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FOR THESE POSITION APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED FROM ALL STUDENTS INCLUDING AFRICAN MALES,  
AFRICAN FEMALES AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES.**



**SCHOOL OF BUILT ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT STUDIES  
DISCIPLINE OF DEVELOPMENT STUDIES  
HOWARD COLLEGE CAMPUS**

**RESEARCH ASSISTANTS (UP TO TWO POSTS)  
(PART-TIME MASTERS AND DOCTORAL STUDENT APPOINTMENTS)  
REF NO: DEV08/2015**

The School of Built Environment and Development Studies is a multi-disciplinary research and teaching School with programmes in Architecture, Community Development, Development Studies, Housing, Planning and Population Studies. The School combines undergraduate and post-graduate teaching, research and community engagement.

The NRF/DST South African Research Chair in Applied Poverty Reduction Assessment proposes to undertake research on government, private sector and civil society interventions that have been designed to reduce poverty. One of the objectives of the Chair is to improve and accelerate the training of highly qualified personnel through research. The proposed project is to assist with household surveys on the value of the livelihoods, property and businesses within the South Durban basin.

The Development Studies discipline seeks part-time research assistants to work on the survey and data. The posts will be for 300 hours (conducting at 12 hours per week for approximately 6 months) remunerated at standard University rates for postgraduate employment. At least one Masters and one Doctoral student will be employed;

**Duties for the Research Assistants would include:**

- Conducting data entry from the survey on to an electronic database;
- Transcribing taped interviews into text;
- Attending meetings on work milestones;
- Liaising with other team members and researchers; and
- Other research related tasks under the direction of the SARChI Chair in Applied Poverty Reduction Assessment

**Minimum Requirements (Masters Student)**

Registered Masters (preferably in second year) in the School of Built Environment and Development Studies;  
Proven experience and/or advanced training in Research Methods including in data inputting.

**Minimum Requirements (Doctoral Student)**

Registered Doctoral programme in the School of Built Environment and Development Studies;  
Proven experience and/or advanced training in Research Methods including in data inputting.

**Personal Attributes**

- Excellent organisation, interpersonal, written and communication skills;
- Must be details-oriented, efficient and reliable;
- Must demonstrate ability to meet deadlines.

**Applicants are required to complete an application highlighting their experience in, and providing evidence for, each of the minimum requirements and advantages as listed above. The application form can be found at <http://vacancies.ukzn.ac.za/Home.aspx> and should be forwarded to Mr S Olivier: [oliviers@ukzn.ac.za](mailto:oliviers@ukzn.ac.za) . Deadline for applications is 2 SEPTEMBER 2015.**