

**The University of KwaZulu-Natal (UKZN) is committed to meeting the objectives of Employment Equity to improve representivity within the Institution.**

**RESEARCH DIVISION**

**PRINCIPAL OFFICER: INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY  
INQUBATE  
(PEROMNES GRADE 8)  
HOWARD COLLEGE**

**REF NO.: RO06/2017**

The successful incumbent will support UKZN InQubate in managing the university's intellectual property (IP) portfolio, in order to inform the need for protection of the IP and to comply with the requirements of the National Intellectual Property Management Office (NIPMO). In addition, the incumbent will work with the Commercialisation Unit to assess the commercialisation potential of the IP. He/she will manage funding opportunities in respect of the university IP on behalf of the university's researchers, and will monitor the progress of funded projects in order to ensure compliance with external funders' requirements. The incumbent will drive market campaigns to build awareness and an understanding of intellectual property, commercialisation and Technology transfer at the university in order to promote the objects of UKZN InQubate.

**Minimum Requirements:**

- BSc Honours in Engineering or Science or other suitable technical qualification;
- Three (3) years' relevant experience in Technology Transfer;
- An understanding of intellectual property, commercialisation and technology transfer;
- Excellent report writing, analytical and research skills;
- Excellent communication (verbal and written) and presentation skills.

**Advantages:**

- Qualification or other certification in project management, entrepreneurship and/or technology transfer would be an advantage;
- An interest in IP and in the commercialisation of university research;
- An understanding of the national system of innovation.

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

**The closing date for receipt of applications is 20<sup>th</sup> June 2017.**

**Applicants are required to complete the official application form ("application form – support") which is available on the Vacancies website at [www.ukzn.ac.za](http://www.ukzn.ac.za).**

**Completed forms may be sent to [recruitment-jm@ukzn.ac.za](mailto:recruitment-jm@ukzn.ac.za).**

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