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## **COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, ENGINEERING AND SCIENCE**

### **ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR/SENIOR LECTURER (BOTANY/PLANT BIOLOGY) SCHOOL OF LIFE SCIENCES WESTVILLE CAMPUS**

**REF NO.: LS02/2021**

The University of KwaZulu-Natal is one of the top Universities in South Africa and in the top 500 Universities globally. The School of Life Sciences is well established with a strong research profile and has a large number of undergraduate and postgraduate students. The School offers a vibrant educational and research environment in Life Sciences, with strong national and international collaborative research linkages.

The incumbent will be expected to contribute to teaching and research in the Biology programme on the Westville campus. S/he will also be expected to contribute to undergraduate and postgraduate curriculum development, and supervise postgraduate students up to PhD level. S/he would also be expected to contribute to administration in the School.

A strong background in Botany with emphasis on structural biology/plant anatomy, and propagation/biotechnology is required since the incumbent is expected to contribute to teaching in modules that deal with plant cellular biology and functional cell biology.

The incumbent will report to the Academic Leader: Cellular Biology.

#### **Minimum Requirements:**

- A relevant PhD degree in Botany or Plant Biology
- Experience in teaching at tertiary level
- Demonstrated ability to attract external research funds
- A current and sustained research record of publications in peer-reviewed in ISI/DoHET accredited journals appropriate for the level of appointment
- Successful supervision of postgraduate students (MSc and/or PhD) in a relevant field of study.

#### **In addition to the above: Associate Professor**

- Successful supervision of postgraduate students including at least one PhD student.

Applicants must indicate the level of post for which the University Guidelines/benchmarks which are available on the University Vacancies website on <http://vacancies.ukzn.ac.za/Academic-Process-Proc-Guides.aspx>

Enquiries and details regarding this post, may be directed to the Dean and Head of School, Professor A Olaniran, (031) 260 7400 or email : [olanirana@ukzn.ac.za](mailto:olanirana@ukzn.ac.za)

**Appointment to this position will be on the January 2018 Conditions of Service.**

**The total remuneration package offered includes benefits.**

**The closing date for receipt of applications is 12 February 2021.**

**Applicants are required to complete the relevant application form which is available on the Vacancies website at [www.ukzn.ac.za](http://www.ukzn.ac.za). Applicants are requested to clearly indicate the level they are applying for. Completed forms AND Curriculum Vitae may be sent to [recruitment-aes@ukzn.ac.za](mailto:recruitment-aes@ukzn.ac.za).**

**Advert Reference Number must be clearly stated in the subject line.**