



Our Future. Reimagined.

UNIVERSITY OF JOHANNESBURG THE VICE CHANCELLOR'S VISION AND DRIVE TOWARDS 1000 POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS

FELLOWSHIPS OF 2 × 12-MONTH TERMS (2ND 12-MONTH TERM RENEWABLE SUBJECT TO PERFORMANCE)

Introduction • The University of Johannesburg (UJ) is a vibrant and cosmopolitan institution, guided by its bold UJ Strategic Plan 2035, which emphasises Societal Impact and Sustainability, Global Footprint and Partnerships, and Technology for the Future. Committed to transformative change, UJ's mission is "To transform and serve humanity through innovation and the collective and collaborative pursuit of knowledge." The University is guided by the vision of building "An international university of choice, anchored in Africa and the global south, dynamically shaping a sustainable future"

Fellowship Description • Reaffirming the University of Johannesburg (UJ)'s commitment to being a leading force in shaping a future that benefits South Africa and the world, Professor Letlhokwa George Mpedi, the UJ Vice-Chancellor and Principal, is proud to invite recent doctoral graduates who are exceptionally motivated and energetic to apply for a UJ Postdoctoral Research Fellowship. This opportunity is part of Prof Mpedi's VISION of hosting 1000 Postdoctoral Research Fellows (PDRFs), providing a platform for fellows to develop and grow their careers in an institution synonymous with pioneering research and technological advancements. Become a part of the next generation of bright young minds addressing pressing issues and making a marked difference in the lives of our communities.

College of Business and Economics	48 Fellowships
Faculty of Art, Design and Architecture	12 Fellowships
Faculty of Education	9 Fellowships
Faculty of Engineering and the Built Environment	42 Fellowships
Faculty of Health Sciences	4 Fellowships
Faculty of Humanities	20 Fellowships
Faculty of Law	13 Fellowships
Faculty of Science	60 Fellowships
Johannesburg Business School	12 Fellowships

Fellowships are awarded competitively, based on the applicant's academic achievements and research potential. Applicants must ensure a full list of their research outputs is included in their submission.

Application • To apply for one of the fellowships, complete the UJ 2025 PDRF Application Form at:



https://go.uj.ac.za/1000PDRFs

(Deadline for 2025 Fellowship Applications: 31 August 2025)

If your proposed fellowship involves research linked to Societal Impact and Sustainability, consider applying for UJ's Global Excellence and **Expectations of a Postdoctoral Research Fellow** • Under the supervision of a discipline-specific host, the PDRF will be given opportunities to develop their professional profile through scholarly activities such as:

- Attendance of capacity-building initiatives
- Co-supervision of postgraduate studies
- Applying for research funding
- Co-presentation of research results via avenues such as conferences, and webinars
- Networks and collaborations
- Co-authorship of papers and books with senior researchers
- Working with the host on any other research-related activities

This fellowship is a full-time position based in Johannesburg – the PDRF may not hold any other full-time or part-time job, nor may they hold other fellowships concurrently.

Value of the Fellowship:

- The value of this fellowship is R250 000.00 (tax-free) for each 12-month term and does not include any relocation or accommodation costs.
- The PDRF's host will support the PDRF in their applications to secure additional funding.

Minimum Requirements:

- A PhD / Doctoral Degree (NQF 10) awarded within the last five years (or proof that the candidate's doctoral examination process has been completed by the time the Fellowship is taken).
- The doctoral qualification must be relevant or be in a field related to the identified/proposed UJ host.
- Has not exceeded the five-year limit as a postdoctoral research fellow.
- Demonstration of strong scholarly performance.
- Excellent written and oral communication skills.



Stature (GES) 4.0 for Societal Impact Postdoctoral Research Fellowship funding using the link below.

https://go.uj.ac.za/GES-PDRF

Deadline for GES funding: 7 April 2025)