



PRINCIPAL RESEARCH OFFICER: ECONOMICS OF TOBACCO CONTROL PROJECT

(Permanent; soft-funded position)

Southern Africa Labour and Development Research Unit

School of Economics

Faculty of Commerce

The Economics of Tobacco Control Project, housed in the Southern Africa Labour and Development Research Unit (SALDRU) at the University of Cape Town, is the premier research group in the economics of tobacco control in Africa. It is also a Knowledge Hub for the Convention Secretariat of the World Health Organisation's Framework Convention on Tobacco Control. The Project is in an exciting stage of expansion and aims to become an independent research unit in the School of Economics in 2019. The Project would like to appoint a Principal Research Officer (the research equivalent of Professor) on a permanent, soft-funded basis, starting 1 February 2019 or as soon as possible thereafter.

Requirements:

- A PhD in Economics;
- A current international reputation in the economics of tobacco control;
- A strong track record of research in the economics of tobacco control, published in good international journals;
- Proven ability to support junior researchers;
- Proven ability to attract funding and manage that funding;
- Willingness to travel;
- May not have been employed or received any funding from the tobacco industry in the past.

Responsibilities:

The successful candidate will be part of a team of economists who focus their research on the economics of tobacco control. Our goal is to support public health through objective and rigorous research. The responsibilities of the successful candidate include:

- Conduct and manage high-impact academic and policy research on the economics of tobacco control;
- Manage and support junior colleagues in the Project;
- Build relationships with stakeholders in tobacco control globally;
- Raise funding for the Project with the support from colleagues and report to funders.

The annual cost of employment for 2019, including benefits, is R1 237 822.

To apply, please e-mail the below documents in a **single pdf file** to Ms Abigail Dixon at recruitment03@uct.ac.za:

- UCT Application Form (download at <http://forms.uct.ac.za/hr201.doc>)
- A motivation letter
- A detailed curriculum vitae;

Please ensure the title and reference number are indicated in the subject line.

An application which does not comply with the above requirements will be regarded as incomplete.

For further information about the position contact Prof Corné van Walbeek at cornelis.vanwalbeek@uct.ac.za

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Reference number: E19102 **Closing date:** 24 January 2019

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