

**A Call for Applications for the 2024 FACULTY RESEARCH PRIZE   
A PRIZE OF R10 000 is awarded every year  
Closing Date: 3 February 2025**

**Submit your application now!!**

**The annual Faculty of Health Sciences Prize for Research is a cash award to the value of R10 000 towards research purposes, and a certificate, based on research excellence in publication.   
  
Eligibility for the award**

* **Any full-time or part-time member of staff who has NOT reached the age of 40 years by the closing date. Female staff (full-time or part-time) over 40, whose career progression has been impacted due to family-related interruptions, are also eligible to apply (with motivation).**
* **Any postgraduate student under the age of 40 years registered in the Faculty of Health Sciences. The work eligible for the award must have formed part of the work for the higher degree for which the student was registered.**
* **Normally, only research carried out in South Africa will be considered eligible.**
* **An eligible applicant may submit an application in successive years, for a publication during the current review period.**
* **No person may receive the prize more than once in a three-year period.**

**Criteria for a successful application**

* **The award will be made for the research publication, normally a full paper, considered to be of high quality within the discipline and judged substantially on the Impact Factor and rank in the discipline of the journal in which the article was published, listed in the most recent available Science Citation Index rankings of journals.**
* **The applicant must be the first author or acknowledged as the principal author of the publication.**
* **The publication must be fully published in 2024 – an e-print ahead of print is not acceptable.**

**Method of application/nomination**

* **An applicant should submit electronic copies to** [**Moraba.Meela@wits.ac.za**](mailto:Moraba.Meela@wits.ac.za) **of the following:**

1. **One reprint/copy of the publication he/she wishes to be considered for the award.**
2. **A declaration by the candidate that he/she fulfils the eligibility criteria listed above. Female applicants over 40 years of age must provide a motivation. The declaration must be signed by the Head of Department; in the case of postgraduate students, also by the candidate’s supervisor.**
3. **A declaration, signed by each co-author of the article, where possible, that the publication is being submitted for the Prize with their acquiescence.**

* **Heads of Schools or Departments, or any other member of the Faculty, may submit nominations for the award, along the lines of the above.**

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