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 **Fogarty Clinical PhD Fellowship in HIV-associated Tuberculosis**

 **3 year fellowship 2024 to 2026**

 **Deadline for applications: 15 October 2023**

The **Fogarty HIV-associated Tuberculosis Training Program** was established at the University of Cape Town in 2017 in partnership with Johns Hopkins University and Vanderbilt University in the US, and aims to contribute to the development of the next generation of research leaders in the field of HIV-associated TB at UCT. The Program is funded from the Fogarty International Center of the US National Institutes of Health. The Program is seeking applications for the competitive award of a PhD fellowship to a clinician scientist to strengthen UCT’s capacity to address knowledge gaps in this field and tackle new scientific questions as the epidemiology and treatment of HIV and TB evolve. The six focus areas prioritized for training are: Clinical Epidemiology and Biostatistics; Advanced Epidemiology and Modelling; Pharmacokinetics and Pharmacogenomics; Immunopathogenesis; HIV-TB Drug Hypersensitivity Reactions; and HIV and COVID-19 interactions.

**Clinician Scientist PhD fellowship**

The applicant should:

* hold an MBChB degree.
* propose a project in the field of HIV-associated TB or HIV and COVID-19 interactions.
* have the support of the applicant’s planned PhD supervisor(s).
* provide evidence in the application that there is co-funding within the research group to enable the successful completion of the research.
* plan to conduct the research within a UCT research group.

The funding will cover a stipend (R670,000 per annum for 36 months tax-free) and once-off project cost support (R250,000)

**Conditions of Award:**

1. Successful candidates will be required to register for full time PhD study at the University of Cape Town, **with start date** **no later than January 2024**
2. The fellowships will be awarded for 36 months, renewable annually contingent on satisfactory academic progress
3. Successful candidates will be required to comply with the approved policies, procedures and practices for funding for the postgraduate sector at the University of Cape Town.
4. The successful candidates will be expected to complete the PhD successfully, to participate in all required training requirements of our Fogarty Program in terms of human subjects protection and responsible conduct of research, and attend symposia and meetings of the Fogarty Program at UCT and present their ongoing research at these meetings. The supervisor(s) must also agree to be listed as a mentor on the Fogarty programme and fulfil programme requirements.
5. All academic outputs resulting from the funding will be required to acknowledge the Fogarty Training Program funding
6. The Fellowship will be granted without fringe benefits; the successful candidate is responsible for his/her own medical aid and insurance arrangements.
7. UCT’s policies on transformation and equity will be adhered to, with preference given to black South African candidates.
8. Applications will be considered based on academic merit, the quality of the submitted application and its alignment with the objectives and priority research areas of the Fogarty Program. The availability of co-funding to support the research will also be factored.
9. The University of Cape Town reserves the right to disqualify ineligible, incomplete and/or inappropriate applications.
10. The University reserves the right to cancel, withdraw and recover any funds paid out to award-holders who do not comply with the Conditions of Award.

**Applications:**

* Contact Kathryn Wood (Kathryn.Wood@uct.ac.za) for the application form or view on HATTP website: <http://www.hattp.uct.ac.za/>
* Please submit 2 to 3 referees’ names and contact details.

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Approved by Senior Manager: PGFO

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