

NRF POSTDOCTORAL GRANTS FOR 2022

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During the last four years the National Research Foundation (NRF) has embarked on a process designed to enhance and simplify the NRF administrative interface with

Researchers, Students and Designated Authorities. This has been done by streamlining its application templates and its Call Opening process, in line with the forthcoming Research Support Strategies by the Department of Science and Innovation (DSI) and the NRF.

The NRF therefore has a pleasure in announcing the opening of the NRF One Call for Proposals for Postdoctoral Grants.

Applications must be submitted electronically on the NRF Online Submission System at <https://nrfsubmission.nrf.ac.za>

All Framework and Funding and Application Guide documents as well as the General Application Guide 2022, are available on the NRF website at <https://www.nrf.ac.za/bursaries/framework-documents/bursaries-framework-documents>

1. *How to apply*

Register and login to <https://nrfsubmission.nrf.ac.za>

- I. Go to **My Application>Create Application**.
- II. Choose **Postdoctoral Grants**
- III. **Complete** all the required sections.
- IV. Ensure to click on **Submit button**.

Note: under Reference section – A minimum of three referees are required: **one Doctoral Supervisor, one Reference and one Proposed Supervisor/Host**. If Doctoral Supervisor is the same as the Proposed Supervisor/Host, add him/her twice with the two different roles.

2. *Required Documents in Attachments section*

- a. Proof of master's and Doctoral qualifications (if master's was upgraded to Doctoral this needs to be stated clearly in your application).
- b. If your Doctoral degree is still "in progress", a formal letter of confirmation from your institution, stating that your Doctoral qualification will be completed by December 2021, must be attached.
- c. If the institution, department and/or supervisor remain the same as your Doctoral study or first postdoctoral placement, a motivation letter must be attached.
- d. Official postdoctoral acceptance letter from the host institution (signed, stamped and on an official letterhead). The letter should include details of the availability of specialised equipment, infrastructure, and resources to enable the fellow to conduct their research.
- e. If you are a fellow with a disability, you must also upload a medical certificate in support of your disability.

3. *Enquiries*

When making an enquiry, please use "*Freestanding, Innovation and Scarce Skills Postdoctoral Fellowship Call*" as the email subject line.

Please contact us if you need any assistance by sending enquiries to NRFFunding@uct.ac.za