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### Call for Application: PhD grants in Anthropology, University of Cape Town

The programme in the **Anthropology of the First Thousand Days of Life** at the University of Cape Town is offering **two Mellon-funded PhD grants for black South Africans** for research on one of the following broad topics: Making Kin; Technologies and Meanings; Becoming a Parent; Understanding 'Failure to Thrive'. These topics are part of a vibrant research programme, fuller details of which are available at [www.thousanddays.uct.ac.za](http://www.thousanddays.uct.ac.za)

The PhD Scholarships are valued at R130 000 per annum, renewable for a total of three years (2019-2021) on the basis of satisfactory academic progress and availability of funds.

The successful candidate is a black South African who holds an excellent Master's degree in Anthropology or cognate discipline, with experience in conducting ethnographic research. They will be required to register for full-time study in Anthropology or cognate discipline at UCT and comply with the University's approved policies, procedures and practises for the postgraduate sector. As members of a lively and engaged research community, they will be expected to play an active role in mentoring younger scholars and developing critical insights into the ways that contemporary knowledges 'make life'.

Successful candidates will be permitted to take up part-time employment (maximum 15 hours per week) but they may not hold scholarships and salaried/full-time employment concurrently. No service will be required in return for the award.

To apply, please send a letter of application describing your anticipated PhD project and how it fits with the themes above; a CV; your academic transcripts; and two letters of reference from academics who have taught, supervised or worked alongside you. **Applications are due 30 November 2018.** Eligible and complete applications will be considered by a Departmental committee. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Please send your informal queries or completed application to Professor Fiona Ross ([Fiona.Ross@uct.ac.za](mailto:Fiona.Ross@uct.ac.za)).

Please note that The University of Cape Town reserves the right to disqualify ineligible, incomplete and/or inappropriate applications and The University of Cape Town reserves the right to change the conditions of award or to make no awards at all.