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**COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES**

**SCHOOL OF BUILT ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT STUDIES**

**HOWARD COLLEGE CAMPUS**

**RESEARCH COORDINATOR (1 POST)**

**(1 YEAR FIXED TERM CONTRACT)**

**REFERENCE NO.: DEV02/2014**

The School of Built Environment and Development Studies is a multi-disciplinary research and teaching School with programmes in Architecture, Community Development, Development Studies, Housing, Planning and Population Studies. The School combines undergraduate and post-graduate teaching, research and community engagement.

The South African Research Chair Initiative (SARChI) in Applied Poverty Reduction Assessment is a multi-year research programme funded by the National Research Foundation / Department of Science and Technology. The objective of the programme is to conduct research which enhances understanding of how and why poverty is a salient multi-dimensional challenge, and to enhance government and society's capacity and willingness to overcome it. We do this more specifically by building and critiquing evaluation systems which monitor the implementation of government service delivery to the poor; by researching patterns of poverty production and reduction; and by a set of projects targeting economic justice and inequality.

The post seeks someone with knowledge, or ideally prior research experience in the area of political ecology and climate change adaptation and poverty reduction co-benefits. An understanding of the Clean Development Mechanism and certified emissions reductions under the UNFCCC would be a benefit.

We would also welcome candidates who have experience in the fields of gender, social development and employment creation, although all suitably qualified applicants in any field of development studies as it considers poverty reduction are encouraged to apply.

The SARChI seeks one research coordinator to work within the SARChI team.

**Minimum requirements:**

- Skills in capturing data from internet based searching and other search engines;

- Abilities in SPSS, excel, STATA or proof that competency would be quickly built in these;
- Some background in report writing;
- An ability to work in a collegiate manner;
- Completed honours degree and significant progress toward completion of Masters degree;
- Proven experience in Research Methods.

**The closing date for receipt of applications is 24 October 2014.**

**Applicants are required to complete an application highlighting their experience in, and providing evidence for, each of the minimum requirements and advantages as listed above. The application form can be found at <http://vacancies.ukzn.ac.za/Home.aspx> and should be forwarded to Ms K Diga at [digak@ukzn.ac.za](mailto:digak@ukzn.ac.za).**