

2020 Call for Special URC scholarships for Master's students and Doctoral candidates as well as the Postdoctoral and Senior Postdoctoral fellowships



The University of Johannesburg (UJ) is a vibrant and cosmopolitan university, anchored in Africa, which is dynamically shaping the future through innovation and the collaborative pursuit of knowledge and striving towards research outputs.

UJ's University Research Committee (URC) gives strategic direction with reference to research at the university; it drives the research portfolio with regard to monitoring the quality of research produced. URC scholarships are intended for full-time research Master's students and Doctoral candidates as well as Senior Postdoctoral Fellows and Postdoctoral Fellows working on any research topic within UJ. The call is open to both South African and non-South African candidates.

Senior Postdoctoral Research Fellowships:

Candidates with substantial publication outputs both in terms of number of publications and impact from these publications and who have obtained their Doctoral degrees within the last five years are welcome to apply. Fellowships will be awarded on a competitive basis taking into account proven success regarding application to external research funding and contribution to academic citizenship, including serving as a reviewer for journals, external examination, supervision and teaching. Successful candidates will be expected to contribute to the research agenda and outputs of the University of Johannesburg. The performance criteria of senior Postdoctoral Research Fellows will be explicitly higher than that of other Postdoctoral Fellows. The fellowship is awarded for one year and renewable for another year based on research outputs produced and availability of funds. Senior Postdoctoral Fellows can conduct their research with UJ for a maximum period of three years.

Postdoctoral Research Fellowships

Candidates who obtained their Doctoral degree within the last five years are invited to apply. Fellowships will be awarded on a competitive basis, taking into account the candidates' academic achievements, potential as an independent researcher and the extent to which their application meets the requirements of the call. Successful candidates will be expected to contribute to the research agenda and outputs of the University of Johannesburg. The fellowship is awarded for one year and renewable for another year based on research outputs produced and availability of funds. Postdoctoral Fellows can conduct their research with UJ for a maximum period of three years.

Master's and Doctoral Scholarships

Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates who will be registering for full-time Master's and Doctoral studies at UJ in 2020. Master's students are awarded with a bursary for a prescribed period of two years and for Doctoral students, three years, subject to satisfactory progress and availability of funds. The scholarship will be awarded based on academic excellence. The call is open to candidates who intend undertaking any area of research discipline.

Students have to apply and submit the applications online, application forms can be downloaded through the following links:

- UJ URC Masters Scholarship Application Form 2020: <http://bit.ly/UJURCMastersScholarshipApp>
- UJ URC Doctoral Scholarship Application Form 2020: <http://bit.ly/UJURCDoctoralApp>
- UJ URC PDRF Application Form 2020: <http://bit.ly/UJURCPDRFApp>
- UJ URC Senior PDRF Application Form 2020: <http://bit.ly/UJURCSeniorPDRFApp>

Completed applications together with the supporting documents should be merged and submitted online through the following links. Please note a Google account is required in order to submit the application form together with the supporting documents.

- Master's: <http://bit.ly/URCMasters>
- Doctoral: <http://bit.ly/URCDoctoral>
- Postdoctoral: <http://bit.ly/URCPostdoctoral>
- Senior Postdoctoral: <http://bit.ly/URCSeniorPostdoctoral>

Closing date for applications: 08 February 2020

For more details on the call with regard to the application process and submission of the application form, please log on the Postgraduate School website: www.uj.ac.za/postgraduate-school