



**SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH  
FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCES, UNIVERSITY OF THE WITWATERSRAND**

**LECTURER IN BIOSTATISTICS (Permanent)**

The Wits School of Public Health (Wits SPH) is one of the largest Schools of Public Health in South Africa, with an international reputation for its teaching programmes, conducting high quality and relevant research, community outreach, and policy engagement activities. The School provides biostatistical teaching and support in the form of consultations and short courses to the Faculty of Health Sciences staff and post-graduate students. The School is host to three South African Population Research Infrastructure Network (SAPRIN) nodes – custodians of high-quality research data.

The School wishes to recruit a Lecturer in Biostatistics to contribute to teaching in its postgraduate programmes and short courses, student supervision, and research within the School, the Faculty, and its affiliate research units.

**Qualifications**

At least a Master's degree in biostatistics or statistics (or epidemiology with a strong emphasis on biostatistics)

A PhD focusing on biostatistics will be an added advantage.

**Requirements**

Evidence of biostatistics teaching experience at postgraduate level.

Publication of at least two research paper in an internationally accredited peer-reviewed journal.

Excellent communication and interpersonal skills.

Ability to work independently and as part of a dynamic multi-disciplinary team.

Interest in and commitment to building research capacity.

Postgraduate student supervision will be an added advantage.

**Responsibilities**

Teach biostatistics in the postgraduate (MSc, MPH, MMed, PhD) and short-course programmes within the Wits SPH and Faculty of Health Sciences.

Provide statistical consultations to academic staff and postgraduate students in the Faculty of Health Sciences.

Co-ordinate biostatistics modules within the MSc programme.

Contribute to research supervision of postgraduate students within Wits SPH.  
Actively develop and support research programmes within the School and affiliate SAPRIN nodes such as Wits / SAMRC Agincourt Research Unit.  
Assist with the Biostatistics teaching in the BHSc programme.

### **Remuneration**

The remuneration package offered will depend on qualifications and experience and is subject to the University of the Witwatersrand criteria.

Please note that all shortlisted applicants will be required to give a short presentation during the interview. The topic will be shared with the invited candidates.

### **To apply:**

Closing date: 14 March 2026

Please submit your application using the following I-Recruitment link:

[www.wits.ac.za/vacancies](http://www.wits.ac.za/vacancies) or for internal applicants <https://irec.wits.ac.za>

Completion of the test questions on the iRec online application are compulsory.

### **Documents to be submitted with your application:**

- A cover letter motivating your suitability for the post
- Detailed and up to date CV
- Names, telephone numbers and e-mail addresses of three recent referees,
- ID (or passport and permit)
- Copies of qualification certificates
- Shortlisted applicants might be requested to submit transcripts

### **Please note:**

***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. 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.*

*The University is committed to employment equity. Preference will be given to appointable applicants from the designated South African groups in terms of the relevant employment equity plans and policies of the University. The University retains the right not to make an appointment, to re-advertise, and to verify all information provided by candidates. Please note that correspondence will only be entered into with shortlisted candidates.*