FULL-TIME POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP

Research Focus Area: Self-Directed Learning

The Research Focus Area, Self-Directed Learning (SDL), located in the Faculty of Education Sciences at the North-West University (Potchefstroom Campus) has a vacancy for a full time postdoctoral research fellowship. Appointments are made on a year by year basis, and can be extended for up to three years. The Research Focus Area’s vision is to promote self-directed learning that will lead to lifelong learning in all education sectors through excellent research.

The 8 subprogrammes of the Research Focus Area are as follows:

- Assessment to support SDL
- Case-based pedagogies to enhance SDL
- Metacognition to enhance SDL
- The Affordances of Indigenous Knowledge for SDL
- Blended Learning to support SDL
- Cooperative Learning to enhance SDL
- Towards a theory for SDL
- Project- and problem-based learning to enhance SDL

Qualifications and requirements:

The postdoctoral fellow -

- Must have completed a doctoral degree in Education within the last five years at a university other than the North-West University (applicants who are in the process of completing a doctoral degree may also apply);
- Must have an interest in aspects related to one or more of the subprogrammes of the Research Focus Area SDL; and
- Must be willing to contribute to a noticeable increase in the research outputs of the Research Focus Area SDL.

Funding is available. Please contact Mrs Mpe Meintjes at the NWU for more detail (Mpe.Meintjes@nwu.ac.za). Interested candidates should submit their application to Professor Elsa Mentz (elsa.mentz@nwu.ac.za). Please include in your application a detailed CV, certified copies of your qualifications and the names of three contactable referees, as well as a motivation for the research you are interested in pursuing.

Date of employment: as soon as possible; contract is valid from the 1st of the month agreed upon.

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