

The Agricultural Research Council (ARC) is a premier science institution that conducts research with partners, develops human capital and foster innovation in support of the agricultural sector. It provides diagnostic, laboratory, analytical, agricultural engineering services, post-harvest technology development, agrochemical evaluation, consultation and advisory services, food processing technology services as well as various surveys and training interventions. Through its wider network of research campuses and experimental farms, the ARC provides a strong scientific base and a broadly distributed technology transfer capacity to the entire agricultural industry in South Africa.

The ARC-Plant Health and Protection (ARC-PHP) seeks to appoint highly, experienced and dynamic persons to the following positions in Roodeplaat and Stellenbosch.

RESEARCH TECHNICIAN (PLANT BACTERIOLOGY), ROODEPLAAT

Key Performance Areas:

- Project management — Contributes to, and maintains the live culture collection, diagnostic services and research projects within the Bacteriology Unit;
- Research support— Perform laboratory tasks pertaining to the diagnostic services, research projects including DNA extraction & PCR; glasshouse experiments and field trials; screening of strains for product development; ISO accreditation activities as well as maintenance and expansion of collections;
- Technology transfer— Perform and assist with client requests and laboratory procedures involving plant bacterial diseases diagnosis; administration w.r.t. client requests; contribute to Bacteriology Unit's technology transfer events;
- Human capacity development— Assisting with informal training of students and other staff members.

Requirements:

- BSc Hons/BTech in bacteriology, plant microbiology or related natural science field;
- Postgraduate work experience in plant bacteriology and applied plant pathology;

- Proven record of scientific status in this field of expertise, conference attendance and presentations, co-authorship of scientific publications, membership of societies, experience in glasshouse in field trials as well as diagnostic services and tools will be an added advantage;
- Code B or EB drivers' license.

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ARTISAN ASSISTANT, STELLENBOSCH

Key Performance Areas:

- Undertake general repairs to buildings and other farm structures, including amongst others painting, repairing roofs and gutters, repairing leaking pipes and taps, replacing glass windows, welding and other such tasks as necessary;
- Clearing and watering of flower beds;
- Cutting of grass on the campus;
- Removing rubbish and routine maintenance tasks;
- Responsible for general maintenance of hygiene;
- Compliance with general health and safety regulations (demonstrate visible use of safety equipment);
- Ability to work under pressure and handling of heavy workload at times;
- Must be willing to work overtime when necessary.

Requirements:

- Basic literacy and numeracy skills;
- Prior experience will be an added advantage;
- Great learning capability;
- Ability to work in a team;
- Shows good understanding of what the job requires (Take accountability and responsibility);
- Has competence, confidence and trustworthy;
- Code B or EB drivers' license.

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THE CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS IS 17 MARCH 2020

A competitive remuneration package will be congruent with the scope, responsibilities and the stature of the position. The appointment will be subject to a six (6) month probation period and a positive security clearance.

Applications accompanied by covering letter, detailed CV (Including certificates, supporting documents, copy of driver's license and nationality. NB: Non-RSA Citizens/work permit holders must attach certified copies) as well as the names and particulars of three (3) traceable referees must be made online at ppricv@arc.agric.za

SAQA evaluation report must accompany foreign qualifications. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Applicants who do not receive any response four (4) weeks after the closing date must regard their applications as unsuccessful. The Agricultural Research Council is an equal opportunity employer and is committed to the principles and processes of Employment Equity. The company has the right not to appoint.

