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**COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES  
SCHOOL OF RELIGION, PHILOSOPHY AND CLASSICS  
NETWORK FOR SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH RIGHTS AND THEOLOGY  
LECTURER  
1 YEAR FIXED-TERM CONTRACT  
(RENEWABLE DEPENDING ON FUNDING)  
PIETERMARITZBURG CAMPUS  
REFERENCE NUMBER: RPC05/2014**

Recognizing the role of postgraduate education in effecting social change through interdisciplinary research, the Gender, Religion and Health cohort of the School of Religion, Philosophy and Classics seeks to appoint a lecturer to coordinate the Masters cohort as well as the research activities of this programme. The programme is funded by the Church of Sweden who has the Swedish Development Aid (SIDA) as their back donor. Education and health have historically been areas of priority in the work of the Church of Sweden. Faced with the situation that two of the Millennium Development Goals (MDG's) – MDG 4 and 5 – to reduce infant and maternal mortality, seem unachievable, the CoS in conjunction with the Swedish Development Agency (SIDA), decided to address this challenge. Early in 2012, they proposed as one of three strategies an interdisciplinary Masters Programme in Gender, Religion and Health to engage with religious and cultural worldviews related to sexual and reproductive health rights (SRHR), sexual orientation and gender identity.

It was against this background that the Masters Pilot Programme in Gender, Religion and Health was proposed and taken up by UKZN in 2013. In 2014, the Pilot has now moved to its second phase and it is presently named the **Network for Sexual and Reproductive Health Rights and Theology**. The Masters programme requires a number of pedagogical and research competencies, and is designed to ultimately enable the students to exit with a Masters qualification with a focus on Gender and Religion and Health. The incumbent will assist the director of the programme to achieve this ultimate goal.

The successful incumbent will undertake the following duties and responsibilities:

**DUTIES:**

- Implementation of the objectives of the programme
- Oversight, development and co-ordination of all activities related to the objectives of the programme in line with school and University initiatives
- Supervision of postgraduate students
- Teaching and development of modules
- Monitoring, evaluation and reporting on all activities to director and funders
- Identify "At Risk" students and providing necessary guidance
- Individual academic counselling and mentoring in conjunction with supervisors
- Organisation and coordination of the workshops, seminars and annual conference

**MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:**

- Relevant PhD.
- Evidence of experience in University administration.
- Evidence of leadership in research coordination and supervision at tertiary level.
- Proven facilitation, organisational and coordination skills with staff and postgraduate students.
- Proven experience in supporting writing skills for publication and dissertations.

**ADVANTAGES:**

- Familiarity with the rules of the University and the College as they apply to postgraduate programmes
- Good interpersonal skills
- Ability to work as part of a team

**Applicants are required to submit a covering letter addressing each of the minimum requirements for the post in the advertisement together with a CV, details of three referees and an academic record. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Closing date for applications: 2 May 2014. Applications to be sent to: Professor Sarojini Nadar, Email [nadars@ukzn.ac.za](mailto:nadars@ukzn.ac.za)**