

Faculty of Humanities

Centre for Indian Studies in Africa/Ministry of Overseas Indian Affairs, Government of India Project on Indian Capital, Labour Migration and Global Responsibility in Africa

The Centre for Indian Studies in Africa and the Mellon Chair in Indian Studies were established at the University of Witwatersrand, Johannesburg with funding from the Mellon Foundation in 2010. The Centre is interested in promoting interdisciplinary and comparative transnational work looking at the connected histories of colonialism, capital, labour, religion as well as post-colonial ideologies and formations in the Global South. We have received substantial funding from the Ministry of Overseas Indian Affairs, Government of India, for the period 2012-2015 for a project on Indian Capital, Labour Migration and Global Responsibility in Africa. The project will study issues of FDI as well as entrepreneurial capital (in collaboration with Professor Stephen Gelb, University of Johannesburg); labour migration, labour regimes and legal cultures; the changing profile of Indian communities in Africa; and the emerging themes of the environment, food security and resource race in Africa. Over the four year period we envisage studies on five countries on the African continent focusing on South Africa and taking up four other countries in the north, east and west.

The following four year contract positions are available and could be renewable depending on funding:

Associate Professor

Lecturer/Researcher

Further opportunities:

Two PhD fellowships worth R 140000 each tenable for three years with a possibility of extension by one year

Two Masters by dissertation worth R 100000 each tenable for one year

Qualifications

Associate Professor and Lecturer/Researcher

PhD in Economics, History, Sociology, Geography, Anthropology or International Relations;

Track record of research and publications, including in international journals that demonstrate a command over the themes that will be central to the research programme of the project or for appointment at Lecturer level, evidence of research ability and potential;

For the Associate Professor's post experience in administration, carrying out of research projects and guidance of research is desirable.

PhD Fellow

- A Masters degree in an appropriate Social Science discipline preferably with some experience of research or a research degree

Masters Fellow

- A first class Honours degree or equivalent in an appropriate Social Science discipline

Applicants for the **Associate Professor and Lecturer/Researcher** post should send a detailed CV with an account of how their research interests would contribute to the project (1500 words maximum); two best publications (non-returnable), as well as the names and contact details of three referees (including e-mail addresses). Applications for appointment at the above levels should be submitted to Molly Orr, Humanities Human Resources Office, University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, Private bag 3, Wits 2050 or by e-mail to Farzanah.Butler@wits.ac.za

Applicants for the **PhD and MA Fellowships** should send CVs; a covering letter stating how their research interests could contribute to the project; and three references. Complete applications can be emailed to Merle.Govind@wits.ac.za or posted to The Centre for Indian Studies in Africa c/o African Literature Department University of the Witwatersrand Private Bag 3 Wits 2050 Johannesburg South Africa. For further information contact Prof. Dilip Menon (dilip.menon@wits.ac.za)

Closing date for applications: 29 February 2012