Call for Applications: LLD/DPhil Scholarship

The Centre for Human Rights, University of Pretoria, in collaboration with the Chr. Michelsen Institute (CMI), University of Bergen calls for applications for a full-time doctoral candidate with a focus on political and legal mobilisation around sexual and reproductive rights in Africa. The candidate will be based at the Centre for Human Rights, Faculty of Law, University of Pretoria, South Africa.

About the Scholarship

The scholarship is linked to the political determinants of sexual and reproductive health: Criminalisation, health impacts and game changers. The scholarship or research project uses quantitative as well as qualitative methods to investigate the political strategies and dynamics that lead to politicisation, criminalisation or decriminalisation of abortion and same-sex intimacy. The project also investigates the health implications that follow from the strategies and dynamics. The empirical focus of the project is on ten African countries: Egypt, Ethiopia, Kenya, Malawi, Mozambique, South Africa, Sudan, Tunisia, Uganda and Zambia.

This scholarship is comprehensive, covering tuition fees, travel and living expenses and ancillary costs.

Minimum Requirements:

- The applicant must be in possession of a Master's Degree (LLM or DPhil) related to the field of sexual reproductive rights or human rights (or be currently a candidate awaiting final year results).
- Proficiency in both written and oral English.
- Able to do research and work independently.

The application should include a brief statement of the applicant's research interests and motivation for applying for the scholarship.

Deadline:
Applications should be sent to: thuto.hlalele@up.ac.za by 29 July 2016.

Short listed candidates will be invited for an interview. Applicants are advised to familiarise themselves with the project: http://www.cmi.no/research/project/?1996=political-determinants-of-sexual-and-reproductive

About the Centre for Human Rights

The Centre for Human Rights was established in 1986 and is celebrating its 30th anniversary during 2016. It is both an academic department and a non-governmental organisation. The Centre works towards human rights education in Africa, a greater awareness of human rights, the wide dissemination of publications on human rights in Africa, and the improvement of the rights of women, people living with HIV, indigenous peoples, sexual minorities and other disadvantaged or marginalised persons or groups across the continent.

For more information, visit the Centre's website: www.chr.up.ac.za