

Decent work for all and the future of labour in South Africa Research assistant

The Centre for Social Change is looking for a research assistant to support the NRF-funded research programme *Decent work for all and the future of labour in South Africa* led by Professor Carin Runciman.

The project examines how the world of work is changing and the implications this has for the future of labour and the labour movement. Permanent work has increasingly been replaced by casualised and outsourced labour and trade unions represent a shrinking section of the workforce. Alongside this, new technology offers new employment opportunities, as well as threatening the job security of workers. These factors combined raise challenges for ensuring 'decent work'.

The research assistant will be expected to undertake primary research and provide research and administrative support for the project under the supervision of Professor Carin Runciman and Dr Luke Sinwell. They may also be expected to contribute to other research projects that are ongoing at the Centre for Social Change. The ideal candidate will:

- Have post-graduate research experience in the field of labour studies.
- A strong academic record.
- An understanding of qualitative and quantitative research methodologies and analysis.
- Thrive on independent work in demanding environments.
- Be registered at the University of Johannesburg for MA or PhD study and participate in events at the Centre for Social Change.

The successful candidate will be employed between February and November 2019.

To apply

All applications must include the following

- 1. A letter of motivation explaining your interest in the programme and why you believe you are the ideal candidate for the role.
- 2. An up-to-date CV.
- 3. Contact details of two academic referees

4. A sample of your writing (article, Honours or MA dissertation chapter, essay).

Applications should be sent to Mr Craig Solomon, craigs@uj.ac.za by 4pm 8 February 2019.

Enquires should be directed to Professor Carin Runciman, crunciman@uj.ac.za





