



POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP

Policy Research in International Services and Manufacturing (PRISM)

School of Economics, Faculty of Commerce

The Policy Research in International Services and Manufacturing (PRISM), a research and policy unit located within the School of Economics in the Faculty of Commerce, is seeking to appoint a **Postdoctoral Research Fellow (PDF)**. Funding for this position is provided by a project investigated by Djiby Thiam.

The incumbent's main responsibility is to conduct publishable research in the fields of development economics, and green industrialisation in Africa. Secondary functions include grant writing for future projects related to the project. The PDF will work closely with A/Prof. Djiby Thiam. The PDF will be mentored in order to prepare them for an academic position.

Period: The PDRF is expected to take up the fellowship in April/May 2021, to be renewed for 2022 on conditions of a satisfactory progress report. Motivations for a delayed starting date of no later than 1 June 2021 will be considered.

Fellowship value: R230 000 per year. The fellowship is compliant with the SARS policies/rules and is therefore exempt from taxation. No benefits or allowances are included in the value of the fellowship.

Minimum requirements:

- The candidate must have achieved a PhD in Economics in the field of Economics
- Applicant must have qualified for their PhD in the last 5 years. Applicants who have recently submitted their PhD for examination but not yet received their results will also be eligible to apply
- The applicant may not previously have held full-time permanent professional or academic posts
- Ability to work in an interdisciplinary environment
- Excellent communication skills, including the ability to write for publication and present research output
- A track record of publications and/or conference contributions related to the research areas outlined above

Responsibilities:

- Interdisciplinary research in one or more of the areas outlined above

- Publication of at least one journal article per year and delivering seminar and conference presentations.
- Mentorship or co-supervision of postgraduate students.
- Provision of research support in areas of expertise.
- Contributions to the research activities of PRISM.
- The successful applicant will be required to comply with the University's approved policies, procedures and practices for the postdoctoral sector. See the UCT Postdoctoral Research Fellowship site for further details: <https://www.uct.ac.za/main/research/postdoc-research-fellowships/research-funding>

To apply, please e-mail the documents below in a single pdf file clearly indicating "PRISM Postdoctoral Fellowship" in the subject line to Felicity Downes (felicity.downes@uct.ac.za) and Djiby Thiam (djiby.thiam@uct.ac.za)

- Letter of application (stating areas of expertise, research interests and experience);
- Curriculum Vitae (CV), not more than 3 pages;
- List of publications/scholarly outputs;
- Copies of academic transcripts; and
- Contact details of two academics whom the applicant has been supervised by or worked with.

An application that does not comply with the above requirements will be regarded as incomplete. The University of Cape Town reserves the right to disqualify ineligible, incomplete and/or inappropriate applications, and change the conditions of award or to make no awards at all. Eligible and complete applications will be considered by a PRISM selection sub-committee. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

Website: <http://www.prism.uct.ac.za/>

Closing date: noon 10 April 2021