



POST-DOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP



Demography and Population Studies Programme University of the Witwatersrand (Wits) Johannesburg, South Africa

The Fogarty International Centre, USA, is funding postdoctoral fellowships in the Wits Demography and Population Studies Programme through a collaboration with the University of Colorado and the African Population and Health Research Centre (APHRC), Nairobi. The fellowships foster transition from a PhD to a professional, research or academic position in Africa. Fellowships will be awarded for one year, renewable for a second year subject to performance. Their value is US\$30,000 per annum which includes a generous monthly stipend. Additional funds are available for conference travel and research.

The Wits Demography and Population Studies Programme, initiated in 2003 as a partnership between the Schools of Social Sciences, Public Health, Statistics, Economics, and Applied Mathematics, offers an Honours-Masters-PhD programme with interdisciplinary and multi-method strengths and a growing methodological/technical emphasis. It is closely linked with highly productive rural and urban longitudinal research initiatives, and enjoys productive ties with African and international centres of excellence.

Criteria for application: Applicants must be African scholars with a PhD degree in demography or other population-related field that is from an industrialized-country or South African university.

Responsibilities: The fellow will join a hard-working interdisciplinary team in one of sub-Saharan Africa's leading academic centres. S/he will pursue a productive research programme, contribute to course teaching, and supervise masters students' research. The fellow will be encouraged to conduct research in the MRC/Wits Rural Public Health and Health Transitions Research Unit, which includes the Agincourt health and socio-demographic surveillance system, situated in South Africa's rural northeast. Ample opportunity exists to network and build collaborations in South Africa, the region and internationally.

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Applications must include

- Letter of motivation regarding your suitability for postdoctoral fellowship
- Full CV including name and contact details of three referees
- Two writing samples (journal publications or chapters of PhD thesis)
- Two reference letters sent directly by the referee to the Programme
- Certified copies of all academic transcripts and degree certificates.

Submit applications to: Julia Mamabolo, Julia.Mamabolo@wits.ac.za; Demography and Population Studies Programme, School of Social Sciences, University of the Witwatersrand, Private Bag 3, WITS 2050. Tel: +27 11 717 4054; Fax: +27 11 717 4336

CLOSING DATE: 17 May 2010

Please note: Incomplete applications will not be considered. The University reserves the right not to award a fellowship and to continue searching after the closing date.