



SEFAKO MAKGATHO HEALTH SCIENCES UNIVERSITY
SCHOOL OF HEALTH CARE SCIENCES
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN NUTRITION AND DIETETICS

Sefako Makgatho Health Sciences University (SMU) is on a renewal path with exciting and unique opportunities to shape the training of medical and other health professionals, and scientists in general. We are on a vigorous campaign to attract top talent to join our exciting journey, as reflected in the opportunity below.

LABORATORY ASSISTANT (1POST)

Ref: 29/2026/RM/P14

The University is looking for a vibrant individual who will be required to assist the Human Nutrition and Dietetics department with general administration and management of the department and food science and food service management laboratories in line with the standard operation procedures of the department. The incumbent will report to the Head of Department: Human Nutrition and Dietetics and will furthermore meet the requirements and competencies as indicated and be responsible for the key performance areas listed below.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

- Matric/Grade 12 certificate
- Six (6) months working experience in a practical/skills human nutrition laboratory environment
- Computer literacy, with a sound knowledge of MS Word, MS Excel, and MS Teams
- Sound knowledge of adhering to standard operation procedures

COMPETENCIES

- Technical/professional knowledge and skill
- Quality commitment
- Planning & organizing
- Building interpersonal relationships
- Communication (written and verbal)
- Adaptability
- Contributing to team success
- Client/student service

- Continuous learning
- Managing work
- Safety awareness

KEY PERFORMANCE AREAS

- Preparation of skills physiotherapy gymnasium for practical lectures and assessments
- Maintain all skills physiotherapy gymnasium venues, equipment, and assets
- Scheduling of equipment maintenance and stock control
- Monitoring of storage areas
- Cleaning skills physiotherapy gymnasium when required
- Undertake basic administrative tasks
- General skills physiotherapy gymnasium upkeep
- Help with stocktaking
- Willingness to learn new techniques
- Contribute to overall objectives of SMU and actively improve institutional culture
- Any other duties as assigned by the HOD

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Closing date: 1 July 2026

Applications from the employment agencies will not be considered.

Typed applications (quoting the reference number) which should contain comprehensive curriculum vitae, certified copies of all qualifications and contact details of three referees, should be forwarded, for the attention of **Mr. TR Moletsane**, by e-mail at hr.recruitment8@smu.ac.za by 16:00 on the closing date as stated on the advert.

It is the applicant's responsibility to have foreign qualifications evaluated by the South African Qualification Authority (SAQA). Failure to submit the requested documents/information will result in your application not being considered.

Telephonic enquiries regarding conditions of service: (012) 521-4433.

The Sefako Makgatho Health Sciences University is an Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action Employer.

Correspondence will be limited to short-listed candidates only. Applicants who have not been contacted within 30 days of the closing date must consider their applications as unsuccessful.

The University reserves the right not to make an appointment