

LECTURER/SENIOR LECTURER Joint UCT/SAAO post

Department of Astronomy Faculty of Science



The Department of Astronomy at the University of Cape Town (UCT) and the South African Astronomical Observatory (SAAO) have an opening for a joint position in observational astronomy at Lecturer or Senior Lecturer level. Applications are sought from scientists whose research interests lie in stellar astrophysics or extragalactic astronomy, and who could make intensive use of the telescopes at SAAO, including SALT and MeerLICHT.

The successful candidate will be expected to develop her/his own research program linked to the unique capabilities of SALT and the SAAO telescopes. Candidates will have access to the South African share on SALT and full access to MeerLICHT. Responsibilities include the teaching of courses at undergraduate and/or postgraduate levels, and the supervision of postgraduate students.

Preference will be given to applicants whose research interests complement the stellar astrophysics or extragalactic astronomy groups at UCT and SAAO.

Requirements of appointment at lecturer level:

Candidates are expected to hold a PhD at the time of appointment in astronomy or a related discipline, and have a track record of research in observational astronomy. A good publication record in refereed journals is highly desirable.

Requirements of appointment at senior lecturer level:

Candidates are expected to hold a PhD in astronomy or a related discipline, and have a track record of research in observational astronomy. A good publication record in refereed journal is required. The candidate has successfully supervised postgraduate students at MSc and/or PhD level and has teaching experience.

The annual remuneration packages for 2019, including benefits, are as follows:

Lecturer: R683 358 Senior Lecturer: R834 707

For further information regarding this position, kindly contact Professor Patrick Woudt at Patrick.Woudt@uct.ac.za

To apply, please e-mail the below documents in a single pdf file to Ms Tracy Moore at recruitment04@uct.ac.za

- UCT Application Form (download at http://forms.uct.ac.za/hr201.doc)
- Motivational letter
- Curriculum Vitae (CV)
- A separate statement of research and teaching vision

Please ensure the title and reference number are indicated in the subject line.

An application which does not comply with the above requirements will be regarded as incomplete.

Telephone: 021 650 5405 Website: http://www.ast.uct.ac.za

Reference number: E19177 **Closing date:** 15 April 2019

UCT is committed to the pursuit of excellence, diversity and redress in achieving its equity targets. Our Employment Equity Policy is available at http://www.uct.ac.za/downloads/uct.ac.za/about/policies/eepolicy.pdf. For this post we seek particularly to attract black South African candidates.

UCT reserves the right not to make an appointment