

### **VISION**

## Shape and own the future

To be a transforming, equitable, sustainable, and academically excellent University of Technology anchored in its communities.

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To offer technological, career-directed educational programmes focussing on the innovative problem-solving research and engage with government, business, industries and communities as end-users.

# **DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICAL ENGINEERING**

## POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCH FELLOW:

(Renewable Energy Generation Through Reverse Electrodialysis)

One-Year Fixed Contract

# **Key Performance Areas:**

- Interact with collaborators to design experiments and develop reverse electrodialysis-based processes for electricity or hydrogen production.
- Publish manuscripts in reputable journals and peer-reviewed conference proceedings in this field.
- Explore the possibility of producing electricity using reverse electrodialysis for landlocked regions.
- Manage an internal database containing the results of laboratory experiments, process modelling and process simulations.
- Co-supervise relevant postgraduate research and/or collaborating with other postdoctoral fellows
- Be involved in initiating and managing research projects.
- Assist in overall management and contribute to the various activities of the Research projects.
- Initiate, develop and/or be involved in research networks, collaborations (i.e. formulating spin-offs, and joint ventures), institutional partnerships, and the organization of research events.

# **Minimum Requirements:**

- A recently earned PhD in Chemical Engineering. At the time of the award, the candidate should have graduated with his/her doctorate degree no longer than within the previous five years.
- South African citizens and permanent residents will have priority.
- International Postdoctoral Research Fellows must have a long-term visitor's visa endorsed for academic activities affiliated with MUT (Section 11(1)(b) Visitors Visa)
- Has not held full-time permanent academic or professional employment.
- A solid knowledge of electrochemical engineering processes
- At least 3 published papers related in the last 24 months.
- Established track record of publications and/or conference contributions related to the outlined research areas.
- Experience in postgraduate student mentorship.
- Working knowledge and experience with technical software such as Matlab, Comsol and Aspen Plus.

# **Competencies:**

- Excellent oral and written communication skills.
- Excellent interpersonal and organizational skills.
- Coherent use of multiple computational approaches

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**Salary Scale**: R300 000.00 basic salary per annum – with no benefits

Interested applicants should send (a) a motivation detailing the extent to which they meet the requirements of the position; (b) an application form (downloadable from www.mut.ac.za); (c)a Curriculum Vitae including a list of research publication, conference papers, and other scholary outputs; (d) certified copies of academic qualifications plus academic records and proof of professional registration with a relevant professional body where applicable. (Please provide academic transcripts and SAQA evaluation certificate, if qualifications were obtained outside South Africa); and (e) names of three contactable referees at email: <a href="mailto:hr.engineering@mut.ac.za">hr.engineering@mut.ac.za</a> copied <a href="mailto:hr.engineering@mut.ac.za">hr.engineering@mut.ac.za</a> copied <a href="mailto:hr.engineering@mut.ac.za">hr.engineering@mut.ac.za</a>

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