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COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, ENGINEERING AND SCIENCE

AD-HOC LECTURER (Cytology & Cellular Biology – BIOL234W1)

SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURE and SCIENCE WESTVILLE CAMPUS

REFERENCE NO.: SAScBS 05/2026

The incumbent will be expected to teach lectures and tutorials in BIOL234 (Cytology and Cellular Biology), specifically covering the theory and use of light and electron microscopy; cell walls, cellulose biosynthesis and specialization; the endomembrane and cytoskeletal systems; organelles; cell communication and signaling, ultrastructural morphology and functions of secretory tissues.

A strong background in biology is essential. The incumbent must be available for face-to-face meetings with students, which will include lectures, tutorials and practicals. Some activities may be offered in blended or online mode.

The incumbent will report to the Academic Leader: Cellular Biology.

Minimum Requirements:

- PhD degree in Biological Sciences, or a relevant field OR MSc degree in Biological Sciences, or a related field with evidence of submission of PhD thesis for examination.
- Relevant teaching experience at tertiary level, including the use of online teaching platforms.
- Evidence of presentations at national or international conferences.
- Current research activity as evidenced by publication(s) in quality scientific journals.

Advantage:

- Experience with online Teaching Platforms, PhD teaching course participation.

The appointment will be at standard University rates on a per lecture/tutorial/practical basis.

Enquiries and details regarding the post may be directed to Dr Angus Macdonald, email: macdonalda@ukzn.ac.za

The closing date for receipt of applications is 23rd January 2026.

Applicants are required to submit a covering letter and their CV. The letter must provide details of the candidate's experience in the minimum requirements as listed above. Application documentation must be sent to Mrs Devashnee Chinniah, e-mail: chinniahd@ukzn.ac.za

Please note that correspondence will be limited to short-listed candidates. The School of Agriculture & Science reserves the right not to make an appointment.

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