

The University of KwaZulu-Natal (UKZN) is committed to meeting the objectives of Employment Equity to improve representivity within the Institution. Preference will be given to applicants from designated groups in accordance with our Employment Equity Plan.

Applications are invited from all interested eligible applicants who have completed an MSc degree in Chemistry and are based in Pietermaritzburg. Preference will be given to candidates currently registered for a relevant PhD degree.

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, ENGINEERING AND SCIENCE

**TEACHING ASSISTANT – CHEMISTRY (TWO POSTS)
AD HOC APPOINTMENT (PER SESSION) - SEMESTER 1, 2026**

**SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURE AND SCIENCE
PIETERMARITZBURG CAMPUS**

REFERENCE NO.: SASc CHEM_P4/2026

The need for these adhoc positions has arisen due to the need for a replacement, at the Lecturer level, to undertake a component of teaching/lecturing/academic duties from the higher-level post of Senior Lecturer/Professor, while the senior position is pending recruitment and also to offer additional support in CHEM110.

The successful candidate(s) appointed to these positions will be required to deliver online and/or contact tutorials and practicals and provide academic support in the first-year chemistry laboratories. The School may add additional duties should the need arise. It is possible that the academic semester could be extended due to unforeseen circumstances. The successful appointee will be required to fulfil their responsibilities to the teaching programme in the event that the semester is extended.

The incumbent will report to the Head of the Discipline of Chemistry, Pietermaritzburg.

Minimum Requirements:

- MSc in Chemistry or related field;
- Two years of relevant experience in lecturing, demonstrating and tutoring.

Remuneration: The remuneration package will be based on the University's standard rates. Payment will be calculated per tutorial/practical or session and will be dependent on the qualifications and/or experience of the successful applicant. There are no benefits associated with the appointment.

Enquiries and details regarding this post may be directed to Professor Matthew Akerman email: Akermanm@ukzn.ac.za

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

Applications to be submitted to Mrs Yvonne Gengiah via email, SCP.Recruit@ukzn.ac.za.

Applicants are required to submit a cover letter and CV. The letter must provide details of the candidate's experience in each of the minimum requirements as listed above. The CV must include the names, full addresses and e-mail addresses of three referees.

Kindly quote the post reference number in the subject line of the application.

Note that correspondence will be limited to short-listed candidates.

The Discipline of Chemistry reserves the right not to make an appointment.

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 provision of the Personal Information is a requirement in terms of the University's recruitment and selection process. The retention of any personal information is as a consequence of the University being bound by legislative requirements and / or good governance practices as well as record keeping for statistical purposes. 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.