

Funding: Women and Extractivism

Deadline: 28 February 2021

The Department of Sociology at the University of Cape Town invites applications from suitably qualified applicants to join a research project on “Women and Extractivism in Africa”.

We have three scholarships for this project:

- 2x Masters by coursework valued at R100 000 pa (plus R30 000 for running costs in the second year of study).
- 1x Masters by research in Sociology valued at R100 000 pa (Plus R50 000 for running costs).

Eligibility and requirements

- Excellent results,
- Research project focusing on women and extractivism in a broad sense.

Successful candidates must

- Register as a **full-time student** in the Sociology Department and commence research in 2021.
- Be willing to conduct research on themes related to extractivism and women.
- Be willing to support other researchers who are part of the project.
- Be willing to participate in relevant activities of the department including presenting papers at seminars, workshops and conferences, and
- Prepare a paper for publication in a peer-reviewed journal by end of the programme.

Funding will be provided for two years but continuation of funding in the second year (2022) will be dependent on the submission of a satisfactory progress report by 25 November 2021.

Student projects should fall under the broader theme of women in/and extractivism or extractivism and gender in Africa.

Interested applicants must submit their applications to asanda.benya@uct.ac.za with a subject line: **WIM Funding Application** and specify which of the two scholarships you are applying for.

The application package should include the following:

- A cover letter explaining how your research interests fit with the project;
- A brief concept paper of not more than 1000 words outlining proposed research project, its relevance, and work plan.
- A detailed and up to date curriculum vitae with contact details of at least two academic referees;
- Latest academic transcript and
- A writing sample.

Conditions of the Award: While in principle prospective recipients are not prohibited from receiving other funding, all such funding (applied for and/or received) must be disclosed at the time of application and the total value must not exceed the UCT maximum limit allowed for Masters students in 2021.

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Shortlisted candidates will be interviewed.

Questions related to the scholarship can be directed to asanda.benya@uct.ac.za