**POST DOCTORAL RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIP: 2025/2026**

**NRF/SARChI CHAIR IN SUSTAINABLE LOCAL (RURAL) LIVELIHOODS**

Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates for a Postdoctoral Research Scholarship under the *NRF/SARChI Chair in Sustainable Local (Rural) Livelihoods* based in the College of Law and Management Studies. The successful applicant will engage in full-timepostdoctoral research with opportunities to conduct relevant seminars on the school’s postgraduate programme and contribute to other projects that advance the Chair’s objectives. This college-funded fellowship carries a value of **R200 000.** per annum and is renewable based on performance and the availability of funds.

# Eligibility Criteria:

* A PhD degree in a relevant field - obtained within five years of applying.
* Strong written and oral communication skills with at least two ISI-rated publications in a relevant discipline and conference presentations.
* Interest in sustainable rural livelihoods and experience in relevant research techniques.

**Desirable requirements:**

* Innovative in advancing the Chair's interests and establishing collaborations with rural-based structures.
* Experience in student mentoring.
* The ability to communicate in isiXhosa, Sesotho or isiZulu is an advantage.

# Application Requirements

* A full curriculum vitae, including publications and conference presentations.
* A SAQA certificate (if a doctorate was obtained outside South Africa).
* A two-page proposal outlining the applicant’s research area and his/her proposed project.

Further details about the Chair are available at [https://sarchichair-slh.ukzn.ac.za.](https://sarchichair-slh.ukzn.ac.za)

Complete application packages should be sent to Professor BC Mubangizi.

Email: [Mubangizib@ukzn.ac.za](mailto:Mubangizib@ukzn.ac.za) and [Nyawoj1@ukzn.ac.za](mailto:Nyawoj1@ukzn.ac.za) using **‘SARChI postdoc application’** in the email's subject line.