FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCES
PROPOSALS FOR INTERDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH INSTITUTES

To be submitted to research.health@uct.ac.za by 09:00 on Tuesday 7 July 2015

• Please read the attached UCT Call for Interdisciplinary Research Institutes.
• The proposal should not exceed 10 pages; minimum font size: Arial 10 pt.
• Proposals from the Faculty of Health Sciences will be reviewed by a Dean’s committee, which will prioritise them for submission to the central decision making body.

Please address the following topics in the proposal document - these will serve as criteria for the Faculty’s prioritisation of proposals:

Strategic positioning

1. Interdisciplinarity and collaboration within the Faculty and across faculties at UCT;
2. Uncontested geographical or situational advantage, drawing on areas in which UCT is internationally competitive, taking into account South African and African priorities;
3. Significant critical mass;
4. Production of outcomes that go beyond that which is achievable within present structures;
5. Strategic collaboration and astute partnerships, including with historically disadvantaged South African institutions;
6. Alignment with UCT’s mission and objectives.

Leadership and capacity development

7. Director with considerable recognition in their field;
8. A transformative leadership structure that would encourage succession planning and career pathing especially for black South African academics.
9. Funding used in part for the appointment and support of black South African researchers.

Postgraduate education

10. Opportunities for postgraduate studies that significantly enhance student experience and prospects through team-based integration & networking;
11. Contribution to transforming the postgraduate cohort;
12. Track record of postgraduate training with evidence of attracting and graduating black South African students;

Funding & sustainability

13. Opportunities for leveraging additional funding;
14. Track record of securing funding;
15. Business plan.