

VACANCY

The Wits Research Animal Facility is a controlled environment, staffed by veterinary and para-veterinary personnel, where biomedical research approved by the animal research ethics committee of Wits University is carried out. The unit functions according to the SANS and University welfare and ethical guidelines for research and is a facility registered with the SAVC.

Position Title: Part-time Veterinarian

We wish to appoint a part-time Attending Veterinarian, who will form an integral part of the WRAF team, in the Faculty of Health Sciences at the University of the Witwatersrand. The ideal candidate, who must be registered with the South African Veterinary Council, will be responsible for the Veterinary and Research support within the unit. The position would suit a self-motivated individual with good surgical, clinical and supervisory skills as well as a passion for research.

Key responsibilities include the following:

- Monitoring and promoting animal well-being during animal use and all stages of the animal's life.
- Responsibility to provide the highest standards of care and ethics in animal use.
- Collaborative relationships with researchers and members of the WRAF team.
- Provide surgical research support.
- Attend and contribute, through the review of protocols.
- Establish species specific health as well as disease surveillance programs.
- Training and educational responsibilities.
- Perform self-initiated research.

Requirements

- Bachelor of Veterinary Science degree or equivalent
- 2 Years of experience as a Veterinarian
- Registration with the South African Veterinary Council
- Proficiency in English
- Excellent organisational, communication and interpersonal skills
- Ability to work independently

Advantages

- Experience in working with exotic species
- Experience with BSL3 standards

This position is based in Johannesburg, Gauteng.

Closing Date: 18 September 2026

To apply, please submit:

- A covering letter addressing the below three criteria's:
 - Why do you want to work in a research environment?
 - What experience do you have that would benefit the management and work carried out at WRAF?
 - How do you perceive ethics in research?
- A detailed CV, including contact details, names, telephone numbers and email addresses of 3 referees, **including your recent / current Supervisor and or Line Manager** via i-Recruitment: <https://irec.wits.ac.za/>
- Certified copies of qualifications addresses
- South African identity document or passport and permanent residence permit (where applicable)
- Only applications via the website will be considered for shortlisting. An interview will form part of the selection process.
- NB: The University will seek confidential referee reports for all shortlisted candidates. At least one referee must be the candidate's current or most recent immediate supervisor or line manager.
- Please note: No appointment will be made without the receipt and satisfactory consideration of the required referee reports.
- By applying for this post the Applicant acknowledges that their personal information will be processed by the University. The Applicant, by their conduct in proceeding with an application for this position, gives their consent to the processing of their personal information as required by the University's Recruitment, Selection and Appointment Policy. Such processing includes logging their information on the University's recruitment systems, conducting necessary background and reference checks including disciplinary and/or criminal records, and disclosing their personal information to university employees identified to take part in the selection and recruitment process. The Applicant consents to any processing of their personal information as may be required. The confidentiality of the Applicant's personal information will be maintained.