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QUOTE OF THE MONTH

'Research is formalized curiosity. It is poking and prying with a purpose'

—Zora Neale Hurston

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RESEARCH CAPACITY WORKSHOP



The Babcock University Center for Open, Distance and E-Learning (BUCoDeL) in collaboration with the Office of Research, Innovation and International Cooperation (RIIC) and College of Postgraduate Studies (CPGS), organized a workshop on Sourcing and Winning International Grants and Fellowships on the 22nd of September, 2021. The Workshop which was both physical and virtual had over 150 participants comprising Faculty and post-graduate students. The facilitator, Dr Akanimo Odion provided practical ways to sourcing and winning international grants and fellowship. The key individual factor he highlighted was 'intentionality'. "A researcher must be intentional about sourcing and winning international grants and fellowships". In audience at the 3-hours workshop were the President/Vice Chancellor, Prof Ademola S. Tayo, SVP Academic, Prof Philemon Amanze, Provost CPGS, Prof Ayandiji Aina, Director RIIC, Prof Oluwatoyin Tayo, Director BUCoDeL, Prof 'Bola Sotunsa, Faculty, Staff members and Postgraduate Students across the various Schools.



THE OFFICE OF RESEARCH, INNOVATION AND INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION (RIIC)

Through

The Babcock University Research Council (BURC)

Invites you to:

A 3- Day Workshop on Research Communication and Writing

Date: November 2nd - 4th, 2021. Time: 1-3pm daily.

Venue: Zoom (Link will be provided to participants who registered)

Facilitators

Dr Olumide Odeyemi Australia

Dr Emmanuel Mogaji *United Kingdom*

Dr Yinka Somorin United Kingdom

Dr Yetunde Adewunmi
United States of America

Prof David Sarpong
United Kingdom

Dr Bright Nwaru Sweden

Prof Toyin Falola United States of America

Dr Oluwatosin Somorin *United Kingdom* Prof Tinashe Nyamunda South Africa

> Prof Kola Odeku South Africa

Prof Goga Nicu The Netherlands

Prof Chibuike Udenigwe
Canada

Register via https://forms.gle/BrU5vJCia9dmGXJQ8

Registration closes on Wednesday, 27th October, 2021.

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In an effort to develop the research capacity of Faculty, Staff and Students at Babcock University, the Office of Research, Innovation and International Cooperation (RIIC) through the Babcock University Research Council (BURC) is organizing a Research Communication and Writing workshop.

All Faculty, Staff and PhD students are encouraged to apply and participate in the well-planned 3-day workshop. Check the above flyer for details. Register via; https://forms.gle/BrU5vJCia9dmGXJO8.

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

1. Next Generation Social Sciences in Africa Fellowships

The Next Generation Social Sciences in Africa program, launched in 2011, responds to an emerging dilemma within higher education in the global South caused by the extraordinary emphasis on increasing undergraduate enrollment without proportionate investment in faculty development, limiting the ability of Universities to produce the next generation of researchers, faculty, technocrats, and leaders. The program currently operates to strengthen tertiary education in Africa by offering a sequence of fellowship opportunities for promising PhD students to undertake research and make steady progress toward completion of the doctoral degree and one post-doctoral fellowship:

• **Doctoral Dissertation Proposal Fellowship**: Supports short-term research costs of up to US\$3,000 to develop a doctoral dissertation proposal.

Doctoral Dissertation Research Fellowship: Supports 6–12 months of doctoral dissertation research costs of up to US\$15,000.

Doctoral Dissertation Completion Fellowship: Supports a one-year leave from teaching and administrative responsibilities through a stipend of up to US\$10,000 to permit the completion of a doctoral dissertation

Deadline: February 1, 2021

Check for details: https://www.ssrc.org/programs/next-generation-social-sciences-in-africa/

2. Schlumberger Foundation Call for 2022-2023 Fellowships

The Faculty for the Future program, launched in 2004, awards fellowships to women from developing and emerging economies to pursue PhD or Post-doctoral research in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) fields at leading Universities worldwide. The Schlumberger Foundation is committed to gender parity in science and recognizes that full access to and participation in a STEM curriculum is essential for the empowerment of women and girls. Since its launch in 2004, 770 women from 84 countries have received Faculty for the Future fellowships to pursue PhD and Post-doctoral research in STEM in leading universities and research institutes outside of their home country. Faculty for the Future grants are based on actual costs for eligible expenses up to a maximum of USD 50,000 per year for a PhD and maximum of USD 40,000 per year for a Post-doc and may be renewed through to completion of studies. Renewal grants are subject to performance, recommendations from supervisors and strong evidence of re-integration plans in the home country.

Candidates should have applied to, have been admitted to, or be currently enrolled in a University abroad when submitting their grant application. Candidates must hold an excellent academic record, demonstrate leadership skills, community outreach activities and have a track record in encouraging girls and women into STEM fields. Candidates should also prove their commitment to return to their home countries upon completion of their studies to contribute to the economic, social and technological advancement of their home regions by strengthening the STEM teaching and research faculties of their home institutions as well as through their leadership in science-based entrepreneurship. If you meet all the eligibility criteria, kindly apply via https://www.fftf.slb.com/

Deadline: November, 5th 2021.

3. HONG KONG PHD FELLOWSHIP SCHEME



4. Four-year PhD Studentships in Science

You can apply for a studentship on one of Wellcome's four-year programmes if you're a graduate or student who has, or expects to obtain, a degree (or equivalent for EU and overseas candidates) in a relevant subject.

Candidates with other relevant qualifications or research experience may also be eligible.

Deadline: Individual PhD programmes recruit students annually and have different due date. Check to apply https://wellcome.org/grant-funding/schemes/four-year-phd-programmes-studentships-basic-scientists

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