The Agricultural Research Council (ARC) is a premier science institution that conducts research with partners, develops human capital and fosters innovation in support of the agricultural sector. It provides diagnostic, laboratory, analytical, agricultural engineering services, post-harvest technology development, agrochemical evaluation, consultation and advisory services, food processing technology services as well as various surveys and training interventions. Through its wider network of research campuses and experimental farms, the ARC provides a strong scientific base and a broadly distributed technology transfer capacity to the entire agricultural industry in South Africa.

The ARC-Natural Resources and Engineering (ARC-NRE) seeks to appoint a highly experienced and dynamic person to the following position at Arcadia, Pretoria & Stellenbosch:

RESEARCH TECHNICIAN: AGROMETEOROLOGY x 4
(FOUR YEARS & SIX MONTHS: FIXED TERM CONTRACT)

Key Performance Areas:

- Maintenance and calibration of allocated weather stations.
- Adherence to standard operating procedure of the ARC weather station network.
- Extensive field work that requires a lot of travelling and willingness to work overtime.
- Programming of dataloggers.
- Knowledge of climate data capturing and report writing.
- Writing project reports (biweekly status report).
- Client (e.g. farmers and researchers) engagement.
- Preparation of yearly budgets for an allocated region.
- Accurate and diligent administration.

Requirements:

- National Diploma or BSc qualification in Agrometeorology/Meteorology/Atmospheric Science.
- 3 years' applicable experience.
- Acumen for technical skills (mechanical and electrical).
- Computer literacy and proficiency in MS Office Suite.
- Proficiency in any programming language would be an added advantage.

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RESEARCH ASSISTANT: AGROMETEOROLOGY x 1
(FOUR YEARS & SIX MONTHS: FIXED TERM CONTRACT)

Key Performance Areas:

- Assist Research Technicians in the maintenance of weather stations.
- Assist in the programming of dataloggers.
- Extensive field work that requires a lot of travelling and willingness to work overtime.
- Client (e.g. farmers and researchers) engagement.
- Accurate and diligent administration.

Requirements:

- Senior Certificate / Matric with pass in mathematics.
- Minimum of 1 year's relevant climate project experience.
- Acumen for technical skills (mechanical and electrical).
- Computer literacy and proficiency in MS Office suite.
- Good analytical, report writing and organizational skills.
- Ability to take initiative.
- A valid driver's licence (code 08/EB) would be an added advantage.

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CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS: 04 JULY 2024

Competitive remuneration package will be congruent with the scope, responsibilities, and the stature of the position. The appointment will be subject to a positive security clearance and preference will be given to designated groups in terms of the ARC Employment Equity Plan. Permanent appointments are subject to six (6) months' probation period. The Agricultural Research Council is an equal opportunity employer and is committed to the principles and processes of Employment Equity Act.

Applications accompanied by covering letter, detailed CV (Including certified copies of certificates, supporting documents, copy of driver's license) must be emailed. SCWCV@arc.agric.za

NB: Non-RSA citizens with work permit must attach certified copies as well as the names and particulars of three (3) traceable referees.

SAQA evaluation report must accompany foreign qualifications. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Applicants who do not receive any response four (4) weeks after the closing date must regard their applications as unsuccessful. The company has the right not to appoint.