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MA & PhD Studentship

The Research Unit for Language and Literature in the South African Context, North-West University, Potchefstroom Campus, invites applications for postgraduate studentship in the fields of phonetics & phonology, corpus linguistics, lexicography and digital humanities within the framework of a National Research Foundation (NRF) sponsored research project. Successful candidates will be expected to undertake research towards MA and/or PhD degrees (within a set period of time) in any of the above mentioned fields on any aspect of one or all Sotho languages of South Africa, i.e. Setswana, Sesotho and Sesotho sa Leboa. Preference is however given to the following research aspects:

- Applied phonetics
- Cognitive phonology and literacy (including phonological awareness)
- Corpus building and analysis
- Corpus-based phonological analysis
- Descriptive phonetics (including acoustic phonetics)
- Digital phonological dimensions
- Experimental phonology
- Language resources and evaluation
- Loanword phonology
- Phonologization
- Relationship between dictionary use and literacy (spelling & writing)

Successful candidates may be able to apply for the NWU bursaries as well as the Research Unit bursaries. Successful applicants, expected to start by January 2017, will have to undertake duties (fieldworks, data analyses, research outputs publication, specific training, etc.) in the Research Unit on a full time basis.

Enquiries & Communications

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