



SENIOR RESEARCH FELLOW

REF: RF- S RESEARCH

Research areas: Gender, Men, Sexual Reproductive Health, HIV & AIDS

Type: 1 Year Fixed Term Contract

(Renewal of this post is subject to performance & funding availability)

Location: University of KwaZulu-Natal, Westville Campus, Durban, South Africa

Competitive salary package and in country relocation expenses

*The University of KwaZulu-Natal (UKZN) is committed to Employment Equity with the Intention to promote representivity within the Institution.
Preference will be given to applicants from the designated groups*

The successful candidate will collaborate with researchers and policymakers at a national, regional, and international level on issues around:

- men, gender, sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) in the context of HIV and AIDS. The applicant should have research experience on male involvement in SRHR beyond just clinical services – this includes thinking about men not only as clients, but also as partners, parents, and potential agents of positive change in their own relationships as well as among their peers and the broader community.

OR

- on issues around HIV prevention in adolescents and young populations in Africa. The candidate should have experience in developing HIV interventions from a social science perspective and research experience in evaluating interventions in low resourced settings. While the core focus for this position is on HIV prevention, knowledge and experience on how HIV articulates with sexual and reproductive health issues within an African context is important.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

- A PhD in the Social Sciences or Humanities or related disciplines
- Twelve (12) peer-reviewed publications in accredited international and local academic journals
- Three (3) first author or sole-authored publications in accredited international or local academic journals
- Seven (7) years' senior research experience is needed, preferably in a research institution or a University
- Three (3) years' supervisory or management experience

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KEY REQUIREMENTS

- Excellent writing skills necessary for publication in high impact accredited local and international peer-reviewed academic journals, and for drafting briefing papers and reports
- Excellent research experience to guide research from developing proposals through to analysis and report writing
- Knowledge of and experience in conducting research in the SADC region
- Ability to multi-task, provide oversight, and to meet projects' and other deadlines
- A sound grounding in quantitative and/or qualitative research methods;
- Excellent research skills including awareness and appreciation of research methods that are used by other disciplines in the social and behavioural sciences
- Ability to undertake multidisciplinary research
- Experience in raising funds for research
- Intellectual and personal integrity, imagination and drive
- A strong user orientation, based on a commitment to social science that makes a difference

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

- Conducting high-level scholarly research, particularly focusing on men, gender, and sexual and reproductive health and rights (using qualitative and/or quantitative methodologies) which meets the challenge of peer review, and has both strategic and policy relevance
- Networking with major users and funders of social science research to understand their research needs
- Responding to requests for grant applications
- Designing programmes for problem-oriented interdisciplinary research
- Using an evidenced-based approach to engage with stakeholders and inform policy
- Delivering high-quality results and reports to budget and deadline
- Communicating research findings and publishing in peer-reviewed journals
- Building national and international research links
- Mentoring junior researchers.

APPLICATIONS & QUERIES

- Closing date: 19 March 2018
- Download the application forms [here](#)
- Email application form/s to Robyn-Lee Wagner: heardhr@ukzn.ac.za | 031 260 7837
- For formal inquiries about the position contact Research Director, Dr Kaymarlin Govender govenderk2@ukzn.ac.za

