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The ARC-Grain Crops (ARC-GC) seeks to appoint PhD student to work on a new project funded by Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development based at Potchefstroom.

PhD STUDENT – AGRONOMY

(THREE (3) YEARS FIXED TERM CONTRACT)

Key Performance Areas:

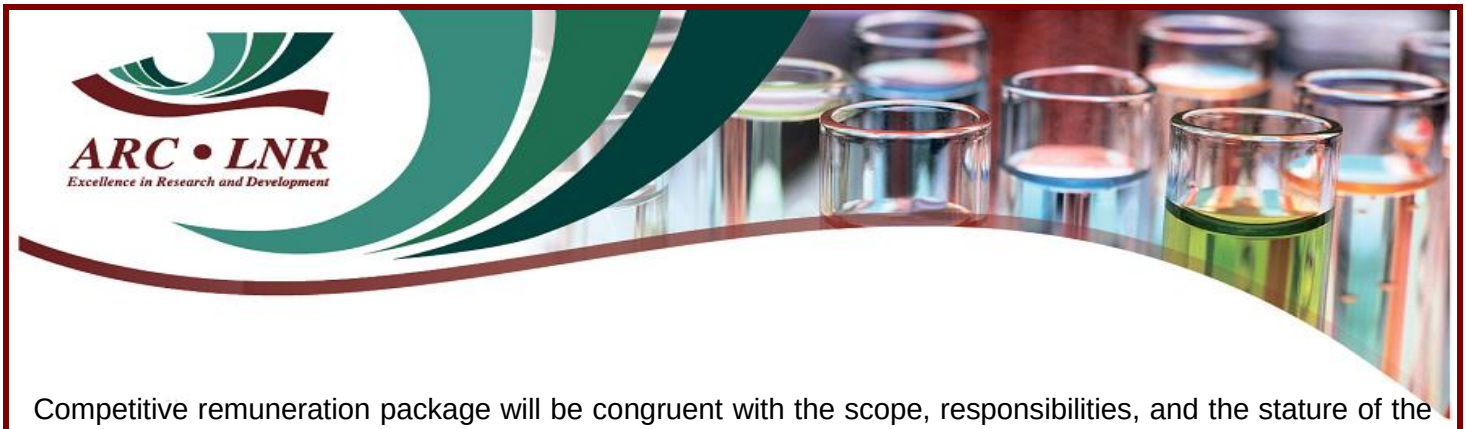
- Undertake PhD studies for three years in Agronomy, Agrometeorology, plant sciences.
- Provides research support to Agronomy research projects as the affiliated postgraduate student.
- Engages with relevant stakeholders within affiliated research projects.
- Disseminate project results through, scientific or popular publications, conferences and peer reviewed publications.
- Ensures compliance with SHE/OHS policies and procedures.

Requirements:

- MSc in Agronomy, Agrometeorology, Plant Sciences or other related fields.
- Demonstrated capacity to conduct research at postgraduate level.
- Valid driver's licence will be an added advantage.
- Knowledge of crop modelling and crop physiology will be an advantage.
- Must be a South African Citizen.
- Excellent English language (Spoken and written).

Enquiries: Dr S Maali, Tel: (018) 299 6324

CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS: 28 June 2024



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