

ANNOUNCEMENT OF SUCCESSFUL APPLICATIONS FOR THE 2025 SCARCE SKILLS POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIPS

The National Research Foundation (NRF) is pleased to announce the Scarce Skills Postdoctoral Fellowship awards for 2025. These fellowships are aimed at promoting research and research capacity development in all knowledge fields of research, with priority given to Scarce Skills areas. Fellowships are open to bona fide South African citizens and permanent residents only.

PLEASE NOTE:

- If your name does not appear on Table 1, you have not been awarded an NRF Scarce Skills Postdoctoral fellowship for 2025.
- **Successful candidates will be able to view and download their award letters in January 2025, via NRF Connect against their applications.**
- Read through the Conditions of Grant (CoG) letter and award letter documents carefully before accepting the award.
- **Guidelines on how to accept the award:** <https://www.nrf.ac.za/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/Acceptance-of-Award.pdf>
- All required documentation must be uploaded on the awardees' NRF Connect profile within **two months** of receipt of the award letter. All awards that are not taken up by this period will be cancelled by the NRF.
- The sooner the NRF obtains all the required documents, the sooner it will release the funds.
- Applicants who are currently completing their doctoral dissertation for submission were allowed to submit applications. They should however complete their doctoral degree by 31 December 2024. The NRF must receive proof of having completed the doctoral degree at the time of commencement of the Postdoctoral fellowship grant. All awards that are not taken up by 30 June 2025 (for only this category of applicants) will be cancelled by the NRF and no exemptions will be made if the completion letter or Doctoral certificate has not been issued by this time.
- The NRF feedback on the review of applications will be forwarded to all unsuccessful applicants between January and March 2025.
- The NRF reserves the right to withdraw and cancel the fellowship should the applicant fail to meet all necessary conditions and/or requirements as stated in the NRF Postdoctoral Fellowship Call for 2025 Framework document and the CoG.

Table 1. Successful applicants for the NRF Scarce Skills Postdoctoral Fellowships for 2025

#	Reference	First Name	Last Name	Institution
1	PSTD240319209843	Bafedile Dorcas	Tlhapi	Central University of Technology, Free State
2	PSTD240430216693	Priyashini	Dhaver	Council for Scientific and Industrial Research, South Africa
3	PSTD240418214745	Riona	Indhur	Durban University of Technology
4	PSTD240404212157	Sibusiso	Alven	Nelson Mandela University
5	PSTD240419215109	Aviwe	Magadla	Nelson Mandela University
6	PSTD240410213271	Allen Tauya	Gordon	Nelson Mandela University
7	PSTD240409213138	Marion	Holmes	Nelson Mandela University
8	PSTD240418214767	Lubabalo	Ndimma	Nelson Mandela University
9	PSTD240422215462	Jabulani	Mnyango	Nelson Mandela University
10	PSTD240429216450	Ettiene	Wiese	North-West University
11	PSTD240429216597	Katlego	Mphahlele	North-West University
12	PSTD240326210854	Dimakatso	Mokoena	North-West University
13	PSTD240425216029	Ncomeka	Mgxadeni	North-West University
14	PSTD240428216316	Noluthando	Aruwajoye	North-West University
15	PSTD240417214668	Rebaona R.	Molefe	North-West University
16	PSTD240419215078	Sixolile	Centane	Rhodes University
17	PSTD240419215030	Azole	Sindelo	Rhodes University
18	PSTD240502217080	Suzanne	Redelinghuys	South African Institute for Aquatic Biodiversity (SAIAB)
19	PSTD240423215489	Wendy	Mthembu	Stellenbosch University
20	PSTD240424215833	Zanelle	Viktor-van Niekerk	Stellenbosch University
21	PSTD240430216666	Nadia	Fisher-Smith	Stellenbosch University
22	PSTD240429216521	Stacey	Roman	Stellenbosch University
23	PSTD240405212366	Francisca	Daniel-Durandt	Stellenbosch University

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24	PSTD240430216652	Remofilwe	Manye	Stellenbosch University
25	PSTD240405212312	Byron	Alexander	Stellenbosch University
26	PSTD240412213845	Mamokoma Cathrine	Modiba	Tshwane University of Technology
27	PSTD240412213818	Ndivhuwo	Shivambu	Tshwane University of Technology
28	PSTD240424215802	Khathutshelo	Netshiongolwe	Tshwane University of Technology
29	PSTD240425215964	Joseph	Malele	Tshwane University of Technology
30	PSTD240412213856	Thobile	Mhlabeni	Tshwane University of Technology
31	PSTD240327211078	Keabetswe	Ncube	Tshwane University of Technology
32	PSTD240430216642	Lebogang Jane	Msiza	Tshwane University of Technology
33	PSTD240415214191	Kefilwe Vanessa	Mokwebo	University of Cape Town
34	PSTD240320210245	Siphumelele	Mkhondwane	University of Cape Town
35	PSTD240423215616	Nhlanhla	Hlongwa	University of Cape Town
36	PSTD240418214989	Janais	Delport	University of Cape Town
37	PSTD240425215968	Kedibone	Muguru	University of Cape Town
38	PSTD240415214224	Zintle	Mbese	University of Fort Hare
39	PSTD240416214460	Batande Sinovuyo	Ndzelu	University of Fort Hare
40	PSTD240430216644	Neliswa	Mpayipheli	University of Johannesburg
41	PSTD240416214540	Siyabonga	Shoba	University of Johannesburg
42	PSTD240429216496	Bongiwe	Mvala	University of Johannesburg
43	PSTD240418214922	Cresten	Moodley	University of Johannesburg
44	PSTD240422215338	Silungile	Mhlongo	University of KwaZulu-Natal
45	PSTD240409213074	Mahlatse	Mashaphu	University of KwaZulu-Natal (Pietermaritzburg Campus)
46	PSTD240412213889	Simpfiwe	Hlatshwayo	University of KwaZulu-Natal (Pietermaritzburg Campus)
47	PSTD240505217390	Lwando	Mbambalala	University of KwaZulu-Natal (Pietermaritzburg Campus)

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48	PSTD240505217392	Ntombiphumile Perceverence	Tenza	University of KwaZulu-Natal (Pietermaritzburg Campus)
49	PSTD240502216928	Daniel	Makanyane	University of KwaZulu-Natal (Pietermaritzburg Campus)
50	PSTD240324210677	Thobani	Cele	University of KwaZulu-Natal (Pietermaritzburg Campus)
51	PSTD240415214216	Phindile	Ndlovu	University of KwaZulu-Natal (Pietermaritzburg Campus)
52	PSTD240504217337	Amrisha	Sreekissoon	University of KwaZulu-Natal (Pietermaritzburg Campus)
53	PSTD240506217518	Lloyd	Chetty	University of KwaZulu-Natal (Westville Campus)
54	PSTD240427216239	Samantha	Ndlovu	University of KwaZulu-Natal (Westville Campus)
55	PSTD240320210229	Kathleen	Sellick	University of KwaZulu-Natal (Westville Campus)
56	PSTD240412213737	Shavani	Naicker	University of KwaZulu-Natal (Westville Campus)
57	PSTD240411213621	Madumetja Cyril	Mathapo	University of Limpopo
58	PSTD240320210079	Mogahabo	Morukuladi	University of Limpopo
59	PSTD240502217059	Bellinda	Monyela	University of Limpopo
60	PSTD240408212868	Brian	Ramogayana	University of Limpopo
61	PSTD240412213881	Khathutshelo Cathrine	Hlongwane	University of Limpopo
62	PSTD240326210863	Bradley	Nemutudi	University of Limpopo
63	PSTD240329211373	Makiwa Simeon	Mthana	University of Mpumalanga
64	PSTD240404212284	Godfrey	Mhlongo	University of Mpumalanga
65	PSTD240407212678	Manchela Francinah	Ratsoma	University of Pretoria
66	PSTD240417214694	Tintswalo	Molelekoa	University of Pretoria
67	PSTD240410213345	Tanweer	Goolam Mahomed	University of Pretoria

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68	PSTD240422215336	Fanele Cabangile	Mnguni	University of Pretoria
69	PSTD240422215389	Murunwa	Madzinga	University of Pretoria
70	PSTD240325210778	Kagiso	More	University of South Africa
71	PSTD240425215916	Kamogelo	Shai	University of South Africa
72	PSTD240430216736	Jamie-Leigh Robin	Abrahams	University of the Free State
73	PSTD240403211990	Tonny	Selinga	University of the Free State (Bloemfontein Campus)
74	PSTD240411213609	Koena	Moabelo	University of the Western Cape
75	PSTD240422215404	Miche	Meyer	University of the Western Cape
76	PSTD240328211311	Dhielnawaaz	Abrahams	University of the Western Cape
77	PSTD240409213156	Kaylin	Januarie	University of the Western Cape
78	PSTD240426216132	Yamkela	Mgwayyu	University of the Western Cape
79	PSTD240429216422	Zimkhitha	Nqakala	University of the Western Cape
80	PSTD240503217248	Amkelwa	Mpelane- Gantsho	University of the Western Cape
81	PSTD240503217256	Siyasanga	Sambakanya	University of the Western Cape
82	PSTD240430216687	Riccarda	MacDonald	University of the Western Cape
83	PSTD240430216777	Bonke	Phathekile	University of the Western Cape
84	PSTD240422215301	Adam	Shnier	University of the Witwatersrand
85	PSTD240423215494	Jacob	Bekker	University of the Witwatersrand
86	PSTD240419215035	Siwaphiwe	Peteni	University of the Witwatersrand
87	PSTD240423215508	Thandokuhle	Ntombela	University of the Witwatersrand
88	PSTD240404212156	Ntombizanele	Ngqinayo	University of the Witwatersrand
89	PSTD240504217295	Jasmin	Patel	University of the Witwatersrand
90	PSTD240503217253	Silindile Cynthia	Ntombela	University of the Witwatersrand
91	PSTD240503217158	Khanani	Machumele	University of the Witwatersrand
92	PSTD240502216926	Mulalo	Muluvhahothe	University of Venda

#	Reference	First Name	Last Name	Institution
93	PSTD240423215524	Unarine	Rambau	University of Venda

We congratulate all 2025 awardees