

WITS UNIVERSITY, JOHANNESBURG
FACULTY OF ENGINEERING & THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

**PROFESSOR OR ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OR SENIOR LECTURER IN URBAN PLANNING –
(PERMANENT)
SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE AND PLANNING**

DESCRIPTION:

The School of Architecture and Planning invites applications for appointment at the levels of Professor or Associate Professor or Senior Lecturer in Urban Planning. Degrees in the School are internationally recognised and a range of undergraduate and postgraduate degree programmes are offered. The School has a strong team of dedicated staff and excellent facilities.

QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS:

At **Professor level**, an earned Doctoral degree is essential. The successful candidate should be able to teach in at least three of the following: *spatial planning, urban development, urban management, planning theory, regional planning, urbanization, economic development, and research design*. Have an extensive track record of academic teaching, curriculum development, and supervision of postgraduate students up to PhD level. The successful candidate would have an extensive research experience, with a proven national/international standing. A record of highly cited publications in international peer reviewed journals and other types of scholarship in the field with considerable research profile is essential. S/he would have strong record of raising research funds as well as strong administration and management skills. The successful candidate must demonstrate the ability to provide academic leadership as a leader and mentor to students and colleagues. South African citizens and permanent residents currently employed in academia must be in possession of a National Research Foundation (NRF) rating (<https://www.nrf.ac.za/rating/>). Applicants from industry and International applicants must have a research profile that meets the requirements for an NRF rating. Registration with a relevant professional body preferably the South African Council for Planners (SACPLAN), or eligibility is recommended.

OR

At **Associate Professor Level**, an earned Doctoral degree is essential. The successful candidate should be able to teach in at least three of the following: *spatial planning, urban development, urban management, planning theory, regional planning, urbanization, economic development, and research design*. The successful candidate would have an established profile in research, scholarship and supervision of postgraduate students up to PhD level. S/he would have a record of substantial research funding as well as administration and management skills. A record of highly cited publications in international peer reviewed journals and other types of scholarship in the field with considerable research profile is essential. South African citizens and permanent residents currently employed in academia must be in possession of a National Research Foundation (NRF) rating (<https://www.nrf.ac.za/rating/>). Applicants from industry and International applicants must have a research profile that meets the requirements for an NRF rating. Registration with a relevant professional body preferably the South African Council for Planners (SACPLAN), or eligibility is recommended.

OR

At **Senior Lecturer Level**, an earned Doctoral degree is essential. The successful candidate should be able to teach in at least three of the following: *spatial planning, urban development, urban management, planning theory, regional planning, urbanization, economic development, and research design*. S/he would be research active with a proven record of publications and supervision of undergraduate and postgraduate students. A record of substantial research funding would be advantageous. A National Research Foundation (NRF) rating (<https://www.nrf.ac.za/rating/>) or a research profile that meets the requirements is recommended. Registration with a relevant professional body preferably the South African Council for Planners (SACPLAN), or eligibility is recommended.

DUTIES:

- To teach in at least three of the following: spatial planning, urban development, urban management, planning theory, regional planning, urbanization, economic development, and research design.
- To actively participate in research and supervision of undergraduate and postgraduate students, including PhDs.
- To design, teach and administer undergraduate and postgraduate courses.
- To participate in the running of the Planning Programme and interdisciplinary degrees through academic citizenship and administrative activities.
- To engage in scholarly activities, participate in outreach and service activities and contribute to the University's priorities.
- To conceptualize research projects and raise external research funds.
- To develop and maintain strategic and productive partnerships, connections and relationships with scholars, groups and organisations at local, national and international levels.
- To contribute to the development and maintenance of a positive academic environment that is conducive to high levels of engagement and standards of achievement in teaching and learning.

- To provide service to the University by contributing to the definition and achievement of its goals and enable it to be a healthy organization

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To Apply: Please submit a covering letter of motivation, a detailed CV with names and current e-mail addresses and contact numbers of (3) three referees, certified copies of qualifications, academic transcripts and South African ID and/or (copy of Passport if not a South African Citizen). Please state your research metrics in your covering letter. External applicants are invited to apply by registering on the Wits i-Recruitment platform located at <https://irec.wits.ac.za> Internal employees may apply directly on Oracle Self-Service on the Wits Intranet by selecting "**Apply for a job**".

- Closing date: **20 October 2023**

Please note that given the thrust of the University's strategic plan on transformation, preference may be given to appointable applicants from the under-represented designated groups in terms of the relevant employment equity plans and policies of the University.

The University reserves the right to verify all information provided by candidates and to verify credit rating. Please note that correspondence will only be entered into with the shortlisted candidates. The University reserves the right not to make an appointment or re-advertise.