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**COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, ENGINEERING AND SCIENCE**  
**RESEARCH SCIENTIST**  
**(1 YEAR FIXED TERM APPOINTMENT)**  
**WASH R&D CENTRE, CHEMICAL ENGINEERING**  
**SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING**  
**HOWARD COLLEGE CAMPUS**  
**REF NO.: WASH CENTRE 9/2025**

The Water Sanitation & Hygiene Research & Development (WASH R&D) Centre in the School of Engineering is an externally funded team of professional researchers working on multidisciplinary research projects in the urban and industrial water and sanitation sector.

The WASH R&D Centre is looking to recruit a Research Scientist to advance research activities undertaken by the WASH R&D Centre, under the leadership of the Centre Director, and to support the strategic and business development objectives of the Centre. The focus of this position is to provide strategic and technical support to the eThekweni Water and Sanitation Unit (as a key partner to the WASH R&D Centre) in the roll out of innovative sanitation service delivery solutions.

The research areas covered by this position will include (but not limited to) circular economy, non-sewered sanitation, sustainable development, climate change, and capacity building initiatives.

**Minimum Requirements**

A Masters degree in Engineering or Environmental Sciences

At least 2 years relevant working experience

Experience working with, and reporting to, local and international partners and funders

A valid passport and drivers license

**The total remuneration package offered includes benefits.**

**The closing date for receipt of applications is 14 August 2025**

**Applicants are required to complete the relevant application form which is available on the Vacancies website at [www.ukzn.ac.za](http://www.ukzn.ac.za). Completed forms AND Curriculum Vitae, and any queries may be sent to Lungi Ndlela: [ndlela1@ukzn.ac.za](mailto:ndlela1@ukzn.ac.za)**

*Kindly note that the University of KwaZulu-Natal ("the University") is required to process any Personal Information (as defined by the Protection of Personal Act, 2013 "POPIA") submitted by candidates when applying for positions at the University. The University will endeavour to ensure that the appropriate security measures are in place and implemented for both electronic and paper-based formats that are used for processing of the personal information recorded through this recruitment and selection process. We refer you to the University's relevant Section 18 notice at [http://vacancies.ukzn.ac.za/Libraries/General\\_Documents/Section\\_18\\_Notice\\_-\\_Employees\\_and\\_Potential\\_Employees.sflb.ashx](http://vacancies.ukzn.ac.za/Libraries/General_Documents/Section_18_Notice_-_Employees_and_Potential_Employees.sflb.ashx)*