



# **OSUN STATE UNIVERSITY, OSOGBO**

## **POSTGRADUATE COLLEGE**

### **TEACHING AND RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIP AWARD COMPETITION**

#### **BACKGROUND**

The Postgraduate College, Osun State University is pleased to announce its **2021/2022 Teaching and Research Assistantship Award Competition** and to invite interested doctoral Scholars based in the Osun State University to submit applications for consideration for an award.

#### **Objectives**

The Postgraduate College **Teaching and Research Assistantship Award** is designed to promote and reinforce a culture of academic excellence among doctoral Scholars in the Osun State University. It is particularly targeted at scholars who are carrying out advanced research in any academic discipline within the Osun State University. Through the scheme, support is offered to scholars already pursuing doctoral degree programme to acquire basic skills in teaching and research, the expectation being that this will contribute immensely to pedagogical and research skills of the awardees.

The award carries a sum **Seventy Five Thousand Naira (N75, 000.00)** monthly stipend subject to review by the Postgraduate College from time to time. Each recipient, to be designated as the **“Postgraduate College Teaching and Research Assistant”**, will be required to give formal service to his/her Department/Institute as Teaching Assistants or Demonstrators. The Postgraduate College may also require the services of the awardees on special occasions. The Assistantship will be awarded to cover a period of one academic session, in the first instance, renewable for maximum of three academic sessions, subject to positive evaluation of about 2,500 words long project summary, and a progress report from the supervisor, endorsed by the Head of Department, at the end of each academic session.

## Eligibility

To be eligible, candidates are expected to be holders of Bachelor`s honors degree (**with minimum of Second Class Lower division or equivalent**) and Master`s degree from Universities recognized by the Senate of Osun State University, (**with minimum of 3.5 cumulative grade point or minimum of 60% average mark**) in the cognate academic discipline. **Candidates who have accumulated some teaching/research experience may be given special consideration for the award.** All applicants are required to be registered full-time doctoral students of the Osun State University in the 2021/2022 session.

Kindly note that there is only one vacancy for each Department. Hence, applications of candidates from Departments currently having Teaching Assistants would not be considered.

For the purpose of clarification and in order to avoid ambiguity, the affected Departments are as follows:

Department of Microbiology

Department of Civil Engineering

Department of Physics

Department of Biochemistry

Department of Political Science

Department of Business Administration

## Requirements for Application

Candidates wishing to be considered for the award of a Teaching/Research Assistantship are required to submit the following documents:

- (a) **An Application Form** obtainable from the Office the Secretary, Postgraduate College , duly completed by the applicant and endorsed by the Head of Department and Dean of Faculty.
- (b) A detailed Curriculum Vitae (5 copies)
- (c) Copies of certificates obtained by candidates.
- (d) Evidence of Registration for the 2021/2022 Session must be provided
- (e) Research Proposal/Project Summary of between 5 and 10 pages which should provide a clear statement of the objective of the work to be carried out or that is already being undertaken, its justification, the significance of the study vis-à-vis the existing literature,

the methodology, and the expected output. Candidates are strongly encouraged to indicate the original contributions which they hope their study will make to knowledge.

The Proposal should be typed with 1.5 line spacing using Times New Roman with font size 12. Size of the paper in typescript should be A4 with margin 3.7cm to be left on the left hand side and 1.8cm for the other margins except the top of the first page of the proposal, which should be 5.0 above the headings. Only one side of a paper should be used. Applicants are to submit three (3) copies of their research proposal.

- (f) **Candidate's Commitment Letter:** A one-page letter from the applicant affirming his/her readiness to submit a report of between 5,000 and 10,000 words as the outcome of the research carried out with the Teaching/Research Assistantship. Being a full time schedule, a candidate cannot engage in any other employment.

**Selection Process:** All applications received will be reviewed by a Selection Committee. Only short-listed candidates will be invited for a selection interview.

#### **NOTE**

Applicants are to pay application fee of a sum of ten thousand naira to the bank account indicated below:

Name of Bank: Wema Bank

Account Name: Osun State University Postgraduate Account

Account Number: 0121794660

Applicants are to change the teller obtained on payment of ten thousand naira to receipt in the Postgraduate College, and submit the Application Form alongside all required documents (Curriculum Vitae, Credentials, Evidence of Registration), and the receipt obtained on payment of ten thousand naira (#10,000), to the Office of the Secretary, Postgraduate College.

**Deadline for the Receipt of Applications:** All applications should be submitted to the Office of the Secretary, PG College **within four weeks** from the date of this announcement.



**Secretary,  
Postgraduate College.  
9<sup>th</sup> May, 2022**