

The University of KwaZulu-Natal (UKZN) is committed to Employment Equity with the intention to provide representativity within the institution.

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

COLLEGE OF LAW AND MANAGEMENT STUDIES

SCHOOL OF ACCOUNTING, ECONOMICS AND FINANCE

RESEARCH FELLOW (X1 POST)

Organization: Health Economics & HIV & AIDS Research Division (HEARD)

Focal Area: Mental health and psycho-social support services for adolescents and young adults (AYA).

Applications Close:

Friday, 20th September 2024

Type: Full-time, 1 (one) Year Fixed Term Contract (Renewal of this post is subject to performance & funding availability)

Location: University of KwaZulu-Natal, Westville Campus

Durban, South Africa

HEARD is looking to appoint a suitably qualified person to lead a qualitative study focused on co-designing a context-specific intervention to enhance the care model for addressing the mental health and psycho-social support needs of adolescents and young adults (AYA) in Kwazulu-Natal, South Africa. This project emphasizes stakeholder engagement to ensure the intervention is both context-specific and sustainable.

The ideal candidate should have strong experience in leading qualitative research methods, and expertise in adolescent health. The post requires an analytical and critical thinker who is highly adept at working in cross-cultural environments. The successful candidate will engage with adolescents, caregivers, and government officials from the Department of Health, Department of Education, and Department of Social Development. Additionally, the study involves collaboration with academics from other institutions, including the University of Columbia.

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MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

- Master's degree in psychology, development studies, anthropology and other relevant social science fields.
- A PhD in the aforementioned fields is advantageous.
- Experience leading qualitative research with adolescents and young people using applied participatory research methods.
- Experience in project management, and report writing.
- Strong analytical and writing skills in English, demonstrated through peer-reviewed journal articles.
- Experience in delivering papers at conferences.
- Experience conducting qualitative data analysis using software such as Nvivo, ATLAS.ti, etc.
- A driver's license and the ability to travel for work.
- Fluency in English and isiZulu.

APPLICATIONS & QUERIES

- Closing date: Friday, 20th September 2024.
- A short motivation letter outlining your suitability for this position, and research interest.
- A full curriculum vitae, including conference attendance, publications and other scholarly research output.
- All qualification certificates
- A copy of ID or passport
- Names and contact details of at least two referees who have supervised or worked with you and can speak about their experience and skills
- Only candidates who meet the minimum requirements will be considered.
- Email application form/s and queries to [Robyn-Lee Wagner - heardhr@ukzn.ac.za \(031 260 7837\)](mailto:Robyn-Lee.Wagner@ukzn.ac.za).

Should you not receive feedback within 2 weeks of the closing date, kindly consider your application unsuccessful.

