

A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY FOR MASTER AND DOCTORAL STUDENTS

A Masters or Doctoral in Psychology is being offered by the UNISA Institute for Social and Health Sciences (ISHS). As part of its work the UNISA ISHS, with the South African Medical Research Council (SAMRC), co-directs the Violence, Injury and Peace Research Unit (VIPRU) which aims to develop data-driven prevention initiatives and transferable solutions for issues of injury and violence, including the promotion of safety and peace. VIPRU is focused on improving the health status, safety and quality of life of the population through social science and public health-oriented research aimed at preventing injury, death, disability and suffering arising from violence and unintentional incidents of injury, and supporting psychosocial recovery after such incidents.

Scope of the research

These placements will be based at the UNISA ISHS in either Johannesburg or Cape Town and the research project will relate to VIPRU's work. Two placements will be offered in 2020.

Conditions of the award: we are looking for a candidate who

- Has completed for the Master's placement a BSoc Sc (Hons) or BSc (Hons) in Psychology or cognate discipline. The PHD requires a completed MA or MSc in a related social science or health discipline.
- Has an interest in the field of injury and violence prevention and recovery.
- Has some background and interest in epidemiological and quantitative research methods.
- Is able to work flexible hours.
- Is able to travel for work.
- Is focussed, hardworking, flexible and can work independently.

The fellow will be required to:

- Collect necessary data for the study and the unit's injury mortality and morbidity registries and data bases.
- Contribute to maintaining these databases and visit community sentinel sites.
- Write up research for publication and present at local and international meetings.
- To comply with the University's approved policies, procedures and practices for postgraduates.

Tenure and value:

The value of the Fellowship will be between RR308 448 to R373 610 per annum, and carries no fringe benefits. The project will run for 1 to 3 years.

Application procedure:

Your application should include the following: letter of motivation; CV; certified copy of your ID; two contactable references; most recent academic transcript; and Concept Note. The Concept Note should be no longer than 3 pages and provide a clear and concise description and framework of the masters research that you wish to undertake.

The deadline for applications is **04 October 2019**.

Please direct all correspondence and applications to Zoliswa Ntsoko at Zoliswa.Ntsoko@unisa.ac.za