



March 2017 RFA

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## International Master in Vaccinology (IMVACC)

### Request for Application (RFA)

The South African Medical Research Council (SAMRC) has an opportunity to partner with the Government of Switzerland via the Swiss Vaccine Research Institute and the University of Lausanne in a capacity development program in the research field of Vaccine Development.

The University of Lausanne (UNIL) is offering an International Master in Vaccinology (IMVACC) developed by the Swiss Vaccine Research Institute (SVRI) and the Health Sciences e-Training Foundation (HSeT) in collaboration with the Lausanne University Hospital (CHUV).

This is an e-learning facilitated program with the University of Lausanne funded jointly with the SAMRC. More information about this Master program can be found at <http://imvacc.bio-med.ch/cms/>

The SAMRC is inviting submissions of CVs, accompanied by certified copies of academic qualifications and South African ID as well as a letter (not more than 1 page) of motivation for SAMRC to consider for scholarship award.

Qualifying individuals must be South African citizens, **preferably from designated priority race /gender groups or institutions**. The individuals with MBBCH/MBChB background must hold at least MMed degree or any specialty discipline (e.g. FCP) recognized by the CMSA, while non-clinical candidates should have at least MSc degree in Medical/Health or related discipline. **Four (4) scholarships are available for September 2017 intake.**

Kindly complete the application form below and submit the completed application form along with required attachments to reach the SAMRC on or before **13 April 2017 by 4pm.**

Submissions must be forwarded to: [thobile.mabuya@mrc.ac.za](mailto:thobile.mabuya@mrc.ac.za)

For queries kindly write an email to:

Dr. Thabi Maitin at [Thabi.maitin@mrc.ac.za](mailto:Thabi.maitin@mrc.ac.za)

**International Master in Vaccinology (IMVACC) application form**

**Personal details:**

Title (Ms, Mr, Dr)					First Name:	
Surname:					Gender:	
Population group::	Black	Coloured	Indian	Asian	White	Date of Birth:
Postal Address:					Physical address:	
South African Identity number as shown on ID Document					Confirm here with a tick (✓) that you have <b>attached the ID document.</b>	
Work telephone no: <i>(where Applicable)</i>					Mobile no:	
University e-mail address:					Personal e-mail address:	

**Academic Information:**

What is your highest qualification? (attach certified proof)	
What is your current occupation?	
How many years of experience do you have in your profession?	

Selection Criteria	Executed [Mark with a tick (✓)]
<b>1. Suitability of the candidate:</b> <b>1-page only:</b> motivation describing why you should be considered for the scholarship and how success in the IMVAAC program will advance your career or the discipline of vaccinology	
<b>2. An abridged curriculum vitae</b> containing a list of publications and or other meritorious achievements.	
<b>3. Research / work environment:</b> <b>≤ 1 page</b> letter from current host institution confirming support and outlining your career plan of the applicant upon completion of the IMVAAC.	
<b>4. Signed application form:</b> please sign below and submit this form with your application.	
<b>5. Certified copy of South African identity</b> document is attached	

What is your core research area as a scientist – if applicable?	
What is your core area of work or service delivery if you are not a researcher?	

Below is a table showing documents that must be submitted with the application and the selection criteria: **It is important that you check (✓) the right column to confirm completeness of application before submitting.**

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6. Confirm that all necessary information has been supplied	
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**Re – check that you have actioned all points above**

**All documents must be submitted in Microsoft Word format only**

**Conditions**

- Scholarship holders are expected to comply with requirements of the University of Lausanne and the Swiss Vaccine Research Institute.
- Once the award has been made the scholarship holder may not abandon the program without informing and getting approval by the Swiss Vaccine Research Institute and the SAMRC.
- Scholarship holders will be expected to submit progress reports as and when requested by the Division of Research Capacity Development (RCD) of the SAMRC.
- Continuation of funding will be subject to satisfactory progress being made as confirmed by the University of Lausanne and the Swiss Vaccine Research Institute.
- Successful applicants will be required to enter into an agreement with the SAMRC to complete their studies within the specified time period.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (full names), hereby submit my application for a the part time International Master in Vaccinology (IMVACC) program and am cognisant of the conditions under which this scholarship is awarded.

Signature:	Date:
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