



Call for Joint Postdoctoral Research Fellowship Applications

Collaborative Postdoctoral Research Fellowship Programme between Tshwane University of Technology and Stellenbosch University

Tshwane University of Technology (TUT), in partnership with Stellenbosch University (SU), invites applications for a Collaborative Postdoctoral Research Fellowship Programme.

Recognising that research excellence is strengthened through multidisciplinary and multi-institutional collaboration, the programme seeks to support ten (10) postdoctoral research fellows who will undertake joint research projects across the two institutions. Each fellow will spend one year at TUT and one year at SU, working under the guidance of designated host supervisors from both universities.

Fellowship Overview

- Duration: Two (2) years, renewable based on satisfactory performance after the first year
- Structure: Split residency between TUT and SU
- Mentorship: Joint academic supervision by host researchers from both institutions
- Funding: R300,000 per annum (tax-free stipend)

Eligibility and Application Process

Applications must be submitted jointly by prospective host researchers from TUT and SU. A selection panel comprising representatives from both institutions will evaluate submissions based on the following criteria:

1. Scientific merit and feasibility of the proposed research, with emphasis on multidisciplinary approaches and alignment with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
2. Strength and commitment of the collaborative partnership between the host institutions

Successful host teams will be granted a period of up to four (4) months from the award date to recruit and appoint a suitable postdoctoral fellow.

Appointed fellows must comply with all applicable eligibility requirements and conditions as outlined in the South African Revenue Service (SARS) Binding Class Ruling, issued under Section 78(2) of the Tax Administration Act (Act No. 28 of 2011), governing postdoctoral research fellowships.

Submission Details

Potential hosts should submit a joint application on this link [Application Form](#) before 17 July 2026.

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