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# CALL FOR POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIPS



The DSTI-NRF SARCHi Chair in Climate Change and Rule of Law (CCRL), housed in the Ismail Mahomed Centre for Human and Peoples' Rights, Faculty of Management, Commerce, and Law at the University of Venda (UNIVEN), is inviting applications for postdoctoral research fellowship opportunities. The successful candidates will research issues related to any of these themes (1) International climate change law and domestic responses; (2) New Technologies for Climate Protection (NTCP), renewable approaches and the rule of law; (3) Climate rule of law and populism; and (4) Climate change lawyering, litigation and judging.

## ELIGIBILITY AND REQUIREMENTS

- The Postdoctoral Research Fellowship (PDRF) is open to interested candidates who wish to undertake postdoctoral research at UNIVEN,
- Applicants must have obtained their PhD within 5 (five) years prior to applying for a PDRF with UNIVEN,
- Applicants must possess a PhD in law or a related field, such as political science, gender studies or international relations
- Applicants who hold a PhD certificate or who have proof that they have completed their PhD may apply,
- Evidence of published research output, or potential to produce high-quality research that can be published in accredited dissemination channels.
- Priority will be given to South African citizens/permanent residents who meet the above requirements.

## DURATION AND VALUE OF THE FELLOWSHIP

- The fellowship is awarded for a period of one (1) year, renewable for a total of two (2) years based on performance. The fellowship will start from **January 2026 to December 2027.**
- The value of the fellowship is R385 000.00 per annum, of which R320 000.00 (tax-free) is payable as a stipend, whereas R65 000.00 is for research running costs.

## APPLICATION PROCESS

To apply, please email the following documentation in a single PDF file to **[Ademola.Jegede@univen.ac.za](mailto:Ademola.Jegede@univen.ac.za)** by **05 February 2026.**

- Motivation letter, outlining the candidate's relevant expertise and experience.
- Full CV of the candidate listing research publications, conference papers, and other scholarly outputs.
- Certified copies of full academic transcript and doctoral degree certificate.
- Certified copy of ID document.
- Reference letters from 2 academic referees.



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The SARChi Chair in Entrepreneurship, housed in the Faculty of Management, Commerce, and Law at the University of Venda (UNIVEN), is inviting applications for a Postdoctoral Research Fellowship, commencing in January 2026.

The Fellowship is intended for candidates in the field of Management Sciences with a strong interest to work with rural communities. Candidates interested in issues on any of the following areas are welcome: (1) Social entrepreneurship, (2) Traditional entrepreneurship (3) Women, Youth and Community entrepreneurship (4) Green/Sustainable entrepreneurship, (5) Digital and Online entrepreneurship, (6) Agri-Business entrepreneurship, (7) Tourism and Hospitality entrepreneurship, and (8) Service entrepreneurship.

### ELIGIBILITY AND REQUIREMENTS

- The Postdoctoral Research Fellowship (PDRF) is open to interested candidates who wish to undertake postdoctoral research at UNIVEN,
- Applicants must have obtained their PhD within 5 (five) years prior to applying for a PDRF.
- Applicants must possess a PhD in Business Management or Human Resource Management, or a related field.
- Applicants who hold a PhD certificate or who have proof that they have completed their PhD may apply,
- Evidence of published research output, or potential to produce high-quality research that can be published in accredited journals.
- Priority will be given to South African citizens/permanent residents who meet the above requirements.

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### THE APPLICATION MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY:

- A written concept note of not more than 10 pages, setting out the research topic, problem statement, locating the proposed research in the existing scholarship, the research question/hypotheses(s)/hypotheses, and the proposed research methodology.
- Motivation letter, outlining the candidate's relevant expertise and experience.
- Full CV of the candidate listing research publications, conference papers, and other scholarly outputs.
- Certified copies of full academic transcript and doctoral degree certificate.
- Certified copy of ID document.
- Reference letters from 2 academic referees.

For submission of applications and more details, contact:

**Prof H Ngirande at [hlanganipai.ngirande@univen.ac.za](mailto:hlanganipai.ngirande@univen.ac.za)**

- **Applications close on 05 February 2026.**



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## CALL FOR POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIPS

The DSTI/NRFUNIVEN SARChi Chair in Livestock Science for Society (LIVSOC), housed within the Faculty of Science Engineering and Agriculture at the University of Venda (UNIVEN), is inviting applications for postdoctoral research fellowship opportunities in the field of Animal Science with a strong interest to work with rural communities. Candidates on issues in any of these disciplines are welcome: (1) Animal Production (2) Animal Nutrition (3) Animal Genetics and Breeding (4) Animal Reproduction, (5) Meat Science and (6) Holders of a sociology degree with proven interest in solving resource poor livestock-related issues

### ELIGIBILITY AND REQUIREMENTS

- The Postdoctoral Research Fellowship (PDRF) is open to interested candidates who wish to undertake postdoctoral research at UNIVEN,
- Applicants must have obtained their PhD within 5 (five) years prior to applying for a PDRF with UNIVEN,
- Applicants must possess a PhD in Animal Science or related fields
- Applicants who hold a PhD certificate or who have proof that they have completed their PhD may apply,
- Evidence of published research output, or potential to produce high- quality research that can be published in accredited dissemination channels.
- Priority will be given to South African citizens/permanent residents who meet the above requirements.

### Duration and Value of the Fellowship

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### APPLICATION PROCESS

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