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**Preference will be given to applicants from designated groups in accordance with our Employment Equity Plan.**

**COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, ENGINEERING AND SCIENCE**

**RESEARCH ASSISTANT FOR THE UKZN ZEBRAFISH UNIT**

**THREE MONTH ADHOC APPOINTMENT**

**SCHOOL OF LIFE SCIENCES**

**PIETERMARITZBURG CAMPUS**

**REFERENCE NO.: SLS 44/2021**

The newly established UKZN Zebrafish Unit requires an assistant to contribute towards the general maintenance of the unit. This includes daily (including weekends) feeding of all fish, cleaning of all tanks (currently there are more than 20 tanks), basic husbandry and supply of embryos and tracking of environmental conditions. Furthermore, an essential aspect will be the maintenance of specialized equipment, including the IWAKI recirculating system and the Biobase Climate embryo incubator.

The incumbent will report to Prof Carola Niesler, Academic Leader of Biotechnology.

**Minimum Requirements:**

* Completed undergraduate BSc degree (Life Sciences)
* Experience in Zebrafish husbandry and supply of embryos
* Experience in utilizing and maintaining an IWAKI recirculating system as well as a Biobase Climate embryo incubator

**Short-listed candidates may be required to undergo a skills test.**

**The closing date for receipt of applications is 22 October 2021.**

**The remuneration will be based on REMCO approved rates of payment. Enquiries regarding the full details of this ad-hoc position and associated duties may be directed to Prof. CU Niesler, email: niesler@ukzn.ac.za**

**Applicants are required to submit their Curriculum Vitae, together with a cover letter indicating their experience in meeting the stipulated minimum requirements to Ms Sibongile Khuzwayo.  Email:** [**Ntulis@ukzn.ac.za**](mailto:Ntulis@ukzn.ac.za) **Advert Reference Number MUST be clearly stated in the subject line.**