

## CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

### FCHS: RESEARCH CHAIR

The Research Chair program is a strategic funding instrument (from the office of the DVC R & I) aimed at strengthening research and innovation capacity, enhancing the training of a new generation of researchers and the further development of established researchers in all knowledge areas. With this programme there needs to be a focus on intellectual leadership and where required we need to appoint recognised leaders in the field to strengthen the focus area and assist in developing capacity.

The Faculty of Community and Health Sciences is seeking applications for a Research Chair within the faculty. The research niche should be aligned with the faculty's vision and mission which is broadly located within a social justice framework. Applications are invited in terms of three elements:

1. Niche area itself
2. The researcher/incumbent research chair.
3. Funding

1. The Niche Area

- ✚ The niche area should have a inter, multi or a transdisciplinary focus.
- ✚ It should be aligned to the Faculty's vision and mission which is located within a Social Justice framework.

2. The Research Chair

- ✚ Must be a professor recognised in the field/discipline nationally and internationally
- ✚ Must be rated or have a CV that would allow the person to be rated (CI-rating at least)
- ✚ Must have a focussed approach that is aligned to the faculty/university niche areas
- ✚ Must allow for capacity building of postgraduate students and emerging researchers
- ✚ Should aim to promote interdisciplinary/multidisciplinary and transdisciplinary scholarship.

3. Funding

- ✚ The research chair will be supported by the university for 3 years to the value of R500 000 which will include running costs and scholarships for postgraduate students.
- ✚ The annual renewal will be dependent on a performance agreement/report
- ✚ Research chairs are expected to become self-funding after 3 years
- ✚ A Research Chair would be expected to actively apply for supplemental funding from external sources.

4. Applications must include the following

- ✚ The qualifications, experience and ability of the project leader to manage the niche area.
- ✚ An indication of permanency of tenure of the project leader at UWC for the duration of at least three years.
- ✚ A description of the project area, and its alignment to a specific Research Focus Area. Include here a description of its multi-disciplinary focus.
- ✚ A five-year activity plan including a budget and potential source of top up funding.
- ✚ The anticipated outputs and outcomes of the project.

Due Date: **Wednesday 18 August 2021**

All applications must be mailed to:

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