dates: June, November (TBA)

Enquiries: Bonita Bobo (finlo@sun.ac.za)

<https://www.su.ac.za/en/staff/services/teaching/tla-support/funding-opportunities>

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

A. Discovery Foundation Academic Fellowship Award

Eligibility & awards: Individual awards

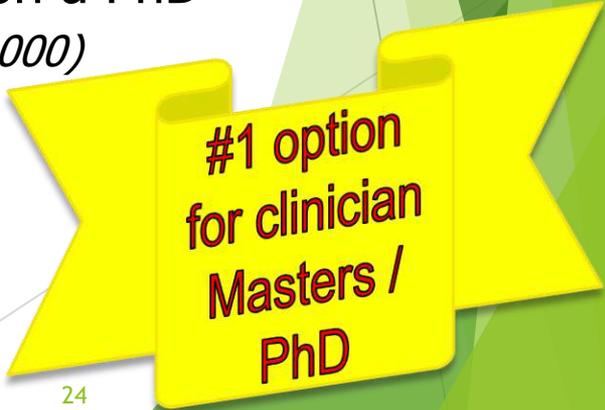
RSA citizens / permanent residents

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: TBC (after 1 June)



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

(1) Discovery Foundation awards

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: TBC (after 1 June)

(1) Discovery Foundation awards

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: TBC (after 1 June)



**#1 option Fam
Med and other
MMed projects**

(1) Discovery Foundation awards

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: TBC (after 1 June)

(1) Discovery Foundation awards

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: TBC (after 1 June)

(2) Hamilton Naki clinical scholarships

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)

(3) Heart and Stroke Foundation research grants

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 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)

(4) Medical Research Council (MRC)



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: TBC (after 1 June)

(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: TBC (after 1 June)

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

(4) Medical Research Council (MRC)



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)

<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 (\pm June – October)

Enquiries: Shannon Faro (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)
Shannon Faro (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)

(6) Poliomyelitis Research Foundation



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: TBC after 1 June

(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 / 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
<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: TBC after 1 June

<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)

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

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.*

Network

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

Closing dates: Varies (depending on governmental agreements)

Enquiries: Dominique Meyer (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)
Eugene Baugaard (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

Support schemes apply to:

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

Enquiries: Shannon Faro (sbrooks@sun.ac.za)
Eugene Baugaard (eugeneb@sun.ac.za)

Training fellowships
and grant funding
Examples of funded work
on website

(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)
Eugene Baugaard (eugeneb@sun.ac.za) ⁴⁷



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)
Eugene Baugaard (eugeneb@sun.ac.za)

(6) Horizon Europe



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)

<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 <https://www.su.ac.za/en/faculties/medicine/research/funding>
2. **Contact us** at Research and Internationalisation Development and Support Division (RIDS), Stellenbosch University, Tygerberg campus, (5th floor, Education building):
 - **Tashwell de Wet** (tashwell@sun.ac.za)
3. Visit the **Open 4 Research** search portal to find specific international funding opportunities:
<https://www.open4research.eu/stellenbosch>

RESEARCH FUNDING CONTACT LIST

Contact list of a selected number of funding sources for researchers, postdoctoral fellows & students in the Faculty of Medicine & Health Sciences, Stellenbosch University (Tygerberg campus)

Prepared by Research Development and Support Division (RDS), Tygerberg campus, February 2026

RESEARCH FUNDING:

	Contact person	Contact details	Alternative contact	Contact details
FACULTY OF MEDICINE AND HEALTH SCIENCES SOURCES	Early-career Research Fund (FMHS Research Committee)	Tashwell de Wet	021 938 9056 / tashwell@sun.ac.za	TBC
	FMHS (Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences) Open Access Publication Fund	TBC		Tashwell de Wet
	FMHS (Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences) Strategic Equipment Fund	Steveldand Louis	021 938 9930 / steveldand@sun.ac.za	Pruniel Thomes
	Harry Crossley Foundation Funding (Research project funding)	Tashwell de Wet	021 938 9056 / tashwell@sun.ac.za	TBC
	Lecturer Replacement Fund for Allied Health Professionals (FMHS Research Committee)	Tashwell de Wet	021 938 9056 / tashwell@sun.ac.za	TBC
	Research Assistance (FMHS Research Committee)	Tashwell de Wet	021 938 9056 / tashwell@sun.ac.za	TBC
	Scientific Travel and Publication Award Fund	Tashwell de Wet	021 938 9056 / tashwell@sun.ac.za	TBC
	Special Support Scheme (SSS/SOS) Publication Funds	TBC		Dalene Pieterse
	Temporary Research Assistance (FMHS Research Committee)	Tashwell de Wet	021 938 9056 / tashwell@sun.ac.za	TBC
	Undergraduate Research Project Fund (FMHS Research Committee)	Inge Sonn	021 938 9181 / ingeks@sun.ac.za	Lauren Hendricks
	Undergraduate Conference Presentation & Publication Award Fund	Inge Sonn	021 938 9181 / ingeks@sun.ac.za	Lauren Hendricks
	Undergraduate Open Access Fund (FMHS Research Committee)	Inge Sonn	021 938 9181 / ingeks@sun.ac.za	Lauren Hendricks
STELLENBOSCH UNIVERSITY SOURCES	Africa Collaboration Grant	Sue-Vicky Brandt	021 808 4613 / brandt@sun.ac.za	Nico Elema
	International Mobility & Collaborations Grant	Lidia du Plessis	021 808 2607 / lidia@sun.ac.za	
	Postgraduate Travel Grants for Conference Participation	Rozelle Petere	021 808 2907 / rmp@sun.ac.za	
	DRD Travel Grants: International Research Travel	Dominique Meyer	021 808 9566 / dominiquem@sun.ac.za	Maléne Fouché
	Erasmus+ programme	Sarah van der Westhuizen	021 808 2565 / sarahvdw@sun.ac.za	Zanele Macingwana
	Fund for Innovation and Research in Learning and Teaching (FIRLT)	Jean Farmer	021 808 2956 / jeanlee@sun.ac.za	Nicoline Herman
	HB & MJ Thom Study Leave Award	Dominique Meyer	021 808 9566 / dominiquem@sun.ac.za	Maléne Fouché
	Oppenheimer Memorial Trust Awards for Sabbatical Study	Dominique Meyer	021 808 9566 / dominiquem@sun.ac.za	Maléne Fouché
NATIONAL SOURCES CANSAs (Cancer Association of SA)	CANSAs Research Grant Type A (Senior researchers)	Shannon Faro	021 808 4480 / sbrooks@sun.ac.za	Maléne Fouché
	CANSAs Research Grant Type B & C (Masters student projects)	TBC		Jane Harries
	CSIR Partnerships	Maryke Hunter-Husselman	021 808 4623 / mh3@sun.ac.za	Aasima Gaffoor
	Discovery Foundation Fellowships and Awards	TBC		
	Maize Trust Research Grant	Sonia Schoeman	021 808 2830/sonia@sun.ac.za	
	MRC Centres / Units	Therina Theron	021 808 4604 / ttheron@sun.ac.za	Maléne Fouché
	MRC Request for Applications (RFA's)	Shannon Faro	021 808 4480 / sbrooks@sun.ac.za	Maléne Fouché
	MRC Self-initiated Research (SIR) Grant	Shannon Faro	021 808 4480 / sbrooks@sun.ac.za	Maléne Fouché
	MRC Clinician Research Programme	TBC		Tashwell de Wet
	(MRC) Bongani Myosi National Health Scholars Programme	TBC		Tashwell de Wet
	MRC Early Investigators Programme (EIP)	Shannon Faro	021 808 4480 / sbrooks@sun.ac.za	Maléne Fouché
	MRC Mid-career Scientist Programme	TBC		Esther Rodrigues
	MRC conference applications	Shannon Faro	021 808 4480 / sbrooks@sun.ac.za	Maléne Fouché
NHLS (National Health Laboratory Services) Research	NHLS Pathology Research Development Grant	TBC		Esther Rodrigues
	NHLS Pathology Research Grant	TBC		Esther Rodrigues
	NRF Research Grants: General	Shannon Faro	021 808 4480 / sbrooks@sun.ac.za	Dominique Meyer
	NRF Institutional Grants	Maléne Fouché	021 808 4622/mfouche@sun.ac.za	Shannon Faro
	NRF Research Grants: International	Dominique Meyer	021 808 9566 / dominiquem@sun.ac.za	Shannon Faro
	NRF Black Academics Advancement Programme (BAAP)	Dominique Meyer	021 808 9566 / dominiquem@sun.ac.za	Shannon Faro
	NRF Competitive Support for Rated Researchers (CSRR)	Shannon Faro	22 808 4480 / sbrooks@sun.ac.za	Dominique Meyer
	NRF Competitive Support for Unrated Researchers (CSUR)	Shannon Faro	22 808 4480 / sbrooks@sun.ac.za	Dominique Meyer
	NRF Knowledge Interchange & Collaboration (KIC) Travel Grant	Dominique Meyer	021 808 9566 / dominiquem@sun.ac.za	Shannon Faro
	NRF Research Grants: Thuthuka	Dominique Meyer	021 808 9566 / dominiquem@sun.ac.za	Shannon Faro
	NRF Travel, Training and Conference Grants	Dominique Meyer	021 808 9566 / dominiquem@sun.ac.za	Shannon Faro
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NRF National Equipment Programme (NEP)	Maléne Fouché	021 808 4622 / mfouche@sun.ac.za	Shannon Faro	
PRF (Polioymlitis Research Foundation)	PRF Major Impact Project (MIP) Grant	TBC		Esther Rodrigues
	PRF Research Grant	TBC		Esther Rodrigues
	TIA Seed Fund	Nolene Singh	021 808 4192 / nsingh@sun.ac.za	Anita Nel
	Winetech Research Project Funding	Adriaan Oelofse	adriaan@winetech.co.za	Chantal Hugo
	Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation	Eugene Baugaard	021 938 9126 / eugeneb@sun.ac.za	Lizél Senekal
	Department Science Technology & Innovation (DSTI)-EU Joint Programmes	Lizél Senekal	021 808 2105 / Lizélk@sun.ac.za	Puseletso Motsomane
	EDCTP (European & Developing Countries Clinical Trials Partnership)	Lizél Senekal	021 808 2105 / Lizélk@sun.ac.za	Eugene Baugaard
	Fogarty International Centre	Eugene Baugaard	021 938 9126 / eugeneb@sun.ac.za	Christa De Vries Coetsee
	ICGEB (International Centre for Genetic Engineering & Biotechnology)	Dominique Meyer	021 808 9566 / dominiquem@sun.ac.za	Eugene Baugaard
	EU Horizon Europe	Lizél Senekal	021 808 2105 / Lizélk@sun.ac.za	Puseletso Motsomane
	Erasmus+ Capacity Building in Higher Education (CBHE)	Lizél Senekal	021 808 2105 / Lizélk@sun.ac.za	Puseletso Motsomane
	NIH (National Institutes of Health)	Christa De Vries Coetsee	021 938 9838 / cdevries@sun.ac.za	Eugene Baugaard
	PEPFAR (President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief)	Eugene Baugaard	021 938 9126 / eugeneb@sun.ac.za	Eugene Baugaard
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	Wellcome Trust	Shannon Faro	021 808 4480 / sbrooks@sun.ac.za	Eugene Baugaard
	Research Connect funding database	Lizél Senekal	021 808 2105 / Lizélk@sun.ac.za	Puseletso Motsomane
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Human Frontier Science Program	Shannon Faro	021 808 4480 / sbrooks@sun.ac.za	Maléne Fouché	021 808 4622 / mfouche@sun.ac.za
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Grand Challenge Africa Call	Lizél Senekal	021 808 2105 / Lizélk@sun.ac.za	Puseletso Motsomane	021 808 2267/pmotsomane@sun.ac.za
Science Foundation Africa (SFA)	Lizél Senekal	021 808 2105 / Lizélk@sun.ac.za	Puseletso Motsomane	021 808 2267/pmotsomane@sun.ac.za
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Consolidoc Fellowships (Transition between PhD and Postdoctoral fellowship)	Izel Rossouw	021 808 3907 / izel@sun.ac.za		postdocinfo@sun.ac.za
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Ernst & Ehtel Eriksen Trust (Academic excellence & Financial need)	Rhodene Amos	021 808 2908 / ramos@sun.ac.za	Rozelle Petersen	021 808 2907 / rmp@sun.ac.za
GPJ Snyman Bursary (Psychiatry)	Rhodene Amos	021 808 2908 / ramos@sun.ac.za	Rozelle Petersen	021 808 2907 / rmp@sun.ac.za
Harry Crossley Scholarship (Academic excellence)	Rhodene Amos	021 808 2908 / ramos@sun.ac.za	Nugent Lewis	021 808 2957 / nugent@sun.ac.za
HB & MJ Thom Trust (Leadership & Academic excellence)	Jongi Ndlebe	021 808 4208 / ndlebe@sun.ac.za	Nugent Lewis	021 808 2957 / nugent@sun.ac.za
HD Brede Award (Publication in bacterial infectious disease research)	Esther Rodrigues	021 938 9665 / erodrigues@sun.ac.za		TBC
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Loewenstein Trust Scholarships (Masters & Doctoral studies in Health Sciences)	Rhodene Amos	22 808 2908 / ramos@sun.ac.za	Rozelle Petersen	021 808 2907 / rmp@sun.ac.za
Maree-Stander Bursary (Cancer research)	Rhodene Amos	021 808 2908 / ramos@sun.ac.za	Rozelle Petersen	021 808 2907 / rmp@sun.ac.za
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NATIONAL SOURCES

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Life Healthcare Scholarships for Subspecialty Training	Lize Trollip	021 689 9533/4/5 / lize.ceo@colmedsa.co.za		
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Oppenheimer Trust Scholarships	Nugent Lewis	021 808 2957 / nugent@sun.ac.za		
South African Medical Association (SAMA) Masters/PhD Supplementary Scholarships	Karlien Pienaar	012 481 2097/60 / karlienp@samedical.org		
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MRC Clinician Researcher Programme (PhD Scholarships)	TBC		Tashwell de Wet	021 938 9056 / tashwell@sun.ac.za
MRC Bongani Myosi National Health Scholars Programme (PhD Scholarships)	TBC		Tashwell de Wet	021 938 9056 / tashwell@sun.ac.za
NRF DAAD Postgraduate (Masters, Doctoral) Scholarships	Betina van der Merwe	021 808 9022 / betina@sun.ac.za	Rozelle Petersen	021 808 2907 / rmp@sun.ac.za
NRF Postgraduate Scholarships	Betina van der Merwe	021 808 9022 / betina@sun.ac.za	Rozelle Petersen	021 808 2907 / rmp@sun.ac.za
NRF Innovation Postgraduate Fellowships	Betina van der Merwe	021 808 9022 / betina@sun.ac.za	Rozelle Petersen	021 808 2907 / rmp@sun.ac.za
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NRF Scarce Skills Development Fellowships	Betina van der Merwe	021 808 9022 / betina@sun.ac.za	Rozelle Petersen	021 808 2907 / rmp@sun.ac.za
PRF Postgraduate (BScHons, Masters, Doctoral) Scholarships	TBC			
PRF Postdoctoral Fellowships	TBC		Tashwell de Wet	021 938 9056 / tashwell@sun.ac.za
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Erasmus Mundus PhD Scholarships	Sarah van der Westhuizen	021 808 2565 / sarahvdw@sun.ac.za	Zanele Macingwana	021 808 2565 / macingwana@sun.ac.za
Skye Foundation Scholarships	TBC			
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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:

	Funding organisation / name	Contact person	Contact e-mail	Consumables	Equipment	Research travel	Conference travel	Research assistance	Lecturer	Student bursaries	Salaries	
Comprehensive research grants <i>Research grants supporting more than one category of research funding (as broadly indicated, but note that these may vary depending on the individual call)</i>	CANSA (Cancer Association of South Africa) Research Grant	Shannon Faro	sbrooks@sun.ac.za	x	x	x	x	x				
	Harry Crossley Foundation (Research project funding)	Tashwell de Wet	tashwell@sun.ac.za	x	x	x						
	MRC (Medical Research Council) Flagship Programme	Therina Theron	ttheron@sun.ac.za	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	
	MRC (Medical Research Council) Self-initiated Research (SIR) Grant	Shannon Faro	sbrooks@sun.ac.za	x	x	x	x	x		x		
	# NHLS (National Health Laboratory Services) Pathology Research Development Grant	TBC		x	x							
	NHLS (National Health Laboratory Services) Pathology Research Award	TBC		x	x	x				x	x	
	NRF (National Research Foundation) Thuthuka Grant	Dominique Meyer	dominiquem@sun.ac.za	x	x	x	x	x	x	x		
	NRF (National Research Foundation) Competitive Support for Rated Researchers (CSRR)	Shannon Faro	sbrooks@sun.ac.za	x	x	x	x	x		x		
	NRF (National Research Foundation) Competitive Support for Unrated Researchers (CSUR)	Shannon Faro	sbrooks@sun.ac.za	x	x	x	x	x		x		
	NRF (National Research Foundation) Black Academics Advancement Programme (BAAP)	Dominique Meyer	dominiquem@sun.ac.za	x	x	x	x	x		x		
	NRF/DST (NRF/Department of Science and Technology) Bioinformatics and Functional Genomics Programme (BFG)	Shannon Faro	sbrooks@sun.ac.za	x	x	x	x	x		x		
	PRF (Poliomyelitis Research Foundation) Major Impact Project (MIP) Grant	TBC		x	x	x						
	PRF (Poliomyelitis Research Foundation) Research Grant	TBC		x	x	x						
	- Centres / Units / Chairs	Discovery Foundation Excellence Award	TBC		x	x	x	x	x		x	x
MRC (Medical Research Council) Centres of Excellence / Collaborative Centres / Units		Therina Theron	ttheron@sun.ac.za	x	x	x	x	x		x		
NRF (National Research Foundation) Centres of Excellence (CoE)		Maléne Fouché	mfouché@sun.ac.za	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	
NRF (National Research Foundation) SA Research Chairs Initiative (SARChI)		Maléne Fouché	mfouché@sun.ac.za	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	
- International research funding	Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation	Lizel Senekal	lizelk@sun.ac.za	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	
	Department For International Development (DFID) R4D	Lizél Senekal	lizelk@sun.ac.za	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	
	EDCTP (European & Developing Countries Clinical Trials Partnership)	Lizel Senekal	lizelk@sun.ac.za	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	
	ERAFrica	Lizel Senekal	lizelk@sun.ac.za	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	
	Horizon Europe	Lizel Senekal	lizelk@sun.ac.za	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	
	Fogarty International Centre	Christa De Vries Coetsee	cdevries@sun.ac.za	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	
	ICGEB (International Centre for Genetic Engineering & Biotechnology)	Dominique Meyer	dominiquem@sun.ac.za	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	
	Newton Research Programmes	Dominique Meyer	dominiquem@sun.ac.za							Varies		
	NIH (National Institutes of Health)	Christa De Vries Coetsee	cdevries@sun.ac.za	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	
	PEPFAR (President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief)	Eugene Baugaard	eugeneb@sun.ac.za	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	
	USAID (United States Agency for International Development)	Eugene Baugaard	eugeneb@sun.ac.za	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	
	Wellcome Trust	Shannon Faro	sbrooks@sun.ac.za							Varies		
	Erasmus Mundus PhD Scholarships	Sarah van der Westhuizen	sarahvdw@sun.ac.za									
	American Association for Cancer Research	Shannon Faro	sbrooks@sun.ac.za									
Human Frontier Science Program	Shannon Faro	sbrooks@sun.ac.za										
Research travel funding - Conference travel	Association of Commonwealth Universities (ACU) Early Career Academic Grants	Dominique Meyer	dominiquem@sun.ac.za									
	Newton Fund Travel Grants	Dominique Meyer	dominiquem@sun.ac.za									
	Doctoral Travel Grants for Conference Participation	Rozelle Petersen	postgradfunding@sun.ac.za									
	DRD Travel Grants: International Research Travel	Dominique Meyer	dominiquem@sun.ac.za									
	NRF (National Research Foundation) Knowledge Interchange & Collaboration (KIC) Travel Grant	Dominique Meyer	dominiquem@sun.ac.za									
	Scientific Travel and Publication Award Fund	Tashwell de Wet	tashwell@sun.ac.za									
	WhiteSci Travel Awards	External	www.whitesci.co.za									
Postgraduate Travel Grants for Conference Participation	Rozelle Petersen	nugent@sun.ac.za										
- Research visits / training	Africa Collaboration Grant	Sue-Vicky Brandt	brandt@sun.ac.za									
	BRICS Collaboration Grant	Lidia du Plessis	lidia@sun.ac.za									
	Association of Commonwealth Universities (ACU) Early Career Academic Grants	Dominique Meyer	dominiquem@sun.ac.za									
	Commonwealth Scholarship for Full-time Teaching Staff	Dominique Meyer	dominiquem@sun.ac.za									
	# Discovery Foundation Rural Healthcare Award (Distinguished Visitor Award)	TBC										
	# Discovery Foundation MGH Fellowship Award	TBC										
	DRD Travel Grants: International Research Travel	Dominique Meyer	dominiquem@sun.ac.za									

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- Research visits / training (continued)

	HB & MJ Thom Study Leave Award	Dominique Meyer	dominiquem@sun.ac.za
	NRF (National Research Foundation) Knowledge Interchange & Collaboration (KIC) Travel Grant	Dominique Meyer	dominiquem@sun.ac.za
	Scientific Travel and Publication Award Fund	Tashwell de Wet	tashwell@sun.ac.za
- Hosting researchers	Africa Collaboration Grant	Yolanda Johnson	yjohnson@sun.ac.za
	BRICS Collaboration Grant	Lidia du Plessis	lidia@sun.ac.za
	# Discovery Foundation Rural Healthcare Award (Distinguished Visitor Award)	TBC	
	DRD (Division for Research Development) Research Travel Grants: Research visits	Dominique Meyer	dominiquem@sun.ac.za
- Mobility grants	Africa Collaboration Grant	Sue-Vicky Brandt	brandt@sun.ac.za
	Bilateral Exchange Grant: Selected European institutions	Lidia du Plessis	lidia@sun.ac.za
	BRICS Collaboration Grant	Lidia du Plessis	lidia@sun.ac.za
	Erasmus+ Programme	Sarah van der Westhuizen	sarahvdw@sun.ac.za
	International Mobility & Collaborations Grant	Lidia du Plessis	lidia@sun.ac.za
	NRF (National Research Foundation) Bi- and Multilateral Agreement Grants: Various countries	Dominique Meyer	dominiquem@sun.ac.za
	NRF (National Research Foundation) Equipment-related Travel Grant	Dominique Meyer	dominiquem@sun.ac.za

Conference organising funding

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	NRF (National Research Foundation) Knowledge Interchange & Collaboration (KIC) Travel Grant	Dominique Meyer	dominiquem@sun.ac.za
	NRF-DST Funding for Hosting Large International Conferences	Dominique Meyer	dominiquem@sun.ac.za
	SUNConferences (conference organising support)	SU Library	scholar@sun.ac.za
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Research equipment funding

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Research innovation and/or industry partnership funding

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	Maize Trust Research Grant	Sonia Schoeman	sonia@sun.ac.za
	MRC (Medical Research Council) Strategic Health Innovation Partnerships (SHIP) Programme	Therina Theron	ttheron@sun.ac.za
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Collaborative research funding

	Africa Collaboration Grant	Sue-Vicky Brandt	brandt@sun.ac.za
	BRICS Collaboration Grant	Lidia du Plessis	lidia@sun.ac.za
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	MRC (Medical Research Council) Flagship Programme	Therina Theron	ttheron@sun.ac.za
	NRF (National Research Foundation) Bilateral Agreement Grants	Dominique Meyer	dominiquem@sun.ac.za
	Newton Research Programmes	Dominique Meyer	dominiquem@sun.ac.za

- Africa collaboration

	Africa Collaboration Grant	Sue-Vicky Brandt	brandt@sun.ac.za
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Rural healthcare research funding

	# Discovery Foundation Rural Healthcare Award (Individual Award / Institutional Award)	TBC	
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Environmental research funding

	ESPA (Ecosystem Services for Poverty Alleviation) Grant	Lizél Senekal	lizelk@sun.ac.za
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Research publication funding support

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	Special Support Scheme (SSS/SOS) Publication Funds	TBC	

Educational research funding

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Salary funding support	# Discovery Foundation Academic Fellowship Award	TBC	
	# Discovery Foundation Sub-specialist Award	TBC	
	# Discovery Foundation Rural Healthcare Award	TBC	
	# Hamilton Naki Clinical Scholarships	TBC	
	# Life Healthcare Award	TBC	
	MRC (Medical Research Council) Career Award	Shannon Faro	sbrooks@sun.ac.za
	# MRC (Medical Research Council) Clinician Researcher Programme (PhD Scholarships)	TBC	
	MRC (Medical Research Council) Bongani Myosi Health Scholars Programme (PhD Scholarships)	TBC	
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	NRF nGAP Programme	Dominique Meyer	dominiquem@sun.ac.za
Sabbatical funding support	# Discovery Foundation Academic Fellowship Award	TBC	
	# Discovery Foundation Rural Healthcare Award (Individual Award)	TBC	
	HB Thom Scholarship for Lecturers	Dominique Meyer	dominiquem@sun.ac.za
	NRF (National Research Foundation) Black Academics Advancement Programme (BAAP)	Dominique Meyer	dominiquem@sun.ac.za
	NRF (National Research Foundation) Competitive Support for Rated Researchers (CSRR)	Shannon Faro	sbrooks@sun.ac.za
	NRF (National Research Foundation) Competitive Support for Unrated Researchers (CSUR)	Shannon Faro	sbrooks@sun.ac.za
	Oppenheimer Memorial Trust Awards for Sabbatical Study	Dominique Meyer	dominiquem@sun.ac.za
Lecturer replacement funding	Lecturer Replacement Fund for Allied Health Professionals (FMHS Research Committee)	Tashwell de Wet	tashwell@sun.ac.za
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Publication support funding	Special Support Scheme (SSS/SOS) Publication Funds	TBC	
	Scientific Travel and Publication Award Fund	Tashwell de Wet	tashwell@sun.ac.za
	FMHS (Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences) Open Access Publication Fund	TBC	
Incentive funding	NRF (National Research Foundation) Incentive Funding for Rated Researchers	Aasima Gaffoor	aasima@sun.ac.za
Undergraduate research funding	Undergraduate Research Project Fund (Subcommittee C)	Inge Sonn	ingeks@sun.ac.za
	Undergraduate Conference Presentation & Publication Award Fund (Subcommittee C)	Inge Sonn	ingeks@sun.ac.za
	Undergraduate Open Access Fund (Subcommittee C)	Inge Sonn	ingeks@sun.ac.za
Postgraduate student research funding	CANSA Research Grant Type B & C (Masters student projects)	TBC	
	# Discovery Foundation Academic Fellowship Award	TBC	
	# Discovery Foundation Rural Healthcare Award	TBC	
	Harry Crossley Foundation (Research project funding)	Tashwell de Wet	tashwell@sun.ac.za
	# MRC (Medical Research Council) Clinician Researcher Programme (PhD Scholarships)	TBC	
	MRC (Medical Research Council) Bongani Myosi National Health Scholars Programme (MSc, PhD Scholarships)	TBC	
	NRF (National Research Foundation) Knowledge Interchange & Collaboration (KIC) Travel Grant	Dominique Meyer	dominiquem@sun.ac.za
	SU Postgraduate Support Bursary	Nugent Lewis	postgradfunding@sun.ac.za
	Harry Crossley Foundation Scholarships	Rhodene Amos	ramos@sun.ac.za
	NRF Honours Funding	Nugent Lewis	postgradfunding@sun.ac.za
Postdoctoral research funding	NRF Masters and Doctoral Freestanding and Innovation	Betina van der Merwe	betina@sun.ac.za
	Doctoral Travel Grants for Conference Participation	Rozelle Petersen	postgradfunding@sun.ac.za
	Consolidoc	Izel Rossouw	izel@sun.ac.za
	DRD (Division for Research Development) Research Travel Grants: Research visits	Izel Rossouw	izel@sun.ac.za
	Harry Crossley Foundation (Research project funding)	Tashwell de Wet	tashwell@sun.ac.za
	# MRC Clinician Postdoctoral Career Development Award	TBC	
	# MRC Early Investigators Programme (EIP)	TBC	
	NIH (National Institutes of Health): Various K award career development calls	Christa de Vries Coetsee	cdevries@sun.ac.za
	NRF (National Research Foundation) Knowledge Interchange & Collaboration (KIC) Travel Grant	Dominique Meyer	dominiquem@sun.ac.za
	NRF (National Research Foundation) Postdoctoral Fellowship	Lee-Anne Seymour	leeanne@sun.ac.za
PRF (Poliomyelitis Research Foundation) Development Grant	TBC		
Scientific Travel and Publication Award Fund	Tashwell de Wet	tashwell@sun.ac.za	



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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

 20+ PARTNER SCHOOLS	 10+ COUNTRIES	 300+ TRAINEES	 15 DEPARTMENTS	 20 RESEARCH UNITS
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ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2026/2027

APPLICATION	Undergraduate Electives	Opening Date: 01 April 2026
	Research & Non-clinical Short-Term Training	Closing Date: 31 March 2027
	Postgraduate Electives	Applications must be submitted at least 3 months in advance of the Elective start date.
	Postgraduate Full Degree	Applications must be submitted at least 9 - 12 months in advance of the Elective start date.
		Application for Clinical MMed and MPhil are open throughout the year. Applications for other PG programmes open on 01 March for 2027.
LECTURE PERIOD	Undergraduate Electives	4 - 8 weeks
	Postgraduate Electives	4 weeks to 1 year
	Postgraduate Degree	Full degree period
INCOMING MOBILITY	Undergraduate Electives	355 students from 2024 - 2025
	Registrar training/Postgraduate Elective	136 students from 2024 - 2025
	Postgraduate Degree	75 students from 2024 - 2025

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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 3 000 students enrolled in six undergraduate programmes and 990 in 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 26 803 students including 1 543 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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LOGISTICS NOTE

TYGERBERG INTERNATIONAL

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ACCOMMODATION

TYGERBERG CAMPUS

Please see below list of accommodation close to Tygerberg Campus:

- **International Students Lodge and TygerVista Lodge**
- **Bellvista Student Lodge**
- **The Digs**
- **Protea Hotel Durbanville**
- **Hilltop Guesthouse**
- **Protea Hotel Tyger Valley**

STELLENBOSCH UNIVERSITY

For students/staff who will be attending classes/training at the Stellenbosch University please see below list of accommodation nearby:

- **Protea Hotel Stellenbosch, Techno Park**
- **Magnolia Place**
- **Penelope's Stellenbosch**
- **The Stellenbosch Hotel**
- **Coopmanhuijs Boutique Hotel and Spa**

Note: Click on the above links for more information. Private accommodation can also be arranged using **Airbnb**.



IMMIGRATION

It is important that participants check passport and visa requirements for South Africa in due time before departure.

NATIONAL PASSPORT HOLDERS:

Many delegates may be subject to visa obligations. Please visit the following link for more information on the countries exempt from South African visas: <http://www.dha.gov.za/index.php/applying-for-sa-visa>

It is recommended that you apply for your visa as far **in advance** as possible before departure for South Africa. A scanned copy of your passport must be provided.

Please carry with you copies of the documents (*e.g. letters of invitation, travel confirmations*) which you enclosed with your visa application when travelling to Cape Town. This will help to make the border control procedure easier and avoid delays at the border.

HEALTH & VACCINATION

Travelers are no longer required to show proof that you're fully vaccinated against COVID-19 or present a negative PCR test to enter South Africa.

South Africa requires all travellers journeying from yellow fever risk countries to show proof of yellow fever vaccination by means of a valid yellow fever certificate.

Kindly visit the following link which contains further information regarding the South Africa Yellow Fever Policy: <https://www.westerncape.gov.za/service/yellow-fever-certificates>

Find out more about: [Campus Wellness Resources](#)



SECURITY INFORMATION

For safety tips for Cape Town, please visit: <https://www.capetown.travel/travelwise/safety-in-cape-town/>.

EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBERS:

 1011	South African Police
 +27 21 535 1100	Medical & Fire Emergencies
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 082 911	National Sea Rescue Institute
 10177	Ambulance
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OFFICIAL INFORMATION

Official information about Cape Town and the Western Cape can be found at the following web sites:

- Cape Town Tourism: <http://www.capetown.travel/>
- Western Cape: <https://www.westerncape.gov.za/general-publication/western-cape-tourism>

CURRENCY:

- South African Rand
- For exchange rates visit: <https://www.oanda.com/currency-converter/en/>
- MasterCard and Visa are accepted widely
- ATMs are available in many locations, including CT International Airport arrivals

MOBILE PROVIDERS:

Below is a list of South African mobile providers:

- MTN
- Vodacom
- Cell C
- Telkom

MTN and Vodacom have stores at the Cape Town International Airport. South African eSIM plans are available.

WEATHER:

Please visit the South African Weather Service website, <https://www.weathersa.co.za/>, for weather information.



USEFUL CONTACTS

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