



CALL FOR APPLICATIONS PhD Scholarship 2018 supported by *African Studies*

We are pleased to announce a call for applications for a new *African Studies* PhD scholarship and invite applications for a three year doctoral level scholarship for study at Wits University, Johannesburg South Africa.

The scholarship programme aims to support and stimulate innovative doctoral scholarship in the broad field of African Studies.

Sponsored by the *African Studies* journal housed at Wits University, the scholarship aims to attract intellectually ambitious scholars whose work is aligned to the aims and scope of the journal.

African Studies is an international interdisciplinary journal which aims to publish high quality conceptual and empirical writing relevant to Africa. Significant disciplines include but are not limited to: anthropology, critical race, gender and sexuality studies, geography, history, literary, cultural and media studies, sociology, and politics. The journal seeks to foster an interdisciplinary and global conversation from, with and about Africa.

ELIGIBILITY

- Applicants must have already graduated, or be graduating, with a Masters degree from any university no later than December 2017. Students who are already enrolled for the doctorate in a relevant School/Faculty at Wits are eligible to apply but only if they are in their first year of the PhD.
- Applicants must propose doctoral research that will make an original contribution or theoretical intervention in areas that are broadly related to advancing scholarship in the disciplines the journal includes although it is not limited to these. Successful candidates should be able

to clearly identify how their proposed research aims to foster an interdisciplinary and global conversation from, with and about Africa.

ADMISSION TO WITS

Candidates applying for the scholarship are required to apply separately to the relevant degree programme at Wits (or indicate in their application that they already have a place in a PhD programme at Wits University).

If candidates who are awarded scholarships do not apply or do not receive admission to a specific Wits University programme within 3 months of receipt of the scholarship, the scholarship is void.

Applicants are advised to read about the application procedures to Wits University (<https://www.wits.ac.za/postgraduate/>) to ensure that the programme to which they apply matches their proposed research interests.

Value of the Scholarship

R200 000 per year for the period of 3 years.

Funding comprises a basic annual stipend which covers tuition, registration costs, accommodation as well as limited funding to cover the costs of scholarly resources such as books, laptop, field research expenses.

Application details

To apply please submit the following:

1. A detailed and up to date CV
2. A covering letter detailing the proposed research focus and how that might fit into this scholarship call
3. Names of Proposed supervisor/s and departmental home
4. Academic transcripts
5. Certified copies of degrees
6. An example of any recent published (or written) work
7. Names and contact details (including email addresses) of 2 referees
8. Two letters of recommendation

Applications should be emailed to: cgastrow@uj.ac.za

Closing date: CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON MONDAY 15 JANUARY 2018

INFORMATION about *African Studies*
<http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/cast20/current>