URC Call for Applications

VERA DAVIE STUDY AND RESEARCH BURSARY

Application Deadline: 31 August 2025

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The late Mrs Vera Davie made a bequest to the University in September 1981. In her will Mrs Davie suggested "... that a sum ... be used ... to supplement the income of a member of the staff of the University of Cape Town, who, proceeding overseas for study and research, with a view to publication or to better university teaching, might be hampered in such work by his inadequate financial resources".

Acting upon a recommendation of the General Purposes Committee (PC 412 date 21/09/81), the University Council determined that this award be known as the Vera Davie Study and Research Bursary.

Eligibility:

- Members of UCT staff on academic conditions of service, who will be proceeding abroad on study and research leave for a continuous period of three months or more, can apply.
- Applicants should be at the **early career or less established** stage of their careers.
- The applicant (at the early career stage) should have obtained their doctoral degree within a **10-year period** at the time of application.

Note: Researchers applying for contact leave (research leave) shorter than 3 months are not eligible.

Value:

A maximum value of R 100 000

Conditions of Award:

- 1. The recipient should return to his/ her post at the University for a period of at least 12 months from the completion of the leave for which the award is made.
- 2. Should the award not be used in accordance with the conditions stipulated and for the purpose approved by the Committee when awarding it, a portion of the whole of it, as determined by the Committee, would have to be repaid.

Application Process:

Applications should include the following:

- 1. Details of the intended programme of study and research.
- 2. The number of times an applicant has been on study and research leave, and brief details thereof.
- 3. A full motivation explaining the need for supplementary funding and providing the following information:
 - travel costs;
 - subsistence costs:
 - direct subventions applied for and received; and
 - any other information or variables for the Committee's attention.
- 4. A full curriculum vitae including a list of publications.

Submissions must be e-mailed to researchfunding@uct.ac.za on or before the deadline (31 August 2025).

Please note: If you have not received confirmation that your application has been received by the Research Office within three working days of the closing date, please contact the Research Office at researchfunding@uct.ac.za.