

DST-NRF Internship Programme 2018/19 – Intern Candidates Call

APPLICATION DEADLINE

10th November 2017

BACKGROUND

The National Research Foundation (NRF) is responsible for the management of the DST-NRF Internship Programme in which unemployed Science, Engineering and Technology (SET) graduates and postgraduates (including those in Social Sciences and Humanities) are offered an opportunity to acquire practical work experience through mentoring and exposure to a research environment. This opportunity is also offered to those unemployed graduates and postgraduates who are interested in research management; research support and administration through placement at research offices in public higher education institutions and research agencies.

Applications are invited from candidates who are interested in acquiring work experience in the areas of specialisation or disciplines in the provinces stated in the Internship Advert (attached below).

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Unemployed South African graduates and postgraduates in the Science, Engineering, and Technology (SET), Research and Development, Social Sciences and Humanities fields are eligible. South African Permanent Residents who hold a South African Identity Document also qualify while non-South Africans are not eligible.

Applicants should **not be older than 35 years old** at the time of submission of an application to qualify. Candidates with disabilities are encouraged to apply.

IMPORTANT NOTIFICATIONS:

- Only graduates who hold an Advanced Diploma or Bachelor's degree at NQF level 7, Honours or BTech degrees at NQF level 8 and MTech or Master's degrees at NQF level 9 qualify to apply for this internship, (candidates holding a National Diploma at NQF level 6 as well as DTech and PhD at NQF level 10 need not apply).
- NB: Candidates who would be registered full-time during the 2018 academic year need **not** apply.
- Interns will receive a monthly salary ranging between **R6 070.00 and R8 050.00 per month** - depending on the level of qualification.
- Short listing and Interview of applicants will be conducted by the participating host institutions. Applicants will be shortlisted and called for interviews via their personal emails listed in the application. Applicants are advised to check their emails intermittently from **18 December 2017 to 31 March 2018**.
- Successful applicants will be placed at various participating institutions throughout the country and should thus apply for a position available in the province where they would like to be placed. The NRF does not pay relocation costs to an appointed candidate (s) who has to relocate to another province.
- DURATION: The internship programme is offered for a period of 12 months. Successful applicants will be required to sign an internship contract for the duration of the internship period.

HOW TO APPLY

- All applications must be submitted electronically on the NRF Online Submission System at <https://nrfsubmission.nrf.ac.za>.
- **Register** and then **log in**, >> **my applications** >> **create an application** >> **Internship Programme Applicants 2018** and apply there following instructions.
- Please also attach **certified copies** of **qualifications, academic records** and a **copy of the South African Identity Document**.

APPLICATION DEADLINES:

10 November 2017, no late applications will be considered.

NB: Correspondence will be limited to short listed candidates only. If no correspondence has been received 4 months after the closing date, applicants should consider their applications as unsuccessful. Successful applicants will start their internship on 1 April 2018.

For technical online enquiries, please contact the Support Desk (Mondays to Fridays from 08h00 to 16h30) on: Tel: (012) 481 4202 or E-mail: supportdesk@nrf.ac.za. For programme related queries contact:

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