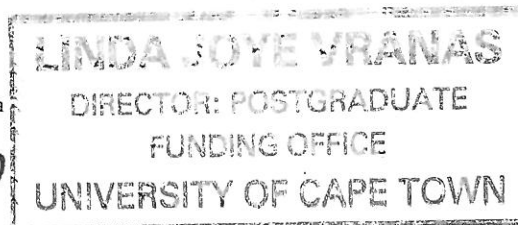


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ESRC/DFID African Urban Poverty Postdoctoral Research Fellowship

The African Centre for Cities (ACC) was established in 2007 at the University of Cape Town as an urban research institute. The ACC is based in the School of Architecture, Planning and Geomatics in the Faculty of Engineering and the Built Environment, but is interdisciplinary in its scope, drawing expertise on urban issues from across the university. The mission of the ACC is to "facilitate critical urban research and policy discourses for the promotion of vibrant, democratic and sustainable urban development in the global South". In 2015 the ACC was awarded a research grant by ESRC/DFID for a three-year project entitled: **Governing Food Systems to Alleviate Poverty in Secondary Cities in Africa**. The project is based on research in three secondary cities: Kitwe (Zambia), Kisumu (Kenya) and Epworth (Zimbabwe).

Call for Applications:

The ACC invites applications for a one-year postdoctoral fellowship to assist with analysis and publication of survey results on urban food insecurity from the three case study cities. The ideal candidate will have expertise in urban studies debates as they relate to inequality and poverty in Africa as well as an understanding of the literature and debates on urban food insecurity in the global South. A record of published work in these areas will be advantageous.

The postdoctoral fellow will work under the supervision of Dr Jane Battersby and Professor Vanessa Watson.

Conditions:

- Applicants are expected to have completed a doctoral degree in an area of study relevant to the proposed research within the past five years (e.g. Geography, Urban Studies, Planning).
- Applicants may not previously have held full-time professional or academic posts.
- No benefits or travel allowances are included in the value of the fellowship.
- The successful incumbent will be required to comply with the University's approved policies, procedures and practices for the postdoctoral sector.
- Successful candidates, as part of professional development, may be required to participate in activities such as limited teaching and supervision that form part of the day-to-day academic life of the ACC. The successful candidate must be willing to execute a specific schedule of research tasks as part of the ESRC/DFID Urban food project.
- Non-South African citizens may be required to apply for a study visa, depending on country of origin.

For more information contact Dr Jane Battersby Jane.Battersby@uct.ac.za and see the project website: <https://consumingurbanpoverty.wordpress.com>

Value & Tenure:

The Fellowship is for twelve months and is non-renewable. The value of the Fellowship is R250,000. The fellowship does not include relocation costs or fringe benefits. Conference grants may be available on application.

Application Requirements:

Applications must consist of:

- a letter of application stating areas of expertise, research interests and experience
- copies of academic transcripts;
- a CV including a list of publications; and
- the names and contact details of at least two academics who have taught, supervised or worked alongside the applicant.

Eligible and complete applications will be considered by Project PI and an ACC sub-committee.

Closing Date for Applications: 15 March 2016

Contact details for submission of applications: and for enquiries:

Please submit applications to Maryam Waglay of the African Centre for Cities by e-mailing to maryam.waglay@uct.ac.za or posting/delivering to Maryam Waglay, African Centre for Cities, Room 2.11, Environmental and Geographical Science Building, University of Cape Town, Private Bag X3, Rondebosch, 7701. For any enquiries about the application and selection process please contact Maryam Waglay via email or at 021 650-5903.

The University of Cape Town reserves the right to disqualify ineligible, incomplete and/or inappropriate applications, The University of Cape Town reserves the right to change the conditions of award or to make no awards at all.