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HISTORY Workshop

‘Soweto History and Biography’

2023 Call for MA Scholarships

The History Workshop at the University of the Witwatersrand is seeking to appoint **two** MA fellows to conduct research on political biography and liberation history and on the history of Soweto. Despite its prominence, Soweto’s history has not been chronicled in depth. The existing scholarship of the township has been limited to a few salient themes. Focus areas may be:

- Political biographies and struggle history- any personality or groups in Soweto’s arts, education, civic and political histories
- History of Soweto: any component township, sporting and cultural activities, civic and political organisations

The scholarships will provide funding for two students wishing to undertake research in this field in 2023. The successful candidates will receive a scholarship of R105 000 and have access to a research budget. They will be registered in a relevant social science department at Wits University and be supported intellectually by the History Workshop.

The value of the MA fellowships is **R105000** each

To Apply please submit the following:

- a detailed CV showing your degrees and component courses of study
- an academic transcript
- an example of any recent written and/or published work
- names and contact details of two academic referees
- a motivation letter indicating the proposed area of research

Please note students must be registered at Wits and apply separately to the academic department that they wish to study in.

Applications should be emailed to Antonette Gouws on: antonette.gouws@wits.ac.za

Closing date: 9 January 2023