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## COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, ENGINEERING AND SCIENCE

## PROFESSOR IN PLANT PATHOLOGY SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURAL, EARTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES PIETERMARITZBURG CAMPUS

**REF NO.: AEES16/2022** 

The School seeks a dynamic, self-motivated and innovative individual committed to quality teaching, research and community engagement who will help in strengthening its activities in the broad field of applied Plant Pathology and Plant Health. The incumbent will be tasked with teaching in their field of expertise and related Plant Pathology fields at all levels (undergraduate and postgraduate) using curricula in keeping with modern developments in that field. Preference will be given to candidates with a background and knowledge in applied diagnosis and management of plant diseases. In addition to teaching, s/he will be expected to develop and maintain an active research programme that will involve the supervision of postgraduate students, and to attract external funding. S/he will also be expected to be involved in the School administration and outreach activities. Strength in Plant Virology and/or Biocontrol expertise will be an advantage.

This incumbent will report to the Academic Leader: Production Sciences Cluster.

## Minimum Requirements:

## **Professor**

- A relevant PhD degree in Plant Pathology
- Experience in teaching at a tertiary institution
- A current and sustained research publication record in peer-reviewed ISI/DoHET accredited journals appropriate for the level of appointment
- Successful supervision of MSc and PhD students
- Demonstrated ability to attract external research funds
- Evidence of strong academic leadership

This appointment will be made in line with 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 Fhatuwani Mudau, email: <a href="mailto:MudauF@ukzn.ac.za">MudauF@ukzn.ac.za</a>.

Short-listed candidates will be expected to do a presentation on a specified topic.

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

The remuneration package offered includes benefits.

The closing date for receipt of applications is 22 July 2022

Applicants are required to complete the relevant application form which is availableon the Vacancies website at <a href="www.ukzn.ac.za">www.ukzn.ac.za</a>. Applicants are requested to clearly indicate the level they are applying for. Completed forms must be sent to <a href="mailto:recruitment-aes@ukzn.ac.za">recruitment-aes@ukzn.ac.za</a>. The Advert Reference Number MUST be clearly stated in the subject line.